

PASSPORTS. A Federal grand jury today indicated a twenty-five-year old Chicago man on charges of delivering fifteen United States passports to Soviet agents in East Berlin in Nineteen-Sixty-Three.

The accused man was arrested a few moments later by Federal agents. He was identified as Paul Carl Meyer, a high school drop-out here who later went to South America on a prospecting mission and ended up as an English teacher in Ecuador.

Meyer was serving in the U.S. Army at the time of the alleged crime. The government refused, however, to reveal any further details of the case.

SELMA

Some five hundred more civil rights demonstrators were arrested today in the continuing racial strife at Selma, Alabama. About four hundred of them were young Negro students jailed in the climax to a ~~wild~~^{frenzied} demonstration that finally prompted local authorities to call in steel-helmeted state troopers.

The final tally raised the two-day total of arrests in Selma to nearly thirteen hundred -- largest mass jailing since the Birmingham integration campaign of Nineteen Sixty-Three.

Through it all, the man who launched the Selma drive remained behind bars. And in a message dispatched to his followers, Dr. Martin Luther King said he would remain behind bars "as long as is needed to dramatize the issues" in the Selma campaign.

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MADDOX

In an Atlanta court today, restaurant-owner Lester Maddox was depicted as a man who made a ten-thousand dollar profit selling segregationist souvenirs. This during a three-month period while he waged a legal battle to bar Negroes from his restaurant.

Hubert Cheek, an accountant for Maddox, testified that the latter conducted his souvenir business in a wooden tower near his padlocked "Pickrick Restaurant." He said Maddox called it "a shirne to the death of free enterprise."

The Maddox souvenirs included anti-Supreme Court literature and Confederate auto tags. However, the most popular novelty, according to Cheek, was an axe handle such as that once used to threaten Negroes who tried to get service at Maddox's Pickrick Restaurant. Cheek said the item was called facetiously -- the "Pickrick Drumstick."

Lowell Thomas, hitchhiking in Tanzania, says there's no telling when you'll find thumbing a ride --- Lowell

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Queens College, Kingston, Ontario. Evidently a precocious youngster, he got his B.A. when he was only twenty. And then he felt that he had at least two years to spare, so he struck out to take a look at the world, and in the past two years had roamed over parts of Europe, Asia, Australia and now Africa. Picking up jobs, everywhere, doing anything. In Australia working on a sheep station. In the city of Sydney, an auctioneer. In Southeast Asia he was picked up, suspected of being a spy, and the Reds tortured him, even pulling out his fingernails. After Kilimanjaro, he will head for home, for Niagara Falls, with a terrific background of experience.

Oh, my time is up so I'll have to tell you about the American chap from Texas in my next one.

Solong.....

Great Britain has decided to scrap a half-billion-dollar project to build a new British military air transport. Prime Minister Harold Wilson said his government is cancelling plans for the British-built short-takeoff jet and will rely, instead, on the U.S. Lockheed C 130 E. The decision, he said, will save nearly two-thirds of the projected cost of the British jet. What it will do to the jangled nerves of workers in the British aircraft industry-- and what the consequences may be remains to be seen.

And now a word from Dick Noel.

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PARLIAMENT

The so-called "Churchill Truce" ended today in the British Parliament. Former Prime Minister Sir Alec Douglas-Home signaled the resumption of open hostilities by demanding the immediate resignation of the infant Labor government.

The Conservative leader called Labor's first hundred days in office a complete fiasco. He said: "The promises have proved false and the solemn vows undertaken at the general election have been dishonored. If there were any rectitude left in them they should go." He added: --somewhat superfluously--"The honeymoon is over."

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That's news--as Lowell Thomas would say--so long.

The Kremlin today gave a hero's funeral to Frol R. Kozlov, one-time heir apparent to Nikita Khrushchev. Among those who attended the brief but impressive ceremonies were Soviet President Anastas Mikoyan, Premier Alexei Kosygin and Party Leader Leonid Brezhnev. They later accompanied Kozlov's ashes to their final ~~rest~~ resting place -- within the walls of the Kremlin, near the other "greats" of Communism.

It had been expected that Khrushchev might attend the funeral, thus marking his first public appearance since his ouster from the Kremlin ~~hierarchy~~. But Khrushchev was conspicuous today only by his absence.

WEYGAND

In Paris today, a funeral quite different. The services were those for General Maxime Weygand -- turned into a near-riot by thousands of anti-Gaullists. The demonstrators shouted anti-government slogans and jostled police in what was later described as France's most unruly outburst since the Algerian crisis of Nineteen Sixty-Two.

The demonstration was triggered by President DeGaulle's refusal to permit a traditional officer's funeral for General Weygand. This because General Weygand was the man who surrendered the French Army to the Germans in Nineteen Forty.

BUNDY

Presidential advisor McGeorge Bundy headed for South Viet Nam today amid growing concern about U.S. involvement in the war there. Nevertheless, the Bundy visit has been termed simply a fact-finding mission in behalf of the President. And the State Department today emphatically reaffirmed the President's "full confidence" in General Maxwell Taylor, the U.S. Ambassador to Viet Nam.

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LAOS

In Laos today, renewed turmoil. A column of rebel troops began a march on the capital of Vientiane, but the insurgents were quickly dispersed by loyal government troops. Meanwhile, government forces surrounded pockets of rebels entrenched in three key spots in the city itself.

In the wake of these events, rebel leaders met with loyal generals late today at the U.S. Embassy in Vientiane. Informed sources later said they had come to a secret agreement to end the revolt -- the agreement subject, however, to the approval of Neutralist Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma.

QUEEN

Britain's Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip today took the grand tour of Addis Ababa, from crowded slums to examples of splendid baroque architecture. The tour was the Queen's first bit of sightseeing on her eight-day state visit to Ethiopia. Highlight of the day was the laying of a wreath at the tomb of Empress Menen, who died in Nineteen Sixty-One.

MINE

T. BRACK, FISHER, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1967

A tremendous explosion half-a-mile beneath the earth today shattered the innards of a coal mine at Avion, France. There was no chance for escape. All twenty-one men at work in the mine were killed -- some by the explosion itself, the rest in the resulting cave-in.

President Johnson, speaking at a Bnai Brith Anti-Defamation League dinner in Washington, repeated the invitation he extended in his State of the Union Speech a month ago-- but he carried it a step further. I have reason to believe - said Mr. Johnson, - that the Soviet leadership would welcome my visit. Nothing definite on time or purpose-- but, the President went on - I believe such visits would reassure an anxious world that our two nations are each striving for the goal of peace.

Meanwhile the Russians are moving in the opposite direction.