

Murdered Pro-Western Iraq Premier Was Durable

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Brasque and dapper Nuri Said made Iraq's politicians eat out of his hand—until Monday.

The blue-eyed Arab nationalist, who was fighting for Arab unity when Gamal Abdel Nasser was a boy, became premier of the kingdom on the Tigris in Baghdad for the 15th time on March 3, 1958. He was then 70 years old, one of the most durable pro-Western leaders in the Middle East.

Two months later he became first premier of the Arab Union of Jordan and Iraq, a rival of the Nasser United Arab Republic of Egypt and Syria.

Nuri began fighting for Arab independence and unity against Turkish rule 50 years ago. Ironically, his severest crisis hitherto came in 1956, when the British, French and Israelis attacked Egypt.

PRO-BRITISH RECORD
This put Nuri Said on a spot because of his long pro-British kingdom, and his part in leading Iraq into Baghdad Pact Alliance. Nasser nationalists bitterly assailed him as a foreign stooge and traitor. Moscow radio furiously called him an arch imperialist. Nuri Said had to declare martial law to curb the riots and

demonstrations that were stirred up by the unfriendly broadcasts. "Egypt has chosen to go with the Russians, we with the West," he said calmly, and held on to his post until June 8, 1957. Then he resigned after 34 months in office—the longest term in his career—and went off for a medical checkup and rest. He was reported suffering from high blood pressure. He also had to have a hearing aid.

Even his enemies admitted he was honest. He was notably unwealthy, and lived in a comparatively modest house on the banks of the Tigris.

FAR-SEEING POLICY
One of his far-seeing policies was to set aside 70 per cent of oil revenues to a development board which began a huge program of building dams, irrigation works, schools, hospitals, factories, housing and a new university. As a result many new industries were provided and cultivated land increased by 40 per cent.

Nuri directed the policies of young King Faisal, a member of the Hashemite royal family which until recent years was the feud enemy of the ruling family of Saudi Arabia. The feeling between the families long caused the Saudis to use their oil money, in co-operation with Egyptians and Syrians, to carry on a campaign against Nuri and the Iraqi government.

Nuri was born of well-to-do parents in Baghdad, now Iraq's capital but then under the Turkish domination of the Ottoman empire, in 1888. At 15 he set out on the 40-day trip by mule train to Constantinople (now Istanbul) to enter military school. A member of the Sunni sect of Moslems, often at odds with the more numerous Shiite sect members in the area, Nuri had to be a skilled politician to rise as he did. He entered politics in 1913, when he was a young officer in the Imperial Turkish Army.

JOINED ARMY IN 1916
He joined the army of Sherif Hussein of Mecca in 1916. Hussein was the father of the Mir Abdullah, later to be installed as the Hashemite king of Transjordan by the British in the eastern section of their Palestine mandate.

GEORGETOWN
Mr. and Mrs. John Victor motored from their home in Jamaica Plain, Mass., last week and are holidaying in Georgetown as the guests of Mr. Victor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Victor.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Dauphinee and family returned by car to Halifax recently, after spending a few days in Georgetown. They were accompanied by Mrs. Dauphinee's mother, Mrs. Henry Martell, who will visit in Halifax.

Miss Betty Conohan of Cardigan, is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Fitzgerald.

Mr. Theodore French of Montreal, Que., is vacationing with relatives in Georgetown.

Friends of Mr. Victor Rafuse are sorry to hear that he is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital and all wish him an early return to good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd King of Toronto, Ontario, are spending their holidays in Georgetown as the guests of Mr. King's mother, Mrs. Edna King.

Miss Mary Lou Henry of the

Col. H.L. Hunt and Mrs. Hunt of Watertown, Mass., are visiting the Province, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Beck, Aliston.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Fitzsimmons and infant daughter Katherine Gerarda of Halifax are visiting at the home of Mrs. Thomas Sullivan of Roseneath.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Sullivan and family of Halifax spent the weekend visiting relatives in Roseneath and Hunter River.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis and family of Halifax, are spending their holidays at their summer home in Brudenell.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Diamond, Montague, have as their guests their daughter, Mrs. Stephen McCabe, and four sons of Gagetown, N.B., also their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ron Diamond, and baby daughter.

Mr. John Hughes, Mr. Edwin MacDonald, and Leslie Stuart of the staff of Montague High School, who are instructors at Camp Aldershot, N.S., spent the weekend at their respective homes.

Miss Paula Condon, Charlottetown, is visiting her cousin, Miss Judy Hughes, Montague.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jenkins, Everett, Mass., are visiting relatives and friends in Peter's Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Yeo and family, Charlottetown, were visitors to Alliston on Sunday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hicken.

Hussein's other son, Faisal, later was to become the first king of the newly-constituted nation of Iraq.

Nuri, Hussein and Faisal were joined by T. E. Lawrence, Britain's famed Lawrence of Arabia, in the Arab revolt. They advanced all the way to Damascus to offset the threat of a German drive into the Middle East. Nuri was in command of a detachment of Egyptians in the anti-Turk campaign. Praising him, Lawrence said he got cooler as the fighting got hotter.

Nuri returned to Baghdad to help organize a new state in what had once been called Mesopotamia. He was one of those who invited Faisal to be king. Faisal's forces also had taken control of Syria, and he became king of that country, too.

But after the First World War, in accordance with a series of secret agreements with the British, France attacked Syria with the intention of carving up the Arab world. It was the beginning of the modern troubles of the divided Arab world. Faisal fled to Iraq.

PREMIER IN 1932
In 1932, Nuri became premier in Iraq for the first time. In that year he was instrumental in concluding a treaty with Britain, recognizing Iraq as an independent country and a member of the League of Nations.

But while the name "Nuri" means light and "Said" means happy, there was to be little happy light for Iraq in the early months of Nuri's rule.

Nuri became disillusioned with the Western European powers, who, he considered, had broken their promises for unity of the fertile crescent, that part of the Arab world including Iraq, Syria, Palestine and Jordan. But he remained faithful to his commitments.

In 1940, after Raschid Ali Gailani executed a pro-axis military coup, he fled the country. He returned soon after and in 1942 formed a new government. Iraq, in 1943, became the first Arab country to join the war on the axis. He still insisted on Arab political and economic unification.

Toronto.
Miss Dorothy Sharkey of West Roxbury, Mass., arrived in Georgetown recently and is vacationing at her summer home on the banks of the beautiful Brudenell River.

Mrs. John Russell of New Brunswick, was a recent guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William MacDonald. On her return to New Brunswick, Mrs. Russell was accompanied by Mr. Russell who had been employed in Georgetown.

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Mr. and Mrs. Allan Jenkins of Summerside, were guests for the Dominion Day holiday of Mr. Jenkins' mother, Mrs. Florence Jenkins.

Mrs. Mabel Lavers has returned to her home in Georgetown, after receiving treatment in the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. James Publicover have as their guest daughter, Miss Kay Publicover of Wakefield, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Aeneas Batchelder and family of Barrie, Ont., motored to this province several days ago and are the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John P. MacDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Forden Gotell have as their guests their daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Viertro and Mr. Viertro of Boston, Mass., and Mrs. Gotell's sister, Mrs. John L. Geddry, also of Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. E.B. McLaren have as their guests: Mr. McLaren's nephew, Mr. Maurice B. Chater of London, England, and Mr. Chater's sister-in-law, Miss Marie L. Ferrari of Lamsance, Switzerland. Mr. Chater last visited Georgetown in 1939. Since May, Mr. Chater and Miss Ferrari have visited Boston, Hamilton, London, Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec.

Twelve members of the Georgetown patrol of the Boy Scouts, under the leadership of Scout Master Daniel A. McCormack, left early on Tuesday morning to attend the annual Boy Scout Camp at Camp Buchan. Scouts Charles Hansen and Charles Fitzgerald will act as Junior Leaders at the camp.

Mrs. Daniel King has as her guests her daughters, Mrs. Newton O'Connor and Mr. O'Connor of Toronto, and Mrs. Sidney Bruce and Mr. Bruce, also of

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Water Classes Starting Today

Red Cross Water Safety and Swimming classes begin this morning at Montague, when approximately 70 children and adults will receive instructions at the swimming site in Lower Montague, from Mr. Bill Doucette of Rustico. Assisting Mr. Doucette will be Miss Maxine MacLeod and Mr. Peter DesRoches. Also assisting will be several mothers, who themselves will be taking the course.

The town of Montague is sponsoring the classes, and the Montague branch of the Canadian Legion has provided a suitable float.

Funeral Is Held At Murray Harbor

The funeral of the late Roland LeLacheur, Murray Harbor, was held from the Murray Harbor United Church on Monday, July 14th. The Rev. L. S. Woolfrey conducted the services at the church and grave. The late Mr. LeLacheur, passed away suddenly on Saturday, July 12th, in his 58th year of a heart attack at his home in Murray Harbor.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife and one daughter, Gail (Mrs. Gerald Archibald), Toronto, Ontario, one son, Clayton, Charlottetown, and one sister, Sadie (Mrs. Ronald Slocum), Cambridge, Mass.

Hymns sung were "Life's Railway To Heaven", "God Will Take Care Of You", and a request, "Beyond The Sunset", was rendered by the choir.

Pall bearers were: Earl Nicolle, Ronald Slocum, Robert Bell, Wallace Penny, Lorne Lewis and Harmin White.

Flower bearers were: James Gordon, Lloyd Hawkins, John Burhoe, John Gosbee, Perley Harris, and William Bell. Interment took place in the Murray Harbor cemetery.

teaching staff of Georgetown High School, left early in the week for Charlottetown, where she will attend summer school classes at Prince of Wales College.

Miss Anna Mair of Calgary arrived in Georgetown early in the week and is the guest of her brother, Mr. George Mair and Mrs. Mair.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacLean were holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John P. MacDonald.

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PISQUID EAST

Miss Norma MacKinnon, Somerville, Mass., is spending her holidays with her aunt and uncle, Miss Gladys Birt and Mr. Chester Birt.

The members of Pisquid East Women's Institute met at the school house Wednesday evening, July 2, with many members present. After routine business was completed a delicious lunch was enjoyed with soft drinks supplied by Mrs. Wallace Birt.

Miss Linda Leard is spending her holidays in Edmonton, Alberta, with her sister, Miss Sally Leard. While out West Linda and her friend Shirley Jay, spent a few days in Vancouver, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle MacDonald, Lorne Valley, were visitors in Pisquid East Saturday. They were guests of Mrs. MacDonald's

Montague Town Council Meets

Members of the Montague Town Council last night held their regular meeting in the newly furnished council chamber. Replacing the old furniture was a new set, consisting of a mayor's chair, two desks and six council chairs.

The meeting was held at 8 p.m. Mayor Bruce H. Yeo presiding, and Councillors Clements, Vandersluis and Fraser in attendance.

The street committee reported the paving program in the town would commence within the next ten days. The program will include top paving the main street and paving between street and sidewalks to widen the street facilitate traffic movement and improve parking during the rush periods.

The town clerk, G. Arnold Wightman, read the minutes which were approved and read the bills which were ordered paid.

In the correspondence, a check was presented from the Federal Government for \$3462.00 in lieu of taxes on public property within the town; \$706.00 going to the town and the balance to the school.

Town policeman, John White, was in attendance and presented his monthly report.

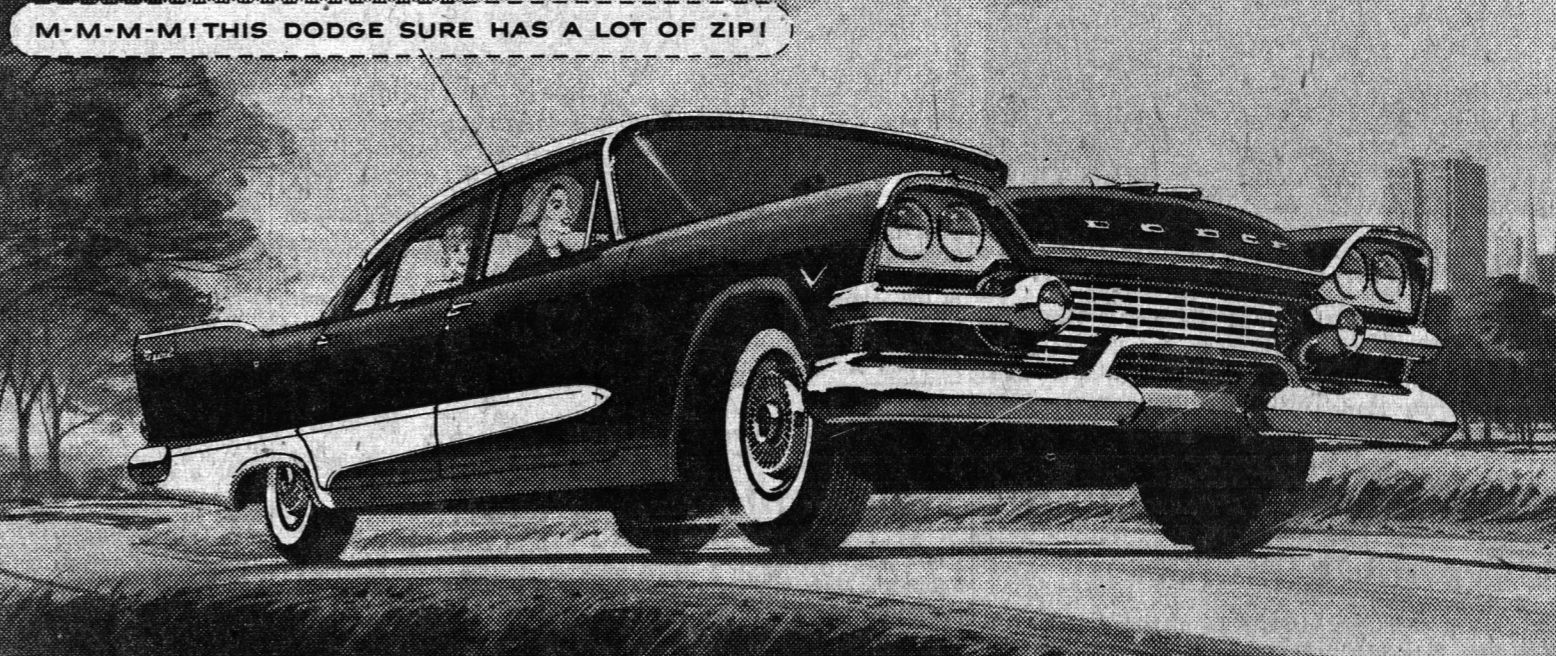
More A-Bomb Threats Made

LONDON (CP)—The Soviet ambassador received two more letters Wednesday whose writers threatened to drop an atomic bomb in the North Sea. Both the anonymous writers said they were American air force men.

One of the letters was signed "W." the same signature used on another letter to Ambassador Jakob Malik last week by a man who said he would drop a bomb "within five days." Nothing happened. Scotland Yard is still trying to track down the author.

FAMOUS ARTIST
Edwin Abbey, noted American painter who died in 1911, became a member of Britain's Royal Academy in 1898.

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