

## WAR ACTION NEAR STANDSTILL

# Buddhists In South Viet Nam Vow To Seek New Government

SAIGON (CP) — South Viet Nam's Buddhist leaders said Sunday they have lost confidence in the "irresponsible" government of Premier Nguyen Cao Ky. They vowed to work toward formation of a caretaker government to organize general elections.

The Buddhist officials told a press conference the Ky government had raised "too many obstacles" in the path toward civilian government.

"Ky and Thieu (Chief of State Nguyen Van Thieu) can no longer be believed," the Buddhists said. "We call on all Buddhist groups, all other religions, all students, all the population to join us in satisfying the aspirations of all the people."

The Buddhist hierarchy made clear it wanted the Ky government overthrown.

"Only when our aspirations are met and our demands satisfied will there be no more demonstrations," the Buddhists said.

Asked if they envisaged an elected civilian government seeking peace with the Viet Cong and asking the United States to pull out of Viet Nam, a spokesman replied:

"If that is what the people want, then that is what they will get. We want to fulfil the aspirations of the people."

The conference followed an announcement by the Buddhists Saturday that they had organized a "Viet Nam Buddhist forces" organization to channel anti-government opposition through the Buddhist leadership.

northern cities of Da Nang and Hue were quiet Sunday, apparently because of the Viet government forces in the

## Reincarnation Theory Probed

LONDON (Reuters)—An Indian expert on the supernatural has arrived here to meet two little sisters believed by their parents to have returned from the dead.

He is Hemendra Banerjee, 36, director of the department of parapsychology at Rajasthan, whose work for 12 years has centred on the theory of reincarnation—rebirth.

Banerjee will meet seven-year-old twins Jennifer and Gillian Pollock, whose parents firmly believe are reincarnations of their two previous children Jacqueline, 6, and Joanna, 11, who died in a road accident eight years ago.

Jennifer and Gillian carry a car and a birthmark in identical spots to similar marks on the dead children.

The parents claim they have heard the twins discussing details of the fatal crash—which happened before they were born.

Their handwriting, speech and mannerisms are similar to the dead children, Mr. and Mrs. Pollock claim.

Banerjee said: "Personally I don't believe in reincarnation. But I am trying to find some credibility in a world-wide survey."

His research into the mystery of rebirth has taken him to Russia, Finland, Turkey, Burma and Ceylon, where, he said, subjects have shown astounding ability to recall details of their

# Greek Tanker Diverted By Royal Navy Party



## British Action Backed By UN

LONDON (AP)—Acting under United Nations authority, a boarding party from the Royal Navy seized a Greek tanker on the high-seas Sunday to stop her from delivering oil to the rebellious white-supremacist government of Rhodesia.

The Greeks offered no resistance, and in Athens the Greek government expressed approval.

The British action touched off a wave of anger among the white population of Rhodesia, but there was no government comment.

Only hours after the UN Security Council, by a 10-to-0 vote with five abstentions, told Britain to prevent such deliveries by force, the Royal Navy cleared the decks for action.

About 150 miles southeast of Beira, an East African port in Portuguese-ruled Mozambique, a grey British frigate, the Berwick, closed with the 11,200-ton tanker Manuela and sailors boarded her.

The Manuela, low in the water with a 16,000-ton cargo of crude oil, was turned away from Beira and steamed on a southerly course through the Indian Ocean with the British party still aboard.

A British defence ministry spokesman said the destination of the vessel had not yet been clarified.

HEADED FOR DURBAN

But a spokesman for the owners said in Athens the ship had been ordered to proceed to Durban, South Africa, and discharge her cargo there.

(Reuters news agency said newspaper men who flew over the ship reported it was being followed by the Berwick at a distance of several hundred yards.)

In Beira, the tanker Joanna V, which defied a British Navy warning and put into Beira last Tuesday, remained at anchor

# Irish Republic Honors Heroes

By GODFREY ANDERSON  
DUBLIN (AP)—Sunday was a great day for the Irish. The Irish republic honored its heroes of the 1916 Easter rebellion in scenes that shook old Dublin to its sentimental heart.

The republican flag, hoisted briefly in revolt atop the city's main post office in that bloody Easter week 50 years ago, was

ceremonially sent aloft again this time to stay.

As the green, white and orange tricolor fluttered, guns boomed in salute and four Vampire jets of Ireland's Air Force screamed low in salute across the very spot on O'Connell Street where a statue of Britain's Admiral Nelson stood until recently.

On the ground, the new Irish Army marched briskly by, led by orange-kilted pipers, with the colors of its United Nations Cyprus and Congo units proudly flying.



## Youth Saved From Death

WASHINGTON (AP)—A youth poured gasoline on himself in front of the White House Sunday in what police described as an abortive plan to burn himself to death in protest against the Viet Nam war.

Police identified him as Arthur H. Zinner, 20, a Boston university student, who was seized by detectives before he could set himself afire.

He was taken to hospital for observation.

In the last 13 months three Americans have killed themselves by fire in protesting U.S. policy in Viet Nam.

WERE NO INCIDENTS

It all made for a delicious day for Irish patriots—and a peaceful one. Despite repeated reports that extremists had threatened the lives of several members of the government, the pageantry passed without incident.

In Northern Ireland, still part of Britain, the anniversary also passed quietly—Republican sympathizers staged their annual Easter parade to Belfast's Milltown Cemetery, and an official described the turnout of 2,000 as "the biggest we ever had."

In Dublin, President Eamon de Valera, at 83 one of the last surviving leaders of the crushed 1916 independence uprising, and Prime Minister Sean Lemass, 61, were closely protected during the post office ceremonies because of the reported threats.

De Valera, who commanded a volunteer unit fighting in South Dublin during the 1916 fighting, was surrounded by veterans with their memories. Nine hundred of the post office garrison are alive. All were invited for Sunday's parade but only a couple of hundred could make it.

## London Enjoys Warm Easter

LONDON (AP)—London basked in temperature of 63 degrees Fahrenheit Sunday—the warmest Easter Day since 1952.

# Easter Message From Pope Deplores War And Racism

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope Paul in an Easter Sunday peace plea called for an end to war, racism, nationalism, totalitarianism and social conflict. He said these sorrows in the world made him weep.

Almost 500,000 persons from scores of countries stood in a chill breeze in St. Peter's Square as the pontiff delivered his annual Easter message from the central loggia of the huge Vatican Basilica.

"Mankind is hesitating between peace and war," he said, "between brotherly union and selfishness without care for the interests or needs of others."

Loudspeakers boomed his words to the immense throng that jammed the square and spilled over into the broad avenue leading to it. Vatican radio and foreign networks carried his message to other parts of the globe.

On the Basilica steps, the Pope first offered an outdoor mass celebrating the great Christian feast of the Resurrection. Dark clouds gathered overhead—threatened rain, but now and then the sun broke through.

GIVES BENEDICTION

Then the pope went to the loggia to speak and to give his

"urbi et orbi" benediction—his blessing to the city and to the world.

The Pope said a chance of unity "in love and justice, in liberty and progress" existed in the world.

"But our boldness (in seeking unity)," he added, "is not without tears for the spectacle which the world still presents us, with the struggles, the inconsistencies, the opposition with which it is travelling on the road to unity, which is a road of peace, of concord and of collaboration."

The pope mentioned no place or party by name. But his words were interpreted as including the Viet Nam War, rising nationalism in such developing areas as Africa, and

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## MIRACLE CLAIM MADE BY GIRL

LIMA, Peru (Reuters)—A 16-year-old Peruvian girl, almost totally paralysed for 10 days and given little hope of recovery by doctors, told Saturday how she walked again after receiving a call from God.

She said movement returned to her limbs when she went to the main square of the southern Peruvian town of ICA Thursday—Holy Thursday—as she had been directed by God in her dreams.

Thousands of people saw her walk again after she had been carried by her two brothers in a procession following the tableau of Our Lady of Luren from the cathedral.

The girl, Ernestina Paraga Valdes, told reporters gathered in her house in the poor district of Lima that God had spoken to her several times.

Rev. Felix del Nino Jesus, who saw the girl begin to walk, said that as a Roman Catholic priest he was bound to maintain a certain prudence, but "in my heart I am sure it was a miracle."

## Dramatic Two-Foot Rise Is Reported In Red River

WINNIPEG (CP)—A dramatic two-foot rise on the Red River in the last 24 hours may force hundreds of people out of their homes today in the low-lying Elm Park area of the Greater Winnipeg city of St. Vital.

Measured at 8 a.m. CST Sunday, the river stood at 24 feet above average winter ice level at Winnipeg and is expected to peak between 27.5 and 29.5 feet April 16-24.

All the dikes at the Elm Park area are 27 feet high and Premier Duff Roblin said Saturday evacuation would begin once the river reached the critical 24-foot level because electrical and sewer services would be cut at that time.

The flood-prone area is bounded on two sides by the Red which flows along a long hairpin-type loop channel through that section of St. Vital.

Elsewhere along the Red's northward course from Minnesota to Lake Winnipeg, the situation is a little more encouraging.

An inch of rain expected in the southern watershed did not develop and little precipitation is expected in the next few days.

Flood control officials said that with continued good

## BOARDING PARTY from the British frigate Berwick, above, Sunday intercepted the Greek oil tanker Manuela off the coast of Portuguese Mo-

zambique to prevent her from delivering oil for Rhodesia. The British acted under authority of a U.N. Security Council resolution approved Saturday night. British sources said the

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## RAT KILLING FOR SPORT DRAWS HUMANE REPORT

OTTAWA (CP)—Youths are killing rats for sport in the back yard of an Ottawa householder who extended an open invitation to curb an invasion by the rodents. The slaughter prompted a Humane Society protest.

Laurent Lauzon said he believes the rats are coming from a next-door neighbor's garbage dump. He thinks they converged on the dumps for food when made homeless by a nearby house demolition project.

A neighbor complained to the Humane Society that neighborhood youths were viciously clubbing rats to death in response to Mr. Lauzon's "open-season" declaration. An official look over the situation Friday.

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clues to the origin of the universe. But Sunday, the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration announced: "Overheating of the OAO primary battery, a problem which became critical late yesterday, (Saturday) has resulted in complications leading to degradation of the power supply from all three batteries aboard the spacecraft, and telemetry signals no longer are being received."

"Efforts to overcome the problem have been unsuccessful and the OAO mission appears to have been lost."

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## Cruiseship Hulk Heads For Port

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—The blackened hulk of the Norwegian cruiseship Viking Princess was towed towards Jamaica Sunday night with a tug chartered by the vessel's owners as an escort.

The hull of the \$15,000,000 vessel was being hauled through the Caribbean waters at four knots behind the tow ship Navigator, a Greek freighter.

## AUTHOR DIES

British author Evelyn Waugh, seen here, died Sunday after returning from Easter services to his home near Taunton in the west of England. He was 82. Waugh's early fame was the result of his satirical novels such as "Vile Bodies" 1930, and "Put Out More Flags," 1942. (AP Wirephoto)

## REFERENCES TO POLAND

Part of the Pope's message was a clear reference to the situation in Poland, where the Communist government has forbidden Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński to travel abroad. Warsaw has accused Polish Catholic bishops of meddling in politics by inviting German bishops, in a conciliatory letter, to their current celebration of 1,000 years of Polish Christianity.

"Freedom is not yet the normal law of many peoples, as so many of our sons and brothers know who are still hindered in the proper, open exercise of their rights of faith and conscience," said Paul.

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# Central Figure In Spy Probe Found Dead In Vancouver Home



MR. JUSTICE Dalton Wells (RIGHT) of the Ontario Supreme Court said Sunday the sittings of the inquiry into the George Victor Spencer case, scheduled for Vancouver Wednesday, will not take place. Spencer, 57, (LEFT) the Vancouver postal worker fired from his job after being linked with Soviet espionage activities, was found dead in his

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VANCOUVER (CP)—George Victor Spencer, 57, former postal clerk who was alleged to have sold information to Russian agents, was found dead in his Vancouver home Saturday night.

His death was discovered four days before a scheduled opening of a federal inquiry into his dismissal without pension from the Vancouver post office.

Cause of death has not been determined, but Deputy Police Chief John Fisk said all indications point to natural causes.

Mr. Justice Dalton Wells of the Ontario Supreme Court, the man named to head the inquiry, said the hearings scheduled to open in Vancouver Wednesday will be cancelled.

He said instead the inquiry will open in Ottawa to resume the documentation available and go into the basis of the thing. The sitting will be held in camera.

Federal Justice Minister Car-

## BODY FOUND

A neighbor's suspicions led to the discovery late Saturday night of Spencer's body. Eugenio Barazzuol, went next door to Spencer's house about 10 p.m. after noticing lights had been burning in the home for some time and Spencer had not moved his car for several days.

Mr. Barazzuol found the body slumped at the kitchen table. There was no sign of violence. Vancouver Coroner Glen McDonald said Sunday early results of an autopsy were inconclusive. Further tests would be made.

The coroner said Spencer had been dead at least four days, possibly six.

The Spencer case came to light last May when the external affairs department, an-

## TWO INVOLVED

The announcement said two Canadians also were involved. Their names were not disclosed.

A few days later, Prime Minister Pearson told the Commons one of the Canadians had co-operated with police but in the other circumstances, were different.

The second man later was identified by reporter Tom Hazlitt of the Vancouver Province as Spencer. Hazlitt said Spencer contacted him.

Spencer, reported to have been seriously ill when the case broke last spring, was on unpaid leave of absence from his post office job from last April 1 to Dec. 30, when it was announced in Ottawa he had been