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## SIX MEN ON PLANE MISSING SINCE DEC. 6 ARE SAFE

### Guided Missiles For Defence Of Washington

#### Expect Announcement Beria Has Been Executed

By DON DALLAS  
LONDON, (Reuters)—A bold announcement is expected shortly from Moscow that Lavrenty P. Beria and his six helpers have been executed before a firing squad.

A volley of rifle shots may end a 30-year feud between the Soviet army and the Soviet secret police. It will leave Georgi Malenkov—the man who backed the army to win—the master of the Kremlin.

The thin-lipped, scholarly-looking former police chief who dared to vie with Malenkov for Stalin's mantle will face no judge or jury, according to the terms of Wednesday night's announcement.

In Russia, the formal hearing of charges against accused persons is merely the ratification of a judgment already reached.

No Appeal Allowed  
The Moscow announcement that investigations into "the Beria case" have been completed means that the seven men have already been found guilty.

The announcement said that the formal hearing would be made by a special sitting of the supreme court under procedure laid down by "the law of Dec. 1, 1934."

This law specifies "the highest measure of punishment" for the accused person or persons.

It also provides that the sentence should be carried out immediately after it has been pronounced.

The case is heard "without the participation of the parties." This means that Beria and the other six will not be present. It also indicates that the trial will be in secret.

The law moreover specifies that "no appeal or petition for mercy can be allowed."

No appeal was allowed in 1936 when Marshall Mikhail Tukhachevsky and seven Red army generals were sentenced to death on charges of plotting against Stalin.

That trial also was held in secret. Pulling the wires behind the scenes were the sinister figures of the secret police, who were organizing Soviet purges which rocked the world.

Soviet army leaders never forgot the lesson of 1936 when Stalin used the secret police to purge the army.

#### First Battery Being Set Up At Ft. Meade

By ELTON C. FAY  
WASHINGTON, (AP)—The army announced Thursday night the first "Nike" anti-aircraft guided missile battery is being installed at Ft. Meade, Md.—obviously to provide protection for Washington, Baltimore and industrial-military targets in the surrounding area.

It also discussed officially for the first time some details of the faster-than-sound weapon designed to track down and destroy "retreating enemy aircraft."

It said the Nike system, to be extended to other vital areas of the east and west coasts and the northern half of the country, "will provide defended areas with a far greater degree of anti-aircraft protection than was ever before possible with the more limited ranges and altitudes of conventional anti-aircraft guns."

The army said: "Nike is the nation's first combat-ready surface-to-air guided missile system to be put in use in the air defence system of the United States."

Nike Is Mobile  
"It is also the army's first supersonic guided missile to demonstrate its ability to knock enemy aircraft out of the sky."

"The missile can out-maneuvre bombers, fighters or transport planes. Nike can operate regardless of weather conditions and visibility."

"The Nike system is mobile. All units of the system other than the launching racks are housed in specially designed all-weather van-type trailers. If necessary the system can be transported by air."

Here is the official description of the missile named after the Greek goddess of victory:  
Explosive Warhead  
About 20 feet long and one foot in diameter, with two sets of fins for guidance and steering.

The initial impetus when the rocket is sent up from a launching rack standing in vertical position, comes from a booster rocket. Its own power in full flight comes from liquid fuel in its rocket engine.

Inside the slender body of the missile is an explosive warhead—which will explode only when in flight, thus avoiding danger if the missile misses the mark and falls on to a city.

The army gave no details of the guidance system but it presumably includes a radar scanning device to locate the enemy bomber, then other electronic devices to take over control of the terminal phase of the flight and "home in" on the target.

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#### Churchill Urges Western Guarantees To Russia

By Philip Clarke  
LONDON, (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill Thursday expressed confidence that he had sold President Eisenhower and the French on "the justice and advantage" of offering Russia guarantees against aggression.

"The Soviet Union is entitled to assurances against aggression after what she suffered at Hitler's hands," he told the House of Commons in a review of world affairs.

"I think I was successful in pressing upon my colleagues at Bermuda the justice and advantage of such a course even though Russian strength is so vast," he said.

Churchill said he hopes the proposed four-power foreign ministers' meeting in Berlin will produce "some means to provide Russia with a sense of security arising from other facts than mere forces."

Russia has agreed to the Berlin meeting, but has not yet accepted the Jan. 4 date proposed.

Churchill brimmed with confidence and good humor in his speech.

He said President Eisenhower's recent United Nations speech proposing a world pool of atomic powers for peaceful development of the atom was "one of the most important events in world history since the end of the war."

"I fervently hope the Soviet Union will not ignore this beam of light amid so much darkness and confusion," Churchill said.

"I trust they (the Russians) will advance with the confidence to which their own strength entitles them along the path which certainly leads in the direction of expanding welfare and calming the fears of the masses of the people of all the world."

"We in Britain have already discovered almost as much as our American allies and it is possibly true that our Russian fellow mortals—because that is what they are—may well know almost as much as either of us."

Warned France  
Giving a quick fill-in on the Bermuda talks, Churchill said he had felt it his duty "to give warning to our French friends of the gravity of the situation which might occur" if France should fail to ratify the European Defence Community plan.

He added that fatal difficulties might arise in what he called the desirable alternative of trying to bring West Germany into the wider North Atlantic alliance.

Without elaborating, he said it would be a pity for Anglo-American relations "to be expressed in McCarthy-Bevante terms."

This was a thrust at Senator Joseph McCarthy and Aneurin Bevan, leader of a left-wing faction in the Labor party.



CHARLOTTETOWN MAN INSTRUCTS—AB. John Wren of Victoria, B. C., is on his way home for Christmas from Halifax, but he was working hard almost up to the last minute on his training as a technical apprentice in H. M. C. S. Cape Elyon at H. M. C. Dockyard, Halifax. Here he is seen with Instructor Lieut. Cdr. L. B. Sellick of Charlottetown, P. E. I. AB. Wren is one of 53 apprentices who have completed their first year of training in the Cape Breton, apprentice training establishment commissioned at H. M. C. Dockyard, Halifax, in January of this year.—(National Defence Photo).

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#### Report Railway Wage Dispute In U. S. Settled

CHICAGO, (AP)—Settlement of a wage dispute between the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and the U. S. railroads was announced Thursday night in a joint union-management statement.

Reached after seven days of negotiations, the agreement adds five cents an hour to present wage rates and ends the cost-of-living escalator clause provision which has been in effect since April 1, 1951.

Wage increases totalling 13 cents an hour which have resulted from the escalator clause now become part of the basic wage rates.

#### Greenlease Kidnappers Face Execution Today

By LARRY HALL  
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., (AP)—Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady, preparing to go to the gas chamber Thursday night, were "absolutely reconciled" to their execution for the kidnap-greenlease of six-year-old Bobby Greenlease.

Their execution side by side just a week before Christmas in the death house at Missouri state prison was set for a few minutes after midnight.

Only one mystery of the whole case remained—what happened to half of the \$600,000 ransom paid by the boy's multi-millionaire father, Robert C. Greenlease.

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It was a fantastic case from the start. Its shocking nature grew in the public mind when it became known the kidnappers planned to kill little Bobby even before Mrs. Heady lured him away from his exclusive Roman Catholic school in Kansas City.

#### Walk Out Of Bush To Isolated Weather Station

SEPT ILES, Que., (CP)—A plane missing since Dec. 6 with six men aboard has been found with all safe.

The pilot and five passengers walked from their plane and Thursday reached a Department of Transport weather station at Lake Manouane, 50 miles west of Sept Iles.

The plane had disappeared in a snowstorm Dec. 6 on a flight from Ross Bay, Labrador, to Sept Iles, 360 miles north east of Quebec.

The plane was piloted by George Stapley of Sept Iles. At the time it disappeared the passengers were identified as Doug Dolby, Garnet Mooney and Wilmer Tubman, all of Toronto; Clint Burley, Thessalon, Ont., and Joe MacKinnon of Middleton, N. S.

The plane was owned by the CMMK Construction Company, builders of a railway line from this harbor town into the Ungava iron ore mining region.

In Good Health  
The weather station notified search officials here that the six men had arrived and appeared to be in good health. Planes will take off from here at dawn to bring the men out.

The men turned up in area that search planes had not yet covered, but which they were due to cover today.

As many as 30 planes went out daily in search of the missing Anson craft.

The plane was bringing out the five construction workers from the bush. No radio contact was ever established with the plane after it was reported overdue.

Charles Hoyt, manager of Hollinger-Ungava Transport Company who directed the 12-day search, said none of the missing men needed medical attention.

"All are well," Hoyt said.

Seven Found Previously  
Lake Manouane is about 100 miles southeast of Lake Emmanuel where seven men were dramatically rescued Oct. 2 after being missing for 39 days. The men had put down on the lake when their plane ran out of fuel.

There was no immediate word of how far Stapley and his passengers had walked. They walked into the weather station at 4 p.m.

The transport department operator then sent the news to Sept Iles.

Hoyt said radio communication with Lake Manouane was closed out for the night and no new information would be available until today.

He said it is not known yet what happened to the Anson aircraft.

#### Queen And Duke Cheered By Ten Thousand Fijians

By J. K. STONE  
SUVA, Fiji, (Reuters)—Ten thousand Fijians cheered Thursday night when a radiant Queen Elizabeth stepped with the Duke of Edinburgh onto the flood-lit balcony of the Grand Pacific Hotel here.

The Queen wore a lace crinoline gown of soft blue. Her diamond tiara and necklace flashed in the bright light.

When the crowd broke out into cheers she moved to the front of the balcony and waved back her acknowledgment.

For Fijians the two days of the Queen's visit are the most exciting since the 322 islands which form the group were ceded to Queen Victoria in 1874.

Below the royal couple, in the blue haze of a moonlit tropical night, a massed choir of hundreds of Fijians sang "God Save The Queen," "The Lord Is My Shepherd," "Hail, Smiling Morn," the "Hallelujah Chorus" and a Fijian song of farewell, "Ese Lei."

Earlier torchbearers escorted the Queen and the Duke to the hotel for the state ball—climax to the first day of the Queen's tour.

Thousands Throng  
The mile-long route from Government House, where the Queen and the Duke had dined with the governor, Sir Ronald Garvey, Lady Garvey, and other guests, was thronged with thousands of people.

Scores of Fijians, their flaming torches held aloft, ran alongside the royal car to the hotel.

At the state ball the Queen and the Duke, who was in evening dress with the riband and star of the Order of the Garter, did not dance. Many Europeans and Fijians were presented to them.

Shortly after 11 p.m. they went into the brightly-lit hotel gardens, on the shores of Suva harbor, to watch rockets being fired over the water.

Half an hour later they returned to their ship, the Gothic, where they spent the night.

Today's engagements begin at 9 a.m. when the Queen will receive the colony's formal address of welcome in the legislative assembly and hold an investiture.

Later she and the Duke will fly to Lautoka, where she will attend a sports meet.

In the crowded hours since landing here from the Gothic, Elizabeth and the Duke have joined in almost every aspect of Fijian tradition.

First Visit  
Thousands of Fijians, many from outlying islands, have flocked to Suva by canoe and launches to greet the first reigning British monarch to visit them. Casting aside the local tradition of a silent welcome for honored guests, they have cheered the royal visitors.

In Albert Park, they watched as the Queen and her husband, surrounded by Fijian chiefs in bark skirts and garlands of flowers, drank kava—a South Sea island beverage from coconut shells, climax of the traditional Fijian welcome.

Though many people drinking kava for the first time say it tastes like soapy water, the Queen and the Duke drank it with every indication of pleasure.

#### Coming Events

- Hampton Hall, Coronation Films, Friday, 18th.
- Belle River hockey dance every Friday.
- Long Creek Christmas concert December 19 at 8 p.m.
- Don't miss Christmas concert in Donagh School, Dec. 18.
- South Milton School Concert, December 23rd.
- Fredericton School Concert, Friday, December 18th.
- Meadow Bank School Concert at Cornwall Hall, December 18th.
- Christmas Concert in Stanley Bridge Hall, December 21st.
- Thistle and Shamrock Christmas Concert, December 18th.
- Comes to DeSable Christmas concert in Hampton Hall, Dec. 21.
- See St. Teresa's Christmas Concert December 22nd.
- Kelly's Cross Christmas Concert, Wednesday, December 23rd.
- Films and Christmas program at Springfield Hall, December 18th, 8 o'clock.
- North Milton School Concert in Hall, Friday, December 18th. Curtain 8 P. M.
- Bouris High School Christmas Concert, Parish Hall, Monday, December 21st, at 8 P. M.
- St. Patrick's School Concert in Gordon Lodge, Tuesday, December 22nd.
- Highfield Sunday School Concert, December 23rd, 8 P. M. Winsloe Station Hall. Sale of candy.
- Place your orders now for ducks, turkeys. The Norwood Market, phone 5887.
- Basilides Brownie Pantry Sale, Fennell and Chandler's Saturday, December 19th, at 1.30.
- Unloading car nut coal at Milton Station today and Saturday, Norris Kitson.
- Help the Milton Hockey Club by attending their dance Friday night, Dec. 18 at Winsloe Station hall, Dolron Bros. Orchestra.
- Will not be receiving any live poultry, after Monday, December 21st, 1953. Central Egg and Poultry Station.
- Zion Church Choir will present their annual Candlelight Service on Wednesday, December 23rd, at 8 P. M.

#### Two Little Girls Lost In Fire

SHAWINIGAN FALLS, Que., (CP)—Two little girls were burned to death in an early-morning blaze Thursday which destroyed their isolated farm-house as their father vainly tried to battle through smoke and flames to save them.

Suzanne, 3½ and Danielle Lord, 2½, were asleep in an upper bedroom of their frame house near Shawinigan Falls when the fire broke out.

Their father and mother, who escaped through the window of a downstairs bedroom with a six-month-old baby, failed to reach them.

While Mrs. Lord ran through the snow to summon help, Henri Lord tried to attract the children's attention by calling them. There was no reply.

He then placed a ladder against the side of the blazing building and tried to reach their window, but was forced back time and again by the flames.

Firemen from nearby Shawinigan South, aided by neighbors, kept the flames from spreading. The father was in hospital being treated for cuts and burns. Origin of the fire is unknown.

#### Whooping Cranes Make Safe Trip

REGINA, (CP)—Three Whooping Cranes seen and photographed at Herbert in southwestern Saskatchewan this fall have arrived safely at their winter home in Texas, Fred G. Bard, curator of the provincial museum, said Thursday.

Mr. Bard said he received a telegram from the United States fish and wildlife service which said a count of Whoopers showed three extra. Population of the almost-extinct birds now is 24.

#### ISMAI WILL RESIGN

LONDON, (Reuters)—Lord Ismay will resign as secretary-general of the 14-nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization probably early next year, a diplomatic source said Thursday. The Briton asked to be relieved before the 12th session of the Atlantic Council which ended Wednesday night, but Sir Winston Churchill persuaded him to stay on until after the session, the source said.

#### Color Television System Approved For The U. S.

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The federal communications commission Thursday formally approved a color television system which can be received in black-and-white by existing TV sets.

The action made final the proposal announced by the commission earlier this year to adopt the color telecasting standards proposed by the National Television System Committee.

The committee is an industry group in which virtually all major manufacturers co-operated in contributing the best of their color devices for combination use.

The NTSC color plan will become available for commercial use 30 days after publication of Thursday's order in the federal register, the government's bulletin. This publication probably will be some time next week.

The new color system standards will then be formally substituted for the Columbia Broadcasting system color plan which the commission approved for general use in 1950.

CBS color was eventually folded up. It failed to get general acceptance because it involved the use of a mechanical revolving color wheel inside of receivers.

The Columbia plan also encountered the difficulty of not being receivable on existing sets even as black and white without the addition of other special equipment.

The NTSC system, in addition to being receivable on all sets, is all-electronic—that is, without moving equipment.

**6 MORE SHOPPING DAYS**

IT'S ALWAYS A MERRY CHRISTMAS WHEN YOU ARE ON THE RECEIVING END OF A LINE AND NOT THE GIVER.

TORONTO, (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	46	—
Victoria	42	45
Edmonton	10	34
Calgary	10	37
Winnipeg	11b	9
Windsor	1b	16
Toronto	5	17
Ottawa	5b	9
Montreal	6	12
Quebec	3	12
Saint John	10	18
Moncton	8	18
Halifax	21	26
Charlottetown	11	17
Yarmouth	20	24
St. John's	31	—

HALIFAX, (CP)—The weather office here says it will be clear and cold over the Maritime Friday and Saturday.

Regional forecasts:  
Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick: Clear with a few cloudy intervals; very cold; west winds 15. Low-high at Charlottetown 7 and 15, Moncton 2 and 15, Fredericton zero and 15, Saint John 3 and 15, Edmundston 3 and 10, Campbellton 3 and 10.

Bay of Fundy: West winds 15; widely scattered snowflurries; visibility 15 miles lowering occasionally in flurries to five miles. Continuing cold.

High tides today at Charlottetown at 9:04 A. M. and 8:16 P. M. Sun rises today at 7:46 A. M. and sets at 4:33 P. M.

#### Admitted Guilt Under Promises Of Leniency

MONTREAL, (CP)—Gaston Provost, one of two persons convicted of staging a \$500,000 bank burglary in St. Jerome in 1951, said Thursday promises of leniency by police prompted him to sign a statement admitting his part in the robbery.

Provost testified at the trial of Florian Lemieux, 30, of Gatineau, Que., the third man charged with breaking into La Banque Provinciale du Canada (Provincial Bank of Canada) and rifling safety deposit boxes of cash and bonds.

Provost and Ivano Lambert were sentenced to seven years each in penitentiary for their part in the burglary which took place while Queen Elizabeth, then Princess Elizabeth, and Prince Philip were visiting the Laurentian mountain district near St. Jerome.

#### Little Boy Drowned In Flooded Brook

HALIFAX, (CP)—Three-year-old Garnet Wamboldt, son of Carl Wamboldt, of nearby Armdale drowned Thursday when he fell from icy rocks into a rampaging brook that carried him under a low bridge.

An RCMP official said there had been difficulty in locating the boy and removing him from debris under the bridge.