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# Three Americans Held by Poles

## Polish Red Deserter Tells Fate

### High Security Official Clears Up 1949 Mystery

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Jozef Swiatko, high ranking security official in Communist Poland, has fled to the United States and given U. S. officials an account of the mysterious disappearance of three Americans behind the Iron Curtain in 1949.

He said the Americans—Mr. and Mrs. Noel Field and Herman Field, brother of Noel—were seized by the Communists.

**Demand Release**

Acting on Swiatko's information, the United States has:

1. Sent a note to Communist Poland demanding the release of Herman Field from Giedezyn prison, just outside Warsaw, and his return to the United States "at the earliest possible date."
2. Sent a note to Communist Hungary demanding the release of Noel and Hertha Field. The state department has no recent information on them but assumes that since he saw them in Budapest in 1949 they are still being held there.

The international mystery thriller developed piecemeal here from two departments.

U. S. Atty. Gen. Brownell announced that, at the request of the state department, he had granted a temporary entry into the United States for Swiatko.

This disclosure for the first time being trying to learn for 10 months: What happened to Swiatko.

Swiatko disappeared from Warsaw last December. He was then deputy chief of Dept. 30 of the Polish ministry of security.

What the Communists could not be sure about was whether he had defected to the West.

Brownell disclosed that Swiatko fled to the U. S. in the French zone of Berlin and made his way to the American zone, asking for political asylum.

Following the justice department's disclosure, the state department released some details of what Swiatko has told about the case of the three Americans.

It said Swiatko's story is that Communist police authorities entrapped Herman Field and arrested Noel and Hertha in the apartment of a purge vase against former Hungarian Foreign Minister László Rajk and probably other Red officials.

The Communist police accused the Fields of spying for the United States. They denied it.

Swiatko was quoted as saying that Polish authorities became convinced Herman Field was not a spy but nevertheless continued to hold him.

The Field case has been an international mystery story of persistent interest since Noel was last seen by persons known to the Western world in Prague, Czechoslovakia, in May 1949.

His German—born wife Hertha, disappeared in September of that same year, also in Prague. Herman disappeared Aug. 25, 1949, after going to the airport at Warsaw.

A sister of the Field brothers is Dr. Ester Field, 505 West High St., Urbana, Ill.

**A Mystery**

Why the Fields have never been released is a mystery. State Department officials revealed "that the name of the brothers had dropped up in various purge trials in the Communist satellite countries. The implication was that the Communists, having arrested three American citizens, were making convenient use of them to give evidence against officials they wanted to get rid of.

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## Expecting 15th Child; Two More Arrive

DANBURY, Conn. (AP)—Mrs. Edward Schlemmer, a 41-year-old grandmother, went to Danbury Hospital today, expecting to be delivered of her 15th child.

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## It's Simple!

Waukegan, Ill. (AP)—Police Chief Donald Duncan learned today that the Post Office Department has some detectives of its own.

Duncan received a letter addressed to "Chief of Police, Waukegan, Ill. S. A." It was post marked from Stansford, Calif.

Post office employees apparently pronounced "Walt Higgan" for themselves for a while and figured out it was "Waukegan."

## McCarthy Facing Fight To Beat Censure Rap

### Associates Privately Concede It's Uphill

By G. MILTON KELLY

The Chicago Tribune, however, quoted McCarthy as saying that if the Senate upholds the accusations against him it will have a "right" to permit the job in 99 of its constitutional right to investigate wrongdoing in the executive departments.

"I do not care whether I am censured or not," the Tribune quoted him, "but I will fight against establishing a precedent which will curb investigative power and assure any administration the power to cover up its misdeeds."

McCarthy, under treatment for a sinus ailment, was reported in a statement.

**Keeps Rights**

The committee's findings do not affect his right to conduct hearings nor would a censure by the Senate. Censure is an official rebuke, but it carries with it no sanctions such as loss of committee chairmanships or seniority.

The special six-man committee, headed by Sen. Watkins (R-Ill.), unanimously agreed that McCarthy deserved the punishment of a censure.

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## Mother Saves Tot From Fire

CHICAGO (AP)—A mother of four children saved her 21-month-old son from his blazing home in suburban Barrington. The other three children fled to safety.

The fire, believed to have been started by a defective incinerator, virtually destroyed the 10-room, \$70,000 home of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Reid at Ridge and Mary Oaks Roads.

# Racial Issue Still Disrupts Classes at Delaware School

## Two-Thirds Of Students Stay Home

### Admission of 11 Negro Pupils Is Source of Strife

MILFORD, Del. (AP)—More than two-thirds of the pupils at Milford's newly integrated school stayed home from classes for the second day today as the battle over admission of 11 Negro pupils continued.

Dr. George R. Miller, state superintendent of public instruction, announced that 509 pupils—or 32.6 per cent of the 1,562 enrolled at the previous all-white combined elementary and high school—attended classes today.

Dr. Miller said the two factors still dominating the situation are "the fear of violence and intimidation by those opposed to the integration."

He said state officials have given no thought at present to prosecuting parents who deliberately keep their children home in violation of the state compulsory school attendance law. That statute requires school attendance until the age of 16.

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## Dixon Man Loses Leg In Accident

### Joseph Mossey, 38, Slips Under Rail Wheels at Nelson

NELSON — (Special)—A Dixon railroad man suffered the loss of his left leg today after he apparently slipped and fell under the wheels of a freight train in the Nelson yards.

Joseph E. Mossey, 38, 916 Hennepin Ave., a car inspector was taken to KSB hospital, Dixon, where the mangled leg was amputated above the knee. Hospital officials said he was in a state of shock, but reported him in "good" condition.

Cause of the accident is not known. Charles Waldron, Sterling, a switchman, found Mossey lying on the tracks about 4:30 a. m. Railroad officials said there were no witnesses to the accident, and Mossey could not be questioned.

Rain reportedly was falling heavily and the freight train was being made up at the time.

In addition to his work with the Chicago Northwestern railroad, Mossey has been employed as a part-time television installation man by Fast Appliance.

Mossey, his wife, Phyllis, and their daughter, Patricia Ann, 4, live with Mrs. Mossey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Heinzerich.

## Turner Agrees To Extradition; To Leave Jail

Harris Turner, 64, former Lee County resident and cattle buyer, today agreed to extradition to Michigan to stand trial on a charge of passing a \$2,430.21 bad check in Ithaca, Mich., last summer.

Turner, who has been confined in the Lee County jail since Aug. 23, when Lee County authorities arrested him on a request from Michigan, had previously refused to waive extradition and was jailed when he couldn't post a \$10,000 bond.

The hearings for Turner have been continued repeatedly by Circuit Judge Robert Bracken since his arrest in August because of his refusal to agree to go to Michigan to stand trial. He was served with extradition papers Friday and today agreed to return with the Michigan authorities to face the charge.

## White Sox Fan Admits Guilt; Asks Probation

Richard Louis Mulkins, 28, 75 Van Buren Ave., Dixon, today pleaded guilty to an indictment for larceny and asked to be placed on probation.

Mulkins admitted taking \$500 from the unlocked safe at the B & M Recreation, 91 North Grand Ave., Dixon, July 1 and spending part of the money for a home model railroad equipment in Dixon and taking the rest of the money to Chicago with him to see the White Sox play.

Judge Bracken referred Mulkins' request for probation to the probation officer for a hearing and continued his arraignment until the probation officer makes his report.



## Take it from Me

NOTES FROM A CITY EDITOR'S DAYBOOK — I'm convinced that there's no handsomer word in the dictionary than "meanwhile."

You, the reader, may not be conscious of its usage, but to a reporter, that little word can bridge a day, two days, or a month with the greatest of ease.

"Meanwhile" is a handy link between the happenings of the hour and a story that's grown cold. It can span oceans as readily as it can pronounce the word. It may be overworked, but chances are you never have been bothered by it.

I've used it—often. So have other newspapermen. Let's have an example:

Joseph (Goodball) Zlich was arrested by Cain County authorities today and charged with the murder of his wife, Ethel, who was murdered in the town of ...

## Ogle Prisoner Admits Burglary

### Grand Detour Man Confesses To Jacksonville Store Theft

OREGON—(Special)—Ogle Sheriff James White today said Arthur Wakenight, 39, Grand Detour, signed a confession Monday admitting burglarizing a furniture store where he was employed in Jacksonville.

White said Wakenight claimed the loot was between \$700 and \$800. Earlier reports set the loss at \$1,000 or more.

Wakenight was captured in the home of his mother, Mrs. Francis Wakenight, Grand Detour. Sunday after White and four deputies, Lee Sheriff John Stouffer and Deputy Robert Burns and two carloads of state policemen surrounded the home.

White said Wakenight gave the following account of his movements since the burglary in Jacksonville Sept. 16.

Wakenight came to Grand Detour shortly after the burglary, but returned later to Jacksonville where he was identified. He fled from authorities, abandoned his car and hid for three days in a large wooded area south of Jacksonville.

Wakenight admitted to burglarizing and carrying off furniture and other goods from the store in Jacksonville. He previously served three prison sentences.

## It's Maglie Vs. Lemon In Opener

NEW YORK (AP)—Sal Maglie, 37-year-old curve-baller of the New York Giants, will oppose Bob Lemon, 36-year-old star of the Cleveland Indians, in the first game of the World Series Wednesday.

Managers Leo Durocher of the Giants and Al Lopez of the Indians implicitly announcing their pitching choices, followed the strategy expected of them. Maglie and Lemon both are right-handers, and both will undoubtedly return in later games of the series.

Johnny Antonelli, young giant left hander, was announced as the starter in the second game against Early Wynn, a righthander.

## Weather

Considerable cloudiness with occasional showers or thunderstorms tonight and Wednesday. Turning cooler Wednesday. Low turning in low 60s. High Wednesday mid 60s. Low Wednesday night upper 40s.

High Monday ... 87  
Low today ... 57  
Moon ... 69

Precipitation to 7 a. m., .23 inch.

Sunrise 5:54 a. m. Sunset 5:46 p. m.

FIVE DAY FORECAST: Illinois—Temperatures will average about 5 degrees below normal; normal high 70 north to 77 south, normal low 48 north to 52 south. Cooler Wednesday and Thursday, warming trend about Sunday. Precipitation will average about .50 of an inch, as showers tonight and Wednesday and occasional rain late Thursday or Friday.

## Veterans Office To Close 3 Days

The Lee County Veterans Commission office, 122 E. First St., will be closed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Service Officer Al Ruggles and Secretary Viola Rusey will attend a state training conference in Springfield.

## Mount Vernon Businesses Bombed During Price War

MOUNT VERNON, Ill. (AP)—A dry cleaning plant, a furniture store and a gasoline station involved in a price war were damaged early today, apparently by a dynamite bomb, a few seconds after a mysterious airplane was seen overhead.

The blast rocked a section of Mount Vernon shortly after midnight.

The cause of the explosion was not immediately determined, but witnesses said the pattern of destruction indicated the blast might have been the result of a dynamite charge.

The charge apparently was detonated on the roof of the cleaning plant, authorities said. The explosion slammed down through the roof, shattered glass in an adjoining service station and blew in the front window of a furniture store across the street.

No one was injured.

Arch McDonald, a merchant policeman, said he noticed an air-

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