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Guard Arrive On Campus At Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (AP) — A detachment of National Guard military police arrived at the University of Minnesota armory early Thursday as young protesters manned a barricade blocking a main street near the University.

Some 200 guardsmen were ordered to take up positions in the campus area early Thursday after police and protesters clashed in the second day of antiwar demonstrations in the university area.

Gov. Wendell Anderson activated three units of the National Guard Wednesday night at the request of Minneapolis Mayor Charles Stenvig. An aide to Anderson said the companies would handle security of the armory and at Air Force recruiting office in an area adjacent to the campus.

Stenvig, after an early morning meeting with university President Malcolm Moos and Elmer Anderson, chairman of the Board of Regents, said no action would be taken regarding the barricade before daylight. He said Moos would be notified prior to any confrontation at the Washington Avenue site, about two blocks from the armory.

Demonstrators used cinder-blocks, bicycle racks, snow fencing, trash cans and other paraphernalia to build the eight-foot-high structure, which was put up about 9 p.m.

"There was no violence in most of the crowd milled about quietly. A traffic light was set afire briefly early in the evening and partially dismantled later, but there was no other property damage as of early tonight.

One protester set an American flag on fire. But it was quickly extinguished when others in the group complained some because they feared a telephone pole from which the flag was hung would catch fire and others because in the words of one protester, "It's still our flag, goddamnit."

Minneapolis police and Hennepin County sheriff's officers who had been standing guard at the armory departed shortly after the arrival of the guardsmen.

Guard Capt. James McDonough said an additional 400-500 guardsmen were expected to be at the two sites by daylight.

At least 30 persons were arrested during the height of Wednesday's disturbance, most of them on rioting charges.

Five policemen and more than 20 protesters were treated for mostly minor injuries following the clashes, although a medical student at a first aid station said one girl suffered a broken leg and was treated at University Hospital. Another protester was listed in serious condition with a fractured skull.

Police Chief Gordon Johnson said about 80 of the 200 law enforcement officers sustained varying degree of injuries.

Protest
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Police throw a tear gas canister into a crowd in front of the student union at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis Wednesday where antiwar protesters attempted to block streets running through the campus. (AP Wirephoto)

Police helicopter flies low over antiwar protesters blocking an intersection and drops spray of pepper-fog to break up the group that stopped traffic Wednesday near the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. (AP Wirephoto)

Mrs. Larson Files Petitions For Re-election

Mrs. Doris Larson, 605 E. 25th St., has filed nominating petitions with 96 signatures for re-election on the Sioux Falls Board of Education.

Mrs. Larson, 34, who is seeking her second five-year term, has served as president of the board for the past three years.

"I have spent a great amount of time considering if I should seek re-election," Mrs. Larson said, "and was encouraged by citizens from all walks of life—business people, teachers, administrators, young people and acquaintances. I feel that the district is at the doorstep of a serious financial situation and that five years of background experience could be helpful in efforts to work out the solution in working with legislators and city and county officials," she said.

Mrs. Larson added, "I feel a deep commitment to work to improve the financial picture and to provide the best education possible for all children within the district."

Mrs. Larson, active in PTA and various civic affairs, received a bachelor of science degree in business administration from the University of South Dakota. After graduation she was employed by the president's office at General Beadle Teachers College and later in payroll and personnel for the area engineer.

Mrs. Doris Larson

11 More Bodies Found In Mine Boosting Toll In Fire To 58

KELLOGG, Idaho (AP) — Crived and were unhurled by Reserve crews probing the burned-out Sunshine silver mine have discovered 11 more bodies. But fear of smoke and gas and lack of communications has slowed efforts to go deeper in search of 23 miners missing.

The 11 victims raised to 58 the number of known dead from the fire that swept through the mine nine days ago. Four of the latest victims were found Wednesday night at the 3,400-foot level. The other seven were discovered early today at 3,700 feet. Mine Manager Marvin Chase said it appeared the crews had been trying to escape smoke when they were overcome.

The aim of the rescue team was to go to 3,750 feet where the missing miners were believed to be.

Two men were brought out alive Tuesday after being entombed one week in another shaft.

After finding the bodies Wednesday night, the rescue crew spent half an hour sealing off the shaft with inflatable bulkheads covered with foam rubber. The rescuers acknowledged that they were fearful of further smoke and gas seepage even though air conditions appeared to be satisfactory.

They said the sealing operation was essential to pressure the escape route in the event the missing miners at the very bottom of the shaft had survived.

Thousands Demonstrate Against Mines

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thousands of antiwar demonstrators clashed with police on the streets and campuses in the second consecutive day of protests against the U.S. mining of harbors in North Vietnam.

Protests over President Nixon's mining decision reached into the Capitol in Washington and cut across the country.

Arrests ran into the hundreds Wednesday as police used nightsticks, tear gas and horses to break up protests. Both demonstrators and police were injured.

The disorders were the most serious since the May 1970 protests over the U.S. invasion of Cambodia, when colleges and universities throughout the country were shut down.

The Massachusetts Senate voted 36 to 1 to condemn the mining "in the strongest possible terms."

Six Democratic governors joined in a telegram urging Nixon "to reverse this grave and dangerous policy decision."

Democratic Gov. Frank Licht of Rhode Island, Kenneth Curtis of Maine, Patrick J. Lucey of Wisconsin, Milton J. Shapp of Pennsylvania, John J. Gilligan of Ohio and Wendell R. Anderson of Minnesota signed the telegram.

More than 250 policemen used tear gas and nightsticks to disperse some 2,000 protesters at the University of Florida in Gainesville Wednesday night. A highway patrol riot vehicle called "The Monster," drove into one crowd of 500 persons operating tear gas.

Police arrested about 200 persons, and newsmen witnessed several beatings of demonstrators. One television camera crew had its film taken by police after shooting a beating.

There were 25 arrested at Florida State University in Tallahassee when some 500 demonstrators tried to block U.S. 90.

Three protests in New York City drew crowds of up to 2,500 persons. Mounted police rode into the protesters outside the Park Avenue corporate headquarters of International Telephone & Telegraph Co. to clear the street.

In Washington, House Speaker Carl Albert closed the visitors galleries for three hours as 300 students chanted antiwar slogans on the steps of the Capitol.

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Rail Brakeman Dies In Mishap

RAPID CITY (AP) — A 41-year-old brakeman for the Chicago and North Western Railway system was killed instantly Wednesday morning when he slipped and fell beneath a flatcar.

Authorities declined to identify the victim pending notifications of next of kin.

The accident is believed to have occurred at approximately 10:15 a.m. at the C&NW tracks parallel to highway 79 near the south Rapid City limits. The man's body was discovered by a railroad switchman after he had failed to respond to a radio message from the engine of the train, located some distance ahead.

Rapid City police were notified at 10:27 a.m. The Pennington County sheriff's office was also called.

Authorities said the man was working at the rear of the train and had uncoupled several freight cars. He apparently lost his footing on a patch of slippery gravel as he reached for a coupling lever on the flat-car. The train itself was moving short distances and stopping intermittently to "kick" the uncoupled cars backwards, authorities said.

Pennington County Coroner George Behrens said the victim is survived by several relatives here and in the eastern part of the state.

119 Arrested At Marshall

MARSHALL, Minn. (AP) — Police screened 119 persons at Marshall today after they allegedly obstructed traffic at the intersection of three state highways.

The intersection was one Minn. 19, 23 and 68.

The person arrested had boarded onto two school buses and taken to the community meeting rooms in the basement of city hall.

The young people were charged with obstructing a highway and bail for each was set at $5.

Russians Call For End Of Bid To Block Ports

WASHINGTON (AP) — While congressional opposition mounted to President Nixon's decision to mine North Vietnamese harbors, the Soviet government called Thursday for an end to the U.S. move to block the ports.

A Soviet statement in Moscow, distributed by Tass, the official news agency, said:

"The Soviet government resolutely insists that the United States' steps to block the coast and disrupt ground communications of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam be cancelled without delay, that acts of U.S. aggression against the DRV be ended, that the right to freedom of international navigation and trade be respected."

There was no suggestion in the statement of any postponement or cancellation of the planned summit conference of Nixon with Soviet leaders in Moscow beginning May 22.

Nixon met meanwhile with two ranking Soviet officials—a surprise session seen as a sign his North Vietnamese moves will not wreck the summit.

The White House described the meeting between Soviet Minister of Foreign Trade N. Patolichev, and Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin, with Nixon and three of his top aides as a "courtesy call."

As for the Soviet Union's day continuing its arming of North Vietnam, the statement declared: "The Soviet people, loyal as they are to the principles of Socialist internationalism, associated themselves with the struggle of the heroic Vietnamese people. The Soviet people have been giving, and will continue to give, the Vietnamese people the necessary support."

The statement did not spell out how the Soviet Union would deal with the mines sown in Vietnamese harbors.

It was the first co-level reaction to Nixon's announcement Monday night that he had ordered the mining of entrances to all of North Vietnam's ports to choke off war supplies.

The mines were activated Thursday morning.

Earlier, the government-controlled press had given very low-key treatment to the latest Vietnam developments, concentrating on protests in the United States and abroad. It was believed the Russians were making considerable effort to keep on track the summit conference of Nixon and Soviet leaders, scheduled to begin May 22 in Moscow.

The statement was distributed by the government news agency, Tass.

House Foreign Affairs Committee Democrats, in an unprecedented move, registered formal opposition to administration policy.

But the White House, releasing what it said was a sampling of telegrams, said sentiment was three-to-one in favor of Nixon's action announced Monday night.

By a 19 to 4 vote, the Foreign Affairs Committee Democrats approved legislation to end all U.S. military activity in Indochina by Oct. 1 if Hanoi agrees to release all American prisoners of war and implement a ceasefire.

Among critics of Nixon's bold maneuver were Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley, long considered hawkish on the war, and six Democratic governors.

Speaking to reporters in Chicago, Daley said, "I realize the tremendous decision the President had to make, but I don't think he had the right to do it."

Across the Atlantic, European allies privately criticized the Nixon administration for not forewarning them of the decision.

Treasury Secretary John Connally, the only Democrat in Nixon's cabinet, criticized Senate Democrats Wednesday for their action condemning Nixon and said he may not vote Democratic in the presidential race.

Communist China broke its silence by declaring the order to mine North Vietnamese harbors "a flagrant provocation."

Rep. Bella Abzug, D-N.Y., and three other antiwar congressmen introduced a resolution to impeach Nixon, a move not taken seriously by most congressional observers.

Ships Leave Haiphong Before Mines Activated

SAIGON (AP) — Several freighters, including at least one flying the Soviet flag, pulled out of Haiphong harbor before the deadline set by President Nixon for safe passage of ships mined yesterday by the U.S. 7th Fleet announced Thursday.

The mines dropped by U.S. planes Tuesday across the entrances to Haiphong and six other North Vietnamese ports armed themselves at 7 p.m. Saigon time, 5 a.m. CDT. They now can be expected to explode when ships pass over or near them.

Intense U.S. air and naval bombardment continued against military targets in North Vietnam for the fifth successive day. The 7th Fleet said the most powerful cruiser-destroyer force assembled in the western Pacific since World War II was ranging up and down the coast hitting within four miles of Haiphong.

Informants said U.S. fighter-bombers flew 300 strikes against the Hanoi-Haiphong military complex and other areas of North Vietnam Wednesday, and pilots reported shooting down 16 MiG interceptors, the biggest one-day bag of the war.

Another 200 air strikes were flown against North Vietnam Thursday, the sources said.

Navy Lt. Randy Cunningham of Shelburne, Mo., pilot of an F4 Phantom from the carrier Constellation, and his copilot Lt. (jg) William Driscoll of Franingham, Mass., shot down three of the MiGs, raising their total kills to five since Jan. 19 and qualifying them as the first aces of the Vietnam war.

Their plane was hit by an antiaircraft missile after they shot down their third MiG, but Cunningham managed to pilot crippled Phantom out to the Tonkin Gulf where they bailed out. A helicopter rescued them. It was one of three U.S. planes that the American command reported shot down Wednesday over North Vietnam. Two Air Force Phantoms were downed by cannon fire from a MiG19, and the four crewmen were missing.

Hanoi claimed 36 American planes were shot down and said many pilots were taken prisoner.

The U.S. Command also reported an A37 jet shot down in South Vietnam Thursday while supporting South Vietnamese troops under siege at An Loc, 90 miles north of Saigon. The two crewmen were missing.

In the ground war, North Vietnamese tanks and infantrymen assaulted An Loc from four sides after a 7,000-round bombardment, and the fighting was reported still raging at dusk. Several tanks reportedly smashed their way into the provincial capital, which has been under siege since April 7.

The South Vietnamese command said 19 of the enemy's medium tanks were destroyed and one was captured. The South Vietnamese reported 10 were enemy soldiers surrendered, including the commander of a regiment.

In the central highlands, the Red border camp came under heavy shelling and ground assaults the third consecutive night Wednesday. The Saigon reports said an unknown number of enemy tanks led the attack, and U.S. and South Vietnamese gunship aircraft were called in, and the tanks pulled back. Firefights were reported still going on at dusk.

Other ranger positions and outposts in the area north and west of Kontum were hit by mortar and rocket attacks.

The 7th Fleet said the targets were cruisers and destroyers included North Vietnamese coastal defense batteries and other military positions on the Don Son peninsula four miles from Haiphong.

Spokesmen said none of the merchant ships seen leaving Haiphong harbor was fired on.

Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird told a news conference in Washington Wednesday that at least one Soviet ship heading for Haiphong changed course and others may have done the same. But he made no mention of the destination of any of the 34 ships reported in Haiphong when the harbor entrance was mined.

Military spokesmen said 27 of these ships were from Communist nations. Four of the other ships were British and five were from Somalia.

Offensive Sends U.S. Toll Soaring

SAIGON (AP) — The North Vietnamese offensive sent the toll of American battlefield deaths soaring to 19 last week, the heaviest hill in seven months, the U.S. Command announced Thursday. Five other Americans were reported missing in action and 28 were wounded.

While the command gave no breakdown, most of the American casualties were aboard aircraft lost or damaged.

Six Americans died last week of nonhostile causes, the command said, a drop of four in that category from the previous week.

Thursday's casualty report covered the week ending last Saturday and did not include a helicopter crash in which 22 Americans died Wednesday.

Two Americans were reported killed in action the previous week ending April 29, and another is were missing. While the 19 U.S. dead last week were far below the tolls in the years when American ground troops were fighting in strength in Vietnam, it represented a significant increase due to the continuing North Vietnamese offensive.

The South Vietnamese command reported that 2,249 enemy troops were killed last week, a drop of more than 30 per cent from the 3,052 claimed killed in the previous week.

The Saigon command said 486 South Vietnamese troops were killed last week, 2,058 were wounded and 232 were missing in action. A week earlier, 589 South Vietnamese were reported killed and 2,796 wounded.

The U.S. Command said 1,356 Americans now are listed as missing or captured.

The allied command now has reported these total casualties for the war:

Americans—45,724 killed in action, 303,843 wounded, 10,132 dead from nonhostile causes.

South Vietnamese—141,957 killed in action, 361,646 wounded.

North Vietnamese and Viet Cong—438,650 killed.

City's 3 High Schools Will Graduate 1,426

An all-city Baccalaureate service at the Arena at 8 p.m. May 31 will begin graduation week for high school seniors in Sioux Falls.

The Arena observance is sponsored by the Sioux Falls Ministerial Association with Lincoln, O'Gorman and Washington high schools participating.

The three schools will graduate 1,426 seniors.

Washington High School commencement will be held at 8 p.m. May 28 at the Arena with 720 students scheduled to receive diplomas signifying completion of the high school segment of their lives.

O'Gorman High School will graduate 263 seniors, also on May 28. Both the graduation Mass and commencement exercises will be held in the O'Gorman gymnasium.

Lincoln High School's commencement will be the next night, May 29, at 8 p.m. at the Arena. Lincoln lists 303 seniors for graduation.

Two seniors will give the Lincoln commencement address: Susan Petersen will discuss "Is It Preparation?" and David W. Ballin will talk on "A Commitment to People."

Two clergymen with deep ties to the WSHS class of 1972 will participate in the commencement exercise.

The Rev. Ronald Hartung of Bishop Marshalek Church will give the invocation. His daughter, Mary Jo, will be graduating.

The benediction will be by Bishop Walter Jones of the Calvary Cathedral, Episcopal, His daughter is Leah Jones.

The graduation Mass at O'Gorman will be celebrated at 9 a.m. May 31. Father Victor Ramaekers, principal, will preside at the liturgy. Fellow priests, faculty members, Father Ben Open, Andrassiko, Wagner and Nemsch will concelebrate.

"Road of Life" has been chosen as the theme for the all-school liturgy. Parents and next will be given by Robert Welcome at the morning liturgy. Commencement exercises will be held at 4 o'clock that evening. Father Howard W. Carroll, principal of O'Gorman for 9 years, will deliver the address. Father Carroll presently is pastor of St. Mary's parish in Bell Rapids.

His excellency Bishop Lambert Bach will confer the diplomas. Both the instrumental and choral departments will present selections during the commencement activities.

Commencement speaker for Lincoln High will be Dr. Ben Wells, president of Sioux Falls College. He will speak on "A Very Special Graduation Gift for You."

The invocation and benediction at the Lincoln commencement will be given by Robert Long, who is a student at the North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls.

A baccalaureate on May 31 at the program will feature original drama, music and poetry. The presentation, rather than a formal speech, "Theme for the Baccalaureate is "We Celebrate Our God."

Sweeping Tax Reform Bill May Be Sent To Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon may send Congress a sweeping tax-reform bill this year, including possible elimination of a value-added tax, says Treasury Secretary John B. Connally.

Connally told a small group of newsmen Wednesday that if the President decides to send a tax-reform legislation, it will be a "basic, fundamental" proposal rather than loophole-closing ideas currently pending on Capitol Hill. The secretary doubted that a major tax-reform bill could be passed dur-

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