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Report USS New Jersey will depart from Vietnam in March

SAIGON (AP) — Military sources said today the world's only active battleship—the USS New Jersey—will depart in March after a six-month tour off the coasts of North and South Vietnam and may not return to the war.

The sources said her departure does not represent a de-escalation of the allied war effort.

But after six months in Long Beach, Calif., for repairs, maintenance and retraining of her crew, the 56,000-ton battlewagon may not be needed in Vietnam, depending on the progress of the Paris peace talks, the sources said.

The New Jersey was brought out of mothballs in 1967 as a $50 million experiment to test the effectiveness of her 16-inch guns against targets in North Vietnam. The United States was then escalating its bombardment of the North, and the Navy said the 25-mile range of the New Jersey's guns would cover many of the targets then being hit by warplanes. Use of the battleship could reduce American jet plane losses then running about one a day, the Navy explained.

By the time the New Jersey arrived in Vietnam last Sept. 30, President Johnson had limited air and surface bombardment of North Vietnam to the country's narrow southern panhandle. The Pentagon said the battleship's big guns were still needed to hit well entrenched North Vietnamese artillery which was harassing the U.S. and South Vietnamese posts below the demilitarized zone.

A month later Johnson halted all attacks on the North, and the enemy artillery attacks from above the DMZ stopped. Since then the battleship has occasional attacks on North Vietnamese bunkers and antiaircraft guns in the DMZ which attacked U.S. reconnaissance planes. She also has bombarded shore targets in South Vietnam in support of American or South Vietnamese ground troops. A number of military experts consider that the U.S. 7th Fleet's ample supply of destroyers and cruisers can carry out such missions satisfactorily, and a lot cheaper.

In the ground war, meanwhile, the U.S. Command reported more fighting along the rugged Laotian frontier west of Hue and Da Nang and north of the A Shau Valley.

U.S. Marines, backed by Marine dive-bombers, stormed a North Vietnamese artillery base and bunker complex Thursday and reported killing 88 enemy soldiers and seizing two Soviet 122mm guns. Five Marines were reported killed and 26 were wounded.

The wheeled artillery pieces were believed to be the first of their kind captured in the war. They weigh 25½ tons and can hurl 45-pound shells about seven miles. The Marines also captured a tractor used to haul the big guns, five other crew-served weapons, 19 rifles, a truck and 500 rounds of heavy ammunition.

The Marines said they killed 19 North Vietnamese soldiers in two fights later in the day and suffered two men killed and 16 wounded.

Marine spokesmen at Da Nang said 605 enemy troops now have been killed in the month-long Operation Dewey Canyon along the Laotian border. The purpose of the operation is to cut off supply lines from North Vietnam and prevent a buildup for an enemy offensive against Hue, Da Nang or Quang Tri.

American infantrymen blocking attack routes out from Saigon crushed a night-long attack and killed 28 enemy soldiers without suffering a single casualty, the U.S. Command.

The fight 42 miles northwest of the capital coincided with reports of newly captured enemy documents indicating an attack on major allied installations in the Saigon area Saturday night. But allied officers pointed out that similar documents pointing various dates for offensives have been captured frequently since December, and the offensives never came off.

The South Vietnamese government issued its weekly casualty report one day late, probably because of the Tet holidays, and said 207 of its soldiers were killed in combat, 690 were wounded and 11 were missing. The number of dead was 24 above that for the previous week.

The U.S. casualty report, issued yesterday, showed similar increases last week for American and enemy troops.

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Who needs enemies?

NEW DELHI (AP) — A friend in need may not be a friend in deed, or so a man discovered the other day.

While going on his bicycle, the man was knocked down by a speeding vehicle. Seeing him fall, a passer-by rushed over, helped him get up, insisted he buy him a glass of milk, and then strongly advised he take a taxi home while the good samaritan would drive his bicycle and follow him.

The injured and grateful man agreed, and waited for the kind helper to arrive with his cycle, but he never did.

Look at this one

HONOLULU, Hawaii (AP) — Speaking of appropriate names, how about two optometrists in Honolulu? Their names are Drs. Y. F. Look and Y. K. Look.

Yo-yo trick

NEW YORK (AP) — A giant Yo-yo, maybe to end all Yo-yo's, made a 19-floor descent in an experiment at the Dalton School Wednesday and made it back by all but a few inches.

Faculty members and boys and girls of the private school on East 89th Street stood agape on the sidewalk as 15-year-old Anthony Cahan readied his 15-inch, four-pound plywood Yo-yo at a fifth floor window.

Bets were taken, with the faculty betting "no" and the students "yes."

A test flight was made. Then Anthony neatly let out the nylon line. The orange and pink-flowered device plummeted earthward, rose to the seventh floor, dipped to the fourth, then zoomed to the 10th floor window sill where it was quickly hauled in.

"It's kind of a heroic concept," said headmaster Donald Barr. "The largest Yo-yo in the world."

Said young Cahan: "I like to build things. I guess. And I love flowered Yo-yo's."

Continued mild

Mild temperatures prevailed in Wisconsin today after similar readings brought light snow in the northwest during the night. Only traces of snow were reported during the night.

The forecast calls for occasional snow likely west half and chance of some snow east. A little warmer tonight. Saturday cloudy, occasional snow likely over the state, probably mixed with rain over the extreme south portion. Lows tonight 24 to 30. Highs Saturday 28 to 35.

Temperatures in Wisconsin Rapids Thursday reached a high of 22 and a low of two below zero.

BERRY'S WORLD

"WHEW — these religious holiday cease-fires are REALLY rough!"

Explosion rips through market in Jerusalem; 2 killed, 9 hurt

Pepper fogger lays down a screen — Police using a pepper fogger as they move in on strikers clear Sproul Hall plaza at the University of California Thursday where full-scale rioting broke out. The pepper fogger generates a concentrated cloud of tear gas. A similar device was used during demonstrations in Chicago during the Democratic convention last summer. (AP Wirephoto)

JERUSALEM (AP) — A powerful explosion ripped through Jerusalem's biggest supermarket today, killing two young Jewish students and wounding nine other persons. A leading government official blamed the attack on Arab governments.

A few hours after the blast, Gideon Rafael, director-general of Israel's Foreign Ministry declared:

"The terror organizations are nothing but irregular forces of Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Iraq and all the countries which allow them to operate from their territory.

The supermarket blast killed two university students and wounded an Australian major and eight other persons. Three of the women victims were reported in serious condition.

Police Minister Eliahu Sasson said the "vile attack" was obviously linked to the Arab guerrilla attack Tuesday on an Israeli airliner in Zurich, Switzerland.

"Somebody standing next to me was virtually blown to bits," said Yosef Polubak, who worked behind the meat counter. He said the explosion blew him over.

In the supermarket building, across the street from the King David Hotel, was broken glass and groceries were splattered all over the walls and floors. All the windows were blown out.

Another package of about two and a half pounds of explosives was found in a candy box on the wine counter, police said. It was timed to go off an hour after the first explosion.

An Arab employee of the supermarket was held for questioning.

Police said a smaller bomb was discovered near the British Consulate half a mile away. It was detonated in a field.

Three months ago 12 persons were killed and 35 injured in a pre-Sabbath blast. On this Friday Arab guerrillas detonated a car packed with explosives in Jerusalem's largest market square. It, too, was jammed with shoppers.

As they did then, Israeli police set up roadblocks today between the Jewish and Arab quarters of Jerusalem to prevent retaliatory attacks on the Arabs. Border police in armored cars patrolled the twisting, narrow streets of the Arab quarter.

There was a steady exodus of Arabs who work in west Jerusalem for the Israelis. They hurried back to the safety of their houses.

Meanwhile, Baghdad Radio announced that Iraq had executed the noncommissioned army officer who headed the Israeli spy ring from which seven members were executed Thursday.

The eighth man put to death previously had been reported still at large. Baghdad Radio did not say when he was tried, sentenced or executed, but it identified him as Najat Kazem Khamshid.

The Iraqi government said the seven men executed Thursday were Muslims, but eyewitnesses who saw the bodies hanging in Baghdad's Liberation Square said a large white paper on the chest of one read "The Spy Imad Hammoudi Gerge—Student—Christian."

The seven bodies hung in the square close to the Tigris River for 18 hours. Thousands of Iraqis flocked to see them as Baghdad Radio repeatedly announced the news of the executions.

Four of the seven were civilians who were hanged while three military men died before a firing squad in an army camp outside the capital.

Oswald's widow testifies for defense in Shaw trial

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Lee Harvey Oswald's widow, summoned today as a defense witness at Clay Shaw's conspiracy trial, contradicted prosecution testimony that her late husband was a bearded beatnik who shared an apartment with an eccentric homosexual.

Mrs. Marina Oswald Porter, a slender Russian-born blonde who has remarried and lives in Richardson, Tex., was called as the first witness for the defense after the judge threw out a motion by Shaw's attorneys for a directed verdict of innocent.

Mrs. Porter said the only night Oswald spent away from home when they lived in New Orleans was one night in jail.

Shaw, 55, a retired New Orleans businessman, is charged with conspiring with Oswald, David W. Ferrie and others to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

The key state witness, Perry Raymond Russo, testified that he knew Oswald as Leon Oswald who shared an apartment with Ferrie. Russo said he overheard the plotting during a party at Ferrie's apartment in September 1963.

"Do you know what a beatnik or a hippie looks like?" asked defense attorney F. Irvin Dymond.

"Yes," replied Mrs. Porter.

"Did you ever see Lee Harvey Oswald looking like a beatnik?"

"No, sir."

Mrs. Porter testified she had never heard Oswald mention a Clay Shaw or a "Clem Bertrand," the alias that Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison contends Shaw used during the plotting. Russo said Shaw was introduced to him at the Ferrie apartment as Clem Bertrand.

She also testified that she never heard Oswald mention either Ferrie or Russo.

The defense began its case after Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. of Criminal District Court denied a motion that he direct the jury to return a verdict of innocent.

Dymond moved for the directed acquittal immediately after the prosecution rested its case Thursday. Haggerty recessed court after the motion was filed Thursday and said he would study transcripts of all testimony by Russo, the state's star witness. Haggerty did not mention Russo's testimony in his decision.

Haggerty had the jury led out of the courtroom before announcing his decision.

During a brief recess after the ruling, Shaw was asked if he was surprised by the ruling.

"The processes of justice go as they go," Shaw said with a shrug. Asked if he hadn't gotten up his hopes Thursday night for an end to the trial, Shaw replied, "No."

In seeking a directed verdict, Dymond said that Garrison and his assistants, who contradict the Warren Commission's conclusion that a sole sniper killed Kennedy in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963, failed to establish even an elementary basis for conspiracy to murder.

Perry Russo, 27, a darkly intense New Orleans book salesman, testified that he attended a party at David W. Ferrie's apartment here in September 1963 and heard Ferrie, Shaw and Oswald plotting.

Dymond said: "Perry Russo admitted from that witness stand that this was, in his own terminology, a bull session."

"He was asked, 'Did you hear Clay Shaw agree to do anything?' He said, 'no.' Did you hear David W. Ferrie agree?' 'No.' Did you hear Lee Harvey Oswald agree?' 'No.' Without such agreement, the requirements of law cannot be met," Dymond added.

Asst. Dist. Atty. James Alcock argued that some Haggerty rulings, made in the course of trial, already had held that the state had established the basis of a conspiracy case.

39 are injured in violent campus clash at Berkeley

By the Associated Press

Police and 2,000 demonstrators clashed in a cloud of tear gas on the University of California Berkeley campus in the worst outbreak of violence thus far in the current national epidemic of student unrest.

When the battle was over Thursday, 26 students and 13 officers were injured and police had arrested 14 youths and a girl. The clash began when police tried to disperse demonstrators who harassed a meeting of university regents.

In Chicago about 100 Negro student rebels invaded the president's office at Roosevelt University shouting demands for a black studies program. They ripped out telephones, sprayed fire hoses and set off fire alarms. Warrants charging criminal trespass were later issued for two of the students.

At Ohio's Oberlin College several hundred students blocked Marine Corps recruiters when the administration then ordered off campus. The militants marched on the administration carrying a Viet Cong flag and demanded policy changes.

A sit-in continued at the University of Pennsylvania despite some concessions by the administration. Negro students at Clark University held a nine-hour sit-in that gained them a promise of financial support for a black scholarship fund.

At Berkeley a noon rally led to a march by the 2,000 demonstrators across the campus and then back to Sproul Plaza where they resisted police attempts to break them up. Then the tear gas hit.

The battle escalated as demonstrators threw cherry bombs, rocks and bottles at police who pushed steadily forward. Taking to the streets the crowd threw up makeshift barricades and lit bonfires. Police replied with thick clouds of pepper fog.

At Stanford University across San Francisco Bay minority students disrupted the bookstore and cafeteria only two hours after being promised that most of their demands would be met. There were no arrests or injuries.

Elsewhere there were these developments:

Madison, Wis.—The last 900 National Guardsmen have been sent home from the University of Wisconsin as a students strike to back 13 black student demands appeared ended.

St. Louis—Michael S. Sinkind, a former Washington University student, was sentenced to five years in federal prison for attempting to firebomb a campus ROTC building. He pleaded guilty.

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Today's chuckle

Father to teen-age son: "Maybe you should start shifting for yourself now while you still know everything."

Dividends declared by Nepco directors

Directors of Nelleoua-Edwards Paper Co. today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on common stock, payable March 6 to shareowners of record on Feb. 21.

This is the 113th consecutive quarterly dividend paid on common shares by the company.

The directors also declared a dividend of $1.25 per share on outstanding preferred stock, payable April 1 to shareowners of record on March 19.

Phone Co. meeting

The annual meeting of Wood County Telephone Co. stockholders will be held in the Cameleo Room of the Mead Inn at 7:30 p.m. Monday. Directors are to be elected and annual reports will be presented by the officers.

Brotherhood program

White-oriented history books rapped by speaker

Including the guest speaker, only 34 persons showed up for the 23rd annual South Wood County Brotherhood Week program at the Elks Club here Thursday evening.

Alan J. Dale, coordinator of Indian and migrant affairs in the Equal Rights Division of the Wisconsin Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations, was the speaker.

Dale compared the nation's current race problem with an automobile.

"When something goes wrong with your car and it isn't fixed right away, it isn't long before you have a major repair problem on your hands," he said. "Now, we're running like mad to catch up because of the inequities of many years ago."

Dale criticized the authors of our history books by pointing out that there have been numerous black, yellow and red people who discovered and invented important things but no one knows about them because the history books are white-oriented.

"When you look at a history book, you have to know who wrote it . . . from who's vantage point it was written," Dale said. "We've been fed a one-sided diet for many years."

According to the speaker, one of the biggest problems people have is trying to see the point of view of others.

"You can't legislate love," he said, in referring to civil rights legislation.

Brotherhood Week is sponsored nationally each year by the National Conference of Christians and Jews in an effort to advance justice, democratic principles, and understanding and goodwill among all peoples. The chairman of this year's local observance is Martin Schmider.

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