

Russ Report Shooting 4 As U.S.-Trained Spies

LONDON, May 27 (AP)—The Soviet Union declared today it has captured and shot four spies who, it said, were parachuted into the Ukraine by the "American intelligence service."

The Moscow radio charged that the four men, all of whom had Russian names, were trained in a U.S. Army

"spy school" in Western Germany. It said they made the night flight to the Ukraine from Athens, in a four-engined American airplane stripped of all identifying insignia.

The broadcast, quoting a special communique of the Soviet Ministry of Internal Affairs, said the four men were dropped the night of April 25.

It said the flight was engineered by a major of the U.S. Army, "Harold Irving Fidler, who went three times to the USSR in 1951 under the identity of a courier of the U.S. State Department."

The broadcast said one of the "spy schools" in Western Germany, at Kaufbeuren, was run by Maj Ronald Otto Bollenbach, identified as the assistant U.S. air and naval attache in Moscow during 1946 and 1947.

Names of the captured and executed "agents" were given as Alexander Vasilievich Lakhno, Alexander Nikolaevich Makov, Sergei Iozisimovich Gorbunov and Dmitri Nikolaevich Remig.

The Soviet Union said their mission to the Ukraine involved "diversionist, terrorist and espionage tasks" and that they had instructions to penetrate as far as Kiev and Odessa.

It said equipment dropped with them included guns, poisons, four short-wave radio sets, radio beacons "for directing aircraft to a target," large sums of Soviet and foreign money, and "master copies of the text of leaflets of anti-Soviet content."

The broadcast said the four "spies" were trained at a school in Bad Wlessee, near Munich.

It identified their chief mentor as "Captain Holliday."

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