

Refugees

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 son, Gabor, still has a piece of that statue.
 "The average person didn't yet realize what had happened the following day," the Hungarian continued. "But the Russians machine-gunned anything that moved... The estimate that 25,000 died in

Hungary is far too conservative — there were about 70,000 who died."
 The free world, Gardos went on, has no conception of the cruelty of the tyrannical secret police.
 "They are perverted animals, not human beings!" he charged.
 For a week the Gardos had nothing to eat except what they happened to have at home. He stood in line once for

about 10 hours to get a loaf of bread.
Participated In Fighting
 Gabor participated in the demonstrations and the regular fighting, most of which was done by children between 13-15 years of age.
 "The real miracle of the revolt is the fact that the children, whom the Communists thought they had brain-washed, were the ones who started the up-

rising," Gardos said.
 Conditions had become unbearable. The Gardos were afraid for their son. They made up their minds to leave everything behind and flee, taking with them only the clothes on their body.
 Half a day after they made their decision they fled.
Escape And Captive
 Mrs. Gardos and Gabor went first. Istvan Gardos intended to follow the moment he knew of their safe arrival in Austria. He agreed to remain behind in

case his wife and son had to turn back or were caught and returned.
 Apartments were at a premium and were snatched up as quickly as they became vacant. He did not want his family to be homeless in case something went wrong with their plans.
 Within minutes of the border, Mrs. Gardos and her son were caught. They had to make a written statement that they would return to Budapest.
 However, they made another bid for freedom. Walking and

crawling 13 miles, the branches beating against their faces so that Mrs. Gardos' eyes were swollen, they finally dashed across the border into Austria.
Husband Follows
 From there Mrs. Gardos called her husband. Forgetting caution in the excitement of the moment, she exclaimed: "Come over right away!"
 Fortunately the Communists did not overhear the conversation. Gardos then headed for the border. He and companions had to cross an ice-cold lake.

They found a sunken boat and used it part of the way until it would go no further. Then they waded across in knee-high water.
 Gardos was a wholesaler and manufacturer before the Communists took over Hungary. During the Nazi regime Gardos and his wife were thrown into concentration camps.
 Since the coming of the Communists, Gardos worked in a factory as an electrical technician working on a switch box

and transformer of an industrial X-ray machine.
Denial Of Human Dignity
 Communist rule is a denial of all that's humanly decent, Gardos indicated. Religious worship was discouraged and those attending church did so secretly or had their names listed by the secret police as they walked into or out of the houses of worship.
 Most church buildings were changed into business establishments. Education was given a strong Communist slant, the Reds claiming to have been the first ones to do everything.
 "Our policy was to believe the opposite of everything they told us," Gardos said wryly.
 During the height of the revolution, the Red radio actually announced: "Everything we've told you up 'til now has been lies, lies, lies. From now on we will tell you the truth!"
 The Gardos arrived in America in rags. They have torn up roots and must start again from the beginning. But for the first time again they have heard laughter and felt the warmth, friendliness, and generosity of human beings.
 "My wife is constantly crying," Gardos said solemnly. "We can hardly believe anymore that people can be as wonderful as they are here. Complete strangers have come to leave things for us and say hello. Everything in America is a miracle!"



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Appointments...

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 After a year at the firm's Pittsburg, Calif., Works as senior project development engineer, he was transferred to the Torrance Works in a similar capacity in 1951.
 In 1952 he was named assistant superintendent of maintenance and utilities, and in 1953 was appointed assistant superintendent of rolling mill which position he held until advanced to superintendent of that department in 1954.
 Ayers and his wife, Peggy, live at 3105 Via La Selva, Palos Verdes, with their five children. He is a member of the Palos Verdes Neighborhood church, the Palos Verdes Breakfast club and the Association of Iron and Steel engineers.

Montgomery
 Born at Anaconda, Mont., Montgomery at an early age moved to Glendale, Calif., where he attended John C. Fremont Elementary school and was graduated from Glendale High school. Following attendance at New Mexico Military institute, he enrolled at the U. S. Naval Academy where he received his BS degree in electrical engineering in 1941. He served in the Navy from 1941 to 1947, as assistant gunnery officer of the USS Essex, and as executive officer of Fighting Squadron 82, with the rank of lieutenant commander.
 Joining the Torrance Works in 1947 as industrial engineer, he served successively as assistant superintendent of maintenance and utilities and assistant superintendent of open hearth until promoted to superintendent of open hearth in 1954.
 Montgomery and his wife, Constance, live at 2701 Gramercy, with their two children. He is a member of the U. S. Naval Academy Alumni Assn., the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical engineers and the Association of Iron and Steel engineers.

Prout
 Prout was born at Hancock, Mich., and received his BS degree in metallurgical engineering from Michigan Tech. in 1938. He joined US Steel's Gary Works that same year, serving in various laboratory capacities at the Indiana steel mill until 1946 when he was named supervisor of metallurgical laboratory at the Geneva Works, Utah. After serving successively as supervisor of specifications and chief inspector of the Geneva Works, Prout came to the Torrance Works in 1953 as general supervisor of metallurgy. In January, 1954, he was named works metallurgist and in August, 1954, was appointed assistant superintendent of open hearth.
 He and his wife, Selma, live at 1008 Eriel avenue, with their two children. He is a member of the Association of Iron and Steel engineers and the Alondra Park Men's club.

Pay...

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 next higher level.
 Regarding this, Hallowman said:
 "This is true, but most of the men are already qualified for the next higher job, according to civil service eligibility lists."
Chief's Views
 Fire Chief J. Jay Benner informed the council that the Fire Department has 67 men, 12 of whom are captains, 14 are engineers, and 37 are firemen.
 "I know what personnel want in the way of promotions," the chief said, "but with our personnel I don't see how I could carry out such a program without adding men."
 "Earlier in the evening the firefighters' spokesman said a method of eliminating move-ups would be to promote men to captain and engineer," he continued. "It's a very bad move to elevate men to a higher position without first filling the lower ranks."