

Files reveal death count

BONN, Germany (AP) — Investigators sifting through Communist files say at least 350 people died trying to flee East Germany — nearly twice the previously documented number, a top official said Monday.

The final figure could reach 400, said Manfred Kittlaus, head of a special Berlin police unit investigating crimes by East German leaders. Some drowned in previously unknown attempts to swim to freedom across the Baltic Sea, Kittlaus said.

The revelation comes amid dashed hopes that Erich Honecker, the deposed East German

leader, would soon be returned from Moscow to face manslaughter charges related to 47 border killings.

Honecker has been holed up at the Chilean Embassy in Moscow since last December.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government said last week that Honecker's expulsion from Moscow could be imminent. But the German press reported that negotiations broke down at the last minute over who would take responsibility for having Honecker returned.

Authorities have long thought that more than 200 people died

trying to escape over the Berlin Wall or at other border points, though the documented cases numbered 187. Most were shot by border guards, some died from land mines sown in "death strips" along the border. Kittlaus, head of the Central Group For Investigating Government and Unification-Related Crimes, said investigators have uncovered evidence indicating at least 350 died.

Speaking by telephone from his office in Berlin, Kittlaus refused to give further details, saying that could jeopardize the work of his 276-member unit.

War-torn Sarajevo to receive aid

U.N. plans airlift of supplies

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.N. relief officials said Monday they will try to air-drop food and medicine to thousands of Muslim refugees in Gorazde, since efforts to reach the besieged city by land have failed.

The Bosnian government's last major southeastern stronghold, Gorazde has been under Serb siege for nearly 90 days. Sporadic dispatches by ham radio operators speak of heavy casualties and drastic shortages of food and medical supplies.

Meanwhile, leaders of the warring factions gathered in London for another effort to negotiate an end to the violence.

And Yugoslav Premier Milan Panic, touring Western capitals in hopes of easing U.N. sanctions on his country for fomenting violence

in Bosnia, blamed the violence on 1,200 Muslim, Croat and Serb "hoodlums."

Serbian opposition leader Vuk Draskovic said in Belgrade that Panic should stay closer to home and "drain the swamp" that led to the sanctions. He was alluding to Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic's support of Bosnian Serb insurgents.

The fighting has killed at least 7,500 people — some estimates say more than 40,000 — and has uprooted nearly one-third of Bosnia's 4.3 million people. The war began after Bosnia's Muslims and Croats voted on Feb. 29 for independence from Serb-dominated Yugoslavia.

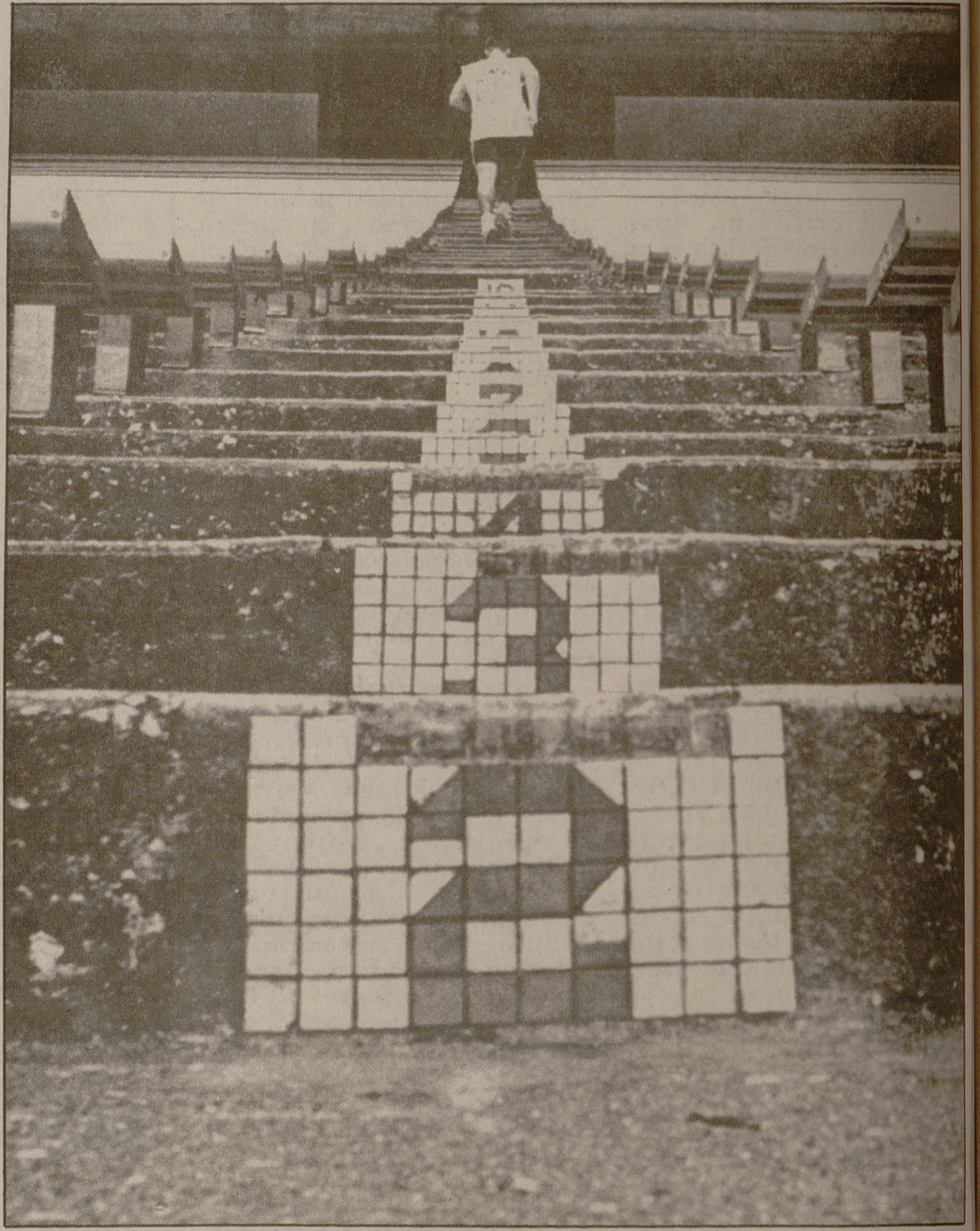
Gorazde, once populated by Muslims and Serbs and now home to thousands of Muslim refugees

from surrounding towns, has been shelled regularly by Serbs on its outskirts. About 70,000 people are trapped in the city near the Serbian border, 30 miles southeast of Sarajevo. A small U.N. convoy tried to reach Gorazde last week from Sarajevo but turned back after hitting mines.

"We are even more convinced that the situation in Gorazde must be solved," said Una Sekerez at the offices of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Sarajevo. She said relief officials were working to have aid dropped into Gorazde from the air, but gave no details.

Serb forces, whose heavy anti-aircraft artillery, warned relief planes supplying Sarajevo over the weekend to avoid flying over their positions or risk attack.

STEPPING UP TO THE CHALLENGE



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