

Final Test Nearing on German Arms

Parents Console Son Who Lost Legs



RAILROAD VICTIM—Visited by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dunn, of 60 W. Pike, 13-year-old Bobby Dunn rests in Pontiac General Hospital after losing his legs under the wheels of a freight train. The mishap occurred Christmas Day on the Grand Trunk Western Railroad tracks near Pike street.

Forgets Father's Warning

Lure of Trains Near Home Brings Tragedy for Youth

"I told him again and again not to go near the tracks. He was up there once, but I didn't whip him. I just gave him a good talking to."

Ben Dunn was speaking in the first floor corridor of Pontiac General Hospital, his brown eyes moist. In the ward around the corner his 13-year-old son, Bobby, lay, legless.

"It's a funny thing," Dunn, 33, said. "When we first moved into the house (at Pike and Cass) in September Bobby didn't pay much attention to the trains."

"Then one day he heard a diesel engine's horn and looked at the engine from the window."

From then on, bright-eyed Bobby found the shiny rails across from his home fascinating.

Despite his father's warnings, he somehow found it necessary to cross the tracks instead of walking under the Pike street viaduct when going to visit friends who lived west of the railroad right-of-way.

Saturday — Christmas Day — Bobby and two friends, brothers Donald (12) and William (9) Hunter, left the apartment house where they all live.

As they headed across Cass to visit some schoolmates, the trumpeeting blast-blat of a diesel's big horn drew their attention.

Boy-like, Bobby and the Hunters decided to climb up beside the tracks and view the slowly passing freight close-hand.

What happened in the next few minutes still isn't clear. But somehow Bobby ended up under the grinding wheels of a railroad car.

The elder Hunter ran home for Bobby's father. His mother, (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

Faces Arraignment in Baby's Murder

FLINT — Cyril Labarre, 40, will be arraigned in Circuit Court Monday on a murder charge in the strangling of his 2½-month-old daughter Christmas Eve.

Labarre pleaded guilty and waived examination yesterday in Justice Court. He refused services of an attorney and offered no explanation in the slaying, except to say: "I thought I was too old to be a father."

Police said he told them he killed the child because of a "subconscious hatred for the baby."

He appeared dazed in his court appearance. His wife, Inez, 36, had been visiting friends in the same apartment building and discovered the baby strangled with a handkerchief when she returned. As she learned over the crib, police said, Labarre struck her over the head with a hammer.

Mrs. Labarre is in serious condition at Flint's Hurley Hospital.

Tax Violations Bring Penalties for 542 Persons

Increase in Cases Tried by Justice Department Reported for 1954

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department's Tax Division reported today that 542 persons were successfully prosecuted for criminal violations of the federal tax laws in 1954.

These convictions and guilty pleas stemmed from investigations initiated by both the present and previous administrations and brought into court during the year.

A report to Atty. Gen. Brownell said that during 1954 the division brought to a close more than 4,150 civil and criminal tax cases, about 25 per cent more than in any previous year, and received more than 4,300 cases, about the same as the previous high in 1953.

Asst. Atty. Gen. H. Brian Holland, who heads the Tax Division, said that of the successful prosecutions, 123 persons were convicted after trial and 419 others pleaded guilty.

He said this compared with 70 convicted and 423 pleading guilty in 1953 and 53 convicted and 324 pleading guilty in 1952.

About 7,150 tax cases of all types are currently pending in the courts, including 960 criminal, 3,665 civil and 2,525 tax lien and miscellaneous cases.

In a statement reviewing the year, Holland said:

"The work of the United States attorneys and their staffs in this and other tax work is most praiseworthy."

"Among those convicted during the year were Frank Costello, New York gambler; Joseph D. Numan Jr., former commissioner of internal revenue;

"Emmett Warring, Washington, D.C. gambler; Sam Bear, an associate of Warring; Harry Gross, New York bookmaker; Frank Erickson, New York gambler; Benny Binion, Southwest gambler; Harry J. Klein, Louisville, Ky. banker; Paul Dillon, St. Louis, Mo., attorney; J. Richard Kafes, New Jersey state senator; Harold Adonis, New Jersey politician; Alfred C. Marshall, San Francisco bookmaker; Frank L. Sautter, Oakland, Calif., narcotics peddler.

"Among those indicted for violating the tax laws were George B. Parr, political figure of Duval County, Tex.; Carroll E. Mealey, former deputy commissioner of internal revenue; Hyman H. Klein, New York City whiskey dealer; Jack Dragna, Los Angeles racketeer; Evan Dale, convicted southern Illinois labor racketeer; Virginia Hill Hauser, confidante of racketeers; and Cecil and Fred Folsom, brothers of the governor-elect of Alabama."

Criminals' Income Low

CHICAGO (UP)—Public Defender Gerald Getty today offered statistical proof that crime does not pay. More than 50 per cent of the persons involved in criminal cases last year didn't have enough money to hire a lawyer, Getty said.

Yule Road Death Toll Rises to 392

Fatalities Hit New Peak for Holiday Weekend; Other Mishaps Kill 123

CHICAGO — Delayed reports of accidents in Texas and Indiana have brought the traffic death toll for the Christmas holiday to 392.

This was the biggest toll on record for a two-day Christmas weekend, and 22 more deaths than the National Safety Council had predicted for this Christmas.

The number killed in all types of accidents over the weekend totaled 515 — also a new record for a two-day Christmas holiday.

This figure included 63 persons who died in fires and 60 who died in miscellaneous mishaps between 6 p.m. Friday and midnight Sunday local time.

Previous high for a 54-hour Christmas survey was 277 dead in traffic and 306 from all accident causes in 1948.

This Christmas Texas led all states with 35 traffic deaths and California was second with 29.

Port Huron Seeks State Smog Probe

PORT HURON — Port Huron city officials last night asked the state to investigate the smog problem reportedly caused by oil refineries in neighboring Sarnia, Ont.

City Manager Jay S. Gibbs said the gas, smoke and dirt from the refineries are causing serious air pollution problems in the Port Huron area.

Earlier this month Gov. Williams asked Port Huron city officials to make an official request for state intervention.

Senator Proposes Boost of 25 Pct. in Military Pay

WASHINGTON — Sen. Mansfield (D-Mont) proposed today a 25 per cent boost in military pay rates as a means to maintain a three-million-man military force on a permanent basis with minimum use of the draft.

Mansfield said too he is opposed to any universal military service program which is not accompanied by a new excess profits tax on war production.

He included the modified system which the Eisenhower administration has said it will ask Congress to approve next year.

"If we have to draft men, then we should also draft the excess profits which come from war and defense production," he said.

He said that when the administration's military manpower program reaches the Senate he will propose that kind of a tax as an amendment.

An excess profits tax was in effect during World War II and again during the Korean War. It was allowed to expire a year ago. As outlined last week by Secre-

Airman-Doctor Takes Survival Test

World's Speediest Man Zooms Along at 632 M.P.H. on Rocket-Power Sled

LOS ANGELES — A doctor who risks his life discovering what is safe for this nation's airmen has again set a world speed record for travel on land—this time 632 m.p.h.

Lt. Col. John Paul Stapp, 44, an aero-medical scientist, set the mark during an air survival test in a rocket-propelled open sled roaring along rails of a 3,500-foot track. There was no windshield to protect him from the terrific rush of wind. He wore a plastic helmet and visor.

"My eyeballs became uncaged, but there was no impairment of thinking," he said in a telephone interview.

Although he made his rapid jour-

ney at Holloman Air Development Center, N.M., on Dec. 10, the Air Force didn't disclose details until yesterday.

The speed record came only as a secondary part of the test. Stapp's ride was taken to simulate pressure that airmen would encounter bailing out of a supersonic plane flying 1,000 m.p.h. at an altitude of 35,000 feet.

Asked if he is convinced a pilot can safely bail out at supersonic speeds, the bespectacled scientist said he wants to make another test before giving an answer. Results will determine the best type of ejection apparatus for high-speed airplanes.

On the Dec. 10 run, Stapp collected two black eyes and was

blinded 8½ minutes, but reported no other ill effects except for some small blood blisters from dust particles in the air.

During the five seconds of acceleration, he was subjected to about nine Gs, or nine times the pressure of gravity. It blacked out his eyesight for about two seconds. From top speed to a complete stop took 1.4 seconds, subjecting the rider to an average pressure 27 times the force of gravity for more than a second.

"I saw bright yellow and then vivid red," he said. "The pain was intense. So intense that I recall very little of the G pressure in stopping."

Water brakes stopped the sled 32 feet from the end of the rails.

French Premier Still Must Win Assembly OK

France Given Nod for NATO Seat, but Awaits Military Decision

PARIS — Premier Pierre Mendes-France appeared today to have won three-fourths of his battle for French Assembly approval of West German rearmament. But the last quarter may be the most difficult of all.

The Assembly by a 289-251 vote gave preliminary approval last night to a third of the four Paris treaties, this one to admit West Germany into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Mendes-France had made the issue a question of confidence in his government, staking his Cabinet's life on its passage.

The Premier still must win from the reluctant lawmakers two more confidence votes on the interlocking accords to free West Germany and enlist 500,000 West German troops in Western defense. Both ballots are scheduled tomorrow.

Still at stake is the key pact setting up a seven-nation West European Union with power to control the arms and armaments of member countries. It is this treaty which actually provides for West German rearmament. The Assembly stunned Mendes-France and alarmed Washington and London last Friday by turning down

Confused? So's Mendes

PARIS (INS) — Parliamentary procedure at yesterday's lengthy French Assembly session got so confused that newsmen complained to Premier Pierre Mendes-France they did not understand what was going on. Mendes-France replied, only half in jest: "I don't know either."

this accord 289-259 on its first reading. The Premier early today submitted a revised bill calling for its ratification as a confidence question.

The second confidence vote tomorrow will give final ratification to the admission of West Germany into NATO. Last night's vote came on the separate paragraphs of the ratification bill, not the measure as a whole. Its approval tomorrow is considered a certainty.

The Assembly's preliminary approval of the NATO agreement cheered U.S. officials. A statement from the holiday White House in Augusta, Ga., said President Eisenhower was "gratified." Several senators in Washington hailed the vote but high administration figures refrained from joining in the rejoicing until after tomorrow's balloting.

The action meant that after more than a week of debate and parliamentary maneuvering, the treaty was now a certainty. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

Rain and Drizzle to Continue Here Another Day

More of the same.

That's the weather prospect for the Pontiac area after more than two days of intermittent rain and drizzle. The weatherman says rain will continue in southeastern Michigan through tonight with possible snow flurries tomorrow.

An Oakland County Road Commission spokesman said most side roads are icy due to the rain-snow mixture. Curves and hills have been sanded—only straight-aways are slippery.

Some reports of road surface damage due to the standing water have been reported in south Oakland County and Waterford Township.

Main arteries in this area are reported clear but the State Highway Department report said extensive slippery sections prevail on trunklines in the Alpena, Cadillac, Kalkaska, Manistee, Traverse City, Muskegon, Ludington, Petoskey and West Branch areas.

Following a low tonight of between 30 and 34 degrees, the temperature is expected to hit a 32-36 high tomorrow.

Today in downtown Pontiac the mercury stood at 34 degrees at 8 a.m. climbing to 36 by 1 p.m.

Common's Tel-Huron Store Open every night 11 p.m.

Dog Teaches Polio Victim to Walk



TRULY BOY'S BEST FRIEND—Suzie, a black Labrador dog, taught Gene Walker, 3, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, to walk. Gene was stricken with polio in 1952 and didn't get a start on walking until 14 months ago when he met Suzie at a friend's home.

Gene crawled to the dog, grasped her fur and hauled himself erect. When Suzie began walking slowly Gene kept pace falteringly, starting a recovery that today finds him still using Suzie as a balance wheel but walking without braces.

Strikers Obey Return Orders

Wildcat Walkout of 67 Had Idled 25,000 Men in Chrysler Plants

DETROIT — Metal grinders, heading orders of their CIO United Auto Workers union, returned to their jobs at Chrysler Corp. today, following a wildcat strike that idled 8,000 yesterday and 17,000 last night.

The stoppages developed when 42 grinders on the morning shift and 25 on the afternoon shift refused to work in Chrysler's Mack Ave. automotive body plant.

The plant was closed yesterday and last night and Chrysler sent 5,000 home from the Plymouth division's assembly plant when a shortage of bodies developed last night.

Kenneth Morris, president of UAW Local 212, which represents automotive body division workers, termed the strike "unauthorized" and ordered workers back on the 4 p.m. shift. Twenty-five grinders, however, refused to obey the order and the shutdowns followed.

Morris immediately called all strikers to union headquarters.

A company spokesman said grinders were demanding more pay, but that their grievance had been one among several which the company and union agreed to take through regular grievance channels for settlement. The agreement ended a union strike threat.

Union spokesmen said the workers went out in a dispute over new type of equipment being used in the plant.

Morris said a new method of grinding solder installed by the company on a production line had created many new problems for the men in the department.

10th Anniversary of Battle of Bulge Marked Today

BASTOGNE, Belgium — The 10th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge was commemorated at Bastogne today.

U.S. troops from the Verdun base joined with French, Belgian, Dutch and Luxembourg troops to escort a commemorative torch through the streets.

The torch was carried up the Mardasson Hill to the star-shaped monument erected to American troops who died in the 1944-1945 Ardennes battle against the Germans.

Prayers were said by Roman Catholic, Protestant and Jewish chaplains. The U.S. ambassador to Belgium, Frederick Alter, attended.

Sheppard Receiving Huge Stacks of Mail

CLEVELAND (INS) — Convicted wife-killer Dr. Sam Sheppard is receiving a record amount of mail in his cell at Cuyahoga County Jail where he is awaiting a ruling on a motion for a new trial filed by his attorneys.

Sheriff's deputies said the osteopath, who was sentenced to life imprisonment on a second-degree murder conviction for slaying his wife, Marilyn, received 250 letters yesterday. Dr. Sam has been receiving about 100 letters daily since his conviction.

Deputies, who censor all mail, said most of the letters contain religious tracts and messages.

Chief defense counsel William Corrigan added a 41st "error" in the trial to his motion for a new Common Pleas Judge Edward Blythin Thursday.

The defense charged that the court acted improperly in assigning only male bailiffs to take care of the jury—composed of seven men and five women.

State Population Over 7 Million

Record 192,000 Births in 1954 Push Michigan Into Higher Bracket

LANSING (UP) — A record 192,000 births during 1954 pushed Michigan's population over the 7,000,000 mark, Health Department officials revealed today.

Preliminary year-end figures show Michigan "well over" the 7,000,000 count but an exact tally is not available.

The last complete census in 1950 put the population at 6,371,766. It was 6,882,000 in July 1953.

The estimated 192,000 births were 10,000 more than the previous high in 1953. There were 27 births per 1,000 persons.

October's 17,406 births set a new monthly high.

Michigan's death rate remained "fairly constant" during 1954 at nine deaths for every 1,000 persons.

The infant death rate remained at 26 deaths for every 1,000 live births.

The four leading causes of death were heart disease, cancer, strokes and accidents.

There were 14,000 divorces for every 50,000 marriages.

Lodge Named Envoy

AUGUSTA, Ga. (INS) — President Eisenhower named Gov. John Davis Lodge of Connecticut today as ambassador to Spain in a diplomatic switch sending Ambassador James C. Dunn from the Madrid post to Brazil.

AB Members of Pontiac Air No. 1250 P.O.E. Please be notified there will be an election of appointment of 3 Air officers Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 8 p.m. at Airie home, 288 W. Montclair St. Albert E. Mallick, Sec.

Lawmakers Talk Briefly on Parking Lot Progress

From Our Birmingham Bureau
BIRMINGHAM—City Commissioners set a near record as they breezed through their agenda in 50 minutes last night.

Several reports on municipal parking lot No. 1 proved to be informational, with little comment from lawmakers or City Manager Donald C. Egbert.

A compromise option was submitted by the Wabcock Corp., offering to sell for \$85,000 three parcels of property at the northeast corner of Pierce and Brown streets.

Options have been secured on all property involved in the 220 car lot, except that of Wabcock and Mrs. Florence Broadway.

Egbert noted that appraisals made by the city on the remaining parcels "vary substantially" from those made for the owners. A jury will be selected on Thursday for first hearings scheduled for Jan. 10 in Oakland County Circuit Court.

Egbert also commented that the parking lot project has been estimated at \$250,000, in revenue bond proceedings, but said "it appears that this total will be exceeded slightly in the final costs."

Charles Mortensen, Chamber of Commerce manager, said today that local merchants are asking cooperation in the return or exchange of Christmas gifts by the Jan. 3 deadline.

New officers will be installed when Kiwanis Club members gather for their last dinner of 1954 at 6:30 tonight at the Community House. This will also be Ladies' Night.

Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley's

One Hurt in Collision in Bloomfield Area

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Injured in a two-car collision in front of 254 Westwood Dr. this morning was Robert Pierce, 29, of Grosse Ile, who is in satisfactory condition in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac.

Passenger in an auto driven by Richard Wibel, 77, of 1570 Bates St., Birmingham, he suffered head, leg and hand injuries.

Wibel, told police the driver of a car backing out of a driveway applied his brakes, but slid into the side of his car.

Russell F. Sanders, Jr., 22, of 4655 Ardmore Dr., Bloomfield Hills told police he had already pulled out of the drive and into the street when his car was struck by Wibel's.

Straits Bridge Work 'Still Going Strong'

LANSING (UP)—Contractors for the Mackinac Straits Bridge, who thought Michigan's winter weather would allow them only eight months of construction a year, are "still going strong," a Mackinac Bridge Authority official said today.

"The last northern Michigan freeze nearly scared them out," Larry Rubin, secretary of the authority, said.

Earlier, engineers figured on little construction during the December-March period.

Oil Wells at Northville Produce 9,400 Barrels

LANSING (UP)—Eight oil wells in the Northville field produced about 9,400 barrels of oil during November, the State Conservation Department said today.

Since the opening of a pilot well near Northville a year ago, 49 wells have been drilled in a five-mile area, and more are planned.

Most of the drilling has been done in a deep-lying rock formation about 4,300 feet down. Most Michigan oil has come from shallower wells, and oilmen hope that the success of the Northville venture may signal more oil exploration in the state.

The Weather

PONTIAC AND VICINITY—Rain and snow tonight. Tomorrow even fiercer. Cold tonight and tomorrow. Low tonight 20-21. High tomorrow 36-40. Northeast wind 10 to 20 miles per hour. Tomorrow night cloudy with a few snow flurries and colder, low 21 to 28.

Today in Pontiac
Lowest temperature preceding 24 a.m. 24
At 8 a.m.: Wind velocity 12-15 m.p.h.
Direction: North
Sun sets Tuesday at 5:07 p.m.
Sun rises Wednesday at 8:01 a.m.
Moon sets Tuesday at 4:46 p.m.
Moon rises Wednesday at 10:36 a.m.

Downtown Temperatures
10 a.m. 33 11 a.m. 34
1 p.m. 35 2 p.m. 35
3 p.m. 34 4 p.m. 34
5 p.m. 34 6 p.m. 34

Monday in Pontiac
(As recorded downtown)
Highest temperature 42
Lowest temperature 26
Mean temperature 36
Weather—Rain

One Year Ago in Pontiac
Highest temperature 34
Lowest temperature 25
Mean temperature 29.5
Weather—Rain

Highest and Lowest Temperatures This Date in 12 Years
47 in 1924
-4 in 1926

Monday's Temperature Chart
Baltimore 37 41 Miami 77 70
Buffalo 40 45 Minneapolis 31 34
Cincinnati 32 35 New Orleans 71 63
Chicago 33 37 New York 58 41
Denver 31 34 Omaha 30 33
Detroit 31 36 Phoenix 50 56
Elmhurst 31 37 St. Louis 46 49
Houston 31 38 St. Paul 32 35
Kansas City 30 33 St. Peterburg 32 36
Los Angeles 48 57 San Diego 52 53
Marquette 27 31 Seattle 32 33
Memphis 42 57 Washington 40 38

Lawmakers Talk Briefly on Parking Lot Progress

November accident report showed 23 accidents and an estimated \$9,718 worth of property damage. Chief accident cause continues to be right-of-way violations, Moxley said.

His report showed 11 of those, and 9 violations of "following too closely," second in the list of accident causes.

High school young people of First Presbyterian Church will meet there at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow, for a field trip to Dodge Community House.

Sunshine Sisters for the past year will be revealed when the Past Chiefs Club meets at 8 to 9 o'clock at the Stanley boulevard home of Mrs. Florence Wilson. Also scheduled is election of officers.

Men of the Lions Club will treat their children to an afternoon of fun at tomorrow's annual Christmas party for the youngsters. Entertainment will follow a noon luncheon at the Community House.

Vacation programs continue at the YMCA with a billiard tournament planned for 10 a.m. tomorrow, and table tennis scheduled for 2 p.m. The winners will receive prizes. There will be a young adult party at 7:30.

Final Test Near on German Arms

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mentary maneuvering, the Assembly now has given at least tentative approval to three of the four treaties. The deputies last Friday okayed a French-German accord on the future of the disputed Saar and the pact giving West Germany almost complete sovereignty.

The NATO vote came during a 15-hour night session, marked by involved parliamentary maneuvering as opponents of the pacts threw up new hurdles for the government at every step.

The Premier's 288 supporters fell 25 short of a majority of the 627-seat chamber and far under the 350 he had asked as a clear sign of French determination to preserve the Atlantic Alliance. But the number of abstentions allowed him to win without gaining a majority of all the deputies.

After the NATO ballot, the maneuvering went like this:

The Assembly approved by a show of hands an amendment providing that ratification of all the Paris accords should be exchanged by the signatory countries at the same time. Under this, West German failure to ratify the Saar agreement, unpopular in Germany, would hold up implementation of all the pacts.

Two other amendments which would have delayed the application of the treaties for negotiations with Russia were withdrawn by their supporters when it became evident the Premier had sufficient support to defeat them. Mendes-France had made his stand on the proposed amendments a matter of confidence, approving the first and opposing the other two.

The Premier then posed the crucial question—Would the Assembly reverse its vote last Friday against the WEU pact? The Assembly recessed while its Foreign Affairs Committee met and turned down 29-19 with 4 abstentions. Mendes-France's bid for a second reading of the defeated measure. Assembly rules provide that the pertinent committee must okay such a maneuver.

Mendes-France promptly called for an adjournment, with a new session to start 15 minutes later. When the legislators reconvened, the Premier submitted his new bill calling for ratification of the treaty.

This bill was then submitted to the Foreign Affairs Committee, which approved it 18-17 with 4 abstentions.

In presenting this new bill to the Assembly, Mendes-France accepted a suggestion from one of the deputies that special subcommittees be set up in each house of the French Parliament must be consulted before the government can approve any peacetime increases in the armed forces of WEU members.

Man Attacks Father, Sent to Hospital

A 28-year-old local man, who had attacked his father, was temporarily committed to Pontiac State Hospital yesterday under provisions of a seldom-used state law.

The action was taken by Oakland County Assistant Prosecutor Arthur W. Kollin who said the law lets persons be committed for up to 48 hours who are believed to be mentally ill and show homicidal or other dangerous tendencies.

"The man was threatening to kill his father," said Kollin, "and neither the sheriff's department nor Pontiac police felt they should keep him near other prisoners. But they didn't want to let him go until he received treatment."

The man's wife and father have petitioned for his continued retention at the hospital for treatment, the prosecutor explained.



PLUCKY DRUM MAJORETTE LOSES A LEG—Betty Eaton, 16, Northampton High School major, has her first visit from her boy friend and school chums after an operation in which her left leg was amputated. Betty injured the leg in September but delayed treatment until too late because she didn't want to miss being a major. Visiting her at the hospital are Ted Olczak, Judy Bouchard and Phyllis Harris.

Ceylon Strives for Neutralism

CITIZENS LIKE TO THINK OF THEIR COUNTRY AS AN 'Asian Switzerland'

COLOMBO, Ceylon (UP)—The Ceylonese like to think of their island country as a sort of "Asian Switzerland"—a neutral in war, a mecca for tourists and a nice place to live.

With some exceptions, their concept is not far off base.

Ceylon has tried to keep out of the cold war, although the British maintain military bases on the island. The government has refused to join the Manila Pact. It sells strategic rubber to Communist China, but it is anti-Communist and sympathetic to the West.

The entire island is studded with haunts for tourists. Colombo shops are a delight for visitors. The Ceylon beaches and mountains attract vacationists, while ancient ruins provide an added lure.

Parts of Ceylon may appear poor, as compared to Europe, and there is an unemployment problem. But the Ceylon villages are prosperous in comparison to those of India and Pakistan. Literacy in Ceylon is relatively high.

Boy's Love of Trains Brings Tragic Yule

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Myrtle, 33, bed-ridden for a month with sciatica, threw off the covers and followed her husband to the tracks.

"He'd crawled back from the tracks and was sitting on the ground when I came up," Dunn said. "He must have realized what had happened because he said, 'Well, now I won't be able to go to school.'"

His left leg was instantly cut off at the hip by the train, the mangled right one later amputated below the knee.

"He knows he's been hurt awfully bad," his father said. "But he hasn't said he knows his legs are gone."

Dunn, a \$1.84 an hour employee in the Fisher Body Division paint department for the last three weeks, applied for hospitalization insurance when he got the job. But he said it won't take effect until March 1.

He worked at an auto agency when first coming to Pontiac in September, then got the Fisher Body job.

Dunn recalled that his son had played the cornet in the school band in Romeo, where the family lived for 18 months after coming from Harrisburg, Ill.

For some reason, Bobbie hasn't played his instrument at Eastern Junior High School—perhaps because he was more interested in baseball and football. They are his favorite sports, his dad said.

As for the accident itself, Bobbie told Homer G. Gerue, assistant Oakland County prosecutor, that he thought somebody—not the Hunter boys—pushed him under the train.

His accounts range from two boys to six boys, Gerue said. But the Hunters told Gerue there was no one else around when the accident occurred.

Gerue believes Bobbie's tale is an attempt to take the blame off himself for disobeying his father's warnings, to avoid punishment—as if any would be forthcoming, now.

Businessmen Guests at WPON Open House

Pontiac business and professional men were guests of the Gerity Broadcasting Co., operators of radio station WPON, Monday at an open house and inspection of the station's offices and studios. The studios and business offices are at the Hotel Waldron building.

James Gerity Jr., of Adrian, owner of the station, was present to welcome guests, and was host to a group of invited guests at a luncheon, Monday noon.

'Make Thinking Popular' Scientist Issues Challenge

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE
AP Science Reporter
BERKELEY, Calif. (UP)—The United States must "make thinking popular," a university president declared today. Too many Americans have the attitude that having brains is okay but "not very interesting," said Dr. Lee A. DuBridge, head of the California Institute of Technology.

That is one main reason why not enough students are becoming scientists, at a time when more scientists and engineers are badly needed, he said.

The challenge is "to make thinking popular, to elevate respect for the thoughtful men, the scholars, the intellectual." "One effect would be to induce more students to take up scientific careers," Dr. DuBridge told the American Assn. for the Advancement of Science.

"There are plenty of smart kids who do not go into either science or social science or any other intellectual field."

"They drift off into the hard-ware business so they can take over dad's store. Worse still, they drift into business or farming because they have never heard of a scholarly career or what it offers or else they have been told—with tragic accuracy—that such careers don't yield the sort of financial return to which every young man would like to become accustomed."

The educator—scientist said pay is getting better for scientists.

"We not only need more scientists, but at present and for the foreseeable future there are going to be paying jobs for them. There is, in short, a gilt-edged money-backed demand for more scientists."

Coming Out Held for Negro Girls

Formal Debut at Willard Hotel Said First of Kind in Washington History

WASHINGTON (UP)—Fourteen Negro schoolgirls made their debut last night at the Willard Hotel.

The formal party was the first of its kind in memory at a downtown hotel.

The girls, all 16 and 17 years old, wore traditional white gowns and elbow-length white gloves and carried bouquets of red roses. Their escorts wore white ties.

Some 200 guests attended the party, held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Willard, a capital landmark often called the "Residence of Presidents."

Mrs. Jennie M. Walburg, mother of one of the girls and a teacher at Lincoln Junior High School in nearby Rockville, Md., arranged the party. She said she hoped it would inspire "other girls of our race to pattern their lives in such a manner that their parents would be warranted in presenting them."

The party began at 10 p.m., when the girls, with their mothers beside them, formed a semicircle and greeted their guests, some of whom had come from New York, Baltimore, Richmond, Va., and Philadelphia.

This formation broke up and a huge picture frame was brought out. Each debutante came forward on the arm of her father, uncle or godfather and, as she stepped through the frame, was presented to the guests by the Rev. James O. West of Calvary Episcopal Church.

The cotillion was led by Gaila Kyles, 16, a senior at Dunbar High School, and her escort James Goins. The debutantes and their escorts had practiced the traditional figure about six weeks.

The party broke up at 2 a.m., but there was another later for the debutantes and an early morning breakfast.

Peron Ousts Catholics From College Posts

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (UP)—Government authorities announced today the dismissal of 45 professors, including five Roman Catholic priests, from the National University of Cordoba.

The wholesale firings, carried out by a special representative of President Juan D. Peron, were a result of the bitter dispute between the Peron government and part of the Catholic clergy in Argentina. Cordoba and its university are considered a chief center of Catholic strength.

Peron recently has been waging a campaign against some Catholic priests, accusing them of attempting political infiltration of labor unions in an attempt to harm his government. The government also is trying to root out church influence from the Cordoba university and other schools, especially in religious education.

Nebraska Navy Now Numbers 75,000 Men

LINCOLN, Neb. (UP)—The mythical Nebraska Navy, which has nothing but "admirals," now has an historical strength of 75,000.

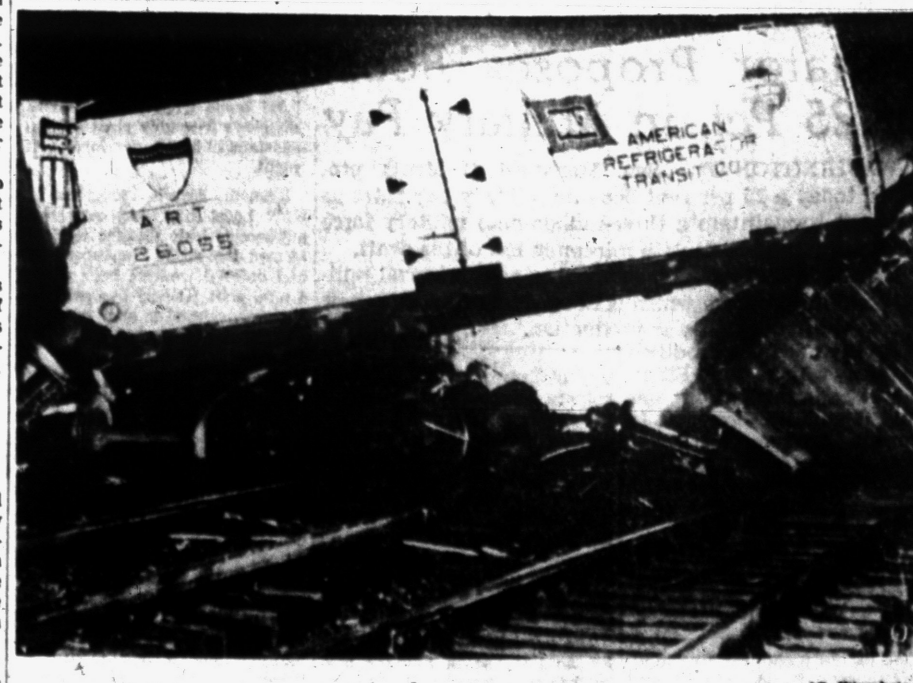
This was disclosed by M. E. Shaffer, who has lettered the impressive-looking commissions, replete with the state seal and everything, since they first began to be issued 21 years ago.

Governors of Nebraska bestow the Admiral commissions as a good will gesture.

Nothing's in the Bag

BALTIMORE (UP)—Post-Christmas crowds jammed Baltimore's downtown sidewalks yesterday, but business wasn't booming for Frederick Gold, a seller of shopping bags.

He observed: "Half the people come down to go window shopping, half are returning packages and half are going to the movies."



SCRAMBLED BOXCARS—Part of the wreckage of a Nickel Plate freight train is illuminated by a burning car after the freight and a six car wrecking train collided near Dunkirk, N. Y., this morning. A number of crewmen were reported injured in the wreck.

Hatoyama Aims Red Trade Plan

Says Japan, Could Deal With Communists, Still Keep Faith With West

TOKYO (INS)—Prime Minister Ichiro Hatoyama said today that Japan would like to exchange "people and goods" with Russia and Red China "within the bounds of our commitment to the free world."

But the prime minister made it clear the Japanese government does "not now assume we would recognize Red China."

He explained: "Our thinking is that there is a government on Formosa and a government on mainland China. We have not gone beyond this."

Hatoyama made his remarks at a luncheon of the Foreign Correspondents Club in Tokyo. He spoke before the same club in 1946 and his remarks at that time resulted in his purge from public life by Allied occupation chief Gen. Douglas MacArthur on the eve of his appointment as Japan's first post-war prime minister.

Hatoyama told foreign newsmen that "peace today is based on might" and that "security through armed force" is less desirable than "mutual understanding and fraternity."

Therefore, the prime minister said, Japan "should like to contribute her share to world peace with other friendly nations."

The Japanese statesman admitted that "at first glance" normal relations with the Communist world and continued alliance with the free world "may seem contradictory."

But he added he was sure such a position for Japan "can be realized with the amicable understanding of the United States."

He contended there is no need to change Japan's constitution to rearm the nation but said he would like to change it anyway to clear up what he called "dubious wording" about the legality of Japan's new defense establishment.

The Japanese constitution contains a clause which outlaws war as a national policy.

Pontiac Deaths

Carl (Schabitz) Coby
Carl (Schabitz) Coby of 400 Orchard Lake Ave. died yesterday at the age of 64. Born in Vienna, Austria, Nov. 4, 1890, he was the son of Anthony and Appoline Kuznik Schabitz Coby.

For many years he operated a tailor shop at the above address. He is survived by a niece, Mrs. Helen McDonald of Pontiac.

The Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. tonight by the Knights of Columbus, and the Parish Rosary will be said Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the Brace-Smith Funeral Home.

The funeral will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. from the St. Benedict Catholic Church. Burial will follow in Perry Mount Park Cemetery.

Doyle C. Dortch
Doyle C. Dortch, 46, of 453 E. Tennyson St. died yesterday at Pontiac General Hospital after a heart attack.

Born in Rector, Ark. Dec. 25, 1908, he was the son of Charles and Eva Surber Dortch in 1932, he married Avalene Mays in Detroit and came to Pontiac 13 years ago.

Mr. Dortch attended the First Church of the Nazarene and was last employed in the maintenance department of the General Motors Truck and Coach Division.

Besides his widow and father, he is survived by four children, Mrs. Charles Sillman of Louisville, Ky., Mrs. Davis Rust of Little Rock, Ark., Charlene and Winifred both at home.

Three brothers also survive, the Rev. James Dortch and Vernon Dortch of Rector and Clyde Dortch of California.

The body will be at the Sparks-Griffin Funeral Home until Thursday noon when it will be taken to the First Church of the Nazarene for the service at 2 p.m. The Rev. R. C. Johnson and the Rev. Kenneth Hutchinson will officiate with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery.

George A. Fulkerson
George A. Fulkerson, 71, of 26 Claremont Place died yesterday after a six-month illness.

The son of Richard and Priscilla Finney Fulkerson, he was born in Oak, Ill., April 5, 1883 and married Octavia Bay.

Coming here from Harrisburg, Ill. 14 years ago, he was a member of the First Church of God. He was a retired Pontiac Motor Division employee.

Surviving are nine children, Orin, Lowell and George Fulkerson of Detroit; Finley, Charles, F. I. I. I., Mrs. Opal Wood, Mrs. Ruby Pohlman, and Mrs. Verda Shea all of Pontiac.

Two brothers, Andrew of St. Joseph, Mo., Phillip of Marion, Ill., and eight grandchildren also survive.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. from the Sparks-Griffin Chapel. The Rev. Eugene Ramsey, pastor of his church, will officiate with burial in Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Artemas Hall
Mrs. Artemas (Sarah) Hall, 78, of 40 Judson St. died yesterday morning at her home.

Born in Capac June 13, 1876, she was the daughter of George and Mary Calcut King and was married May 31, 1893 in Port Huron.

Mrs. Hall has lived in Pontiac 14 years.

Besides her husband, she is survived by three children, Lysle E. Hall of Tampa, Fla., Leon O. and Zadah M. Bass, both of Auburn Heights, four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A brother George King of Marlette and a sister, Mrs. Rhoda Ruby of Pontiac also survive.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. from the Huntoon Funeral Home. The Rev. Harvey McCann of the Auburn Heights United Presbyterian Church will officiate with burial in Almont.

Robert Kohlman
Robert Kohlman ten day old son of Ronald A. and Ardella Taber Kohlman died last night at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. He was born Dec. 17, 1954, and is survived by his mother and father.

Prayer service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday from the Huntoon Funeral Home with the Rev. James Luther officiating. Burial will be in Lambertville.

Rose Stileski
Mrs. Rose Stileski, 68, of 24 Putnam St. died yesterday after an illness of two months. Born in Canada Oct. 11, 1886, she was the daughter of Alexandre and Agnes Emery Ducerdre.

She came to Pontiac from Detroit 20 years ago and was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

Mrs. Stileski is survived by two sons, George La Charite of Clawson and Fred Stileski of Pontiac; three daughters, Mrs. Leona Boomer of Pontiac, Mrs. Gertrude Bressler and Mrs. Pearl Bern, both of Birmingham.

Zephire Ducerdre, a brother, also survives.

Recitation of the Rosary will be Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m. at the Pursey Funeral Home. The funeral will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. from St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with burial in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Calling All Collies!
EDINBURGH, Scotland (UP)—Be-gum, 3-year-old tigress at the Edinburgh Zoo, gave birth to six cubs yesterday. The zoo appealed for three collie dogs to help mother them.

Reds May Free Three Yankees

Detroit Among Trio Being Held Prisoner Near Moscow

VIENNA, Austria (UP)—Three Americans held in a Soviet prison camp southeast of Moscow are in excellent health and may be released soon, a group of returning Austrian prisoners reported today.

The three Americans are William T. Marchuk of Brackenridge, Pa., William A. Verdine of Starks, La., and John Hellmuth Noble of Detroit. The State Department has demanded several times that Russia free them.

Marchuk was reported absent without leave from the U.S. Army on Feb. 1, 1948, in Berlin. He was born April 6, 1916, in Maynard, Mass.

Verdine was reported AWOL in Europe on Feb. 3, 1948. He had re-enlisted for three years' Army service on Aug. 21, 1947, at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex. He is 28.

Noble has been in Soviet custody for nearly eight years. He was taken to Germany by his parents in 1938 and was arrested in Dresden in 1945 with his father. His father later was released and returned to the United States with the rest of the family.

John Schick, one of the 55 Austrians who returned today, said the three Americans told him Soviet prison officials promised them they would be sent home very soon.

Noble was permitted to write to his father in Detroit last year "through a mistake of one of the Soviet prison guards," Schick said. Noble later received a letter from his father.

The three Americans arrived at the camp southeast of Moscow last summer from the Workuta coal mine area in northern Russia, Schick said.

He described them as being "in good physical condition" when he saw them for the last time on Christmas Eve shortly before the Austrians boarded a Vienna-bound train for freedom.

Spent Yule Holiday on Safecracking Job

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robbery. Thomsen said Weeks gave this account of events:

Shortly after midnight Friday, Weeks drove up to the store in his car, lugging stolen acetylene torches, oxygen bottles and other safecracking equipment.

Climbing a 36-foot ladder, he entered the store from a roof ventilator. Then he hid the ladder and closed the ventilator. Opening a rear window, he went to his car for his safecracking tools and set to work on his weekend chores.

Using his tools, he cut the \$100-pound safe from its moorings, built a dummy safe of boxes and then ripped open the big safe, which involved blasting away the outer shell and a coating of 4-inch thick reinforced concrete.

The 2000-pound steel inner shell was placed on a dolly and rolled out the back window to the car. The dolly was then tied to the car with rope.

But on the getaway attempt early Monday morning, the elaborate plan collapsed: The dolly became unhooked and the strongbox tumbled into a ditch.

Weeks said he decided to wait around in his car until nightfall before making another effort to haul away his loot. Thomsen said he thought Weeks was stationed there by his accomplices as a guard.

Weeks was captured around noon. It didn't get dark until 5 p.m.

Boy Perishes in Blazing Barn

St. Johns Youngster, 9, Trapped in Hayloft as Building Burns

ST. JOHNS (UP)—A 9-year-old farm boy died when he was trapped in a blazing barn near St. Johns Monday afternoon.

The victim was Joseph Dean Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn B. Weaver of Rte. 2, St. Johns.

A brother, Robert, 15, received head, face and arm burns and was taken to the Clinton Memorial Hospital at St. Johns. His condition was not serious.

Firsmen said the brothers discovered the fire in an oat bin. The younger brother caught his foot in a crack and the older brother, unable to free him, ran to the house for help.

The younger brother wrenched his foot free but apparently panicked, firsmen said, and climbed into the barn loft to hide behind some baled hay.

Neighbors ripped out sheet iron siding and found the boy's body huddled in the loft. Firsmen said he apparently died from suffocation.

The 40x20-foot barn was totally destroyed. Two head of cattle, two tractors, other farm machinery and a quantity of hay and grain also were destroyed by the fire.

Has Siesta in Jail Now

LUGO, Spain (UP)—Irrked because the idling motor of a parked car was breaking up his senora's customary afternoon siesta, Jose Lago went out yesterday and shot the car's tires full of holes. Even in Spain, that's carrying the siesta too far. Jose went to jail.

Mother's a Real Pal

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)—Lots of mothers feel left out because they can't do things with their sons, but not Mrs. Frances Crain. She wanted to share in the things her sons, Mike, 12, and Desi, 11, enjoyed, so she set up a wood workshop at home. Mother and sons now spend hours on end making everything from tie racks to bedsteads.

See Your U. S. A. in an Ambulance

LEICESTER, Mass. (UP)—An ex-Marine sergeant has tried a new way to see the country. Stephen R. Payne, 25, of Leicester, Mass., returned home here after a 6,500-mile trip in an ambulance.

After Payne received a west coast discharge, he worked in Los Angeles for a time and then decided to come home. He bought a second-hand ambulance for \$295, installed an air mattress and expensive photographic equipment and started driving.

En route, Payne indulged his hobby of railroad photography and followed the railroad lines. When he reached Chicago, he put away his cameras and made a bee-line for Leicester.

Calling All Collies!

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Did you ever see a falling star? Legends tell us that little elves ride those stars. Today's picture shows Nixie Nils, a winter elf from Norway, riding a star high in the sky. You can make Nixie hang in your window or ride his star from a light pull in your room.

1. With water colors or crayons, color the big circle dark blue. Make the stars yellow and the tail of the big star orange. Nixie's clothes are bright colors—green or red—and his face is pink with red cheeks and nose.

2. Paste the picture on heavy construction paper, and then cut out around the heavy outline. Punch through the little circle near the border at the end of Nixie's beard. Reinforce the hole with cloth notebook rings if you have them. Tie a piece of string through the hole, and Nixie is ready to hang up.

Someone's Fibbing

Dockers' Wives in Arms After Paper Lists Wages

By LAURA Z. HOBSON
NEW YORK (INS)—The smash movie, "On the Waterfront," showed Marlon Brando in plenty of hot water—but Marlon never yet has known the kind of trouble that piled up high on some British docks along the River Usk last week.

According to a special dispatch from London, about 700 workers on the Newport piers had struck because the South Wales "Argus" had said in print that their weekly wages came to \$70.

The minute the paper was on the streets, 700 wives were on the rampage, claiming their better halves had lied about a good half of their weekly wealth.

The men tried to explain—and got nowhere the fastest. They then threatened to strike unless the paper publicly retracted. Which didn't scare the paper's editor, J. W. Loveland, who must love either the truth or a hornet's nest beyond the call of duty.

Even when the Employers' Association issued a formal statement clearing the 700 of the charge of withholding, and assuring their ever-loving wives they weren't being done in the eye each payday, the strike stayed on and at last report all was far from quiet on the River Usk.

The closed docks, had opened up lots of old scars, it appears, in lots of wifely British hearts, for it's an old English custom not to tell the little woman what your weekly pay is.

You hand over "budget money" to run the house with, and no back talk, if you please, about what's left over.

This, at least, is what I learned from the story of this fracas, for it touched off plenty of dynamite all over Britain. A recent report by the National Food Committee "disclosed that less than half the women in Britain know how much their husbands make."

And how do you like that, fellow Americans? Fellow ladies, I mean. Or sister wives or something.

The very idea that in this day and age, long long after women got the vote, long after uniforms were put on British WACS and WEENS and WAAPS—that today in 1954 there should still exist any British custom by which husbands keep mum about the weekly take—this idea strikes horror into my soul, and I'm sure into any other modern feminine soul around.

Is it any wonder those 700 English wives raised hob?

To go back a bit into earlier injustices, is it any wonder the Boston Tea Party came to pass on another stretch of waterfront?

Or that a modern fellow like Roger Bannister learned to run a mile in less than four minutes?

In the particular case of the

Newport strikers, of course, I'm trying to be fair-minded enough to withhold any final decision on whether those 700 envelopes really did hold \$70 or only the \$35 the men insist they held.

But my journalistic instincts sure do tell me Editor J. W. Loveland of the "Argus" must have done a pretty thorough check of his facts before going off the deep end of those docks.

So all I can hope is that whatever the state of the Newport piers by the time you read this, a lot of old-fashioned trash will have been dumped into the rivers of time and change.

Trash about any husband's "right" anywhere to keep his pay a secret from the little woman if he happens to feel like it.

Hands across the sea is fine—but only when there're no punches pulled on the truth, the whole truth, and the total pay envelope as well.

Recent Births

Girls
Nelly J. Cook, 880 Robinwood
Robert J. Hoffman, 1180 Lake Avenue
Ed. M. J.
Clarence J. Lawrence, 85 Gateway Dr.
Donald A. Lynn, 282 Russell St.
William F. Davis, 2515 Cannon St.
Leroy W. Wernick, 42 Bellevue St.
Theodore Yant, Walnut Lake
Pete J. O'Brien, 275 Keith St.
James A. Edwards, 83 E. New York
Robert L. Russell, 215 W. Tipler St.
Gerald H. Stone, Kings Harbor
Berthel Black, 183 Lake St.

Christmas Shopping May Break Record

WASHINGTON (UP)—Christmas shopping this year may have smashed all records, government experts report.

Preliminary reports to the Federal Reserve Board indicated a 2 1/2 per cent increase over 1953 figures for the first three weeks of the shopping season. Merchants had a multi-million

dollar bonus this year in the form of one extra shopping day during the fourth week of Christmas. Sales for that week might well have climbed by 5 per cent.

One expert said on the basis of the preliminary figures that he expects buying this year to approach and perhaps top the record \$16,900,000,000 Christmas buying spree of 1952. Sales last year dipped to \$16,400,000,000.

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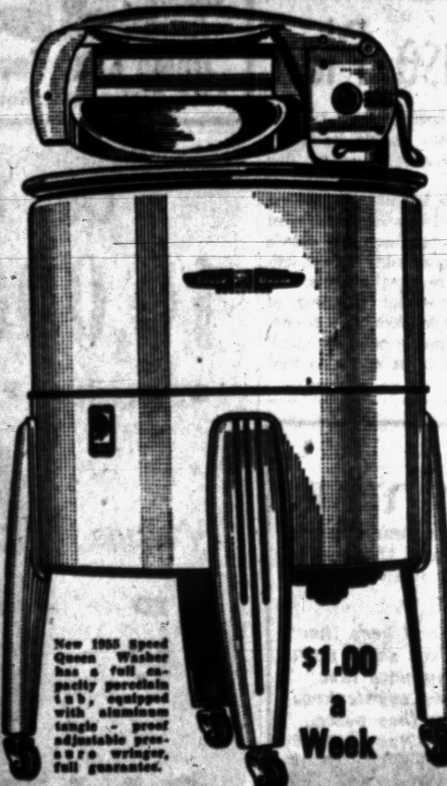
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Stubborn Fire Hits Imlay City

Night Blaze Breaks Out Again Today, Destroys Downtown Building

IMLAY CITY — A blaze which firemen fought for three hours last night broke out again this morning, completing destruction of a two-story building in the heart of the downtown area and threatening an adjacent building.

Volunteer firemen from Almont, Capac and Attica came to the aid of Imlay City volunteers last night in combating the smoldering fire which filled the building owned by Lawrence Dean and Sylvester Ray with heavy smoke shortly after 6:45 p.m.

The fire was reported under control 90 minutes after it broke out again this morning as Imlay city volunteer firemen fought the flames alone.

The brick and concrete block building houses Dean's Drug store, the Imlay City Heating and Ventilating Co., offices of the General Telephone Co., and the dental office of Dr. L. M. Zimmerman.

The blaze burst into flame again at 8 a.m. today. Lack of windows in the back and sides of the building forced the firemen to fight the blaze chiefly from the street front.

Two firemen briefly overcome by smoke last night were quickly revived, and resumed their duties.

The 35-year-old building is located at 131 E. Third St. Fire officials said it was impossible to estimate the damage at present.

The night fire was chiefly in the rear of the building, although dense smoke and few flames made it hard to locate. This morning the two pumps of the 1,700-person community were concentrating on flames in the front of the store.

The interior of the building has been completely destroyed, and firemen chopped their way through the floor to fight the flames in the basement.

Store proprietor Sylvester Ray, clerk Mrs. Charles Heacock, and three customers were uninjured as they fled the smoke last night as the fire was discovered.

Almont Electrician Is Victim of Polio

ALMONT — Electrician Larry Clouse, 27, of 213 Teeds St., the father of two young children, is reported in critical condition at University Hospital, Ann Arbor, where he is being treated for polio.

Clouse, who first believed he had a cold, was taken to the hospital Dec. 20 when paralysis started in his left arm. Subsequently the paralysis spread to both arms and legs, and Clouse was placed in a respirator.

According to reports, Clouse is "holding his own." His children are in the care of relatives temporarily while his wife remains near his bedside at Ann Arbor.

Meanwhile the Almont Fire and Police Department has planned a benefit dance to aid Clouse. The affair will be held in the Town Hall on New Year's Eve.

County Criminal Cases Increase by 120 in 1954

Some 120 more criminal cases were handled in Oakland County Circuit Court in 1954 than during 1953, according to Mrs. Edna Schultze, records keeper for the prosecutor's office.

A total of 569 cases were disposed of by the court in some way this year, she explained, compared with 449 in 1953.

County Births

Armed — The birth of a son, Ward George, to Mr. and Mrs. Orval E. Willis was the parents of a daughter, Sandra Oell.



MRS. R. E. CASCADDAN

Betty Jane Bryant Is Wed to Robert E. Cascaddan

LAKE ORION—Before an altar decorated with poinsettias and Christmas greens, Betty Jane Bryant became the bride of Robert E. Cascaddan in a candlelight ceremony Sunday evening at Lake Orion Methodist Church.

Betty is the daughter of the Paul R. Bryants of 407 Atwater St. Robert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl O. Cascaddan of Deland, Fla.

For the double-ring wedding, the bride wore a traditional-length gown decorated with imported rose point lace. The sweeping skirt was fashioned with double ruffles, with a ruffled cascade on the train.

A cap of seed pearls and lace held her fingertip veil and she carried a white orchid. Her jewelry was a single strand of pearls, the gift of the bridegroom.

Catherine Jane Sibley of Lake Orion, Ina Spriggs of Royal Oak, Loretta Engler of Rochester and Rosalind Francis of Oxford were bridesmaids. Flower girl was Norma Lucas and ringbearer was Walter Lucas, both of Lake Orion.

Richard Cascaddan, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Attendants were Harold Andrews, William Anderson and William Bryant, all of Lake Orion.

A reception for some 300 guests was held in the church house.

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'Suspect'—Chapter 19

—by Hugh Lawrence Nelson

The Carlson house had been started during the past period when everyone in Colorado who had a few hundred thousand dollars to throw away had started building castles in the mountains. With the old part of the house as a firm bulwark, newer additions straggled down toward the lake and small bathhouse beyond.

The winding road led to a carport before the newest part of the house. Mrs. Hilton came up while Jim and Nancy were getting out with their overnight bags.

"Where's the other woman?" Mrs. Hilton demanded.

"What other woman?" Jim asked.

"The other woman I saw yesterday," Mrs. Hilton snapped. "Dressed in black, dressed—she stopped abruptly and looked at Nancy again. She said, 'That was you!'"

Jim put in, "Distances make things deceptive. Or is it that things are distorted through binoculars?"

The complacency vanished. She said harshly, "Come on then, you women. I'll show you rooms."

Nancy, Mrs. Kit and Mrs. Gelstrap followed dutifully. Agnes and Jim remained with Philip Stone-

man.

"Mrs. Oswald will see you," Philip said. He paused long enough to look at his expensive wrist watch. "In exactly 25 minutes. In her studio."

"We'll talk to you first then," Agnes said. "Come on, Mr. Dunn. You might as well listen. I want you to hear this."

They went to a small sunroom. Philip said, "Sit down." He took one of the straight chairs. Jim another. Agnes Argyle was confronted with a problem. She finally solved it, but she did not look at home in the contour chair.

Philip plugged in a gleaming silver percolator, left it and returned to his chair. "I've been thinking since you called, Agnes," he said. "I've talked to Mrs. Oswald too, of course. I guess I can really help you establish the fact that this was an accident. As far as all of us are concerned."

Jim noticed the use of her first name, and apparent terms of intimacy between Stone-

man and Agnes. Catch, chum? Breakfast at seven sharp is the present rule and has been all this summer. So this morning of course could not be an exception. We breakfasted at seven. How well I know! It was up to me to get it, and I barely had time for a shower and a change of clothes before I had to start my culinary masterpiece. Shrimp chow mein and scrambled eggs.

"How about the boat?" Dunn demanded.

Philip shook his head. "The boat wasn't used. I'll show you why I know. And, before you bring it up, I'll admit it isn't too far to swim if a person would keep close to that sheer cliff that separates these two places. Maybe three or four blocks. But you just try it, chum. That water's ice, pure ice. The lake is deep and the water always cold. No, I don't think you can consider swimming seriously, chum."

Philip then led Jim and Agnes

outside, along the path to the small bathhouse.

The smell of paint and varnish had warned Jim what to expect. Nevertheless he touched a finger to various spots on the boat and the wall. The varnish was nearly dry, but still tacky. The paint on the oars was still wetter. Left a red stain on his finger. Dunn noticed a small smear on one of the oars as if someone else had tested the dryness of the paint.

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CAPTAIN EASY



SPUR LINE



NANCY



CISCO KID



DIXIE DUGAN



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



THE BERRYS



ANGEL



"I recognize Aunt Martha. We have a picture of her hidden in the attic."

DONALD DUCK



ALLEY OOP



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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Grains Ruled by Firm Prices

CHICAGO (UP)—Firm prices ruled in grains in moderately active dealings on the Board of Trade today.

Wheat participated in the advance, recovering part of the ground lost in yesterday's sharp decline. Private reports from the Southwest indicated moisture yesterday and overnight was not as heavy as some grainmen had anticipated.

Soybeans and feed grains were aided both by very light receipts of cash grain and the weather in the Midwest, which continued to be mostly a mixture of rain and snow.

Wheat near the end of the first hour was 1 to 1 1/4 higher, March \$2.32 1/2; corn 1/4 to 1/2 higher, March \$1.57 1/2; oats unchanged to 1/4 higher, March \$1.18; soybeans 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 higher, January \$13.15.

Grain Prices

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Nov	2.64 1/2
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Mar	2.68 1/2
May	2.70 1/2
July	2.72 1/2
Sept	2.74 1/2
Nov	2.76 1/2
Jan	2.78 1/2
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Sept	8.98 1/2
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Utility Reveals Expansion Plan

Consumers Power Will Spend \$73 Million for Construction in '55

JACKSON (UP)—Consumers Power Co. has announced a \$73,000,000 construction program for 1955.

Chairman Justin R. Whiting said the program would include a new office building near Jackson and expansions at both the John C. Woodcock generating plant near Bay City and the B. C. Cobb generating plant at Muskegon.

No breakdown on expenditures was given.

Whiting said two 350,000-kilowatt generating units would be installed at the Woodcock plant, bringing its capacity to 478,250 kilowatts.

He also reported that two similar generating units would be added to facilities at the Cobb plant.

Consumers now serves 761,000 electric and 392,000 natural gas customers outside Detroit.

War Hero's Son Attends Father's Alma Mater

BOSTON (UP)—Boston College has a "carbon copy" of a war hero graduate, and the bright-eyed freshman still carries his father's famous letter.

Cmdr. John J. Shea went down with the carrier Wasp in 1942, three months after writing his son and namesake: "Study hard... Be a leader in everything good."

This fall Jackie entered Boston College after graduating from Boston College High School with high honors.

"I feel Dad is here with me when I have the letter in my hand," he said. "I know how he felt and how he would want me to act in every situation."

Local C. of C. Plans Annual Meet Jan. 25

The annual meeting of the Pontiac Chamber of Commerce will be held January 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the Elks Temple.

Featured speaker for the event will be Dr. William H. Alexander, who gave the main address at last year's affair.

Dr. Alexander is from Oklahoma City and is pastor of the largest church in the state.

New directors and officers of the chamber for 1955 will also be introduced at the meeting.

Ferndale Youth Charged With Assault, Theft

Mack Gayles, 17, of 2119 Bemis Lane, Ferndale, pleaded innocent to an assault charge and waived examination on a theft charge yesterday in Royal Oak Township justice court.

Gayles, in jail after failing to furnish \$600 bonds on the two counts, is charged with assaulting a 15-year-old boy with a piece of iron Dec. 22. He is also accused of taking a suit from a cleaner's truck in Oakdale Gardens Nov. 24.

He was bound over for examination in Circuit Court Jan. 3 on the second count. Arraignment date on the assault charge was not set.

Too Cold for Skiing

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (UP)—It's so cold here these days you can't ski or ice skate. Temperatures of 38 degrees below zero froze the motor of the city ski lift and cracked all the ice on the municipal skating rink.

Market Shows Downward Shift

NEW YORK (UP)—The stock market was lower today in early dealings, although several areas of steadiness prevailed.

Both gains and losses spread over a range of around a point with the depressed side of the list more extensive.

Steel, motors and oils remained steady. Utilities and tobacco edged higher. Other major divisions of the list were predominately lower.

Bonquet Mining, at the top of the most active list for the four previous sessions, opened today on 15,000 shares at 1 1/2.

Among early blocks were New York Central 5,000 shares at 1/4 at 33 1/2, American Telephone 1,000 at 1/4 at 17 1/2, Panhandle Oil 4,500 unchanged at 9 1/2, General Motors 1,500 at 1/4 at 94, American Cyanamid 1,000 at 1/4 at 53 1/2, International Harvester 1,200 at 1/4 at 35 1/2, Pepsi-Cola 1,500 unchanged at 17 1/2, and Boeing 1,400 at 1/4 at 70 1/2.

Yesterday's stock market was lower with the Associated Press average of 60 stocks down \$1.10 at \$152.30.

Bonds today were mostly unchanged to higher at the start.

New York Stocks

Admiral 28 1/2, Alcoa 28 1/2, Allied 28 1/2, Am. Can. 28 1/2, Am. Oil 28 1/2, Am. Tel. 28 1/2, Am. Tobacco 28 1/2, Am. Water 28 1/2, Am. Zinc 28 1/2, Am. Zinc 28 1/2, Am. Zinc 28 1/2, Am.