

16 DEAD, 23 MISSING IN IOWA HOTEL FIRE

The Weather

Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; warmer Tuesday.

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Fifteen More In Hospital At Dubuque

Canfield Hotel Owner, Wife Among Dead; Heroic Rescue Work Performed

DUBUQUE, Ia., June 10.—(P)—The death toll in a tragic fire at the Canfield Hotel went to 16 today as a three-pronged investigation was started to determine the cause of the blaze which swept through the 200-room structure shortly after midnight yesterday.

The 16th fatal victim of the fire was Mrs. William Canfield, 73, wife of the hotel owner. Her husband was taken dead from the ruins yesterday. She died of third degree burns.

Three of the dead remained unidentified and 23 persons still were reported missing by the Red Cross. Fifteen more were in the hospital.

While officers held off further search for bodies on orders of Deputy State Fire Marshal Zach Cok, who said the walls were "dangerously sagging," the American Red Cross continued a radio appeal for all persons who were registered at the hotel Saturday night to report to the Red Cross.

Some of Missing Alive

Fire Chief Perry Kirsh said he believed most of the persons unaccounted for after the fire roared through the 55-year-old building early yesterday morning were permanent guests who were registered at the hotel, but had left for the weekend.

The hotel register listed 123 names, many of which were illegible because of water damage. The Red Cross said the missing probably included the three unidentified dead.

Horror and Heroism

The blaze was fought two and one-half hours by 75 firemen and there were scenes of horror and heroism. Kirsh praised the work of civilians who aided firemen and 35 policemen to bring out victims.

Many inmates made their own escapes. One slid down a rope made of bed sheets; another dropped from a second story window ledge to safety. A 62-year-old man was rescued by firemen from a fifth story window ledge.

Firemen said that screams they heard from flaming hotel windows of trapped inmates begging for help as firemen arrived were terrible.

The death toll in the Dubuque fire brought to 77 persons who have lost their lives in hotel fires in two cities in four days. Last Wednesday 61 persons lost their lives in the quickly-spreading fire at the La Salle Hotel, Chicago.

Italy Now Republic; Fraud Cry Futile

ROME, June 10.—(P)—Italy formally became a republic today.

In ceremonies in Montecitorio Palace's "Hall of the Wolf," Chief Justice Pagano announced that the Court of Cassation, highest tribunal in Italy, had officially determined that the people had voted out the House of Savoy monarchy in the plebiscite last week.

Meanwhile, with royalties pressing last minute demands that the court examine their claims of fraud in the plebiscite before making any announcement, the newspaper "Espresso" quoted an associate justice as saying the court, "after careful consideration," had decided it was not competent to pass upon the monarchist contention that an absolute majority of all ballots cast—both valid and invalid—was required for a republican victory.

In any case court functionaries expressed belief that the number of ballots invalidated for irregularities would be far below the republican majority of 2,011,000 which the ministry of interior announced last week.

Draftee Prosecution Must Be at Board's Location

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(P)—The supreme court today ruled a selective service registrant who refused to submit to induction may be prosecuted in the federal judicial district where the refusal occurred.

Justice Rutledge delivered the 7-0 decision. Justice Jackson took no part.

The U. S. court for the western district of Washington state had held that Sheldon Maurice Anderson, charged with refusal to be inducted at Fort Lewis, which is the western district, could be prosecuted only in the eastern district in which his Spokane draft board is located.

Levity Fast Rant

By L. F. Rosenbush

House Action Planned to Avert Ship Strike

Negotiations In Labor Dept. Deadlocked

Subcommittee to Try for Solution as Deadline for Walkout Draws Nearer

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(P)—Chairman Augustine B. Kelley (D-Pa.) of a House labor subcommittee said today he is going ahead with plans to work out a congressional solution of the maritime dispute now that other federal mediation attempts appear deadlocked.

Kelley, of the subcommittee on labor-management, told a reporter that his group had held off hearings hoping the Labor Department could work out a settlement.

"We had hoped for a settlement by tomorrow but now that it looks like there will be nothing coming out of the Labor Department negotiations, we feel that we should get busy right away," Kelley said.

"The deadline for the strike is getting right on us."

Seven unions affiliated with the CIO-dominated Committee for Maritime Unity (CMU) have set a strike date for midnight Friday in behalf of their demands, principally for a reduction in the present 56-hour work week for seamen.

Kelley said his committee will open hearings tomorrow with testimony from either Joseph Curran, president of the CIO National Maritime Union, or Harry Bridges, head of the CIO International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union. They are co-chairmen of SMU. Another witness will be Joseph Selly, president of the CIO American Communications Association.

Compromise Spurred

Union preparations for the strike Friday night roared into high gear today after the CIO turned down a proposal to give seamen shore leave with pay.

This suggestion first was put forward by Labor Department conciliators as a possible way to break the deadlock over the length of the work-week at sea. The idea was to give one day of shore leave for every 14 days

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

POSTMASTER GENERAL HANNEGAN, addressing the Missouri chapter of the National Association of Postmasters in St. Louis, reads a sermon on inflation that is at least interesting in these disturbed days.

"PRICE inflation," he told his hearers, "is the symptom of a nation that has become afflicted with 'give-me.' It is this disease that has brought on our labor troubles. And the give-me (more often referred to as the 'gimmies') is an economic virus that feeds upon itself."

He then proceeds to diagram the pattern of the gimmies:

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WEAR COWBOY TOGS OR PAY FINE!

Kangaroo Court Dated in Roseburg's Rodeo Week

Local citizens will don cowboy clothes—big hats, silk shirts, Levis, and riding boots—for Rodeo Week, which begins June 17. Climax of Rodeo Week will be the Sheriff's Posse Second Annual Rodeo, June 22 and 23, at the Douglas County Fair Grounds.

It is the plan of the Sheriff's Posse to hold a kangaroo court all day in front of the Umpqua Hotel, Friday, June 21, presided over by Justice of the Peace Fred M. Wright of Reedsport, who will act as an old time cowboy judge.

A posse selected from members of the organization will patrol the streets on foot and on horseback and conduct mock arrests of everyone caught on the streets that day without their cowboy garb.

A jail has been constructed and will be moved to the front of the Umpqua Hotel Friday morning. All fines collected by the court will be turned over to the Douglas County Fair Board for improvements to the grounds.

"It is sincerely hoped that the people of the community will enter into the fun and help make Friday one of the big days of the show," Captain Dick Baker of the Sheriff's Posse said. "We want public co-operation to make this a banner week for the community."

Woodworker, Sugar Broker, Baker Pour Out Their Woes To Congressional Probers

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(P)—A woodworker clad in work clothes appeared before a senate congressional committee today, flourished a loaf of bread and complained he'd spent two hours and searched five bakeries to find it.

The unscheduled witness, F. L. Frillman of Washington, had a double tale of woe to relate to the Senate's small business committee, which is trying to find out the reasons for the bread shortage.

On top of the bread scarcity, Frillman lamented, it's getting so you can't find meat—"nothing but salami!"

"And the only way to eat salami," he said, "is in a sandwich and the only way to have a sandwich is with bread, and you can't get bread now."

A bevy of bakers got their chance, too, to pass along the gripes they've been getting from bread-hunting housewives.

And a sugar broker, in tones far from sweet, complained that too many government agencies

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James O. Watson, Attorney, Passes

James O. Watson, 73, for more than 40 years a practicing attorney in Roseburg, died Sunday evening at Mercy Hospital following a short illness.

Mr. Watson had recently been discharged from the hospital, following treatment for a heart ailment, but suffered a relapse and was re-admitted in a critical condition.

Born May 25, 1873, at Jacksonville, Ore., the son of the late Judge and Mrs. E. B. Watson, he was reared in Portland where he received his early education in the public schools and Portland academy. He was a member of the first class to be graduated from a full four-year course at Stanford University.

He served in the Spanish-American War and following his discharge from military service was admitted to the Oregon bar in 1900.

Mr. Watson came to Roseburg in 1905 and entered law practice in which he was engaged continuously until his recent death. He was very active in political circles for many years, being a member of the Republican party, but never sought public office. He was a member of the Elks Lodge, the United Spanish War Veterans, and Douglas County Bar Association.

His sister, Mrs. Gertrude Holman, died in Portland in 1938. He was survived by his wife, Mrs. Harold Burkitt, Portland, a niece, as the nearest surviving relative.

Funeral services will be held at 2 P. M. Tuesday at the chapel of the Roseburg Funeral Home, conducted by Fr. William L. Blaker. Committal services will be held at 11 A. M. Wednesday at the family burial plot in Riverside Cemetery, Portland.

William Bader was hospitalized for shock and exposure.

Gen. Mihailovic Goes to Trial on Treason Charge

BELGRADE, June 10.—(P)—Marshal Tito's Yugoslav government charged at the opening of Gen. Draja Mihailovic's treason trial today that American officers sat in on a conference between the former Chetnik leader and the German commander in Yugoslavia.

The government indictment was read at the opening of the trial of the man who was left behind by former King Peter's government for the announced purpose of waging underground war against the Germans. It also charged that Mihailovic was sent word by British officers in Cairo to "liquidate communists as soon as possible."

Former King Peter's war minister sat in the dock with 13 co-defendants also accused by Marshal Tito's government of treasonable relations with the Germans. Also on trial in absentia were 10 others.

Jap Prison Camp Head Faces Atrocities Trial

YOKOHAMA, June 10.—(P)—Lt. Takeharu Hirata, former Fukuoka prisoner of war camp commander, will go on trial Wednesday on charges of permitting his men to commit atrocities.

Hirata is charged with permitting subordinates to contribute to the death of MM 1c James P. Haskell (address unavailable) by denying him medical treatment, and on permitting the beating of Sgt. Richard Hudson, Weiser, Ida.; Larry Walters, Hood River, Ore.; Lt. Col. Kenneth R. Hoag, Fresno, Calif.; Earl J. Wilson, Olympia, Wash., and Alfred P. Kmiece, Seattle.

Truman Verdict on Case Bill Slated Tomorrow

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(P)—President Truman told his congressional leaders today he would send a message to Congress tomorrow on the Case labor dispute bill, but apparently did not say whether he would veto or sign it.

Close associates of the President predicted a veto.

Conviction of 3 Big Tobacco Firms Upheld

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(P)—The supreme court today affirmed conviction of three major tobacco companies on charges of violating the Sherman anti-trust act.

The case involved the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company and the American Tobacco Company. They were fined a total of \$255,000 in U. S. district court in Lexington, Ky. The sixth federal circuit court upheld the conviction.

Justice Burton delivered the 6-3 decision. Justices Reed and Jackson did not participate.

Burton said the companies "have been found to have conspired to establish a monopoly and also to have the power and intent to establish and maintain the monopoly. To hold that they do not come within the prohibition of the Sherman act would destroy the force of that act."

Justice Frankfurter in a brief concurring opinion said he believed the court also should have ruled on whether the companies were committed in the selection of the jury.

Monopoly Plan Evident

The companies asked the supreme court to review numerous questions. But it agreed to consider only whether the actual exclusion of competitors is a necessary element for monopolization, under the terms of the Sherman act.

The justice department contended its case against the companies showed there was "intent and power to produce a result."

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Paper Firm President Slain in His Office

BOSTON, June 10.—(P)—William A. Whitcomb, 73, president of the Gerat Northern Paper Company, was shot to death in his office in the heart of the city today, and police termed an unsigned contract found on his desk as the only clue to the identity of his well-dressed slayer.

"I have a hunch who might have done it," said Lieutenant Harold Waldens. "This contract would have been very beneficial to a certain party if Whitcomb had signed it."

Whitcomb, a native of Clinton, Ind., was slain only seconds after Sally Whitcomb, his secretary, admitted the killer to his private office and left the two men alone. His body was found face down on the floor and four discharged pistol cartridges were nearby.

Miss Whitcomb remembered the slayer as a man who came to the office last week, representing himself as a treasury department agent.

Three Appointments Made by Governor Snell

SALEM, Ore., June 10.—(P)—Governor Snell today announced three appointments to state boards and commissions.

They are: J. H. Pearce, La Grande, reappointed to a five-year term on the state board of watchmaking examiners.

C. A. Smith, Medford, and Louis Minoggie, Portland, reappointed to the Oregon Dairy Products commission.

Richard C. Kneeland, Portland, reappointed to a four-year term on the State Board of Accountancy.

Peace Parley Fails to Halt Fighting in China

NANKING, June 10.—(P)—U. S. General Marshall and Communist Gen. Chou En-Lai today discussed conditions for permanent peace in China while the government made new charges that Red troops violated the current truce by attacking several cities.

The government-controlled Central News Agency charged that 200 national officers and men were killed or wounded as 12 communist brigades assaulted government positions at Lafa and Kiu railway stations, east of Yungki.

Roseburg Elks, Band to Attend State Convention

Approximately 40 representatives, including a 20-piece band, will leave Roseburg Wednesday to represent the Roseburg Elks lodge at the State Elks Association convention to be held in Baker, Oregon, June 13, 14, 15. A railroad Pullman car has been chartered for the trip, and will be sidetracked at Baker to provide accommodations for the party during their stay at the convention city.

Another U. S. Army Officer Arrested in Hesse Jewel Theft

FRANKFURT, Germany, June 10.—(P)—U. S. Army investigators, working closely with Washington, explored today the possibility that a small number of gems still unrecovered in the theft of \$1,500,000 worth of the Hesse jewels from Kronberg castle might still be hidden in Germany.

Criminal investigation agents refused to reveal whether there were any developments arising out of the arrest of Maj. David F. Watson, 36, of Burlingame, Calif., who was taken into custody here Friday, declaring they were operating under War Department instructions.

But U. S. Army headquarters officers said that Watson had made a long statement to criminal investigation agents and that the possibility that some gems might "be hidden in Germany is not being overlooked."

Watson had worked in close conjunction at U. S. headquarters with Col. J. W. Durant, arrested in Chicago with his WAC captain wife in connection with the removal of the precious heirlooms of Countess Von Hesse, 74, granddaughter of Queen Victoria of England, from Kronberg castle near here.

23 Persons Die in Army Plane Crash

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., June 10.—(P)—Morrison Field authorities today released the names of 23 persons killed in the crash of an Army C-54 transport plane on Tobago Island, 13 miles from Panama City, Panama, yesterday.

They were: Capt. Lawrence W. Parks, Shoshoni, Wyo., pilot; Capt. Robert C. McCormick, Malvern, Iowa; Lt. Charles E. Green, Bay Springs, Miss., navigator; M-Sgt. Nelson Russell, Pope, Miss., engineer; M-Sgt. Margarito E. Maes, Ocala, N. M., radio operator; Pvt. James J. LaFare, Delwood, Iowa, flight instructor; Sgt. Edward A. Nicholas, East Hazelcrest, Ill.; T-4 James E. Premis, St. Joseph, Mo.; T-4 Charles O. Naddy, Columbus, O.; West Point Cadet William S. Fisher, Gatun, Canal Zone; West Point Cadet John M. McGinnis, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone; T-5 Eugene J. Perdos, Cadogan, Pa.; T-5 Robert Perkins, Norton, Kans.; T-4 Ribur R. Brown, Lexington, Nehr.; T-4 Harold L. Purley, Kansas City, Mo.; T-4 Roy N. Varga, Iowa; T-5 Daniel D. Planko, Streets, Ill.; Pfc. Floyd W. Crosby, Spanish Fork, Utah; S-Sgt. Walter P. Astryke, Alenaderia, Va.; Col. Roy W. Osborn, Sanborn, N. D.; Frank D. Atkinson, Jacksonville, Fla., a civilian; Pfc. Brad Perkins, Port Arthur, Tex.; and Pvt. Edward E. Mitchell, Cimarron, Kans.

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Arabs Hail Report of Exiled Mufti's Return

JERUSALEM, June 10.—(P)—Arabs decorated most of the narrow streets of the old city of Jerusalem today with flags, flowers and olive branches on hearing unconfirmed reports that the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem had arrived at Damascus to help Arab resistance against Jewish immigration.

The Moslem leader was exiled in 1937 for anti-British activities. His pictures appeared everywhere in Jerusalem, surrounded by wreaths of olive leaves. Many streets in the Arab quarter of the new city also were decorated.

"Guides" and beggars all were saying with conviction that "we know the mufti is in Damascus and he will be coming to Jerusalem in a few days" the Arab League Council currently is meeting in extraordinary session in Damascus, capital of Syria.

Doubts Restoration of Oregon Liquor Rationing

PORTLAND, June 10.—(P)—Admitting that restoration of liquor rationing has been discussed, a state liquor control commissioner said today he doubted if it will be reinstated.

Dr. E. B. McDaniel declared "in my personal opinion there will be no liquor rationing." He said the subject could be taken up again, however, at the June 24-26 meeting.

Included in the appropriations recommended for repeal today were \$1,138,258.365 for the civil agencies of the government, \$1,563,283.418 for the War Department and \$387,894.813 for the Navy Department.

Own Gun Kills Autoist As He Begins Tire Job

SWEET HOME, Ore., June 10.—(P)—A rifle in the tool-luggage compartment fatally wounded Howard G. Hadley, 52, Eugene, east of here Saturday when he prepared to change a wheel of his auto along the Santiam highway.

With Roseburg's March of Progress

ENLARGING HOME—In January Mr. and Mrs. Herman Flatau came to Roseburg from Port Angeles, Wash., and Mr. Flatau soon was employed by the Umpqua Plywood Company. Shown above is the addition the Flataus are constructing to the home they purchased on East Sixth Street.



Bullet Ends Life of Young Ruler of Siam

BANGKOK, June 10.—(P)—Prince Phumiphon Aduldet, 18, was named King of Siam today while this nation mourned the death of his brother, 20-year-old King Ananda Mahidol, who was found in the royal palace yesterday with a bullet wound between the eyes.

The new king, who will become the ruler of more than 200,000 square miles and 18,000,000 subjects, was unanimously selected by an extraordinary session of the legislature, meeting 12 hours after his brother's death.

The Siamese police director Ananda's death was accidental.

Phumiphon Aduldet, the almost constant companion of his older brother, was born in Boston, Mass., while his father, the late Prince Mahidol of Songkhla, was studying at Harvard. Phumiphon Aduldet and Ananda attended school together in Switzerland.

Known to Be Ill

Only sketchy details were disclosed on the shooting of King Ananda, a bespectacled, diffident youth often described as a reluctant monarch, who had become extremely popular since his return from Switzerland last December.

The young ruler had been ill for two days and arose at 6 A. M. yesterday to take some medicine. Nothing was known of his actions after that time, official sources said, and his body was discovered several hours later in the bedroom of the palace by a servant.

News of the death occurred on (Continued on page 6)

Truman Asks Another Slash in Appropriations

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(P)—President Truman today recommended to Congress the repeal of appropriations totaling \$3,089,436,596 plus contract authorizations totaling \$174,178,000.

A White House statement said these amounts are in addition to three previous rescissions totaling \$33,814,924.373 in cash and \$4,674,706,880 in contract authorizations.

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Five Soldiers Killed in Brief Paraguayan Revolt

ASUNCION, Paraguay, June 10.—(P)—A pre-dawn barracks revolt in which five Paraguayan soldiers were killed Sunday appeared quelled today after President Gen. Morlingo "reassumed" control of the army and four high cavalry officers fled to the Brazilian embassy.

Rifle and artillery fire rattled around the suburban Camp Grande barracks for four hours Sunday and truckloads of soldiers sped through the streets. Asuncion, mostly unaware of the uprising except for the gunplay, was quiet for the rest of the day and transportation and entertainment facilities operated normally. It was the second attempted revolt this year.

Snyder Confirmed

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(P)—The Senate Finance Committee today approved President Truman's nomination of John W. Snyder to be secretary of the treasury.

Snyder succeeds Fred M. Vinson, who has been nominated for chief justice of the United States.

Photo by Paul Jenkins