

King of Greece Dies Suddenly While Guerrilla Warfare Shakes Nation

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San Quentin Fugitive Duels Klamath Cops

Escape Made In Darkness After Holdup

Wounding Evidenced by Blood in Stolen Auto; Companion Surrenders

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—Alfred Payne, San Quentin escapee who got away from officers after a holdup here last night, was believed traced this morning to Fort Klamath in Northern Klamath County, and the search for him spread out in that area.

Payne's partner, Norman Jacklin, was captured by city police who chased the pair into a dead-end street last night, but Payne disappeared in the darkness exchanging shots with the police. Officers are certain he is wounded, and blood found in a stolen car recovered near Fort Klamath gave weight to that theory.

The car, belonging to Ward Harren, Klamath Falls, was stolen about 10:30 o'clock last night, while police were combing the city in search of Payne. It was found beside U. S. Highway 97 between Klamath Agency and Fort Klamath about 35 miles north of here this morning.

State police reported that another car was stolen at Fort Klamath at 2:30 A. M., and they believe that Payne is now using that machine.

Chased By Officers

Payne and Jacklin held up a service station on South Sixth Street here about 8 o'clock last night. They took about \$50 from John Fanning, the service station

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Spare Ration Stamp No. 11 Validated for 10 Pounds of Sugar

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Spare ration stamp No. 11 was validated today for another 10 pounds of sugar to each household consumer.

OPA officials said the stamp will be good through Sept. 30. Stamp No. 53, which provided a five-pound allowance, expired last night.

OPA previously had announced that another stamp good for 10 pounds probably would be validated July 1, with a third one likely to be made good around Oct. 1.

However, since Congress ordered sugar controls transferred from OPA to the Agriculture Department effective last midnight, it is possible that some change may be made in this tentative schedule, officials indicated.

The Agriculture Department would make any change necessary to conform to new ration rules voted by Congress. Congress approved extension of sugar and ration controls only until Oct. 31, and stipulated that each person should receive an additional 20 pounds of sugar in the next seven months. This rate would assure 35 pounds for each person this year, compared with a total of 25 pounds received last year.

Coal Miners Begin Memorial Pause

(By the Associated Press) John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers quit their soft coal pits today beginning a six-day stoppage to memorialize the tragic deaths of 111 Centralia (Ill.) miners.

The 400,000 AFL-UMW members began the mourning period at one minute after midnight extending to the East Coast and extending to the Pacific through the time zones.

All was quiet in the nation's anthracite mines, too. The hard coal miners laid aside picks and shovels for traditional April 1 holiday observances celebrating the miners' winning of the eight-hour day nearly a half-century ago.

But a black shroud hovered over all proceedings. Memorial services were the main parts of mining community programs. Industry, in the main, seemed unperturbed, no coal-dependent firms were expected to curtail production. Lewis' timing of the "holidays" comes in a period when little coal is brought to the surface.

Miners traditionally don't work April 1, and few work on Holy Thursday or Good Friday. Saturday normally is a day off. Wednesday, then, is the only day in which full production is lost.

Child Found After Trek Of 25 Miles Into Desert

EL CENTRO, Calif., April 1.—(AP)—After one of the most intensive searches ever made in the Imperial County desert country, Jimmie Hocker, 5, was found 25 miles from where he had strayed from the house trailer of his parents at Midway well.

Eighteen men, a dozen jeeps and 200 men combed the rugged terrain before Jimmie, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hocker of Los Angeles, was found by a Mexican field worker late yesterday. He had been in the desert all night.

38,000 Ruhr Miners Stage Demand for More Food

ESSEN, April 1.—(AP)—Thirty-eight thousand miners left their jobs and paraded in Dortmund, Hamburg and Duisburg today in Ruhr demonstrations against what speakers called the "catastrophic" food shortage.

British officials said all returned to their work after the demonstrations, which were without incident. At Dortmund, where 30,000 paraded in the streets, the miners adopted a seven-point resolution calling for the "immediate building of an effective German government and parliament."

Greyhound Bus Lines Facing Strike Threat

OMAHA, April 1.—(AP)—A strike affecting more than 1,000 Greyhound employees of the overland bus lines is being threatened. The company has been authorized in the event the company fails to set up a pension and disability plan, a union spokesman said today.

No date was set for the strike. States involved are Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Colorado, Illinois, California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, Kansas, Missouri and South Dakota. Company spokesmen were not available for comment.

Sugar Ration, Price Control Hold Longer

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Sugar rationing gained a new seven-month lease on life today, but President Truman—fearful of "disastrous economic consequences" from such a short extension—announced he might seek longer controls.

The sugar act, which also carries sugar price control to October 31, was approved by Congress yesterday along with a 90-day extension of the President's power to parcel out a sharply trimmed list of industrial, drug and food items.

Mr. Truman signed both bills in time to prevent the entire sugar and allocation program from lapsing along with the Second War Powers Act. The act is the source of the priority, rationing and allocation power. It ran out at midnight, save for the few controls salvaged.

More Sugar Allowed

No change in sugar rations or regulation will be made for the present, Secretary of Agriculture Anderson announced. He took over the program today, in line

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Franco Provides For His Successor

MADRID, April 1.—(AP)—Overwhelming parliamentary approval was forecast today for Generalissimo Francisco Franco's proposal to declare that Spain, although his throne has been vacant for 16 years, is still a Monarchy and to outline procedure for selecting the country's next ruler—whether king or regent.

The measure was introduced in the Cortes last night on the eve of Spain's "victory day," the eighth anniversary celebration of Franco's victory in the Civil war. Approval was assured by the fact that an overwhelming majority of the Cortes members were selected by the Franco government.

The proposal, in the form of a decree, followed a speech by Franco, which was devoted mainly to denunciation of "Marxism." He declared that the rest of the world had finally joined him in hating and fearing Communism.

The measure, labeled "a bill on succession to the chief of state," was the first public admission Franco has ever made that his regime was merely temporary. It did not, however, fix any tenure of office for him as "chief of state" and presumably would leave him power for the rest of his life if he wished it. He is now 54 years old.

An authoritative source, who predicted last week that such a proposal was forthcoming, said it was designed mainly for its effect on the outside world.

The Weather

Occasional light rain tonight and Wednesday.

LOON LAKE LOGGING PLAN OPPOSED

Operations Would Destroy Fish, Plant Life, Mar Beauty Of Resort, Petitioners Say

Opposition and objection to the proposed dumping, rafting and towing of logs in Loon Lake by the E. K. Woods Lumber Co. were expressed in a petition presented the County Court yesterday.

Signed by R. P. Duckett, operator of the Loon Lake Resort, and several other residents of the area, the petition made objection to the planned operations by asserting they were "unnecessary," and would be "destructive to fish, game, and plant life," and would "substantially affect the beauty and attractiveness of Loon Lake to tourists, fishermen and vacationists."

"We feel it is of much greater importance to keep and maintain Loon Lake in its present clean and beautiful condition as a vacation and recreational spot of beauty than to permit it to be desecrated and destroyed by a few years of use by the logging industry," the petition said.

The petition was addressed to the County Court, the State Land Board and State Game Commission. Judge Busenbark said today that he did not know what effect rafting of logs would have on the lake waters. He said that it is being done on other lakes without apparent harm. That the beauty of the lake might be destroyed had not occurred to the County Court when the lumber company presented its plan.

Baker County School Supt. Selected As Oregon Mother of '47

PORTLAND, April 1.—(AP)—Mrs. Myrtle Lee, a mother of four ex-servicemen and Baker County school superintendent, has been named Oregon Mother of 1947 by Governor Snell.

Active in civic affairs in Baker, particularly youth programs, she wrote a nine-page monthly news letter for 800 Baker County overseas veterans during the war. Occasionally she substitutes in the pulpit of the Methodist Church.

She is 55 years old. Two of her sons, all college graduates, are doctors.

Her activity with youth includes regular nature walks for a study of birds and plant life. She advises youth church groups and is active in Boy and Girl Scout organizations.

She will be the state's candidate in the annual national contest sponsored by the Golden Rule Foundation of New York.

Phone Strike Ban Vote is Blocked

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Democrats blocked a vote in the House Labor Committee today on a bill to head off Monday's threatened nationwide telephone strike.

Chairman Hartley announced the committee will meet again tomorrow, and told reporters: "They will either vote the bill up or down at that time."

The bill would authorize the government to obtain a court order to stop a telephone strike or any other affecting national health, welfare or interest. A Bell System spokesman said 12 companies have offered to arbitrate the basic wage issue of a \$12 a week raise while bargaining out the union's remaining nine contract demands.

The union announced its opposition to arbitration on a local basis, saying it would result in a "crazy quilt pattern of wages and working conditions" throughout the industry.

Maine First to Ratify Limit on Presidency

AUGUSTA, Me., April 1.—(AP)—Maine's dominant Republican legislature was the first in the country to ratify a proposed federal constitutional amendment limiting the presidential tenure of office to two full four year terms.

The action came yesterday without discussion in the Senate and after brief debate in the House where the vote was 82 to seven, with the minority all Democrats.

Thirty six states must ratify the amendment.

LANSING, Mich., April 1.—(AP)—Hoping vainly to make Michigan the first state to ratify an amendment to the federal constitution limiting the presidential tenure of office to two full four year terms.

The measure passed in only 53 minutes last night.

Representatives approved the measure 69 to 1, and senators passed it, 25 to 0.

Popular Vote On Sales Levy Bill is Slated

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR., SALEM, Ore., April 1.—(AP)—The 3 per cent sales tax bill was almost ready for Senate action today, with the Senate's assessment and taxation committee having to make only two more decisions—the tax rate and the date of the special election at which it would be referred to the people.

The committee, with only Sen. Belton of Canby dissenting, recommended passage of the bill last night. But the committee was to meet again today to decide whether to lower the rate to 2 per cent and make it apply to all sales. The House 3 per cent version exempted food.

While the House wants the special election June 24, there is a good chance the Senate will decide on November 4.

The Senate committee also added an amendment which would give a sixth of the \$24,000,000 annual sales tax revenue to public works provided there was not enough revenue from liquor. The committee also approved House proposals to lower income taxes if the sales tax passes, but it added a provision to increase income taxes if the sales tax fails.

Barracks Fund Favored

The joint legislative Ways and Means Committee today introduced a bill appropriating \$620,000 for the next two years to operate the Klamath Marine barracks as a state vocational school. The committee, reversing its earlier unanimous action against the proposal to take over the barracks, voted 9 to 5 yesterday to acquire the site.

The bill gives title to the 734 acres of property to the state board of education as soon as the government turns the \$6,000,000 plant over to the state.

Bills Sent to Governor

The House voted 46 to 10 and sent to the governor a bill order-

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New 10c Airmail Stamp Covers World Service

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—The Post Office department announces a new 10-cent "air letter service" to all parts of the world, effective April 23.

The service calls for the use of air letter sheets, purchasable at postoffices. The thin sheets, measuring 12 to 18 inches, including a gummed flap, may be folded and sealed after the letter is written into the form of a small envelope.

The folder missive will bear a red-printed 10-cent airmail stamp of the same DC-4 design as the new 5-cent airmail stamp.

The price of 10 cents for the stamped letter sheets compares with the present minimum charge of 15 cents for letters mailed to Europe, and 25 cents to Asia and the far East.

Girl Cashier's Scream Routs Would-Be Bandit

TACOMA, April 1.—(AP)—A would-be bandit who demanded \$200 from the cashier at Sears, Roebuck and Company's store in downtown Tacoma yesterday got nothing—except possibly a split eardrum.

The bandit, variously described by witnesses as ranging in age from 35 to 52 and in height from 5 feet nine inches to six feet, joined a line of persons making payments. When his turn came he presented a note to Miss Anne Pinchak, the cashier, demanding the \$200.

Miss Pinchak took one look at the note, screamed "very loudly," and ran. The man ran, too. Witnesses were too startled to do more than stand and gape.

Oil Firms—Gas Station Divorce Suits Planned

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—Senator Dworshak (R-Idaho) today quoted Attorney General Tom Clark as saying that suits are being prepared in an attempt to divorce major oil companies from control of service stations.

Asked about the matter, a Justice Department spokesman told a reporter it was looking into the entire gasoline situation "in many places."

The department recently filed such an action against the Standard Oil Co. of California, which operates in Idaho. Dworshak has asked the Justice Department to investigate the difference between Idaho prices and those of neighboring states.

Heart Attack Claims Ruler, Twice Exiled

Brother Ascends Throne To Continue Monarchy; U. S. Aid Plan Held Safe

ATHENS, April 1.—(AP)—King George II died unexpectedly today of a heart ailment at a critical period in his nation's history. His 45-year-old brother, Prince Paul, was called to the throne. The death of the king, at the age of 56, came six months after his return to his throne from London after a plebiscite favoring the monarchy.

He died at a time when the explosive "Greek question" was being debated in Washington and in the capitals of the world, and when his country's bloody guerrilla warfare was being investigated by a United Nations Commission.

George took over the reins of Greece in 1922. When his father, Constantine, abdicated in 1917, George was barred from the throne because the allies feared he had pro-German leanings. His brother, Alexander, became king. Alexander died from the bite of a pet monkey in 1920, and Constantine returned to the throne. But Greece again was beset by hard times and Constantine, in 1922, had to abdicate again. George

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Nation's Eyes on Chicago Election

CHICAGO, April 1.—(AP)—Chicago's mayoral election contest between two political newcomers drew national attention today, in a major test of party strength preliminary to the 1948 presidential battle. With more than two million voters, Republican and Democratic party leaders considered the results would give them their first indication of how the political winds are blowing since last November's congressional election.

Democrats have been in power in Chicago for the last 16 years, and their big city vote was a major factor in giving Illinois' 28 electoral votes to the Late President Roosevelt four times. However, the Republicans, headed by Governor Dwight H. Green, won 14 of 17 offices in Cook County (Chicago) last November and they have waged a determined campaign to win control of the city hall.

Carroll Reece, Republican National chairman, said the election of the Republican candidate, Russell W. Root, would be a second major step to electing a GOP president next year. He said the first step was achieved in last fall's general election.

Root, 48-year-old attorney and assistant state treasurer, is opposed by Martin H. Kennelly, 39-year-old business man and civic leader. Both are seeking their first elective office, a job which pays \$18,000 annually for four years.

Policemen Suspended on Immoral Conduct Charge

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 1.—(AP)—Thirteen suspended Providence policemen face charges of immoral conduct involving night-trysts with women in city-owned Roger Williams park.

The charges were brought yesterday by the Bureau of Police and Fire only a few weeks after two other Providence officers were arrested for allegedly conspiring with a gang of burglars, three of whose members were ambushed and shot to death by police in a roadside restaurant.

A 14th policeman also was suspended yesterday in another case. Murray said morals charges also would be preferred against this 26-year-old rookie.

Wallace Sounds Sour Note On Plan to Aid Greece

NEW YORK, April 1.—(AP)—Henry A. Wallace, formerly vice president and cabinet member, told a cheering audience last night that "sooner or later Truman's program of unconditional aid to anti-Soviet governments will unite the world against America and divide America against herself."

Declaring that "the President and his Republican backers are less concerned with the need of the Greek people for food than with the need of the American Navy for oil," Wallace said that "the plan to contain Communism is really secondary to that push for oil."

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reitzelstein

Douglas County has no rattlesnake cannery. The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce was obliged to advise a prospective settler; but a device to "can" the communist unit reportedly with its borders might prove quite acceptable to a majority of its citizens.



AGED ROMEO DEMONSTRATES SLAYING—Paul Gordon, 83, swings a club for a wide-eyed detective in Chicago as he reenacts the confessed slaying of his landlady and fiancée, Mrs. Johanna Nimitz, 68, because she refused to set their wedding date.

Bronx-to-Hollywood Bus Driver Lands in Jail

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., April 1.—(AP)—The driver of a 44-passenger bus from the Bronx was in jail here today while authorities who impounded his empty conveyance when they took him into custody awaited word from New York as to what disposition will be made in the case.

Police Chief Philip A. Thompson identified the driver as 37-year-old William Lawrence Cimillo of the Bronx, N. Y. Cimillo gave no reason why he started out on a routine run Friday morning and wound up in Hollywood, more than 1,500 miles away.

Negro Couple Flogged By Georgia White Men

LITHONIA, Ga., April 1.—(AP)—DeKalb County Police Chief Edward L. Foster said today that a Negro man and his wife were taken from their home by four unmasked white men last night and flogged severely. The woman was shot in the foot.

The chief said that neither the man, Aggie Herndon, 46, nor his wife, Lottie, 40, could give any reason for the flogging, except that one of the band accused them of stealing.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

CONGRESS is planning an Easter recess. During the recess, members will head for home to talk things over with their constituents.

SO—It is quite possible that congressional approval of President Truman's new stop-Russia-before-it-is-too-late foreign policy may be delayed until the middle of April, or later.

THAT, it seems to this writer, would be quite all right.

This new program of ours—in which Greece and Turkey are only INCIDENTS—is the most important foreign policy announcement we have made since the Monroe doctrine. It involves the lives and the property of all of us. Unless it is backed by ALL OF US, it will be worse than useless—for if the PEOPLE are cold to it Russia's spies in this country will so report to Moscow, in which event Moscow might easily get tough on the assumption that we are only bluffing.

Such an assumption on the part of Moscow could lead to war.

THERE is a lot of time ahead. Two or three weeks more can make little difference in the long run. The more members of con-

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RUSSIANS ONLY 50 MILES AWAY

Congress Urged to Induce Vets to Settle in Alaska to Safeguard 'Last Frontier'

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—An Alaskan resident and a veterans' representative urged the House Public Lands Committee yesterday to settle veterans in the territory as a bulwark of defense in the event of another war.

The legislation is designed to give veterans up to 640 acres of agricultural land, 1,920 acres of grazing land, 1,920 acres of timber land or a combination of any two of the categories, and 920 acres for fur raising.

"It is a rich, desirable, generous but empty land," Gilbert P. Sessions, Ketchikan, testified. "Alaska needs veterans now. It has been called our last frontier, but unless we proceed to settle it with our own kind, it will become our lost frontier."

"If we do not occupy it, others will. Russia's sons are just across a channel, 50 miles from our lands, and they are said to be there in numbers up to 1,000,000. The same number of our sons should be on our side of the line."

Sessions said that alien groups seek to place "vast hordes of aliens" in Alaska and that "others

Umpqua Fish Bill Sent to Governor

The Umpqua River fish bill, SB. 316, passed in the House Saturday, went to the Governor for approval Monday after the Senate concurred in House amendments. Senator Thomas Parkinson reported late Monday.

House amendments were in the nature of minor clarifications and corrections, leaving the bill relatively unchanged in its major provisions. The measure limits commercial fishing to shad, perch, flounder and scrap fish during the period from May 10 to July 1, and permits fishing with trammel nets during daylight hours for striped bass.

Striped bass may be fished at any time, during daylight, as nets during daylight hours will not take game fish, according to expert advice.

The bill has a termination date of Jan. 1, 1953, which will permit full escapement of salmon and steelhead from nets, except for incidental catch during shad season, for one full five-year cycle of the spring Chinook salmon.

Release Slated for 24 'Conchie' in Oregon

PORTLAND, April 1.—(AP)—Release of 24 conscientious objectors held in Oregon camps will be ordered now that Selective Service has ended, Col. E. V. Wootton reported.

The Oregon Selective Service director said 40 Oregon men held elsewhere in the country would be released simultaneously.

He reported one man is stationed at the Cascade Locks CPS camp, four at Waldport, two at Elsie and 17 at Lapine. During the war, 311 Oregon men were classified as objectors. Since, 252 have been released.

Communists, Fascists Pose Portland Problem

PORTLAND, April 1.—(AP)—Chief of Police L. V. Jenkins said today that activities of groups aiming to overthrow the government were increasing in Portland, and recommended employment of two more men to work against it.

Detective Capt. William D. Broovne described the Communist Party as the most active organization, but said there was evidence that several Fascist organizations were reforming, too.

Draft Law Death Not to Halt Drive on Dodgers

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP)—The draft law is dead but the FBI will go right on tracking down violators.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said last night agents will continue to investigate all cases of willful draft evasion which occurred during the life of the Selective Service Act.

Since 1940 the FBI has run down 598,506 cases and its work led to 15,458 convictions.

Man Confesses Killing Mother of 3 Children

DETROIT, April 1.—(AP)—A 21-year-old man was held today by Detroit police who said he admitted beating Mrs. Margaret Chmiel, mother of three, to death with a section of iron pipe.

Homeless "Squad" Inspector George Branton reported last night that Arthur J. DePooter had admitted the slaying after hours of questioning. The victim's body was found on a Macomb County road early Sunday.

He said DePooter told him the killing took place in his car after a Saturday night wedding reception from which he was driving Mrs. Chmiel home.

Vets Desire to Settle

John R. Scott, Baltimore, assistant legislative director of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, testified that approval of the legislation would open Alaska to settlement by veterans and that thousands had indicated their desire to go to the territory.

"Alaska is a strategic keystone to the defense of America," he said, "for it is a logical point for an enemy to attack in order to obtain a base for further aggression in North America."