



FAR FROM THE MADDENING FOOD—Percy Coplon, weight 357 pounds, prepares to ascend a ladder to his pole-top house in Tarrant City, Ala. Coplon plans to stay up there for a hundred days. High purpose of the maneuver is to lose weight. Coplon will go on a strict diet in his lofty perch, far from the aroma of his wife's tempting cooking.

Mass Shooting Account Told By Eye Witness

CAMDEN, N. J., Sept. 7.—(AP)—A 48-year-old gas and electric company repairman watched a berserk gunman shoot down people "right and left" at a busy Camden intersection Tuesday.

William McNeilly, of Pennsauken, N. J., an employee of the Public Service Company of New Jersey, said he was making a call in the neighborhood.

This is his description of what he saw:

"I was going north on River road and I saw a car ahead of me stop and pick up a little girl. I thought it was an accident. The automobile then crossed the 32nd Street and River road intersection and stopped.

"I was stopped at a corner waiting for the light to change. I saw a man lying on the steps of a drug store, facing the intersection.

"Suddenly a man rushed down the street, stopped in front of the automobile which had just picked up the little girl."

"I heard two shots and I thought someone was shooting at me."

"Three men ran out of a taproom and this other man, who had shot at the car, suddenly began to shoot at these guys who ran out of the taproom. They all fell."

"The killer started running north on 32nd Street. He fired wildly into a barber shop, a shoe-makers' shop and a sandwich shop."

"A man came out of the taproom and fired at the running

killer, but apparently he missed because the man did not halt.

"The man came back to the intersection with his gun still shooting, ran into a grocery store, shot at customers standing there."

"I saw several fall, but I didn't know how badly they were hurt. Shots were also made in the direction of another car in which two women sat."

"This took approximately three minutes and I was scared to move. But as the man moved away from me, I drove off to notify police."

Horse Race Broadcaster Convicted On Charges

SEATTLE, Sept. 8. — (AP) — Accused of broadcasting horse race results to confederates who placed bets before bookmakers learned the race results, an ex-jockey from Lacey, Wash., and two New Yorkers were convicted Tuesday on six counts of illegal operation of a radio transmitter.

A federal jury deliberated five hours and 15 minutes before finding the trio guilty of three counts charging they had no station license and three counts of not having operators' licenses. They were found innocent on a seventh charge of conspiracy.

The three defendants were Ralph Casey, 33, of Glen Falls, N. Y.; George Le Clair, 35, of Fort Edward, N. Y.; and Edward Plesia, Lacey.

COP LANDS IN JAIL

MANILA, Sept. 8. — (AP) — Policeman Honesto Cierto landed in jail for walking out of a restaurant without paying his bill.

The proprietor refused to accept a counterfeit bill which he said Honesto offered in payment of a meal.

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Weekend Clashes Kill Twenty In Colombia

BOGOTA, Colombia, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Twenty persons were reported killed and an undetermined number wounded in week-end political fights at Enciso in Santander Sur Department.

Conflicts between Liberals and Conservatives have been frequent in rural sections of Santander Sur.

Liberal party newspapers blamed Conservatives for the week-end killings, and Conservative papers blamed Liberals. The ministry of war said the two parties sometimes try to make political capital out of cases of banditry.

El Tiempo, a Liberal party newspaper, said that Conservatives had attacked and burned plantations owned by Liberals. Nine houses were destroyed by fire, El Tiempo said. It placed the death list at 20.

El Siglo, Conservative party organ, said a band of 200 Liberals had raided farms of Conservatives, burning down 25 houses.

The antelope jack rabbit lives chiefly in Mexico and a short distance north of the border.



CRIPPLED VET BEATEN—Frank W. Chase, 52 (right), appears pensive after being taken into custody by police at Montano, Wash., in connection with the torturing and beating of his stepson, Henry Chum, 29 (left), a one-legged Air Force veteran. The scars on Chum's body are plainly visible. Police said Chase confessed the beatings over a period of 18 months, said the motive had something to do with an insurance policy.

Boy Scouts Rescue Man From Columbia River

PORTLAND, Sept. 8. — (AP) — Three Boy Scouts applied artificial respiration to revive a Columbia river swimmer they found floating face down Monday.

Paul McCracken, 17, said he and two other scouts were swimming when they came upon the man later identified as Lyle R. Warneke, 27, Portland. The other boys were Jeff Beaudoin, 15, and Floyd Skoubo, 16.

Warneke explained later he had become temporarily paralyzed by a head blow from a shallow dive. The pain caused him to lose consciousness.

Emanuel hospital reported Warneke may have suffered a neck fracture.

Lost Boy Found Inside Dog House; Pooh Outside

MOSS BEACH, Calif., Sept. 8. — (AP) — Eight-year-old Robert Laws got lost, which is not uncommon for him.

Sheriff's deputies, summoned by the lad's foster mother, searched for six hours. Then they noticed Robert's dog,

Cascade Highway Backers Protest Salem's Protest

LEBANON, Sept. 7.—(AP)—Backers of the proposed Cascade highway want Detroit dam builders to truck cement through Salem—just to prove that Salem is right in objecting to the trucking.

A hearing will be held in Salem Thursday on granting the trucking permit. Salem residents are expected to file objections. The Cascade highway group will be represented and urge that the permit be granted.

Oliver Larson, manager of the Lebanon Chamber of Commerce, reported the action today.

The Cascade group wants a new highway built from Canby south to Springfield. If the heavy cement truck traffic jams highway 99-E, as Salem residents fear, it will prove need for the new highway, the local backers say.

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