



RUN ON COFFEE—While waves of panicky buying have cut deep into coffee stocks, U. S. roasters are hustling to keep supply channels filled. Here, William Redman and John Nee, coffee blenders at a Boston, Mass., plant, load bags of green coffee beans on a carrier to go to the roasters. Industry spokesmen say there would be plenty of coffee if customers would buy normally.

Writer-Alcoholic Committed To State Hospital

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 23.—(AP)—Craig Rice, author of many hard-bombed whodunits, has been committed to a state hospital as an alcoholic.

Her daughter, Mrs. Nancy Atwell, told a psychiatrist court yesterday that 41-year-old Miss Rice has used liquor to excess for four or five years and needs institutional care.

The court ordered the writer of "The Lucky Stiff" and "Trial by Fury" to Camarillo State mental hospital for an indefinite period. Several of her books have been made into movies.

The detective story novelist recently filed a divorce suit against her fourth husband, Henry W. Demott, Jr., 29, but later said she loved him and wanted a reconciliation. She divorced her third husband, Novelist Lawrence Lipton, in 1947.

Miss Rice was released from a hospital Sept. 2 after police said they found two bottles of sleeping pills in her hotel room. She told a judge she wasn't intending to take her own life but wanted her husband to hear about it and return to her. On Sept. 6 the writer was found unconscious at her mother's home and police said there was evidence she was under the influence of sleeping medicine. She was unconscious 40 hours.



RELIGIOUS SERVE—Franciscan nuns serve at refreshment bar of the Burger Theater, Munich, Germany, owned by their order. Proceeds help rebuild war-damaged Franciscan centers.

Lowest Diabetic Rate Credited To Richland, Wash.

NEW YORK — (AP) — With less than one of every hundred persons affected by diabetes, Richland, Wash., was disclosed to have the nation's lowest diabetic rate.

The disclosure was made by the American Diabetes association after a nation-wide survey. Five per cent of all Americans are possible diabetics, the association said. Richland's tendency was but .54 per cent.

Greatest concentration was in the southeastern United States where the survey turned up a potential of 6.3 per cent.

The survey, made last month, covered only about 34,000 persons. They were picked by sampling to represent all areas of the United States.

LIKE JULY 4—ALMOST FROSTBURG, Md., — (AP) — It was almost like the Fourth of July as several hundred persons

gathered to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the cornerstone laying of Frostburg State Teachers college. The outdoor celebration was featured by a colorful, hour-long

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First Parachute Invented By Russian, Red Star Claims

MOSCOW — (AP) — A Russian invented the world's first parachute, the Soviet armed forces newspaper Red Star claims. The inventor, G. Kotelnikov, designed the chute in 1911, said the newspaper, and all present-day parachutes are patterned according to his principles. Kotelnikov died five years ago.

the first successful jump from an airplane in St. Louis, Mo. That, of course, was a year after Red Star said Kotelnikov designed the chute.)

(The Encyclopedia Britannica records successful parachute jumps from balloons as early as 1797 in Paris. That parachute, of course, wasn't too good and wobbled quite a bit. But men kept on designing new parachutes and jumping out of balloons until 1912, when, according to the encyclopedia, a Captain Berry made

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display of fireworks. But there were a few out-of-place circumstances. 1-The thermometer read 28 degrees. 2-A stiff wind was blowing. 3-It was snowing hard.

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Gerhart Eisler's Conviction Stands If He Returns To U. S., Effect Of High Court's Ruling

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—(AP)—The Supreme court Monday tossed out an appeal by Gerhart Eisler, the Communist leader who jumped bail and fled the country while the justices were considering his case.

Eisler appealed to the Supreme court from a contempt of Congress conviction. He sat in the court chamber while lawyers debated his case earlier this year. But he stowed away on a Polish ship last May and fled to England, and then to Germany, before a decision was reached.

The court puzzled for a month over what to do in such a unique circumstance. Finally the justices voted 5 to 4 to put the case in a sort of suspended status. It was taken off the docket, but technically remained before the court.

Recently, solicitor general

Philip B. Perlman suggested that the whole business be thrown out of court. Perlman noted that Eisler has taken public office in the Soviet zone of Germany and shows no signs of ever returning here. He urged that the appeal which had been granted Eisler should now be finally dismissed.

The court today took this ad-

Only One In 35 Survives Crash

OSLO, Norway, Nov. 23.—(AP)—A 13-year-old Jewish Refugee boy woke this morning from a good night's sleep—his first since he survived the nightmarish plane crash Sunday in which 34 persons died.

Little Isaac Allal, one of 28 North African Jewish children flying to a Norwegian rest camp, was the only survivor.

Isaac's whimpers led two searchers yesterday to the forest-hidden wreckage where he had lain trapped among debris and bodies for two cold nights and a day. Two brothers and a sister died in the crash.

Isaac doesn't know yet that another brother is dead at home in far-off Tunis. That brother, a 17-year-old, fell dead when he learned of the tragedy in Norway.

The Dutch chartered plane crashed in the forest 30 miles southwest of Oslo Sunday night as it neared the end of a flight from Tunis, in North Africa. Besides the 28 refugee children, the plane carried a crew of four and three nurses.

About 330,000 British and French troops were evacuated to England in the epic Allied retreat from Dunkerque in May, 1940.

vice and dismissed Eisler's case with a brief order. It noted that Justices Douglas and Clark took no part in the action.

Action on other cases

In other matters, the court: 1. Agreed to say whether the U.S. District court here properly dismissed government anti-trust charges against the National Association of Real Estate Boards and the local real estate board. The lower court held that it is no more of a law violation for real estate men to agree on commission rates than it is for union members to agree on the minimum wages they will work for.

2. Upheld, 6-2, the United States patent office in its 1945 disbarment of Vernon M. Dorsey, 80-year-old Washington, D.C. patent lawyer for submitting a "ghost written" article in a patent application. The tribunal overturned the U.S. Court of Appeals here, which had branded the disbarment proceeding as an example of "bureaucratic lynch law."

3. Held, 6-2, that Georgia courts should give Richard J. Brown a trial of his \$5,000 damage suit against a railroad. Brown, a brakeman, sued as the result of injuries suffered when he fell after stepping on a large clinker. Georgia courts threw out the case on the grounds that the presence of the clinker in a railroad yard could not be considered negligence on the railroad's part.

Eisler was sentenced to a year in jail and fined \$1,000 for refusing to be sworn as a witness before the House un-American activities committee. He was at liberty on bail at the time he filed appeal to the Supreme court.

The effect of today's action was to leave the conviction and sentence hanging over Eisler's head should he ever return to the United States.

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