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## WHO'LL BE "MR. MILLION?"

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Within a few more days we will know the identity of "Mr. Million."

Perhaps you are "Mr. Million." Maybe he is your neighbor.

We do not know who he may be. But every indication is that he will win by losing — winning a title by losing his life — before Christmas.

"Mr. Million" will be the one-millionth fatality directly attributable to traffic accident. Perhaps he will be the driver of an automobile. He may be a passenger in an automobile driven by another. He may be a careless pedestrian. But, according to the toll of lives taken by motor vehicles, the death of "Mr. Million" is only a few days away.

We hope and pray that "Mr. Million" will not prove to be a resident of Douglas county, nor a visitor in the county. We do not want the dubious distinction that will attach to the title. But, despite our hopes and prayers, he may be any one of us.

During the month just closed, 37 people were killed on Oregon streets and highways. Douglas county was high in the list of traffic accidents. November's death list brought the 1951 Oregon total to 401. Several names have been inscribed on the scroll since the first of December. Inexorably we move closer, as a nation, to that one-millionth death.

### Holiday Death Toll Feared

Unless there is a very sudden drop in the rate of traffic fatalities, "Mr. Million's" death will occur before Christmas. By Christmas time we will be starting on our second million.

The holiday season normally is marked by a sharp upswing in traffic accidents. Many people are traveling from place to place for holiday visits. Highways are congested. People are in a hurry. They become impatient with delays. They take chances. Streets are crowded with shoppers. Shoppers, absorbed in the rush of Christmas buying, and burdened with packages are apt to become careless. Hurrying drivers may not pay proper attention to pedestrians, particularly jaywalkers.

This, too, is the period of the year when holiday spirits are augmented by bottled spirits. Entertainments in home and office are in order. "Even a few drinks can make the difference between a good driver and a highway menace," says Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry.

### State Officials Urge Safety

Safety is being urged all over the nation. Not only are warnings given concerning traffic dangers, but people are urged to be cautious with Christmas trees and their decorations, the use of lights and appliances, and to avoid the increased hazard to be found in the average home at this time of the year.

Three Oregon state officials have joined in expressing the hope that Oregonians will give each other the greatest gift of all this Christmas — "the gift of life."

The three officials, Governor Douglas Mc Kay, Secretary of State Newbry and Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam, who control the departments responsible for various traffic accident prevention activities, declare that "only a strong personal determination by all individuals to avoid accidents will keep traffic deaths from marring happiness this Christmas season."

They ask all motorists and pedestrians to use special care and caution during the holidays ahead.

By practicing the principle of "Good will to warid men," Oregon's 1951 traffic death toll could stay below the 428 fatalities recorded last year and help postpone the millionth traffic death in the nation, they say.

We can all help by keeping "Mr. Million" out of Douglas county.

## They Knew He Was Coming—



## Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON — The very agencies of our government — military and civilian intelligence units — that are charged with the duty of guarding U. S. security are being infiltrated today by Soviet agents, Communists and incompetents.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is an exception—but the facts apply to the central intelligence agency, security units of the Defense department—army, navy and air force—and the counter-intelligence departments of most of them.

This is a serious charge, particularly in the face of loyalty investigations, congressional housecleanings of Reds in the government and the efforts of some officers in the military's counter-intelligence corps. Yet the facts are plain. The Communists did not quit whether jail doors slammed shut on Alger Hiss; they did not quit when Klaus Fuchs confessed, or when Harry Gold was caught in the FBI dragnet.

The scandals of today involving the internal revenue bureau, the McCarran investigation of the Institute of Pacific Relations, a current exposé of Soviet agents in the United Nations and the diplomatic corps are important investigations. But they are mild in comparison to what a congressional inquiry would unearth if an investigation of Red infiltration into intelligence units were undertaken.

In one particular branch of the army, one of the most sensitive intelligence units in the Pentagon, a man was put on the payroll who openly boasted that he was trying to join the Communist party, that he thought all reactionary congressmen should be killed. He worked for eight months before it was determined that he lacked average mental balance and was fired. One of his closest buddies still works in the agency.

The central intelligence agency has on its payroll an employee who was ousted from a military intelligence unit for pilfering secret files; another employee, now with the CIA was ousted from a sensitive Defense department office because he molested women employees. As a civilian employee of CIA he now draws the same pay as a brigadier general.

There are others. Some stories sound impossible or too ludicrous for belief; but, unfortunately, they happen to be true. They are factual enough to cause military officers to risk their careers to isolate them in private; factual enough for civil service employees with 20 years' service to risk their jobs to produce documents and details to prove it. And I don't mean one or two disgruntled officers or employees. These are men of competence, with backgrounds of faithful service to their country. And they are scared.

Counter-intelligence agents have been transferred out of Washington when their investigations led them too close to the truth. A top persistent army general is under orders for duty in California. He

too-hot bath and was unable to shut off the water.

James Brooks, 32, broke his neck after a dive into a private indoor swimming pool.

Alexander Ferguson, 76, was found dead in Stanley park. He was lying in a pool of water.

Bert Leslie, 47, died in an apartment fire caused by a smoldering cigarette.

A patient was killed in a plunge from the third floor of the Vancouver general hospital.

1½ cups sugar, dash of salt, 1.3 cup water and 2 teaspoons light corn syrup in top of double boiler. Beat with rotary egg beater or electric beater about 1 minute, or until thoroughly mixed.

Cook over rapidly boiling water, heating constantly with rotary egg beater (or at high speed of electric beater) 7 minutes or until frosting will stand in stiff peaks. (Stir frosting up from bottom and sides of pan occasionally with rubber scraper, spatula, or spoon).

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### One Time OSC Hoopster Great, Howard Ray, Dies

PALO ALTO, Calif.—Howard C. (Hod) Ray, 57, Palo Alto high school coach for 31 years and one of the greatest basketball players ever turned out by Oregon State college, died Monday after a heart attack.

The dean of Peninsula Athletic league coaches, Ray's Palo Alto football teams compiled, over the years, the remarkable winning average of .715. In other sports, his teams did almost as well. The Palo Alto high school gridders haven't been defeated in two years.

Born in Roslyn, Wash., Ray excelled in all sports at Oregon state where he studied animal husbandry. He was a starter on the Beaver basketball team for four years, captained the team and won all-conference honors in his junior and senior years. As a senior during World War I, he also coached the team to a Northwest conference championship.

Ray served with a machine gun battalion in France in the first war. Returning, he managed a sheep-ranch in eastern Washington.

In 1921 he attended a coaching school at Stanford, and that same year became Palo Alto coach. He also served as supervisor of physical education in Palo Alto city schools.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Frances Ray; a son, Howard Ray Jr., student at Stanford, and a daughter, Mrs. John Hess of Stockton.

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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Senator Anderson (Dem., New Mexico) says in Washington he looks for a "tight race" between President Truman and Senator Taft for the Presidency in 1952.

Anderson, who talked with Mr. Truman at the White House yesterday, told a reporter he is firmly convinced the President will seek a new term.

What does that mean? I'd say it means that Mr. Truman recognizes the corruption-in-government issue as a major issue and realizes that HE CAN'T QUIT NOW. Quitting under fire would amount to an admission that what so many people so strongly SUSPECT is TRUE.

What do you think? That raises another interesting question: Will the Democratic party accept the situation docilely and renominate Mr. Truman by acclamation? Or will there be a bitter fight on the floor of the convention next summer?

Getting back to Senator Anderson. He sizes it up this way: He thinks Taft will win the GOP nomination because Eisenhower has not yet indicated publicly that he will be a candidate and has declined to say whether he is a Republican or a Democrat.

Well, he has something there. Great as is my admiration for General Eisenhower, I wouldn't want to accept him as a pig in a poke. I'd want him to say flatly and without qualification what he is and what he believes.

So far as I'm concerned, as one small private citizen, it wouldn't be necessary for him to quit his critically important job in Europe and come home and get into the ruck and the mess of traditional American campaigning.

But I do feel that if he is to become a candidate for President he must give us a blueprint of what he is, what he believes and what he will undertake to accomplish if he is elected.

I will believe him if he speaks, but I'm sure I will want him to SPEAK OUT.

Will he? I don't know. Read this dispatch from Paris this morning: "General Eisenhower fought in prison today TO STAVE OFF A THREATENING REBELLION OF NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION COUNTRIES against the growing cost of paying for his international army. . . . He went before the NATO committee today reportedly to lay it on the line that European security is IN DANGER unless the proposed hikes in arms spending are forthcoming."

In danger? How? There can be only one answer to that question. If General Eisenhower believes Europe is in danger, he must believe RUSSIA WILL ATTACK IF EUROPE DOESN'T ARM SWIFTLY

ENOUGH. If he believes that, he must also believe his undistracted presence in Europe as a military commander is essential to the preservation of the free world.

If he believes that, HE WON'T BE A POLITICAL CANDIDATE.

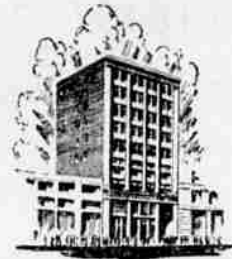
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"Perhaps the idea may brighten some corner in Korea," writes a reader in a delightful letter, sharing an idea which was started in Struis, Michigan, in the last war. A group of mothers whose sons were in the various services met regularly for what they called "Service Mothers Prayer Circle." From this they received much comfort and inspiration. In addition they also began "the Cookie Box," and, says the writer, "you will understand that the labor of keeping our cookie boxes moving helped us to use the lonely hours. I hear from friends back there that the cookie boxes are still going out to our dear boys in the service of our dear country."

Did they, I wonder, use popcorn or marshmallows of gumpdrops for "padding" to fill in the spaces and help keep the cookies from breaking? Once a box of cookies I sent was received. I learned later, in Panama, that the cookies had been removed, and in their place a large bar of chocolate had been put as a substitute.

One time we shelled walnuts until we had enough to fill six of the one-pound shortening tins. Then we processed them in a slow, very slow oven, for forty-five minutes. All six went on same mail, out in the Pacific. So far as I ever learned, not one reached its address — On one of the ships that we lost. But

### Tragic Deaths Claim Six in Vancouver, B.C.

VANCOUVER, B. C. — (CP) — Death came oddly Sunday when six persons died accidentally in Vancouver.

Gordon Robinson, nine months, was fatally burned when a cover on his crib was ignited by a hot plate.

H. S. Bissell, 79, was scalded to death when he stepped into a

### Trim Yule Tree And Eat It Too

By GAYNOR MADDOX  
NEA Food and Markets Editor  
Here's the recipe for a beautiful Christmas tree in the form of a cake:

One package instant white cake mix, 1 egg, 1/2 cup milk, 1/4 cup milk and 2/3 cup milk, 3/4 cup chopped nut meats, 4 maraschino or candied cherries, finely cut.

Turn cake mix into bowl. Add egg yolk and 1/2 cup milk. Blend then beat 2 minutes. Add 2/3 cup milk. Blend, then beat 1 minute longer. (Beat cake vigorously by hand or at a medium speed of electric mixer) Stir in nut meats and cherries.

Turn batter into two Christmas tree layer cake pans, which have been lined on bottoms with paper, then greased. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 25 minutes, or until done. Remove from oven and cool on cake racks. Prepare Seven-minute Frosting as directed below.

Spread between layers and on top and sides of cake. Sprinkle top of cake with green tinted coconut and garnish with Christmas stars. To make stars, place blanched or toasted whole almonds in circle with a red Christmas candy in center.

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