

Aged Convicted Murderer Denied Try To Return Home

MONTESANO, Wash. (AP) — Guido Grassi didn't keep his date with the hangman today, his life spared by commutation of his death sentence to life imprisonment.

But freedom, which appeared to be only days away for the 78-year-old convicted murderer, may be as wistful as a dream now as it has been during the 35 years he has spent in the state prison at Walla Walla.

Union Leader Shot By Contractor In Dispute Over Job

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "I wanted him to jump into a swimming pool to humiliate himself and he refused," says painting contractor Howard Newman, who shot and killed a union official Thursday.

Newman, 35, was booked on suspicion of murder after Roderick MacKenzie, 64, business agent for Local 25 of the Painters District Council, was gunned down in front of startled workers.

Nursery School Bus Hit By Train; 1 Dead, 12 Hurt

CHICAGO (AP) — One little girl was killed and 12 other persons were injured, two critically, when a nursery school bus and a freight train collided at a suburban Dixmoor crossing shortly before dusk Thursday.

Authorities said an engine fireman prevented a higher death toll by flagging down an approaching train and then dragging several children from the tracks.

Italian Premier Battles To Save His Government

ROME (AP) — Premier Amintore Fanfani battled today to save his five-month-old government. His cabinet looked poised to be replaced by a coalition of the Christian Democrats and the pro-Western minority government.

4 Britons Hope To Cross Ocean In A Balloon

SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE, Canary Islands (AP) — Four intrepid Britons, one a woman, hope to set off from the Canary Islands Saturday night on a perilous flight across the Atlantic in a balloon.

The four want to gather information on weather conditions and wind currents during a 3,000-mile attempt to reach Barbados, in the British West Indies. The voyage is under the patronage of Prince Philip, husband of Queen Elizabeth II.

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The six-word advertisement brought calls immediately. The first one meant the sale.

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William A. Smith, a Carmel, Calif., grocer who played football for Washington in 1932, told the federal court jury that Beck gave him two loans, one of \$10,000 to buy a partnership in the grocery store and another \$15,000 to enable him to purchase his partner's share.

9 Children, Adults Perish As Kerosene Stove Explodes

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