

Different Stories Reveal 'Truth Stranger Than Fiction'



Winner of the most stuck-up driver award goes to Leo Beasley, a paperhanger. He was glued to his seat in Omaha when a five-gallon can of quick-dry paste upset. To get loose he had to slide out of his pants.



What's in a name? In South Plainfield, N.J., a 6-year-old boy fell during an Easter egg hunt, breaking his wrist. Carried to a nearby hospital, his name was entered on the admission roster: "Jack Rabbit."



Proud of her new dishwasher, Mrs. Hal Kent, of Des Moines, Iowa, turned the dial to the appropriate notch. She stopped the machine hastily when she heard the cries of her cat inside, and saved it clean but unhurt.



British and proper, Miss June Sandy, 17, was riding her bicycle down the main street in Whitstable, England, when a passing motor scooter brushed against her, carrying Miss Sandy's dress down the road.



Commander of British forces in the Middle East, Air Marshall William MacDonald lined up runners in a cross-country meet in Cyprus. "On your mark; get set . . ." he called — and shot himself in the foot with his gun.



Entering her kitchen to find out why her dog was barking, Mrs. Florence Hill, of Denver, Colo., switched on the lights to discover a mouse. As she opened her mouth to scream the mouse jumped, ran down her throat.

Outer Space 'Message'

NEW YORK (UPI) — Many New Yorkers making telephone calls were startled by strange voices on their lines Tuesday.

"Space ship one, space ship one, come in, space ship one."

"This is flotilla leader. I am now over, Washington. Do you read me space ship one?"

"I read you, flotilla leader. We are now approaching New York. First wave now in control of Sheridan Square."

"This is space ship X-15 calling from outer space. We are in trouble. Can you read me?"

The police operator on the switchboard at the Charles St. Station couldn't answer the calls fast enough. Residents of New York's Greenwich Village hastened to warn authorities an invasion of spacemen was imminent.

Police checked with the telephone company and embarrassed telephone officials soon reported it was all a mistake caused by the boredom of two installations experts plus an electrical phenomenon.

The phone company spokesman said the testers were on a closed circuit and should have been able to safely brighten the tedium of their job but for an electrical "inductive cross" that caused their conversation to be heard on lines in several exchanges.

Hardships Of President's Trip Enough To Floor Hardy Fellow

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ATHENS, Greece (UPI) — Students of psychosomatic medicine should have a fine time examining the record of President Eisenhower on his current trip, particularly the better part of a week he spent in India.

By all odds and his previous medical record, the hardships to which Eisenhower exposed himself should have put him in bed with a bad cold or at least a severe cough, yet the adulation of hundreds of thousands cheering him in the streets seemed to act as a miraculous preventative.

Eisenhower's entourage has been suffering from all sorts of travel ailments—colds, dysentery, even a mild heart attack suffered by one of the young communications experts in the Eisenhower party.

Sixty-nine-year-old Eisenhower, however, has chugged right along, blowing his nose occasionally after a dusty ride but otherwise showing few ill effects.

He shows his fatigue principally in the mornings, but this is rather typical of him.

Until about noon he is a trifle puffy around the eyes and sleepy looking.

By midday he brightens considerably.

His speech delivery in India was fairly vigorous, except for the address to Parliament, where he was occasionally faltering because he was forced to speak without his usual lectern and had to stand in front of an audience shuffling sheets of his text.

Most of the people traveling with the President feel that it was a shame that stories of his visit to Kabul, Afghanistan were blanketed on the same day by accounts of his tumultuous arrival in India.

Even in the face of the huge Indian reception, the way Eisenhower was welcomed by the people of Kabul still stands out in the minds of his staff as the darndest thing they ever saw.

After Eisenhower had conferred with King Mohammed Zahir in his castle at Kabul, the two leaders drove to a nearby athletic field for a public greeting on route to the landing pad for a helicopter to bear Ike back to his plane some 40 miles away.

At this athletic field, the crowd went simply mad with people literally trying to hurl themselves gleefully into the rear of Ike's open touring car.

Secret Service agents were exhausted after baiting down the human tennis balls that came hurtling at them from stone walls and other projections beside the line of procession.

More amazing was the number of people who, completely impervious of icy cold weather, fanned a stream at the base of King Mohammed Zahir's castle in an effort to get a closer look at Ike.

This might not have attracted too much attention, had it not been for the fact that people rushed across the stream at places where the water was two and three feet deep, wearing their Sunday best clothes.

This afternoon the President leaves foreign soil for the present and settles down for a brief rest on the Mediterranean aboard the U.S.S. Des Moines.

Members of his party have made up a priority list of things to do once aboard the American naval vessel.

The lists vary with the individual, but the number one item on all agendas is sleep. Then send out laundry. Then drink milk.

U.S. Missile General Lifts Ban Imposed Against Press

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Maj. Gen. Donald N. Yates has lifted a ban he imposed on press coverage of military missile firings at the Cape Canaveral, Fla., Test Center. He said the ban resulted from a misunderstanding.

Yates, commander of the test center, said Tuesday in a telegram to Lyle C. Wilson, vice president of United Press International, that he would "continue to cooperate with the press to insure the most objective reporting" of missile activities.

Wilson, UPI Washington bureau chief, had telegraphed Yates asking him to lift the ban, imposed Monday. Wilson said the order barring newsmen from the test center during military rocket shots amounted to an attempt to censor news originating in Washington.

In issuing his ban, Yates said a UPI story from Washington last Saturday violated an agreement with the press concerning advance publication of the date for launching a Thor-Able rocket in a non-military shot for the Federal

raping a white Belgian war bride, was sentenced Wednesday to 60 to 160 years in prison. Queens County Judge Edward Thompson described Devine as "a wild animal." Thompson sentenced James Jones, 20, also convicted of the December, 1958, rape, to 25 to 50 years.

Space Agency.

The UPI dispatch said the National Aeronautics and Space Administration planned to launch a payload toward an orbit around the sun this week. Yates said he had given the date to reporters at Cape Canaveral on a confidential basis.

Wilson, in his telegram, advised Yates that the UPI story "was obtained in Washington from independent sources in part but largely from our library in which we accumulate information sometimes bit by bit for future development into major news stories."

Yates sent the following telegram to Wilson in reply:

"Thank you for your telegram. I am happy to receive your assurance that in consideration of the source of UPI's information, UPI did not violate the existing agreement. May I assure you my intentions are to continue to cooperate with the press to insure the most objective reporting to the public of our missile activities. I sincerely appreciate the cooperation I have received in the past from all the news media in this respect. I regret the current misunderstanding and plan to immediately reinstate press coverage of our military firings, trusting that the procedures we have followed in the past will continue to prove satisfactory."

EOC Student Reports Theft Of Hubcaps From Automobile

An Eastern Oregon College student reported Wednesday morning the theft of four hubcaps from his 1954 model car while the vehicle was parked in the Hunt Hall rear parking lot.

Ronald G. Munkres told city police that the hubcaps are valued at \$10 each and said they were stolen between 9 p.m. Tuesday and 2:30 a.m. Wednesday. He said that there were locking cables on the hubcaps and that the cables had been cut.

Charles Robert Coleman, 37, farm laborer, was arrested by police on a charge of vagrancy at 5:25 p.m. Tuesday. He was lodged in the city jail and was cited to appear in municipal court Wednesday afternoon.

Intoxication

Ernest Smith Carman, 49, Union, was arrested by police on a charge of intoxication. He was taken into custody at the Somer Hotel at 11:03 p.m. Tuesday. Bail was set at \$20. Carman was to appear in municipal court Wednesday afternoon. He gave his occupation as a construction worker.

Robert Bryon Garrett, 18, student, also was arrested for making an illegal "U" turn at Depot and Jefferson Streets. Bail was \$5.

Washington's Ghost In Deep Freeze

NEW YORK (UPI) — The city of New York is putting the freeze on George Washington's ghost.

The furnace in historic Jumel Mansion, Washington's headquarters-in-retreat in 1776 and now a city museum, broke down a month ago and the temperature in its 29 antique-filled rooms has dropped to below freezing on several occasions.

Washington's trouble spirit, which is said to pace there on wintry nights with a spyglass in his pale hands, had better bundle up in an ectoplasmic greatcoat. It's going to be cold inside for at least another week until heat is restored.

The city spends \$60,000 a year to maintain the upper Manhattan tourist attraction, and city fathers have made all haste to replace the 195-year-old mansion's corroded furnace boiler. But official haste can sometimes be a snail's pace because of the necessity of advertising for bids, letting contracts and other red tape.

In the meantime, Henry Harrison de Frise, the curator, and a staff of five are carrying on playing host to an average of nearly 200 visitors a day. The city has provided no temporary heating arrangements, and the score of fireplaces used in Washington's day can't be utilized for fear of burning down one of the nation's most admired historical shrines.

QUOTES IN THE NEWS

United Press International

WASHINGTON — State Department spokesman Lincoln White, announcing that Communist Czechoslovakia has not answered an American protest against an exhibit at Prague calling Gen. Douglas MacArthur a "mass murderer":

"One can only assume that this is in furtherance of the spirit of Camp David."

CHICAGO — Donald Hanson, a Kaycee, Wyo., rancher, backing a proposal tentatively accepted by the 41st convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation calling for repeal of the federal individual income tax:

"It wouldn't impoverish the government one bit."

WASHINGTON — Cal Griffith, owner of the Washington Senators, explaining why he turned down a \$500,000 offer for third baseman and home run slugger Harmon Killebrew:

"You can't play money at third base."

HAVANA — New York businessman John Martino, denying before a Cuban military tribunal charges that he was associated with the White Rose, an anti-Castro Cuban organization believed operating from Miami:

"I never heard of a White Rose. Furthermore, I have no interest in Cuban politics."

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