

Convicts' Revolt in Philippines Halted by Small Band of Heroes

By Spencer Davis

MANILA, Thursday, July 3—(AP)—A little posse of eight men and one woman was accorded heroes' honors today as the liberator of Calapan, Mindoro island capital which had been seized and terrorized by 32 heavily armed convicts.

The posse killed two of the jailbreakers, captured 10, and was pursuing the others.

The escaped convicts, led by Lt. Nestor Romero, former military police officer serving a 16-year term for rape, had captured military police arms and uniforms, disarmed the governor, mayor, a congressman and police, and cut off the town's communications.

Military Police Lt. Antonio Banta led the liberating posse. He reported to Manila that he was able to escape from Calapan Wednesday morning, after the convicts' Tuesday night assault.

Banta said he had "contacted five enlisted men who were able to escape, along with three civilians. We planned to attack the military police camp where Ro-

mero was entrenched . . ."

Disarmed Some
"We were able to disarm some jailbreakers detailed by Romero in different points of the town, including those at the wharf," Banta reported in his telegram today.

Then, armed, they turned toward Romero's headquarters, where the convict leader was "in complete control and readiness. As a result of the attack, Romero was killed, together with one jailbreaker and one military police sergeant who was Romero's prisoner."

The posse captured 10 and pursuit of the remaining convicts was continuing, Banta said.

Notified President
Gov. Coronado Morente, one of the disarmed but unharmed officials, himself notified President Roxas at Malacan Palace, Manila, of Calapan's liberation after a terror-filled night and morning. Morente said they were not held captive, as first accounts indicated, but did not account for their activities while the convicts held the town.

The convicts struck Tuesday night during the absence of most of Calapan's MP forces, who were hunting Japanese stragglers on nearby Lubang island.

Marines Discuss Battery Formation

Twenty-five ex-marines discussed plans and means for organization in Salem of a 105 mm howitzer battery in the marine reserve, at a Wednesday night meeting at a Normandy Manor. Further steps in forming a unit await principally the securing of a temporary armory for drill.

Directing the session was Capt. H. C. Montgomery of Portland, with the inspecting-instructing staff of the marine fourth artillery battalion.

Flood Fighters Shift South on Mississippi

GRAND TOWER, Ill., July 2—(AP)—Weary and reprimed flood workers shifted their fight to bolster levees southward today as the destructive crest of the Mississippi river moved below St. Louis.

No major levee failures had been reported since the mighty river ruptured four main barriers along at 90-mile stretch north of here yesterday. Muddy waters from these breaks continued to spread and forced additional hundreds to flee to higher ground.

This river town of more than 1,000, about 75 miles south of St. Louis, was completely isolated and officials arranged to move in food supplies by boat. Most of the town's residents planned to remain. One river front street in the business district was inundated but most of the town is located on higher ground.

YMCA Honors Gus Moore

Marion (Gus) Moore, Salem YMCA boys' work director for several years prior to 1939, was honored Wednesday night at a dinner at the YM. Most of the 30 men present had been on the junior division board or in the leaders' corps under Moore.

Now assistant general secretary of the Long Beach, Calif., YM, Moore is visiting the Ronald Hudkins here en route home from a national conference.

TRUCK PRICES INCREASE

DETROIT, July 2—(AP)—Price increases on new model Chevrolet trucks were announced today by General Motors Corp. The increases range from \$26 to \$162 on light and heavy-duty models. General Motors gave no explanation for the increases.

WAR DEAD DUE SOON

SAN FRANCISCO, July 2—(AP)—The first bodies of the nation's war dead from Pacific areas will be brought into San Francisco early in October, Brig. Gen. George A. Horkan said today. He is chief of the memorial division of the quartermaster general's office.

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Solons Favor Bill to Raise Veterans' Aid

WASHINGTON, July 2—(AP)—

The senate labor and public welfare committee today approved legislation to increase living allowances to veterans attending college under the G. I. bill of rights.

The committee also approved a bill which would raise the ceiling allowance on pay which veterans taking on-the-job training may earn and still qualify for federal aid.

Senator Morse (R-Ore.) told the senate shortly after the committee acted that the bills "highly deserve early passage."

The committee voted to increase subsistence allowances to veterans attending college from \$65 a month to \$75 for single veterans; from \$90 to \$105 for married veterans with no children; and from \$90 to \$120 for those who are married and have children.

These increases, Morse estimated, will cost about \$217,000,000 a year. He said they are necessary to compensate for increased living costs.

The on-the-job training bill would raise wage ceilings from \$175 a month to \$200 for single veterans and from \$200 to \$250 a month for married veterans. Under this program, the subsistence allowances remain at \$65 a month for single veterans and \$90 for those who are married.

Morse said the cost of these increases will be about \$85,000,000 a year "because more veterans will be able to take the on-the-job program."

"Silver Meat Platters" Sighted over Pendleton

PENDLETON, July 2—(AP)—The "flying saucers" were reported again here today, but one witness opined they looked like flying platters instead.

Five Pendleton residents said they saw six to eight of the objects yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Walter Clark said she considered they looked like "silver meat platters."

AUSSIES TO GET SUGAR

CANBERRA, July 2—(AP)—Prime Minister Chifley announced the Australian cabinet had decided to abandon sugar rationing forthwith because it did not greatly help Britain and world sugar production showed a marked increase in the 1946-47 season.

Marriage Talks Open on Campus

His faith in marriage as a source of the greatest happiness humans can know was expressed by Dr. Glenn A. Bakum, head of Oregon State college's sociology department, as he opened a lecture series on "Marriage and the Family" at Willamette university Tuesday night.

Dr. Bakum offered "sentiment plus sense equals happiness" as an equation to consider in marriage. He discussed factors to be observed in addition to the presence of romantic love, and noted a number of personality and environmental characteristics as good or poor statistical risks in choosing a partner.

Meteorologist Sights 'Saucer'

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 2—(AP)—One of the flying, luminous discs sighted in the sky by observers in several western states recently has been sighted over Louisville and this time by a government meteorologist.

E. E. Unger, meteorologist in charge of the U. S. weather bureau here, said today he saw one of the mysterious celestial objects last night when leaving a Louisville theatre.

Unger said the object was moving southeast at about 100 miles an hour and was giving off an orange light. It was close to the earth and might have been a balloon except for its speed, Unger said.

J. L. Laemmle of Louisville also reported seeing a flying disc of light here earlier last evening.

May-Garsson Verdict Due

WASHINGTON, July 2—(AP)—The May-Garsson war fraud case went tonight to a federal court jury which will start considering a verdict tomorrow morning.

Justice Henry A. Schweinhart delivered his charge to the jury of seven men and five women and then directed them to report to the courthouse at 5 a. m. (PST) tomorrow to begin deliberation.

Andrew J. May, wartime chairman of the house military committee, and munitions manufacturers Henry and Murray Garsson have been on trial for 11 weeks on bribe conspiracy charges.

AFRICA PLANE OVERDUE

PARIS, July 2—(AP)—A French West Africa plane with 10 passengers aboard is more than 36 hours overdue and the jungle region between Bangui and Douala is being searched for it, the French news agency said tonight.

Roosevelt Said Block to Hull For President

WASHINGTON, July 2—(AP)—James A. Farley said today he believed that Cordell Hull, former secretary of state, could have had the 1940 presidential nomination "hands down" and could have been elected.

Writing in Collier's magazine, Farley related a conversation with Hull, then secretary of state, in which Farley said Hull, John Nance Garner and himself might have most of the delegates in the convention, no matter what president Roosevelt did. He quoted Hull as saying: "Jim, I find myself in a most delicate situation. I do not want it to appear that I am capitalizing on my achievements in the state department. I am content to let all credit go to the president. If he chooses to acknowledge my services, that is another thing. So far he has shown no disposition to do so."

"I told Hull that I was sure he was overly concerned about the possibility that he would be labelled a glory hunter," Farley wrote.

"Nevertheless, I have often felt that these considerations moved Hull to turn down a chance at the presidency. I feel certain that he could have secured the nomination hands down and that he could have been elected in 1940. I am equally convinced that he would have made a great president."

Three Service Officers Added to State VA Staff

Addition of three service officers to the staff of the state veterans department was announced Wednesday by W. F. Gaarenstroom, director. They are Donald J. Welch, Grants Pass; David C. Connor, La Grande; and Vinton J. Green, Salem, all veterans. The additional service officers were authorized under a law of the 1947 legislature. Gaarenstroom said they would be assigned later.

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Justice Rossman's 30th Anniversary as Judge

Thirty years ago Tuesday Chief Justice George Rossman of the Oregon state supreme court assumed his duties as judge of the Portland municipal court. He was appointed to the office by the Mayor George L. Baker of Portland.

Rossman served in this capacity for four years and eight months, then he was appointed Multnomah county circuit judge by former Governor Ben W. Olcott. He has served as justice of the state supreme court since 1927.

Rogue River City Water Sabotaged; Fire Investigated

GRANTS PASS, July 2—(AP)—The hamlet of Rogue River was guarding its water supply today in fear of a possible firebombing not only set fires but blocked off the water that would put them out.

Fire Chief Max Miller said someone had opened a valve in the city's reservoir Monday night and drained the water into an irrigation ditch. Last Saturday night a fire, now under investigation by the state police arson squad, destroyed a lime plant.

The reservoir was under guard today, and business men volunteered to patrol the city during the night.

EGGS NICKEL APiece

PORTLAND, July 2—(AP)—Eggs will cost a nickel each here tomorrow as the result of the second one-cent price increase in the last two days.

Navy Reserve Unit Confirmed

Increased hope of Salem's securing a naval armory was expressed Wednesday following notification of the assignment here of an organized naval reserve unit. The word came to Comdr. E. A. Meola of the local reserve in a letter from Comdr. F. A. Gunn, assistant naval reserve director for the 13th naval district.

The letter, enclosing official notification from the navy bureau of personnel, confirmed earlier word of the assignment. Salem was given division 13-28 and Eugene division 13-27, with no further units available for assignment in the district.

Captain Ayrault of the district headquarters is to be here early this month to make further announcements regarding the division and its organization.

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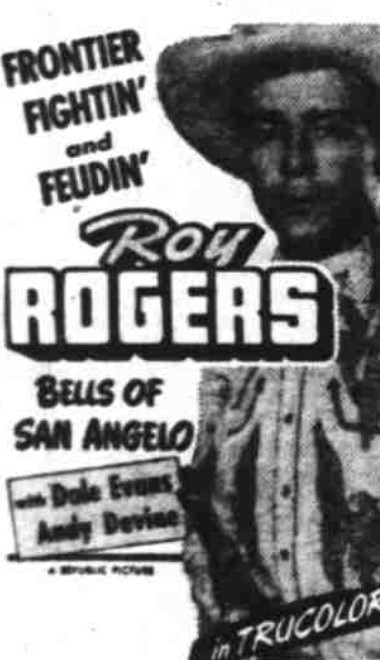
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