

### Boy Shoots Girl Friend Over Refusal to Abandon Sweaters

BAYONNE, N. J., Jan. 5 - (AP) - A 14-year-old girl lies seriously injured tonight with a bullet wound police said was inflicted by a boy-friend because she wouldn't stop wearing sweaters. They "brought out her shape too well," police said Arthur Brown, 16, told them after he was arrested.

### Coal Industry Unites in Plea For Injunction

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 - (AP) - Almost all the soft coal industry units today are asking the national labor relations board to try for a Taft-Hartley court injunction to force John L. Lewis' miners back on a full work week.

At the same time, President Truman indicated again to his news conference that he still has no plans to intervene in the United Mine Workers' three-day work week system which has pinched production and eaten into stocks since last week.

Chairman J. Monroe Johnson of the interstate commerce commission said that if further emergency action to restrict coal-burning rail service becomes necessary, it probably will mean another cut in passenger service before disturbing the movement of freight.

Asks Cut in Service

The ICC has directed a general one-third cut in coal-burning passenger service on railroads with short supplies on hand, effective at midnight next Sunday night. But Johnson said, in answer to a query, that no similar order affecting freight services is in the works.

Serious operating difficulties would result, he said. In the NLRB action, 45 mine owner groups urged a new blast of unfair practice charges at the United Mine Workers' leader. They joined others who already have asked Robert N. Denham, NLRB general counsel, to apply for an injunction. They want a court to order Lewis to bargain for a new contract and end the three-day work week.

Whole Industry

The coal groups filing charges today included those from Illinois, the far west and major steel firms who control their own coal mines. Virtually the whole industry now is represented in the case.

Denham can go to court if he thinks the Taft-Hartley labor law is being violated. It's up to him. He was said to be studying the case closely and interviewing a number of operators. He was reported planning to confer with Lewis as well.

Lewis returned to the capital today from the Midwest. President Truman declined comment when a reporter told him that St. Louis groups were asking him to use his authority to achieve an agreement. The reporter said the groups were a citizens committee and the city's retail coal dealers association.

Throughout the latest coal dispute, Mr. Truman has held off using the Taft-Hartley law, saying he would act in case of a national emergency. The reporter said no contract between Lewis and the industry generally since last June.

### Truman Seeks Public Power Development

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 - (AP) - President Truman called today for public power development wherever it is feasible and where private interests are not ready to do the job as cheaply as the government.

Underlining his power policy at a news conference, he circled the nation with an outline of power, navigation and flood control projects he has urged in the past.

He dumped into the middle a vast central valley project to improve the upper Mississippi and Ohio rivers, intended to be carried out gradually in conjunction with development of the Missouri river.

He reiterated opposition to power development of the whole United States separately from the navigation phases of the long-planned Atlantic-to-the-Great Lakes seaway as urged by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York.

All or Nothing

The president said he wants all or nothing on the St. Lawrence project; that power development alone would benefit only Ontario and New York state, whereas that and simultaneous opening of the waterway to ocean shipping as far west as Chicago and Duluth would benefit the whole United States.

Answering a question which touched off his oral swing around the country on river development, the president said his message proposal for public power projects in New England covered the long-dormant Passamaquoddy tide-harnessing project in Maine, and the river development, Columbia Project.

Swinging west, he said he wants the Columbia and Snake river projects in the northwest, the central valley project in California, southwest projects, and around to the southeast, the Savannah river and other improvements.

As for the mid-western central valley project, he said it would involve principally navigation and flood control. He said the government already has spent about \$1,200,000,000 on developing the lower Mississippi. Now, he remarked, it is time to do something about the upper reaches of that great waterway, along with the Ohio and Missouri.

He placed the total cost of the midwest project at around \$1,500,000,000. For this reason, he added, it would have to be undertaken gradually.

He said the Missouri carries more sediment than any other river in the world except the Danube

in middle Europe, and the only way to control floods is to control all the little rivers entering the larger ones.

While public power will be pushed wherever it is needed, he said he will be glad to see private capital undertake it if it can do the job as cheaply as the government.

### Freeze, Floods Mark Weather Scene in U.S.

By The Associated Press

Sleet or freezing rain slowed highway traffic to a crawl in wide areas from central Texas to eastern Ohio Thursday and rising flood waters broke through levees in Indiana.

A band of freezing rain or sleet coated highways was reported in parts of eastern Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. The storm was moving in on Pennsylvania and New York state.

At least three persons were drowned and hundreds were driven from their lowland homes as flood swollen rivers rose higher in Indiana and Illinois. Some areas in Missouri and Kentucky also were flooded.

In Indiana, where forecasters predict the worst floods in more than six years, a levee broke at Clay City, southeast of Terre Haute, and water spilled over another levee at Attica in the western part of the state.

City Nearly Isolated

Logansport, a city of 20,000 in northwest Indiana, was nearly isolated by the rising waters of the Wabash river. A single old iron bridge was the only means of vehicular traffic into the city. The river reached 18.75 feet, third highest mark in the city's history.

Freezing weather brought new damage to California citrus and vegetable crops. Continued cold weather was forecast for the week.

But the unusual warmth which has turned the eastern seaboard's winter into spring set new records Wednesday. With the mercury at 75, it was the hottest January 5 in Norfolk in 79 years. Philadelphia's 64.1 was a record for the date.

Schools Closed

Ice-locked Memphis, Tenn., was in semi-paralysis. All schools were closed. Thousands of residents were without electric power. Street railway service was less than 50 per cent of normal. Some 2,500 telephones were out of service.

Missouri counted two flood victims and Illinois had one. Vincennes, Ind., a city of 18,000, flood was endangered by a weakened levee. Mayor William L. Betz said he feared a 25-foot crest on the Wabash river might prove too great a strain.

The Indianapolis weather bureau said despite a freezeup in Indiana, that state may have its worst floods since May, 1943. The White river also was rising in that state.

Cities Threatened

Two Indiana cities, Newport and Clinton, were threatened with evacuation because of flood waters.

National guard units have been alerted for emergency flood duty in Indiana and Illinois.

Freezing temperatures moderated slightly in parts of southern California, but some other sections suffered the hardest blows of the winter. Fontana and Rialto, two heavily planted citrus areas which had escaped heavy damage in two previous cold snaps, reported lows of 23 and 24, respectively. "There is no doubt considerable damage," said a citrus industry spokesman.

Overnight low temperatures of 20 to 22 degrees were forecast for the central California citrus districts.

### 3 Escapees From Training School Caught

ALBANY, Jan. 5 - Three youthful escapees from the Woodburn Training school were returned to the institution today after being apprehended at Halsey, 20 miles south of here, where they were attempting to break a gas pump lock.

Arrested by Halsey Patrolman Robert Bilyeu were Lawrence Edwin Porter, James Jacob Johnson and Orville Hansen. Brought to Albany by state police, the boys admitted stealing a truck owned by W. L. Jones of Woodburn after escaping Tuesday and the attempted burglary at the Halsey station.

### Runaway Bridge Beached on Shore Of Columbia River

PASCO, Wash., Jan. 5 - (AP) - Pasco's runaway ponton bridge was beached on the Walla Walla side of the Columbia river here this afternoon by two tug boats and a tractor.

The bridge, forced from its position over the Snake river by flood Tuesday morning, has been lodged since against a railroad bridge across the Columbia some two miles distant.

Army engineers and state highway department crews immediately began dismantling operations after the beaching was completed and will relocate the 900-foot floating structure on the Snake river in its original position.

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### Polio Victim at Salem Pool



Three-year-old Jan Lynn Brown, stricken with polio last July, is helped by her mother, Mrs. Edward Branch, 625 E. St., as she splashes in the Salem YMCA swimming pool where a therapeutic treatment program now is being conducted. Jan Lynn has been chosen Marion county poster girl for the 1939 March of Dimes drive which begins January 16 and will continue through the 31st.

### Fall from Car Proves Fatal

PORTLAND, Jan. 5 - (AP) - Mrs. Constance Richardson, 36, Portland, died in a hospital today after a New Year's day automobile accident.

She tumbled out of a car. The car's driver, Douglas P. Quinn, was charged with drunkenness.

An autopsy was ordered to determine what caused the woman's death. Police said the details of how she came to tumble from the car were not clear.

### Solon Wary of Oleo Repeal Enforcement

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 - (AP) - Senator Gillette (D-Iowa) told the senate today that passage of a house-approved bill to repeal the federal tax on oleomargarine might set loose "an army of federal snooters."

The snooters, he said, would spy on restaurants and other public eating houses to see whether they are complying with the law.

Gillette explained that the bill, as passed by the house last year, would require the posting of public notices in places where margarine is served—signs saying, in effect, "Margarine is served here."

In addition, it would require that each part of oleomargarine be identified either by labelling or by being cut in the shape of a triangle. Denounces Feature

Gillette denounced this feature of the house measure as "a bold, bald, inexcusable violation of states' rights by the federal government."

With Senator Wiley (R-Wis), Gillette is co-author of an amendment which would wipe out federal taxes on oleo, but would ban the shipment of yellow-colored margarine in interstate commerce.

Opponents of the Wiley-Gillette amendment contend that while it appears to be a concession on the part of the anti-margarine dairy bloc, it would actually put the fight right back where it started.

That is so, they said, because nobody wants to eat uncolored oleomargarine.

Lead-off Man

Gillette spoke as lead-off man for the dairy group in the two-day old senate debate over bread spreads.

Talk of a possible filibuster against the repeal bill ebbed as senate democrats agreed not to offer or support amendments to any bill that are not "germane"—that is, directly related to the subject of the bill.

Earlier, there had been reports that anti-repeal senators might try to throw in an amendment for general excise tax cuts or even hook on a civil rights rider.

Of the total farms in the United States, about 70 per cent have electricity.

### 130,000 Seek Mayor Recall In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5 - (AP) - The recall of Mayor Fletcher Brown, Los Angeles administrative chief for 12 years, was demanded today in petitions bearing an estimated 130,000 signatures.

The documents were delivered to the city clerk's office in an armored truck flanked by two automobile loads of armed guards after a parade through the downtown section.

City Clerk Walter C. Peterson said he will check the petitions, submitted by the Ordinary Citizens Committee, to determine whether they contain the 89,497 registered voters' names necessary to call a special recall election.

Mayor Brown, who has been under fire from certain quarters following a 1948 police-vice probe, issued a statement in which he said:

"Those who are behind this recall movement constitute a small and insignificant group. It is unthinkable that they should ever, directly or indirectly, control the affairs of the great city."

"The statement of grounds in the petitions is attempted deception, based on alleged corrupt exposures in the police department, demonstrated to be groundless by action of the superior court. The people will not be fooled."

The cars in today's recall parade displayed placards reading:

"End want and taxes" and "end whitewash and hogwash."

The petition stated:

"Because of the exposure of police department corruption and brutality in the city of Los Angeles, Mayor Fletcher Brown has lost the respect and confidence of the great majority of its citizens."

### Faye Emerson To Get Divorce From Elliott

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 - (AP) - Actress Faye Emerson took off for Mexico City tonight to divorce Elliott Roosevelt.

"I'm going down to Mexico City for my divorce," she said at an airport news conference. "The reasons for the divorce were formulated a long time ago and are very private."

Miss Emerson did not say on what grounds she would ask the divorce.

She said her attorney would be Francisco Lopez Figueroa, an old personal friend in Mexico.

A property settlement has been agreed upon, Miss Emerson added. But she declined to reveal the terms.

"Both Elliott and I," she said, "are very sorry our marriage came to an end. Neither of us thought we would be divorced when we were married."

Of herself, she added: "There is definitely no other man."

Roosevelt could not be reached for comment.

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### Boy Escapes At Woodburn

A lanky, pajama-clad boy escaped from the state training school at Woodburn early this morning state police reported.

They listed him as Gordon Shores, 14, of Lebanon. He bolted from a detention cottage, according to police. He was described as six feet tall and weighing 109 pounds.

### Raschko Partner In Insurance Branch of Firm

V. F. Raschko, native of Dickinson, N. D., and a resident of Salem since last spring, has been named a partner in the insurance branch of the Walter Musgrave agency, Musgrave announced this week.

Raschko, with an armed-ordered division in Europe during World War II and more recently with the Liberty National bank in Dickinson as manager of the insurance department, is active in the chamber of commerce, Rotary, Elks and Knights of Columbus.

With his wife and two children, Michael and Leslie Lee, he resides on Kingwood drive.

### AFL Shinglers Addressed by Ivor T. Jones

PORTLAND, Jan. 5 - (AP) - The AFL shingle weavers' district council was told today that "the gray train has gone by, and more efficiency will be demanded of labor."

"That is a good condition," added Ivor T. Jones, Salem, executive secretary of the Oregon State Council of Carpenters.

Jones predicted a good year in the construction industry in 1950. He said home construction might exceed any previous year, and commercial construction should be nearly as high as 1949.

"But there will be competition and competitive bidding," Jones told delegates from four states and British Columbia. "It means that more efficiency will be demanded of labor, that the gray train has gone by. Labor will be expected to put out a day's work for a day's pay."

The convention heard a proposal for an employer-financed pension to pay workers \$100 a month—including social security benefits—after the age of 65 and 20 years' service.

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### Progress Cited In 3-Nation A-Partnership

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 - (AP) - Senator McMahon (D-Conn) said today that "distinct progress" has been made toward settling issues in the atomic partnership among the United States, Great Britain and Canada.

One of the major issues is the question of storing American-made atomic bombs in England.

McMahon, chairman of the joint state-house atomic committee, told newsmen that the three governments are moving toward a sensible working agreement.

But he added that negotiations have not yet reached a stage where the administration can place its proposals before congress.

Forecast Declined

McMahon declined to forecast what type of action he expected congress would be asked to make, other than saying an amendment to the present atomic energy act may be required.

The Connecticut lawmaker told questioners that:

1. He did not expect Mr. Truman to name a successor to atomic energy commission Chairman David E. Lilienthal before February 1. Lilienthal, resigning, has agreed to remain until February 15.

2. The joint committee probably will hold its public hearings on civilian atomic defenses in February.

3. Any project to develop a hydrogen bomb would come before the joint committee. McMahon replied "no comment" to a question as to whether such a bomb already has been discussed.

At the White House, President Truman replied with a firm "no comment" when he was asked at his news conference about such a bomb.

Mr. Truman also said he has had no advance information if the Russians are going to set off another atomic explosion Saturday.

This had been predicted in London by a magazine editor.

Asked about the forecast, Mr. Truman further observed that he had been given no advance notice of the previous blast.

Talks to Resume

Talks among the U. S., Britain and Canada on sharing atomic secrets and raw materials are expected to resume this month after they were broken off about a month ago. If they come to an understanding, Mr. Truman is pledged to consult congress before an agreement is made.

It appeared that a British proposal for storing a supply of atomic bombs in the British Isles as a part of the partnership may become the points on which the cooperative plan may be worked out or collapse.

The three powers have had a provisional arrangement in effect for some time. Under it the U. S. gets most of the Belgian Congo uranium, and some atomic information comes from the U. S.