

The Weather

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Showers and periods of clearing today, tonight and Tuesday; high today near 45, low tonight near 35. Temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 43.

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Sabrejet Collision Kills 2, Including Salem Man's Son

The son of a Salem man was one of two Air Force pilots killed Sunday when two Sabrejet planes collided and crashed near Tacoma, the Associated Press reported.

One of the victims was reported to be 2nd Lt. Donald L. Mootry, 24, son of William Mootry, 3335 Hollywood Dr. The other pilot killed was listed as 1st Lt. James L. Teesink, 25, of Oakland, Calif.

Both pilots were members of the 465th Fighter-Interceptor Group at

McChord Field, Wash. They reportedly were on a routine weather reconnaissance mission at the time of the tragedy.

Lt. Mootry was born in Salem August 1, 1930, and left here at the age of seven to reside in Los Angeles. His mother, Mrs. Hazel Fern Lynch currently is a resident of the California city.

The Air Force officer was a guest at the home of his father and foster mother here only two

weeks ago. In addition to his parents he is survived by a sister, Margaret, of Salem; a brother, Gary, U. S. Navy in San Francisco; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mootry, 1705 N. Summer St., and Mrs. W. Baysinger of McMinnville.

According to the Associated Press, the two jet planes collided across Puget Sound from Tacoma, in the vicinity of Gig Harbor, Wash. The planes reportedly struck the ground about 200 yards apart and wreckage was scattered over a wide area.

The accident was witnessed by Dan Blanner, a farmer. He said he saw the planes flying in formation close together at about 1,000 feet altitude. He said there suddenly was a brilliant flash, then the stricken jets fell to earth.

A McChord Field spokesman said cause of the tragedy was not known, but an investigation was started immediately.

Killer Leads Police To Victim's Grave

THE DALLES (AP)—Robert C. Knowles watched impassively Sunday as police dug up from a shallow grave the body of a man Knowles said he strangled to death 14 months ago.

Knowles, 47, who lived at one time in Bangor, Maine, told Sacramento, Calif., authorities last month that he had killed Albert Stuart, 58, a harvest worker from Wickenburg, Ariz., in October, 1953. Knowles, arrested earlier in Florida, was being held on a federal charge of auto theft when the told of the slaying.

Peiping Claims Spy Issue Not U.N. Business

TOKYO (AP)—Red China claimed Monday that the case of the 13 Americans arrested as "spies" is none of the United Nations' business.

Peiping Red radio, without making any direct reference to the proposed personal effort of U. N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld to amicably settle the issue, charged that "the United Nations has no right to interfere with China's sentencing of the American spies."

"United Nations discussion of this question under American manipulation is both illegal and unjust," the radio said.

It insisted that the case of the 13 Americans is China's "own internal affair... it is China's... sovereign right of punishing spies."

The comment was tacked on to the end of a long editorial from the Peiping Peoples Daily, the official Communist organ, reviewing the case from the Communist Chinese standpoint.

Chest Traps Boys 26 Hours

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP)—Two frightened boys were released from a big wooden tool chest Sunday after 26 hours accidental imprisonment, most of it in sub-freezing weather.

Police said John Lasofsky, 6, and John Madison, 11, were trapped Saturday in the box at the rear of a factory building. As the youngsters entered the chest, the lid fell and became secured on a metal loop.

Cries for assistance throughout the night were unheard because of the box's thick construction. The boys were finally released after two other youngsters heard thumps coming from the three by six foot chest.

Neither required medical treatment.

Stampede for Theater Seats Kills 10 Girls

MIRANDA DE EBRO, Spain (AP)—Ten girls, ages 6 to 12, died in a stampede Sunday when scores of children rushed down a cellar steps to get the best seats at a theater performance.

Jesus Posada Camacho, civil governor of Burgos, said all 10 died of suffocation and about 20 others had to be treated for bruises.

Scores of children were waiting to attend the performance, organized by the city in connection with the Christmas holidays. When the doors were opened the children rushed down the steps, and several of the foremost stumbled and were trampled upon by those behind.

ANIMAL CRACKERS

BY WARREN GOODRICH



"Oh, oh! He's in love again!"

Artist Gives Rudolph Crimson Nose



Final dab of red is applied to the nose of a store-window Rudolph by Jerry Hall, 16, a North Salem High School junior who designed and painted Christmas decorations for an ice-cream store in the Candalaria district. Jerry finished the job Sunday. Her next project will be to decorate an adjoining restaurant. (Statesman photo.)

Santa's Special Switchboard Ready, But Don't Call Collect

WEST LEBANON, N.H. (AP)—From now until Christmas Eve, Joseph Schanbier's telephone may be one of the busiest in the nation.

Any night from 6 until 9 p.m., when any youngster in any part of the country picks up a telephone and says, "I want to talk to Santa Claus at West Lebanon, N.H.," the operator will connect

him with Schanbier, providing the parents pay the toll charge.

Beginning Monday this will be the sixth consecutive year that Schanbier has played the role of "St. Nick" for the little tots who are oh, so good this time of year.

He started imitating Santa over the telephone when the nearby White River Junction, Vt., VFW Post decided every child should have an opportunity to phone requests directly to Kris Kringle. The post initiated the program.

Schanbier, who has just the voice you'd expect Santa to have, volunteered, and ever since he and his wife, Frances, 44, have been "Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus."

The first year 10 tots called the 37-year-old Schanbier. The next year the calls were in the hundreds. Last year 3,500 calls were received from all parts of the country.

This year Schanbier believes the volume may be doubled. The telephone company has installed a special switchboard and local operators have been instructed to channel all phone calls for Santa to Schanbier.

Ready for Previous Calls
Some of this year's calls will be repeaters and Santa is ready for them. He has catalogued any bad habits that parents told him about in previous calls, and many tots will receive admonishments before they make their pleas to the jolly gentleman.

Others have been model youngsters, and Santa is anxious to congratulate them. He knows they've been good because their folks have written to advise him of their excellent behavior.

Unique Invitations
Schanbier, a 5 foot six, 125-pound publications clerk at the White River Junction Veterans Administration, receives a variety of requests—and also some unique invitations.

He still laughs about the tot who promised him "a sandwich and a bottle of beer" if he delivered a supersonic ray gun.

And then there was the little lad who told him "I've got a new baby brother and a new puppy—with a tummy almost as big as yours."

Five Children Die in Blaze

BALTIMORE (AP)—Five children were burned to death Sunday night in a fire at their home and a sixth child was in critical condition at a hospital.

The victims, all Negroes, were the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Davis of Baltimore.

The couple's sixth child and only son, George Davis Jr., 6, was taken to South Baltimore General Hospital with burns and suffocation.

Firemen said Davis, a longshoreman, had gone out to get a bite to eat and his wife, Ruth, 26, was at a movie when the fire broke out.

Bandits Grab Frozen Assets

EAST MEADOW, N.Y. (AP)—John Cirigliaro, 35, manager of a supermarket, locked up his store Saturday night and started home, carrying a package.

Two young men jabbed pistols at him in the dark parking lot and snarled, "Hand over the bundle." Cirigliaro handed it over. They drove off in a waiting car.

Cirigliaro telephoned police. On the way home he bought two more quarts of ice cream.

"My boys would never swallow a story about being held up and robbed by two punk who thought they were getting the day's receipts," he said.

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Luggage on Flight Costs \$1,344

SINGAPORE (AP)—Hollywood actress Ava Gardner paid Air India excess fare of \$1,400 Sunday to get out of Singapore after a film-plugging visit.

The excess weight of her luggage for the trip to Rome cost \$1,344 and she paid \$56 to have a sleeping compartment installed.

4 German Prisoners Kill Warden, Escape

BORKEN, Germany (AP)—Four German prisoners broke out of jail here Saturday night after killing Warden Karl Valentin, 60.

Police said the four, held for investigation of minor charges, probably fled across the nearby Dutch border. They were unarmed and dressed in civilian clothes.

Israel Planes Force Syrian Airliner Down

JERUSALEM, Israeli Sector (AP)—Two Israeli fighters arrested a Syrian airliner on its way from Damascus to Cairo Sunday and forced it to land at Lydda Airport.

Israeli authorities quickly freed an American passenger, Ralph C. Hansen of Bloomington, N. J., but detained the four other passengers, all Arabs, and five crewmen.

An army spokesman charged the airliner had flown within a prohibited zone on Israel's coast.

A complaint that the plane violated Israeli air space was filed with the U. N. Israeli-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission, official sources said.

(The Damascus radio declared the airliner was far from Israeli territory when the fighters closed in and said Syria will take all measures "to answer this Israeli aggression and violation of world air regulations.")

(It called the incident a kidnapping. It said the U. N. Syrian-Israeli Armistice Commission was asked for immediate release of the plane, passengers and crew.)

"Friendly Escort"
Hansen, who was on a business trip to Cairo, told newsmen he thought at first the Israeli fighters were "just a friendly escort" and that he was surprised at the unscheduled landing. He said he had been well treated around and hoped to return to Israel some day "under more suitable conditions."

Hansen left later aboard an Israeli plane for Nicosia, Cyprus, to make another connection for Cairo.

One of Series
The incident is one of a series developing between Israel and Syria within a week.

The Israeli army spokesman announced Israel is seeking the release of five Israeli soldiers who disappeared on patrol along the Syrian frontier last Wednesday.

He said Syrian officials have denied knowledge of the case, but that a radio Damascus broadcast monitored here said the five were in Syrian hands.

There were two border clashes last week in the Beit Zakir area south of the Sea of Galilee. Israeli sources said that in both cases Syrians fired automatic weapons across the border at Jewish settlers plowing their fields and the settlers returned the fire. No Israeli casualties were reported.

'Hospitalized' Shah Tours Night Clubs

NEW YORK (AP)—The "hospitalized" Shah and Queen of Iran have been taking in New York theaters and swank dining places for days virtually unnoticed, it was disclosed Sunday.

It was also disclosed that after three days of medical tests in New York Hospital, the condition of both Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi and Queen Soraya has been found to be "wholly satisfactory."

No details were given out, however, about the hospital examinations.

The royal pair is scheduled to leave by plane Monday for Washington, where they will visit President Eisenhower at the White House at the start of a nationwide tour. They will travel to the capital in the President's plane, the Columbine III.

Blaze Damages Fireman's Home South of Salem

SALEM HEIGHTS—Fire caused an estimated \$2,000 damage Sunday at the home of a Liberty-Salem Heights volunteer fireman.

The flames broke out about 1:45 p.m. at the residence of Lloyd Jones, 4940 S. Pacific Highway. No one was home at the time, but a neighbor spotted the fire and turned in the alarm to the Liberty-Salem Heights fire department.

The fire was reported confined to the attic of the house, but a burning mattress caused dense smoke throughout the place.

Damage is covered by insurance, it was reported. The fire was believed started by electrical wiring.

Christmas Story Begins Today

Two Salem children start a two-weeks-long adventure with Santa Claus this morning in the pages of The Statesman.

The 12-part serial entitled "Santa Claus and the Orphan Toys" features Steve and Nancy who have taken trips to the North Pole Toyshop before in The Statesman.

The stories are written by J. Wesley Sullivan, news editor of The Statesman, especially for this newspaper.

This year's adventure includes the story of poor Stumblebum who tries to turn his toymaking tools into a toy wagon and the Old Rag Doll who walked all the way back to Santa Claus land to be made new again.

Start to share in the pre-Christmas adventures of Steve, Nancy and Santa Claus in Chapter One of "Santa Claus and the Orphan Toys" on Page 3, Sec. 2 of today's Statesman.

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Bouts Fatal to Second Boxer In Three Days

BOSTON (AP)—The second ring fatality in three days shocked the fight world here Sunday with the death of heavy-weight boxer Ed Sanders. The death followed an 11th round knockout by Willie James Saturday night.

Sanders was rushed to a hospital here after the fight and underwent a four hour operation in an attempt to relieve a blood clot on his brain. Official cause of death was listed as an intercranial hemorrhage.

Sanders won the Olympic heavyweight title in the 1952 games at Helsinki, Finland.

Ralph Weiser, a featherweight, died in Klamath Falls, Ore., late Friday night after he was knocked out by Teddy Hall. Dr. G. R. Nicholson, who performed an autopsy on Weiser, said death resulted from a brain hemorrhage. (Additional details on sports pages.)

Polio Vaccine Plans Laid for Next Summer

NEW YORK (AP)—The National Foundation For Infantile Paralysis Sunday announced plans to make the Salk vaccine available for all first and second graders in the nation—if last summer's tests prove it is effective.

Evaluation of the tests now is being conducted at the University of Michigan, and the report is expected in the spring.

The foundation's new announcement added second graders to a previous list of those who will get the vaccine—if found effective—and moved pregnant women from the list.

The action was taken on the recommendation of the Assn. of State and Territorial Health Officers, the foundation said.

The health officers agreed to undertake administering the vaccine, if the foundation provided it, but urged that second graders replace pregnant women because of a higher "actual attack rate" among the second graders.

The foundation said in October it would purchase enough of the Salk vaccine for nine million persons, gambling that it would be effective.

Showers Due In Salem Area

Showers are due in the Salem area today and Tuesday, reports the weather man. Periods of clearing skies also are expected.

The forecast also indicates slightly warmer temperatures, with a low of 35 predicted tonight. The low mark of early Sunday morning was 28.

Fog conditions of previous nights gave way to drizzly skies Sunday evening. Sunday's precipitation totalled 77 of an inch.

Peron's Regime Jails 9th Priest

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP)—Federal police disclosed Sunday the Peron government has arrested the ninth Roman Catholic priest since the outbreak of the regime's feud with the church more than a month ago.

President Peron has accused some priests of trying to undermine him.

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