

# Crazed Gunman, Police, Battle

CHICAGO — (AP) — A crazed gunman, who wounded several persons in a three-hour battle with 250 policemen, was slain Friday when police forced him out of his barricaded home.

The fracas began about 9:30 Thursday night when Craig got into an argument with a neighbor, Lawrence Mack, 17, who had decorated his house for him. Craig accused Mack of stealing a gun from his home.

Suddenly, witnesses said, Craig pulled two pistols and fired at Mack.

The bullet went wild and struck two-year-old Drake Atkins in the head. The child was taken to county hospital in serious condition.

Mack dived for cover while Craig rushed into his house and barricaded doorways and windows for a fight.

When a squad of officers arrived to investigate the shooting, Craig opened fire at them. With a gun in each hand, he screamed defiance for them to "come in and get me if you think you're tough."

The officers called for reinforcements and within a few minutes 100 officers converged on the neighborhood in squad cars, patrol wagons and on motorcycles.

When the gas failed to rout Craig, Chief of Uniformed Police Raymond Craig ordered his men deliberately to set fire to the house.

Craig apparently decided to try to shoot his way out.

As he stepped through the doorway with his guns blazing, police opened up with a terrific blast that virtually tore his body apart. Craig fell instantly dead.

# Court Rules Suits For Overtime Okay

NEW YORK — (AP) — The federal court of appeals has ruled that the U. S. Labor Department's wages and hours division may sue employers for back overtime pay even though workers involved do not seek it.

Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin had asked Congress to pass legislation directly authorizing his department to bring such legal actions, but Congress failed to do so.

The unanimous three-man court decision, written by Judge Charles B. Clark, was filed Friday. It affirmed a similar judgment granted by the district court to William R. McComb, wage division administrator.

# German Election Results Show American Trends

By J. M. Roberts Jr., AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The results of the German election show a trend, at least on the surface, toward the "American Way," but will not be accepted by the Western Allies generally as an unmitigated blessing.

The British Labor government, recognizing the necessity of Allied-German cooperation in the economic field, has hoped to see German industry nationalized like her own. But the Conservative Christian Democrats nosed out the German Socialists and, through a coalition with the rightist Free Democrats, are expected to organize the government. They both stand for free enterprise.

France, too, may not be so happy for the same reasons, plus the fact that the Free Democrats particularly, and the Christian Democrats as well, are

# Willamalane Classes Draw Many Swimmers

SPRINGFIELD — Willamalane summer swimming classes are filled to capacity, Mrs. Irene Squires, park district superintendent, said Friday.

"Enrollment is now 472 youngsters," Mrs. Squires said. "We've had to add several classes to handle this record turnout."

The superintendent said 15 30-minute classes were being held daily. The original schedule, she added, only called for nine daily sessions.

"We would like to take more beginners," Mrs. Squires said, "but health factors must be considered."

# Cancer Victim Looks for Job

DETROIT — (AP) — Ernest Gillum, 34, is hunting for a special kind of job.

It can't require much physical exertion, because the former roofing contractor's doctor has forbidden that. It can't demand special training, since he has no time to get it.

And Gillum, a Navy aerial photographer during the war, will only be able to work four or six months. After that, physicians have told him, he will die of cancer.

"I know I'm going to die soon," the tall veteran explained. "But the trouble is, I have to eat until I do."

Gillum began his job hunt eight months ago after he underwent an operation at veterans hospital. At that time the doctor told his brunt wife, Lee, that her husband had cancer.

But it was only a few days ago that the couple learned Gillum's case was hopeless. Their savings have been exhausted by months of unemployment.

Gillum isn't interested in a final fling before he dies. He just wants his last few months to be free from financial worry.

George Sherman, veteran director of action-packed dramas, was chosen to handle the directorial assignment for Universal-International's "Sword in the Desert."

# 104th Division Plans Confab

PORTLAND, Ore. — (AP) — Portland members of the National Timberwolf Assn.—veterans of the 104th Infantry Division—plan to invite the organization to Portland for its 1950 convention. This year they will meet in New York City, Sept. 3, 4, and 5.

Nearly 200 Portlanders belong to the association. The division had its early training at Camp Adair, Ore. In combat the 104th set a record of 195 consecutive days in front-line fighting in the European theater.


# Astoria Salmon Derby Scheduled Aug. 30

ASTORIA, Ore. — (AP) — Astorians made preparations Saturday for the annual Salmon Derby scheduled Aug. 30, and the chamber of commerce guessed 25,000 visitors and sports fishermen would arrive for the event.

Last year's \$1,000 grand prize went to Clarence W. Bernards, McMinnville, Ore., whose catch weighed in at 45 pounds, five ounces.

So far the largest salmon caught since the derbies began was a 62½ pounder, taken in 1937.

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