

Polygamists Get Jail Terms Utah Prison

Utah Lake City, May 16 (UP)—Ten male polygamists, boasting a combined total of 55 wives and 287 children, today began terms ranging from one to ten years.

They filed through the gates of a state prison late yesterday in third district court Judge J. A. Crockett denied a writ of habeas corpus from sentences imposed May 20, 1944. Judge Crockett, ruling, which he termed the recourse under law, brought in and the defendants' 14-month-long appeal from conviction on charges of illegal cohabitation.

They accept this decision as "Joseph White Musser, editor of the fundamentalists' publication 'Truth' and acknowledged leader of the sect, said, 'This does not mean that we

surrender our religious principles," he added quickly.

Bible Quoted

The white-haired cult leader quoted from the Bible: "Be fruitful and multiply, and a nation and company of nations shall be of thee."

"We still hold to these tenets," he said.

The commitment brought to 46 the number of persons claiming to follow the original Mormon precepts who have been convicted of polygamy within the past year. The fundamentalist cult recently has been vigorously denounced by the Latter Day Saints (Mormon) church, which at one time promulgated and practiced plural marriage.

The group included salesmen, insurance agents, railroad workers, farmers, day laborers and a naturopathic physician, reported to be the father of 33 children. Several were accused of having as many as six wives housed under one roof.

Would Be Martyr

As he walked through the prison stile, Musser moved that he would "spend the rest of my life," if necessary, "to reverse existing legislation which will not permit a man to live the laws of God."

He would seek his objective, he said, through the pages of the fundamentalist publication.

Several of the cult's members who entered the Utah prison also are awaiting the outcome of appeals for conviction in other states on charges of kidnapping and Mann act violations.

Mrs. America Meets the War

"We have defeated one enemy. We still have two to fight. One, in the Pacific, more than 7,000 miles from our western shore—another, right here at home that goes by the name 'Inflation'."

This was the realistic statement issued by OPA's chief, Chester Bowles, immediately after V-E day became official. The OPA spokesman undoubtedly had in mind individual savings which are sure to become the target of price increase pressures resulting from any careless relaxation of controls before all our boys come home.

Nevertheless, there has been a clear indication from Mr. Bowles and other hold-the-line authorities in Washington that the limited horizons on the home front are beginning to clear. The long-suffering "A" card holder may expect a slight increase soon. So, too, may certain classifications under "B." A limited number of new cars may be made, together with some washing machines and vacuum cleaners. It might be well for persons solicited for advance orders and cash deposits for these last two items to check with their local war price and rationing board on prices quoted. Reports from some areas as long ago as last fall reveal that unscrupulous individuals have been working a lucrative racket in this field.

Auto Production Plans Discussed

Washington, May 16 (UP)—As leaders of the automobile industry gathered today in Washington for reconversion talks, the war production board estimated it would take 15 months from the day manufacturers started making passenger cars to reach the prewar rate of 4,000,000 vehicles a year.

In eight months from the time the industry gets a green light civilian cars should be rolling off assembly lines at the "break-even" rate, which is 2,000,000 annually, WPB said.

These estimates were announced as conferences began with the industry on problems expected to arise in partial reconversion, which may come this summer.

Unemployment Faced

Edward L. Cushman, regional war manpower director for Michigan, told the United Press the solution to Detroit's current unemployment problem depended entirely upon the speed with which the automobile industry could resume production of civilian cars.

He and other officials concerned with manpower and production met with WPB Chief J. A. Krug last night preparatory to discussions with industry executives this afternoon.

The WPB chairman indicated that automobile production may be slower in getting under way than had been believed. He said WPB has not decided on July 1, as the date for starting the automobile industry off in peacetime work, as one of his aides reported last week.

At the Capitol Tonight



Scene from "Sunday Dinner For A Soldier," a story of love on leave, starring Anne Baxter, John Hodiak with Charles Winninger.

White Splotches Worry Drivers; Just Experiment

May showers which fell in Bend this morning caused no little concern to several motorists, and at the same time gave the city of Bend an opportunity to conduct an experiment.

Mysterious white splotches which resembled chemical which might have been spilled from leaking automobile batteries, appeared between the parking lines on the east side of Wall street south of Franklin avenue. Some motorists lifted the hoods of their cars to see whether their batteries were leaking.

But the mystery was cleared when City Manager C. R. Reiter explained that street crews were attempting to remove the old parking lines from the pavement. They were using a powdered chemical which was supposed to remove the paint. They found that it did not work on dry pavement, so they took advantage of the rainfall to make the ex-

periment, which is still in progress.

Many reports of the amount of ozone present in the air are inaccurate, due to the difficulty of knowing that it is ozone being tested, and not some other oxidizing matter.

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Cloverdale

Cloverdale, May 16 (Special)—Pvt. Marvin Christy, who is stationed at the army base in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, arrived Wednesday to spend a couple of weeks at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Christy. Another son, Chuck Christy, arrived this week from Indiana and will spend the summer with his parents.

Mrs. Ray Le Blanc left Friday for San Francisco to spend the weekend with her husband, Pvt. Ray Le Blanc. Suzanne is staying with her grandmother during her mother's absence.

The school board has called a special meeting to be held at the Plainview grange hall on the evening of May 21, for the purpose of discussing plans for the rebuilding of the school house which burned to the ground on last Tuesday afternoon. It is hoped that a large attendance will be had.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Simmons had as dinner guests on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Edgar and daughter Karen of Redmond and Mr. and Mrs. George Billingsley. Mr. and Mrs. William Sears and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morrill of Portland were in Cloverdale looking at ranch property this week with the view of buying.

Miss Mary Christy of Bend spent the weekend here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Christy.

Potato growers started planting this week with a prospective acreage about like that of last year.

The children of the lower grades are finishing out their school term at the old McDaniel house since the school house

burned. The seventh and eighth graders will take their examinations without further school attendance this term.

Mrs. W. B. Simmons left Tuesday for Portland and expects to be home the latter part of the week.

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Born near Kolding, Denmark, Gus Hansen learned the buttermaker's trade before he came to America in 1905. On November 1st of this year he will observe his 50th continuous year in the creamery industry.

In 1917 he moved to Dayton and established the Dayton Creamery & Ice Works. A small steam engine for "stand-by" power was included in the creamery's early equipment. Long since retired, it was presented to the scrap metal drive shortly after the beginning of the war.

The business has grown from the operation of a single 10 h.p. electric motor, and a job for one man, to one that operates ten motors, ranging up to 15 h.p., and provides a year-round payroll for twelve persons. The original 10 h.p. motor is still in use in the creamery. Today it costs little more to operate the ten motors than it used to cost for the single one, due to PP&L's consistent rate reductions.

Long active in civic affairs, Mr. Hansen served two terms on the school board; was elected to the Dayton city council in 1932; appointed mayor in 1937, and was recently elected to another four-year term as mayor.

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