

Five Persons Killed in Kansas City Gun Battle

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 21 (UP) — Five persons — including three police officers, a negro gunman and a bystander were dead today as result of a series of gun battles touched off when officers answered a routine call to quell a disturbance.

Two other policemen were wounded, one critically, in the fray just before midnight last night.

Authorities were questioning George Bell, 33-year-old negro, to determine whether he took part in the firing. Bell was captured early today after police threw a cordon around the Kansas City negro section.

Lt. Charles Welch of the homicide bureau said Bell denied that he was in the apartment where the shooting took place. But Welch said three witnesses placed Bell there.

Bell's brother, William, 34, was the gunman who died under police bullets.

Three Officers Shot
The officers killed were Sandy Washington, 26, Charlie Neaves, 30, both negroes, and Charles Perrine, 46, white. Injured officers were Bill Wells, 34, and Kelfer Burris, 34. A bystander, Burton E. Warren, negro, also was wounded and died early today at a hospital.

The shootings occurred near Washington and Neaves answered a routine complaint about a disturbance at the apartment of Alpha Russell and Gwendolyn King, negroes, about eight blocks from police headquarters.

The officers found a drinking party in progress. Among those present were the Bell brothers, Miss Russell, Miss King, and a girl named Ora Bell who was identified as George Bell's girl friend.

The officers told the Bell brothers they would have to go to headquarters to be booked for disturbing the peace, according to Miss Bell.

Used Shotgun
The brothers went for their coats, but instead, George pulled a shotgun from the closet and shot Neaves, according to Miss Bell. Washington turned to run down the stairs but was felled by another blast.

Then the brothers discovered Neaves still alive, Miss Bell said. "You ain't dead yet," she quoted William Bell.

Miss Bell said he took Neaves' service revolver from its holster and shot him in the head.

Neighbors, meanwhile, had called for more police. William ran out the front door and lay in ambush for them, Miss Russell and Miss King hid in a closet while Miss Bell and George Bell ran out a back door.

Opens Fire
William Bell opened fire as officers Perrine and Langley drove up.

"I ran inside the doorway and was protected by bricks," Langley said. "I turned just in time to see Perrine fall."

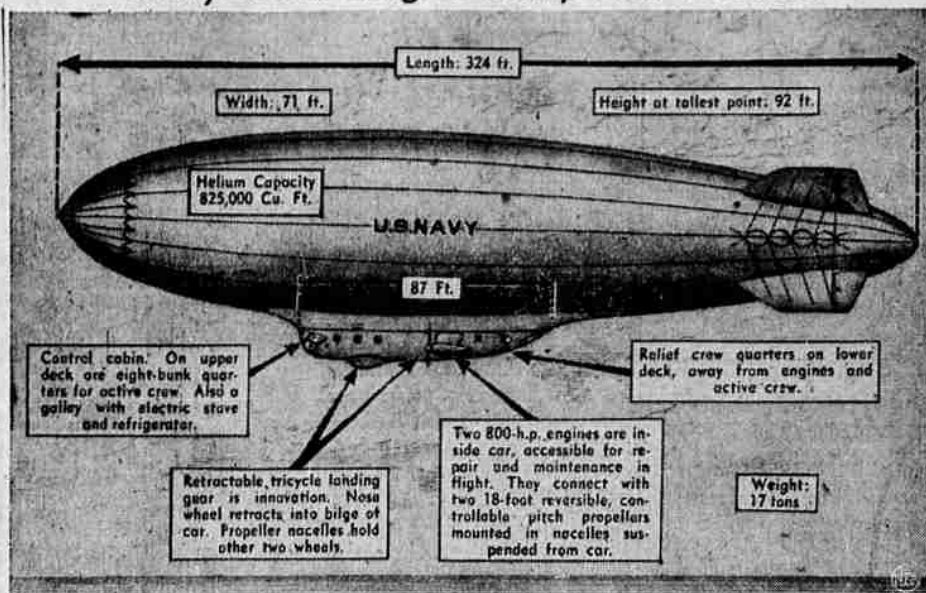
Burris and Wells drove up in another car. They jumped out and ran toward the building as Bell fired at them repeatedly. Both were wounded.

A fourth police car arrived. Officers Earl Scott and Rodney Knight opened fire with a riot gun, a 38 automatic pistol and a shotgun. Bell was riddled in the fusillade and died instantly.

Warren, a bystander, was wounded when he began running from the scene and failed to obey an officer's warning to halt.

And now scientists are planning to use atomic energy to determine what makes rubber bounce.

Navy Seeks Largest Blimp Ever Planned



The sketch-diagram above illustrates notable features of the new "N" type blimp planned for the U. S. Navy. A contract to design the ship, largest non-rigid, lighter-than-air craft ever planned, was given to the Goodyear Aircraft Corporation. This "N" type, nearly twice the size of the "M" class—last wartime type used for anti-submarine patrol—is capable of long-range missions over open ocean areas.

New Jet Bomber Explodes in Air

Alpaugh, Cal., Sept. 21 (UP) — One of the air force's first all-jet bombers, a B-45, exploded yesterday during a test flight and killed two of the nation's top jet-plane test pilots.

The huge four-jet plane, still the property of North American Aviation company, disintegrated with a thunderous roar and sent a flaming shower of fragments into flooded grain fields one mile north of here.

North American Aviation identified the dead pilots as George W. Krebs, 30, Los Angeles, and Nicholas G. Pickard, 31, Manhattan Beach, Cal. Krebs was credited with being the first U. S. pilot to fly a multiple jet plane when he tested the B-25 March 17, 1947.

He is formerly from Kansas City, Mo., where he was chief test pilot at the company's wartime plant.

One witness, L. L. Ellis, vice president of the Alpaugh Telephone company, said the plane "definitely exploded in flight and fell to the earth trailing smoke."

The plane was on its final test flight from Muroc field for North American before being turned over to the air force. It was estimated to have been flying at about 10,000 feet.

The B-45 is one of the air force's newest and most potent weapons and has a top speed rating of 485 miles per hour.

When lightning strikes, it is relatively safe in an automobile.

Cordon Visits At Warm Springs

Madras, Sept. 21 (Special) — Senator Guy Cordon from Roseburg on his way home from the Pendleton roundup tested his fishing line Sunday on the lower Warm Springs river on the Indian reservation. He arrived by automobile Saturday and was guest of J. W. Elliott, superintendent at the agency headquarters.

Col. E. Morgan Pryse of Portland, director of Indian affairs for the Pacific northwest; T. Leland Brown of The Dalles, attorney for the Warm Springs council of federated tribes; and Showalter Lynch, Portland publicity man, accompanied Senator Cordon.

Shevlin

Shevlin, Sept. 21 (Special) — Mrs. Orville Bean was hostess for the Pinchle club Wednesday at her home. Guests were Mrs. George Wall, Mrs. John Munier, Mrs. R. L. Hawthorne, Mrs. Frank Mauger, Mrs. Joe Mo-

han, Mrs. Rolland Gumpert and Mrs. Harry Stingley. High honor went to Mrs. Frank Mauger. Low prize was won by Mrs. Joe Mo-

han, and the floating prize went to Mrs. Harry Stingley.

Mrs. Mary Kettleson spent the week end in Bend where she attended the Rebekahs and went to Redmond to attend the Rebekahs district meet.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bean and daughter, Judy, spent the week end at Oswego and brought back a pair of Siamese kittens.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hodge, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark and son, Michael, Mrs. Sam Taylor and two sons, Gary and Gene, were

guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kunderling Sunday.

Teresa Ward, of Fort Rock, is visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stingley.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Burgess attended the wedding of their nephew, Robert C. Burgess, and Miss Della Jean Dahlstrom, at La Grande.

Bud Shough was hurt when a small jack pine fell across his back. He received bruises but no broken bones.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Dahlin are Mrs. Dahlin's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Davies, of Corvallis.

Mrs. Vernon Sayre and new daughter, Patricia Ellen, arrived home Friday from Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. Still King and daughter, Clo, and Joyce and Bonnie McCarthy spent Sunday at Diamond lake.

Mrs. Charles Coffman has returned home after a visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Fuller, in Vallejo, Calif.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Emery, Sunday were Mrs. Emery's mother, Mrs. Violet Cox, and Mrs. Gary Poole and son, Michael, George Howard and George Caeger, all of Lapine.

Mrs. Ed Banks has returned home after a visit at the home of her son, Elvin Elkins, in Albany.

Clinton Olson, left Tuesday to register at the University of Oregon.

Preparations are being made to accommodate 6,000 contestants and 100,000 visitors to the Olympic games at Wembley stadium in London this summer, British railways report.

Religious Classes In Schools Sought

Salem, Sept. 21 (UP) — The executive committee of the Oregon Council of Churches yesterday approved proposed legislation providing for restoration of religious training in public schools and took action on two November measures.

The group also set the state annual council of churches convention for February 21 and 22 in Portland.

Dr. Chester Hamblin, Salem, council president, said he would seek the use of public school rooms on a "released" time basis for week day religious education in public schools.

Attorney general George Neuner last year ruled that public school rooms could not be used for religious education. The ruling eliminated many council-backed training programs from public schools throughout the state.

The committee backed the November ballot issue for acquisition of property at Timber, Ore., for a state boys' camp, and agreed to fight another measure providing for hard liquor by the drink in Oregon.

Contest Looms For County Post

Madras, Sept. 21 (Special) — Mrs. Homer Moore reopened the contest for county treasurer this week when it was announced that she will go on the ballot as democratic candidate.

Withdrawal of Mrs. Elizabeth Green, the original democratic candidate, had left Mrs. William Brownhill, republican nominee, unopposed for the office.

Mrs. Moore was born and raised in Jefferson county. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thornton. A graduate of Madras high school in 1936 she took commercial training for two years.

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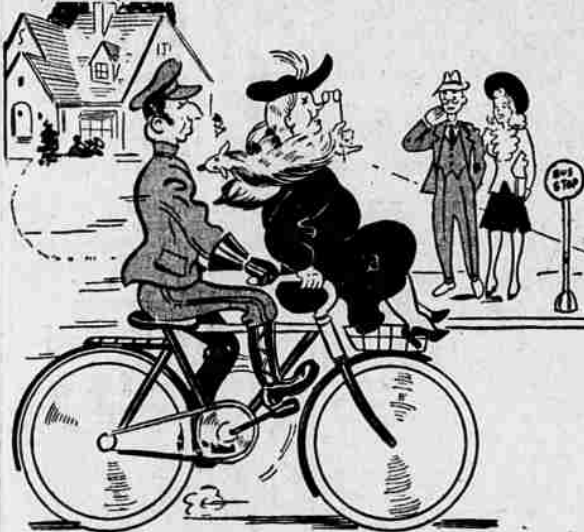
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