

Picnickers Take Over Cave Lair From Pirates

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Cave-In-Rock, Ill. (UP)—A large cave which has become a popular spot for Sunday school picnics once sheltered bloodthirsty river pirates and some of the most dangerous criminals in the history of the middle west.

From their cave hideout, pirates foraged along the Ohio river, plundering rich cargo boats bound for New Orleans. Cutthroats like the Harpe brothers of North Carolina, the Samuel Mason gang and dozens of less famous outlaws sought refuge here.

Cut in a limestone bluff overlooking the river, the cave is 25 feet wide, 15 feet high and 150 feet long. Geologists believe it was formed by water which periodically empties out of big sink holes nearby and drains through underground channels.

The cave was mentioned first by a French explorer who came down the river in 1729 and it later provided shelter to colonial traders and passing mound builders. Near the close of the 18th century, however, it became notorious as a haven for renegades that even the most turbulent river communities didn't want.



GIANT AND MIDGET—Frankie Saluto, midget clown with the Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey circus, looks even smaller when he gets up against the world's largest incandescent light bulb, a 50,000-watt giant that produces as much light as one thousand 100-watt household lamps. Built by GE as a stunt in 1929, for "Light's Golden Jubilee," no practical use was found for the bulb until it was used recently in the filming of a circus movie under the big top.

Sports Parade

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signing into the Yankee chain and the next season was able to hit four points better for Victoria in the Western-International league.

By the time he arrived at Beaumont in the Texas league last season he was at the spot where many managers might have tinkered with that stance. But he was fortunate enough to play for Rogers Hornsby, a pretty fair country hitter in his day, and the Rajah left Gil strictly alone. It was a page right out of old Connie Mack's book from the days when he made his coaches leave Al Simmons' big hoof smack in the bucket.

All Gil did was hit .336 and win the Texas league's most valuable player award.

Receives Break

That won him a trip to the Yankees' spring training camp at Phoenix but Gil was tagged for Kansas City. That's when fate stepped in and gave Gil a break—as well as the Yankees.

Johnson, the man who led the Yanks as a rookie in 1943, was regarded as the regular third baseman. But in March he was injured and McDougald took over at the hot spot, even though he was a second baseman. Then Dr. Bobby Brown came back. In the meantime, Gil had shown his stuff.

So it wasn't McDougald who

left, but Johnson, as the Yanks sold him to St. Louis. And Gil, alternating with Brown at third and filling in at second for Gerry Coleman, has been too valuable with the stick to keep out of the lineup.

Gil, a father of three at 23 who proved a good hitter in every league, has a ready explanation. His hobby is "steaks."

"And in the minors," he grins, "you don't get 'em. Here with the Yankees they're a steady diet."

ONCE TOO OFTEN

Detroit, July 26 (UP)—Mrs. Mary L. Lane, 26, charged with drunk driving, told Traffic Judge George T. Murphy that "my husband lets me out by myself only once a month."

"You haven't seen anything yet," Murphy replied and sentenced her to 10 days in jail yesterday.

NO RESPECT FOR POLICE

Salem, Ore. (UP)—Prowlers climbed over a steel fence and stole two storage batteries from the police department's radio transmitter site.

PRESTO-LOGS

PICK-UP AT
Brookings Wood Yard
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Unusual Accident Results in Injury

Prineville, July 26 — Clifford Foster, 35, and employed on the Sugar creek ranch of Earl Laughlin above Paulina 70 miles southeast of here, recently suffered a severe lacerated arm in an accident. He and Merle Bushnell, who is operating the ranch, had turned on a motor driving a grinding wheel they were about to use in sharpening sickles for hay harvest. Revolving at high speed the wheel exploded, and particles, hurled by centrifugal force, stripped the shirt from Foster's left arm and tore away flesh.

Foster was rushed to the Pioneer Memorial hospital here, where it was reported last night that he was recovering.

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Letter of Martin Luther's Thought Found in Finland

Helsinki, Finland (UP)—An old Finnish forester foraging through an antique trunk is believed to have found a letter Martin Luther wrote to his wife in 1541, five years before his death.

Two Finnish experts said the letter, on grey, hand-made paper, appeared to be genuine. How it came to Finland was a mystery because the text has appeared before in books and Luther's letters published in Germany.

In the letter, dated Sept. 18, the great Protestant advised his wife to remain calm, apparently in the face of the threat to central Europe by the rampaging Ottoman forces of Suleiman I, which captured Budapest only a few weeks before.

The letter, like most letters before and since, complained that Frau Luther had not written him for some time.

The text of the letter, they said, was contained in a book, "Martin Luther's Briefe in A u s w a h l Herausgegeben von Reinhard Buschwald, Zweiter Band," published in Leipzig in 1909. It is the second volume of a collection of Luther's letters. The experts believe the letter had also been published in the early 1800's.

The letter was written when Luther was 58 and some 24 years after he posted his famous 95 theses on the door of a Wittenberg church to protest what he felt were abuses of Papal indulgences by the Catholic church.

A. Eroberg, the 77-year-old forester who found the letter in a collection of old papers, said he was sure it had been in his possession at least since 1918. He was unable to explain how he got it. He said it might have been brought from Germany by his grandfather, Erik, an adventurer who was fighting in Germany in 1813-14.

Text of Letter

The letter said:
To Kaethe Luther, Deutsch, Wittenberg the 18th September 1541.

"G.U.F. (abbreviation for Gnade und Friede—grace and peace).

"Dear Kaethe, I herewith have Urban run to you so you shall not be frightened if clamor from the Turks gets to you. And I wonder that you do not write or (one word untranslatable) although you well know that we are not without worries for you because Mein, Heinz and many of the noblemen of Meissen are very cultivated. Sell and order what you can... and God will meet our sin, with the rods of his anger. Herewith God bless you.

"Amen.

"Sunday after Lamperti 1541.

"M. Luther."

The two experts who studied the letter said it probably was the original rather than a copy. The paper was old and hand-processed.

Children Use Outdated Coins

Melrose, Mass. (UP)—The ice cream peddlers were running out of humor. So were the children. The youngsters were trying to buy ice cream with two-cent pieces and other outdated coins, some of them 300 years old.

Police investigated. They discovered the coins were part of a collection, apparently stolen, which had been dripped behind a tenement house.

They believed the thief was a youth about 16 who had been scattering coins for the youngsters for several days. No one seemed to know the youth. To add to the problem, no one had reported a coin collection stolen.

Approximately 94% of the American population are living in homes provided with electricity.

Battle Casualties In Korea Total 79,823, Announced

Washington, July 26 (UP)—The defense department reported today that American battle casualties in Korea now total 79,823, an increase of 584 over the last report a week ago.

The total casualties reflect the number whose next of kin have been notified through last Friday, and not necessarily the number of casualties that occurred through that date.

It requires one to three weeks to notify next of kin.

The total casualties included 13,340 deaths, 54,248 wounded, 10,634 missing, 159 captured, and 1,342 previously reported missing but returned to military duty.

A breakdown by services showed:

Breakdown Given

Army—65,221 casualties, 11,080 deaths, 42,837 wounded, 9,867 missing, 156 captured, 1,281 previously reported missing but returned to military duty.

Navy—921 casualties, 157 deaths, 687 wounded, 73 missing, 4 previously reported missing, but returned to military duty.

Marine Corps—12,880 casualties, 1,903 deaths, 10,696 wounded, 261 missing, 20 previously reported missing but returned to duty.

Air Force—701 casualties, 200 deaths, 28 wounded, 433 missing, 3 captured, 37 previously reported missing but returned to active duty.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Coventry, Eng., July 26 (UP)—Professional beer-taster Richard D. Bell was fined \$56 yesterday for drunken driving.

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