

Ex-Sen. Blair Moody Dies Unexpectedly

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP)—Blair Moody, former U.S. senator and prominent Michigan newspaperman, died unexpectedly yesterday at University Hospital of a virus pneumonia.

Dr. Cyrus C. Sturgis, head of the hospital's department of internal medicine, said the 52-year-old former Democratic senator had been undergoing treatment for the lungs and had been doing very satisfactorily when he suffered a reversal and died.

Moody, appointed to the Senate in 1951 after the death of Republican Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg, was in the midst of a campaign for the Democratic senatorial nomination next month.

His death left Patrick V. McNamara, former Detroit councilman, unopposed for the nomination in the Democratic primary.

Moody was stricken with the virus infection last month while campaigning in the Upper Peninsula. He was hospitalized in Hancock, Mich., until last Sunday.

He was believed nearing recovery and ready to resume his campaign when he entered University hospital for physical checkup.

Moody had been Washington correspondent for the Detroit News for 18 years before his appointment to the Senate.

He was defeated in his bid for election in 1952 by Rep. Charles E. Potter (R-Mich.).

Moody is survived by his widow and three sons.

Giant Canadian Aluminum Plant Ready for Operation

KEMANO, B. C. (AP)—Furnaces of the giant Aluminum Co. of Canada smelter 50 miles from here will soon be fired by 420,000 electrical horsepower which will flow from a great hydro-electric plant built in the bowels of Mount DuBose.

The story behind the power began three years ago when the company started to build a hydro set-up that would light and power a city the size of Vancouver. To do it, contractors hollowed out a mountain, made a river flow backwards and built a huge lake.

The project was built at a cost of \$800 million—16 died in one plane crash. But Ole Strandberg, project manager for the contractors, considers that figure low "when you think of the three-year job and the 6,000 men employed on it."

The cost in money was 160 million dollars—double the original estimate.

Now Karl Roestad, Norwegian-born resident engineer here for the Aluminum Co. of Canada, is almost ready to throw the switches that will send power humming over a twisting 80-mile transmission line to Kitimat. There it will be used to blast aluminum metal out of ore carried from the British West Indies.

As many as 6,000 men worked on the power project 400 miles north of Vancouver. They built a 20 million-dollar dam across the Nechako River 150 miles east of here. Part of the river became a 350-square-mile reservoir. The other half was allowed to dry up.

A 10-mile tunnel, 25 feet high

and 11 feet wide, was punched through 7,000-foot Mount DuBose. At the end of the tunnel near the western side of the mountain a huge cavern was scooped out for the power house 1,400 feet underground.

Then the transmission line had to be built across mountains amidst continuous snow. More than one bulldozer and its operator slid over the 3,000-foot cliffs. The line rises from a low of 600 feet above sea level to 5,000-foot-high Kildala Pass.

The tunnel from the reservoir to the powerhouse was driven with the help of 8 million pounds of explosives.

Water moving through the tunnel will drive three turbines already installed. A fourth generator will be put in when needed and four more can be installed. Plans are ready for another 10-mile tunnel and more generators to double the present output if the aluminum market booms.

Man Killed Trying to Steal Ride on Freight

ROSEVILLE, Calif. (AP)—A man identified Tuesday as Jewell C. House, about 33, of Klamath Falls, Ore., was killed when he attempted to catch a ride on a freight train.

Police said one train struck him as he was running across the track to catch a ride on another train bound for Sacramento.

Power Output in NW Shows Increase

NEW YORK (AP)—The nation's power plants produced 8,951,000 kilowatt-hours of electrical energy last week, or 9 per cent more than

in the same week last year, the Edison Electric Institute reported Wednesday.

Output for the week ended July 17 also represented a sharp rise over the 8,185,000,000 kilowatt-hours reported the previous week when power consumption by industries was curtailed by the July 5th holiday. It compared with 8,209,000,000 kilowatt-hours in the like week a year ago.

Power consumption was down from the year-ago week in a few central and eastern states but higher almost everywhere else. The Pacific Northwest was up 2.4 per cent.

Logs Are Dumped In Lyons Store

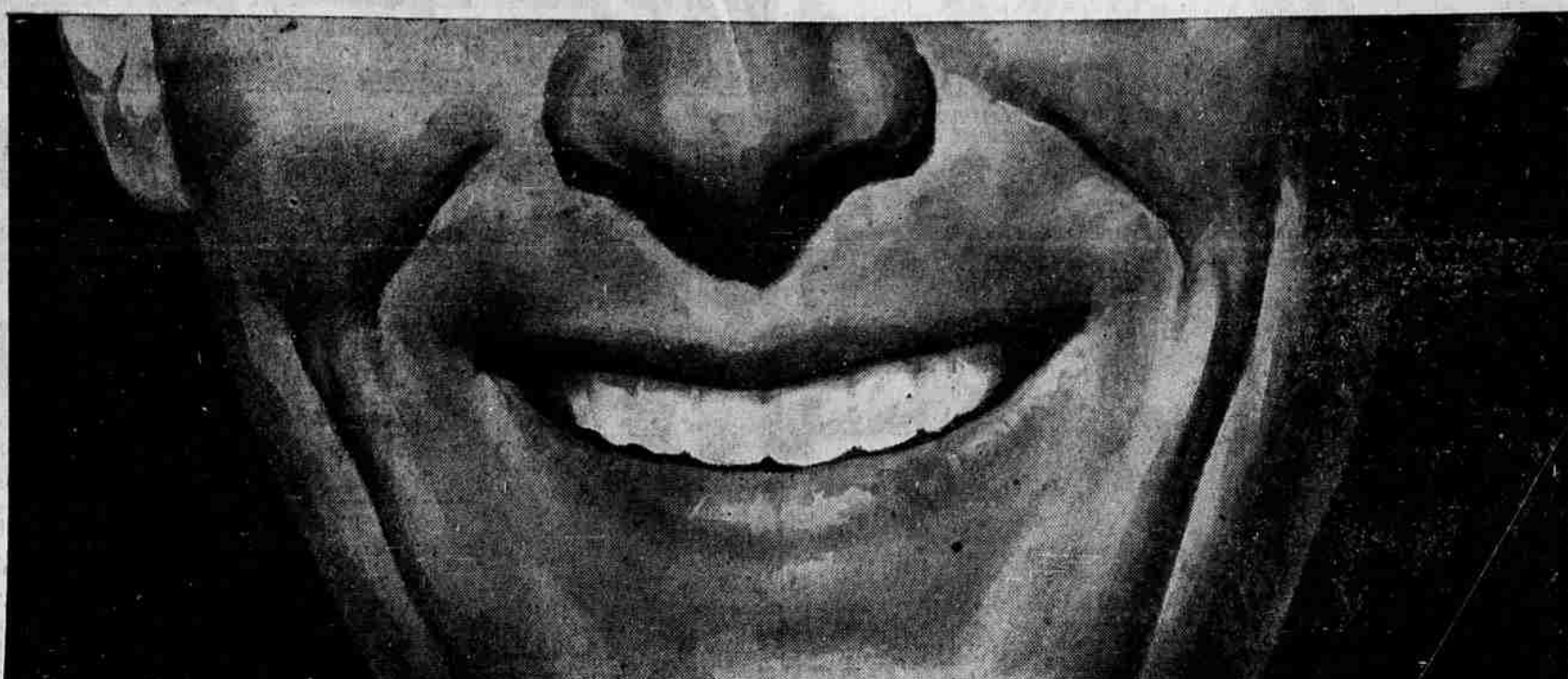
LYONS—A truck load of logs were dumped in the feed department of Thiels store at 5:30 Monday morning when the reach on

a logging truck broke as it was rounding that corner. Mike Stewart, driver, escaped without injury.

The truck belonged to Bligh-Horn Logging Company of Eugene. Damage was limited to the store since because of the early hour no cars were parked

at the corner nor any pedestrians around. Many were awakened earlier than usual by the commotion.

FAIRFORD, England (AP)—A U. S. Air Force Stratofortress bomber crashed near here Tuesday night, killing one of its four crewmen and injuring the other three.



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