

Prominent names included in probe of Lofland case

NEW YORK (UPI)—A former U.S. interior secretary and an ex-Massachusetts congressman were among several prominent persons named today in an order directing them to appear in court for questioning about an attempt to sell investors \$3 million in worthless oil leases.

Hoffa pleads innocent to charges

CHICAGO (UPI) — Teamsters Union President James R. Hoffa today pleaded innocent to charges of conspiring with seven other men in a \$20 million fraudulent loan scheme.

The other seven men indicted with the Teamsters boss also pleaded innocent.

Federal Judge Richard B. Austin said the case, regarded as the Justice Department's heaviest blow to date in its running battle with Hoffa, would go to trial Oct. 7.

Hoffa was in the court and delivered the plea of not guilty himself. Afterward, he expressed confidence that Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy would not succeed in convicting him on the charges of manipulating loans from the Teamsters' Central States Pension Fund.

"The plea of not guilty will be substantiated by evidence and it will be proven that the pension fund which is involved is not in any way in danger and that this is just another propaganda move by Bob Kennedy," Hoffa said.

The boss of the nation's largest union said he was paying for his own defense.

"I've got a few friends left," he said. He said he wanted a quick trial to quiet any fears of persons drawing money from the pension fund.

ARRIVE HOME
PORTLAND (UPI) — The first contingent of the Forest Grove Gleemen and Girls arrived home Monday after a two-week tour of Europe.

State Atty. Gen. Louis J. Lefkowitz obtained the order in State Supreme Court in New York County against 10 persons to appear for questioning under oath on Thursday.

Lefkowitz said the inquiry was aimed at uncovering the operations of James E. Lofland and James E. Lofland Enterprises, Inc. He said \$200,000 in worthless mineral land deeds was sold to investors from the firm's Manhattan offices.

Name Broadway Actress

In addition to Lofland and the corporation, those named in the order were Oscar L. Chapman of Washington, Interior Secretary under former President Harry S. Truman; former Rep. Joseph E. Casey, D-Mass.; James Murray Jr., Washington, son of a former U. S. senator from Montana; Dennis Chavez Jr., Washington, son of a former U. S. senator from New Mexico; prominent Broadway actress Dolores Gray; Anky Von Boytham, of New York; Agnes E. Kelson, San Antonio, Tex.; Stanley J. Gould, New York; Arnold S. Poliskin, Rutherford, N.J., and Joseph Smith, New York. The latter three allegedly were connected with the Lofland firm.

Lefkowitz also obtained court permission to examine the books and records of the individuals named, and to bar Lofland, the firm, Gould, Smith and Poliskin from selling mineral land deeds in the state "pending the final determination of the matter." He said he would seek a permanent injunction barring them from engaging in the securities business.

Obtains Mineral Rights
The attorney general's office charged that Lofland based his operation on the recovery of multi-million-dollar mineral rights which he claimed the federal government had taken from "homesteaders" in New Mexico.

Between 1956 and 1959, the state charged that Lofland obtained from owners one-fourth to one-half of the mineral rights on 70,000 acres of homestead land in Lea County, New Mexico, at a price he estimated at \$450,000.

Mayor of little village of Concesio put through urgent call as new Pope selected

EDITORS NOTE: Following is the second of a three-part series on Pope Paul VI, the man and his origin, his policies and what his pontificate may hold for both the Catholic and non-Catholic world.

POPE PAUL VI

By United Press International

The mayor of the little village of Concesio put in an urgent telephone call to his counterpart at Sotto Il Monte, some 30 miles away in northern Italy.

When the call came through, Mayor Riccardo Giustacchini began shouting excitedly:

"We've got a Pope now, too. What did you do to celebrate yours? I need some advice."

For this was the village where on Sept. 26, 1897, Giovanni Battista Montini was born, the second of three sons, to the well-to-do family of Giorgio Montini and Giuditta Alghisi.

Sixty-five years later on June 21, 1963, Montini was chosen supreme pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church. He took the name Paul VI.

Reason For Call

Mayor Giustacchini had reason to put in that urgent telephone call to nearby Sotto Il Monte for "expert advice." It was there that the late Pope John XXIII was born 81 years before as Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli. And that little village has never seen such a celebration as when Roncalli was named pontiff in 1958.

Aside from the fact that Montini and Roncalli both grew up in the same area of northern Italy, they were worlds apart in their background.

Roncalli, who died June 3 after a four and a half year reign as pontiff, came from a peasant family of 13 children. His brothers continued to till the soil even after he became Pope.

Montini's family were well-to-do landowners, not nobility but with generations of solid background. He was one of three sons.

While Roncalli's father toiled most of his life to buy a home and a bit of land, Montini's father kept three houses, thousands of acres of land, and was a crusading Catholic journalist and member of the Italian Parliament.

Both Religious

Both families, however, were

extremely religious. Every morning, the front door of the Montini's would be opened by a servant shortly before seven o'clock and the three Montini boys, followed by the mother and father, would come out and walk to the local church for morning Mass.

During the day there were set times devoted to prayers. When the family was at their summer home at nearby Verolavecchia a bell was rung at three o'clock every afternoon.

No matter what they were doing, the boys stopped to pray for a few moments. The daily ringing of the bell was to mark the traditional hour of the death of Christ on the cross on Calvary.

Enters Priesthood

On May 29, 1920, Giovanni Montini was ordained a priest at the cathedral of Brescia.

Later that year he went to

Rome, where he continued his studies at the Lombard Seminary of the Gregorian University and at the University of Rome.

In May, 1923, his studies were interrupted for several months when he was sent to Warsaw, Poland, as secretary of the papal nunciature. While there he added Polish to his growing list of languages. He speaks, in addition to his native Italian, English, French, German, Spanish, and the language of the church, Latin.

In the autumn he returned to Rome and again took up his studies. A year later he entered into regular service in the Vatican secretariat of state and in 1925 was named a clerk there.

It was the beginning of 30 years he was to spend with the secretariat.

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Flooding hits Nebraska areas

WAHOO, Neb. (UPI)—Torrential rains up to 14 inches left several Nebraska towns either inundated or surrounded by flood waters today.

Hundreds of families were homeless. Scores of others were warned to be ready to leave some areas on an hour's notice. Two persons were dead. Damage was in the millions.

Dewitt, Neb., was under two feet of water early today. Memphis and Valparaiso, Neb., were surrounded by the surging flood waters.

At Ashland, Neb., the surging Salt Creek ran 14.73 feet deep, nearly four feet above flood stage. A highway bridge north of town started to crack and all dikes were reported broken.

The Weather Bureau said water had not reached the tow but flooded nearby lowlands.

Koje Island deaths rising

SEOUL (UPI)—Landslides following heavy rains buried the village of Changsungpo on Koje Island today, killing at least 71 persons. It was reported here.

Floods and landslides elsewhere in southern Korea had caused 41 deaths this week.

Details of the Changsungpo tragedy were scanty, because communications between the island and the mainland had been disrupted by two days of torrential rain.

First reports said 62 villagers were entombed in a great heap of earth 120 feet high early this morning. Police rushed to the scene, and nine policemen were buried by a second landslide.

Koje, about 30 miles southwest of the southern port of Pusan, was the site of a prison camp during the Korean War. Communist prisoners confined there staged a number of bloody riots.

The danger in Changsungpo had been foreseen, and police moved residents out of the village Monday night. The night passed uneventfully, and the villagers began returning home shortly before the landslide struck.

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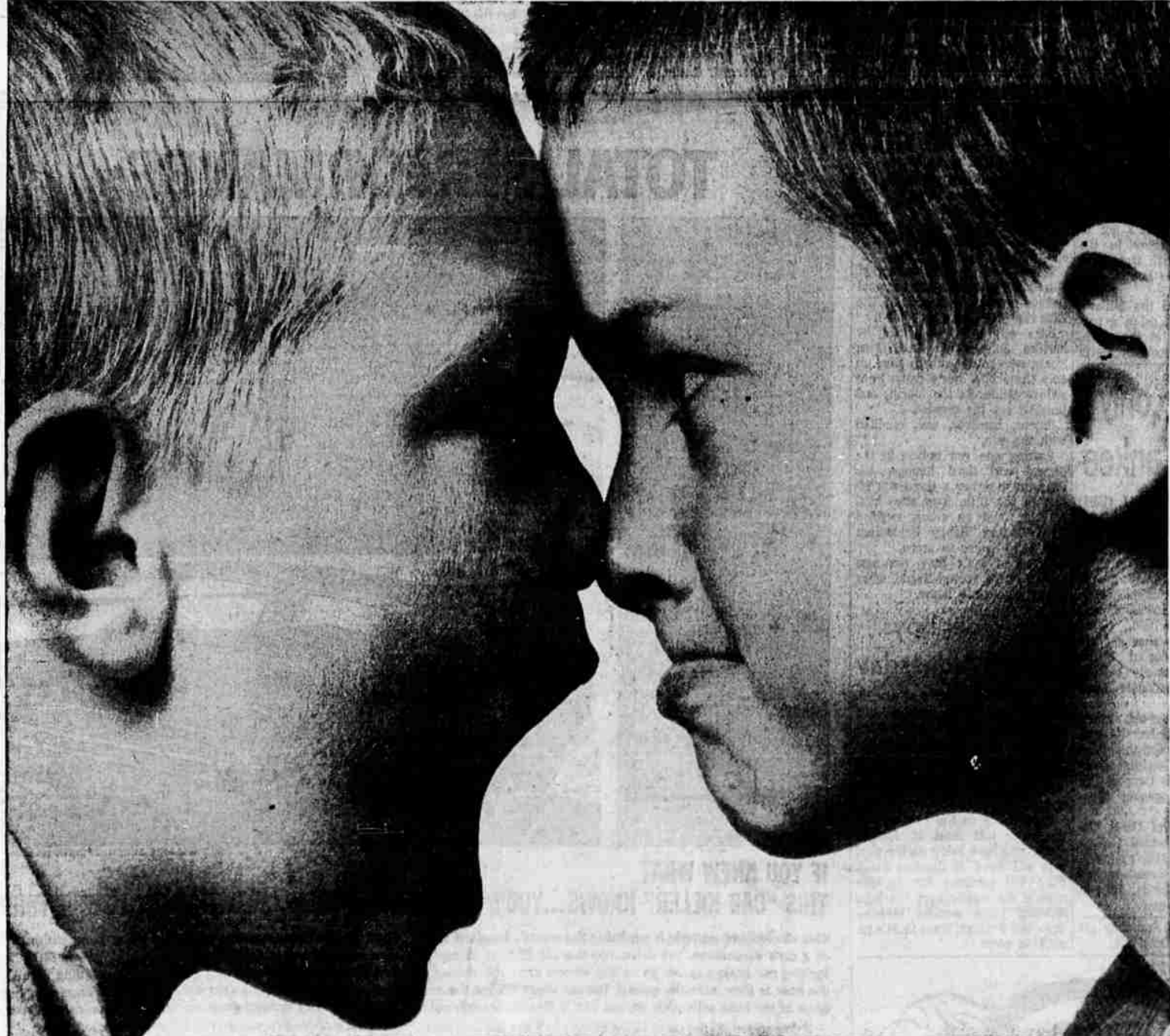
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