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5 BOYS CREMATED IN AUTO SMASHUP

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F. R.'S ADVISERS AGAIN
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FIRING BLOCKS MOVED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—One of the perennial moves to clean out the cabinet is now on foot. Every election year, the president's friends and advisers of all shades of opinion urge him to hurl the incompetents, misfits and hacks from their high seats. This year is no exception. Indeed, the whole business is distinctly repetitious.

The necks being measured for the noose wear the usual labels—Roper, Cummings, Woodring and Swanson. And, as usual, the chances are that Roper, Cummings, Woodring and Swanson will continue to enjoy the pay, perquisites and pomp of their posts. This year's lynching party has an excellent new argument—that a coalition liberal cabinet must be got together in preparation for 1940. But there is nothing to show that the president has lost his old distaste for telling his subordinates their time is up.

Since the dawn of the New Deal, this presidential trait has been the despair of the most intelligent White House friends. So far as his official household is concerned, the president is like a laekadical bachelor, who can't face the strain of firing his cook even though she is a natural successor to Lucrezia Borgia.

To be sure, there is a good chance that Attorney General Homer S. Cummings may resign of his own volition. He has begun to talk of it again; has even mentioned it tentatively. It is understood, to the president himself. But the fact that the attorney general is thinking of resigning is no assurance that he will do so.

Last time, about six months ago, he was quite positive about it, but he said that he wanted to "go out on a high note." The high note then was playing an important part in filling a large number of vacant judgeships. Now there is a vacancy to be filled on the supreme court, and the temptation to wait for this still "higher note" may well be too much for him.

Because the areas in the justice department which he still controls are both inefficient and political, Cummings' departure is generally desired by the men around the

IDENTIFY BODY OF GIRL FOUND IN WEED PATCH

SIoux Falls, S. D., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Sheriff Seth A. Adams early today said the body of a girl found in a clump of weeds near St. Charles, S. D., had been identified as that of Betty Schindler, 17, Sioux Falls, who disappeared last Saturday night. The body, bound hand and foot with heavy wrapping cord and with a towel knotted around the neck, was discovered about 50 yards back from the east shore of Lake Betty, west of St. Charles, by Art Woods, 26, a farmer.

Borah to Springs
WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Sen. William E. Borah (R., Ida.) planned today to leave late this week for Poland Springs, Me., to recuperate from an illness which sent him to bed nearly a month ago.

VICTIMS SPRAYED WITH LIQUID FIRE FROM GAS TANK

Crash Comes When Machine Braked Too Sharply On Turn—4 Were Students of La Grande High School

LA GRANDE, Ore., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Five boys were burned to death early today when their automobile struck a culvert and caught fire two miles west of Union.

The victims were identified as: Bertou Bushman, 15; Clinton Bushman, 17; John Foley, 17; Leroy Foster, 16; Robert Myrick, 13. All were residents of Perry, about six miles west of La Grande.

The automobile failed to negotiate a turn and apparently left the highway when the driver applied the brakes too sharply. Gasoline sprayed over three of the passengers in the rear seat. Their bodies were burned almost beyond recognition.

A fourth burning victim was hurled considerable distance from the smoldering machine and died immediately of a fractured skull. The fifth youth was cremated underneath the automobile.

The mother of the Bushman boys, who gave them permission to use the family automobile, had just started to search for them with her husband when she learned of the wreck at the police station.

She supplied the names of the youngsters who accompanied her sons on a trip from Union to Baker. All but the Myrick youth were students at La Grande high school. The crash apparently occurred about 2:30 a.m.

AVON, Mont., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Four persons burned to death early today when a heavily loaded oil truck and a passenger car smashed head on two miles east of here.

All occupants of the car died instantly when flaming oil and gasoline engulfed both vehicles.

Coroner E. W. Ross identified two of the dead as George Mills and his wife, Alice, both of Hoquiam, Wash.

QUIZ SLAYER IN FROME OUTRAGE

DETROIT, Aug. 2.—(AP)—John Deering, 39, who, homicide squad detectives said, already has admitted killing two men and shooting a Portland, Ore., policeman, was questioned here today in connection with the Texas desert slaying last April of Mrs. Hazel Frome and her daughter, Nancy.

Detectives said Deering admitted killing Oliver R. Meredith, Jr., in a Salt Lake City, Utah, holdup last May, and another man whom he would identify only as "a dirty rat who deserved it."

Tokyo Claims Russians Repulsed; Moscow Cites Heavy Jap Losses

NIPPON CHARGES SOVIET'S PLANES BOMBING TOWNS

TOKYO, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The Japanese government announced today its forces had repulsed a large-scale, two-edged attack by Soviet troops in the disputed area on the Siberian-Manchoukuo frontier.

A later communique charged the Russians repeatedly were bombing Korean villages in the vicinity of Changkufeng, focal point since July 11 of Soviet-Japanese casualties since Sunday in the border fighting as including three officers and 27 soldiers killed and 67 wounded.

Tanks, heavy artillery and warplanes were thrown into action this morning by the Russians, the war office announced, to clear the way for infantry attacks from the north and south against the Changkufeng hill region.

The battle was the latest episode in a week-end of fighting for the area Russia claims to be in Siberia and Japan holds to be in Manchoukuo.

"We consider the situation exceptionally serious," the communique said.

The Russian forces opened the offensive at 9 a.m. (5 p.m., Monday, PST) with an artillery bombardment against the Changkufeng hills, an area claimed both by Japanese and Russians near the junction of the roughly defined Manchoukuo, Russian Siberia and Japanese Korea frontiers.

Suddenly from a pall of smoke, screen, eight tanks appeared, followed by infantry.

Japanese returned the fire with anti-tank guns against the troops advancing from the north.

At the same time, Soviet infantry surged from the south.

Both attacks were repulsed, the war office said, with heavy losses among the Soviet attackers after sanguinary fighting.

The war office asserted that civilians were slain in the air raids and "planes are ready and we must answer."

"Japan's policy is one of non-aggression, but she will not tolerate invasion of her territory," said one member of an official group.

"However, despite fighting in China, Japan is capable of engaging in a major conflict with Russia, the Kwangtung army, which probably is the empire's best, still is intact, both in men and munitions."

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In Bitter Kentucky Fight



Blessings of F. D. R. on his fight for senate renomination in Kentucky's August 6 Democratic primary haven't hurt the chances of Senate Majority Leader Alben Barkley (left). Gov. A. B. "Happy" Chandler (right) is giving Barkley a bitter fight for the nomination.—(A. P. Photos).

CLEANING FLUID BOOZE SOLD BY BOOTLEG RING IS CLAIM IN CLEANUP

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—(UP)—Federal investigators in a surprise move today obtained indictments against 103 persons accused of operating a "bootleg liquor" ring which distributed alcohol and liquors made from sugar, dry cleaning solutions and shoe blacking.

The indictments were returned on charges of defrauding the government of \$1,800,000 in liquor revenues, and included names of treasury agents, policemen, druggists, doctors and dentists.

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Federal investigators and New York city police had cooperated on the case for nearly a year in an effort to crack the ring, described as the "biggest bootleg ring since prohibition days."

Charles and Frank Pelligrino, brothers of a former city alderman, were accused as the organizers of the ring, which reportedly distributed 10,000 gallons of illicit liquor a week. The headquarters was an office once used by Charles (Lucky) Luciano, vice racket czar now serving a prison term.

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SOVIET REPORTS OVER 400 KILLED IN BORDER CRASH

MOSCOW, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The Soviet government instructed its charge d'affaires to Tokyo today to warn Japan of "possible terrible consequences" of an invasion into Russian territory, a consequence of the most serious frontier fighting since the beginning in 1931 of a long series of boundary incidents.

Foreign military observers had viewed the current border trouble as likely to be only another of indecisive disputes when it started July 11, but the large scale battle over the week-end inspired a far more serious outlook today.

A Soviet communique said more than 400 Japanese were killed and wounded, and 13 Russian soldiers were killed and 55 wounded.

Tanks, airplanes and artillery were utilized (Tokyo dispatches said 50 Soviet planes bombed Japanese positions) and the fighting centered about Changkufeng hill, on the Siberian-Manchoukuo-Korean border area, roughly defined and poorly mapped.

Both Russia and Japan claim sovereignty over the disputed territory. The Russian account charged that Japanese forces invaded Soviet territory a distance of two and one-half miles before being driven back, but that Soviet troops did not pursue them across the Manchoukuo border.

The Russians captured five anti-aircraft pieces and 14 machine-guns and lost a tank and field piece. One Soviet plane was brought down, the communique admitted, and the pilot who parachuted to the ground likely was captured. (Japanese listed five planes shot down, four of them in Japanese Korea.)

JAPANESE MEETING NEW DIFFICULTIES IN CHINA INVASION

SHANGHAI, Aug. 3.—(Wednesday)—(AP)—Japanese reported today Chinese troops along the Yangtze river had cut the dies above Kiukiang and flooded a huge area of farm land to slow down the drive against Hankow, China's provincial capital.

The breach was said to have been made ten miles above Kiukiang, important river port 135 miles down river from Hankow and center of bitter fighting for weeks.

Similar strategy was successful in halting the Japanese drive westward along the Lunghai railway when the Chinese cut Yellow river dikes early in June.

The Japanese then launched their Yangtze campaign.

Meanwhile, a survey indicated the Japanese army was threatened with loss of effective control of areas captured since the war began July 7, 1937.

Continued resistance by the Chinese, ambush and surprise offensives by Chinese communist and irregular armies, the Soviet Russian-Japanese border tension, and the need for all available forces in pressing the offensive toward Hankow are the reasons.

Reports from widespread areas show the Chinese already have re-occupied many districts, sometimes without a fight after tactical withdrawals by the Japanese and frequently after the capture of small garrisons.

BOULDER CITY, Nev., Aug. 2.—(UP)—After shooting more than 500 rapids of the treacherous Colorado river, the Nevills expedition reached its objective at Boulder Dam late last night, 41 days after leaving Green River, Utah.

BASEBALL

National
First game: R. H. E.
St. Louis 2 8 1
Brooklyn 6 10 1
Henshaw, Harrell, Macon, and Bremer; Fitzsimmons, and Shea.

R. H. E.
Cincinnati 3 6 0
Philadelphia 2 9 0
Vander Meer, Derringer and Lombardi; Hallahan, Lamaster, Siveness and Davis.

R. H. E.
Chicago 6 12 0
New York 0 2 0
Bryant and Hartnett; Hubbell, Coffman and Mancuso, Danning.

R. H. E.
Pittsburgh 1 4 1
Boston 3 8 0
Tobin and Todd; Lanning and Lopez.

American
Score: R. H. E.
New York 3 8 3
Detroit 4 9 1
Gomez, Murphy, and Dickey; Gill, and York.

R. H. E.
Philadelphia 1 4 1
Chicago 8 10 1
Williams and Brucker; Stratton and Sewell.

MAJ. GEO. R. OWENS RECEIVES NOTICE TRANSFER COMING

MAJ. George R. Owens, commanding officer of the Medford CCC district, will leave here with his family about August 15 for a new army assignment.

Notice of transfer has been received by Major Owens and orders informing him of his new assignment are expected to arrive shortly. The major is a coast artillery officer.

Major Owens arrived here in May of 1935 and took command of the CCC district the following month. A year ago he received orders transferring him to a southern college but because of his excellent service to the community the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and other organizations pleaded for an extension of his tour of duty here and it was granted by the war department.

In his quiet, dignified way Major Owens has participated in numerous civic and sports enterprises in the Rogue River valley and his presence here has been viewed as a community asset. His departure will be regretted but it is felt that no further extension of his current tour of duty can be procured.

Jackson County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a farewell testimonial luncheon for Major Owens at the Hotel Medford Saturday, August 13. It was announced by Eugene Thordike, president. All the officers of the district will be invited.

On Saturday evening August 13 the Officers club of the Medford district will give a dinner-dance at the Hotel Medford in honor of Major and Mrs. Owens. All the officers and technical executives of the district and invited friends and their ladies will attend. Dinner will be served at 8:00 and dancing will be the closing feature of the farewell party.

Most of the men are already at the western camps sites, but this week's exodus will conclude the westward invasion.

CLERIC PREPARES FOR GRAFTING OF CORNEA
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Friends disclosed that the Rev. U. E. Harding of Portland, Ore., entered a hospital today to have the cornea from the eye of a dead person transplanted to save his failing sight.

The donor was disclosed as Mrs. Margaret Carr, who died Sunday. Consent for the cornea removal was given by her three daughters, two of whom, Mrs. Della Stevenson and Mrs. Lottie Williams, live in Eekman, N. D.

FOUR PRIMARIES HOLD FEW TESTS OF F. R.'S POWER

New Deal Hopes to Balance Victory by Missouri Foe by Nomination of Friendly McGill in Kansas

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 2.—(AP)—All prospect of troop patrols for voting booths in Memphis in Thursday's Democratic primary was removed today.

National guard headquarters ordered guardsmen being held in Tennessee for possible assignment to Memphis proceed as soon as possible to training maneuvers in south Mississippi.

Adjt. Gen. R. O. Smith had held about 600 guardsmen and officers at Jackson and Nashville awaiting Governor Browning's decision on whether to send them to Memphis, anti-Browning stronghold.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The Roosevelt administration hoped today to balance the expected renomination of Sen. Bennett Clark of Missouri with an overwhelming primary victory for Sen. George McGill of Kansas.

These were the only two Democratic senatorial contests in four statewide primary elections, which provided few out-and-out tests of the president's policies.

Clark opposed the court bill and various other White House measures, but administration advisers took for granted his defeat of two new deal supporters because he had the backing of both Democratic factions in his state.

Missouri Untouched
Neither the president nor any of his lieutenants took any part in the Missouri campaign.

In Kansas, Senator McGill had only nominal opposition. The Rev. Gerald B. Winrod, one of the aspirants, was accused of Nazi-fascist sympathies and religious intolerance by some of his opponents and their backers.

Kansas voters also were choosing nominees for governor, but this was not the case in Missouri, Virginia and West Virginia. All four states, however, were selecting nominees for house seats.

One of the house contests in Virginia was fought principally on the Roosevelt issue. Rep. Howard W. Smith, rules committee member who helped delay the wage-hour bill, was opposed by William E. Dodd, Jr., son of the former ambassador to Germany.

The 32-year-old Dodd is an ardent New Dealer, whom Smith declared would be only a "rubber stamp."

Upwards of 3,000,000 voters were expected to take part in the four elections, which opened the busiest week of the primary season.

Attracting national attention are the Democratic senatorial contests in Tennessee and Kentucky, which will be settled Thursday and Saturday, respectively. District Judge in Tennessee, see enfolded. Gordon Browning from sending state troops to Memphis in the stronghold of the Crump organization, which is opposing Browning and his slate.

In Kentucky, Sen. Alben W. Barkley, Democratic floor leader, is nearing the end of a hot campaign against Gov. A. B. Chandler. Mr. Roosevelt appealed directly to Kentucky voters for Barkley's renomination.

\$350,000 SPENT IN HARLAN TRIAL
LONDON, Ky., Aug. 2.—(AP)—The federal government and the defense in the 11 weeks' Harlan anti-labor conspiracy trial spent an estimated \$350,000 without a decision whether a conviction is possible on a criminal violation under the Wagner labor law.

Court attaches made the estimate after Federal Judge H. Church Ford late yesterday discharged the hopelessly deadlocked jury which had deliberated 9 hours and 53 minutes.

COOLIDGE'S FAMOUS SENTENCE RECALLED IN THIRD TERM TALK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Eleven years ago today, Calvin Coolidge uttered one of the most famous sentences of modern politics: "I do not choose to run for president in 1928."

The reverberations caused by the cryptic announcement have died with the passing years, but on the anniversary there is argument once more over the issue behind the statement—a presidential third term.

Some politicians predict Franklin D. Roosevelt will seek a third term in the White House in 1940. Others declare he will not. Some say they will support him if he does. Others contend he could not win.

Only last night Senator Lewis (D., Ill.) a Roosevelt follower, said a bid from the president for renomination would destroy the Democratic party.

He added, however, he believed Mr. Roosevelt was "not such a man as to present himself for a continuous third term."

Senator Smathers (D., N. J.) on the other hand, said his one remaining political ambition was to help re-elect Mr. Roosevelt because "there is no one big enough or strong enough to carry on for him."

"The conservative and reactionary forces" of both major parties, Smathers said, are backing Vice-President Garner, but he expressed the belief Garner would not let his name be used "in a scheme to scrap the humane progress of the New Deal."

Senator Holt (D., W. Va.) and some other anti-Roosevelt senators, expect to present a resolution next winter voicing disapproval of a third term.

ROYALTY RETURNS
STOCKHOLM, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf, Crown Princess Louise and Prince Bertil arrived at Othelloburg today on their return from the United States. They had been gone since June 17.

SIDE GLANCES

by
TRIBUNE REPORTERS
The bald-headed, heavily bearded Al Pasha traipsing gaily down the street with the petite Anita Robertson.
Ranger Lee Fort hunting for a crew of men he sent out to corral a false-alarm forest fire.
Mildred Lister parking her car on the edge of town to avoid the perils of metropolitan traffic.
Officer Ray Sloneker serenely passing by a wreck after a call had been sent for a cop to clear the wreckage.
Deputy County Clerk Helen Dugan being kind and helpful to a young couple seeking a marriage license.

G.O.P. Streamlines Elephant Emblem

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The Republican party has streamlined its emblem—the elephant.
A rampant, charging pachyderm, with trunk aloft and tusks thrust forward, has replaced the gentle, docile animal of yesteryear.
John Hamilton, national chairman, was presented yesterday with a model of the new type emblem by members of the Republican program committee. The base bore the words: "Let's G. O. Plesco."

GIGANTIC JOHN AASEN DIES IN STATE ASYLUM

UKIAH, Calif., Aug. 2.—(AP)—In the great, broad bed especially built for him, John Aasen, eight-foot, nine-inch ex-footballer in circuses and in the movies, died yesterday at the Mendocino state mental hospital. He had been here two years on a commitment from Los Angeles.
Big John was discovered in his native Minnesota by a circus scout. For 25 years, his 503 pounds of weight were a major attraction of circus sideshows. During circus wintering seasons he went to Hollywood and appeared in pictures with Harold Lloyd.
Four years ago he retired, and during the past two years his weight dropped to a mere 347 pounds.

HILO PATROLLED FOLLOWING RIOT

HILO, Hawaii, Aug. 2.—(AP)—More than 130 officers armed with riot guns and tear gas today patrolled the streets of Hilo, left tense by a waterfront riot in which 36 persons were injured.

Prominent business men were among 56 men sworn in as special deputies and assigned to guard strategic points, particularly territorial property, after the fiercest clash in Hilo's recent labor history.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS IN CLIPPER SEARCH

MANILA, Aug. 2.—(AP)—In the faint hope the Hawaii Clipper may have reached land with the 15 men she carried when she disappeared last week, all telegraph and radio stations on the Pacific ocean side of eight Philippine islands were brought into the hunt for clues today.

The Philippine post office department, which controls the island telegraph and radio service, instructed the stations to "exert the utmost efforts to secure from reliable persons the identity of any plane that may have flown over their locality July 28 and wire us immediately."