



BRIDGES ON THE STAND—This was the scene in San Francisco's Federal Court during G. I. O. Longshore Harry Bridges' (arrow) second day on the stand in his perjury-conspiracy trial. Picture was made just prior to the entrance of Presiding Judge George B. Harris. Jury with alternate jurors is on left.

Jittery Cops Open 'Bomb' Case Find Only a Vibrating Machine

Los Angeles, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—A jittery crew of police opened a ticking suitcase at International airport today and instead of a bomb they found an electric vibrating machine, just as the owner of the suitcase said they would.

The only popping noise when they opened the bag came from the flashbulbs of nearly a dozen newspaper photographers who had spent half a day waiting for the big event.

"Oh," said Police Ballistics Sgt. Russell Camp after he broke open the lock, rummaged through a suitcase full of women's clothing and found the vibrating machine.

He turned the switch off, replaced everything in the bag, sealed the suitcase shut and turned it over to American Airlines, which promised it would fly the bag to New York on a plane tonight and turn it over to Mrs. H. R. Harrison.

Detective Inspector Jack Donahoe and Sgt. Jack Goldstone helped Camp get things in order while Police Capt. Cecil Wisdom stood by and directed the operation.

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Texas Windstorm Wrecks 75 Homes And Hurts Three

Laport, Tex., Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—A tornado swept through this Gulf coast town today, wrecking or damaging an estimated 75 homes and critically injuring the town's oldest citizen.

Mrs. Ella Dodson, 101-year-old Negro, generally regarded as Laporte's senior citizen, was near death at Jefferson Davis hospital in nearby Houston.

An invalid, she was trapped when her house collapsed and trapped her in the wreckage.

Elderly Couple Hurt
An elderly couple, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weatherford, also were injured when the twister wrecked their garage apartment.

Weatherford, 70, received a broken hand and head injuries. His wife, 68, suffered a broken leg and possible internal injuries. They were hospitalized at neighboring Pasadena.

The residential sections of Laporte were most seriously damaged, but even the downtown business section did not escape.

Paul Rynning Again
Seeks Engineer's Job
County Engineer Paul B. Rynning, 16 Rose avenue, Friday filed notice of his intention to run for the republican nomination for his post for another term. His candidacy is unopposed so far.

When his present term expires in December of this year, Rynning will have completed 25 years as engineer and surveyor for Jackson county. He first took the job in 1925.

He was educated in civil engineering at the University of Wisconsin and has been engaged in construction and engineering in Oregon since completing his studies there. He was location and resident engineer for the state highway department from 1917 to 1925, before taking over his present post.

Rynning has been secretary of the state association of county engineers since 1926, and in 1946 he was named president of the county highway officials' division of the American Road Builders' association. He is also a past potentate of Hillah temple of the Shriners and a past patron of the Eastern Star.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Mostly cloudy with occasional showers today and Monday. Little change in temperature.
Temperature
Highest yesterday 52
Lowest yesterday 33

Steward Just Escapes Death
When Plane Door Opens Up
Miami, Fla., Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—One of the battered survivors of Bastogne has his narrowest post-war escape from death today when he elung head down for eight minutes from the open door of an Eastern Airlines passenger plane 2,500 feet above Florida.

Ex-Paratrooper Marc Fisher-Galati, 28, was sucked into the roaring propeller stream of his plane when an improperly closed door popped open as he reached out to pull it shut.

Fisher-Galati, a steward on the Miami-Chicago flight, was saved by a tight grip on the door handle and a door chain that caught his right leg as he was being torn from the plane toward certain death.

With his entire body out of the plane and in the slip stream one hand on the door handle, his

Medical Society Suit Last Witness Speaks

Portland, Ore., Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—The third phase of the federal anti-trust suit against the Oregon Medical Society, eight county medical societies and eight doctors began today when U. S. District Judge Claude McCulloch said he was giving federal attorneys 60 days to prepare a brief.

Government and defense attorneys questioned their last witnesses today. After the government files its brief, the defense attorneys will get 60 days to prepare an answer to the government. The third phase will wind up with 15 days time for a government reply.

First Two Phases
The first two phases of the trial involved presentation of the government and defense cases. Arguments will begin after the last brief is submitted, the judge said.

The government charges Oregon medical groups tried to pool commercial hospital associations out of business and set up their own organization to monopolize the business.

S. Bon Cordier Hurt
California Accident
S. Bon Cordier, 704 South Oakdale avenue, seriously hurt Thursday in an auto mishap on a mountain highway near Laytonville, Cal., has been reported out of danger and much improved, according to Mrs. Cordier.

He is confined to Howard Memorial hospital at Willits. Injuries include broken ribs and shoulder.

According to a press service report from Ukiah, Cal., the Cordier car was sideswiped by another vehicle, plunged over a bank and burned. A woman said to be a Mrs. Wallace, Salem, Ore., was arrested at Garberville some time after the accident, and returned to Willits, where she was charged with hit-run driving, authorities stated.

Mrs. Cordier said her husband may be kept at Willits for a month and that she plans to go there as soon as possible. He is a machine engineer for Stapling Machines company.

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Ski Conditions
Sky Trail in the Siskiyou is expected to be open for skiers today if temperatures permit operation of the ski tow. This week end is expected to be the end of the ski season at that run. Four inches of new snow on a packed run was reported.

At Crater lake the tow and lunch counter were expected to be functioning today. No report as to ski conditions was obtained yesterday, but there was new snow Friday and intermittent snow was anticipated today. Persons driving to the lake were advised to carry chains.

COAL STRIKE ENDED

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Meteor Seen Cause Of Flash, Explosion

A bright flash and violent explosion, noted in many sections of the upper Rogue valley, awakened hundreds of Jackson county people at 12:26 a. m. Saturday.

The blast, which seemed to be centered in the Trail-Shady area, was seen and heard by many people in the Prospect area and as far south as the Jacksonville-Phoenix highway on the other side of Medford, where some residents said they were awakened from a sound sleep.

Pilot Sees Light
First report of the phenomenon was made by the pilot of a West Coast airlines plane over Trail, which radioed the Medford airport control tower that he had seen a brilliant flash, but it was so bright that he could not tell the direction of its origin.

A moment later, another aircraft 60 miles north of Trail made a similar report, and civil aeronautics administration employees in the Medford tower said the bright flash was visible there. The explosion, they said, made the tower "vibrate."

Medford residents who heard the blast said that it sounded like a low rumble, growing to a sharp report.

A report from Redmond and an astronomer's opinion credence to the possibility that the sound and light by the explosion it became super track it. His address is 1832 Longview drive, Eugene.

Police Make Check
A state police officer was in the Shady Cove area Saturday to check first-hand reports of the blast and to see if any physical evidence of the explosion was visible.

According to The Mail Tribune's Shady Cove correspondent, the flash was seen in Shady Cove, Trail, Big Butte, Creek and Prospect by many different individuals.

Ashland, Feb. 11.—Ashland high got back into the victory column Saturday night with a 41 to 31 Southern Oregon conference-district 4 win over Illinois Valley (Kerby) on the Ashland junior high floor.

SATURDAY SCORES
Western Montana 79, Eastern Montana 58.
Rocky Mountain 70, Carroll College 60.
Texas Christian 64, Rice 36.
Brown 62, Providence 48.
Harvard 60, Dartmouth 58.
Missouri 59, Kansas State 43.
Holy Cross 73, New York A.C. 55.
Utah 49, Utah State 35.
Canisius 53, CCNY 48.
St. Louis 55, Notre Dame 45.
Colorado State college 58, Montana State 55.
Oregon 61, St. Mary's 53.
Arizona 72, Texas Western 49.
USC 59, Stanford 45.
Montana 78, Idaho State 53.
UCLA 54, California 47.
Washington 37, Wyoming 36.
Georgia 77, Florida 52.

Dr. Fuchs May Seek Mercy At Trial Soon
London, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Dr. Klaus Fuchs, brilliant scientist who sold atomic secrets to Russia, may ask for mercy when he is called to trial in hope that he may yet be of value to the country he betrayed.

But British officials, tightening all phases of security, said today there was little chance Fuchs ever again would be permitted to look at a restricted document or hear an atomic secret.

Fuchs, now in Brixton prison, told security police his work in nuclear physics—in which he was one of the world's finest brains—was all that he lived for and that he hoped, somehow, his talents still will be needed.

Regardless of what happens on February 28 at his trial in Old Bailey, London's ancient criminal court, he said, he would like to continue his research on atomic and hydrogen bombs and the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Helen (Kiki) Cuyler, former National league outfielder and currently a coach for the Boston Red Sox, died Saturday night of a heart ailment as he was being taken to a hospital.

City, County Offices To Be Closed Monday
City and county offices will be closed Monday, Oregon legal holiday for observance of Abraham Lincoln's birthday.

Postmaster Moore Hamilton said last night that the Medford post office will operate as usual with windows open and full carrier delivery service. Other federal offices are expected to be open.

1,500 Escape As Fire Burns Part Of School
Puyallup, Wash., Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Flames licking over the heads of 1,500 basketball fans destroyed a high school auditorium before being brought under control early today but all occupants miraculously escaped injury.

'Lincoln' Dinners Nation Hear Socialism Rapped

Washington, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Republican leaders criticized administration "socialism" at Lincoln day dinners across the nation Saturday night and called for a party crusade to preserve individual freedom.

The "liberty against socialism" theme—described as "the major domestic issue today" in the recent statement of republican party principles—was stressed by speakers at many of the party's traditional Lincoln day affairs.

Soft Red Attitude
Pleas for government economy and criticism of the administration's "soft attitude towards communism—at home and overseas—were other major issues raised by Lincoln day orators.

In Springfield, Ill., Harold E. Stassen called on the GOP to resist proposals which, he said, would make the nation a "loafers' paradise."

"Let us rebuild the republican party as a dynamic, fighting party with this issue of the true freedom of man as our central rallying point," Stassen said.

Republican National Committee Chairman Guy G. Gabrielson in a Lincoln day address in St. Louis, said the party's major demand is "the freedom to be free."

The party's battle, Gabrielson said, "is to destroy an idea—the already implanted notion—that a government can plan, regulate and control our lives better than we do it as free individuals."

In Akron, O., Sen. Edward Martin (R., Pa.) devoted a major part of his Lincoln day address to quoting democrats from Jefferson to Truman on the virtues of government economy.

GOP Senator Claims Discharges Too Few
Washington, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R., Wis.) complained today in a letter to President Truman that the state department had discharged only about 80 of 300 employees who were certified as security risks by a presidential board.

"I understand this was done after a lengthy conversation with Alger Hiss," McCarthy said. Hiss, recently convicted of perjury for denying he gave secret papers to ex-communist Whitaker Chambers, once was a state department official.

The Wisconsin republican did not give names or dates to the president. But he said Mr. Truman should recall appointing a board to screen state department employees and weed out fellow travelers.

Major Shot To Death After Being Beaten
Kansas City, Kan., Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—A 30-year-old army major, who became the close friend of Patricia Anne Clark while serving as aide-de-camp to her father, Gen. Mark Clark, was shot to death early today.

The body of Maj. John J. Luther Jr. was found in his late model expensive automobile at an intersection in the Fairfax industrial district here.

Sheriff Roy Ferguson of Wyandotte county said there were three wounds in Luther's head. He said there also was indication that Luther had been beaten savagely on the head.

While serving as aide-de-camp to Clark, Luther acquired his attractive daughter to numerous functions.

Bergman Marriage
Rome, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Roberto Rossellini said today that he plans to marry Ingrid Bergman "as soon as possible" but refused to indicate when or where the ceremony would take place.

Hollywood, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—A 35-year-old laborer, Roland Clark jailed for drunkenness, hanged himself today in his cell.

ing to make much difference. However, we'll hold another meeting and see what they want to do. But I don't think they will go back."

Michael Honus, Uniontown, Pa., secretary-treasurer of District 4 where the rebellion against the Lewis-imposed three day week was centered, said he would try to persuade the men to return but was pessimistic.

"We've been trying to get them to go back but they won't go," Honus said. "As far as I know, our men said they will not go back without a contract."

Bruno Olmizzi, Latrobe, Pa., District 3 representative, was more optimistic.

"Of course if that's his orders, that's it," he said. "It's up to the men but I believe they will comply with his orders."

U. S. Injunctions Force Lewis Stop Walkout Of Miners

Rebellion Of Workers Foreseen On Monday

Washington, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—John L. Lewis yielded reluctantly to two federal anti-strike injunctions today and ordered his 400,000 soft coal miners to return to work Monday.

But the United Mine Workers president made it plain that he was acting only under the duress of the two Taft-Hartley court orders slapped on him earlier today. In telegrams to the UMW's district leaders, he said he had "no alternative" but to pass on to them the instructions of the court.

May Continue Strike
Reports from the coal fields indicated strongly that the angry miners would defy the court and continue a strike that has pushed the nation to the edge of economic crisis.

Lewis himself told President Truman last Saturday that it was "questionable" whether the miners could be driven back to work by the "legal blackjack" of the Taft-Hartley law.

If the miners refuse to reopen the strikebound pits, Lewis may have to prove to the courts that his back-to-work orders were not really a veiled signal to continue the strike. He and his union already have paid \$2,150,000 in contempt of court fines for defying such injunctions in the past.

Lewis Offers Plan
Lewis followed up his instructions to UMW local offices with telegrams to leaders of the coal industry offering to meet with them Wednesday to resume contract negotiations.

President Joseph E. Moody of the Southern Coal Producers association said his group "certainly" will try to cooperate with Lewis' in setting up new bargaining conferences. Moody was the only one of the leading industry negotiators in Washington today.

Lewis acted only a few hours after the government proclaimed a national coal emergency and obtained two Taft-Hartley injunctions ordering him to call off his strike and drop alleged "illegal" contract demands.

Baffling Message Swings Hunt For Plane Southwest

Whitehorse, Y. T., Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Baffling SOS signals swung the far north's greatest air hunt toward the Yukon's southwest corner today after a second heroic mountain rescue slowed the 16-day search for a lost C-54.

Hope for possible survivors among the 44 aboard the U. S. transport was rekindled with reports of new distress calls.

"Constant" radio bearing taken by ham operators and U. S. air force listening posts placed the transmitter somewhere near the Yukon-Alaska border.

Planes Make Sweep
"We'll find them," an officer said, "if only they'd keep sending until we can pin-point their position." Planes made a "radio sweep" today of the area.

The two-day search which already has cost \$3,000,000 according to "conservative" and unofficial USAF and Royal Canadian air force estimates, droned into its third weekend after another near-tragic search plane crash.

The estimate was based on consumption of several hundred thousand gallons of 130 octane gas, loss of two planes, and maintenance.

Coal Miners Reported Defying U. S. Orders
Pittsburgh, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Rebellious soft coal miners today defied the government to get them back to work by injunction.

District and local presidents of the United Mine Workers said they would follow the instructions of President John L. Lewis and order the men to end their strike immediately. In the majority of cases, however, they were doubtful that the men would obey.

John Ozanich, president of the Bellweather Robena, Pa., local of the H. C. Frick Coke company, said his men voted earlier today to stay out.

Told that Lewis has ordered them to comply with the federal court order to resume work, Ozanich said:

"I don't see where this is go-