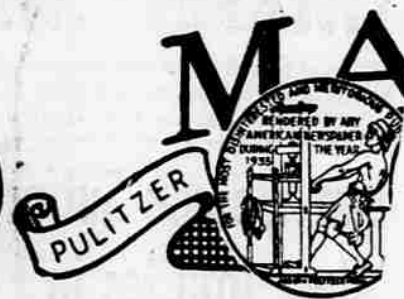


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These Five Little Girls Have Been Chosen Finalists in the Pear Blossom Festival Queen Contest. See story on Page 12.

Mental Hospital Riot Ends; Nine Men Hurt

Rusk, Tex. — (U.P.) A gang of criminally insane Negroes, led by a 212-pound giant who calls himself the "son of God," rioted for more than five hours in Rusk State (Mental) hospital Saturday, wounding at least nine men with icepicks and clubs and held the top officials of the hospital hostage.

The leader, Ben Riley, a 19-year-old Negro from Frio, Tex., who likes to exhibit his muscles, called off the strike at 4:20 p.m. after a conference with Texas Ranger Capt. Bob Crowder. The riot started about 10:30 a.m. when Riley jumped a prison psychiatrist.

Throw Out Weapons

Riley threw an icepick at the feet of Crowder and a shower of icepicks, clubs, screwdrivers, tin snips, sickles and knives flew out of the windows of maximum security Ward 7, where the riot started.

The hero was Dr. Charles Castner, 55, superintendent of the hospital, who surrendered himself as a hostage so that the rioters would free Dr. L. D. Hancock, a psychiatrist. He had been icepicked and appeared to be in shock, Dr. Castner said.

Dr. Castner was the last man out of the compound when the riot ended; he let two other hostages, including the assistant superintendent, precede him, he walked slowly and calmly away. His hair wasn't even ruffled.

Ranger Ended Riot

When he asked what ended the riot, he gestured toward Crowder and said, "talk to the man that ended it."

Crowder said the rioters—there were about 10 in a total of 32 criminally insane men—wanted to talk to a Texas Ranger and Crowder was the ranking ranger present.

"I told them that they'd be winning a point if they threw

Delegates Arrive For Episcopal Meet

The first of nearly 400 delegates expected in Medford for the 67th annual convention of the Episcopal church's diocese of Oregon started arriving Saturday, according to the Rev. George R. V. Bolster, rector of the host church, St. Mark's of Medford.

The convention proper gets under way at 9 a. m. Monday, with a communion service. The Rt. Rev. Benjamin Dagwell, bishop of the diocese, will give his annual report.

Business sessions will start at 2:30 p. m. Monday, following a luncheon at noon for clergy and lay delegates at Blackoaks, the church's new convention center and retreat, on the Rogue river. The annual banquet will be at the Elks temple Monday evening.

Radioactive Cloud Drifts Across U.S.

Washington — (U.P.) — A high-level radioactive cloud mass from Friday's Nevada atomic test drifted over the eastern United States Saturday. It was expected to pass harmlessly out to sea off the mid-Atlantic coast last night.

The weather bureau said that the high-level remnants of the cloud from the big blast at Frenchman Flat soared over the Great Lakes region yesterday morning.

The movement was slower at lower levels. The weather bureau made no forecast as to when it too, would pass out to sea.

Robert J. List of the weather bureau described the cloud movement as "very normal." Other sources said it constituted no menace.

Two Men Arrested In Los Angeles on Hit-Run Charges

Two Los Angeles brothers have been arrested in connection with the hit-run accident which Thursday put a Talent woman in the Ashland hospital with serious injuries.

State police here received a telephone call at 1:10 a.m. Saturday from a Sergeant O'Donnell of the fugitive division of the Los Angeles county sheriff's office, saying that Claude Day and Jack Day, 1230 West Florence ave., Los Angeles, had been arrested.

Claude Day was the driver of the car, police were told, and the brothers reportedly admitted to California officers it was their car which Thursday evening struck Mrs. Ruby Bartley, 55, route 1, box 237, Talent.

Mrs. Bartley was found in a ditch beside Highway 99 near the Tally Ho restaurant at Talent, and was hospitalized in Ashland for treatment of two badly broken legs, a broken wrist, and serious internal injuries.

The black 1939 DeSoto car driven by the Days showed damage which could have been caused by striking a body, California officers said. The car was traced by fast police work, which involved the reporting of a partial license number, checking with the California agricultural inspection station, and relaying information on the crime to Los Angeles.

District Attorney Walter Nunley said Saturday he has prepared two complaints, one charging Claude Day, thought to be the driver, with failure to stop at the scene of an accident which resulted in bodily injury, and failure to render medical assistance in such a case. The other is a similar complaint against Jack Day alleging a similar crime, though somewhat different from that filed against the driver.

Nunley said that he would seek to have the brothers extradited and brought here to face the charges. Hit-and-run, when a person is injured, constitutes a felony, with a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

The law firm of Van Dyke and Dellenback represents the plaintiffs and the firm of McAllister, Duncan and Brophy the defendants.

Seven Prisoners Flee From Multnomah Jail

Portland — (U.P.) — Seven Multnomah county prisoners escaped from the jail at Rocky Butte in Portland at about noon Saturday, apparently using the noise of a nearby "hot rod jamboree" as a distraction.

Sheriff Terry D. Schunk said it appeared the "youthful and dangerous" escapees had outside aid. They escaped between noon and 1:30 p.m., using a torch to cut through bars in a jail toilet.

The escape was not discovered until about 3 p.m.

Legislators Clear Way for Adjournment

Salem — (U.P.) — The Oregon Legislature Saturday cleared its calendars for what some members said could be the last week of the 1955 session.

Still the bottleneck holding up final adjournment was the tax program now in the Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee. That committee has promised to bring out its version of a new income tax proposal by the first of the week.

The United States was getting the first part of the shipment. Telephone Supply Source Dr. Erickson phoned Dr. Van Riper Friday night after he learned that stockpiles of vaccine at Cutter Laboratories, Inc., of Berkeley, Calif., had been exhausted. Oregon's supply of the serum was to have been shipped from those stocks, he said.

San Diego, Calif. — (U.P.) — Smoothly-working doctor-nurse teams Saturday completed the nation's first mass inoculation of school children with Salk vaccine in record-breaking time.

The county medical society, which serves as coordinating agency for the anti-polio program, said it had received reports from

Truman Hurls Charges Of Partisan Politics

Washington — (U.P.) — Former President Truman Saturday night accused the Eisenhower administration of playing "partisan politics" which endangers the nation's security, foreign policy, and domestic welfare.

Ripping into Republicans in a style reminiscent of his 1948 "give-em-hell" campaign, Mr. Truman used such phrases as "cynical political behavior . . . bare-faced political fraud" in describing administration actions.

"The price of compromise with the extremists within the Republican party has led this administration to surrender on basic principles on foreign policy," Mr. Truman declared. "It has resulted in confusing and disturbing the American people and in frightening our friends and Allies."

In his bare-knuckle attack, the former Chief Executive called for an end to "political bickering" on matters of national survival and creation of bipartisan unity with the common purpose to uphold principles of international peace and order.

Mr. Truman spoke before some 3,000 Democrats gathered in the Washington armory at a \$100-a-plate dinner honoring Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas. Predict Victory

The dinner was the climax of a two-day gathering of the Democratic leaders here who boasted of "taking it all in 1956"—from the White House down to the precinct level.

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Singing Prisoners On Bread and Water

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Meier and Frank Blast Part of Extortion Plot

FBI Studies Crash Of Dixie Flyer as Sabotage Charged

25,000 New England Workers Walk Out

Atlanta — (U.P.) — The FBI studied the derailment of the famed "Dixie Flyer" on a strike-bound railroad and bullets flew on a new strike front Saturday to round out five weeks of labor upheaval in the South.

About 6 p.m. Friday the storied Dixie Flyer leaped from the track about eight miles South of Nashville. The Flyer was running on the rails of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad, an L&N subsidiary also involved in the strike. Only several of the few passengers on the train—the only passenger service still provided by the NC&STL—were shaken up.

Charges Sabotage "This is definitely sabotage and there is no doubt about it," said Fred Whitmore, general manager of the road. He said joints were removed from the track with tools only railroad workers would know how to use.

The FBI announced in Memphis it was investigating the circumstances of the derailment. There was no doubt in the mind of engineer Tom Horner, who was at the throttle of the Flyer and whose home has been stoned during the strike.

Hundreds of miles away but with a Southern issue paramount, 25,000 New England textile workers walked out, refusing to take a four to 10 cents an hour wage cut to bring their pay into line with that of Dixie Mills.

Railroad Trouble Flared Railroad labor trouble flared in the East where 400 trainmen staged a wildcat walkout against the South Buffalo railroad, idling thousands of workers at Bethlehem Steel's Lackawanna plant. The Brotherhood of Locomotive engineers announced a strike against the New York Central railroad East of Buffalo, N.Y., but called it off when the railway mediation board entered the dispute.

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Lonely Bank Patron Calls in Policemen

Columbus, O. — (U.P.) — A man, whose identity was withheld, telephoned police Saturday asking why there wasn't anyone in one of the Ohio National Bank branch offices here.

Officers patiently explained the bank is closed on Saturday. "Well, the man said, he was calling from the bank and wondered why there wasn't anyone around."

Police rushed to the bank and waited until embarrassed bank officials arrived to lock the door that had been left open all night.

Police said apparently no one but the honest citizen had entered the bank from the time it closed Friday.

Uranium, Thorium Location Notices Filed in County

Two more location notices on uranium mining claims in the Evans Valley district and two notices on thorium claims have been filed with the Jackson county recorder's office, it was reported Saturday.

Bristow Claims Two claims, Uranium King 5 and 6, were filed by Dewey L. and Richard W. Bristow, 200 Lewis ave., Grants Pass, and two locations, Thorium Queen 1 and 2 were listed by Dewey Bristow. They reportedly lie between Sykes and Mays creeks on Evans creek, east of Wimer.

The notices signed by both men list "uranium and all valuable minerals."

A Portland report Saturday said that the Bristows had leased eight claims to the R. C. Bartlett Uranium Enterprises, Spokane, Wash., and that the firm was to start drilling within 30 days to pick up cores. Ore tests reportedly were being run in Portland. The Spokane firm makes Gieger counters and Scintillators.

Have Other Claims The two Bristows recently filed other uranium claims in the Evans valley area and others have filed a number of claims in the Trail area.

A quartz location claim, Jimmy I, listing manganese, has been recorded for James W. Slattery, 603 Childers ave., in the Applegate area.

Ike Gets Report From Adm. Stump

Augusta, Ga. — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower received a firsthand report on Formosa from his top commander in the Pacific and immediately summoned Secretary of State John Foster Dulles here for further talks today.

The temporary White House at the Augusta National Golf club emphasized that "no emergency" surrounds the meetings.

Admiral Felix B. Stump reported to the President "the general situation as I saw it" in the Formosa area which he visited as commander-in-chief of American forces in the Pacific.

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Explosion Wrecks Third Floor Room; Two Persons Hurt

\$50,000 Sought From President of Company

Portland — (U.P.) — Police Saturday night revealed a fantastically elaborate plot to extort \$50,000 from Aaron Frank, wealthy president of Meier and Frank department store, which was the scene of a "Friday Surprise" bombing Friday.

The bomb, which exploded in a third-floor men's restroom, damaged the room extensively and did some damage to the second and fourth floors. The explosion also shattered windows and sent glass flying across the street.

Two Injured Only two persons were injured slightly in the blast which came when the store was crowded with shoppers at the store's weekly "Friday Surprise" sale.

Police Chief Jim Purcell said Saturday night the bombing was part of the extortion plot. The attempted extortion became known to newsmen late Friday but the news was withheld in cooperation with police.

Purcell told of the plot after making arrangements to guard the 63-year-old department store executive and members of his family from any possible harm. He said police have at least one suspect.

The extortion note was delivered to Frank Friday afternoon by cashier at the store's 12th floor credit window. The first paragraph began:

Warning of Explosion "By the time you receive this message or very shortly thereafter there will be an explosion take place in your store. This explosion has been brought about to convince you that the writers of this message are dead serious about the demands and instructions contained therein."

While Frank was reading the lengthy note, a powerful blast shook the 12-story building and scattered fragments of glass and plumbing facilities on the lawn of a building across the street.

The note explained that the first blast "has been designed to do a minimum amount of damage. Whereas the second explosion, if you permit it to happen, is designed to do the maximum amount of damage."

"We have concealed in your store," the typewritten note said, "charges of explosives that are (outside of nuclear weapons) composed of the most powerful explosive material that can be obtained."

It said the explosives were timed to go off "sometime during the 12-hour period which ends at 12 o'clock noon Saturday, April 16, 1955."

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