

Colin Kelly III Receives Highest Scouting Award

Concordville, Pa.—(U.P.)—Colin P. Kelly III, whose father won this nation's highest award in World War II, proudly wore today the highest award of the Boy Scouts.

The 15-year-old red-haired "Corky" was presented with a sash signifying his elevation to the rating of Eagle Scout last night in a ceremony here.

Numerous difficulties beset the youngster, who lives with his mother and step-father in Chester Heights, Pa., stood at attention as Judge William P. Toal of Delaware County Court pinned the badge to his khaki uniform. He then saluted smartly and returned to his place at his mother's side.

Judge Toal observed that "a son who bears the mantle of a great father is pitted against numerous difficulties that are not easy to overcome."

"Young Corky," through perseverance and integrity, has earned the nation's highest scout award. He has lived with a great ideal and tonight he is not found wanting."

His father's heroic death in crashing a crippled B17 bomber into a Japanese battleship at the outset of the war prompted President Franklin D. Roosevelt to write to "the president of the United States in 1936," asking that Kelly's son be considered for appointment to West Point when he became eligible.

The boy told reporters he was undecided on whether to enter West Point or the Air Force Academy. He said he first wanted to complete his high school studies and then might attend college for a year before making his decision.

Leak in Pipe Leads

Police To Hidden Liquor

Tuskegee, Ala.—(U.P.)—Officers who searched Ola Mae Anderson's car in vain for illegal whiskey finally found a pungent clue to her secret.

A leak in a copper piping led sheriff's officers to a five-gallon tank welded under the Negro cafe operator's car.

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Young Gun Victim Fights for Life; Spurned Boy Dies

Kittanning, Pa.—(U.P.)—A 15-year-old girl fought for her life today in the same hospital where a 17-year-old rejected suitor who wounded her and killed her parents and uncle died last night.

The youth, John Fallone, was fatally wounded yesterday when he traded shots with a 35-man posse and wounded one policeman.

Officials at Armstrong county Memorial hospital said the condition of Gladys Small was so critical that the bullet lodged in her chest could not be removed. The policeman, Gus Zanos of Apollo, Pa., was in satisfactory condition with a head wound.

Police said the lovesick youth, an above average student, had bought the death rifle and ammunition with money given him by his mother to buy his father a Christmas present.

Never Caused Trouble
Fallone, described by his stunned parents and high school principal as a boy who never caused trouble, plotted the deaths of all 10 members of Gladys' family because the girl rejected his pleas to "go steady."

"I can't understand it," sobbed his father, Ernest, a farmer. "He never gave us any trouble. He was home early every night. John was a good boy."

Klamath Document Theft Brings Arrest

Klamath Falls.—(U.P.)—An unidentified man was apprehended yesterday as he attempted to purloin documents from the Circuit Court bench of Judge David R. Vandenberg.

The incident occurred while the court was in recess.

Sheriff Murray Britton entered the courtroom as the man was removing the papers. The man, when questioned by Britton and District Attorney Richard Beesley, said he had spent considerable time in a veterans hospital at Roseburg.

He was held in the county jail pending an investigation.

A Nichol's Worth of ... Comment On This and That

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Washington — (U.P.) — I had heard the government was hard up for coppers, so I went down the street to visit the director of the mint.

"Sorry about your troubles," I said. "Here are a couple of Lincoln pennies from Nichols."

William H. Brett, the mint director whose office is here at the Treasury Building, said he didn't think my idea was very funny. I told him it wasn't meant to be, I just wanted to do all I could.

And what about this talk of a shortage of pennies? What started it all? What is the end result?

It is true, said Brett, that pennies are disappearing from circulation as fast as the mints at Denver and Philadelphia can turn them out, which is at the rate of 8,000,000 coppers a day. A bank advertised in the Rutland, Vt., Herald it would put up \$1.05 for each 100 pennies.

Change For Cigarettes
"Look at the figures," he said. "From Jan. 1 through Nov. 30 of 1954 we turned out 374,000,000 pennies. Over the same period this year we produced 799,000,000 coppers. And in September, October and November of this year we kicked out 365,603,929 pennies."

The current shortage isn't too acute, Brett said. But it's a headache. A couple of hurricanes are to blame, partly.

"Take Pennsylvania for instance," he said. "When thousands were made homeless by the backwash of that one, the Legislature passed emergency legislation upping the tax on cigarettes. In that state now you put a quarter and a nickel in a machine to get a pack, and in the wrapper you get three pennies change."

Other states have similar taxes and together they require a lot of pennies to make change.

But where do all of the pennies go after they are dished out in change?

Stored In Piggy Banks
The mint man said he didn't rightly know, but he was willing to hazard a guess.

A lot of them, he said, wind up in kids' piggy banks. They rest there for a long time.

"Sometimes we have the same trouble with nickels and dimes," he said. "There is nothing wrong with saving, but coins can be turned into paper money and that way silver and copper can be put back into circulation."

And what can you buy with a penny anymore? That was my question.

"Well," the head of the mint answered, "you still can get weighed with one. You also in some cities can park your car for a few minutes by putting a cent in a meter."

Uruguay President Shows Improvement

Chicago — (U.P.) — Doctors at Wesley Memorial Hospital reported today that President Luis Battle Beres of Uruguay "continues to improve" from a stomach ailment he suffered Wednesday.

Results of laboratory tests were described as "excellent." The tests were undertaken to determine whether surgery will be necessary to treat what is reported to be a "gastro-intestinal disorder."

The 56-year-old President became ill at a private dinner from where he was rushed to the hospital. The attack forced cancellation of his plans to visit Miami, Fla., and Costa Rica.

It was expected the President would remain in the hospital at least another five days.

Japan War Criminals Released From Prison

Tokyo — (U.P.) — Two class-A Japanese war criminals were freed today from Sugamo Prison on parole, leaving only one major war criminal still behind bars.

The men were former Marquis Koichi Kido, top wartime adviser to Emperor Hirohito, and former Lt. Gen. Hiroshi Oshima, wartime ambassador to Nazi Germany.

The only major war criminal still in prison is former Maj. Gen. Kenryo Sato, who was chief of the Military Affairs Bureau in the War Ministry.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Teen-Age Killer Escapee Captured

Pueblo, Colo.—(U.P.)—A 15-year-old confessed killer escaped from a mental hospital last night after threatening the life of a student nurse but was recaptured without a struggle early today.

The youth, Frank Lobato Jr., was being held at the Colorado State Hospital for psychiatric observation when he and a teenage pal fled the institution.

The two forced two male attendants at the hospital to surrender their keys by holding a piece of tin against the throat of the unidentified student nurse.

The second youth, Oscar Royball, 18, of Walsenburg, Colo., was recaptured by attendant Henry Puga on the hospital grounds a short time afterward.

Lobato, who has been charged with the murder of an elderly woman near Fort Garland, Colo., last April 29, was picked up by police at Greeley, Colo., 200 miles north of here, shortly after midnight today.

Ingred Bergman To Make Zanuck Movie

Hollywood, Calif.—(U.P.)—Swedish film star Ingrid Bergman will make her first picture in six years for a Hollywood movie studio, but her scenes in the film will be shot abroad.

The signing of Miss Bergman for the film version of "Anastasia," the hit play on exiled Russian royalty, was announced yesterday by Darryl Zanuck, production chief of 20th Century-Fox Studio.

The picture will be shot in Paris and Vienna, Zanuck said, with Anatole Litvak directing.

Miss Bergman's last American-produced picture was "Stromboli," which was made in Italy. During that picture she and Italian director Robert Rossellini engaged in their celebrated romance.

HANDY TOOLS

Louisville, Ky.—(U.P.)—Burglars used tools stolen in one robbery to break open a safe in another firm. Police had no difficulty checking the robberies. They occurred in firms next door to each other in the same building.

PT&T To Add Fifth Story To Salem Building

Salem — (U.P.) — Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company today said construction would begin soon on the addition of a fifth story to its central office building here.

A permit for the \$85,000 project was issued by the city engineer's office yesterday.

Traction Directors Will Attempt Sale

Portland — (U.P.) — Directors of Portland Traction company, which is due to lose its franchise Jan. 31, 1956, last night announced they will attempt to sell the company.

The proposal must be approved by directors of two San Francisco holding companies which control PTC.

Traction company directors met with City Commissioner Nathan Body yesterday. During the meeting a letter was presented which authorized PTC President Gordon G. Steele to negotiate with any responsible party for the sale of the bus line.

Steele also was authorized to organize a new group of owners around himself. Before he could do this, however, he would have to resign from PTC, and the two holding companies — Portland Transit and Pacific Associates.

Former Salem Man Gets 15-Year Term

Weiser, Ida.—(U.P.)—Kenneth Dean Ahrenkiel was sentenced to not more than 15 years in the Idaho state penitentiary yesterday for fatally beating his 13-month-old stepson.

The 26-year-old laborer, formerly from Salem, Ore., pleaded guilty to second degree murder yesterday morning at his district court arraignment. He was sentenced by Judge Gilbert Norris in the afternoon.

Ahrenkiel was accused of the death of Steve Lamar Bickley, his young stepson who died in a Weiser hospital Dec. 5. The child had been struck repeatedly about the head.

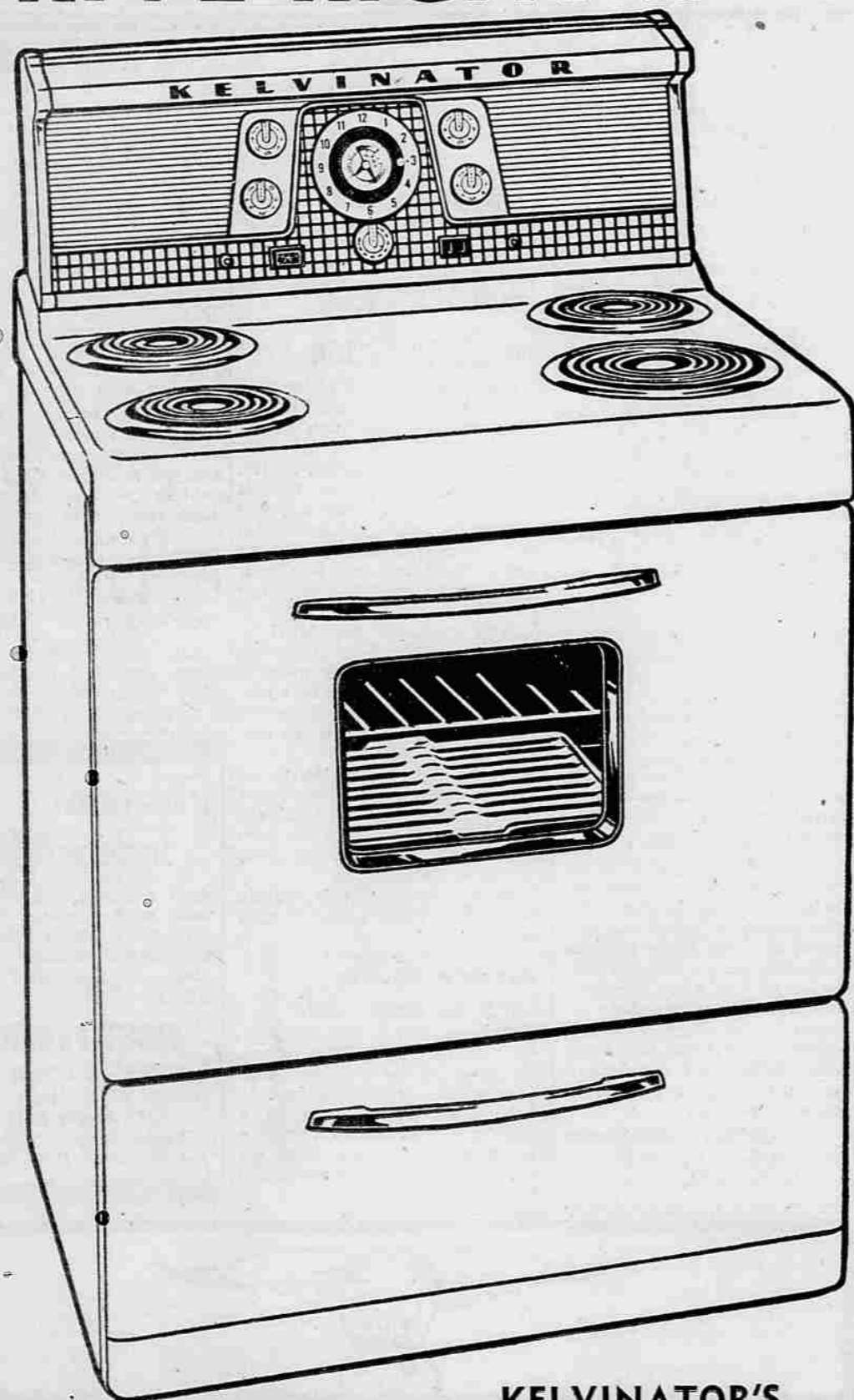
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