

Stevenson Makes Hurried Trip To California

'Bridey Murphy' Goes in Hiding To Avoid Excitement

(Editor's Note: Following is the first of two dispatches on the wave of interest in hypnosis and reincarnation that has risen since publication of "The Search for Bridey Murphy." A second dispatch will report on an experiment in hypnotic age regression similar to the one that produced the Bridey Murphy phenomenon.)

Pueblo, Colo. — (U.P.) — Bridey Murphy is out of touch.

Mrs. Virginia Tighe, 33, the Pueblo housewife who serves as Bridey's mouthpiece during sessions of deep hypnosis, has gone into hiding until the excitement dies down.

"The whole affair has wrecked our family life," her husband told the United Press.

Mrs. Tighe left town last week end to get away from the telephone calls and knocks at the door that have made life miserable since word got out that she is the "Ruth Simmons" of the best-selling book "The Search for Bridey Murphy."

The book, which has gone through 10 printings totaling more than 200,000 copies and has been serialized in newspapers in 50 cities, has started a coast-to-coast fad.

Hypnotists, amateur and professional, can hardly rest. People are pestering them to be "taken back" to their previous existence.

Men and women who a few months ago would have pooh-poohed any talk of reincarnation are having a second thought. Could it be true after all that the spirit passes from one body to another? Can a previous life be recalled in a deep hypnotic trance?

The fad is taken seriously by some, by others as a joke. A 19-year-old boy in Oklahoma killed himself to find out for sure if he would be reborn. In Denver, invitations to a costume party were inscribed "come as you were." The wags talk of a new TV program, "This Was Your Life."

Some dismiss Bridey Murphy as a deliberate hoax. Others, including many hypnotists who have had the same experience with their subjects, believe the "previous existence" recalled by Mrs. Tighe is the work of her imagination or perhaps the memory of a book she once read or of stories told to her in childhood.

In Pueblo, the Tighes are interested in only one previous life—their own, the quiet one they enjoyed before Mrs. Tighe went through a series of age regression experiments with a farm equipment dealer and amateur hypnotist named Morey Bernstein.

Under deep hypnosis Mrs. Tighe recalled events in her life dating back to the time she was one year old and then, asked to remember even farther back, began telling of life as "Bridey Murphy" in Ireland more than 100 years ago.

In his book Bernstein quoted the hypnotic interviews with Bridey and told of efforts he made to prove or disprove that such a woman actually lived between 1798 and 1864 in County Cork. He disguised Mrs. Tighe as "Ruth Simmons" in his book but her identity became well known around Pueblo.

Many Telephone Calls

Tighe had his home telephone disconnected after so many people called asking if they could talk to Bridey Murphy. Dozens of calls came from reporters all over America and in "a lot of foreign countries," Tighe disclosed.

"Frankly," he said, "we both wish we'd never heard of Bridey Murphy."

In New York, the publishers

of Bernstein's book are quite happy they heard of her. Doubleday & Co. had expected the usual rather limited response to a book about hypnotism. The first big demand came from California, and its popularity spread more or less eastward through the country.

Bernstein has sold movie rights on his book for \$50,000, but has turned down all offers to go on radio and television. Lately he has made himself scarce, and was last reported in Cuba, vacationing.

One of Oldest Errors

The Bridey Murphy debate ranges into philosophy and theology. The Rev. Pascal P. Parente of the Catholic University of America has reminded Catholics that belief in metempsychosis or the transmigration of souls is "one of the oldest errors in religion and philosophy" and has been condemned by the Roman Catholic church.

Dr. J. B. Rhine, the noted parapsychologist at Duke University, believes the Bridey Murphy craze signifies a desire of the American people to know more about man's spiritual nature and destiny.

(Tomorrow: A reporter tries an experiment.)

Talent Marshal's Resignation Asked By City Council

Talent—A Talent city council meeting will be held Friday at 8 p. m. to consider hiring a new city marshal and hear citizens' complaints concerning last week's firing of Talent City Marshal John Baldwin.

Baldwin was fired by the city council at a special meeting Monday night at the home of Mayor Keith Thoreson after his dismissal was recommended by the mayor and unanimously upheld by the council.

The marshal was then given until April 1 to submit his resignation, after the council's first recommendation that he be dismissed April 1.

Mayor Thoreson said many complaints had been made about the marshal for the past year and one half, but that the final "blow" came at a recent house fire when it was demonstrated that Baldwin did not know how to hook up the fire equipment.

Thoreson indicated that although there has been some agitation for a public hearing, the city charter makes no provision for such a hearing.

Baldwin was hired about two years ago, according to Thoreson and at that time was told that 25 per cent of his duties would be police work, but the remainder would consist of maintenance and other labor needed by the town.

Flood Control Meeting Slated Here Tomorrow

A meeting of the Rogue Basin Flood Control and Water Resources association will be held in the auditorium of the Jackson county courthouse tomorrow, March 27, at 8 p. m.

The group, which was formed following floods that did damage estimated in millions of dollars in the Rogue basin last December, will meet to discuss progress made toward gaining flood control and planned action. Representatives of the fish and wildlife service and representatives from Gold Beach will be present at the meeting.

Baldock Approves Major Portion of Thru-Street Plan

Recommends 11th St. Extend to Riverside

Further recommendations for Medford's proposed thru-street program have been received from R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer.

Correspondence has been carried on between the city and Baldock's office concerning the 10-year thru-street program which was presented to the city council Feb. 7. The plan was an alternate to a 25-year state highway commission plan and called for expenditures totaling \$1,658,100 over 10 years, with some 10 per cent of the project completed each year.

The highway commission's program, submitted in September, 1954, would have cost the city \$4,130,000.

The revised plan, prepared by Vernon Thorpe, Medford traffic engineer, contained a number of proposals reducing the cost to the city and, in general, re-evaluating the proposed thru-street program.

In a letter received here last week Baldock complimented Thorpe and his staff for "a very practical approach in a re-evaluation."

He noted the principal changes in the city's recommendations as against those in the original report "primarily with the prohibition of parking during peak hours of traffic flow to obtain additional street capacity, rather than to widen the streets to accomplish this same end result."

Eliminates Hazards

"This is an excellent method and eliminates the hazards caused by parking maneuvers," Baldock wrote.

Baldock recommended extending 11th st. from Central ave. to Riverside ave., to avoid a "rather serious bottleneck and inconvenience."

He also said, "If the city feels that they can, through enforcement, control double parking and standing vehicles on a 40-foot street, such as would be the case between Oakdale and Riverside aves., if no widening is undertaken on Eighth st., then I think it could operate satisfactorily."

Baldock said he would present the matter to the state highway commission "for its consideration to determine if it can participate with the city in the project" when the city is ready to proceed with the Main st. Eighth st. couplet.

Second County Budget Hearing Tomorrow

Second in a series of hearings on the 1956-57 Jackson county budget will begin in the county court room at 9 a. m. Tuesday. It will be an all-day session. County Judge Rodney Keating reported today.

Heads of county departments will appear before the budget committee to present and explain their budget requests.

Anyone interested in meeting with the budget committee may do so, but should call the county court for an appointment, Judge Keating said.

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Huge Fire Destroys Part Of French Gasoline Depot

Welder's Spark Blamed; Algeria Receives Troops

Pro-West Moderates Score Election Victory

Algiers — (U.P.) — A huge accidental fire, at first believed started by Algerian extremists, destroyed part of a French Army gasoline depot in the city of Tlemcen today.

The fire started while top French military commanders met to map anti-rebel strategy. It led to reports that Algerian rebels had staged their first major outrage against French authorities in several days.

Sparks From Torch Blamed

However, despite columns of smoke which rose hundreds of feet into the air over the city of 50,000 near the Moroccan border, only a part of the gasoline stocks were damaged. Officials said the blaze was caused by sparks from a welder's torch which ignited fumes.

The city of Tlemcen is 70 miles southwest of the big port of Oran and near the mountainous border region where rebels have been active in their campaign for full independence from France. It was occupied by France in 1842 but has remained largely Moslem.

Meanwhile, massive troop reinforcements poured into Algeria by plane and ship and there were indications the policy of strength and developments in Morocco and Tunisia were aiding the French position.

Pro-Western moderates in Tunisia won a smashing victory Sunday over extremists in that country's first free elections while Communists and other groups received only minor support.

Rebels Await Call

In Morocco rebels who only a few days ago were fighting the French have come down from the hills to await being called to the colors of the new National Moroccan Army.

The North African developments faced French Premier Guy Mollet with another difficult week. He must make decisions which could alter France's military role in the North Atlantic Treaty Alliance.

He meets tomorrow with his cabinet on the Algerian situation. He must decide how many more troops he can send to Algeria and whether this will weaken France badly in its West European alliances.

Oregon Traffic Takes Five Lives

By UNITED PRESS

At least five persons were killed in Oregon traffic accidents during the week end.

Mrs. Martha Garland, 46, Stayton, was killed in a three-car accident about four miles north of Cottage Grove yesterday. Eight other persons, including Mrs. Garland's husband, Kenneth, and four sons, were injured. Also hurt were Gunder Wilcox, and his mother, Flora, 62, both of Lattie, Ore., and Harold Moffie, 53, Creswell.

Christian Peter O'Loughlin, 38, Superior, Mont., was killed late Saturday in another three-car accident near Drain, about 20 miles south of Cottage Grove. State police said his car crashed into a creamery truck and then struck another vehicle. Neither Don Brady, Eugene, driver of the truck, nor Betty Bigelow, Coos Bay, operator of the other car, was hurt.

Milton R. Myers, 23, Lakeview, was killed Saturday night six miles south of Lakeview in a one-car accident when his vehicle flipped end-over-end into a ditch.

Killer in a two-car collision near Klamath Falls Saturday morning were Everett Damon Osborn, 22, and Robert McKinley, 31, of Klamath Falls.

New York — (U.P.) — Zsa Zsa Gabor has arrived here to attend the wedding of her sister, Mogda



WELL BLOW ME DOWN!—Sunny, the water-skiing elephant, skims over the water at Sunshine Springs off Sarasota, Fla. as he performs his specialty flanked by lovelies Barbara Laney (left) and Joan Dampier. The 1300-pound baby pachyderm was trained for the act by the Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey Circus at their winter quarters at Sunshine Springs.

Egyptian Premier Accused as Top Trouble Maker

London — (U.P.) — Britain today branded Egypt's Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser the No. 1 trouble maker in the Middle East.

The first accusation came Sunday when the Foreign Office publicly rebuked Nasser for his policies and propaganda against Britain and its allies.

Today the British press accused Nasser of trying to stir up Saudi Arabia and Yemen against Britain in its oil-rich protectorates in the Middle East.

Undiplomatic Step

The Foreign Office blast against Nasser — a rare and undiplomatic step — apparently signaled a sharp hardening of the British attitude toward Arab challenges in the Middle East.

It came as the United Nations Security Council planned to take up an American proposal for "urgent and early" action in the Mideast, probably by sending Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold on a peace mission to the dangerously tense area.

No Room for Hate

The Foreign Office took note of Nasser interviews in two Sunday London newspapers in which he said there was no room for hate between Egypt and Britain.

The Foreign Office replied that so long as Egypt's "actions and propaganda directed against Britain" and its allies continue, "it is difficult to see how there can be hope for improvement in Anglo-Egyptian relations . . ."

United Nations, N. Y. — (U.P.) — The Arab states were reported seeking today to postpone the United States' move for "urgent and early" Security Council intervention in the Middle East.

The Security Council called a meeting for 3 p. m. (EST) today to consider the American move which was expected to result in a peace-making trip to the Mideast by U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold.

Dispatches from the Middle East hinted that the Arab states would seek some means of delaying the action and an unconfirmed report from Damascus said the Soviet Union would support them.

Auto Accident Victim Condition Still Serious

Jose Chacon, 24, of route 1, box 413, Ashland, is reported still in serious condition at Sacred Heart hospital today where he was taken Saturday evening after he had suffered injuries when his car went over an embankment.

The accident occurred about two miles north of the Siskiyou summit, according to a state police report. Chacon received back and head injuries.

Huge L.A. Dope Raid Nets 149 Suspected Peddlers, Big Stock

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — A giant narcotics raid that netted 149 suspected peddlers and \$500,000 worth of narcotics was described by federal officers today as possibly the largest in the nation's history.

Among those arrested was Billy Anderson, 28, son of radio and television comedian Eddie (Rochester) Anderson. Anderson, former star athlete at Compton, Calif., college, was arrested at Beverly Hills. Officers said under cover agents had purchased two cans of marijuana from Anderson about three weeks ago.

On Five Years Probation

The comic's son said he was given a two-year suspended jail sentence in Louisville, Ky., in 1952 on a charge of "transferring marijuana" and placed on five years' probation.

Another suspected violator nabbed in the 48-hour raids was former bantamweight boxer Keeny Teran, labeled by raid leaders as the biggest catch and "biggest dealer in town."

Teran, held in lieu of bail, charged he was the victim of a "frameup."

Teran, of Los Angeles, said he sold powdered sugar to the officers as a "gag."

Bail bondsman Milton T. Shaffer, 61, another suspect, previously had been convicted of receiving and possessing narcotics.

Federal, state, city and county law enforcement officers staged the raid on peddlers' haunts in the sprawling Los Angeles area this week-end. Twelve women and a teen-age girl were among those nabbed.

Officers Split Into Teams

More than 200 officers were split into four and five-man

teams to hit cheap cafes, bars, alleyways, dark doorways, etc. The showup of suspects yesterday lasted more than two hours.

Teran was once known as the "comeback kid" because of his "victory" over narcotics. Officers said he was carrying two ounces of pure heroin, worth about \$10,000, when taken into custody.

George D. Davis, head of the Federal Narcotics bureau here, said he didn't know of a larger roundup in the United States in the past.

The crackdown came after months of planning and investigation.

Disarmament Talks In Decisive Phase

London — (U.P.) — The United Nations five-power disarmament conference entered a second and perhaps decisive phase today. Optimism was still high.

The Soviet Union was expected to submit its own disarmament proposals during the week as a counter-proposal to an American and an Anglo-French plan.

Informed sources said Russia would press for a firm commitment to ban production and use of atomic weapons now before considering the Western plans.

But at start of today's meeting allied officials expressed belief the presence here of Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko for Russia mean the Russians were willing to talk business.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York — (U.P.) — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 512.42, off 0.61; 20 railroads 171.45, off 0.30; 15 utilities 67.32, unchanged, and 65 stocks 181.12, off 0.29. Sales today were about 2,720,000 shares compared with 2,980,000 Friday.

Soviet Revolution Begun, Former Officer Declares

Washington — (U.P.) — A former Soviet intelligence officer said today "the revolution of the Russian people against the Soviet system has begun."

Nikolai E. Khoklov, a Russian intelligence officer for 13 years who left Russia two years ago, said the attack on former Premier Josef Stalin means that Communist party leaders "are trying desperately to shift the blame for the intolerable conditions off their own shoulders."

"The people of the Soviet Union, sooner or later . . . are

Florida Vacation Plans Changed To 'Stop Kefauver'

Reports of Backers Apparently Reason

Chicago — (U.P.) — Adlai E. Stevenson gave up a Florida vacation and prepared today for a flying "stop Kefauver" trip to California.

Stevenson made his sudden change in plans at an emergency meeting at his Chicago headquarters Sunday. He expects to leave Wednesday and final details of his California swing will be hammered out at a staff meeting today.

To Work Harder Than Ever

An aide said Stevenson will probably stop at San Francisco and Los Angeles in an attempt to head off any mounting popularity for Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.).

Stevenson announced he will "work harder than ever" to gain the Democratic presidential nomination after Kefauver whipped him in last week's Minnesota presidential primary.

However, he had hoped to rest up this week in Florida with the second eldest of his three sons, John Fell Stevenson. The youth, a Harvard university student, was seriously hurt in a recent auto crash.

Stevenson apparently called off his vacation plans on the basis of reports from his backers in California.

The two candidates are matched in California's June 5 presidential primary and Kefauver hurried to the state immediately following his Minnesota victory.

He has been campaigning at an 18-hour-a-day clip and his followers have been predicting another primary victory, despite Stevenson's strong organization backing.

Stevenson has already made one campaign swing through California and this week's tour is expected to last only two days. He will probably meet with key backers and make some public appearances, his aides said.

Plans Given for Medford Armory

Six construction firms have obtained plans and specifications for construction of the Medford armory and may enter bids, according to the Daily Journal of Commerce, Portland.

Bids will be opened at 2:30 p. m., Wednesday, March 28, in the National Guard office in Salem. The \$348,000 structure will be erected on a site at the county fairgrounds south of Medford. It is a joint project, with the city, county, state and federal governments participating in financing the building.

The new armory will replace the present structure on Jackson st., which was largely destroyed by fire several years ago.

The firms holding plans are Donald M. Drake Co., Portland; S. Ferche, Roseburg; Bessonet & Graff, Medford; H. G. Carl Construction Co., Salem; William E. Brooks and Myers D. Jones, Medford, and McLaughlin & Wiley Co., Ashland.

McKav's Resignation Said Expected Today

Washington — (U.P.) — Interior Secretary Douglas McKay planned to hand in his formal resignation at the White House today.

McKay said he would present his resignation, even though President Eisenhower is out of town. He declined to say the exact date the resignation would become effective but said he hopes to leave his cabinet post about April 15.

Weather

FORECAST: Showers of rain mixed with snow this afternoon. Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Low tonight, 30; high Tuesday, 58.

Highest yesterday	Temp.
Lowest this morning	53

Ike Braves Cold for Round of Golf While Waiting Arrival of Officials

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower plowed doggedly through intermittent icy rain in a round of golf today while awaiting the start of his meeting with the President of Mexico and Canada's Prime Minister.

Cold Rain Pelts Group

It was a nice cool day shortly after the President arrived from Washington aboard his special, 14-car train. But bad weather set in.

Gusts of cold rain pelted the President's foursome for the first three holes, but then the sun came out again.

The weather would have driven many golfers from the 6368-yard Old White course. But it did not deter Mr. Eisenhower.

The President's doctor, Maj. Gen. Howard McC. Snyder, trailed the players. He was unconcerned as long as the weather got no worse.

Plays With Sammy Sneed

The President and Slammin' Sammy Sneed, the White Sulphur Springs pro, played partners against Bernard Shanley, the White House appointment secretary, and Press Secretary James C. Hagerty.

President Adolfo Ruiz Cortines of Mexico and Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent of Canada will fly in later today.

After breakfast aboard his train, Mr. Eisenhower motored the short distance to the luxurious Greenbrier hotel where the celebrated 16-room presidential

suite has been reserved for his use during the three-day conference. A crowd of several hundred persons braved the chill early morning weather to cheer him along the route.

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