



"MASTERMIND"?—John (Johnny) Dio (right) is escorted into Federal Court in New York by an unidentified FBI agent. He was arraigned on charges that he was the "mastermind" who ordered and paid for the acid blinding of labor columnist, Victor Riesel. Dioguardia, a notorious labor racketeer who has been under almost constant investigation for months, was arrested with his brother and two other men and charged with conspiring to obstruct justice.

One of Hoodlums in Riesel Acid Attack Appeals for Bond Cut

New York — (U.P.) — Charles (Woppy) Carlino, one of six East Side hoodlums under arrest with underworld czar Johnny Dio for the acid blinding of columnist Victor Riesel, appealed today for reduction of his \$100,000 bail. Carlino appeared to be the only member of the Dio "brain-trust" accused of masterminding the April 5 attack against Riesel willing to leave the comparative sanctuary of jail. Writ of Habeas Corpus The ex-convict appeared in Federal Court today on a writ of habeas corpus. Carlino was not to be confused with Joseph Peter Carlino, alias Joseph Pilo, accused by the FBI of being the "contact" man in the sneak attack. "Joseph Pilo" Carlino, a three-time loser, was known to be "singing his head off" in hopes of escaping a life prison term. Gondolfo Miranti, named as the "finger man" in the case, was moved from Manhattan's

federal detention headquarters Thursday to Nassau County Jail at Mineola, on Long Island. FBI agents are constant visitors. The G-men were apparently attempting to gather enough evidence to accuse Dio also of the murder of Abraham Telvi, the small time thug who was hired for \$1,000 to fling acid into Riesel's face on July 28. Silenced by Fears Fears of gangland vengeance apparently have silenced "Woppy" Carlino, Charles Tuso, Nick Brando and Johnny Dio's brother Tommy. All are accused with Johnny Dio of masterminding and ordering Riesel's "acid bath." Noah L. Braunstein, Johnny Dio's attorney, said the convicted racketeer boss would not try to make the \$100,000 bail because "John can't pay the premium." Braunstein also said that Johnny Dio was "neither wealthy nor dangerous" as the FBI and police claim him to be.

Grange Notes

Phoenix Grange met Aug. 28 at 8 p.m. with Master Melvin Lattie presiding.

The attendance was not as large as usual due to so many members being busy in the fruit harvest. The meeting was short and all but urgent business was dispensed with. Mrs. Anna Scott was a visitor.

Mrs. B. N. Lewin had on display several quilts, both patchwork and applique, done by her mother and Mr. Lewin's mother many years ago.

It was reported Mrs. Grochoki is improving and able to get about on crutches, and Mrs. Norton making a good recovery from recent surgery. The lecturers' program followed the meeting and was arranged by Charles Johnson, chairman of the legislative committee, and consisted of several dance numbers by Chris and Rose Wolf's dance group. Their costumes were enhanced by a black light. They responded for several encores.

The refreshment committee, Mr. and Mrs. Willis House and Mr. and Mrs. Harland Glascock, served ice cream, cake and coffee following the entertainment. The tables were decorated with large yellow daisies and pink hibiscus in low bowls.

The Forest Service is to have charge of the program at the meeting Sept. 11 and will show wildlife pictures. It is planned to have this program open to the public.

Shady Cove Grange

The Shady Cove Grange enjoyed a barbecue and potluck dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Littlefield Aug. 22. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Jones and three children, Mr. and Mrs. John Cox, all of Shady Cove, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McKay from Phoenix, Ariz.

The Grange will have a benefit card party and entertainment for the Shady Cove-Trail fire department in connection with its booster night in the Shady Cove school gymnasium October 20. A local talent program is planned and refreshments will be served. The public is invited. The next regular Grange business meeting will be Sept. 12 at 8 p.m. in the Shady Cove school band room.

Mrs. Cecil Kee will be hostess to the next regular HEC meeting Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 1 p.m.

TEACHER STAYED ON

Marion, Kan.—(U.P.)—In 1909 Julia Campbell told her parents, "I'll just teach the one year." She retired this summer after 47 years as an elementary school instructor.

Neuberger Issues Statement To 'Correct' Seaton Remarks

By UNITED PRESS

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) issued a statement today to "correct misrepresentations" he said were made by Interior Secretary Fred Seaton who left Oregon after a visit to further the campaign of his predecessor, Douglas McKay, for the U. S. Senate.

Neuberger cited power, the Al Sarena case and granting of oil drilling leases on wildlife refuges.

Seaton, meanwhile, concluded a tour throughout western Oregon with a television appearance in Medford last night with McKay, who seeks to unseat Democratic Senator Wayne Morse.

Regime Not Responsible

On power, Neuberger said "the kilowatts added to the Bonneville system in the last three years all came from dams authorized and started by Democratic predecessors . . . the McKay regime was not responsible for starting a single new federal dam in the Columbia basin."

On Al Sarena he said, "Mr. Seaton failed to mention that it was not Senator Morse and I who first objected to the Al Sarena timber-mining deal, but the U. S. Forest Service." He added that Seaton "ignored the sworn testimony of the chief of the forest service that never in his 32 years . . . had such special procedure been followed as McKay's department set up for granting the Al Sarena patents. If the undesirable Al Sarena patenting procedure were followed for the thousands of other mining claimants, our heritage of national forests would be turned into cut-over stump land."

Timber Mining Claimed

Democrats have claimed that timber was "mined" off the Al Sarena claims in southern Oregon. On oil leases, Neuberger said, "Mr. Seaton passed over the fact that the 17 Democratic and 12 Republican members of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee of the House of Representatives unanimously condemned McKay's practice of granting oil-drilling leases on wildlife refuges."

Seaton, in answer to a question in Medford last night, said any further action in the Al Sarena case would have to come from the Justice Department. He said the committee which conducted a hearing on the case decided to refer it to the Justice Department. He had been invited by Charles O. Porter of Eugene, Democratic candidate for Congress, to visit the mining claim. Seaton said he turned it down because of a tight schedule.

Seaton, in Eugene, called the upper Colorado river project "the first basin-wide multi-purpose water development program in many years." He said that by contrast with Bonneville dam the upper Colorado project was essentially a vast long-term water storage and irrigation plan. "Of course the power costs

will be higher than other projects where power is a primary consideration," he added, referring to critical comparison between the costs of power at Bonneville and the Colorado project.

Seaton praised McKay as a man who "completely enjoys" the confidence of President Eisenhower.

Democratic Party Clutches 'ic'; Slams GOP for Seeking Change

Washington—(U.P.)—The Democratic Party today tightly clutched the "ic" in its name and slammed the GOP for trying to take it away.

But the Democratic National Committee said the Democrats won't retaliate by trying to change the name of the Republican Party. The committee said Democrats like to use that because it "is the brand name by which our opponents' products is known and mistrusted."

'Secret' Poll Taken

The Democrats said they took a "secret nationwide public opinion poll" that shows the voters agree with them. They said the "poll" shows voters don't think much of the GOP "ic" campaign either.

The committee disclosed the results of its "poll" in an "urgent and confidential memo" released Thursday night to party leaders and newsmen. The memo replied to a statement to United Press by L. Richard Guylay, GOP National Committee publicity director, that the Republicans have adopted an "official policy" of shortening Democratic Party to "Democrat Party."

The Democratic committee expressed some surprise that "a grown man named L. Richard Guylay has been assigned the task of seeing that the 'ic' is dropped from all Republican speeches and statements."

Not Caught Unawares

But the Democrats said they were not caught unawares. It said "from the Republican convention our secret agent had wired an urgent coded warning

that this plot was afoot."

"It was obvious that this strategy was the result of the combined thinking of two of the country's largest advertising agencies, Robert Montgomery, Murray Chotiner and Leonard W. Hall, the only Republican chairman who has outmaneuvered Joe Smith in an open convention," the Democrats said.

Montgomery is President Eisenhower's television adviser. Chotiner was dropped as a GOP campaign strategist after his name came up in a congressional

Republican Ticket Strong, Benson Says

Washington — (U.P.) — Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson said Thursday that the Republican ticket is "fully as strong and possibly stronger" with farm voters this year than in 1952.

Benson said farmers generally "have seen three and a half years of constructive effort to develop a sound, solid farm program." He added that he found "a very good sentiment" among farmers he met during the last week while on speaking engagements in Michigan, California and Pennsylvania.

Benson told a news conference he found "no cynicism and no criticism" among farmers on his recent trip, and "no evidence of revolt or ill feeling or anything of that kind."

New Patrolman Joins Medford Police Force

Frank Joseph Elsom, 236 North Ivy st., Medford, this week joined the city police force, according to Police Chief Charles Champlin.

Elsom replaces Donald R. Davis, who has resigned to enlist in the Air Force. Elsom is a graduate of St. Mary's High school and attended Southern Oregon college. He served with the Navy for four years. The new patrolman is married and the father of one child.

Sen. Francis Attacks Thornton on Program

State Senator Carl Francis of Yamhill county, Republican candidate for attorney general, last night charged the incumbent, Robert Y. Thornton, with incompetence and "deplorable political excursions."

In a television appearance here last night, Sen. Francis commented, "No lawyer is right all the time, but the incumbent has been wrong in his legal opinions too much of the time."

The Republican candidate summarized his experiences with the legislature since 1943 and pledged, if elected, he would conduct the office "in proper manner, without political motivation and without sensationalism."

Woman Continues Gold Act Fight

Portland — (U.P.) — Mrs. Gladys Laycock, who claims she cannot afford to mine the gold in her Grant county holdings because of the arbitrary price of \$35 an ounce set by the government, was continuing her court fight today against the 1954 gold act.

Federal Judge Claude McColloch yesterday dismissed a suit brought by the woman against Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey in which she sought to enjoin him from enforcing the gold reserve act against her. The dismissal was on stipulation

of attorneys for both the government and plaintiff.

Mrs. Laycock then filed suit against Frank J. Kenney, special agent in charge of the Portland office of the secret service, U.S. Attorney C. E. Luckey said Kenney's name was substituted because in order to get the cabinet officer into court the complaint would have to be filed in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Laycock claims the fair market value of the gold in her claims should be \$70.

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