

Dynamite Smashes Home of Negro Leader

Birmingham, Ala. — A dynamite blast smashed a Negro leader's home and injured five persons Tuesday night on the eve of the South's third bus integration showdown in less than a week.

A minister who was injured slightly by the blast renewed his integration ultimatum to the Birmingham City Commission.

The Rev. F. L. Shuttleworth said that unless the commission acts at its regular meeting Birmingham Negroes will stage the South's biggest "voluntary" integration attempt in history.

The explosion also injured Shuttleworth's wife and two children and a visitor, Charley Robinson, 50. It caused in the living room roof and damaged several nearby homes in the Birmingham Negro residential area.

Auto Manufacturers Look Toward 1957 as Year of Improvement

Detroit — (U.P.)—Auto-makers look confidently to 1957 as a year of pickup and improvement, sparked by the powerful and stylish new cars designed to tickle the fancy of the buying public.

Indications are that 1956 will be the fourth best postwar year in terms of new car output, ranking behind 1953 when 6,134,534 autos were produced.

There is little challenge to 1955, when the industry built a whopping 7,942,132 cars to crack the old mark of 6,674,933 completions in 1950.

Ward's Reports, statistical agency for the industry, counted only 5,214,882 completions for the first 11 months of this year. On the basis of projected figures for December, 1956 output will total a little less than 6,090,000 units.

Bright forecasts for the new year are based in part on two factors dealing with the buyers themselves: (1) Since this was the year of the "big model change," many buyers held off to get a look at the new models.

(2) Many persons who bought cars during record 1955 are due back in the showrooms.

"The 1955 installment buyers are liquidating their obligations in an orderly manner and many will be able to enter the new car market again in 1957," said J. C. Doyle, general sales manager of Ford Motor company's new Edsel division.

New model cars already are going like hot cakes.

In December the industry had a hard time keeping up with sales. Automotive News said

dealer field reports showed November was "one of the hottest new-car Novembers" in history.

"In all major lines, sales ran extremely close to production totals," the trade paper said. "Had it not been for production headaches and shortages of most popular body styles in certain lines, the month doubtless would have wound up as the best November of all time."

Ford and Chevrolet, both with Saturday operations, again are battling strongly for production honors. Ford set a postwar high for single-day output by producing 7,370 cars on Nov. 28.

Several auto executives predict 1957 will be the best model

year in history. Some forecast more conservatively that it will be runnerup to 1955.

L. L. Colbert, president of Chrysler Corp., said he believes "1957 approaches the potential 1955" as one of the industry's top years.

"We think there is a very good chance that the volume of sales in 1957 could put it on the books as the second biggest year in the history of the business," Colbert said.

Steady Growth Forecast

Whatever the year-to-year fluctuations, the trend will be always upward, Henry Ford II said. American economy will sustain a "normal volume" of 8.5 mil-

lion new cars by 1965, with possible peaks up to 10 million.

A big question going into the new year is how "tight money" will affect car sales.

The National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) reports some of its members are worried that "the increased cost of money" will have a drastic effect because "finance companies and banks will eliminate the poorer risks and this fringe group has accounted for much of the above-normal sales in the past few years."

Other dealers, according to NADA, take the opposite view because earnings are at an all-time high.

"This group insists that higher prices and higher costs of money will not affect public buying," the organization said.

LOPER APPOINTED
Aubrey Loper, U. S. National bank, Medford, has been appointed county March of Dimes treasurer for the second consecutive year. The appointment was announced today by Jerry Gastineau, county MOD chairman.



On The Side

By E. V. Durling
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The stage bits of the past did not enjoy nearly as long a present day success. The much referred to musical "Floradora," which celebrated sextette ran for only 305 performances at the Casino, New York. Compare that with "Oklahoma," which had a run of 2,745 performances! "The Merry Widow," with Donald Brian and Ethel Jackson, had a run of 416 performances. "The Virginian," with Dustin Farnum, played only 138 performances on Broadway. Compare these runs with those of "Life With Father," which played 3,224 performances. "Tobacco Road," 3,182 performances and "Abie's Irish Rose," 2,327 performances.

Those Dogs
What breed of dog have you? Most intelligent breed of dogs is the German shepherd. Most lovable, Airedale. Most lovable cocker spaniel. Most inclined to be a one-man dog, chow. Friendliest, dachshund. Makes most trouble, wire-haired terrier. Best sense of humor, springer spaniel. Hardest to make friends with, Pekinese.

Grandmothers
Again I note Marlene Dietrich referred to as "the world's most glamorous grandmother." That rating I question. I know a number of grandmothers who are more glamorous in appearance than Marlene. In fact I know a great grandmother in Chicago, who is not only more glamorous than Marlene but looks younger. This Chicago great grandmother is a professional model.

Guide To Gals
Young women born under Aries (March 21-April 20) don't care for the idea of going steady. They like to play the field. Even after marriage they have a little trouble making their eyes behave when there is a handsome stranger around. It takes a broad-minded husband to be happily married to an Aries girl. Or, so say the stargazers.

Asking
Queries from clients. Q Who starred in the stage play titled "Getting Gertie's Garter?" A Hazel Dawn. Q Have you ever written any magazine stories? A I once wrote a short story and sold it to Collier's magazine. I never wrote another one. I don't know why. Guess I just haven't.

Damage Suit Filed In Circuit Court

William E. Dailey, Talent, has filed a \$50,000 suit in circuit court here against Wade Crawford of Chiloquin, Ore.

Dailey alleges in the complaint that Crawford acted maliciously and without proper cause in having him arrested early in 1955 in connection with the theft of \$15 worth of timber owned by Crawford.

The plaintiff said Crawford was under contract with the Hunter and Bert Sawmill, Inc., to have the timber logged. He adds that Crawford had knowledge that Dailey was employed by the sawmill company to log the timber.

He was arrested in connection with the theft Jan. 11, 1955, and lodged in county jail, according to the complaint. Dailey said he suffered public ridicule as a result of the arrest, was prevented working and lost \$250 in earnings.

Dailey is represented by Ed Kelley, Medford attorney.

Whitney Real Estate Agency Formed Here

Lloyd Whitney, Jacksonville, has established the Whitney Real Estate Agency at 218 East Fourth st., Medford. Whitney has been associated with other real estate agencies in this area for several years.

B. J. Staats, Medford, has been employed as a salesman for the new agency. Whitney said the firm expects to handle transactions for city and suburban homes, Whitney said.

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any ambition. Q What is the correct pronunciation of the name of the celebrated sire of thoroughbreds, Alibhai A. Should be pronounced: "Alley-lah-he." Q Do you recall a song titled "I'm A Little Blackbird Looking For A Bluebird"? A. Yes, madam. Florence Mills used to sing it.

Top Man
The most important player on a baseball club is the catcher. That's what I continue to claim. And forever will. It has been truly said that pitching is 70 per cent of a ball club but a good catcher is 70 per cent of the pitching.

Asides
It was Daphne Drake, who said, "The qualities most necessary for a successful wife are charm, tact and patience." Sarah Bernhardt once observed, "Three-tenths of good appearance in a woman is due to nature; seven-tenths to dress." According to beauty shop operators, who certainly should know, it is usually blue-eyed brunettes who switch to blonde hair. They think their blue eyes will make them outstanding blondes.

Please Note
Radishes are good for the complexion. That's what a New Yorker claims. Says he knew a Polish countess who, at the age of 68, still had her schoolgirl complexion. This countess ate six radishes before every meal including breakfast. She said the women of her family had been doing that for 300 years and were celebrated throughout Europe for their beautiful complexions.

State of Siege Set On East Sumatra

Jakarta, Indonesia — (U.P.) — President Sukarno has clamped a state of siege on East Sumatra to prevent revolts in North and Central Sumatra from engulfing the entire oil-and-rubber-rich island.

A presidential proclamation declared East Sumatra under a state of siege after the government tried without success to win back control of the rebellious north and central provinces.

A delegation to the Central Sumatra rebel capital of Padang was returning empty-handed from efforts to see Lt. Col. Ahman Hussein, commanding officer of the Buffalo Division and leader of a veterans' group opposed to the administration of Indonesian Premier Ali Sastramidjojo.

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