



CELEBRATING NEW MILESTONE, John Nance Garner, United States Vice President from 1933 to 1941, lights ever-present cigar on eighty ninth birthday at Uvalde, Tex. Scores of friends, relatives called on him. (International)

Captain Killed As Wall Collapses In Pittsburg Fire

Pittsburgh — Captain James Culhane, veteran fireman with 42-years active service, was killed in a Thanksgiving Eve six-alarm blaze when buried under the seared blocks of a collapsing wall.

Six other firemen were injured in the fire which caused damage estimated up to \$50,000 to a building housing offices, a warehouse and an American Legion post.

Culhane, 72, was due to retire at the end of the year.

A policeman, directing traffic near the scene of the fire, was struck by a car and rushed to Pittsburgh Hospital, adding to the casualty toll. Four of the six injured firemen also were taken to the hospital.

State of Emergency
At the height of the Home-wood area blaze, police declared a state of emergency when it was feared that firemen had been trapped inside the flame-swept structure. All available ambulances in the city were called to the scene. The report, fortunately, proved to be false.

Police and firemen, including Fire Chief Stephen Adley and Police Superintendent James Slusser, worked to free Culhane from the collapsed wall of Belgian blocks. The rescuers continued their efforts to save the veteran fire-fighter as a fire escape on the building threatened to topple on them.

It took about one-and-one-half hours to retrieve Culhane's body. Shortly thereafter, the fire escape collapsed.

Said Adley, when he learned of Culhane's death: "I'm sick... he was a fine old firefighter, a real tough and fine Irishman."

The blaze was the third multiple alarm fire to hit Pittsburgh this week.



NEW LIFE—Mme Jacqueline Christian happily carries her two-year-old daughter, Marie Line, from Variety Club Heart Hospital in Minneapolis after the child's recovery from a successful heart operation Nov. 1. Little Marie Line had been doomed to die by the defective heart. As soon as she gains strength, they will travel to their home in Boulogne, France.

Another Effort to Change Site Starts

Portland — Another effort was underway today to put Portland's long-proposed Exposition-Recreation center on another East Portland location instead of the E-R Commission approved site on the East bank of the Willamette river between the Steel and Broadway bridge.

A Portland consulting engineer, Lawrence Supove, filed papers late Wednesday with the Portland city auditor in an attempt to place his proposal on the ballot next May 16. Supove proposed a charter amendment to build the center—partly on concrete stilts—astride Sullivan's Gulch near the Lloyd Center development in East Portland.

Supove's amendment would also do away with the present E-R commission and turn the task of building the center over to the Portland city council.



LOVELY Lili Gentle gets approval of contract paying her \$350 to \$1,000 a week in Hollywood. (International)

Pressure Sought to Conserve Salmon

Seattle — A spokesman for a fishing vessel owners' association said Wednesday it was "time to take off the kid gloves and start slugging" in dealing with Japan over the North Pacific salmon fishery.

Harold Lokken, of Seattle, told a Senate subcommittee on fisheries that "pressure from all points" should be brought to force the Japanese fishing industry to conserve salmon spawn in North American waters.

Lokken told Chairman Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.), of the Senate Interstate and Foreign committee, the only member attending the hearing, that pressure should be brought on the State Department to discuss the problem with Japanese officials.

If that method failed, he added then an embargo on all types of Japanese canned salmon should be enforced.

Reporter Admits Transcript Changes

Los Angeles — Convict-author Caryl Chessman got an admission Friday from a former court reporter that some changes had been made in the final version of his trial transcript.

Chessman acted in his own defense in a superior court hearing ordered after he charged that the transcript of his 1948 trial contained inaccuracies.

Sanley Fraser, 63, who transcribed shorthand notes of court reporter Ernest Perry who died at the conclusion of Chessman's trial, admitted the changes. He said the changes were made in

the final version of the transcript for clarity.

Chessman has successfully evaded the death chamber during the past nine years with a series of legal maneuvers. He was convicted on two counts of kidnapping and sentenced to death under the California Little Lindbergh law.

Vice President Goes By White House Today

Washington — Vice President Richard M. Nixon "stopped by" at the White House this morning to "see if there are any loose ends that I can take care of."

The vice president drove directly to the White House after seeing the King of Morocco off at the airport. Nixon said he did plan to see the President, however.

"I'm just stopping by to see if there are any loose ends that I can take care of," he told reporters.

Nixon was asked whether he planned to go to church later

in the day. "Is this Sunday?" he replied, apparently weary and confused by the pace of events following the President's illness.

The vice president joined in the laughter and then explained he had arisen at 7 a.m. to help his wife wrap a doll for one of the Moroccan King's children. He said he was anxious to get home for "a little food and a nap."

Declines Comment

Nixon declined to comment on reports that he will represent the President at the coming NATO meeting in Paris. He said that decision is one only the President will make.

The vice president has tried hard to spike reports that the president might resign because of his illness. In an unusual White House press conference on Wednesday night he said there has been no hint of Eisenhower resigning.

Nixon also said he was convinced the President's recovery is "sure" and may even be speedier than normally is the case with a cerebral ailment. Nonetheless Nixon is planning to handle some of the President's chores during the convalescence. Nixon said he will preside next week at sessions of the cabinet and National Security council, on oral instructions from the President, and may also direct a meeting with congressional leaders Tuesday if it is held as scheduled.

But in response to a question about his role, Nixon emphasized that "I am the vice president" and that he is simply assuming certain duties at the President's direction.

He said the same thing happens when Eisenhower is on a trip abroad, or out of Washington on a vacation.



TURNCOAT RELEASED

Former Cpl. Edward Dickens leaves the U. S. Disciplinary Barracks at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., after serving 3 1/2 years of a five-year sentence. Dickens, first of the turncoats to reject Communism after defecting during the Korean conflict, said he planned to attend the Free Will Baptist Bible College at Nashville, Tenn., and become a minister.

Dances Scheduled For Area Teenagers

First of a series of dances for teenagers will be held at the Teenland ballroom on East Main street, Friday, Nov. 29, according to Gary Cunningham, Jacksonville, who will manage the dances.

Cunningham states that the dances will be strictly supervised by members of the city police force, and that dancing will be from 8 p.m. until midnight.

A feature of the dance Friday will be an hour-long show to be broadcast over Radio Station KMED from 10:15 to 11:15 p.m., Cunningham states. Robby Robinson will serve as MC of the show.



COMPLETING conferences with State Department officials, West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano says farewell to American newsmen. (International)

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