

Inter-Racial Friction Said Not Cause of Teen-Age Gangster Violence in New York

Editor's note: The United Press brought its Atlanta bureau manager to New York with instructions to take a good look and give his opinion whether race friction is causing the school violence there. This is the last of three dispatches.

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New York — Take the juvenile delinquency problem in your own home town and then multiply it by the comparative size of New York City's 8 million population.

What does it add up to? Well, here it adds up to a king-sized municipal headache and everyone is looking for a sedative to ease the pain. A congressional committee is scheduled to get in-

to the investigative act Thursday.

The sidewalks of New York have been the subject of song and story for generations. Its street gangs are legendary. But never before have they had the national publicity they do now. For where they once fought with brickbats and raw knuckles, they go at each other now with knives and guns.

These are not grownups. They are children, often in tender early teens. Schoolboys, or so they should be. Sometimes they are girls.

There's an idea in some parts of the nation that the city's teen-gangsterism is the

result almost purely of racial strife. As a matter of fact the same opinion is not foreign right here in New York.

But listen to this:

Defies Proof
"I've lived in New York all my life and I defy anyone to prove this is a racial problem," says Capt. Conrad S. Jansen, a police officer and part-time preacher whose precinct station is in the heart of Harlem.

After a week of roaming the city, including the stamping grounds of the "Dragons," "Devil's Angels" and "Sportsmen," I am ready to agree with Jansen — except on one point.

It wasn't inter-racial friction that causes the gang violence. But the gangs are getting their membership from the 41 per cent increase in the city's non-white population in the past seven years.

Membership is made up of many racial groups. But the important thing to a gang is not who you are but where you came from. The fellow from the next street is your deadly enemy, whereas those in your block, regardless of race, are your pals.

Reassured by the broad-shouldered huskiness of Harrison Lightfoot, a Virginia-born Negro with a master's degree, I toured some of New York's juvenile gang territory this week. Lightfoot is in charge of the youth board's 10 street clubs, the emotional bridge between derelict children and organized society.

Before the night was finished, I knew that a "diddy-pepper" is a non-conformist member who stirs up trouble in-

side a gang; that every gang has an intricate organization; that "bopping" or "rumbling" sessions are conflicts carefully arranged by warlords of opposing gangs who decide whether fists or bludgeons or pistols will be used.

Gangs Are Mixed
Some gangs are all Negro, some all Puerto Rican, others all white and many a mixture of various races, national origin and religious background.

Gangs do battle for "territorial rights," revenge, out of jealousies, over girls. They often stake out city parks or swimming pools for their own use.

Just such an incident brought death last summer to Michael Farmer, too crippled from polio to escape a gang's wrath when he was suspected as a gang member from another territory slipping into the neighborhood pool. Actually, Farmer belonged to no gang.

Seven boys are on trial for his murder and could be sent to the electric chair. They are inter-racial: Two Puerto Ricans, two Negroes, two whites and a boy from the Dominican Republic.

Race has become secondary to more pressing tensions — satisfying physical needs, getting attention, finding security.

Magistrate Matthew Fagan, a night court judge, puts a great deal of the blame squarely on teachers and on parents who say they didn't realize what was happening. "Why didn't they know?" he said. "It was their business to know."

Fringe Area Appraisals To Be Subject of Course

Corvallis — Appraisal of property in suburban fringe areas will be emphasized this year at the third annual state appraisal short course at Oregon State college. Dates are March 24 to 28.

Sponsored jointly by the state tax commission and the college, the course was started in 1956 to provide a continuing training program for appraisers and to help bring about greater uniformity in valuation of real property across Oregon.

Between 75 and 100 county assessors, deputy assessors, and other persons interested in appraisal training are expected to attend this year's course.

Grant E. Blanch, professor of agricultural economics, is executive secretary of the planning committee.

Fringe Areas
Fringe areas were selected as the central theme for this

year's work, Blanch said, because of the rapid development of such areas throughout the state and because they pose new and special valuation problems for appraisers.

The course will include instruction in value theory, planning the appraisal and report preparation, and appraisal of principles and techniques in their application to various types of properties. Two field trips are planned for practice appraisals of an open lot in a new housing subdivision and of a farm located in a fringe area.

A staff of experienced appraisal authorities from Oregon, California and Washington will direct course work. David Schumacher, Los Angeles appraiser, will be one of the course leaders. Staff members will be available in the evenings for conferences on special problems.

Representatives of the Oregon County Assessors association participate in conference planning.

Man Arrested For Applegate Thefts

William Ivan Rawley, 38, Upper Applegate, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Tuesday in connection with several burglaries and cases of larceny in the Applegate area.

According to officers, many items, mainly tools, were discovered at Rawley's house and in the area.

Rawley, who was paroled from the state hospital at Salem a year ago, was scheduled to be returned to the hospital, officers said.

Sheriff's deputies have asked that persons in the Applegate area who have had items taken during the last year go to the sheriff's office in person to identify objects.

WRITER DIES

Falmouth, Mass. — (AP) — Elton Huntington Jessup, 73, newsman and long-time writer on outdoor sports, died at a hospital Sunday. Jessup represented Harper's magazine in 1915 on the trip of Henry Ford's peace ship and later became a correspondent for The New York World.

JUST DOZED OFF
Three Rivers, Mich. — (AP) — Police asked 11-year-old Thomas Kline Wednesday how it happened that he had rammed his bicycle into a moving automobile. "You won't believe this," Thomas told them, "but I fell asleep at the handlebars."

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Merchants Cautioned About Magazine Ads

Area merchants were cautioned today by Jackson County Chamber of Commerce officials regarding solicitations for placement of ads in magazines and booklets purported to be officially connected with the Oregon Centennial.

Don McNeil, manager of the Chamber, said that "no word has been received from the centennial commission that there is any publication officially connected with the commission in which space for ads is being sold."

Ample notification will be given upon the establishment of an official publication by the commission and representatives will come well equipped with proof documenting their official representatives, McNeil said.

Reports Received
Reports have come from chambers all over Oregon, including Jackson county, that local businessmen are being contacted for advertising space in a booklet many have thought was an official connection.

Although the contract, in fine print, does mention that the publication is not official-

ly connected with the centennial commission, local reports indicate the business people thought they were taking an ad in the official publication. McNeil advised merchants to remember that there is no hurry to secure ads, that they should read the contract including the fine print, and check the authenticity of the representative's credentials at the chamber of commerce if in doubt.

Chairman Named For Film Plans

Mrs. C. B. Collins, Medford, has accepted the chairmanship of a special committee arranging details of the area-wide showing of the American Cancer Society film, "Breast Self-Examination" for women of Jackson county.

Mrs. John Dellenbeck, president of the Jackson county branch of the American Cancer society, announced that Mrs. Collins will be assisted by Mrs. Ivan Burton, Mrs. Brandt Bartels, Mrs. Fred Burich, Mrs. George Schuler, Miss Francis Clink, Eric Allen Jr., and Herb Grey.

Free showings of the film will be held at 10 a.m. March 25 and 26 at the Holly and Varsity theaters. An estimated 1,000 women will see the film, and a Jackson county doctor's panel will be present at the showings. Theater facilities are being donated by Robert Corbin of Lippert theaters, and volunteers of the Moving Picture Machine Operator's union will serve as projectionists.

Camp White Men Named to Group

Luren L. Dover, chief of the registrar division, and Charles G. Gool, assistant chief of the division at the Camp White veterans domiciliary, have been elected charter members of the American Academy of Medical Administrators.

The academy was founded recently in Boston, where its international headquarters are located. It also has a Washington, D. C., service bureau. Hugh C. McEwan, Cohasset, Mass., is the first president.

The academy's aim is to elevate the standards of medical administration.

Three Youths Are Arrested in Ashland

Ashland — Two Klamath Falls youths and one from Ashland were jailed by Ashland city police Tuesday night.

Sheldon J. Harrison, 18, of 455 South Mountain ave., Ashland, a student at Southern Oregon college, was charged with illegal possession of intoxicating liquor, and Bruce Edward Niles, 21, Klamath Falls, with furnishing liquor to minors.

Police said they apprehended the three after a report that they were seen in a local tavern with a pistol. One revolver was found under the seat of the car they were in and another was in possession of one of the youths, according to police.

HAIRDRESSER KILLS SELF

St. Petersburg, Fla. — (AP) — The third suicide leap in four months from the Sunshine Skyway across Tampa Bay occurred Wednesday when Alexander MacKenzie, 56-year-old hairdresser, jumped 155 feet to his death. The spectacular span is part of a 15-mile linkage of bridges and causeways across the water.

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