

Warden, Staff Dynamite Targets

Hilo, T.H. — (UPI) — The superintendent of Kulanai prison's rehabilitation center expressed "unshaken" faith in his beliefs today — despite an apparent attempt by inmates to assassinate his 15-man staff with a dynamite blast.

The official, Charles C. Smith, admitted that Tuesday's plot failed only because

two-thirds of the dynamite failed to explode. Smith and one guard suffered minor cuts and bruises.

Smith said three charges containing a total of 27 sticks of dynamite were placed under a small frame building housing officers and staff sleeping quarters at the maximum security center.

The 15 members of the staff gathered for an after-breakfast conference when one charge exploded, ripping a five-foot hole in the floor and driving boards through the ceiling.

Detectives traced wires from the dynamite to the inmates' dormitory, and five inmates were transferred to Hilo jail for questioning. The dynamite was obtained by breaking the lock on a project powderhouse.

Smith said that if all three charges had exploded "they'd have blown the entire building apart."

"However, this hasn't shaken our belief that a man can be helped through rehabilitation in our type of project," he added.

Keenan Wynn, Wife In Marital Trouble

Hollywood — (UPI) — Actor Keenan Wynn and his wife, Shirley, admitted today they were having marital problems but hoped to settle them without divorce.

"We've had our troubles, particularly in the last two weeks. I'm mad," she said.

The couple were married in January, 1954. They have two daughters, Hilda and Winnie. She is Wynn's third wife.

The amount of energy fixed annually in the sugar manufactured by plants in the United States is the equivalent of about 300 billion tons of coal.

Farmer Who Raised Too Much Wheat To Get Tractors Back

Fort Wayne, Ind. — (UPI) — A federal judge has ordered the government to give an Indiana farmer his two tractors back. But the farmer may not get to keep them very long.

The government originally seized the tractors of Ethan Stangland, of Noble county, as a penalty for growing too much wheat.

The government also seized Stangland's \$9.75 bank account, and it was this action that led to the legal technicality under which the farmer got a new lease on his tractors.

'Multiple Liability'
Judge Robert A. Grant ruled Wednesday the attachment of the tractors was faulty because it subjected Stangland to "multiple liability." The judge said the writ of seizure for the tractors was issued without mentioning the amount taken from the bank account.

However, Grant did not rule that the government's seizure of the property was wrong, thereby putting Stangland's tractors in jeopardy again.

Stangland's trouble began in 1954 when the government penalized him \$394.24 for allegedly producing 30 acres of wheat when his federal allotment was for 14 acres, and over the years mounting interest levies boosted the total to nearly \$600.

Last May, the government seized Stangland's bank account and then his tractors.

Stangland's attorney, Clifford E. Simon Jr., argued the federal writ of seizure should be quashed because the government has only the right to place a lien on the wheat produced on acres beyond the allotment. Grant did not rule on this argument.

Arguing for Right
Earlier, Stangland took the case to court in a test of the government's right to set acreage allotments. He said then he was arguing for the "right" of the farmer to "raise what he pleases," and argued he never voted for wheat allotments and the government could not tell him what to raise.

He lost the case when Federal Judge Luther Swygert

of Hammond decided the government had the right to set allotments and the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld Swygert's ruling.

In his present appeal, Stangland says he only wants the government "to go by the law in the same way we are required to go by the law."

'Minor Nuclear Reaction' Set Off

Las Vegas — (UPI) — Scientists Wednesday set off a second "minor nuclear reaction" in preparation for a pending series of 10 atomic tests.

The Atomic Energy Commission said a "slight amount of radiation" was released in the safety experiment conducted at the bottom of a 500-foot verticle shaft.

A spokesman said it was "improbable" that any radiation

was carried away from the test area. A similar experiment was conducted at the bottom of a shaft last Friday.

First blast in a test series was scheduled for Friday. A device was to be exploded for a balloon 500 feet above the desert.

Mount Ranier National Park is said to have about 500 kinds of flowering plants.

CONSTRUCTION HALTED
Berlin — (UPI) — The Communist East German government has halted construction of a Roman Catholic church in Naumburg where Catholic and Protestants last month protested the arrest of a Catholic priest, it was reported today.

ORCHESTRA LEADER DIES
Meridian, Mass. — (UPI) — Funeral services were held Wednesday for Mart Britt, 58, singer, composer and orchestra leader, who died Tuesday after a long illness.

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By BENNETT CERF

TWO NEW ITEMS in the toy field are selling like mad the country over. One is a plastic platter called a "Frisbee" that can be made to orbit in any direction—even to come back to the thrower like a boomerang. The other is called a "hula hoop"—also made of plastic—and it has a million kids making like Hawaiian dancing belles. Stores can't keep either frisbees or hula hoops in stock! Another new gadget that is making its inventor rich overnight is a "Car-B-Cue" device that plugs into the cigarette lighter on the dashboard of an automobile—and cooks a hot dog or a hamburger while you're wheeling to work.

Warns Post Bud Barry:
"Lives of rich men all remind us
As their exploits o'er we turn,
That we often leave behind us
Letters that we ought to burn."

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Quotes From the News

By United Press International

Atlantic City, N. J.—Harry Truman, in a speech to the steelworkers' union convention:
"You know, the Republicans attacked the New Deal and the Fair Deal because they were planners. They are planners, too. The difference is that they plan for high interest rates and recessions while we plan for growth and prosperity."

Washington—Dr. Edwin D. Canham, editor of the Christian Science Monitor, in an address to the annual Conference on Citizenship:
"The smiling, persistent, patient face of Chinese Communism looms large in our world and we have not begun to devise a practical and effective program with which to combat it."

An Air Base in Formosa—Lt. James Dunn, of San Francisco, a jet pilot, on Red Chinese fliers:
"The Chinese Communist pilots are inferior. An American cadet pilot straight from the States could show up very well against them."

Janesville, Wis.—Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson, at a GOP fund-raising dinner:
"Under this administration we have peace. And I believe the American people will always approve the kind of foreign policy that leads to peace with honor rather than war."

Detroit—Lt. Gen. Arthur G. Trudeau, Army research and development chief, in a speech to the American Rocket Society:
"We must increase our military capabilities in space to maintain our security on earth."

Moscow Hints Tests May Resume
London — (UPI) — Moscow Radio hinted today the Soviet Union might resume its nuclear tests.
A broadcast monitored in London said the Soviet showed "definite courage" in halting its own experiments without waiting for the United States and Britain to agree.
"We hoped the U.S.A. and Britain would follow the Soviet example, but there is a limit to our patience," the broadcast said.
"If Britain and the U.S.A. continue to perfect their nuclear weapons by means of test explosions the Soviet Union will also probably be forced, in the final analysis, to resume its tests. The Western powers are simply forcing the Soviet Union to take back its word."
Money Reported Taken From Lutheran Church
Forty dollars in cash and a \$106 check on the First National Bank of Oregon were stolen from St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran church, 1020 East Main st. sometime between Sunday noon and Tuesday morning, according to Medford city police.
The cash and check were in a black steel box. The theft was reported to police Wednesday by Joseph Pickett Jarnis, 1112 Reddy st. The church building is not locked, police said.

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