



**RECORD SHIP TRAFFIC** — A new port record was set at New York Monday when 13 liners with a total of 6,061 passengers arrived. This record off-season ship traffic was caused by the booming cruise business — 10 of the arriving ships were returning from warm-climate cruises. The ships, from top to bottom, are the Homeric, just pulling into a pier, Gripsholm, Ocean Monarch, black stack just visible behind the Italia; Queen Elizabeth, Mauretania and the Berlin. —(UPI Telephoto)



**KENNETH R. LAWSON**  
Desperado Sought

**Kenneth Lawson, Prison Escapee, Makes FBI List**

Washington — (UPI) — Kenneth Ray Lawson, a menacing psychopathic desperado, has been placed on the FBI's list of 10 most wanted criminals.

Lawson, who has been nicknamed "Kenno" and "Cigar Man" by the underworld, is described by police authorities as "a shrewd, daring and very dangerous criminal."

He has been the subject of a nationwide search since he and four companions escaped from Tennessee state prison at Nashville last April 22.

**Desperately Violent**

While Lawson is essentially a highly accomplished burglar, the FBI warned that he has threatened the lives of police, carries carefully concealed hand guns and has become desperately violent when cornered.

The 32-year-old fugitive who often sports a crew-cut has been diagnosed as "a psychopathic personality with a superior intelligence," the FBI said.

While in the service, Lawson served two years in a disciplinary barracks for desertion and escaped and was dishonorably discharged from the Air Force.

He had a police record in Mt. Clemens, Mich., being arrested at Limestone, Tenn., in August, 1956, for the burglary of a hardware store. While his sentence was being appealed, Lawson and an accomplice were trapped inside a supermarket in the midst of a burglary.

Lawson's daring was exemplified by a previous break-out from Brushy Mountain Prison at Petros, Tenn. According to the FBI, he was halted from scaling a prison wall by a guard's gun fire, but broke across the yard through a hall of bullets to gain freedom over a second wall.

Recaptured, he made his subsequent escape from the Nashville penitentiary through cunning.

He and his companions built a false wall in a railroad car in the prison grounds and were transported to freedom.

Lawson was last spotted in El Paso, Texas, on Aug. 24 when he successfully eluded a police pursuit.

The newcomer to the most wanted list is a native of Es-serville, Va. He stands between 5 foot 10 inches to 6 feet and weighs from 170 to 185 pounds. He has a medium build, light brown hair, ruddy complexion and blue-gray or hazel eyes.

**WRITER OF LAW DIES**

Pensacola, Fla. — (UPI) — Retired Circuit Judge L. L. Fabianski, 69, chairman of an advisory committee that wrote Florida's pupil placement law, died Sunday.

**EAGLE POINT Unit Plans Meeting**

By DOTTIE HARBISON

Eagle Point — The Eagle Point Home Extension will meet at the home of Mrs. Lyle Greenwood on Brophy rd. at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 14. Mrs. Bennie Hefley and Mrs. Leland Meyers will lead a demonstration of salad making.

Mrs. Don Pulley, North Main st., will be available for child care for the unit. Each youngster is asked to bring a sack lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Symens and daughter Julia, Hayward, Calif., visited over the holidays with Mrs. Symens' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Tibbits of Stevens rd. Dean Tibbits, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Tibbits, was also home for the holidays. Dean was enrolled at the University of Oregon as a forestry major but has changed his major to teaching and is now going to Southern Oregon college. Dean will stay in Ashland during the winter term and commute to Ashland when the weather is more favorable for travel.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Workman, Susanville, Calif., spent Dec. 20-21 with Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Tibbits.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Humphrey and children motored to Fort Dick, Calif., Dec. 29 where they were joined the following day by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Goodman and children, Shady Cove; Mr. and Mrs. David Harbison and family, Eagle Point, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Y. Marshall, Brownsboro. The Humphreys returned Dec. 31 while the rest of the party remained until Saturday afternoon.

Ada Bonebrake and children of Roseburg visited with the Don Pulley and the Ray Barrow families from Dec. 30 until Jan. 2. The Bonebrakes are former Eagle Point residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Pulley gave a snow party in honor of their daughter Darla's 11th birthday Dec. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Krambeal and family spent Christmas in North Bend with Keith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Krambeal. Sixteen members of the family were on hand for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ackerman and family moved into their new home in time for Christmas. The Ackermans plan on holding open house

**Schrunk Suggests Ballot Measures**

Portland — (UPI) — Mayor Terry Schrunk wants Portland voters to decide if power dams should be built at the city's Bull Run water system.

Schrunk, in his annual report to the people Monday, also suggested two other ballot measures. One would "update" the city's charter and the other would give Portland standby authority to finance and operate a mass transit system if the need arises.

Schrunk also endorsed a proposal to appear on the May primary ballot which would increase the city's tax base by \$3 million.

**Advisory Board Member Is Named**

W. J. Roderick, 1160 Oak st., Ashland, has been named to the advisory board of Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc., San Rafael, Calif. Robert H. Schnacke, president, has announced.

Among other Oregonians who have been re-elected to the board is Glenn Klein, Medford, Jackson county 4-H agent.

**Small Worlds Around Us**  
By Lynn M. Watkins

**Don't Add To Rabbit's Troubles By Using Ears As Handles**

Recorded history never bothers its scholastic mind about such silly things as who that misguided individual was who first advocated the stupid idea that a live rabbit was supposed to be picked up by the ears.

Probably it was the same person, or one like him, who maintained that everything on the face of this earth, animal, vegetable or mineral, was placed here on this nearly round spinning globe especially for the benefit of man.

Of course, the same individual, as stupid as he was, never followed up his idea and tried lifting a mule the same way, apparently overlooking the fact this creature's ears are also out of proportion with the body.

Picking and lifting a live rabbit up by the ears is cruel. It hurts the rabbit as much as if someone picked a man up the same way.

When in flight, which occurs constantly in rabbit life, this animal must be alert and ready to "run for its life" at the first sign of danger. It must always be able to hear what is going on behind it, for that's where the pursuer is. So the rabbit's ears are laid back on the shoulders in such a position that they pick up the sounds from the rear. When not in full flight the animal's ears are raised, thereby becoming more directional, tuned to sounds coming in from the front or sides.

Fortunately, the rabbit has one single defense against complete annihilation. This one accomplishment alone has kept the race of rabbits more or less plentiful down through the years, in spite of persecution by a wider range of predators than has any other animal. This factor is its phenomenal ability to reproduce itself.

Of all the game animals in this country, the rabbit is the most universally distributed. In places like Australia, where few of his natural enemies are present, the rabbit's numbers have reached almost uncontrollable proportions, as an example of man's bungling with the laws of checks and balances.

Without these natural controls, some species of animal actually can become an enemy even unto itself.

The rabbit folk occupy a little-to-envied position in the world of living animals, for Nature evidently intended it to be food for a host of predators, great and small. It's all the more reason why we, who are always a hundred times larger and stronger than he, should not be so stupid as to add to his multitudinous troubles by picking the poor little guy up by his ears.

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**House Fly Would Become Extinct if Cholesterol Lacking**

By DELOS SMITH  
UPI Science Editor

New York — (UPI) — Human beings may have to diet to lose excess cholesterol, but the house fly would become extinct if there were no cholesterol.

Complete lack of the chemical might affect humans the same way, but that can't be shown in the neat and conclusive way it has been shown for the most pesty of all insects, *musca domestica*, by Ronald E. Monroe, insect scientist employed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in its Beltsville, Md., laboratories.

House flies are never bothered by cholesterol because their body chemistry is incapable of making it or any of the related compounds. This is the reverse of human body chemistry, which makes it readily whether or not it is contained in the diet. But whatever cholesterol the fly gets, it eats.

**No Weakness Found**

Monroe investigated to see if this could be a weakness in the house fly — a weakness that people could use against it.

Despite the efforts of many decades, science has yet to find a weakness in the animal which could be exploited for long as an anti-fly weapon.

He put newly emerged adult flies into screen cages and fed them synthetic foods in order to know the precise chemical nature of everything they ate. Some flies had cholesterol added to this richly nutritional diet, others did not.

When the flies began laying eggs, the eggs were collected and put on moist paper in dishes. Both the eggs which hatched into new flies and those which turned out to be sterile were counted.

The eggs of the flies which had cholesterol in their diet turned out to be 82 to 96 per cent fertile. The eggs of the flies which ate no cholesterol were only five per cent fertile. These fly-babies were reared into egg-laying adulthood, and only about half their eggs were fertile.

**No Effect on Egg-Laying**

When flies which had been getting cholesterol and its related compounds dropped at once, and it kept dropping sharply as the cholesterol-deprivation of the egg-laying flies continued. When cholesterol was restored to their diet, the percentage started going up again and soon reached 83 per cent.

Lack of cholesterol had no effect on egg-laying itself — the flies who got and who didn't get it, laid approximately the same number of eggs. Monroe was impressed that the harmful effect was to the fertility of the egg. He noted that even when the



Delos Smith

**They'll Do It Every Time** By Jimmy Hatlo



**Back Stairs: Will Ike Help Nixon?**

By MERRIMAN SMITH  
White House Reporter

Augusta, Ga. — (UPI) — Now that Vice President Richard M. Nixon looks like a shoo-in for the GOP presidential nomination, politicians will wonder if President Eisenhower will give him jobs to build him up for the campaign next fall.

As long as Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York looked like a rival to Nixon, any presidential assignments for the Vice President would have been viewed with suspicion as a breach of Eisenhower's neutrality pledge.

Since Rockefeller has bowed out, anything the President does to help Nixon now would be regarded merely as a boost to the prospective presidential nominee of his own party.

**Many Assignments**

Eisenhower has given Nixon many assignments, both at home and abroad. The Vice President's good-will missions have taken him to the Far

East, Africa, Latin America and Russia.

While there is no reason to attribute a political motive to the assignment to Russia, the Vice President's climb in the public opinion polls can be dated from that trip last year.

The President seems to have staked out the field of personal diplomacy as his own for this year with trips in the works to the Western summit meeting at Paris, to Russia and to South America.

**To Head Committee**

Nixon has two assignments now which might bring him publicity. He was named by the President to head a committee to discourage racial discrimination in employment by government contractors, and the cabinet committee on economic growth and price stability.

Some Democrats felt that the economic committee would give Nixon a chance to lay out an eye-catching domestic program of his own. Its reports so far, however, have failed to win much attention.

President Eisenhower's year-end trip to Augusta was his 26th to his Georgia holiday retreat since he was elected to the White House in 1952. Thus it easily rates as his favorite vacation spot. While not always warm, its winter temperatures are generally warmer than Washington and Gettysburg, Pa., where he of-

ten goes for week end visits to his farm. And he has ready access to a magnificent golf course that has all the privacy he wants at the Augusta National Golf Club where he is quartered.

**HORN BROOK School Principal Returns**

By KATHERINE CHAPMAN

Hornbrook — School principal and Mrs. Harley Baker and daughter Karen returned Monday afternoon from a holiday vacation spent in Bakersfield, Calif., with her mother, Mrs. Ora McCool, and in Oxnard with her sister and other members of her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watt Jr. and sons Tommie and Ronnie drove to Portland on Saturday where they spend the week end visiting his family and her family. En route home, they visited friends along the Oregon coast, arriving in Hornbrook Monday evening.

Returning from San Francisco Monday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Loren Cummins, who had made a quick week end business trip to the city. While they were away, their son Loren Howard stayed with his friend Lornie Paine in Ft. Jones, and their daughter Jennifer divided her time between her two grandmoth-

**Time Device Holds Bank Safe Closed**

Port Townsend, Wash. — (UPI) — Officials at the First American Bank here were a little red-faced Monday after learning they had miscalculated the automatic timing device on the bank safe when they closed it last Thursday.

The timing mechanism is on the inside of the vault door and officials have no idea when the safe will open. In order to transact business Monday, money was borrowed from the Sequim Bank before the First American Bank here could open its doors.

Officials said it is just a matter of time until the door to the vault will pop open but they had no idea when that will be.

**Ashland Woman Is Creator of Song**

Mrs. Diane Cowdick, 2253 Highway 99, north, Ashland, is creator of the song, "I Want to See Santa," which was published recently by the Nordyke Music Publishing company, Hollywood, Calif.

The company said the song is being displayed in local music stores, and copies of it have been sent to bands and orchestras in this area.

**After Spending the Holiday here with her mother, Mrs. Ida Sloan and brother Lenard Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore and son Gerry left Sunday for their home in Arcata, Calif. Other holiday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Lewis and children of Ashland, Mr. and Mrs. George Sloan of Montague, and Mrs. Chris Shinar of Seiad Valley. Lenard Sloan's band played New Year's Eve for the fireman's ball at Happy Camp. His mother attended the dance, spent the week end in Seiad Valley with her brother, and returned home Sunday.**

Mrs. Fred Mills returned home Monday after spending the week end in Medford with relatives and friends.

Napoleon was promoted to brigade general at the age of 24, after the capture of Toulon from the Royalists in 1793.

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