



**PLANE, CAR CRASH**—Two persons were killed at Compton, Calif., when a small plane struck an auto and crashed into a parking lot. Police said the pilot, one of the victims, apparently suffered a stroke or heart attack and was unconscious before the crash. The plane caught fire after impact, officers said. The driver of the auto also was killed. —(UPI Telephoto)

# Dr. Finch to Take Witness Stand in Trial for Murder

By JACK V. FOX  
Los Angeles — (UPI) — The surgeon with the sincere eyes tells this week his story of how Mrs. Barbara Jean Finch was shot to death.  
Dr. R. Bernard Finch is expected to take the witness stand sometime late today or Wednesday morning to give for the first time his version of his wife's slaying.  
"We have heard a lot of stories in this trial," Finch told this correspondent. "But when you get down to it, I am the only eye witness to what happened. And I am not guilty of what they say I am."  
**Killing Charged**  
What they say is that Finch, 42, and Carole Tregoff, 23, after a two year illicit love affair, killed the doctor's brunette wife because she had tied up all his money — estimated at \$750,000.  
The trial resumed Monday after a postponement since last Tuesday due to the illness of a witness.  
Had Carole remained silent she might not be a trial as a co-defendant.  
Not a single witness so far has even placed Finch's red-haired mistress at the scene of the July 18 slaying outside the cliff-top home in West Covina, Calif.  
**Carried Off**  
But she did admit in two statements that she went with her lover to the Finch home that night and that she carried up the driveway an attache case containing rope, butcher knife, bullets, hypodermic needles and scotch.  
Miss Tregoff, when she was first questioned, neither asked for a lawyer nor claimed her constitutional right not to say anything.  
Authorities in Las Vegas did not advise her of those privileges nor did the prosecuting attorneys or the judge at Finch's preliminary hearings. She was arrested then on a murder charge as she stepped from the stand.  
The judge who presided at that hearing testified, Carole became so emotional during her testimony that day that she had to be helped off the stand and into the judge's chambers where they had a private conversation.  
**Could Be Damaging**  
Defense lawyers from Jerry Giesler's office will argue against admitting into evidence the previous statements that Carole made. They could be most damaging. There are conflicts and omissions — such as the absence of any mention of contacting convict John Patrick Cody in Las Vegas about Mrs. Finch.  
Prosecutor Fred N. Whichello expected to wind up the state's case at noon today. Whichello has said he will seek the gas chamber both for Finch and Miss Tregoff.

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# Woman Injured in Camp Fire Girls

Mrs. Theo Jones, 41, Gold Hill, suffered neck injuries in a three car auto collision early yesterday in 1,000 block of Court st., city police said.  
She was taken to Sacred Heart hospital by Medford Ambulance service.  
Officers reported that a vehicle, driven by Mrs. Anna D. Wright, 1813 North Riverside ave., struck the rear of the car operated by Mrs. Jones' husband, Wilford J. Jones, pushing it into another car driven by Mrs. Gertrude A. Shontz, Gold Hill.  
Police said that Mrs. Wright was given a citation for following too close.  
The mothers with the girls were Mrs. Elwood Hedberg, Mrs. Walter McMahan, and Mrs. Jack Satterlee. A grandmother, Mrs. Ida A. Witton, also was present.  
Judy Hedberg, President  
Salem — (UPI) — British Consul James McDonald, Portland, will represent the British Commonwealth at the Oregon Justice Department's first annual law students day here Wednesday.  
Relatively few eggs are traded now on the New York Mercantile Exchange. But the prices quoted there have been used as the basis for setting producer prices covering a large volume of eggs in many areas.  
Johnson said he hoped that department officials and producer representatives would present at the subcommittee "constructive suggestions for improvements in the egg pricing system."

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# Backstairs: Hotel Helps Ike to Relax

By MERRIMAN SMITH  
UPI White House Reporter  
Washington — (UPI) — Backstairs at the White House: When President Eisenhower was in California last week visiting the home of George E. Allen on the grounds of the La Quinta hotel, the management made a special effort to add to the recreational possibilities for the chief executive.  
Three small lakes on the hotel golf course were stocked with bass or rainbow trout. If the President had any thought of trying his fishing luck, however, it vanished completely when he heard that the bass and trout were biting best on delicatessen bait, liver and cheese.  
Eisenhower is a fishing purist, a confirmed dry fly man. He regards fishing with such stuff as liver and cheese as permissible for very small children, but utterly reprehensible for the adult.  
The announcement that Mrs. Eisenhower would not accompany the President to South America came as no surprise to her friends. In fact, they were most surprised by the original announcement of some weeks ago that she would undertake the gruelling 17,000 miles of air travel.  
Mamie Eisenhower is socially charming, but she is not strong physically. If she had gone to South America, she would not have been able to participate in many aspects of the visit.  
The White House says she still plans to go to Russia in June with the President, but that remains to be seen.  
At the Eldorado Golf club not far from Palm Springs the President last week hit a

terrible drive which one member of the gallery immediately defended.  
"It was a beautiful 300 yard smash," said the man, "one hundred and fifty straight up, 150 straight down."  
White House denials have done little to shake the belief of many Southern Californians that the President is shopping around for a small winter place in the vicinity of Palm Springs.  
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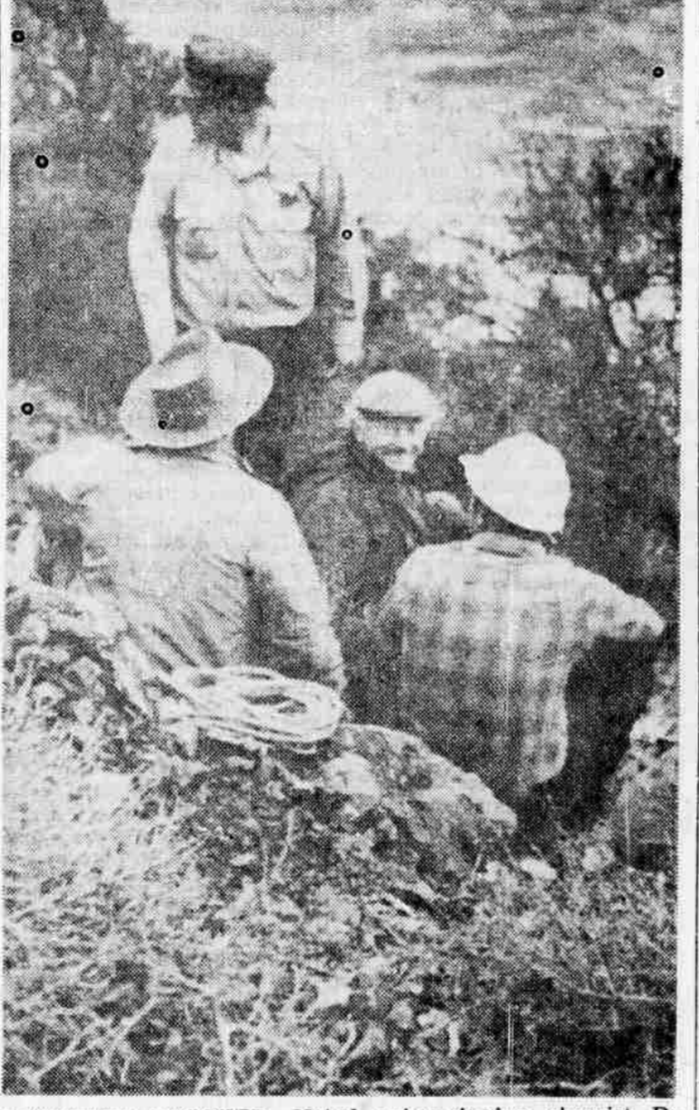
**Trail Blazers**  
The January meeting of the Trail Blazers was held at the home of Mrs. Tom Whittle on Jan. 26. Members talked about the skating party which will be Feb. 11 at Ashland. The club is inviting two other horse clubs to go along on it.  
The group then talked about the parts of a horse and Barbara Beck pointed out the parts on a statue. They discussed what to look for when buying a good saddle horse then learned how to measure the horse.  
Refreshments which were brought by David Hopkins were served and the meeting was adjourned.

# Perfer Mailing Questionnaires

Washington — (UPI) — Rep. Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.) said Monday postcards were being mailed to 131,000 persons in Oregon's Fourth Congressional District asking their opinions on local, national and international topics.  
Porter said he had added a "bonus" question which he hoped would spark a high response. Recipients of the postcards were asked to circle their preference for president, with six Democrats, including Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), and two Republicans listed. Republicans listed were Vice President Richard Nixon and Nelson Rockefeller. Democrats besides Morse were Sens. Hubert Humphrey, Lyndon Johnson, John Kennedy and Stuart Symington, and Adlai Stevenson.

# President Calls for Law Day Observance

Washington — (UPI) — President Eisenhower has called for observance of Law Day on May 1 "to demonstrate to the people of the world that this nation seeks only fairness and justice in its relations with other nations."  
Kodiak, Alaska — (UPI) — The fishing vessel Fearless went down in heavy seas off Kodiak Island Sunday and all four men aboard were drowned, the Coast Guard reported.



**SCIENTIST RESCUED**—Nobel prize-winning chemist Dr. Linus Pauling, center, seated, is pictured amid rescuers on the boulder-strewn slope overlooking the Pacific Ocean (background) near Big Sur, Calif., where he became stranded when he could not renegotiate the terrain he had covered during a stroll. Dr. Pauling, an outspoken critic of nuclear tests, was discovered some 23 hours after he disappeared. He was unharmed. —(UPI Telephoto)

# Industrial Stocks Suffer Wide Decline in January

New York — (UPI) — Industrial stocks suffered their widest January decline in history in the first month of the "Golden Sixties."  
A steady erosion of values for this average brought it down in 15 of the month's 20 sessions. The loss for January amounted to 56.74 points or 8.35 per cent.  
The only monthly decline in all history that exceeded this wide loss was October, 1929 when the average fell 69.94 from a much lower level. That month was the biggest in stock exchange history with sales of 141,668,410 shares, a total never approached since. It was the month the bull market of the 1920s collapsed.  
**Volume Falls Off**  
The past week's volume fell off to a mere 14,005,490 shares, a daily average of 2,801,098 shares, lowest for a full week since Oct. 23. The volume for the previous week was 14,219,090 shares or a daily average of 2,843,818 shares.  
For January the volume was 14,219,090 shares or a below last year's 83,253,414 shares.  
Other sections of the market did well on the week and on the month. Industrials were down 23.23 points on the week to 622.23, a loss of 3.6 per cent. Rails lost 4.03 points to 151.60; utilities lost 0.82 to 85.56, and 65 stocks 6.13 points to 206.42.  
**Rails Hit Low**  
All the leading averages except rails set new lows since Sept. 22. Rails were at their lowest since Dec. 2.

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