



RECORD PENETRATION—It looks like the U.S. Navy's icebreaker Glacier has a job ahead as the vessel inches through a passage in the ice-topped water off Antarctica. The Glacier retreated westward from the Bellinghousen Sea to avoid possibility of being trapped by the heavy ice pack moving in behind it. The Glacier reached the deepest penetration of the Bellinghousen Sea ever made by a ship—71.53 degrees south

latitude and 95.44.2 degrees west longitude—before heading toward the Amundsen Sea area. The previous record penetration was made in 1821 by Russian Capt. Thaddeus Bellinghousen, who reached a latitude of 69 degrees 52 minutes. The Belgian ship Belgica later equalled the mark. Herb Grey, advertising manager of the Medford Mail Tribune, is aboard the Glacier as a guest of the Navy. —(UPI Telephoto)

47 Known Dead, 88 Persons Hurt In Algeria Quake

Setif, Algeria—(UPI)—At least 47 persons were known dead today in the earthquake which shook the rugged mountains of eastern Algeria early Sunday.

The violent earthquake, which was preceded by several minor tremors, toppled hundreds of huts and buried scores of victims in the debris. At least 88 persons were injured.

Saw 'Flash of Light'
Arab villagers said they "heard the mountains roar and saw a blinding flash of light" when the quake started. The terrifying sound of the trembling mountains was the "roar" they heard, but French officials believed the "blinding light" may have been the effects of fear.

The disaster area, centered in the region of Melouza, 100 miles southeast of Algiers, is part of the Mediterranean earthquake belt. About 300 persons were killed in an earthquake that hit the same area 12 years ago.

FLEECE WEIGHT

Helena—Average weight of the fleece snipped from sheep in the United States is about eight or more pounds, according to federal inspection reports, which has a yield upwards of 18 million pounds an average year.

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Italian Government Collapse Expected In Matter of Days

Rome—(UPI)—The Liberals withdrew over the week end from Premier Antonio Segni's shaky parliamentary majority, and it appeared possible today that the government might fall in a matter of days.

The Premier, who is said to be determined to resign, was expected to call a cabinet meeting to decide the future course of his year-old regime. Showdown Sought

The Liberals pulled out of the government bloc in Parliament in an attempt to force a showdown with the left wing of Segni's Christian Democratic party, which has been edging toward an alliance with Pietro Nenni's left wing Socialists.

They want the premier to hold a parliamentary debate in which each party would be asked to clarify its position in Italy's complicated political lineup.

The Liberals have charged that Segni himself is "looking to the left" even though it is the rightist splinter parties in Parliament that have kept him in power.

The premier went today to

ex-Premier Adone Zoli's funeral, and he was expected to accompany the body to Zoli's home town of Predappio in northern Italy. Such a trip would defer action in the political crisis at least until Tuesday.

Police Hold Man On Murder Charge

Vancouver, Wash.—(UPI)—Mrs. Sadie Martin, 36, was shot and killed Sunday and police held her husband, Roger John Martin, 48, on a murder charge.

Detective Capt. Eugene White said Martin called police after the shooting. He said Martin told officers he was tired of his wife's "nagging."

Neighbors reported hearing a shot about 12:45 p.m. Police found that one shell had been fired from a .38 caliber revolver.

Dallas—The U.S. natural gas industry has customers today in 44 of the states.

Senate Might Table Civil Rights Measure In Favor of All-Important Money Bills

Washington—(UPI)—Prospects increased today that the Senate might set aside the civil rights issue temporarily and work on high-priority appropriations bills.

Chairman Carl Hayden (D-Ariz.) of the appropriations committee has said he does not think the civil rights debate should be allowed to block action on the all-important money bills.

The likelihood of an interruption in the hot and heavy Senate civil rights debate arose on the heels of a forecast that the House would pass its own bill by March 15.

Bombs Fall Near Castro's Residence

Havana—(UPI)—An unidentified small plane dropped four bombs near Premier Fidel Castro's beach villa at Cojimar Sunday and escaped. Castro apparently was not in his beach house at the time.

At least three of the bombs were believed to have fallen in the sea. Four loud explosions were heard and a petty officer at the navy radio station in Cojimar Castle said it was believed the "bombs" were mortar shells of the type that explode on contact.

The petty officer said he was one of several military men who opened fire on the mystery plane.

Observers said that the Premier's visits to the Cojimar villa were never announced in advance and that if the attack were staged with the idea of killing him it would be a matter of pure guesswork to find him there.

Washington Fire Destroys Buildings

Vancouver, Wash.—(UPI)—Fire late Sunday night gutted a service station, grocery store and a cafe at Ridgefield Junction on Highway 99 about 16 miles north of here.

The State Patrol said damage was estimated at \$40,000 to \$50,000.

Fire departments from Woodland, Ridgefield and Hazel Dell battled the flames and managed to keep four big gasoline storage tanks from exploding.

Assistant House Republican Leader Leslie C. Arends (Ill.) has predicted that the House would beat down Southern opposition and approve what he called "meaningful" civil rights legislation by mid-March.

Arends' statement strengthened the strategy adopted by Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson (Tex.) of waiting for the House to act first on the touchy election-year issue.

Senate GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen (Ill.), however, has urged that the Senate beat the House to the punch by approving its own bill.

In spite of his apparent

wishes to sidetrack the civil rights action in the Senate until next month, Johnson has announced the Senate would continue the debate, which has bogged down the upper chamber for a week, today—despite the usual procedure of recessing after a Washington's birthday reading of the first president's Farewell Address.

The House met at noon to hear Rep. Charles H. Brown (D-Mo.) read the 7,641-word address on the 228th anniversary of Washington's birth.

Other congressional news: Taxes: It looked as if self-employed persons stood a 50-50 chance of getting a per-

manent break on their income taxes to help them save toward retirement. Prospects rose with the disclosure that the Treasury is modifying its strong stand against a House-passed bill which would permit the self-employed to defer payments on income taxes on certain amounts placed in retirement funds.

Committees: Senate appropriations subcommittees met to consider vote-catching public works appropriations and the budget for the Commerce Department. A House appropriations group met to consider budget requests for the State and Justice departments and the judiciary branch. And

a House space subcommittee scheduled hearings on the appropriation for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Man Fractures Leg In Fall Off Ladder

Shady Cove—Millard Robertson, Shady Cove, fractured his leg recently while tearing down a cabin on Veterans of Foreign Wars property here.

The property was given to the VFW by the late owner, Ben Swindler. The VFW decided the cabin constituted a fire hazard, and wanted the building torn down. Robertson was one of the volunteers. Robertson was working on a ladder when the ladder broke. He will convalesce at home for about three weeks.

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Seven Children Die as Flames Set Off by Blast Raze House

Oberlin, Ohio—(UPI)—Seven young children, five of them from one family, burned to death Sunday night in a flash fire that ripped a single-story frame house here.

Firemen said a defective oil heater, which exploded, trapped the children in the rear three rooms.

Five of the children were those of Mr. and Mrs. James Isom. The others were those

of Mrs. Mary Malone, who is Mrs. Isom's sister.

Firemen said the mothers were watching television in the front room when the blaze broke out. The mothers were taken to Allen Memorial hospital here, where they were treated for shock.

The dead Isom children were Sheila, 8; Linda, 5; Dennis, 3; Marshelle, 18 months, and William, 6 months.

The dead Malone children were Diane, 3, and Martin Jr., 2.

Besides the mothers and their grandmother, Mrs. Sylvia Malone, two four-year-old boys, one from each family, escaped unharmed.

Mrs. Isom's husband, an Oberlin village employee, has been in jail since November for traffic manslaughter.

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