

Chessman Loses Another Round

San Rafael, Calif. — (UPI) — Caryl Chessman lost another round in his 12-year legal battle to escape the gas chamber but his attorneys said today they would continue the fight.

Superior Judge Jordan Martinelli rejected a petition for a writ of habeas corpus Wednesday and refused to stay Chessman's ninth date with the gas chamber, now scheduled for May 2.

Attorney George T. Davis said he would file an original petition for a writ of habeas corpus with the District Court of Appeals or the State Supreme Court by Monday, if possible. He said it would contain basically the same allegations as those argued Wednesday.

Davis added that, if necessary, he would go to the U.S. Supreme Court—which has denied Chessman appeals on nearly a score of occasions.

Wernmark Submits His Resignation

The resignation of K. C. (Swede) Wernmark as organizational chairman for the Jackson county Democratic central committee has been accepted by the central committee's executive committee.

Wernmark's resignation was submitted last week to become effective April 1, but it was refused and the chairman agreed to continue the position for an additional 30 days.

He said he wished to resign because of business and personal reasons, as well as disagreement on policy matter.



CABLE CAR RUNS WILD—This is the path a runaway cable car took when it went hurtling down a Washington st. hill in San Francisco. It was unmanned and narrowly missed scores of school children and damaged six cars. Police officer John Scannell jumped aboard the car and braked it to a stop. The rear trucks of the cable car had left the tracks and it swung from side to side as it rolled along.

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—(UPI Telephoto)

Western Unions Map Cooperation

San Francisco — (UPI) — The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union and the Western Conference of Teamsters met here Wednesday to set up a program of permanent close cooperation.

Both unions have been expelled from the AFL-CIO, the teamsters for corruption and the ILWU for Communist influence. The once bitter competitors resolved to combine forces in handling their problems and settle disputes by a joint committee.

The meeting was attended by ILWU President Harry

Bridges, teamster leader Einar O. Mohn, and five other officials from each union.

The two labor groups, who together control almost all dock and warehouse jobs on the Pacific Coast, immediately began a survey of automation's effect on the industry.

A research staff was assigned to develop a plan through which the two unions can "keep abreast of mechanical and technological advancements."

One-half the earth's surface has less than three people per square mile.

4-H Club News

4-H Forestry Club
The Phoenix Brush Busters 4-H club held their monthly meeting at the home of Jackie Tuggle March 26. We spent part of the meeting working on a conservation play we are going to put on in the near future. Our leader, Lawson Scott, gave us a test on trees. Refreshments were served.

Billy Bagley, Reporter.

IRS MAN DIES
Washington — (UPI) — Charles A. Oliphant, 51, former chief counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, died at his home Tuesday.

Underworld Claimed Threatening Coin Machine Industry

Washington — (UPI) — The Senate Rackets Committee reported today that "underworld infestation," amounting to "hoodlum control" in some areas, threatens to permeate the nation's coin machine industry.

Especially in operation of juke boxes, pin-ball games and cigarette vending machines, the committee said, the industry has been victimized by "an astounding number of racketeers" who use "subversive" labor union locals as their instrument of domination.

"During the past two decades almost every infamous criminal in America has held interest in some segment of coin machine operations," the committee said.

The committee made the statements in the last installment of an 883-page report on its three-year investigation of labor and management misdeeds. This was to have been the panel's final report, but a dispute over how to continue its work might give the committee a new lease on life.

Attack Teamsters' Leaders
In today's report the committee leveled new charges against its primary union target — the giant Teamsters Union.

Describing how union labels and union activities have been used to aid "criminal domination" of coin machine ventures, the committee said the Teamsters Union "has become the preferred affiliation for such racket locals" because it controls deliveries to most locations.

The committee also noted that the wives of Teamster President James R. Hoffa and his close friend, Bert Brennan, received a total of \$6,000 from the payroll of a Detroit juke box local. The committee said it put "little credence" in grand jury testimony that the money was repayment of a loan.

The committee also criticized the activities of William E. Buffalino, nominated by Hoffa Wednesday to serve on the court-appointed board of monitors which is overseeing a clean-up of the teamsters.

Much Money Involved
In a statement released with the report, Chairman John L. McClellan (D-Ark.) said the nation's 500,000 juke boxes "have brought in over \$300 million in cash over each of the last several years."

McClellan said the prominence of Buffalino, whom he described as "a teamster official, in the racket-infested coin machine business in Detroit," only shows the "incongruity" of Buffalino's nomination by Hoffa to the monitors.

The committee said, "criminals have used captive labor union locals as weapons to dominate various parts of the industry. They have had little trouble in obtaining locals for their own use."

It added, "management has knowingly used criminals to increase its sales. It has condoned the resulting violence and mayhem as a liability of the business."

A new vinyl carpeting is said to be proof against weather and marking.

Service Station Blast Kills Five

Auburn, N. Y. — (UPI) — A gasoline explosion killed five persons Wednesday night at a downtown service station where firemen were checking reports of a gas leak.

Three victims were firemen. Two firemen received minor injuries and a hospital reported at least one other person was injured.

The cinder block station was torn apart by the blast from an underground fuel storage tank, and windows were shattered throughout the area.

A movie theater next door escaped damage because of its reinforced concrete walls, a fire official told United Press International. A usual weeknight audience of 300 to 400 persons was in the theater, but there was no panic.

The explosion also ruptured the natural gas feeder line running to the station. It was permitted to burn until firemen could dig through the rubble and find the cutoff valve.

The dead were identified as station owner Walter Ockenfels; fire Lt. Alfred Murphy, fireman John F. Searing, 27, and Anthony T. Contrera, and station employee John Bell, all of Auburn.

U. S. SETTLE CLAIMS
Washington — (UPI) — The United States has agreed to settle long-standing claims against Romania for about 41 cents on the dollar and to exchange information on possible trade expansion. In an agreement signed here Wednesday, the United States accepted \$24,526,370 for claims by Americans which the U.S. foreign claims settlement commission valued at \$6 million.

Medford Firm Low Bidder on Lights

Trowbridge and Flynn Electric company was the apparent low bidder for installation of traffic signals in Grants Pass at Sixth and I sts., and Seventh and H sts., according to the Oregon Highway commission.

Trowbridge and Flynn's bid was \$6,780. Contracts will be awarded April 21 for the job, which is one of 26 projects for which bids were opened this week.

The Falkland Islands of the South Atlantic experience winds of gale force every five or six days.

Navy To Close Bremerton Yards

Washington — (UPI) — The Navy said Wednesday it will shut down its naval base at Bremerton, Wash., and its naval station at Seattle, Wash., by June 30.

As a result of the closing, 46 civilian jobs will be abolished, the Navy said, and 298 other civilians, all at Seattle, will be transferred to the naval supply depot in that city.

The Navy added it would do all it could to help the 46 civilians losing jobs find other employment.

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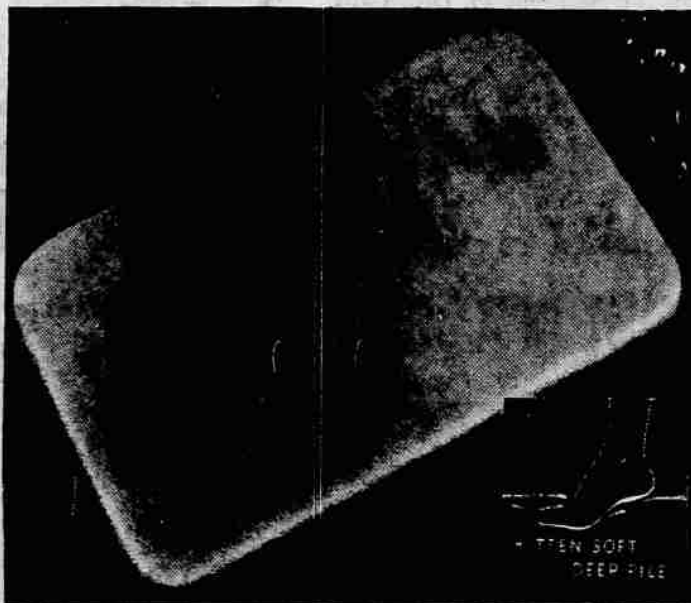
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