



**CRASH KILLS 16 CHILDREN**—The front half of an ill-fated school bus in which 16 children died is examined by Lynn Kendel, 14. The front section of the bus, sliced by a freight train, was carried a quarter of a mile from the point of impact. (UPI Telephoto)

## Toll in School Bus Crash Reaches 17

Lamont, Alta. — (UPI) — The death toll in the collision of a crowded school bus and a freight train at an unguarded crossing rose to 17 today and a doctor said it may go to 20. The latest victim, an unidentified girl, died from the effects of a brain injury. Hospital officials said there was "no change" in the condition of nine other students and the bus driver, all listed in serious condition and some of whom were described as "on the brink of death."

Sixteen children — 13 of them girls — were killed Tuesday when a 30-car freight smashed into the school bus carrying 42 children to morning classes and scattered "books and bodies like popcorn" along a half-mile section of track.

Dr. M. A. Young, administrator of the 100-bed Archer Memorial hospital here, said Tuesday night that of the 25 injured at least 10 were in serious condition and several were in "very critical condition." He said he feared the death toll would be higher.

Only one occupant of the bus, 16-year-old Johnny Winnick, escaped injury in the shattering crash that occurred just 300 yards from the safety of the school.

The crash was heard by many of the town's 652 inhabitants and brought them to the scene on the run.

Dozens of women, many of them mothers of the victims, cried hysterically while police and rescue teams worked for two hours to remove the dead and injured from the yellow 1954 model school bus.

## Union Official Urged As Secretary of Labor

Washington — (UPI) — A top labor leader said today after a visit with President-elect John F. Kennedy that he believes Kennedy should appoint a union official as his secretary of labor.

Joseph Keenan, a vice president of the AFL-CIO and secretary of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, also predicted that Kennedy would not fill the labor post until after he can talk with AFL-CIO President George Meany who returns from Europe Dec. 10. Keenan said that Meany plans to set up a committee of labor officials to consider a list of eligible men for a labor secretary and make recommendations to Kennedy.

Keenan, who has been mentioned for the labor post, said that his statements were not based on any information obtained from Kennedy during their brief chat at Kennedy's home today. He said that neither he nor Kennedy brought up the subject of any cabinet appointments.

He was one of five callers on Kennedy's appointment list for the day. The others were Sen. George A. Smathers, a close associate of the president-elect; Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, (D-N.Y.), who will be chairman of the House Labor and Education Committee, and James M. Landis, New York, who is conducting a study of regulatory agencies for Kennedy.

The fifth caller was John G. W. Mahanna, a World War II Navy friend of Kennedy who is now county editor of the Berkshire Eagle at Pittsfield, Mass.

Mahanna was standing outside the Kennedy home with newsmen Tuesday when Kennedy spotted him and asked him to call today. Mahanna said it was a social call.

Smathers, who breakfasted with the president-elect, reported that the selection of top members of the new administration is proceeding slowly because Kennedy is seeking the best qualified men rather than the most prominent.

seven tries and average one fox called up for every two hours of hunting. Nearly half came within 50 feet of him, and some within 10 feet.

## De Gaulle's Nuclear Plans Turned Down

Paris — (UPI) — The French Senate today rejected President Charles de Gaulle's plan for an independent nuclear striking force for the second time in three weeks.

The Senate voted 182-84 against the project, which twice since Oct. 25 has been the subject of a vote of confidence in the National Assembly — parliament's lower house.

The vote this time closely matched the 186-73 count against the project in the Senate Nov. 10.

Rejection by the Senate does not kill the bill. If the Senate had approved it, it would have become law. Now, however, it goes back to the National Assembly. If it is passed there a third time, it automatically becomes law.

De Gaulle, meanwhile, decided to visit Algeria early in December despite warnings from his generals and ministers that such a trip would be dangerous. He was reported determined to force opposition to his Algeria policy into the open.

## Fox Hunting Gets Encouragement

St. Paul, Minn. — (UPI) — The Minnesota Conservation Department, plagued by a steady increase of the little predators, is out to encourage fox hunting.

And to help its cause, the department sent a biologist out to experiment with fox calling. He found out it works.

Calling proved most successful in April, May and July during the last four hours of daylight. The researcher called up 73 foxes in a series of 401 fifteen-minute calls.

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Chairman Keenan "believing for Mr. Kennedy's good progress" is being made in selecting top officials for Kennedy reported that his new administration.



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## Market Continues To Show Decline

New York — (UPI) — The stock market continued to decline today.

The wider losses were registered by the pivotals, while stocks outside of the averages ranged from steady to slightly higher.

Jersey Standard eased to a new low, as did Bethlehem in the steels. Youngstown dropped more than a half and U.S. Steel a small fraction.

### DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York — (UPI) — Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 602.40, off 3.03; 20 railroads 129.37, off 0.21; 15 utilities 95.57, off 0.07, and 85 stocks 200.71, off 0.68. Sales Tuesday were about 3.63 million shares compared with 3.88 million shares Monday.

Tuesday's prices on selected stocks	
Allied Chemical	49 1/2
Alum. Co. Am.	41 1/2
American Can	31 1/2
American Motors	19 1/2
A. T. & T.	95 1/2
Amoco Copper	45 1/2
Armco Steel	64 1/2
Bendix Corp.	63 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	28 1/2
Boeing Air	37 1/2
Caterpillar Corp.	30 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	39
Continental Can	32 1/2
Crown Zellerbach	49 1/2
Curtis Wright	16
Dow Chemical	75
Du Pont	108 1/2
Eastman Kodak	109 1/2
Firestone	35 1/2
General Electric	75 1/2
General Foods	68 1/2
General Motors	41 1/2
Georgia Pacific	45 1/2
Greyhound	40
Gulf Oil	30 1/2
Homestake Mining	48 1/2
Idaho Power	49 1/2
I.B.M.	58
Int. Paper	98
Johns Manville	54 1/2
Kennecott Copper	70
Graham Paige	17 1/2
Montana Power	29
Montgomery Ward	27 1/2
Natl. Bus. Serv.	78 1/2
New York Central	15 1/2
Pac. Gas & Elec.	68 1/2
Penn. P. C.	42 1/2
Penn. RR	11 1/2
Radio Corporation	57 1/2
Richfield Oil	35 1/2
Safeway	30 1/2
Sears	40 1/2
Shell Oil	35 1/2
Socony Mobil Oil	38 1/2
Southern Co.	48 1/2
Southern Pacific	18 1/2
Standard California	46
Standard Indiana	34 1/2
Standard N.J.	34 1/2
Sun. Mines	7 1/2
Texas Co.	8 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulfur	17 1/2
Texas Pac. Land Trust	17
Transamerica	23 1/2
Trans. World Air	11 1/2
Tri-Continental	30 1/2
Union Carbide	118 1/2
Union Pacific	27 1/2
United Aircraft	30 1/2
United Air Lines	33 1/2
U. S. Rubber	42 1/2
U. S. Steel	72 1/2
Youngstown S & T	88 1/2

## Woman Indicted On Political Libel

Hillsboro — (UPI) — The Washington county grand jury Tuesday indicted Mrs. Audrey Henry, Portland, on a charge of political criminal libel arising out of the recent election campaign.

She was the fifth person indicted because of material circulated against Monroe Sweetland, Democratic candidate for secretary of state who was defeated in the election.

Four persons, indicted in Portland earlier, won a two week extension Tuesday before entering pleas.



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