

Would-Be Bandits Walk Into Police Trap at New York Zoo

Foreign Briefs

ATTEMPTS TO BLOW UP BERLIN WALL CHARGED
 Berlin — (UPI) — East Berlin Communist Prosecutor Peter Przybylski charged Tuesday night there were seven Western attempts to blow up the Berlin wall between January and July of this year. He said more than 100 violent acts were committed against the barrier from Feb. 1 to June 30.

12 NATIONS REPRESENTED BY 98 AIRPLANES
 Salonica, Greece — (UPI) — Ninety-eight planes from 12 nations were on hand among the estimated 200 pilots participating in the rally sponsored by the European Air Federation.

TOLL IN ECUADOR BUS WRECK PLACED AT 36
 Quito, Ecuador — (UPI) — A final report on Saturday's inter-urban bus wreck near Guayllabamba placed the toll of the accident today at 36 persons killed and 8 injured. Because of the ruggedness of the country in which the bus wreck occurred, it took search parties four days to locate the last of the victims.

BETSY BLAIR TO MARRY LONDON DIRECTOR
 London — (UPI) — American actress Betsy Blair, former wife of dancer Gene Kelly, said today she will marry London film director Karel Reisz here Thursday.

Electronics Fare Better as Stocks Narrowly Mixed

New York — (UPI) — Stocks were narrowly mixed today. Motors, chemicals and steels all were narrow and showed minor price changes in both directions. Electronics fared better with IBM up nearly 4 and Texas Instruments and Electronic Associates up at least 1 each.

Tung-Sol Electric tacked on nearly 5 after Parolator offered to buy 200,000 of the company's common shares at \$22 each. Parolator was off about 1/2.

Barber Oil and Kerr McGee rose at least 1 each in the oils. Xerox was up close to 4.

DOW JONES AVERAGES

New York — (UPI) — Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 Industrials 732.02, up 2.70; 20 railroads 176.28, up 0.48; 15 utilities 144.23, up 0.27, and 65 stocks 263.01, up 0.48. Sales

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Army Band, Chorus To Give Concert

The U.S. Army field band and Soldiers' chorus from Washington, D.C., will present a free concert in Medford Thursday, Sept. 12, at 8 p.m.

The program will be held in the Medford High school football stadium under the auspices of the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce, School District 549C, and the Medford Recreation department.

The 100-piece band is directed by Maj. Robert L. Bierly, which will play popular, classical and military numbers. Special 11:1 Seven Eugene W. Coughlin is director of the chorus.

Both the band and chorus were organized in 1946. Since that time they have appeared in all 50 states, Europe and in the Far West.

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Masquerade Fools Thugs Attempting To Steal Receipts

New York (UPI)—The ice cream vendor carried a revolver under his white jacket. The street cleaners pushed a container on wheels with a shotgun inside. The taxi driver wore a bulletproof vest, and the animal keepers conferred by walkie-talkie radio.

To the casual eye, there was nothing out of the ordinary in the scene at the Bronx Zoo up until 11:05 a.m. Tuesday.

But at 11:05 the peaceful atmosphere was shattered and the zoo became a jungle setting for human violence.

75 Shots Fired

In a gun battle lasting five minutes and 75 shots, three would-be bandits lost out in their attempt on a \$50,000 bundle of holiday receipts. They were ambushed by the ice cream vendors, street cleaners, animal keepers—and other disguised members of a 50-man platoon of policemen.

The battle left one bandit dead and another critically wounded. A third was captured after a futile escape attempt in a getaway car.

The police trap was organized after detectives received a tip that a zoo truck carrying cash receipts would be held up.

Wore Armored Vests

The truck's driver, wearing a khaki zoo uniform, was Detective Kenneth Ford. Another detective, Philip Dennehy, sat next to him, and four others crouched in the back. All wore armored vests.

At 11:05, two men stepped out of the trees with guns drawn. "They said to us 'This is a stick-up. Get your hands up and get off that truck,'" Ford said.

"The man on my side fired point blank at me. I could hear bullets whiz by."

"I ducked low and jumped down. We all piled out of the truck and the battle was on. I managed to get off six shots. They headed for the road right where more of our men were waiting behind the rocks. We all blasted away."

Former Convict Killed

Killed was the bandit who fired the opening shot, 24-year-old former convict Harry Potak. Richard Messina, 26, fell critically wounded. Their getaway driver, Michael Viggiano, 27, managed to reach the car and get through the exit, but was stopped three blocks away by a "taxi" carrying detectives.

The truck actually carried only a "nominal" amount of cash, police said.

City Police Check Three Accidents

Medford city police investigated three vehicular accidents Tuesday. Two drivers were cited, officers said, but no injuries were reported.

Tresa Caroline Sauve, 18, of 1917 Marsh lane, was cited for failure to yield the right of way after the car which she was operating collided with a vehicle driven by Calvin Theodore Gartin, of 2792 East McAndrews rd, about 2:35 p.m. at Fourth and Bartlett sts.

Johnny William Johnson, 17, of 103 Mistletoe st., was cited for violation of basic rule after he lost control of his motor scooter on a turn, ran onto the sidewalk and struck a parking meter about 8:55 p.m. Tuesday on Fir st. between Main and Eighth sts.

Kenneth Henry Paulson, 1699 Grand ave., reported to police that his car was damaged by an unknown vehicle about 3:55 a.m. Tuesday while it was parked on 13th st. between Central ave. and Front st.

Civil Defense Seeks Radio Engineer

Salem — (UPI) — Oregon's civil defense agency today is looking for a radio engineer.

The CD radio technician resigned last Friday. The agency has "borrowed" the services of a State Forestry department radio man for an hour a day to keep up with maintenance of the civil defense communications equipment.

Recruitment is being handled by the state civil service agency, and agency director Melvin Cleveland said "recruitment will continue until the position is filled."

The 1963 legislature slashed the state CD agency from an 18-member staff to 10 by December staff.

Dr. Spangler Pitches Suit in Multnomah

Portland (UPI) — Dr. Harry Semler has filed suit in Multnomah County Circuit Court to set aside the sale of his dental offices in Portland, Salem and Eugene.

Tornadoes, Heavy Rain Hit Midwest, East

By United Press International
 A cool front pushed heavy thunderstorms eastward across the Great Lakes region today after tornadoes ripped across Pennsylvania and New York.

Other twisters spun down Tuesday from storm clouds over the Great Plains but the most serious damage was at St. Mary's, Pa., where 20 persons were injured and damage estimates rose to \$1 million.

Nearly 3 inches of rain fell at Philadelphia during the night and more than 1 1/4 inches fell at Wilmington, Ohio.

The tornado at St. Mary's damaged between 100 and 150 buildings, smashed utility poles and uprooted trees. A moving tractor-trailer was hurled in the air and spun around four times.

Four persons were hospitalized, but no fatalities were reported. A state trooper said the twister

churned through timberland and left a path of trees stacked "10 feet high."

Red Cross and volunteer workers swarmed into the city to aid residents whose homes were destroyed.

Authorities said injuries could have been worse had not children been in school, men at work, and mothers indoors because of the rain when the twister struck.

At Pendleton, in western New York, the Weather Bureau said a tornado smashed a tool shed and lifted a 500-pound tractor five feet in the air and hurled it 30 feet. A barn also was damaged.

Another tornado struck in the wide-open range country of northwestern North Dakota. The Weather Bureau said a funnel cloud was sighted in northwest Kansas but did not touch down.

A tornado warning was posted for Nebraska but was withdrawn when the damaging winds failed to materialize.

The Weather Bureau said cooler air would settle across the northeastern portion of the

nation during the day. More thundershowers were on tap for the Mississippi Valley and Southern Plains.

Bible Read at School Opening

Lancaster, Pa. — (UPI) — The first Lancaster county school to start classes this fall opened Tuesday with a reading from the Bible and the recitation of the Lord's Prayer despite the recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling declaring such practices unconstitutional.

Dr. Harry Gerlach, county school superintendent, said he sent all school board secretaries a notice of the Supreme Court ruling three weeks ago.

He said he advised the boards to abide by the court decision but left it up to each board whether to obey or ignore the court ruling in their districts.

Gerlach said he had no request from the Pennsylvania Department of Public Instruction to report any school continuing to read the Bible in class.

Thant Asks Full Israeli-Syrian Border Report

United Nations, N. Y. — (UPI) — Secretary General Thant moved for a full report on the Israeli-Syrian border situation following Russia's veto of Security Council action in the latest flareup between the two Middle East neighbors.

Soviet Ambassador Nikolai T. Fedorenko used Russia's 101st veto late Tuesday — the first Soviet veto since June 22, 1962 — to kill a U. S.-British resolution implicitly condemning Syria for the "wanton murder" of two Israeli farmers Aug. 19 near the Sea of Galilee.

The slayings were followed by some ground clashes and an aerial dog fight between Israeli and Syrian forces. Both Israel and Syria complained to the United Nations, each charging the other with aggression.

Report on Machinery
 Thant agreed at the end of Tuesday's debate to obtain a full report on the operation of the UN truce supervision machinery along the Israeli-Syrian frontier.

In Jerusalem Tuesday, Israel charged that Jordanian troops had killed a 60-year-old Israeli laborer near the village of Ein Karem, west of Jerusalem.

Only Morocco, which sought unsuccessfully to amend the resolution to take the onus off Syria, voted with Russia against the measure. Venezuela abstained and the other eight members voted affirmatively.

Holiday Traffic Toll Sets Mark

By United Press International
 More Americans than ever before met death on the nation's highways during the Labor Day week end, final statistics showed today.

The traffic death toll of 554 exceeded all previous records for both three-day and four-day summer holidays.

The casualty breakdown for the 78-hour holiday starting at 6 p.m. Friday and ending at midnight Monday showed that traffic accounted for 359 deaths, drownings left 67 dead, 9 died in boating accidents, 6 in airplanes and 72 from miscellaneous causes for a total of 513.

For the third straight holiday, Americans flocked onto crowded highways to set records.

During the 102-hour Memorial Day week end, 525 persons died in traffic accidents to set a short-lived mark for a summer holiday. A new record was set during the Independence Day week end, when 536 Americans died in highway smashups.

The Labor Day toll also exceeded the National Safety Council's pre-holiday estimate that from 430 to 520 persons would die in traffic mishaps.

ON CRUISE

Chief Machinist's Mate Robert P. Ross, son of Mrs. Amy E. Ross, 1035 Fourth ave., Gold Hill, is serving aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Enterprise in the course of a six-month deployment with the Sixth fleet in the Mediterranean.

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Probe Pushed in La Grande Slaying

La Grande — (UPI) — City police here today continued to question possible suspects in the Sunday slaying of Maggie Haymon, 57, at her home.

City police chief Oliver E. Reeve said he had questioned four suspects and that the investigation was continuing.

"We're putting bits and pieces together," he said.

Reeve said Tuesday night an autopsy revealed the woman had not been criminally assaulted.

Mrs. Haymon was beaten with a liquor bottle and strangled with an electric cord from a hot plate, according to Union county medical examiner Dr. J. Randall Sloop.

The woman was found late Sunday by a neighbor, Isaac Lowe.

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