

Bullet Clue In Shooting Of Union Man

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., May 21 (AP)—A bullet recovered from an upholstered chair gave sheriff's investigators a clue Thursday in the wounding of James Price, 32, AFL farm labor union leader.

Sheriff's ballistics experts said the bullet, found in the chair in Price's home, was of foreign type, nine millimeters, probably from a German Luger or Walther pistol.

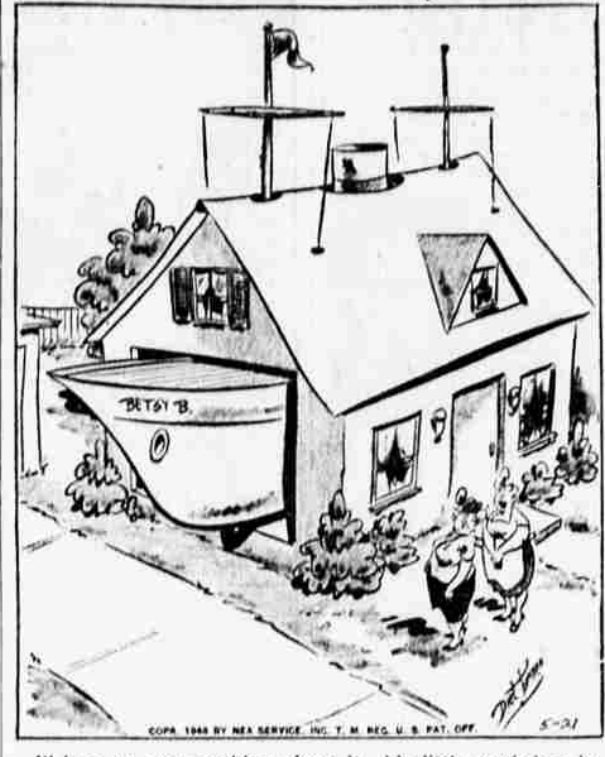
Price was shot in the head Monday night when a fusillade was fired into his home while he and other unionists were holding a meeting. Hospital attendants reported his condition was fair today.

Price is president of Local 218 of the union and chairman of a committee leading a strike for union recognition at the Di Giorgio farms at nearby Arvin.

Gov. Earl Warren, who previously ordered an investigation of the crime by the state attorney general's office, today in Sacramento announced that a \$1,000 reward would be posted for information leading to arrest of the person who shot Price if the union official dies.

The governor said that if it were legally possible he would not condition the reward upon the death of Price.

CARNIVAL By Dick Turner



"I hate to say anything about it—his little workshop is the only recreation he has!"

Great-Great-Great-Great Grandmaw Waits Birthday

LYMAN, Wash., May 21 (AP)—An Irish-born great-great-great-great grandmother is waiting quietly at her home here for her 114th birthday June 6.

She is "Grandma" Frankie Lockaby, who recalls hearing the rumble of Civil War cannon while living in the Georgia hills.

Her children to the seventh generation scattered throughout the United States testify to her age.

"Grandma" Lockaby had 16 sons and daughters and one of the daughters had 14 offspring. Her grandchildren have great grandchildren.

"Grandma" came across country from Georgia recently in an automobile. She plans to spend her remaining days in this little Northwest Washington town where her time is spent mostly quilting—without the aid of glasses.

Jet Inventor Money Shy

LONDON, May 21 (AP)—The royal commission on awards will meet next week for the task of persuading a reluctant inventor to accept about 50,000 pounds (\$200,000).

The man who hesitates to take the cash, tax free, is Air Commodore Frank Whittle, holder of a number of basic patents for jet propulsion and gas turbine engines.

Whittle has been seeking recognition, not cash. He feels it would be improper for him to claim a monetary reward because he developed his inventions while serving as an officer of the crown.

"But of course if the crown takes the initiative there may be another aspect to the case," he conceded.

Northwest Has Freak Show Of Weather Conditions

By The Associated Press

A cloudburst, flash floods, tornado funnel and a wave of warm weather gave Pacific Northwest residents a liberal sprinkling of the "unusual" yesterday.

The good part—the warm weather—will be repeated today, the weather bureau said.

While many Oregon and Washington cities racked up new high temperatures for the year, Central Washington was experiencing some of Mother Nature's freaks.

A sudden cloudburst at Rock Island sent a stream of water over a 200-foot cliff and buried the Great Northern railroad tracks and state highway No. 19 under 15 feet of mud and rocks.

Yakima valley residents watched for 20 minutes as a tornado funnel spun harmlessly overhead.

Both the highway and railroad tracks were cleared for traffic late last night, spokesmen said. The Great Northern's eastbound streamliner was delayed at Wenatchee more than two hours while line crews repaired 100 feet of track that had been torn out or buried.

Weather bureau officials said the Yakima tornado was the first ever observed in the valley. The bottom of the funnel never came closer to the ground than 2500 feet.

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Fertilizer Making Seen

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—Rep. Norblad (R-Ore.) predicted today that congress will pass legislation under which the commerce department would furnish material for making fertilizer at the Salem, Ore., fertilizer plant.

The plant, constructed by the government, recently was sold to the Columbia Metals Co., by the war assets administration, but Norblad said it was forced to close because of inability to obtain materials.

The representative said he believed congress will approve his bill inserting in the present law authority for the department to control basic fertilizer material (nitrogenous compounds).

The department now has authority to control only the finished product.

"Under my bill," Norblad said in a statement, "the department of commerce would direct that a certain part of this base material go to fertilizer which would be for export.

The effect of this would be to make available more than enough fertilizer for our foreign commitments and in turn a much larger amount for our farmers. We hope that this will give us a sufficient allotment to reopen our Salem plant."

Norblad said that house committees agreed his proposal is the best solution for the present shortage of base materials for fertilizer.

Doctor To Pay Damages

OKLAHOMA CITY, May 21 (AP)—A yard of gauze and a safety pin left inside a patient after an operation are worth \$1200 damages from an Oklahoma City surgeon, a district court jury decided here yesterday.

The jury overrode medical testimony, from as far away as Harvard university, that the materials could not have caused a second cancer for Thomas F. Winston, McAlester, Okla., contractor.

Winston, the plaintiff and patient, said Dr. Raymond L. Murdoch left a yard of gauze sponge, a safety pin and a hemostat inside him. He sued for \$84,000.

Dr. Murdoch conceded the gauze and pin were taken out in a second operation seven weeks later, but denied the hemostat was in the collection. A hemostat is a scissors-like clamp used to block blood vessels in a major operation.

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