

GANGLAND BULLETS FLY IN LA

In The Day's News

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PRESIDENT TRUMAN, addressing Shriners at their diamond jubilee in Chicago, gives us a quick picture of what's wrong with the world. He puts it this way:

"After the signing of the United Nations charter and the collapse of Japan, the peace for which the world had prayed didn't come—it didn't come."

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"Now it is absolutely necessary that we assume the leadership among the democracies of the world, so that there will be enough FORCE in the world to maintain the peace."

HE makes two points that are interesting:

1. There must be FORCE on the side of peace if peace is to prevail.
2. Russia makes agreements for the purpose of BREAKING them.

As to his first point, here is a searching question:

Why do you obey the law—when you do?

Is it because obedience to law is RIGHT? Or do you obey the law because there might be a cop around?

IT'S a little of both, of course. But the cop has a lot to do with it. You hit a long straight stretch of road. You're in a hurry. How about hitting it up over the speed limit? You look around. If there is no cop in sight, you drop down on the throttle. If there is a cop around, you restrain yourself.

Isn't that about the way of it? THE law is the law. Force or no force, it is RIGHT. But it needs the cop to make it work. Peace is peace. It is RIGHT, in itself. But force is needed to make it work.

You can talk yourself hoarse to the contrary, but that stubborn fact remains.

NOW for Mr. Truman's second point: When the war ended, we had an ally whose habit it is and has been to make agreements for the purpose of breaking them.

Has no experience teaches us to be wary about people like that. People whose word is no good are bad people to be in business with. If circumstances compel you to associate with such cattle, you keep your fingers crossed and take no chances.

In dealing with Russia, we didn't keep our fingers crossed. Filled with admiration for her fighting qualities, we went ALL OUT for her. It wasn't just President Roosevelt. We ALL went overboard for the hard-fighting Russians.

It wasn't wise. It is NEVER WISE to go all out for a man who doesn't keep his word.

IN his Chicago talk, the President is hard-headed and realistic. He has no illusions. It takes force, he says, to make peace work. When you deal with somebody who doesn't keep his word, you get into trouble. That's good, hard common sense.

IT'S equally hard sense that when a man or a nation spends persistently more than is taken in, he (or it) is in for bad trouble. I wish Mr. Truman could see that fundamental fact as clearly as he sees the need for force to keep the peace and the unwisdom of dealing tolerantly and apparently with a nation that doesn't keep its agreements.

IN Chicago, President Truman spoke off the cuff. I like him best when he does it that way. I wouldn't go across the street to hear the biggest man in the world make a speech that somebody else had written. If I'm going to sit on a hard seat and listen to somebody talk, I want him to speak his own thoughts in his own words.

QUESTION

SAVANNAH, Ga., July 20 (AP)—A blind man bought a camera yesterday from George Gillins, Savannah photo shop owner.

The man came in, asked for a camera he could aim by sound, found one he liked and bought it.

"I was too flabbergasted to ask what he intended to do with the pictures," said Gillins.

Administration Opens Fight For Brannan Plan Trial Run

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—The administration opened its house battle for a trial run Brannan farm subsidy program today by calling on democrats not to be led astray by the collusive combination of republican controlled farm organizations and Dixiecrats.

The house convened two hours earlier than usual to open the bitter farm battle.

It saw some of President Truman's best friends on Capitol Hill joining a democratic-republican coalition bent on beating his farm bill.

Rep. Gore (D-Tenn.), usually an administration stalwart but now leading the opposition, drew the battle line with a substitute bill that proposes to kill the Brannan plan trial run. He proposes to continue the present farm program into 1950.

Rep. Sabath (D-Ill.) led off for the administration with the talk of a "collusive combination." He called the substitute "this mongrel Gore bill."

The Illinois member, chairman of the house rules committee, declared the administration bill would relieve "the consumer of unconscionably high food prices," while protecting farmers' incomes.

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Fire Sweeps Between—Lakes Ridge

Feeder Line Air Service Here Talked

Klamath Falls prepared today to make a vigorous fight for continuation of adequate air service to metropolitan centers both north and south of here, at a hearing scheduled by the civil aeronautics board at San Francisco August 1.

The aviation committee of the chamber of commerce met this morning to outline the steps to be taken in connection with a CAB investigation of the advisability of cancelling United Air Lines main-line service to Klamath and substituting feeder line service.

The committee decided to stand staunchly on a policy calling for fast, direct service to the metropolitan points, without specifying which companies it would prefer to operate the service.

CAB has indicated thus far it is considering permitting Southwest Airways to operate into Klamath from the south, but has not hinted what service it has in mind from here to Portland and other northern points.

West Coast Airlines representatives were at the meeting today and announced their firm will intervene in the case before the CAB at the August 1 hearing, asking permission to institute service between Klamath Falls and Portland.

Southwest is now operating from the south into Medford, and West Coast is operating from Medford north. Similar service would be afforded Klamath Falls if the change is ordered, taking United out of Klamath.

The aviation committee will recommend to the executive committee of the chamber tomorrow that Senator Phil Hitchcock and Manager Charles Stark be sent to the San Francisco hearing, which was moved west at the request of interested cities.

Stark said the CAB idea seems to be to bolster the economic situation of feeder lines by giving them a number of major cities now served by the main line operators. He said Klamath is primarily interested in fast, direct service, and will fight any proposal to carry passengers from here to Portland or San Francisco by "around the barn" routes.

Quick Action By Milkman Saves House

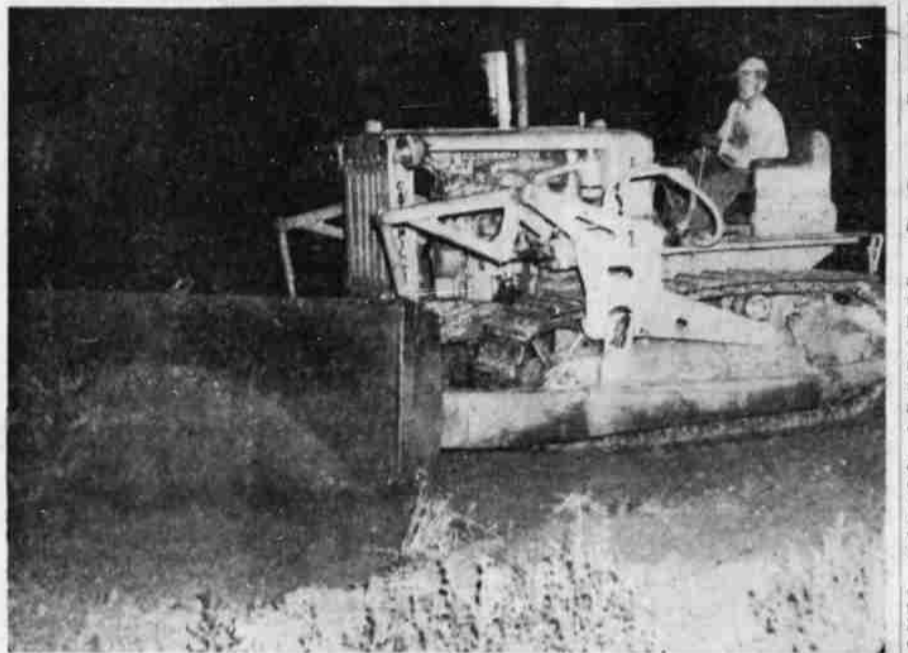
Ralph Ramos, milk truck driver who happened to pass by at the right moment, possibly saved the residence of Mrs. Mary Brozman, 47 West Lowell, from destruction by fire late yesterday afternoon.

The flames destroyed a new fence and several hundred dollars worth of building materials stacked on the place and damaged a garage close to the house.

Ramos attacked the blaze with Mrs. Brozman's garden hose as the fire was eating into the garage and kept it in check until a city fire truck arrived a few minutes later.

The fire apparently started as a flare-up of a grass fire that had supposedly been extinguished yesterday morning.

Mrs. Brozman, who has been ill and was frightened by the flames, credited the quick actions of Ramos with saving the new garage and possibly her house.



CLEARING FIREBREAK ON BIG BLAZE—Picture taken by Dan Crawford of Tulelake last night shows Rudy Bibole clearing a firebreak around the Bill Kandra camp on Tulelake as precaution against a huge fire that swept the hills between Tule and Lower Klamath lakes in the night.

Air Transport Crashes Into Housing Unit At Seattle On Take-Off; Seven Dead, 30 Hurt

SEATTLE, July 20 (AP)—A non-scheduled air transport bound for Chicago with 32 persons aboard crashed on takeoff last night, killing seven people.

Five of the dead were in houses damaged by the big plane as it piled up just after leaving Boeing field. One was a passenger. The seventh body was unidentified.

The plane clipped utility poles and cut wires. It demolished or damaged five houses, one a rooming house with 12 residents. Thirty people, 21 of them from the plane, were taken to hospitals after the crash.

Latest victim was Pete Chumos, 66, who was one of the injured taken from the rooming house. He died this afternoon. Other residents killed were Frank Morgan, 69; Edward Brightcamp, 71; Olavi N. Niemi, 43, and Ralph Parker.

Also dead was one passenger of the plane, Frank Catalina of Kalamazoo, Mich. Still unaccounted for was Lawrence Furo, another passenger.

Hours after the 10:43 p. m. (PDT) crash, one of the plane's gasoline tanks exploded, injuring four city firemen.

The 39-passenger plane crashed seconds after it took off from Boeing field on a non-scheduled flight to Chicago for Air Transport Associates, Inc.

Amos E. Heacock, company president and a passenger on the plane, said both engines checked out "without a sputter" at the end of the runway.

"But soon after we got into the air one motor began sputtering and the pilot evidently thought it best to continue. A few seconds later he pulled back on the throttle, apparently intending to land," Heacock said.

"Then he perceived almost instantly that he could not land and pulled the throttle again, continuing to climb with a sputtering engine."

Two hundred national guardsmen formed lines to hold back a crowd of thousands endangered by whirling electric wires. Flames were visible for miles.

Many of the plane's passengers were servicemen returning home on furlough.

The bodies, badly burned, made identification difficult.

The coroner's office said one of the victims wore a wrist band identifying the owner as a corporal in the 15th air force. Another had the initials "R. T." an anchor and several X's tattooed on his right forearm.

It was the second crash of a chartered airplane here within the last seven months. Eleven Yale university students, Christmas holiday campus duty, when a Seattle air charter plane crashed taking off from the same field January 2. Three crew members also died.

It followed by a week the death of 25 persons near Burbank, Calif., in a charter flight by Standard Airlines of Long Beach.

Buildings On Tule's West Side Spared

A fire that swept nearly 5000 acres of the mountainous area between Tule and Lower Klamath lakes was held in check at noon today after big crews of fire-fighters had labored through the night to keep it away from valuable property along the west side of Tule lake.

Blamed on a carelessly-thrown cigarette, the fire started near the old Kandra sheep corrals on the West Side road yesterday. It was held in check until about 6 p. m. when a stiff breeze sent it sweeping through grass and brushlands.

The Tulelake city and rural fire departments answered an alarm as the blaze threatened a potato cellar owned by El Webb Staunton on the West Side road. The fire rolled southward, missing the fish and wildlife service headquarters but moving in toward the Winema farms ranch buildings.

Two gasoline storage tanks and a pumphouse at Winema were saved through determined efforts of the firefighters. The fire burned south of Barnip mountain and into the Sheep peak area. It burned down on the Lower Klamath lake side of the ridge and into what is known as the Poverty Flat area, but did not touch any Lower Klamath grain. It failed also to jump the West Side road, which kept it off Tule lake grain fields.

The blaze worked into the Modoc national forest and the control effort was in charge of George Fisher, Doublehead ranger for Modoc. A call was made to the employment office at Klamath today for 25 men.

Modoc forest, Winema, farms Tulelake fire departments, Lava Beds monument and other agencies were represented by the firefighters who tackled the big blaze as it broke away last night. A large crew was standing by today and the fire was expected to stay in bounds unless blown across fire lines by another high wind.

Snag Seen In Hawaii Strike Negotiations

HONOLULU, July 20 (AP)—Employees objected today to negotiating Hawaii's 81-day dock strike with Harry Bridges in Washington. They withheld final decision, however.

"We don't want Bridges to be the hero that settles this strike," said a spokesman for seven struck stevedore firms.

Senator Douglas (D-Ill.), suggested that the president of the striking CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union try to settle the wage dispute with a management representative and a federal conciliator.

Bridges agreed. But the employer spokesman said Bridges has never taken part in negotiations here and the dispute is too complex to be settled fairly outside Hawaii. The companies said they would give their answer upon the return from Washington of their attorney, James P. Blaisdell.

Shotgun Blasts Cut Down Cohen, Three Comrades

LOS ANGELES, July 20 (AP)—Rival gangsters' shotgun fire cut down Gambler Mickey Cohen and three other persons—including a state-appointed bodyguard for the dapper hoodlum—as the party left a smart Sunset strip cafe early today.

Critically wounded were Harry Cooper, 38, a special bodyguard assigned to Cohen by the California attorney general, and Edward (Neddie) Herbert, 35, a Cohen henchman.

Miss Dee David, 26-year-old blonde, and Cohen, 35, were hurt less seriously.

The quartet was picked off by a pair of gunmen, firing from across the street into a crowd of 25 or more persons leaving the night spot.

Sheriff's investigators recovered two brand-new shotguns a block away and Capt. D. F. Moulton said they might provide a link to Eastern gangsters reportedly trying to move in on Cohen.

Moulton said his deputies found eight shells fired, some having contained buckshot, an extra heavy load. The guns, 12-gauge automatics, each had one shell left.

Cohen, involved in several previous shooting affrays, apparently turned as the blasting began, witnesses said. His henchman, Herbert, last month reported 11 shots had been fired at him as he entered his apartment.

Cohen is a key figure in the sizzling grand jury inquiry into police vice tumps which already has resulted in a wholesale shakeup of the Los Angeles police department.

Guard Assigned

Only yesterday Attorney General Fred Hower disclosed that he had assigned Cooper to guard Cohen, presumably because Cohen had expressed fear that Eastern gangsters were in town to assassinate him.

Barney Ruditsky, co-owner of Sherry's restaurant, where the shooting took place, said everybody was leaving the place when the shotgun charges rang out. The time was approximately 4 a. m. PST.

"It sounded like firecrackers and everybody hit the walk. There were about 25 or 30 people on the street at the time."

"Cooper yelled, 'I'm hit,'" Ruditsky, a former New York City detective, said the shot came from across the street in the vicinity of the Bing Crosby building which serves as offices for the various enterprises of the crooner.

Sheriff's deputies later found two shotguns across the street.

Cohen told District Attorney's Investigator H. Leo Stanley that he didn't know what the shooting was all about.

Miss Florabel Muir, widely known newspaper columnist, was among those on the sidewalk. A bullet went through her sleeve and grazed her arm. She writes for Variety magazine, the Los Angeles Mirror and the New York Daily News.

Ruditsky said he found eight empty shells on the other side of the street. He said apparently the gunmen had fled on foot.

Given Chance

Doctors at the Hollywood Receiving hospital said that Cooper had a 50-50 chance to pull through. He received two shots through the abdomen.

Cohen, who fronts as a Hollywood haberdasher, has had many brushes with the law and several with assassins' bullets. A year ago Harry "Hooky" Rothman, hoodlum associate of Cohen, was slain in Cohen's haberdashery.

Police grilled Cohen extensively in the Bury Shergil killing of two years ago but nothing ever came of it. Siegel was ambushed as he sat in the luxurious mansion of International Playgirl Virginia Hill.

B-36 Comes In On Wing, Prayer

FORT WORTH, Tex., July 20 (AP)—A B-36 bomber made a 20-mile flight home yesterday after it dropped one engine and two other engines of the same wing quit working.

A Carswell air force base public relations officer said he believed it was the first time the huge, six-engine bomber had flown on the engine of only one wing.

The pilot was Capt. Harold Barry of Hillsboro, Ill. The plane carries a normal crew of 15. The air force did not say how high or how fast it was flying.

The inside engine on the bomber's left wing caught fire, burned itself free and dropped near Justin, in North Texas. This cut the electrical connection to the other two left-wing engines.

This occurred at least 20 miles north of Carswell. The B-36 landed at Carswell 23 minutes after the engine started burning.

All New Game Commission Appointed By McKay Today

SALEM, July 20 (AP)—Governor Douglas McKay appointed an entirely new game commission today.

He said he did not reappoint any of the five members of the existing game commission because the legislature apparently intended for him to appoint a new one.

The new game commissioners are:

Carl C. Hill, Days Creek, Douglas county. He is a former state representative, had experience as a forest ranger and a timber cruiser, and represented sportsmen's interests during the 1949 legislative session. He got the five-year term.

Lloyd S. Blakely, Bend, sales manager for the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company. His term is for one year.

Delbert Gilderleeve, Baker stockman, and president of the Oregon Game Protective society. His term is for three years.

J. H. Van Winkle, editor of the Oregon City Banner-Courier, a thrice-weekly newspaper. He got the two-year term.

Donald Mitchell, Taft pharmacist, who was named for four years.

The recent legislature passed a bill increasing powers of the game commission, and gave it power to name an administrator.

Governor McKay said the new commission would meet here Friday, when he will tell the members what is expected of them.

"It appears to me that the intent of the legislature, tacit in the new game commission bill, was that I should appoint an entirely new commission," the governor said.

"It seems to have been a mandate for a complete reorganization, and I want that made plain, because the old commissioners deserve every consideration. They did a remarkable job under a system that many sportsmen felt to be inadequate."

Members of the outgoing commission are E. E. Wilson, Corvallis; Larry Hilaire, Portland; Theodore Conn, Lakeview; R. D. McCallen, Enterprise; and Kenneth K. Martin, Grants Pass.

Loyal Troops Seize Palace In Guatemala

GUATEMALA, Guatemala, July 20 (AP)—President Juan Jose Arévalo remained in power today following a sudden halt in the fighting which had broken out in this capital.

The revolt against his regime began Monday on the heels of the assassination of Col. Francisco Javier Arana, chief of the Guatemalan armed services.

Fighting continued during the early hours of last night and then gave way to a strange calmness. Loyal troops apparently gained control of Fort Guardia de Honor, believed to be the springboard of the revolt.

Police Director Victor Manuel Sandoval said reports received thus far showed 40 persons were killed during the fighting which had centered for a time before the national palace.

(This dispatch was the first received by Associated Press offices in New York from Guatemala in more than 24 hours. Communications had been cut at the height of the uprising.)

Woman Hurt In Accident

YREKA, Calif., July 20 (AP)—Mrs. Jeanne Vaughan, 26, of 433 43rd street, San Francisco, was injured in a three-way accident nine miles north of Yreka early Wednesday morning.

The car, a Buick sedan in which Mrs. Vaughan was riding with her husband, Mike Vaughan, 43, was thrown into the Klamath river, which is low at this time of year, in the accident which also involved two buses, a Greyhound and a Trailways.

The woman suffered slight head injuries. The Vaughans were returning home after vacationing in Oregon.

Driver of the Greyhound is John Mock, 29, of Medford. He had eight passengers. Trailways driver is Walter Foutles, 38, of Redding, who had 20 passengers.

Vaughan claims he thought the Greyhound pulled out to let him pass. Mock claims he thought Vaughan intended to pass anyway and wanted sufficient clearance. The car and the Trailways bus hit first according to the report received and threw the car into the Greyhound.

Growers Plan To Rebuild Elevator

HEPPNER, July 20 (AP)—Morrow county grain growers co-operative will rebuild the elevator and warehouses destroyed by Monday night's fire.

Earl Blake, president, said work would not likely begin until it was determined whether there was an improved site for the grain installation here.

He said the co-op would truck 1949 wheat to Lexington for rail shipment to Portland. He said it was hoped all current contracts could be fulfilled.

Meanwhile salvage of grain has begun at the scene of the \$800,000 fire that leveled two elevators and the warehouses of the co-op and the Balfour Guthrie and company's interior warehouse holding 190,000 bushels of wheat. Insurance firms were salvaging the grain, he said.

Striking Riders Get Suspension

PENDLETON, July 20 (AP)—Three cowboys who joined a strike at the July Fourth rodeo at Reno, Nev., have been suspended from participation in any further International Rodeo association events this year.

IRA Commissioner E. N. Boylen said the action bars Gary Carr, Visalia, Calif.; Gerald Roberts, Strong City, Kas.; and Larry Findley, Phoenix, Ariz., from about 50 top-money arenas.

Boylen said the action was taken by the IRA executive committee meeting in San Francisco.

Tax Take Shows Drop

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—The treasury department said Wednesday tax collections for the year ending June 30 totaled \$40,448,498, a drop of \$1,416,043,925 from the \$41,864,542,293 of the preceding 12 months.

Populous New York, as usual led all states by paying a total of \$7,387,802,709. This amount, however, was \$607,711,007 less than the state's 1948 federal tax bill of \$7,975,513,716.

The individual income tax collections, including tax withheld by employers, represented the government's largest single source of revenue—\$18,629,745,504 this year compared to \$20,997,780,099 in the last 12-month period.

Corporation income and profits taxes were \$11,568,383,478 (\$10,174,409,833); employment taxes \$2,475,980,012 (\$2,381,342,352); and miscellaneous internal revenue, \$8,374,389,374 (\$8,311,009,409).

The totals for other states (1948 figures in brackets) included: Oregon, \$298,269,485 (\$316,843,555); Washington (including Alaska), \$508,215,967 (\$533,126,028).