

Idaho High School Youth Confesses Brutal Thrill Murdering of Seven-Year-Old Girl

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
SPEAKER of the House Sam Rayburn, addressing a Democratic party rally in Houston, Texas, last night, tells his hearers it looks like the United States is "MOVING INTO THE GREATEST PROSPERITY ANY COUNTRY, OR MANKIND, HAS EVER ENJOYED."

I HOPE he is right.
But I can remember the years of the late 1920s when Republican officials were telling us exactly the same thing. We were living then, they said, in a NEW ERA. It was a period, they asserted, in which human progress and advancement of knowledge were COMING TO FRUITION.

As a result, POVERTY HAD BEEN ABOLISHED. Because we had learned well the lessons of the past, we were assured, prosperity would keep on going up and up and up and never would go down.

WELL, I can remember, also, the decade of the 1930s. Something had SLIPPED. Prosperity had stubbed its toe.

IN the clear, vivid light of hindsight, we could see that the prosperity of the 1920s hadn't been as SOUND as we thought it was. We discovered that a lot of what we had thought was true prosperity had really been SPECULATION—which is a polite word for gambling on the future.

Gambling "prosperity" is never permanent. It never was and it never will be.

1929 taught us that.

WORKING, producing, MAKING THINGS FOR PEOPLE TO USE and keeping prices low enough to enable people to afford a lot of them. Trading with each other. Exchanging the things we make for the things other people make. THAT is prosperity.

WE can speculate on the stock markets. We can gamble in the commodity markets. We can vote ourselves rich. We can pension ourselves off. We can keep on spending recklessly while we FILE UP DEBT without making any effort to pay it off.

But that isn't prosperity. We can kid ourselves about it while it is going on (just as we did in the years of the late 1920s) but it just isn't prosperity.

It is a sleighride.

DON'T get me wrong.

As it stands now, the Democrats are set to run the country as long after this war as the Republicans did after the Civil War. The leadership of the Republican party is sitting, bewildered and demoralized. It hasn't had a truly NEW idea in forty years.

It is like old Cato, who would do no more when he arose in the Roman senate than to croak that Carthage must be DESTROYED. Unless the Republican party can be reborn, it is through.

BUT I do wish the Democrats, who assure us they are the only liberals, could revise their ideas about spending and debt.

Jefferson, the founder of their party and one of the great liberals of all time, had no delusions as to that. I've been quoting his views on that subject for weeks because I think they ought to be more widely known and accepted.

I'm sure the grass over Jefferson's grave must be stirring and heaving in these modern days of reckless spending and mounting debt.

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Oregon Liberals Seen Splitting with Morse



WINTER DRIVING SAFETY is for bikes, too, in the opinion of Exchange club members who are sponsoring a Scotchlite project on bicycles throughout the schools. Wayne Rodgers of Mills school is applying the luminous stuff while Exchangers George Flitcraft, Stan Pade and Mike Holland lend a hand.

Rudisill Gets Engle Nod For Tulelake PM

TULELAKE — Kenneth Rudisill, 26-year-old ex-marine, has been recommended for the Tulelake postmastership it was announced today by Congressman Clair Engle following a recommendation of the Siskiyou county democratic central committee.

The appointment is temporary until civil service examinations are held.

Rudisill is the son of the late Wanda Stark, who died in October and held the postmaster's job at Tulelake for seven years. He is a veteran of the Pacific theatre, married and has one son and at the present time is attending the University of California under the GI bill.

Rudisill is the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Ward McCulley of Tulelake. Mrs. McCulley has been acting postmaster since Mrs. Stark's death. Just when Rudisill will report to Tulelake was not known here.

Alben, Jane Disappear Into Bliss

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 19 (AP)—Those famous newlyweds, Alben and Jane Barkley, were headed south on their honeymoon today, but their whereabouts was not definitely known.

A report from Paducah, Ky., said a car believed to be the one the vice president gave his bride shortly before their wedding was seen burning into "The Angels." Barkley's home near there. However, the couple's presence at the home was not confirmed.

The Barkleys, who were married here yesterday at St. John's Methodist church, left early in the afternoon in the new convertible coupe for an unannounced destination. They were seen to cross the MacArthur bridge into Illinois, but there was no further word of them.

BULLETIN
TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 19 (AP)—A destroyer has picked up two life rafts filled with survivors from the B-29 which crashed near Bermuda Wednesday, MacDill field reported today.

U.S. Secrets Witness In Bridges Case

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19 (AP) Government attorneys still were keeping secret today the name of a major witness they will present in the Harry Bridges perjury trial.

Prosecution staff members have said his testimony will "carry a real punch." They expected he would reach the stand Friday, but delays prevented that. They expect to get the surprise witness on Monday.

Defense
The greater part of yesterday was taken by Chief Defense Attorney Vincent Hallinan, who bored ahead despite government objections and admissions by Judge Harris in laying before the jury a picture of a gigantic conspiracy which he said had been evolved to force Bridges from the waterfront.

The government's initial witness was still on the stand when the trial before Federal Judge George B. Harris recessed last night until Monday at 11:00 a. m. He was Lloyd H. Garner, who was the immigration and naturalization examiner at Bridges' naturalization hearing.

Perjury Charge
Australian-born Bridges, head of the CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union and a central figure in numerous waterfront disputes, is accused of perjury when he stated in a naturalization hearing in 1945 that he had never been a communist. Two union officials who served as his witnesses are accused of conspiracy.

Heart Attack Kills Starr

SALEM, Nov. 19 (AP)—Sephus W. Starr, 51, supervisor of the division of audits in the state department, died at his home here this morning after a heart attack.
A native of Oklahoma, he came to Oregon in 1910, and was graduated from the University of Oregon. He had been a state employee 26 years.
Starr served in the navy in World War I, and recently was elected commander of the American Legion Capital post No. 9. He also was a member of the Elks.

PORTLAND POLIO
PORTLAND, Nov. 19 (AP)—This city's infantile paralysis cases this year stood at 51 today, after three more Portlanders fell ill with the disease. Two of them were a mother and child, in the Southeast part of town.

Sweetland Seeks Purge Force Here

By HALE SCARBROUGH
Monroe Sweetland, Oregon democratic national committeeman, today lined up the state's liberals and presumably the Oregon democratic organization against Senator Wayne Morse who will be up for re-election next year.

Six years ago Morse, a republican, was elected to the senate with liberal support and quite often was considered a black sheep among republicans for many of his independent views.
He quite often has sided with the democrats on national issues.

Tiff Issue
But the state CIO currently is embroiled with the loquacious senator over what he understood to be a refusal by the state CIO council to endorse him for re-election.

Then last Thursday, speaking before a convention of the Oregon Farm Bureau federation, the senator widened the split even further.

He told the federation that he will stand with Governor Douglas McKay and the republican party for the 1950 elections.

That, Sweetland told The Herald and News today, was "the last straw."

'Deal Clear'
"The deal between Morse and McKay is now clear," Sweetland said, "if any hope remained among Oregon liberals that Morse would campaign as an independent candidate in 1950, his talk in La Grande removed that hope."

"Morse is now planning to cash in again on one of his perennial political devices of talking independent between elections, then using his record of independence to help elect reactionaries with the GOP label when election time comes."

Sweetland said that under this formula Morse had campaigned for "such notorious reactionaries" as Senator Harry Cain of Washington, Congressman Henry Dworshak of Idaho and Senator Curly Brooks of Illinois.

Endorsements
"He talks like a friend of labor in Oregon," the demo leader declared, "but has endorsed Taft (Sen. Robert Taft) in Ohio for re-election, just as he endorses McKay here."

Governor McKay has already identified himself with Morse. The governor is expected to be a candidate for re-election next year.

Sweetland, from Portland, was in Klamath Falls and Lakeview today on a fence-mending jaunt for the democratic party, and was to attend a 2nd congressional district convention of the railroad brotherhoods tonight at the Willard.

School Survey Upset Clears

SALEM, Nov. 19 (AP)—The upset over the survey of Oregon educational system appeared to be smoothed out today.

The state board of education special advisory committee, which suddenly discovered it had no funds for the survey, now expects to get the money from the basic school fund.



BISHOP William T. Manning, one of the leading figures of the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States, died yesterday at the age of 83. He was Episcopal bishop of New York for 26 years, retiring less than two years ago.

Nation's Football Results

Ohio State	7
Michigan	7
NC	21
Duke	13
Colgate	7
Syracuse	35
Rochester	7
Wesleyan	20
Temple	20
Holy Cross	7
Rutgers	35
Fordham	14
Temple	20
Holy Cross	7
LaFayette	21
Lehigh	12
Brown	16
Columbia	7
Yale	29
Harvard	8
Princeton	19
Dartmouth	13
Trinity	6
Tufts	0
George Wash.	28
Georgetown	7
Tulane	20
Virginia	14
Pitt	19
Penn State	0

Plane Hits House; Two Killed

DETROIT, Nov. 19 (AP)—A big twin-engine freight plane coming in for a landing plunged into a two-story house today, killing the crew of two.

An elderly woman and her son were rescued with serious burns from the flaming, gasoline-drenched wreckage.

Another man in the house pushed his wife and daughter through a window to safety and then escaped himself with minor injuries.

The dead were Arthur Dedee, Brooklyn, N. Y., the pilot, and Gus Marrow, co-pilot.

Killer Nabbed Fleeing Scene In 'Hot Rod'

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Nov. 19 (AP)—Neil (Butterfingers) Butterfield, 16-year-old high school athlete, confessed last night to the thrill slaying of seven-year-old Glenda Joyce Brisbois.

The youth, who was arrested as he fled west in a stripped down "hot rod," told officers he killed the child "just to see someone die."

Sheriff Saul Clark of Cassia county said the youth admitted orally that he slugged the little blonde first grader from Burley, Ida., with a tire jack before throwing her body into a canal.

But the sheriff said he denied that he raped the girl.

Glenda, fully clothed, was found in the canal Thursday. She had three wounds on her head. She was last seen Wednesday evening when she entered an automobile driven by a man. Officers announced following an autopsy last night that the girl had been sexually assaulted.

Heavy Guard
Shortly after Butterfield made his confession, he was taken under heavy guard 27 miles east of Twin Falls just inside the Cassia county line. There, in a field of sagebrush beside the highway he was arraigned before Probate Judge Henry W. Tucker of Cassia county on a first degree murder charge.

He waived preliminary hearing and was remanded to custody of the Twin Falls county sheriff.

The open air courtroom was within the legal limits of the county where the crime was committed. Officers feared to take him into Burley because of high feeling among citizens of the town of 2600.

Detainment
Butterfield, a handsome, six-foot, 175-pound youth, was recently released from the Idaho state industrial school at St. Anthony, where he was sent as a delinquent after a case involving forgery. He was nabbed yesterday by state police 110 miles west of Burley as he drove west in his stripped-down "hot rod."

He was taken from there to Jerome, where he made his oral confession before six state, county and city police officers.

Murder
Sheriff Clark said Butterfield related that he slugged the little girl three times with a tire jack, threw her body into the canal, pushed her from the bank with the jack, then drove away—after wiping blood from the jack with his fingers.

A 1947 Nash automobile which was found abandoned yesterday in a Burley used car lot had been borrowed Wednesday by Butterfield and a high school companion.

The sheriff said blood was found in the trunk compartment, as was a tire jack. Officers had not determined if the girl was killed before being taken to the canal.

Girl's Tip
The first tip which pointed definitely to Butterfield was given officers by 13-year-old Esther Haloway. She told them that a boy she knew as "Butterfingers" stopped in a car on Wednesday before Glenda disappeared. Esther said "Butterfingers" asked who her parents were and where she lived, but did not molest her.

Butterfield was questioned Thursday evening, and later that night packed his clothes and fled from his home.

Dairy Woman Critically Hurt in Wreck

A Dairy woman is in critical condition at Klamath Valley hospital and the driver of the car in which she was injured is held in the Klamath county jail on a drunk driving charge as the result of a crash late last night on highway 66.

Seriously injured was Mrs. C.M. Haley, 45. Her condition remained critical at an early hour this afternoon.

Haley, Dairy farmer and husband of the woman, was uninjured.

Drunk Charge
The third member of the party and driver of the car, was Floyd Edwin Whitlatch, 39, route 2, Klamath Falls. State police charged him with drunk driving and drunk on a public highway. He was in jail at noon today in lieu of \$400 bail.

The accident occurred when the Whitlatch car failed to make a curve 18 miles east of Klamath Falls near the Swan Lake cut-off. The machine careened down a 12-foot embankment. Kaler's ambulance brought the woman to the hospital.



FISTS FLY AT MEETING—Fists fly during a melee which developed as the CIO National Maritime union attempts to hold a membership meeting at St. Nicholas area in New York. The surging, fighting crowd delayed the start of the session, called to air leftist-rightist grievances, for more than an hour.

Meet the People



COME WINTER, SUMMER, SPRING or fall, windows along Main street have to be scrubbed. Arnold Alton is doing a good job at the Christian Science reading room.

What's for Lunch?

'Little Girl' Has Nocturnal Snack in Circus Cookhouse

CIRCLEVILLE, O., Nov. 19 (AP)—Big Burma is just a little girl elephant of 7000 pounds. And she is almost divinely elegant at times. But, oh, what a glutton she is! And how she showed it here today!

Caretakers of the Mills Brothers circus winter quarters at the county fairgrounds insist that this is what Burma did:
Around 3 a. m. she broke loose from her stake at one end of a large livestock barn. In the dark she tip-toed past her sleeping handler, Mark Roe, then past 30 other sleeping workmen, and thence past a dining table—without rattling a dish.

Her destination: the cookhouse truck at the other end of the barn.
Once arrived, she had an early Thanksgiving dinner which—the circus people insist—consisted of:
One hundred pounds of potatoes, 25 pounds of onions, 20 loaves of bread, 10 pounds of pancake flour, eight candy bars and a box of shredded wheat.