

# U.S. Cruiser Blast Kills 30

## Two Held Here as Kidnapers

### Woman Says Man, Wife Took Info

A man and wife from Idaho, Nev., were arrested at Fort Klamath Thursday afternoon by State Police and charged with kidnaping the four-month old daughter of a Hawthorne neighbor.

The couple were identified by Sheriff Murray (Red) Britton as Francis Ferdinand Sharkey, 45, and his wife, Marjorie Helen Sharkey, 40. They had been working at the Nicholson ranch at Fort Klamath for about a week, and are held in the County Jail without bail.

The baby, four-month-old Tamara Michele Powell, in the Klamath County Juvenile Home, is said to be the daughter of Mrs. Nadine Powell Moore. Mrs. Moore signed the kidnaping complaint, according to Sheriff George A. Jensen of Hawthorne.

### DEFENSE

The Sharkeys told State Police here they were enroute to Klamath, Wash. to seek work, and that they were to have custody of the child while on the trip. They told officers Mrs. Moore gave them a note to that effect and arrangement was also made for Mrs. Moore to come to Klamath if there was work for her. Sheriff Jensen told authorities here Mrs. Moore said the Sharkeys were to have custody of the child only in Nevada, not outside the state. The Sharkey's left Hawthorne April 12.

Last week Mrs. Sharkey wrote to Mrs. Moore telling her they were at Fort Klamath with the baby, that it was well and what formula it was being fed.

### WILLING

Sharkey was stopped by a State Police officer patrolling a highway near Fort Klamath. The couple willingly came to Klamath Falls with the officer for questioning.

In a long distance telephone call here Sheriff Jensen told State Police he had already mailed them a fugitive from justice warrant for arrest of the Sharkeys and was trying to mail out circulars to law agencies informing that the couple was wanted for kidnaping the child.

Police said the baby appeared well cared for, well fed and clean. Officers said they were forced to arrest the couple on the strength of the warrant and while Nevada authorities investigated the case further.

## Red and Whites

### HST Beyond Authority Of Courts? Michigan Prison Guard Tells Of Ordeal as Rebels' Hostage

(Editor's Note: The following interview with Joseph Dzal, one of the guards held hostage in the Southern Michigan prison riot, was obtained Friday by photographer Don Cunningham and reporter Jim Brown of the Jackson Citizen-Patriot, which made it available to the Associated Press. Dzal tells in his own words the dramatic story of his ordeal.)

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government contended in the steel seizure case Friday that the President stands beyond reach of the courts and is "accountable only to the country" for his actions.

The court battle—which could eventually end in a historic supreme court decision as to the President's powers—was in its second day before U.S. District Judge Detroit A. Fine.

Most of the argument centered about a contention by Assistant Attorney General Holmes Blairidge that the President's powers are not limited to those set out in the constitution, that the courts can't issue an order to him, and that "the President is accountable only to the country."

Theodore Kientz, attorney for U.S. Steel, called this contention "shocking" and "likened it to royal claims."

Charles Tuttle, representing Armco Steel, argued the President's powers are limited to those prescribed by the constitution.

"To say that the President is in effect the steward of the nation has implications that the people of the United States are wards of the steward," Tuttle said.

He said this was an issue far more important than the steel case, and having most serious bearing for the American people.

Finally they met another crew and we the guards were assembled together and driven on to 15 block . . . and worked us inside.

Outside we could hear the cries of the mob. Someone said the laundry was burning, and the gym, and I don't know what else.

The screams and sirens of fire trucks suddenly wailed over the noise in the yard. You could see the inmates who were holding us tighten up. They stood tense and forward, peering out the window, and in a short time came the sound of shots.

Then the yard seemed to break up in a mad frenzy all around us. It seemed that one of the convicts had been shot by state police and the mob moved down to 15 block.

"There's a couple of screws (guards)," one shouted.

He was a big guy with his shirt torn across his shoulders and blood running from a cut on his cheek.

He held a sickle in his right hand and he and another who was waving a big metal hook headed for our cell.

"Let's get 'em," the second one yelled.

They vanked at the bars, tried to pry them apart with the hook. And all the time they cursed and screamed at us.

If ever two men prayed, it was us. Harold got out his Rosary and we knelt in a corner and prayed with all our hearts.

God heard us, that's all there was to it, because they were held and the two of them finally got tired and raged on up the corridor after the rest of the mob.

After that, there were a few minutes of quiet and then came another attack. I can't tell you much of what happened in the yards after that.

They herded us right on up to the fourth tier. They put each of us in a separate cell. Jack Hyatt was in charge of our floor.

They called him "Crazy Jack." But you'll never get me to believe he's crazy. He treated us fine, and he handed those other guys with him like someone who had commanded men all his life.

Through all the time we were there, every so often he'd have to go out and stop a fight or put down some minor disturbance among his followers.

The last night they came around and took Jim Atkins and John Holmes' bedfolds, watches and keys.

Hyatt told us: "If you've got any last letters to write, you'd better do it now because you won't get another chance."

Hyatt was perfectly calm as he spoke. After he left I started praying again.

It was only a couple of hours later that the agreement was reached between the prison administration and the inmates.

It seemed like a month. When we heard that it was all practically over, I felt like I had suddenly come back to life again.

We were let out of the cells finally and taken downstairs to the canteen.

Ward (Earl Ward, a mutiny leader) had all sit down and very formally he told us of the arrangements that had been made for the surrender.

When he finished, he invited all of us guards to join him and the prisoners in their steak dinner.

FREEDOM  
We, of course, accepted immediately. But when they marched us out, as soon as we were all clear of 15 block, we stepped out of the line and let them go on to the dining room alone.

### Sailors Die In St. Paul Gun Turret

TOKYO, Saturday, April 26.—Thirty American seamen were killed in an explosion in a gun turret on the Cruiser St. Paul off Korea Monday.

The Navy, announcing that today, called it the worst Naval disaster of the Korean war.

The Navy said a "gun powder fire of undetermined origin" set off the explosion in an 8 inch forward turret on board in investigating.

The St. Paul is commanded by Capt. Roy A. Gano of Falls Church, Va. She is the flagship of Rear Adm. Earl E. Stone, commander of cruiser Division One.

The St. Paul was firing on Communist positions on the Korean East Coast. It continued firing after the blast and still is in Korean waters.

Communist shore guns were not firing at the American warship, GANESD

The blast rocked the heavy cruiser. All 30 victims were killed the Navy said, most by asphyxiation due to burning gases. There were no injuries. All victims were in the turret.

The worst previous Naval disaster of this war was June 12 when the U.S. Destroyer Walker hit a mine off Wonsan. Twenty-six were killed and 40 wounded.

The St. Paul was firing on a Red rear stronghold at Kojo, about midway between the battle line and the besieged Red port of Wansan. She had fired 96 rounds from her eight inch guns and 47 rounds from her five inch batteries when the explosion occurred at 3:55 p.m. Monday.

The Navy said the St. Paul had opened up her guns on Kojo after bombarding Red front lines for 24 hours with the destroyer Binkley.

The cruiser has a battery of nine eight-inch guns in three turrets and a secondary battery of 12 five-inch dual purpose guns in pairs. Two of the eight inch turrets are forward and one aft.

The St. Paul's keel was laid by the Bethlehem Steel Co. at Quincy, Mass., in 1943. She entered World War II in September, 1944.

NAVY ACCOUNT  
The Navy in Washington put out this account of the explosion:

### Church Group Convenes Here

Early registration for the Pacific District Luther League convention which got underway here last night reached the 27th mark. Rev. Irvin Twest of the Klamath Lutheran church reported this morning.

Another 50 are expected through today to join the convales in consideration of the problems of Christian youth today.

Rev. O. V. Magnusson, Fresno, addressed a mass rally last night and is to speak again tonight at a banquet at the Klamath Falls Armory.

The banquet will be catered by Jened's, as will a chuck wagon breakfast set for tomorrow at 7:30 a.m. at Moore Park.

Tomorrow's schedule includes outings—TO OTY and to Crater Lake National Park.

Today's sessions were being led by delegates from Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., and Milwaukee and Silverton, Ore.

Tomorrow night a massed youth choir is to present a concert of sacred music at the armory, 8 p.m.

Prof. Gunnar L. Malmin Pacific Lutheran College, Tacoma, will direct. The public is invited free of charge.

Rev. Twest is co-conference chairman in charge of arrangements with Dick Weed president of the local Luther League. Other chairmen include Chet Hamaker and Jeanette Rusteen, housing; Mrs. J. R. Peebler and Lakayne Weed, publicity; Mrs. B. E. Eells and Beverly Eells, registration; Douglas Knutson and Jerry Kirkpatrick, outings; Doris Hahn and Mary Ann Kirkpatrick, decorations

from those few states that elect congressmen at large.

### Warren Plans Oregon Work

PORTLAND (AP)—Gov. Earl Warren of California made plans here Friday for an intensive campaign in the two weeks preceding the Oregon primary election May 16.

Warren planned to return to Sacramento later Friday, but said he would be back to try to win the state's Republican presidential preference votes.

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### City Sewage Kill Ducks?

Klamath Falls sewage may be contributing to the pollution of the Klamath River, according to discussions held yesterday during the Klamath Falls Kiwanis Club meeting at the Willard.

The point was brought out during a panel discussion of two measures to appear on the ballot next month—a sewage improvement measure and one to raise funds for a municipal swimming pool.

City Engineer Taxi Thomas said the city's present sewage facilities, though they need much improvement, do not pollute the Klamath River.

However, Federal Game Officer Jim Savage, a Kiwanian, reported that he and State Game Biologist Ken Cochran this week had counted 50 ducks dead on the Klamath River.

He said that the city is contributing to the pollution hazard. He recited that year thousands of fish died on the river. He summed it up as an accumulation of abuse for years of the river by the public.

"The river is not in good shape for wildlife," he said.

Thomas, speaking for the sewage levy, said it calls for a 1 mill levy for two years to raise \$28,000. Improvements would include sewage pumping plants to replace gravity flow that often backs up at present.

### Water Policy Next on Forum

The all-important subject of water, and its future use in this area, will be the topic of discussion on next Monday night's "Build the Basin" radio forum over KPLW.

Primarily the discussion will regard plans and prospects for future agricultural development by irrigation in the Klamath country to more completely use the water supply here, without going into other phases of the subject of water use, such as for wildlife and hydroelectric power development.

Men on the radio panel will be R. B. Bole of Sacramento, regional director of the Bureau of Reclamation; E. L. Stephens, manager of the Klamath Reclamation Project; Percy Dixon of Henley; Sam Anderson of Tulelake; and Fred Rueck of Bonanza.

Dixon, Anderson and Rueck are all farmers and water users, with particular experience in irrigation districts and farm organizations in three different parts of the Klamath Basin.

One other local man may be added to the panel. Bud Chandler, manager of KPLW, will be moderator.

Boke has been asked to outline future irrigation plans of the Bureau of Reclamation for this area.

### Arsonist Gets Three Years

A 24-year-old millworker, Donald Smith, Thursday afternoon in Circuit Court here was sentenced to three years in prison on charge of arson in the first degree.

Smith on April 10 pleaded guilty to setting fire to his house at 422 Mt. Whitney St., to collect \$6500 in insurance on the house and furnishings.

Two members of the State Police arson squad arrested Smith in Roseburg April 8 after investigation of the house-gutting fire requested by Fire Chief Roy Rowe.

Smith told officers he left work at Roseburg April 1 late in the afternoon, set fire to the house about midnight, and returned back to Roseburg.

Investigation showed, and Smith admitted, he set fire to the building by loosening a pipeline to an oil stove and touching a match to stove oil that spilled over the floor.

Smith admitted that several days after the fire he put in a claim with adjusters here for \$6500 fire loss covered by insurance.

Smith is married and has three small children. They were not staying at the house at the time the fire was set.

### Demos Launch Attack on Ike

By The Associated Press  
The signs were clear Friday that Democratic attacks on Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower will increase in tempo as the time nears for his return to seek the Republican presidential nomination.

Secretary of Labor Tobin, in one of the first administration blasts at Eisenhower as a politician, said in Cumberland, Maryland, Thursday night the Democratic party "isn't interested in a mystery man" as a candidate.

"It won't be satisfied with a smile or a good military record or a knack for kissing babies," Tobin said. He did not mention the general by name, but he left little doubt he was referring to him.

And the State Department—in the action—acknowledged it has quit passing out pictures of Eisenhower to Americans planning to visit Europe.

The department said in the past 18 months it has distributed thousands of pictures of Eisenhower on pamphlets explaining the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, in which he is the supreme commander.

The last was issued 10 days ago, and no more will be printed.

## Jones, Musa Congressional Battle Feature of Primary

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR., SALEM (AP)—A public accountant who knows lots about taxes and a former radio executive who knows plenty about foreign affairs are squaring off at each other for the Democratic nomination in the huge Eastern Oregon Congressional District.

State Sen. Ben Musa, The Dalles accountant and John G. Jones, who until recently managed a La Grande radio station, have a lot in common. Jones is 45 years old and Musa is 46. They generally support the principles of President Truman, but agree that federal spending could be reduced somewhat.

Jones is making a vigorous campaign throughout the district, which Musa claims is the largest in area in the United States, aside

awful lot of miles to talk to a few people."

Whoever wins the Democratic primary will be in a strong position in November. The Second District has a Democratic majority in registration, but the last Democrat to serve in Congress from that area was Walter M. Pierce. Pierce was succeeded in 1943 by Rep. Lowell Stockman. Pendleton Republican, who's quitting Congress.

The winner of the Jones-Musa contest will have as his November opponent one of three men seeking the Republican nomination. They are State Sen. Sam Coon, Baker real estate man and until recently a cattle grower; State Rep. Giles L. French, More weekly newspaper F. Hinkle, The Dalles.

Well! Well! Well!

Incidentally, if Harry CAN get results like he says he got in Iran, I wish he'd deliver another ultimatum to the Russians—to get their stogies out of Korea. That would be an ideal way to end the war over there.

It could save a lot of American lives.

LOGGER KILLED  
ROSEBURG (AP)—Kenneth Dice, about 36, Sutherland, died in a hospital here Thursday night of a fractured skull suffered in a logging accident. He was employed on the Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. logging operation on Mt. Scott, about 18 miles east of here. Dice, found injured, was believed to have been hit by a haul-back line.

9 O'clock Spang

TIRED—S. D. Chrowl, Midland, is headed for home and some rest after a night's stint as streetsweeper. He had a weary welcome for the 9 O'Clock Cameraman, however.