

Police Take 'Triggerman'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — With dead-end mobster Leonard G. Mocerri accidentally in custody, police Friday sought answers to unsolved gangland slayings dating from liquor bootlegging days to the modern Mafia.

The nation's most wanted triggerman was the tab given 45-year-old Leonard the Lip by Capt. J. E. Hamilton of the Los Angeles police intelligence unit.

He'd given officers the slip 20 years since indictment on four mob killings in Toledo, O., dating from 1931 to 1933.

Officers think there might be some recent chapters such as the killing of Mickey Cohen's lawyer Sammy Himmelfarb and the double slaying of Tony Brancato and Tony Trombino in Hollywood a couple of years back.

Detroit police also want to ask some questions concerning the de-

mise of hoodlum Jack George whose body was found stuffed in an automobile trunk.

Right now police here seek Mocerri's ballet dancing wife, Margaret, who dropped from sight coincident with her hubby's arrest.

Backtracking to the Mocerri apartment in Hollywood, where rent has been paid since May under one of many aliases, detectives found coffee boiling, ice cream melting, but no Margaret.

It's highly unlikely they'll find her dropping slugs into a telephone. That's how Mocerri gave himself away.

He had \$1,800 in his wallet and a Cadillac at the curb late Tuesday when arrested by telephone company officers, who had been plagued for some time by someone using slugs into that particular phone.

Later through fingerprints police discovered just who they had in custody, and also found some papers with names, addresses and telephone numbers.

From there the list of those brought in for questioning reads like an underworld who's who.

Among them were Tom Dragna, James (The Weasel) Fratiano, Mike Rizzo and Salvatore Pinelli.

Officers said all were local "associates" of Matia, the notorious crime society. They were released after the question session.



FAR EAST INSPECTION. General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, chief of the U.S. Air Force, inspects his honor guard provided by the Chinese-Nationalist Air Force upon his arrival on the strategic island of Formosa. After a brief conference with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, Vandenberg left for inspection tours in Japan and Korea.

U.S. Leads In Research

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress had the assurance of a famous scientist today that the United States has taken world leadership in fundamental research. The witness, Dr. Vannevar Bush, said a lot of credit is due to private, tax-exempt research foundations.

Bush, president of the Carnegie Institute of Washington, made that statement yesterday to a special House committee investigating such organizations to determine whether any of them are promoting un-American or subversive activities.

He and other educators who have testified in the past three days said they are unaware of any such trends among the foundations.

Dr. Henry M. Winton, president of Brown University, was called for testimony today.

Bush told the committee that one of the greatest achievements of the foundations has been "to give us the seeds of a strong, effective system of medical training."

Here is a trend that is in exactly the opposite direction from socialism," the scientist said.

He was asked to compare Russia's scientific efforts with those in this country. Bush said it is well known that the Soviet Union has been able to develop an atomic bomb and effective jet planes, but the unanswered question is whether they can break new ground in fundamental science.

"Russians must follow the party line, even in science," he observed. "Great science never prospers under such circumstances. I am very happy personally that Russia has that system."

Representatives of some of the largest of the more than 30,000 tax-free foundations may be heard by the committee next week.

Niagara Due For Change

TORONTO, Ont. (AP) — A joint U. S.-Canadian commission proposes to give Niagara Falls a face-lifting. It wants the famous waterfall to look more beautiful with less water.

Details of the project were disclosed yesterday to Canadian and U. S. parks and power officials by the International Joint Commission. The plans will be submitted to the two governments. If approved quickly, work could be started early next year and completed in 1956.

The commission's plans, developed after two years' study by engineers, call for a control dam 1,550 feet long built from the Canadian side a mile above the falls. They also propose dredging the Niagara River bottom just above the brink of the horseshoe falls.

The commission claims the project would reduce the present speed with which the river is eating away the brink of the falls and would make possible two vantage points on each tip of the horseshoe from which an unobstructed view of the falls could be obtained. No estimate of the cost was announced.

GM Names New Prexy

DETROIT (AP) — Harlow H. Curtis, 59-year old executive vice president of General Motors Corp., will take over as acting president, Dec. 1, when GM President C. E. Wilson leaves to await Senate confirmation of his appointment as secretary of defense under President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Wilson, who will start a two months leave of absence from his GM duties, Dec. 1, announced Curtis' appointment after his nomination for the cabinet post by Eisenhower.

Curtis, a native of Eaton Rapids, Mich., is a veteran executive in General Motors.

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Newsman Study 'One Party' Charges

DENVER (AP) — Charges that the nation has a "one party press" caused concern among editors and publishers attending the thirty-third annual convention of Sigma Delta Chi, national journalistic fraternity, Friday.

(Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois, defeated Democratic presidential candidate, had said during his campaign the U. S. had "a one party press in a two party nation.")

There was speculation the fraternity might conduct a nationwide survey to study the assertion.

Two major speakers at Thursday's opening session, Publisher Arthur Hays Sulzberger of the New York Times and Palmer Hoyt of the Denver Post, mentioned the charge in their talks.

Sulzberger said it was "absurd" to think "that those who advertise with us shape our opinions or that we control their business operations."

"I think a good case can be made against some of those who have campaigned in their news columns as well as on their editorial pages," he said.

And Hoyt told the convention: "To have certain people laying the blame for the Democratic defeat at the door of newspapers may be a subject of some satisfaction for publishers who editorially supported Mr. Eisenhower, but among ourselves we must admit that the evidence doesn't quite support the claim."

Hoyt said news columns provided enough information for the readers to make up their minds and news far outweighed editorial matter.

Also cropping up throughout the meeting was debate over the effect of radio and television in the news field.

During a panel on the subject, Jack Foster of Denver, editor of the Rocky Mountain News, said he was "unequivocally opposed" to broadcasts or telecasts of Congressional hearings, court proceedings and press conferences.

"Microphones," he said "would freeze news at its source" and

added that broadcasting or telecasting tends to "make a side-show" of hearings or trials.

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