

## William Green Became 'Living Legend'

CONHOCTON, O. (AP) — William Green, the coal miner's son who became a living legend as president of the powerful American Federation of Labor, will be laid to rest Monday in his native Ohio.

The funeral service will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, Conhocton home.

The Green family Bible showed he was born March 3, 1870.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Grace Methodist Church, Green was a Baptist, but the Methodist church was chosen because of its larger seating capacity. The service will be in charge of the Rev. John H. Shanley, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Death claimed "Bill" Green, only 12 days after his CIO counterpart, Philip Murray, was fatally stricken at San Francisco.

The AFL leader's death caused immediate speculation among

those who had known of his grave condition as to who his successor might be—the man who will become the third international president in AFL history.

The names of two—both of whom had been mentioned as possible successors—had Green retired—were raised immediately.

They are George Meany, AFL secretary-treasurer, and George M. Harrison, head of the big Railway Clerks Union and an AFL vice president.

But, at his Cincinnati home, Harrison said, "No," firmly and finally.

Meany is 58 and Harrison 57. Green's death leaves John L. Lewis at 73, some 15 years his junior—the last of organized labor's Big Three.

Lewis, as president of the United Mine Workers, once was Green's boss. That was when Green was elected secretary-treasurer of the UMW in 1912. Lewis once was a major force in the AFL, but bolted to form the CIO, later quit the CIO to rejoin the AFL briefly, only to switch again and become an independent with the now-famous telegram: "Green—we disaffiliate."

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**MISSION COMPLETED.** Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg (left) Air Force chief of staff, hands over a package of goodies to Marine Pfc. Nicholas Baldwin of Minneapolis at a light plane strip in Korea. Vandenberg met Baldwin's parents in Italy earlier on his around the world inspection tour of American bases and as a favor to them became "delivery boy." Baldwin said later "I was plenty shook."

## NW Cities Moving to Curb Power Usage

By The Associated Press

Pacific Northwest cities and industries appeared to be slowly getting into line in steps to curb use of power Saturday. However, no measure of the effectiveness of their moves could be made immediately.

Much of the "curtailment" still was largely conversational so far as city governments were concerned. Only Hoquiam appeared to have taken definite steps to brown out the town's streets.

Tacoma, Seattle and Yakima were heading that way. Homeowners apparently were becoming conscious of the problem but many were squawking "why should I do it when he doesn't?" "He" usually referred to taverns, restaurants and other places of business, many of which had not yet dimmed their neon and other outdoor lighting.

The Tacoma City Council approved a plan Friday to darken street lights except at intersections and where needed for safety on streets. It will take a few days to put the move into effect.

Seattle city fathers still were discussing such a move. It appeared likely they would reduce illumination from street lamps by one-half. Seattle Transit System drivers were instructed to reduce use of electric power heaters in transit coaches and to cut the heaters off at stops and turn-arounds.

The Seattle transit system also

substituting gasoline and diesel coaches for trolley buses on evenings, weekends and Saturdays.

A similar move was reported by the Portland Transit system and three private power firms there have asked for a 20 per cent rate hike to pay for the cost of generating electricity by steam.

At Yakima, Pacific Power and Light Company officials ordered electronic gadgets used to automatically turn on street lights supplied by manual control.

The electronic devices turned the lights on and off by reacting to daylight intensity. Sometimes fog, industrial smoke or a bird that needed too close to the pole-top instruments would turn on the lights.

During the shortage, at least, it can get dark from fog, smoke or birds and the lights will still stay off, at least until nightfall.

Washington's Governor Lingle made an appeal to all power users and particularly to the home consumers to join in the conservation move. He said family cooperation would help much to relieve the critical shortage.

Boeing Airplane Company, one of the heavy industrial users in the region, announced it will close down completely this weekend and four days over the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Boeing company said its Seattle and Renton plants would limit their activity during those periods to one or two operations of an extremely critical nature.

The company joined theaters, office buildings and industries in cutting illumination wherever possible, using only power essential to continued plant operation, health and safety.

**JIM THE CROW**  
LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Jim, a crow, is the pet of the third grade at a school here.

## Bible Reading Month Planned

NEW YORK (AP) — People in 45 lands will join, starting next Thursday, in daily reading of identical excerpts from the Good Book as their part in annual Bible Reading Month.

Sponsored by the American Bible Society, the program is now in its ninth year. According to Rev. Dr. James V. Clapp, who is in charge of the society's work to promote use of the Bible, the reading plan has been observed each year in a growing list of countries. The 45 this year, for example, is an increase of seven from 1951.

"We do not care what version is used, so long as people read their Bibles," Dr. Clapp said. "Our only aim is to urge people to enrich themselves from the great treasure of the Bible. We want to make it the best-read book in the world, not just the best circulated."

Last year, the society reported, it distributed 16 million volumes of

the scriptures, boosting its record for the 136 years of its operation to over 415 million copies.

The 29 readings recommended by the society for the period from Thanksgiving Day through Christmas were selected by polling 1,099 ministers for their favorite themes.

The readings for each day are:

Nov. 27, Psalms 103; 28, Psalms 91; 29, Psalms 121; 30, (Sunday), Psalms 1; Dec. 1, Psalms 27; 2, Psalms 46; 3, Psalms 90; 4, Isaiah 40; 5, Isaiah 55; 6, Matthew 5:1-26.

Dec. 7, (Sunday), Matthew 5:27-48; 8, Matthew 6:1-18; 9, Matthew 6:19-34; 10, Matthew 7; 11, John 14; 12, John 15; 13, John 17.

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## Police Net Traps Convict

GRANTS PASS (AP) — Police thought they had flushed an escaped prisoner from his hiding place and so they kept an eye out for car thefts. The escaped prisoner thought police had dropped looking for him, hence that was a good time to steal a car and beat it.

This coincidence led to Donald Mark Morris—who says he is wanted by Washington State officials as William Carl Lind—being back in jail Saturday.

On Tuesday Morris, 21, was sentenced to three years in prison for larceny. Handcuffed, he was being led across an alley for return to jail when he broke into a run and escaped.

Friday afternoon the caretaker of a vacant house noticed a door unlocked. The house, he found, showed signs of having been lived in. So he went for police.

Responding in force, police surrounded the house, then went in

and found it vacant. They assumed correctly that Morris had been living in it, and assumed incorrectly he knew they were hot on his trail. They started making a 20-minute check of all used cars agencies. At 9 p.m. a car theft was reported and before midnight, Myrtle Creek police had nabbed the car and Morris.

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## Appliance Store Sold

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kirkpatrick, Lakeview Highway, have announced purchase of East Side Appliances, 7th and Klamath Avenue, from Bob Robbins.

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## Police Seek Mob Women

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Detectives questioned one woman and sought another following the arrest of mobster Leonard C. Moretti, tagged by police as "the nation's most wanted triggerman."

Police Capt. James E. Hamilton Saturday identified the apprehended woman as Mrs. Ruth Cameron. Described as the sister of a mysterious \$10,000 check found on Moretti, 45, when he was picked up Wednesday night on a charge of putting slugs in a pay phone.

Fingerprints disclosed his identity. Meantime, police said, efforts continued to link the hoodlum, wanted for 20 years in connection with four Toledo, O., mob slayings, with local and Eastern unsolved killings.

In Hackensack, N. J., New Jersey Deputy Attorney General Harry L. Tamm said he has asked Los Angeles police for fingerprints and a picture of Moretti in connection with the killing of gambler Willie Moretti.

Tamm said he wants Moretti to live up to account of what he did Oct. 4, 1951, the day Moretti was shot to death in a Cliffside Park, N. J., case by four men. None has been apprehended.

Police said the other woman sought is Moretti's wife, Margaret. At his apartment officers found his wife missing. But coffee was boiling on the stove and ice cream was melting.

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