



ARRESTED. Sheriff J. B. Henderson (left) leads Wilbur J. White, 20, of Coupeville, Wash., a sailor aboard a Marine transport, from the Marine Corps brig at Miami, Fla. White is under arrest in connection with the torture slaying of Mrs. Ruby Colvin, 32, a Hollywood, Fla., housewife.

English Dockworker Security Plan To Be Revised Under Conservatives

LONDON (AP) — Britain's Socialists dreamed of bringing some sort of employment security to the British dockworker and they made the dream come true, at least in part. Now government economy is revising it.

From the time the first sailing ship came to England, stevedores were hired on a casual basis as they were needed. When Britain became a big industrial nation that often meant long lines of disappointed dockers waiting day after day for work which only came along when the ports were busy.

The late Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin—champion of the dockers in his previous role as boss of the big Transport and General Workers Union—struggled for years to give every stevedore a pay check every Friday. After Britain elected a Socialist rule in 1945, a list was drawn up of all dockers. They all had to turn up for work twice a day—once in the morning

and once in the afternoon. If they were given work, they drew the normal pay for the job. If there was no work, they received a subsistence payment of about \$12 a week.

Winston Churchill's Conservatives look over a year ago—right in the middle of a financial crisis. To put the nation's economy on its feet again the government ordered sweeping import cuts and told exporters to sell more goods abroad.

The import cuts reduced the amount of unloading jobs going to stevedores. And exports, instead of rising, have dropped fairly steadily most of 1952.

These developments have meant longer and longer lines at the dock gates as idle stevedores checked in for work twice daily. Many of

them got no work, drew the \$12 weekly, but could not take another job because the dock labor scheme rules every man drawing relief must check in both for the morning and afternoon shifts.

On the average 15 out of every 100 registered stevedores have been without work every day during 1952. In November the levy financing the scheme was so big shippers were paying the equivalent of loading six ships for every five that actually had a cargo.

Government officials, shippers, trade union representatives and men who run the nationalized docks got together. They told the surplus dockers in veiled language: "Get out willingly before you are kicked out."

They ruled the official register of 80,000 registered dockers must be

cut. Men declared surplus in each port will be invited to quit the business voluntarily and take up another trade. The government will help with training in some cases. The dock labor scheme will

continue to operate the guaranteed payments for the remaining stevedores.

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Marine Cooks Win Election

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Marine Cooks and Stewards won by a 2-1 margin over the AFL Stewards Union Wednesday in a labor election that is preliminary to a much larger test.

Up for decision in the NLRB vote was bargaining representation for galley workers aboard small coastal lumber vessels.

The independent, left-wing Mar-

ine Cooks and Stewards emerged with a 22-11 count, with two ballots voided on challenges.

The independent union has held the contract with steam schooner operators, but the election was called when the AFL unit, an offshoot of the Sailors Union of the Pacific, was formed to enter the ship galleys.

The still-to-come test involves some 5,000 stewards on some 300 offshore vessels.

Ex-Politico Lands in Jail

MEDFORD (AP) — A man who has been a Democrat, Republican and independent candidate in the past eight months—and unsuccessful at each—wound up in jail Wednesday night.

Gene R. Brantley, whose latest defeat was as a Democratic candidate for county judge in November, was accused by a grand jury of publishing a forged document.

That document appeared at a time when Brantley was trying to get on the ballot as an independent candidate for county judge. It was a nominating petition, but the county clerk threw it out, asserting investigation showed forged names on the sheets.

Brantley's first try of the year was on the Republican primary ticket. He wanted to become a delegate to the Republican National Convention. After his defeat, he switched his registration to independent, but the county Democratic executive committee named him the Democratic candidate for county judge.

The grand jury indictment was returned Wednesday. Bond was set at \$2,000. The possible penalty is a prison term, ranging up to 20 years.

It was a sorry year for another member of the family. His brother Robert ran for Republican nomination as county judge in May. He was defeated by incumbent J. B. Coleman.

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