away Blood Clots In nan System Cost Lives

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UTIS, (AP)—Runaway blood e human body kill three- many Americans every are slain by automobiles, lphia doctor reports.

ugitive clots, called "pul- mboli," are possible fol- surgical operation or —and they kill 30,000 peo- is country annually, de- . Meyer Naide, compared o auto deaths.

ots form in the legs, in- size, then suddenly break race upward to the lungs, y impair the oxygen sup- body, often resulting in

ing the American Acad- General Practice, whose annual meeting ends today, the Women's Medical College of Philadelphia doctor said the only way to prevent the clots is to find and tackle them while they are small and stationary in the blood vessels of the legs. In this state, clots are called "thrombi"—hence the name "thrombo-phlebitis" for blood clotting in the legs.

Even when breakaway "emboli" are not formed, leg clots can sometimes result in ulcers, skin infections and swelling of the leg.

Dr. Naide said that despite a tremendous amount of research on thrombo-phlebitis and the development of drugs that can fight clotting, doctors are seeing almost as much of this ailment now as they did 15 or 20 years ago.

Clotting of blood usually occurs more readily after surgery or childbirth than under normal conditions because various blood vessels have been injured. Even the anxiety associated with undergoing an operation or childbirth contributes to the speed of clotting.

Also, people who undergo such experiences are naturally less active, hence their blood flows more slowly, increasing the likelihood of clots.

ed Man ders Pair

BEND, Ore. (AP) — A ican, apparently angered a white girl wouldn't ith him, shot and killed her escort and wounded rs in a night club shoot- y here late Saturday lice reported.

uerto Rican, an assistant m the freighter SS Bell, s docked here, was iden- State Police Officer Rob- illipes as Florencia Martes about 38.

t Attorney John J. Pickett rties had signed a state- mitting the fatal shooting Mayiel Alice Pressnall, 25, Bend and her companion, Carter, 25, Hauser, Ore., wounding of Mr. and Mrs. ttit, North Bend; Harvey North Bend, and Amos d John Patrick, two other from the Bell.

said Fuerties had been with two counts of first murder.

ooting occured in Ripper's , a night club in this outhern Oregon port com- There were about 100 pa- the club, many of whom slayings.

p of patrons nabbed Fuer- a storeroom where they had fled and was reloading after the shooting. They for police.

, a veteran of the Korean d been back in the U. S. ix months. Mrs. Pressnall, her of a 4-year-old daugh- employed as a waitress ight club. It was her night rever, and she was there iron.

Gold Standard Plans Studied

WASHINGTON (AP)—The idea of returning to the gold standard, after two decades off it, will be studied by an independent research agency at the request of Sen. Hugh Butler (R-Neb).

The Senate Finance Committee member, in announcing this last night, said his request was based on overwhelmingly favorable replies to questionnaires sent to 5,000 business and industry leaders.

He said the 5,000 replies also favored a percentage limit on federal taxes, a 25-year plan to pay off the national debt and a national sales tax.

LOCUSTS INVADE

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Swarms of locusts once again are threatening Jordan's cultivated areas. Experts from Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and Kenya met in Maan Monday with Jordan officials to discuss coordinated action against the crop menace.

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Flash Fire Rips Through Nursing Home, 32 Patient Deaths, 1 Nurse Counted

LARGO, Fla. (AP)—Three agencies are investigating the wind-swept fire that destroyed a one-story frame nursing home yesterday, taking the lives of 32 elderly patients and a valiant nurse who tried to save them.

Investigations were started today by the state fire marshal, the State Hotel Commission and Sheriff Sid Saunders.

Twenty-five patients were saved as neighbors turned out barefooted and in night clothes to back up the rescue efforts of the owners, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Littlefield. Fire companies from Largo and Clearwater also came quickly, but within half an hour the sprawling wooden structure was doomed.

The tragedy cost 34 lives in all. Angus D. Smith, Pinellas County welfare director, was killed in an automobile collision while driving three patients to a hospital.

Many of the victims died in their beds, unaware of the danger that suddenly roared at them about 3:30 on a chilly Sabbath morning.

Of those who gained consciousness, some were too panicky to follow directions some were too feebleminded and some too old and stubborn.

"If they had done what I told them they would all have gotten out," Littlefield said in a tired voice.

The Littlefields were sleeping in the home with the patients. Littlefield said he was awakened by the screams of a woman. He tried to fight the flames with fire extinguishers, saw he was losing, and bekan waking up patients and trying to get them out.

Mrs. Littlefield ran outside, screaming for help, and collapsed with a heart attack. She is in serious condition.

"One man was sound asleep and he clung to the door and fought me while I tried to get him out," said Mrs. Aletha Herring, who lives across the road.

"They were just like children—they didn't want to be removed from their warm beds," said another neighbor, T. R. Hasty, who carried old people out till he was almost cut off by the raging flames.

However, some of the patients themselves helped others escape.

Will Hardin, 76, Palm Harbor, said: "I carried out Gus Simonson, who is 94 years old. He had two canes and he could walk just a little."

Mrs. Frank Colley of Clearwater helped get two out.

Mrs. Gertrude Warnick, 55, a nurse, brought one woman out, returned to the flame-swept building and did not come out again.

Cause of the fire remains a mystery. Fire Chief Peter Tieola of Clearwater said preliminary checks led him to believe the blaze started near the kitchen and supply room. Littlefield said he thought the fire began in a front bedroom.

The patients ranged in age from 45 to 98, with most of them above 65. Many were old age pensioners, getting a little additional welfare help from Pinellas County. Others were mental cases.

Long Bell Offers To Purchase Firm

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The Long-Bell Lumber Company Saturday reported it had offered $6,200,000 for controlling interest in the American Lumber Corporation of Vernonia, Ore.

The offer was made to Central Coal and Coke Corporation of Kansas City, owner of about 64 per cent of the firm's common stock.

Central Coal said it would make the offer available to minor stockholders before agreeing to the plan.

The offer would give Central Coal $200 a share for its 13,000 shares of the stock.

MARTIAL LAW

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Martial law was proclaimed Monday in the Bakhtiari tribal areas of Southern Iran, where an insurrection led by Abolghassem Bakhtiar has been under way for nearly two months.

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Ardent Amateurs Battle With Bulls For Church

JUAREZ, Mexico (AP)—Seldom has the historic old Plaza de Toros seen anything like it. The bulls were brave, the matadors likewise, and the fans even more so. Together they staged quite a ball.

And they raised about 15,000 pesos ($1,800) to buy windows for the Chapel of the Little Jesus, a small adobe chapel on the outskirts of this old border city.

The bulls were the usual ferocious, range-bred animals used in Juarez' colorful bullfights. They pawed the ground, bellowed and charged in the best tradition.

But the five matadors from El Paso, Tex., were strictly novices. At times it appeared the bulls would be the victors, but with a few bumps, the amateurs made out all right.

And the fans were so pleased that at the end of the show, dozens jumped into the ring to bait an angry giant released as an "open bull" — fair game for all comers. One fan was knocked out.

The whole thing started when the El Paso group offered to fight for funds for the little Catholic church which they and other residents of Juarez and El Paso have been building since 1945.

Panchito Reyes, cashier in a department store and most experienced of the bullfighters, opened the show. He killed his bull and won an ear—the mark of a good fight—but not before he was tossed into the fence surrounding the ring.

Here's how his mates made out:

Al Darnell, magician: Magic wouldn't work and he was sent to the showers after trying for half an hour to kill his bull. Substitute Charles Scanlon polished off the animal after two attempts.

Enriquez Arriola, clothing factory mechanic: Killed his bull with only minor trouble.

Richard Evans, Negro veteran of the Navy: Got bounced about but made his kill.

TERRORISTS

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) —Fanatical Moslem terrorists killed 26 persons and wounded 16 others in a raid Sunday on the small mountain town of Tjiparaj.

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