

FBI Seeking Car Snatcher

WASHINGTON (AP)—A 32-year-old ex-convict reputed to have become a kingpin in the car theft racket Monday was listed by the FBI among its 10 most wanted fugitives.

He is Nelson Robert Duncan, a native of Chattanooga, Tenn.

The FBI said Duncan, many times in and out of prison on robbery and burglary charges, had more recently recruited a car theft gang built around his brothers and varied assortment of underworld rogues who had expanded their operations from the Southeastern states into the populous Midwest.

The FBI said it is possible that Duncan, customarily heavily armed, may be traveling at this time with his wife and three small children.

Of small build, Duncan has reddish brown hair and brown eyes, with a mole on his right cheek. He went on the "Most Wanted" list as a replacement for Alex Bryant, convicted armed robber arrested in Los Angeles Jan. 26.

Spuds Back On Lunch List

WASHINGTON (AP)—Potatoes once again are qualified for the government's school lunch program under an amendment to the cotton and wheat acreage allotment bill just signed by President Eisenhower.

When Congress in 1950 took price support away from potatoes, its action also was construed to mean that potatoes wouldn't be eligible for the lunch program.

The Senate held that this was not intended and when the acreage allotments bill came up, Sen. Welker (R-Idaho) added an amendment to put potatoes back into the school lunch and similar programs carried out from tariff collections on imports.

Nation Enjoys Mild Monday

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Monday was mild, for winter, almost everywhere in the nation. The extremes in the early morning were Caribou, Maine, with nine above, and Southern California, with temperatures ranging around San Diego's 69.

Between, the weather was pretty much what you'd expect for this time of the year, or better. Freezing temperatures prevailed from the central Mississippi Valley northward and eastward to the Atlantic Coast.

But California was due for its ninth consecutive day of a warm spell that brought a record Feb. 7 high of 88 degrees at San Diego Sunday. Southern California beaches were crowded Sunday as Los Angeles, too, had 88 degrees.

Light snow fell in parts of Michigan. The South Atlantic Coast from Tampa, Fla., to Savannah, Ga., had light rain. Some freezing drizzle was reported in the Western plateau section. Elsewhere skies mostly were clear.

Mine Union Meet Slated

BUTTE, Mont. (AP)—Negotiations for a consent election between warring factions of the Butte miners' union No. 1 will open Thursday under a National Labor Relations Board field examiner.

Examiner Howard Hilburn is expected here to seek a settlement of the controversy between members of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers and a United Steel Workers of America (CIO) group, which bolted Mine-Mill Dec. 27.

Ernest Salvas, Butte administrator for Mine-Mill, said 700 miners attended a Mine-Mill meeting Sunday and voted to circulate petitions urging an immediate NLRB election.

The steel workers' group withdrew from the TUMMASBY in protest at what it described as Communist leanings in Mine - Mill leadership.

Search Continues For Alabama Cons

BAY MINETTE, Ala. (AP)—Hunger forced the remaining three uncaptured Almore Prison escapees out in the open last night—but their brief appearance only brought pursuit and no food.

The trio apparently desperately hungry, entered the cabin of an aged Negro and demanded food at knifepoint.

But the Negro fled, said Highway Patrol Lt. W. L. Whitten, and his story pinpointed the search to a backwoods area seven miles north of here.

The deadly hunt now is in its fourth day.

The three—Ned Capinelli, Adrian McCrandell and James Norton Guy—are the only ones still at large of nine long-termers who slipped away under Almore Prison Thursday night through an electrical tunnel.

Brownell Airs Views On TV Show

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WASHINGTON (AP)—Eighty-eight prisoners who asked to go to neutral countries and some 1,300 Indian troops Monday moved under heavy protective guard from Korea's neutral zone to a ship leaving Tuesday for India.

Some 50 South Koreans made an unsuccessful last-minute plea at the Inchon docks for the 88 unrepatriated Korean and Chinese POWs to change their decision to go to neutral countries. As the POWs boarded landing craft headed for the transport Asturias, the Koreans sang, chanted and made speeches over a loudspeaker.

The prisoners, originally captured by the Allies, refused to return to North Korea and Red China. Under terms of the armistice they chose neutral countries over South Korea or Nationalist China, where some 22,000 fellow POWs have been released. Two chose Communist Poland or Czechoslovakia.

The POWs will stay in India pending arrangements to get them into the countries of their choice. Except for the loudspeaker barrage at Inchon docks, the Indians and POWs moved uneventfully by train from the Panmunjom area.

The South Korean government previously had threatened to shoot Indian troops setting foot on South Korea soil, but a few days ago President Syngman Rhee approved moving about 5,000 Indian troops to Inchon by train.

American troops and ROK police guarded the train route all the way.

Some Indians will stay at Panmunjom until Feb. 21, when the Neutral Repatriation Commission goes out of business.

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Drought Dries Up Kansas, Missouri

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Many communities in Missouri and Kansas, the states wracked only three years ago by devastating floods, are faced with a very different crisis today; they're drying up.

A merciless drought that lasted through the summer still shows no sign of abating. It's no longer just the preoccupation of worried farmers, but has moved, quietly, into the cities and towns.

The water shortage varies in acuteness, depending on locality, but there are communities which have little over a month's supply left.

At least one, in fact, has run dry—Olathe, Kan., 20 miles southwest of Kansas City. The city's supply is due to be depleted today, with the level of the reservoir dropping below the intake pipe. Trucks will haul water from a nearby lake while this source holds out, then arrangements are to be made for hauling it from Kansas City.

Dr. Warren A. Kramer, chief of water supplies for the Missouri Health Division, said many towns already have reached the crisis stage, and there's no immediate relief in sight.

For Kansas, too, the outlook is grim. A. D. Robb of the U.S. Weather Bureau in Topeka, Kan., described the general situation as "serious," explaining: "Good, general rains would be the only solution. But our long-range forecast doesn't indicate them."

Water for car washing and other nonessential use has been banned in some areas.

In Paola, Kan., pastors are offering prayers for rain at Sunday services. Daily prayers for rain are being said at Ursuline College.

Meantime, the town's water rate has doubled, and officials say another hike is inevitable if Paola—as is likely—will be forced to import water soon from nearby Kansas City.

Big 1,000-gallon water trucks are hauling supplies to farm lands and thirsty cities throughout northern

and central Missouri and eastern Kansas.

Some 20 hauling companies are engaged in the water trade in Jefferson City, Mo., alone. The state capital lies on the Missouri River, so its own supply is ample, and water is being shipped out

in a 60-mile radius.

Kansas City likewise has no problem, being on the Missouri River, but south of the city, in the La Cygne, Kan., area, many smaller towns have only six-week reserves left.

Springfield, Mo., has taken to

cloud seeding to produce rain, without results to date.

At Edina, Mo., the Army recently had to step in and build an emergency pipeline to a nearby lake to replenish the community's reservoir—which since then has run perilously low once more.

Lamar, Mo., is precariously getting by on a well formerly supplying an ice plant.



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