

Roosevelt Says Wife Took Documents From His Office

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — James Roosevelt, who says documents were missing from his files after his estranged wife broke into his office last August, resumes the stand today at a hearing on her petition for support.

The hearing is to determine whether the eldest son of the late President Franklin Roosevelt is able to pay \$3,500 a month demanded by his wife Romelle. She seeks the sum for herself and their three children pending trial of their separate maintenance suits.

Mrs. Roosevelt contends her husband is worth two million dollars and she claims he is \$78,000 in debt.

One of her attorneys, Arthur I.

Schiffman, yesterday introduced a turn-up document referring to a \$2,500 trust payable on demand to Irene Owens.

Schiffman told reporters this was the Gladys Irene Owens whom Mrs. Roosevelt named with two other women as co-respondents. Mrs. Roosevelt, 38, accuses her husband of infidelities with 12 women. The attorney said Mrs. Owens formerly was employed by one of Roosevelt's insurance firms.

Roosevelt, who was on the stand in Superior Court the entire day, about a 2.38-carat, \$5,000 diamond ring purchased last November. Roosevelt, 46, claimed he bought it for his wife, but one of her lawyers said it was not her size and she never received it.

The turn-up piece of paper, pasted together under transparent sheets, was in longhand and signed by Atty. John K. Sloan of Los Angeles. The document said the lawyer was holding in trust \$2,500 payable to Irene Owens.

Roosevelt testified he put the money in trust "to try and safeguard some of my possessions which I believe were being tampered with."

He said the money was for his own use and that Sloan has repaid the entire amount.

Asked by his attorney, Samuel B. Picone, why he had placed the money in trust, Roosevelt replied he had lost confidence his wife would not withdraw the entire amount from a joint account they previously had had in New York.

"When did you lose confidence?" Picone asked.

"On a Sunday, Aug. 3, she visited the office building, got a key from the janitor and broke into my files. Since then various items have been missing, including one produced here in court," Roosevelt replied.

He said a locksmith was required to repair the file locks.

Tornado Smashes Arkansas Town

CLARKSVILLE, Ark. (AP) — A tornado dipped into this small mountain city last night, wrecking more than a score of buildings and injuring 20 persons.

The gymnasium at the College of the Ozarks was smashed.

Dr. George R. Siegel, mayor of Clarksville, said only one of the gym victims was injured critically—Larry Burnham, a student at Ozarks.

Three other persons in the storm area were hurt critically.

The Rev. Troy Clinesmith, a Methodist minister who is a student at the Presbyterian school, said about 16 persons were in the gym when the roof crashed. The bleachers, empty when the storm struck, stopped the plunging roof.

If the big wind had struck five minutes earlier, it would have caught the bleachers filled with spectators watching a basketball game.

Federal Reserve Board Reports

WASHINGTON (AP) — Industrial production continued in January the downward drift that set in last August, the Federal Reserve Board says.

The board reported Monday that production in the nation's factories and mines declined approximately 1 1/2 per cent in January to reach a level 9 per cent below the peak-time industrial production peak reached last May and equaled in July.

January production was about 7 per cent less than production in January of 1953, the Reserve Board said, but was nevertheless the second best January on record.

The Reserve Board said construction activity and sales, although somewhat off in January, remained high.

CIO Leaders Hit Ike Policies

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP) — Two top officials of the Congress of Industrial Organizations said Monday the record of the Eisenhower administration was "very disappointing to trade unionism."

The statement was made by Al Hastings, international president of the CIO-International Woodworkers of America, and Adolph Germer, CIO special representative. They are in Vancouver to attend the 17th annual B.C. district IWA convention.

"It's easy for people who earn lucrative salaries and are well fed and housed to claim there is no danger," Germer said in an interview.

Both labor leaders scored what they termed the "reactionary" nature of the Eisenhower administration's attitude toward rising unemployment.

"There now are four million unemployed in the U.S.," Germer said. "We want action; talk is not solving the problem."

Bets Are On 'From Here To Eternity' For Oscar

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — "From Here to Eternity" has swept through with 13 nominations in the Oscar derby and appears to be the picture to beat.

The nominees, which were announced last night, showed a strong favoring for the hard-bitten Army drama. It drew an amazing five nominations for its stars and at least three of them were strongly favored to win.

Current Hollywood betting favors Burt Lancaster for the top Oscar because of his sergeant's role in "Eternity." Deborah Kerr, who abandoned queenly roles to play an Army wife of loose morals, could also be a winner, although Audrey Hepburn of "Roman Holiday" appears the favorite so far.

Crooner Frank Sinatra and Donna Reed appear to be heavy choices for the supporting Oscars. Although both had star billing in "Eternity," they were classified as supporting players.

The major nominations were: Best picture—"From Here to Eternity," "Roman Holiday," "The Robe," "Julius Caesar," "Shane."

Best actor—Lancaster; Marlon Brando, "Julius Caesar"; Richard Burton, "The Robe"; Montgomery Clift, "From Here to Eternity"; William Holden, "Stalag 17."

Best actress—Miss Kerr, Miss Hepburn, Leslie Caron, "Lili"; Ava Gardner, "Mogambo"; Maggie McNamara, "The Moon is Blue."

Best supporting actress—Miss Reed; Grace Kelly, "Mogambo"; Geraldine Page, "Hondo"; Marjorie Rambeau, "Torch Song"; Thelma Ritter, "Pickup on South Street."

Best supporting actor—Sinatra; Eddie Albert, "Roman Holiday"; Brando de Wilde, "Shane"; Robert Strauss, "Stalag 17"; Jack Palance, "Shane."

Best direction—Fred Zinnemann.

"From Here to Eternity," Charles Walters, "Lili," William Wyler, "Roman Holiday," George Stevens, "Shane," Billy Wilder, "Stalag 17."

Best song—"The Moon is Blue," from the film "The Moon is Blue;" "My Flaming Heart," from "Small Town Girl;" "Sadie Thompson's Song," from "Miss Sadie Thompson;" "Secret Love," from "Calamity Jane;" "That's Amore," from "The Caddy."

Best documentary—"The Conquest of Everest," "The Living Desert," "A Queen is Crowned."

Despite "From Here to Eternity's" amazing showing, it set no record. "All About Eve" won 13 nominations, and "Gone With the Wind," "Johnny Belinda" and "A Streetcar Named Desire" scored 13, the same as "Eternity."

Close runner-up in the 1953 sweepstakes is "Roman Holiday," a light comedy filmed in Rome, which netted 10 nominations. It was followed by "Lili" and "Shane" with six and "Julius Caesar" and "The Robe" with five. Of the leaders, only "The Robe" was filmed in one of the industry's new-dimensional techniques.

The final Oscar winners will be voted on by the academy's 1,600 members following nominations by

bulk of the industry's workers. The coveted gold statuettes will be handed to the lucky few before television cameras at the Hollywood Pantages Theater March 25.

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Patient Rebels At Offer Of Water

BALLAS (AP) — The convalescent home patient asked an attendant for a drink here yesterday.

The attendant brought a pitcher of water and poured a long drink.

The 69-year-old man sprayed his first mouthful across the room.

"Gad!" he yelled. "That stuff is water!"

In a bull's-eye throw, he hit the attendant across the face with the water pitcher.

Parkland Hospital aides said the attendant is recovering from a broken nose.

The home inmates, they said, is about the same.

Playing Boys Fall Into Asphalt Pit

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Two boys got stuck in a waste asphalt pit and narrowly escaped sinking to their deaths last night.

It took firemen 22 minutes to free Allen Perry, 14, and Roger Giarraputo, 9. The boys had been stuck 15 to 20 minutes before frantic calls were heard. Passers-by held the boys up until firemen arrived but could not get them loose.

The boys were playing in the yard of a road construction company when they spied the cold asphalt. They thought they could walk on it but began to sink when they were about in the middle of the pit, roughly eight feet in diameter.

Firemen said the boys were in about 2 1/2 feet when they arrived. They were reported in good condition after the rescue.

Tight Shoes Said Cause Of Stagger

SOMERVILLE, Mass. (AP) — A 45-year-old laborer told a District Court judge yesterday that he wasn't drunk, as a policeman charged—it was his shoes that were tight.

He displayed a pair of new shoes and told the judge: "It's these new shoes. They hurt me so much I couldn't walk straight."

Judge Nyman P. Kolodny noted his record of 12 previous arrests for drunkenness and fined him \$15.

Woman Masterminds Eastern Robberies

BALTIMORE (AP) — A 20-year-old woman and five members of her gang were held in a total of \$170,000 bail yesterday for a series of assault and robbery cases.

Police said Mrs. Elsie May Brown planned the crimes, recruited the men and acted as lookout while the jobs were pulled. She was held in \$47,500 bail. Her husband and four others were also held. All are Negroes.

Mrs. Brown pleaded guilty to all but one of the holdup charges.

Murder Charge Faces Old Man

TOWSON, Md. (AP) — A preliminary hearing is scheduled at Cockeysville tomorrow night for 85-year-old James Quikly of Sweetair, Md., who authorities say is the oldest man ever to face a murder charge in Maryland.

He was charged in the fatal shooting of his 40-year-old son Lloyd Sunday after a family quarrel.

Director Explains Indochina Aid

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Theodore Streiber, director of the U. S. Information Agency, said last night his agency has increased its program in the Indochina area recently by 50 per cent.

"I have authorized a stepup of our operations there to a level that had originally been set for 1955," he said in a television interview.

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