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Death Of Three Boys Results In Manhunt

CHICAGO (UP)—Two fathers, their voices strained with emotion, told today of searching city streets for their three missing sons, whose nude and mutilated bodies were found later in a forest preserve.

The two men, Malcolm Peterson, 36, a carpenter, and Anton Schuessler, 42, a tailor, appeared at the limit of their physical endurance.

Peterson broke down and wept on the witness stand at an inquest into one of the most shocking crimes in Chicago's history.

Schuessler had to be helped both to and from the witness chair.

IN WOODS

The bodies of the three boys, missing since Sunday, were found yesterday stacked like cordwood in a ditch in Robinson's Woods northwest of the city.

The victims were 14-year-old Robert Peterson, John Schuessler, 13, and his brother, Anton Jr., 11.

Peterson said his son was "A home boy... and he went away Sunday and we weren't able to find him."

He told of the frantic search he and Schuessler made Sunday night after their sons had left home in a go to a downtown movie and had failed to return.

They searched the main route to the downtown district, inquiring at hamburger stands, bus stops and theaters.

Then, after midnight, Peterson said, they began checking bowling alleys.

ASKS ABOUT THREATS

Coroner Walter J. McCarron asked each father whether the slain youngsters had complained of receiving threats from "anybody—teen-agers, gangs, cliques, crowds, men or boys."

The two fathers shook their heads, and said "no."

George Dillon, a maintenance man at the Monte Cristo bowling alley where the three boys were seen Sunday afternoon, described the neighborhood surrounding the bowling alley as "tough."

Schuessler's face was white as he testified. He was barely able to talk. He told McCarron that "my sons never left the house before to go downtown without their parents... This was the first time."

McCarron recessed the inquest until Oct. 24.

The clothes of all three boys had been ripped from them and marks showed their eyes, mouths and hands had been taped. They were not sexually assaulted.

WORST CRIME

It was by far one of the worst crimes in Chicago's history.

In their modest bungalow homes, the murdered boys' parents were near collapse.

Mrs. Schuessler, a frail, 37-year-old woman, rocked back and forth on her living-room couch Tuesday night while neighbor women clustered about her.

She would murmur "My life... my arms... my legs... now gone." Once she shrieked, "I want my boys! I want my boys!"

The father came in and fell on his knees before his wife. "Mother, mother—what kind of land do we live in?" he sobbed.

The boys' bodies were found shortly after 10 p.m. Tuesday, piled on top of each other in a forest preserve ditch near a parking lot. They had apparently been killed shortly after they were last seen in a bowling alley Sunday night.

DISAGREE

Chicago authorities disagreed on the motive behind the killings. Coroner Walter J. McCarron called it the work of a "sex maniac—the most horrible sex crime in years." Sheriff Joseph Lohman, however, believed that a brutal teen-aged gang had murdered the boys.

The search for clues in Robinson's Woods, located outside the city's northwest limits, continued through the night and into the early morning hours. It intensified at daybreak, with 100 officers, mated only four or five feet apart, moving through the brushland, guards and road blocks isolated the area.

Police conducted a giant roundup of known sex deviates, concentrating on persons employed in bowling alleys.

The boys had been dead 36 to 40 hours by Tuesday, and marks on their bodies showed they had apparently been carried in a car or truck.

Truck Loses Brakes, Five Persons Die

CUMBERLAND, Md. (AP)—A big tractor-trailer truck lost its brakes and plummeted out of control down big Savage Mountain into the west outskirts of Cumberland Wednesday, killing five persons when it overtook a car and smashed into another truck.

The victims were identified as two men and two women passengers driving into Cumberland from Frostburg, Md., to work, and a Pennsylvania truck driver.

State police listed them as:

Clifford Pearer, 38, assistant manager of the Cumberland Store Co.; Francis X. Spearman, 56, long-time clerk in the office of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad's superintendent at Cumberland; Miss Nellie Thomas, 31, cashier and payroll clerk at the Buchanan Lumber Co.; and Miss Grace Evelyn Lloyd, 33, also a clerk for the B. & O.

Samuel J. Breneman, driver of one truck and building contractor from Springs, Pa.

EASTBOUND

Breneman was eastbound on U. S. 40 with a bulldozer on his rig and was about to turn off when the runaway truck came down behind him at 85 to 90 miles an hour. It hit the Pearer car and then smashed into Breneman's trailer. Breneman was decapitated.

The driver of the runaway truck, Paul Stewart Myers, 25, of Dover, Pa., had only a scratch over one eye.

Pearer and his passengers were burned to death when the runaway truck overtook their sedan from behind, smashed over it and dumped part of its load of aluminum sheeting upon the twisted wreckage.

Eyewitnesses said the sedan's gas tank apparently exploded at the impact.

Myers told police his brakes failed on big Savage Mountain as he came east into Frostburg.

He disengaged his engine and gave it full throttle, trying to build up air pressure in the brake system. The truck careened through Frostburg without hitting anything.

FIVE MILES

For almost five miles it roared on down the steep grades into the west outskirts of Cumberland.

At Allegheny Grove, as it entered the Cumberland suburb of Lavalie, a tire blew out and it lurched into one front yard and on through to the yard of John D. Kasekamp.

At the edge of the Kasekamp yard it overtook the Pearer sedan. Pearer apparently had pulled to the side of the road and had almost stopped in an effort to get out of the truck's way.

After crunching the car aside, the truck pulled another 100 feet down the highway and smashed into Breneman's rig.

Anti-Dump Spud Duties To Be Asked

VICTORIA, B.C. (AP)—Kenneth Kiernan, British Columbia minister of agriculture, will press for anti-dumping duties on U.S. potatoes entering the Canadian market when he attends the Dominion Provincial Agriculture Conference in Ottawa Dec. 6 and 7.

"What is required is an amendment to anti-dumping legislation, so that when a commodity, such as potatoes, is offered in our market below the cost of production, a graduated scale of tariffs would be applied," the minister said here in an interview.

He said the graduated tariff scale would bring the cost of the commodity up to the known cost of production. "Those figures are available," said Kiernan.

At present, Canadian, and particularly British Columbia potato growers have little or no tariff protection. For six weeks each year, \$7.50 a ton is applied to U.S. potatoes, to give Canadian growers a chance to capture some of the early market.

For the remainder of the year, U.S. potatoes enter tariff-free.

"But they get around that six weeks," said the minister, "by stocking up ahead of time. It doesn't mean a thing."

Canadian potatoes entering the U.S. pay a tariff of \$7.50 a ton until one million bushels of table potatoes, or 2 million bushels of seed potatoes, have crossed the border.

After that quota is filled, "and it doesn't take very long," the tariff mounts to \$15 a ton.

Kiernan said he expected federal government action on potato tariffs at the next session of Parliament. "But we will press for action at the December conference, as we have done for the past three years."



LIGHTNING STRUCK near the Coleman F. O'Loughlin residence, 1801 Lakeshore, about 2:30 a.m. Tuesday during the thunderstorm which roared over Klamath Falls. The lightning bolt evidently struck a tree about 60 feet from the front of the house and the concussion from the resulting blast broke the large window in the front of the house. The electrical shock also blew out a 30 ampere fuse in the fuse box at the rear of the house. No injuries resulted from the blast. In the upper picture O'Loughlin points to the broken window and lower he is showing Herald and News photographer Otto Ellis where the lightning bolt hit the tree. (arrow)

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Neuberger Plans Adoption Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore.) plans to introduce legislation at the next session of Congress to provide government aid for Korean-American children, fathered by GI's and left behind in Korea.

The senator, who sponsored a bill to enable Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holt of Creswell, Ore., to adopt eight of these children and bring them from Korea to their home, said his interest in the problem of the abandoned youngsters had been stimulated by the case.

California's System of Financing State Parks is Quicker Different

California's system of financing state parks is quite different. The bulk of the money our sister state uses for parks maintenance comes from royalties on offshore oil.

So California's basic philosophy regarding its state parks differs from Oregon's. It looks upon them as resources that are designed to bring to the PEOPLE OF THE STATE a fuller realization of the majesty and beauty of nature.

That is the underlying purpose of California's state parks system, as it is presently administered. I have great respect for the California philosophy, but I can't help recalling that California has offshore oil royalties to spend and Oregon doesn't.

So I can't escape the feeling that Oregon will be wise if it continues its present system of financing its state parks—that is, as an adjunct of its state highways.

Ike, Dulles Express Desire For Concrete Meet Results

DENVER (UP)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles reported after a conference with President Eisenhower today that he and the chief executive had shared a "measured hope" for concrete achievements from the forthcoming Big Four foreign ministers meeting in Geneva.

Dulles, following a 25-minute session at the President's bedside at Fitzsimons Army Hospital, said he expected no "spectacular results" from Geneva but that "any results at all would mark an advance on most if not all of our prior conferences with the Soviet Union."

Dulles covered the Geneva agenda again with Mr. Eisenhower and reported that the President was pleased that he, Dulles, planned to stop in Rome for brief conferences with top Italian leaders before going on to the foreign ministers conference.

EXPECTS RESULTS

"I go to Geneva with the assurance that I have behind me a President who fully knows the issues and who has given me a full and comprehensive mandate to speak for our nation at that conference," Dulles said at a news conference.

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Meg Resumes Royal Duties

LONDON (UP)—Princess Margaret today resumed the royal duties which are among the greatest stumbling blocks to her reported romance with RAP Group Capt. Peter Townsend.

She presented colors to a battalion of Highland troops on James Salisbury Plain southwest of London and told them that this is a time "for resolute and unwavering service."

Tonight she and other members of the royal family dine with heads of the Church of England, who are among the strongest opponents of her possible marriage to a divorced man.

Margaret's ringing call to duty to the troops was not likely to be overlooked by forecasters who are trying to see what her own decision will be on marrying Townsend.

The royal dinner at Lambeth Palace brings Margaret and the prelate of the established church face to face. It gave the outspoken archbishop an opportunity to deliver his verdict on a Margaret, Nov. 1, Waterville, Maine, Nov. 2; Chapel Hill, N.C., Nov. 11; and Albuquerque, N.M., Nov. 22.

SHOOTING HOURS CALIFORNIA

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Sam Coon Speaks For Dam Support

MORO, Ore. (AP)—Rep. Coon (R-Ore.) said Tuesday he had accused Oregon's Democratic congressional delegation of trying to halt new dam starts in Oregon so they would save a campaign issue in the next election.

He told a meeting of the Sherman County Republican Club that the three legislators (Sens. Morse and Neuberger and Rep. Green) had not denied the charge and "in my book, failure to answer an accusation is an admission of guilt."

Coon is speaking in Eastern Oregon to gain support of his bill for "partnership" construction of John Day Dam. The Oregon Democrats oppose the bill.

Coon said that partnership program had the active support of three Democratic presidents—Woodrow Wilson, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman. When Oregon legislators attack the partnership program, they are attacking the policies of these three presidents, Coon said.

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EXPLAINING the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce charts and plans this morning when the 9 o'clock photographer came by was Frank Tucker, manager of the chamber. Ruth Overen, 2050 Eberlein, new information clerk at the chamber, was being instructed by Tucker.