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Grand Canyon Ordeal Ended By Artist

GRAND CANYON, Ariz. (UPI)—An adventurous artist described Friday a three-day watery ordeal at the bottom of the Grand Canyon that resulted when he lost his canoe and risked his life to stay with his pet dog.

The artist, Earl L. Francis, 27, of San Manuel, Ariz., was recuperating at a hotel here after he and his Airedale, Cadillac, were rescued from the turbulent Colorado River Thursday. They had spent much of the three days swimming down the river.

Francis with his dog "started out on the river journey May 7, but last Monday he lost the canoe and was faced with the choice of trying to recover the boat and all his supplies or remain with his dog.

"I decided to save the dog and let the boat go," the bearded artist told his rescuers.

Francis and Cadillac — both buoyed by life preservers around their necks — were pulled from the swift-moving rapids of the river in a dramatic rescue Thursday.

Francis had his arm wrapped tightly around the dog.

"Thank God!" were his first words when pulled from the water. They had spent three days in the current-swept river, sleeping by night on sand bars or along the banks. Towering 1,800-foot cliffs stretched above them on both sides of the river and the rim of the Grand Canyon was one mile away.

The river is about 14 feet deep and at one section of the rapids the river drops 33 feet in three-tenths of a mile. There were rapids but no waterfalls in his swimming route.

Neither Francis nor his dog had any food during their ordeal in which they travelled five to eight miles, mostly by water.

At night they had to sleep wet and without protection in temperatures of 55 and 60 degrees. During the day temperatures soared to more than 100 degrees.

Ernie White, manager of Phantom Ranch, said he and three men started out Thursday looking for Francis' body.

They spotted Francis and the dog floating in the river and two of them went after a rope to haul Francis out.

"The river is pretty swift there and we didn't have much time. George Snow (a ranch hand) scrambled down to the river, as best he could.

"Francis saw him and began angling into shore. We pulled him out and he plopped down on the ground and was tired but healthy. After a rest, we went back to the ranch where he rested and had dinner with us. He was in good shape."

Francis' parents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Francis of District Park, Md.

Steel Contract Talks Recess

NEW YORK (AP)—Steel contract negotiations recessed Friday until Tuesday, with both labor and management indicating they disposed of a great deal of preliminary maneuvers.

United Steelworkers President David J. McDonald said "we're really in basic discussions now."

The union has not spelled out its demands. It announced at beginning of talks May 5 that it would seek substantial raises and shorter working hours among other benefits. The steel industry has been insisting on a one-year free on wages to halt inflation.

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— Bennett Photographers

Police Report Three Wrecks

Among weekend accidents reported by state police were these:

A car driven by Willford Bertram Kinsey, 22, 4021 Greensprings Drive, went out of control on the OTI Hill road just off Alameda Street and struck a car driven by Bobby Robert Zeman, 19, Parkdale, Oregon. The investigation was continuing.

A car driven by William T. Reeves, Route 2, Tulake, hit a guard rail and rolled over near Olene on State 66, striking a car driven by Donald Edgar Gibney, 27, Bonanza. Reeves was jailed on a charge of being drunk on a public highway.

Cars driven by Grace M. Shephard, Stanford, California, and Robert L. Bradley, Kingsley Field, collided on the Chase Mountain Road on the way to the radar station. Police said Bradley apparently was trying to make a left turn when the other car was attempting to pass him. There were no citations and no injuries.

Shotgun Death Defies Deputies

FORT PIERCE, Fla. (AP)—A man with a shotgun pressed against his head listened while two sheriff's deputies pleaded with him Friday night to drop the weapon.

Then Harold R. Lawyer, 50, cried "No! It's too late," and pressed the trigger, killing himself while the officers, patrons and perhaps of a drive-in barbecue watched helplessly.

Lawyer ate a meal, then loaded the gun in his car and advised waitresses to call police because he was going to shoot himself.

No motive was determined. Lawyer, who held an electrician's license, leaves a widow and daughter.

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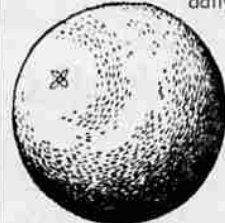
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OVER THE GARDEN GATE

"Wagon Trails to Jet Trails," is the theme for the 1959 spring flower show to be sponsored by the Northside Garden Club Friday, May 22. Hours for the show, to be held at the Klamath Falls Yacht Club, will be 1 to 5 p.m. A silver tea is planned also during show hours.

A large number of entries in arrangement and horticultural classes are anticipated. There will also be classes for juniors under 10 years of age.

The theme will carry out the Centennial idea.

Mrs. Bernard Valk will chairmen the tea. Others on the committee will include the president, Mrs. L. G. Deen; Mrs. Gary C. Price, flower show chairman; Mrs. A. A. Solle, staging; Mrs. Dallas T. Little, properties; Mrs. B. C. Johnson, schedule; Mrs. W. C. Dolan, Mrs. Floyd Kiser, hostesses to the judges; Mrs. Glen Thompson, hospitality; Mrs. J. Merle Jackson, publicity; Mrs. Earl Redman, arrangements; Mrs. Lester Deen, horticulture.

All entries must be registered from 8 a.m. to 10 o'clock Friday, day of the show.

Northside club members will work at the Yacht Club in preparation for the show on May 21. The members of the club have as their annual project care of Shipington Park and playground on Hanks and Bly Street and worked May 12 to clean up the area.

Low-Flying Jets Menace To Mink

TWIN FALLS, Idaho (AP)—The Air Force canceled plans to send low-flying jet bombers over southern Idaho in observance of Armed Forces Day, and all because of mama mink.

Mink raisers warned officials at Mountain Home Air Force Base Friday that any sudden noise — like the roar of a jet — would cause mother mink to eat their young.

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