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In The Day's News

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As this is written, there are three tales in the news that in themselves are insignificant in a nation of 179 million people. But in their larger implications they concern all of us.

Let's take a look at them in the order of their importance.

First, there is the case of the cow owned by Francisco Alvarez, 83-year-old resident of the Latin quarter of Tampa, Florida.

Among other things, she MOOED. (Bawled is a more expressive word, but "moored" is the way it appeared in the dispatches.) Her moos were apt to be resonant. Indignant neighbors claimed they rattled the windows in the vicinity—especially when she took a notion to moo at midnight.

So the neighbors lodged a complaint against her as a nuisance. Senor Alvarez brought in three character witnesses, who testified that when the cow mooed she mooed mildly and with no intent to disturb. The judge—basing his decision, presumably, on the principle of the greatest good to the greatest number—ordered the cow out of town.

The second case story (also from Tampa) concerns Bruno, a Boxer dog owned by a prominent grocery dealer named Fernandez. Bruno, it appears, was in the habit of biting the neighbors. The neighbors finally took Owner Fernandez into court.

Again the judge fell back on the principle of the greatest good to the greatest number. Bruno, doubtless, enjoyed biting the neighbors. It is possible that his owner enjoyed seeing the neighbors bitten. But there were MORE neighbors than Brunos. So the judge ruled that the right of the neighbors NOT TO BE BITTEN outweighed Bruno's right to BITE. He ordered Bruno's owner to get rid of Bruno or serve six months in jail.

Third in this trio of trivial tales is the case of the lady in Milburn, New Jersey, who was talking on her party line when a doctor broke in to ask her to hang up. He broke in five times, he said, explaining that the reason he was in a hurry was that he wanted the line to call an ambulance to take an elderly heart patient to the hospital. The lady told him where he could go, and the destination she described to him is a place known for the warmth of its climate. The doctor took the case into court and the judge, after hearing all the testimony, fined the lady \$210.

The lady, one assumes, was standing on her rights. She had paid her telephone bill. Was it not her right to talk on her telephone when she wanted to without being annoyed by Johnny-come-latelies who wanted to INTERRUPT her?

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OPEN

Christmas shoppers are reminded that downtown stores and stores in the Town and Country Shopping Center will be open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday until 9 p.m.



DEEP, RAW BURNS are shown in this photograph of 3-year-old Billie Joe Breeding, whose arms are wrapped around Mrs. Georgia Johnson, superintendent of the Klamath County Juvenile Home. Billie Joe was brought to the home Friday after juvenile authorities learned of his condition from a baby sitter. His younger half-brother, 11-month-old Gary Lee Bursik,



died the day before in an apparent fall, but his body showed evidence of contusions and abrasions. William Olen Gairson, 40-year-old Bonanza ranchhand, was jailed on a child cruelty charge; the boy's mother, Mrs. Ethel Myrtle Bursik, 20, was arrested for lewd cohabitation. Billie is much better now, as the photo at right shows. Photos by Don Kettler

Basin Ranchhand Jailed; Cruelty To Child Charge

Tot's Mom Also Held; Findings Told By Medic

By TOM STIMMEL

State police jailed a Bonanza ranchhand on a child cruelty charge Saturday after investigating brutal beatings given two small babies.

One of the babies is dead, the victim of an apparently accidental fall; the other was recuperating in the county juvenile home.

Arrested was William Olen Gairson, 40, a cattle feeder on the U1 ranch near Bonanza. Police said Gairson, not the babies' father, was charged under a section of law regarding "cruelty to a child by one not the child's parent."

Officers said Gairson may face a second, identical charge, which carries a maximum penalty of a \$1,000 fine and a year in jail. He would admit nothing Saturday, police said.

The babies' mother, Ethel Myrtle Bursik, was charged with lewd cohabitation. Mrs. Bursik, who will be 21 on the day after Christmas, told officers she had been living with Gairson since shortly before they moved to Klamath County two months ago.

INVESTIGATING officers and examining physicians said both babies—11-month-old Gary Lee Bursik and 3-year-old Billie Joe Breeding—had been beaten severely.

Billie Joe, the boy removed by court order to the juvenile home, was bruised or burned over almost all of his body. He had savage bruises three and four inches long on his legs and back; abrasions and bruises on his arms, stomach, face, feet, and head, and two large, raw and deep burns on his buttox. The burns were third-degree (most serious).

Dr. Don B. Rice, who examined the child Friday afternoon and again Saturday, said the long marks could have been applied by a stick or a garden hose—"they certainly weren't from a slap or use of the hands."

Dr. Rice ordered X-ray examinations to determine whether one of Billie's swollen legs had been broken. It had not.

"Actually, the boy that died didn't look appreciably worse," he

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West Allies Invite Nikita To Summit

PARIS (AP)—The Western Big Four decided Saturday to send an invitation at once to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev to a summit conference, probably in April. They pledged themselves to devote Allied efforts in the intervening four months to forging a solid Western front for the summit conference.

The decisions were taken at the second of two Western summit meetings, capping a day that included a private talk between President Eisenhower and French President Charles de Gaulle.

The two talked frankly about issues threatening pre-summit Allied unity, and there were reports that at least some of the friction in French-American relations had been lessened.

Eisenhower applied all his powers of persuasion in an attempt to break down De Gaulle's stolid opposition to an integrated command for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, on which the United States is insisting.

White House press secretary James C. Hagerty told a news conference after the Western summit session that relations between Eisenhower and De Gaulle, former comrades-in-arms of World War II, showed no evidence of strain despite the blunt talk.

"I saw no evidence of such strain," Hagerty said.

He added the two probably would meet again privately before Eisenhower leaves here Monday for Spain on another leg of his spectacular three-continent tour. No set appointment was fixed, however.

The French-American troubles loomed large as Eisenhower and De Gaulle sat down with West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan around an oval table in a glittering gilt and white chamber of the Elysee Palace.

The four apparently concentrated their attention on the problems of an approach to the summit.

Before Eisenhower leaves for Spain Monday, a formal invitation, approved by all four, will be issued to the Soviet Union. But, Hagerty said, the four did not set any specific date in the invitation, probably leaving some leeway for Khrushchev.

Geneva was generally considered the likely site.

Metals Firms Sign Contract

CHICAGO (AP)—Five major aluminum manufacturers Saturday agreed on a new contract with the United Steelworkers of America. One of the producers, Aluminum Company of America (Alcoa), reached a separate agreement with another union.

The settlements cover about 45,000 workers in plants across the country. The USW estimated the package benefits at about 30 cents an hour for a three-year period.

Alcoa estimated the package at 28.5 cents per hour. Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corp. said its terms represented 28.7 cents an hour plus cost-of-living boost of possibly 3 cents in each of the second and third years.

Alcoa figured direct wage increases at 4.8 cents an hour the first year, 7.1 cents the second year, and 8.9 cents the third year. The union's counsel, Arthur J. Goldberg, reckoned the pay hikes at 5 1/2 cents the first year, a little over 8 cents the second year, and 8 1/2 cents the third.

The USW entered into agreements with Alcoa, Reynolds Metals Co., Kaiser, Ormet Corp. and Olin - Mathieson Chemical Corp., covering a total of 37,500 workers.

SHOOTING HOURS DUCKS, GEESE

OREGON

December 21

OPEN 7:30 CLOSE 4:40

CALIFORNIA

December 21

OPEN 7:30 CLOSE 4:37

Contest Deadline Gets Extension

The deadline for the Jaycees home Christmas lighting contest has been extended to December 21. The contest offers a \$100 grand prize, plus prizes in four categories: window, lawn, porch, and roof. Each category offers a \$25 first prize and a \$15 second prize.

The grand prize winner also gets possession of a revolving trophy. Information relative to the contest and entries may be obtained by calling TU 2-0053.

BACHELOR DEFINED

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The staid Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. News carries this definition of a bachelor: "A man who's been lucky in love."

Missing Plane Being Sought

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP)—A sea and air search continued along the southeastern Alaska coast Saturday for a missing airplane that carried three Californians.

The twin-engine amphibian craft was last heard from Thursday night when its pilot radioed one engine was disabled. The plane, chartered by the Stanford Research Institute, was 250 miles south of Juneau on a flight to California when the trouble occurred.

The plane carried Philip Gray, pilot, Mill Valley, Calif.; Carl Scott, copilot, San Francisco; and Burrass Smith, engineer, Corte Madera, Calif.

Still Not Too Late



SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

Weather Report Notes Red Buildup

FORECAST — Fair today with morning fog. High today 40-45; low tonight 10-18.

High yesterday 31 Low last night 19

Northern California — Partly cloudy Sunday with light showers possible. Cooler in northern interior. Variable coastal winds 8-18 miles an hour.

Death Claims Last Rebel

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Walter Williams, honored as the last surviving veteran of the Civil War, died Saturday.

President Eisenhower, the Army and Congress cited him, and historical societies recognized the 117-year-old man as the last of the four million who fought for the Blue or the Gray.

Williams never fired a shot against the Yankees. He was a forager for Hood's Texas Brigade and later served with Quantrill's Raiders.

Toward the end he grew blind and deaf and apparently unconscious of happenings around him.

Report Notes Red Buildup

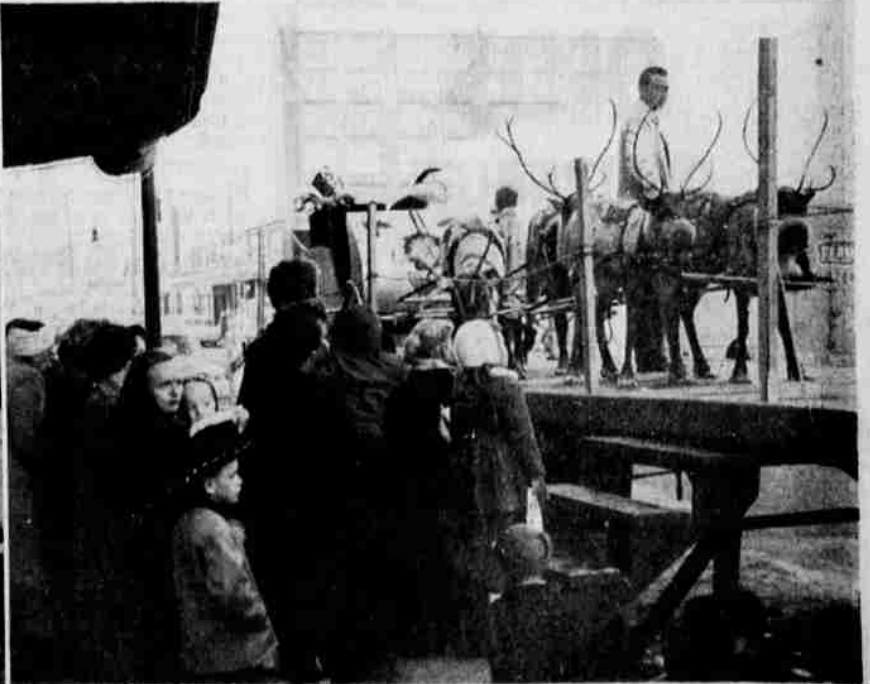
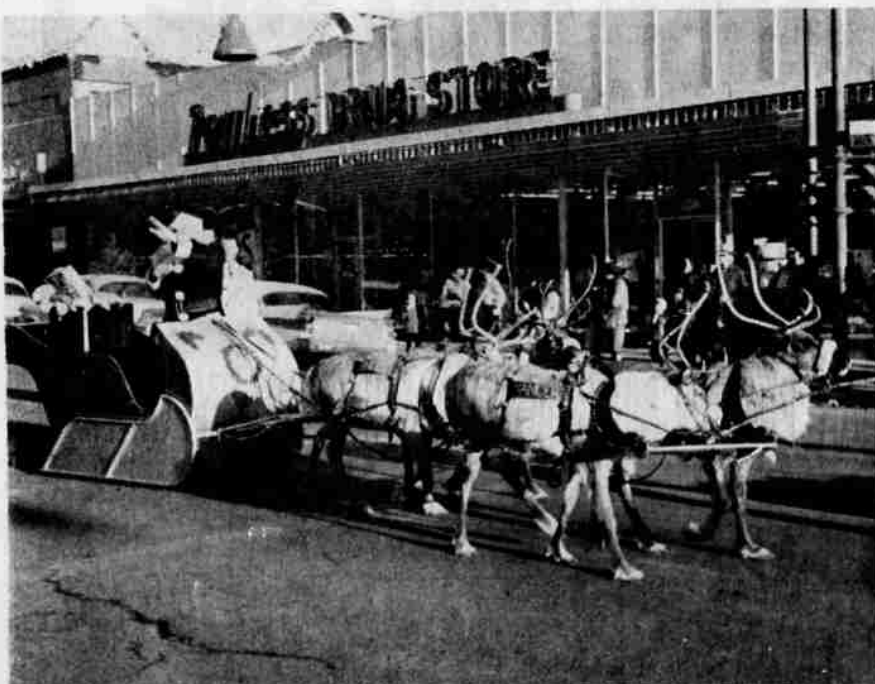
PARIS (AP)—Authoritative informants said Saturday the Western alliance has been given a secret intelligence report showing Soviet military might is increasing at an enormous rate.

These informants said the report was presented to the foreign and defense ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Wednesday by U.S. Adm. Walter F. Boone. He represented the American-British-French military Standing Group which plans NATO strategy.

"The delegates were alarmed and shocked," one informant said. Exactly what Boone said could not be learned, but he was reported to have presented a pessimistic view of increasing Soviet power in conventional as well as nuclear arms.

Among the things Boone reportedly told the ministers:

1. The Russians have a missile which can fire a 1,800-pound atomic warhead up to 5,000 miles.
2. The Soviet Union has operational missiles of relatively short range which can be fired from submerged submarines. These missiles are relatively inexpensive and are being stockpiled quickly.



SANTA CLAUS LEFT KLAMATH FALLS after a fine tour of Main Street and the business district and a conference with delighted children that came from all over to see him and his reindeer Friday afternoon. But Santa disappointed

some youngsters with an announcement that he had to cancel an evening visit because of a busy schedule. He and his five genuine reindeer flew into town about 2:30 p.m. on invitation of the Klamath Merchants Association. The deer

suffered from the heat, though temperatures were low by Southern Oregon standards. Santa Claus was plainly pleased with everything about Klamath Falls and especially its children. He apologized for leaving early and wished every-

one a Merry Christmas. In the center picture, shown with Santa, is Sandra Shaw, 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Shaw, 1155 California Avenue.