

# 27-Year-Old Ape Trainer Faces 'Chimpanzee' Charge

MIAMI (UPI) — For 40 grueling days, Robert Tomarchin was shipwrecked on a deserted atoll 125 miles from Pitcairn Island in the South Seas with only a baby chimpanzee to keep him company.

Tomarchin and his chimp lived on fish and bananas during their stay on the island. He refused several offers to be rescued because the skippers of passing ships would not take his companion aboard.

## CITY BRIEFS

**Grange Party** — A New Year's Eve party will be conducted in Midland Grange Hall beginning at 8 p.m. Guests are asked to bring sandwiches or dessert. All grangers and their friends are welcome.

**New Year's Dance** — at the VFW Club with music by Loney and Ossie's orchestra. There will be noise makers and favors. Price, \$1 per person. Members and their invited guests are welcome.

**Formal Dance** — Bethel 61, Job's Daughters, will have a formal dance following open installation of officers at 7:30 p.m. Friday, January 1, at the Scottish Rite Temple. New officers please be present for practice at 10:30 a.m. the same day.

**Dance** — New Year's Eve members of the Eagles Lodge will dance upstairs in the aerie hall from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. to the music of Don Pheip's orchestra. There will be a 50¢ per person charge.

**Watch Night** — Prayer meeting will be held at the Bible Baptist Church, 2244 Wiard Street on New Year's Eve, beginning at 10:30. A special invitation is extended to all to attend this service.

**Card Party** — will be held at the Midland Grange Hall at 8 p.m. Saturday, January 2, the public is invited. Refreshments will be served.

# Cubans Smash Conspiracy

HAVANA (UPI) — The arrest of 37 Cubans, including a U.S.-educated sugar planter, has smashed a vast conspiracy against the government of Premier Fidel Castro, it was reported today.

Army intelligence agents said the arrests frustrated plans to terrorize the nation with a campaign of sabotage and murder. At the same time, the pro-government newspaper *Combate* carried new reports of an impending invasion, saying that anti-Castro forces armed by the Guatemalan government are about to sail for Cuba.

Talk of conspiracy and invasion, however, failed to halt preparations for Friday's celebration of the first anniversary of Castro's victory over ousted ex-President Fulgencio Batista. An army announcement said the leader of the alleged anti-government plot was Eugenio de Sosa Chabau, U.S.-educated owner of the Santa Regina sugar mill and former editor of the opposition newspaper *Disario de la Marina*.

Twenty-six other persons were reported arrested with De Sosa aboard the yacht.

**STUDENTS TO EUROPE**  
NEW YORK (UPI) — The entire junior class of Lake Erie college, Painesville, Ohio, embarked on the French liner *Liberator* Monday for 11 weeks of study abroad. The 80 young women were accompanied by Paul Weaver, president of the 100-year-old college. He plans to visit the heads of all the European colleges the students will attend.

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## Finally, residents of Pitcairn Island came for him in an open boat and Tomarchin was rescued along with his chimpanzee.

That was about 3 1/2 years ago. Tomarchin brought the chimpanzee back to the United States, raised him and taught the animal how to say "mama" and "no."

The chimp grew up to become "Mr. Moke," a television star in Miami and the center of a controversial struggle between Tomarchin and the St. Louis Zoo.

The 27-year-old animal trainer today faced a "chimpanzee" charge for spiriting Mr. Moke away from the St. Louis Zoo, which bought the animal from Tomarchin.

But Tomarchin, who was reared as an orphan and said he knows what it means to be alone, promised an all-out court fight to keep Mr. Moke from going back to a cage in the St. Louis Zoo.

Just as determined, St. Louis Zoo Director George P. Vierheiler said he would do everything to get the chimpanzee back. While the tug-of-war was going on, Mr. Moke was hidden somewhere in Miami and Tomarchin would not disclose where.

Tomarchin had been the object of an FBI search since he slipped into the St. Louis Zoo at night earlier this month, picked Mr. Moke out of the ape house and disappeared.

He was sought on a Missouri warrant charging second-degree burglary and stealing, and also by the FBI as a fugitive who crossed state lines. He surrendered himself to the U.S. marshal here Tuesday, but kept Mr. Moke in hiding.

"I realize now that I made a mistake but I just wanted to have Mr. Moke with me again," said Tomarchin. "I will pay the St. Louis Zoo twice the money they gave me for Mr. Moke."

But Vierheiler answered from St. Louis: "There will be no deal. I want Mr. Moke back."

# Pleas Lost By Attorneys

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Attorneys for wealthy Dr. R. Bernard Finch and his paramour Carole Tregoff have lost important legal battles before testimony even begun in their sensational murder trial.

With four alternate jurors still to be selected today to augment the seated panel of six men and six women, Superior Judge Walter R. Evans turned down two motions by attorneys for the accused couple.

Evans denied a motion by Grant B. Cooper, Finch's attorney, for changing location of the trial to another county. Cooper charged publicity given the wife-slaying case has prejudiced the public against the defendants.

Evans also denied a motion by attorneys for a separate trial for Miss Tregoff.

The jury was seated late Tuesday following long questioning by defense and prosecution attorneys. Finch, 42, and red-haired Miss Tregoff, 23, his former receptionist, are accused of the fatal shooting of Finch's estranged wife, Barbara, 33, Mrs. Finch was found shot in the back July 18 outside the Finch \$65,000 home in nearby West Covina.

**SEAMEN TO GET WAGE HIKE**  
NEW YORK (UPI) — About 10,000 seamen will get a 4.5 per cent wage boost Jan. 1 under contract terms agreed upon Tuesday by the National Maritime Union and 39 tanker companies.



"To show you how overcrowded we are, Mrs. Higgins, yesterday your Jimmy had five girls' pigtails in one inkwell!"

## Oregon Weather

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
24 hours to 4:36 a.m. Wednesday

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Astoria	44	39	.13
Baker	29	19	.01
Brookings	56	36	—
Burns	33	18	—
Chiloquin	42	7	—
Chemult	38	14	—
Eugene	38	30	.04
Lakeview	39	19	—
Medford	31	27	.01
Newport	47	39	.08
North Bend	47	34	.09
Pendleton	29	25	.07
Portland Airport	43	35	—
Roseburg	38	31	.06
Salem	43	—	—
The Dalles	33	23	—

Eastern Oregon — Partly cloudy through Thursday except cloudy with some patchy fog in northern valleys. A few light snow flurries persisting in the vicinity of the mountains in the eastern portion Thursday. Low tonight 12-24 except locally 5 above in the south. High Thursday 25-32.

Western Oregon — Mostly cloudy tonight. Partly cloudy Thursday. Cool. Low tonight 28-36; high 36-46. Northerly to northwesterly coastal winds 10-22 miles an hour. Small craft warnings up. Grants Pass and vicinity — Mostly cloudy tonight. Partly sunny Thursday. Low tonight 28-34; high Thursday 40-45.

# GOP Derided By Senator

PORTLAND (AP) — The Republican Party lacks a candidate to oppose Democratic Sen. Richard Neuberger next November, state Sen. Monroe Sweetland of Milwaukie said Tuesday.

Sweetland told a young Democrat meeting here the GOP also is hard-pressed to find opponents for Al Ullman, Edith Green and Charles Porter, Oregon's Democratic House members.

The Republican Party in Oregon, he said, is "tittering on the brink of political bankruptcy without candidates and without policies. Gov. Mark O. Hatfield's hand-picked state chairman (Peter Gunnar) acts like a receiver appointed to wind up the party's affairs and stand-pat minority party control of the state administration," he said.

## Weather Table

THE WEATHER ELSEWHERE

	High	Low	Pr.
Albany, cloudy	32	28	.20
Albuquerque, clear	45	23	—
Anchorage, cloudy	32	25	T
Atlanta, cloudy	46	36	—
Bismarck, snow	23	7	.05
Boston, cloudy	37	29	.12
Buffalo, snow	30	26	.11
Chicago, cloudy	34	27	.01
Cleveland, snow	35	23	T
Denver, clear	33	13	—
Des Moines, snow	33	25	T
Detroit, snow	31	23	.06
Fort Worth, cloudy	53	33	—
Honolulu, cloudy	27	15	—
Honolulu, clear	83	66	—
Indianapolis, snow	34	28	.02
Kansas City, cloudy	35	27	—
Los Angeles, clear	67	47	—
Louisville, snow	40	33	.01
Memphis, cloudy	43	38	—
Miami, clear	77	58	—
Milwaukee, snow	31	23	.07
Mpls.-St. Paul, clear	31	14	—
New Orleans, clear	64	36	—
New York, cloudy	39	33	2.5
Okahoma City, cloudy	42	26	—
Omaha, snow	29	18	.02
Philadelphia, cloudy	42	35	—
Phoenix, cloudy	26	9	—
Pittsburgh, snow	45	28	.08
Portland, Me., clear	30	25	.04
Portland, Ore., cloudy	43	35	—
Richmond, cloudy	34	13	.03
Richmond, clear	60	35	—
St. Louis, cloudy	37	32	.01
Salt Lake City, clear	28	8	—
San Diego, clear	68	48	—
San Francisco, cloudy	61	49	—
Seattle, cloudy	35	34	.24
Tampa, clear	67	51	—
Washington, cloudy	54	39	.05

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# Workers Save Truck Driver

FRESNO (UPI) — Truck driver Fred Pearce, Tulare, today credited quick action by fellow workers for preventing his death under a pile of cotton seed hulls.

Pearce, 57, was buried for 10 minutes Tuesday at the Ranchers Cotton Co. plant in Calwa, south of here. He remained conscious during his ordeal.

He was helping load his truck when part of a 20-foot pile of hulls slid on top of him. About a dozen workers freed Pearce after digging frantically. The driver, employed by the A. R. Shannon Co., Tulare, said he saw one side of the pile give way and started to run. He was trapped by a second slide. The rescue operation was triggered by John W. Magoon, working about 20 feet from Pearce. He said he saw the slide and called for help when he couldn't find Pearce.

"When he walked to the ambulance after being pulled from the pile," said Magoon, "he seemed more worried about not getting his truck loaded than he did about being hurt."

Pearce suffered no serious injury and was treated by a private physician.

# Demo Governor Of Maine, Clinton A. Clauson, Dies

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — Gov. Clinton A. Clauson, 64, died in his sleep at the executive mansion early today.

The governor, a Democrat, was in his first year of a four-year term.

Under Maine's constitution he is succeeded by the president of the state Senate—Republican John H. Reed, 51, a well-to-do potato grower from Fort Fairfield.

Reed said Clauson's death "is terrible news for the whole state of Maine. He was a much beloved man and this is a great loss to the entire state."

Clauson, a one-time chiropractor and native of Mitchell, Iowa, was the first Maine governor to die in office for almost 40 years.

Dr. Joseph R. Crawford said the cause of death was undetermined but "in all likelihood it was heart or a cerebral hemorrhage."

The governor was dead when Dr. Crawford arrived at Blaine House, the executive mansion at 2:35 a.m.

The only member of the family present was Mrs. Clauson, the former Ellen Kelleher of Waterville.

The governor also leaves a son, Cornelius K., of Waterville, and a daughter, Mrs. William Shasse of Brunswick.

Clauson came to Maine as a young chiropractor. He settled in Waterville where he served as city treasurer in 1930 and mayor in 1936 and 1937.

Active in Democratic party affairs for more than 20 years, he was U.S. collector of internal revenue for Maine from 1934 to 1935. A World War I veteran, he was a member of the American Legion and a Shriner. At one time he was president of the Maine Assn. of Chiropractors.

He was elected governor in 1958, succeeding Edmund S. Muskie (D), now Maine's junior U.S. senator. Clauson did not have the backing of Muskie or other top leaders of their party in the 1958 primaries, but he defeated their candidate, Maynard S. Doloff and went on to a victory over ex-Governor Horace Hildreth (R). He was the first governor elected to a four-year term rather than a two-year term.

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Accused of diluting their All-American plots with imported music were these shows: "Bat Masterson," "Black Saddle," "The Dupont Show," "Johnnie Ringo," "Lassie," "The Lockup," "Men Into Space," "Richard Diamond," "The Rifleman," "Robert Taylor's Detectives," "Sea Hunt," "Tales of the Plainsmen," "Tomestone Territory," "Wanted Dead or Alive," "Wichita Town" and "Zane Grey Theater."

Spokesmen for the shows could not immediately be contacted for confirmation of the charge.

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Navy scientists have been toying with the idea of eliminating night.

This could be done, they say, if man were able to create a thick layer of dust in a region far out from the earth.

The layer of dust would be like Saturn's major ring, which is an area of extremely fine particles about 10 miles in depth, located 35,000 miles above that planet.

Dr. Herbert Friedman and James Purcell of the Naval Research Laboratory said there is no night on Saturn because of the continual brightness of the ring.

Friedman said it might take millions of tons of dust to create an effective ring.

He mentioned that the eruption of Mt. Krakatau on a Pacific island in 1883 spewed forth many millions of tons of dust that visibly affected the atmosphere for years afterward.

The Krakatau dust was not enough to eliminate night, although it caused long, exceptionally red sunsets.

# RR Hits Car Killing Four

ROSCOE, S. D. (AP) — A fast-moving passenger train slammed into a car here early today killing four persons. One was the survivor of a nine-death highway crash on New Year's Day two years ago.

The dead were Elmer Heiser, 30, the driver; and his three passengers, Edwin Kirschenmann, 30; Tammy Sweetland, 13; and Wilbert Beck, 10.

Beck survived a highway crash near Eureka on New Year's Day 1957. The nine persons killed in that crash included six members of his family. Young Sweetland was a stepson of Heiser.

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