



BOBBY POHLEY is a big boy, but he celebrated his first official birthday at a party given for him by his mother Sunday, February 28. Twenty-three of Bobby's friends came to the party and a neighbor, Mrs. Frances Morton, provided a cake big enough to make up for the three missing birthdays. Born February 29, 1956, at Oxford, Mississippi, he is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pohley, Montague. He has a brother, Stevie, and a baby sister, Cory Lynne. — Photo by Betty Dow

Seven Killings Admitted By Youth, 17

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP)—Dennis Whitney has admitted seven killings in a coast-to-coast murder rampage and authorities are going to settle for that.

"I think he's told us everything now," Chief Deputy Harry L. Conyers of the Palm Beach sheriff's office said today.

"We've been questioning him constantly and it seems to me that he has no more to tell."

The red-haired, 17-year-old Californian said Monday that he killed two men in Phoenix, Ariz. Previously he had confessed to only one slaying in that city.

Sheriff John Kirk said Whitney told him he fired a .22 slug into the brain of a "Phoenix bum" in an abandoned bus in a parking lot. Phoenix police said the victim was Ira Lee Hardison, 55, a skid road character.

Apparently he was killed Feb. 21, the same day Whitney killed another Phoenix man, Spencer Frazier, 40, Negro, and stole his car.

Whitney, who shot a Hialeah housewife to death last Friday, earlier had killed two Dade (Miami) County gas station attendants and wounded a third in holdups, police said.

The day after his capture he admitted a slaying in Victorville, Calif., the killing of Frazier, and a slaying in Tucson, Ariz. The string of murders started Feb. 12 in Los Angeles, the boy's father, Ralph Whitney, described Dennis as a quiet boy whose main interest was art.

"I don't know what to think. I have no idea why he would do it," said Whitney, an inspector in the Curtiss-Wright engine overhaul plant at North Hollywood.

Eight Perish In Collision

BERLIN, Conn. (AP)—A passenger train collided with a station wagon today, killing seven school children and an adult.

The automobile, carrying the children and a woman driver, was hurled into Silver Lake, an ice-crusted five-foot-deep pond beside Norton Lane.

Police identified the dead as Mrs. Emily Whitaker of Berlin and seven state wards, all Negroes. Skin divers were called in to search for the bodies.

The children were identified as Joseph Cormier and Patricia Heanue, both 14; Mary Ann DeCruz, 12; Bryon Battle, Kenneth Salmotrangi, and Doris Gomez, all 8; and Shelley McCaslin, 7.

The accident occurred at an unprotected grade crossing on Norton Lane, just off the Wilbur Cross Parkway, on a roadway covered with half an inch of snow.

It was near the home of Mrs. Whitaker and her husband, John, who were cited by the Catholic Transcript in 1957 for their care of foster school children.

In 14 years they had cared for 16 foster children.

Mrs. Whitaker was taking the seven children to St. Paul's School in Kensington.

The crash killed some of the car's occupants. Police reports indicated the others may have died under water.

Terrorist Executed

MADRID (AP)—Antonio Abad Donoso was executed by garrote in Carabanchel Prison today for two terror bombings in Madrid Feb. 18. A Cuban and two other Spaniards also were accused of setting off the bombs in Toledo Street and Madrid's City Hall.

Special Section

Today's edition of the Herald and News contains a special 8-page tabloid section announcing J. C. Penney's 58th anniversary celebration which is being observed across the nation.

The local J. C. Penney store is one of the growing number of firms which is following the trend toward curtailment of "throw-aways" in favor of regular newspaper home delivered supplements.

Civil Rights Offer Made

WASHINGTON (AP)—Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas offered today to cease round-the-clock sessions of the Senate if Southerners would agree to a series of votes on civil rights legislation.

Johnson, in a bristling exchange with Sen. Spessard L. Holland (D-Fla.), denied he was trying to wear down Dixie senators or was risking their health and lives by the continuous sessions.

Johnson in a sharp reply said some of Holland's remarks sounded much like a charge of "blood on my hands."

"I don't think the senator meant that I was a murderer, but it sounded that way," Johnson said.

This capped a go-round in which Holland pictured the Senate leadership as floundering.

"The leadership has the duty and obligation of showing us where we are going," Holland said, and of seeing to it that the Senate has before it a bill on which it can act, rather than the big stack of amendments now confronting the membership.

Holland said he thought Johnson had accused either Holland or other Southerners of misleading the country.

"If there has been any misleading," Holland snapped, "it has been by the leadership. They took this valiant 100 (Senate's 100 members) down the Valley of Death," he said.

Johnson said he didn't want the record to indicate that he had accused Holland of misleading.

He predicted that eventually, he would not guess when a majority of the Senate will force a vote on the controversial issues.

Headon Crash Kills Mailman

LIVERMORE, Calif. (AP)—Rural mail carrier Jacob Reuss, 69, got to know dump truck driver Richard Stout because for years they met on the road and waved to each other.

Monday, Stout told highway patrolmen, he saw Reuss approaching as usual, then: "I saw his car moving toward my side of the road. I thought he was playing a game. I stopped and waited."

Reuss' car crashed head-on into Stout's truck. Reuss died a few hours later.

Officers thought he may have had a heart attack.

Newest Atlas Takes To Skies

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI)—A mighty Atlas missile streaked into the sky today carrying the craftiest set of guidance "brains" yet devised for an American intercontinental ballistic missile.

The new all-inertial guidance system was aboard the brawny missile as a "passenger" only today on the scheduled 6,300-mile flight over the Atlantic Ocean. Experts called it an "important step forward" in development of the Atlas as America's most formidable war weapon.

Market Thief Given Life Imprisonment

Donald Martin Thompson, the "Sawney Bandit" from Klamath Falls, was sentenced to life imprisonment Monday in Medford.

Thompson was convicted in December of a Labor Day robbery of a Medford supermarket at gunpoint. Sentencing by Circuit Judge Edward C. Kelly was delayed for a pre-sentence investigation requested by Thompson's attorney, Richard C. Beesley of Klamath Falls.

The dapper, 34-year-old bandit is suspected of 17 supermarket hold-ups in Oregon and California. Judge Kelly said he decided upon the life sentence because of numerous other holds against Thompson.

Last November police arrested Thompson in his \$47,000 Klamath Falls home on a warrant from Paso Robles, Calif. Witnesses in the Medford robbery identified him and he was brought here for trial.

Thompson, a neatly dressed man of medium height, is a former district manager for the Purdy Foods chain in the San Francisco Bay area. Later he was an efficiency expert at Klamath Falls for a supermarket chain.

He and his wife have two grade school-age children and are expecting another child.

Before he is taken to the state penitentiary at Salem to begin his sentence, Thompson will be arraigned Wednesday morning in district court here on a charge of taking part in a county jail riot Feb. 27 and 28.

Cold Clings To The East

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Cold clung like a sheet of ice to the eastern half of the nation today, but temperatures rose a bit west of the Mississippi River.

New low records for the date were set in Ohio, where Columbus felt the pinch of 2 below zero and Cleveland 1 below. It was the coldest weather of the winter in Ohio.

Readings elsewhere include -20 in Marquette, Mich.; -10 in Madison, Wis.; -6 in Duluth, Minn.; and -4 in Milwaukee.

Freezing conditions projected southward into Oklahoma and central Georgia.

Most of the East was chilly and snow flurries continued in the Northeast. Readings were mostly in the 20s and 30s.

The 40s and 50s prevailed across southern areas outside the cold belt in the Southeast and along the Pacific Coast. The Southwest had mild temperatures in the 60s and 70s.

Wet weather dampened wide areas in the West.

Bus Driver Spurns Mom

LUTON, England (AP)—Rejecting a tearful plea from his mother, Leo Moore says he and his wife will go ahead with plans to give their unborn baby to an American couple for adoption.

"We can manage our own affairs," said the 40-year-old bus driver after his mother, Ellen Moore, appealed to him and his wife, Yvonne, to drop their plans.

Mrs. Moore, 62, who made the 150-mile trip here from her home in Manchester, urged the Moores to let her raise the child if they did not want it.

"She came in here crying and making a scene," said Moore. "I'm not a child. I wish my mother had not interfered."

His 39-year-old wife leaves by plane Wednesday for the United States. She expects the baby, her first, in mid-April. It will be adopted by Wilbur and Billie Prescott, a childless North Charleston, S.C., couple.

They are paying Mrs. Moore's travel expenses and will take care of her until the baby is born.

Mrs. Moore said earlier she'd give the baby away simply because "I don't want it."

Secretary Recovering

SACRAMENTO (UPI)—California's Secretary of State Frank M. Jordan was recovering today from an ulcer that required surgery Monday at Sutter Hospital.

His secretary, Mrs. Thelma Smith, said that the 71-year-old Jordan underwent the operation Monday and that he was "just fine." He has been secretary of state since January, 1943.

Youths Perform Atrocity On Body Of Colored Man

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Four masked white youths hung a Negro man from a tree by his heels Monday night and scratched two series of KKKs into his chest and stomach after beating him with chains, the Negro told police.

Felton Turner, 27, said he freed himself from ropes around his ankles and wrists, staggered to a nightwatchman's shack and telephoned police.

A doctor at Jefferson Davis Hospital said Turner was treated and released this morning.

The six Ks ranged from 1 1/2 inches to 3 inches in length and went from Turner's chest to his stomach, the doctor said. Rope marks were on the Negro's wrists and ankles.

Police said Turner told them he was walking near his home in a Negro residential area at 10:15 p.m. when two masked white youths leaped from a car and grabbed him. They carried guns and forced him into the back seat of a sedan.

Two other masked white youths were in the front seat, Turner told officers.

Turner said he struggled to free himself but the youths gagged him and beat him to the floor with chains.

They took him to a wooded area where he was tied and hung from the tree by his heels, he said. There they beat him with chains

and rope, cut off his jacket and shirt and scratched the Ks on his stomach and chest with a knife.

As the white youths were leaving one of them told Turner that if he tried to escape one of them would kill him, the Negro said.

Turner worked the ropes off his feet and hands and made his way to a nearby nightwatchman's shack.

Police Lt. Breckenridge Porter said Turner's wounds could not have been self-inflicted.

Turner, unemployed, told police that a red-haired youth in the front of the car told him they were hired to do a job because of publicity Texas Southern University Negro students received over sit-ins at a lunch counter at Houston in the past few days.

A group of students from the all-Negro university staged their first sit-in Friday at a lunch counter in a supermarket. The sit-ins spread to a drug store Saturday and a third store Monday. All were peaceful.

Houston schools have 170,000 students. About 50,000 are Negroes. An integration suit is pending before U.S. Dist. Judge Ben Conally but he has given no indication when he would hand down a decision.

The sit-ins were in stores near the university on the opposite side of town from where Turner was beaten.

Superintendent Of Schools Selected By County Board

The Klamath County School District Board of Education hired the University of Oregon director of student teaching as its new superintendent this week.

He is Dr. Cliff Robinson, considered one of the nation's top educational authorities.

Outgoing Superintendent Carol Howe said he is very pleased with the choice.

"Dr. Robinson teamed with Mrs. Isabelle Brixner should be a fortunate circumstance for the county," he said.

Mrs. Brixner, county supervisor of elementary education, is also recognized as one of the best in the business, Howe added.

Dr. Robinson is also director of secondary education of Eugene public schools. Last year he was president of the National Association of Secondary Schools.

He is a life member of the National Education Association, a member of the Oregon Education Association, the National Society for the Study of Education, the American Association of University Professors and the National Association for Student Teaching.

He is also a member of the general committee and the administrative study committee for the National Study of Secondary School Evaluation, a member of the advisory council of Project Talent, and an advisory council member of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Dr. Robinson was born September 1, 1908, in Benton County. He was graduated from Corvallis High School in 1927, received a bachelor of science degree in 1933 and a master of science degree in 1943 from Oregon State College, and a doctorate of education from the University of Oregon in 1955.

From 1935 to 1942 he taught and coached and was principal-superintendent of Coos River schools in Coos County. He undertook graduate study at Stanford University for the next year. He was principal of Ashland Senior High School from 1943 to 1944, and from 1944 to 1947, of Albany Senior High School.

For the next 10 years he served as director of secondary education with an announcement that he was resigning from the job after 12 years. He cited a need for a rest, and a belief that a new outlook might benefit the district.

He announced later that he is a candidate for one of the county representative posts in the State Legislature.

Police Shakeup Still Continues

CHICAGO (UPI)—Chicago's new police superintendent went ahead with plans to shake-up the department's top echelon Monday despite a campaign to fire him.

Superintendent Orlando Wilson, named last month to rid the force of crooked policemen, appointed a retired Army colonel, Minor K. Wilson, as a civilian aide.

Wilson, no relation to the superintendent, replaced William A. Balswick, 66, one of "seven old men" who stayed on the force after their retirement.

The new police boss, who until last month was dean of the Criminology School at the University of California, announced the change in the face of a campaign to fire him.

Baby Boom

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)—The continuing baby boom in New York State is expected to boost the population over 19 million by 1970, State Health Commissioner Herman E. Hilleboe said in his annual report to Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller Monday. He reported the number of babies born in 1959—363,124—was the largest ever and helped bring the state population to an estimated 16 1/2 million.



DR. CLIFF ROBINSON

State Chief Raps Castro, Cuba Action

WASHINGTON (AP)—In blunt language rarely heard in the polite world of diplomacy, the United States has accused Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro of "extremely provocative" and "irresponsible" charges against this country.

The angry protest was in answer to Castro's accusation Saturday that U.S. officials may have been responsible for the death-dealing explosion of a European munitions shipment March 4 in Havana harbor.

Secretary of State Christian A. Herter called this "baseless, erroneous and misleading."

Herter delivered the dressing down personally to the Cuban charge d'affaires, Enrique Patterson, and immediately made the text of his remarks available to newsmen.

The Cuban, clearly upset by the 20-minute session in Herter's office, left the State Department hurriedly. He said he would report Herter's statement to Castro without comment.

Herter wound up his statement by saying "This government finds itself increasingly obliged to question the good faith of your excellency's government with respect to a desire for improved relations between our governments."

In Havana, Cuban TV commentators read Herter's remarks on the air in mocking tones, smiling at certain passages and then adding the editorial comment that the United States is an aggressor.

One source of friction was removed when Cuban police released Donald Chapman, 26, an American photographer who had taken passage on the French freighter that blew up. Chapman had been questioned for days, but was released Monday.

But he was removed from a Miami-bound plane and taken into custody a second time before being permitted to fly to Miami.

A State Department official said Chapman's release probably eliminated the need for discussing his case in a formal protest.

Castro's charges concerning the munitions ship have brought American-Cuban relations to a new low. High State Department sources made it clear the official U.S. mood has gone beyond irritation to anger.

One official said "We have tried to show patience in our relationships with Cuba, despite a series of great provocations, but we are not going to sit back and take things like this."

U.S. Copter Saves Reds

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Four Russian soldiers, emaciated but in good spirits, were plucked from the storm-tossed Pacific by a U.S. helicopter Sunday after drifting helplessly for 49 days in a 50-foot landing craft, the Navy disclosed today.

A message from the aircraft carrier Kearsarge, said the men were given emergency treatment for malnutrition and immediately fell asleep in their bunks.

The Navy said the Soviet embassy here has been notified.

The Russians apparently had been on maneuvers off Etorofu-To Island in the Kuriles north of Japan when their small boat was crippled by a storm. They had drifted 1,029 miles before a look-out on the Kearsarge spotted them and the helicopter picked them up 1,060 miles west-northwest of Midway Island.

During their 49-day ordeal, the Russians had only three cans of jerk beef, a loaf of bread, and what water they could gather from rainfall. They were completely out of both food and water when rescued.

Facts Scanned By Finch Jury

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The Finch trial jury has spent almost as much time listening as deliberating since it got the murder case last Friday, and prospects of a verdict this week are growing slimmer.

The jury was to listen today to another reading of the secretly recorded statement Dr. R. Bernard Finch gave police after his wife was shot to death.

The statement was sprung on the doctor as the state closed its cross-examination of him more than a month ago. He said he hadn't realized it was being recorded. The state said it indicated he changed his story at least twice.



MONTAGUE'S "MISS LEAP YEAR 1960" posed serenely in her hospital crib two days after her debut at 3:47 p.m. February 29, at Siskiyou County General Hospital. Ronda Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Davis, weighed 6 pounds, 8 1/2 ounces at birth. — Photo by Betty Dow

Weather

CRATER LAKE
High yesterday 31
Low last night 21
8 a.m. today 23
New snow 2
Snow depth 102

A southeast wind was blowing this morning and it was snowing in the park when the rangers reported. Chaps were advised for travel over Highway 62 through the park and from Annie Springs to the rim chains were required.

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partial clearing tonight with low 23-28. Partly sunny Wednesday with high 43-48.
High yesterday 53
Low last night 41
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 5.78
Same period last year 3.75
Low in area, Chemult 24

Northern California — Fair through Wednesday. Slightly cooler. Northwesterly or westerly coastal winds 12-25 knots.

Talk Tonight Set By Chief

WASHINGTON (AP)—Back at the White House from an exhausting tour of South America, President Eisenhower tolled today over a report to the people on what he saw and learned.

All major radio and television networks arranged to broadcast the 15-minute report tonight at 8 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

Eisenhower gave quick attention, too, to a prime problem here at home—the Senate filibuster over civil rights and the legislative logjam piling up. Republican congressional leaders were called to the White House to talk over maneuvers and prospects.

Eisenhower's 15,500-mile swing around Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Uruguay ended Monday with his mid-afternoon arrival at Andrews Air Force Base. There were stops going and coming in Puerto Rico.

By all odds, it was the most arduous, punishing trip taken by Eisenhower in his seven years in the presidency. But officials around him figure it was worth the effort in so far as he will be able to tell his fellow Americans that it generated a better understanding and relationship with Latin America at a time when these were needed urgently.

The heat of a South American summer, along with high humidity, took its toll of Eisenhower's strength. Unlike his December visit to 11 nations in Asia, Europe, and North Africa, there were few opportunities for the President to let up.

Christopher was expected to explore the possibility of an expanded cultural exchange program between the Soviet Union and San Francisco and to seek Soviet permission for relatives of 18 families living in the San Francisco Bay area to leave the Soviet Union and join them.

Fluorides Safe, Says Dentist

PORTLAND (AP)—Fluoridation of water "has been proved safe, effective and economical," the president of the American Dental Assn. said here Monday.

The official, Dr. Paul H. Jessorich, in discussing the matter, expressed surprise that Portland, which he described as otherwise a progressive city, has not added fluorides to its water supply.

Dr. Jessorich, who is dean of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, said he could "see no valid reason which would prevent any city from using fluoridation."

Meg's Intended Given Sport Car

LONDON (UPI)—Princess Margaret gave her commoner-fiance Antony Armstrong-Jones a \$8,000 sports car for his 30th birthday, London newspapers reported today.

There was no confirmation of the reports from Buckingham Palace, where Antony Monday night was honored at a party presided over by Margaret and attended by a "few friends."

First A-Sub Ride

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—President Chiang Kai-shek took his first ride in a nuclear submarine today. Nationalist China's leader cruised in north Formosan waters aboard the U.S. submarine Swordfish, first nuclear sub to visit Formosa.

Espee Train Belts Truck; No Injuries

ANDERSON (UPI)—A Southern Pacific locomotive crashed into a cement truck Monday, overturning the main engine, knocking three more engine units off the track, derailing three cars and twisting 1,000 yards of track.

Nobody was injured in the mishap, which a Shasta County deputy summed up by commenting, "It's more of a mess than a tragedy."

No trains were able to get through on the San Francisco-Portland route until early this morning, more than 14 hours after the mishap occurred.

Both the Shasta and Cascade passenger trains were held up at nearby stations until the track was cleared. The Shasta went through almost 8 hours late and the Daylight was delayed 10 hours and 25 minutes.

The accident occurred at a side road crossing just north of this Shasta County town on U. S. 99.

California Highway Patrolman J. R. Blakenship said that the truck driver, Harry Hammers, 28, of Anderson, jumped clear of his truck when he realized he could not stop in time.

The engineer and fireman aboard the overturned locomotive were identified as R. Morrell and Charles Barrett, both of Dunsmuir, Calif. They sustained no apparent injuries.

Mayor Of SF Meets Nikita

MOSCOW (AP)—San Francisco Mayor George Christopher and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev met in the Kremlin today in what was called a "spirit of San Francisco" atmosphere.

It was the first meeting between the two since Christopher was host to Khrushchev during the Premier's U. S. tour last year.

Khrushchev was on a South Asian tour when the mayor arrived Feb. 25. The Soviet leader returned Saturday. The mayor and his party returned Sunday from a swing through Leningrad, Kiev and Tbilisi, a trip that left Christopher looking a bit tired.

San Francisco rates high in popularity among traveling Soviet officials, from Khrushchev down. The relatively warm reception the Premier received in the city marked a thawing point in his U. S. visit.

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Miners Trapped Behind Fire

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP)—Fifteen men were reported cut off underground behind a fire in the Island Creek No. 22 coal mine at Holden, Logan County, today.

State Mines Director Crawford L. Wilson said, "It looks encouraging, but they are still in there."

Wilson said he was informed by mine officials that the fire broke out between the mine entrance and the area where the men are located sometime after the day shift came on at 7 a.m.