

By FRANK JENKINS

Tonopah. This is one of Nevada's ghost towns. But it is a different kind of ghost town. In the others . . . and there are so many of them in this West of ours that we adore . . . the miners and their ladies are gone . . . gone to that bourne whence none returneth.

They are people, to be sure, but the people that tread their streets and gawk into their windows and Oh and Ah at the things they see, are FLESH AND BLOOD people. They wear the clothes of today. They speak the argot of today.

In a word, they are tourists. Tourists and nobody else.

In Tonopah, it is somehow different.

There are tourists, to be sure—quite a reasonable number of them. They walk the streets, in the evening after they arrive and get put up at a motel. They eat. And they drink. And . . . this being Nevada . . . they gamble.

People live here. They earn a living here. Chiefly, one suspects, from the motor tourists who flit from Reno to Las Vegas and find the old town a good place to break the 450-mile trip.

When the tourists of a somewhat earlier day entered the old Mizpah hotel and stood in its lobby and peered into the rooms that once were its banquet rooms and its party rooms, they were not alone. Nor were they alone when they entered the old Tonopah Club with its marvelous and really beautiful old bar.

Mingling with them were shadowy forms. If the place was the banquet room of the old Mizpah, the shadowy men were apt to be clothed in tails and white ties. And the ghostly ladies were wearing marvelous gowns of another day.

For this Tonopah, half a century ago, lived a gracious life after its people had made their pile. The memory of it lingers on . . . even to this day.

How did Tonopah get its start? This is the tale they tell.

Back about the turn of the century, a miner and his mule were prospecting the hillside where Tonopah now stands. The mule was nibbling a sparse tuft of grass, and was loath to move on. So he picked up a rock to heave at the mule. The rock was HEAVY. Abnormally heavy.

He examined it with care. Then he let out a war-whoop.

It was RICH silver ore.

He had hit the Nevada jackpot again.

From the ore thus spotted, a wild boom sprang. Countless millions were made. A solid and handsome town was built. Out there in the desert, a gracious social life was founded. It never occurred to anyone that the town would not go on and on and on.

Then . . . as so often has happened in the Nevada deserts . . . the ore body petered out. And that was that.

What of the old Mizpah hotel? What of the lavishly furnished Tonopah Club?

They lingered on. They lingered on, as a matter of fact, until the gambling boom hit Nevada. They lingered on for some time after that.

What of them now?

One hates to tell the tale.

They are crummed as tightly as slot machines as the big casinos in Reno and Las Vegas. One can hardly walk between them. Gone is the lilt of the waltzes played in the old Mizpah by big orchestras imported from the big cities. Its place is taken by the clatter of the slot machines as their handles are pulled by the jackpot seekers.

What of the shadowy forms that lingered on so long? I'm sure they're gone. They just couldn't take it. There is no graciousness in a slot machine.

Missing Plane Lands Safely

FRENCH GLEN, Ore. (AP)—A light plane reported missing on a flight from Spokane, Wash., to Alturas, Calif., turned up here over the weekend.

The pilot landed at this isolated Oregon town after strong headwinds cut into the plane's gasoline supply.

The plane remained here overnight Saturday and then the two men aboard resumed their flight to Alturas Sunday.

A spokesman for the French Glen Hotel said one man was identified as a John Castle, address unknown. The identity of the other was not learned.

Weather

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Partly cloudy and cooler through Tuesday. Highs 52-57; low tonight 26-32 with light freeze.

High Sunday 67
Low last night 33
Precip. past 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 .56
Same period last year .53

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Bitter Charges Over Religion Sharpen Presidential Campaign

NIXON

ABOARD NIXON TRAIL (UPI)—Vice President Richard M. Nixon assailed Sen. John F. Kennedy with mounting anger today on everything from a "lying" brother to personal wealth.

The Republican presidential candidate through his press secretary brought the issue of religion squarely to the forefront of the campaign by demanding that his Democratic opponent "publicly reprimand" his brother Robert F. Kennedy for "lies" about alleged Republican distribution of anti-Catholic literature. Kennedy is a Roman Catholic.

The vice president, campaigning stormily across Pennsylvania in a series of railroad whistle-stops, taunted Kennedy for his family wealth, saying the Democrat had espoused a platform which would cost the American people \$15 billion annually in additional federal expenditures — "a whole lot of money — even . . . to a Kennedy."

And in a continuing fight over the best approach to Fidel Castro's Cuba, the GOP standard-bearer accused Kennedy of switching policy under guise of claiming to have been misquoted. "This is another case of your speaking first and thinking afterwards," Nixon said in a telegram to Kennedy over their projected fifth TV debate, "a habit which is a very dangerous one for a man who is asking the American people to elect him as commander-in-chief of all the armed forces of this nation."

The Democratic candidate's brother Sunday in Washington said Republican organizations in San Diego, Calif., and other points in the country were "issuing anti-Catholic literature and doing it quite openly."

As Nixon's 16-car special train pulled into York, Pa., early this morning, the vice president's press secretary, Herbert G. Klein, denounced the younger Kennedy's statements as untrue.

"The vice president has tried in every way possible to eliminate the religious issue from the campaign," Klein's statement said. "When he called for a cut-off date on the issue, the senator agreed. If this type of smear continues, however, Richard Nixon may have no choice but to discuss the tactics of our opponents."

GE Workers Back To Work

NEW YORK (AP)—Members of the International Union of Electrical workers (IUE) return to work today after a three-week strike against the General Electric Co.

Rebel holdouts were reported in several of the 55 struck plants, closed since Oct. 2.

The walkout was settled Saturday after two days of intensive negotiations under supervision of federal mediators. The settlement provides for an immediate 3 percent wage increase.

Full production at GE, the nation's largest manufacturer of electrical goods, was expected in a short time.

The IUE is the largest of 100 odd unions among GE employees.

GALLUP POLL

WASHINGTON (AP)—Pollster George Gallup says the presidential race is still very close but there is enough voter uncertainty to "bring a colossal landslide to either man."

Major shifts have occurred in the final few weeks before each of the last three presidential elections, Gallup said in a copyright interview published today by the magazine U.S. News & World Report.

Unlike many previous elections, he said, "there is a great lack of enthusiasm for either" Vice President Richard M. Nixon or Sen. John F. Kennedy, and many voters leaning toward either could be shifted to the other.

Putting the estimated total vote at 70 million, Gallup said he finds about 3.5 million potential voters undecided — about the same as in the last two elections.

But he described as a "terribly important" factor the possible shift of another 6.5 million "who say they do not feel strongly about their choice."

The undecided vote often divides on the same ratio as the decided vote, he said, but in 1948 more than 70 per cent shifted in the final three weeks to Harry S. Truman, giving him a surprise election over Thomas E. Dewey.

Police Mull Fatal Fight

Investigation was continuing today into the death of John Wesley Bowen, 43, 200 Market Street, who died early Saturday morning following a fight outside a downtown Klamath Falls restaurant.

The Klamath Falls Police Department and district attorney's office are investigating the facts of the case.

Police officers said the fight apparently started after an argument in the Broiler Cafe between Bowen and Lee Atkins, 42, Edgewood, California. Atkins told officers he was walking up the aisle of the cafe when he inadvertently stepped on some change that Bowen had spilled on the floor.

Atkins said Bowen grabbed his leg and almost tripped him.

The argument continued and both men went outside the cafe, officers said. A fight started and several blows were struck; Bowen was knocked to the sidewalk.

Atkins left with two hunting companions to return to his motel in Tulalake.

Arriving on the scene about 2:30 a.m., officers found Bowen lying on the sidewalk on his back. He was unconscious, his eyes were partly open and artificial respiration was being applied by James Lawson, 112 Broad Street.

Bowen died en route to Klamath Valley Hospital. Death was attributed to "massive bleeding in and around the brain" by a local pathologist.

City Police Detective Dennis Lilly and Sgt. J. S. Kennard went to Tulalake after the incident and contacted Tulalake Police Officer H. E. Oppendorf, who was acquainted with Atkins.

KENNEDY

IN ILLINOIS WITH KENNEDY (AP)—Sen. John F. Kennedy drove for doubtful Illinois' 27 electoral votes today with a switch of campaign emphasis to the ills of the domestic economy and what he would do about them.

The new phase in the Democratic presidential campaign came after a day when Kennedy pleased big and friendly crowds across Wisconsin with repeated jabs at his Republican opponent, Vice President Richard M. Nixon, on farm policies, disarmament and foreign policy generally.

The Illinois foray is a two-day operation, beginning in strongly Republican Rockford and continuing by way of a campus rally at the University of Illinois and meetings at Peoria, Moline and Rock Island to Chicago. Tuesday is set aside for speeches largely in the Chicago suburbs.

Kennedy said in Milwaukee Sunday night a Nixon administration would mean four years of "a government frozen in the ice of its own indifference."

He accused the Eisenhower administration of failing to work out a position on disarmament and letting conference after conference go by in "indifference and failure."

He renewed his proposals for increasing U. S. military power to better this country's bargaining position and for an arms control research institute to solve the technical problems of disarmament enforcement.

In La Crosse, Kennedy said that on farm matters Nixon is "using the exact same phrases as well as the exact same program that" Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson put forward.

"The farmers know that Mr. Benson's program has brought them close to ruin, and Mr. Nixon proposes to continue it," the Democratic candidate said.

He accused Nixon of attempting "to turn the country against the city" and said the vice president "sends Sen. (Barry) Goldwater of Arizona to campaign in the South in an old Confederate uniform telling them he does not mean anything he says on civil rights, while Sen. (Hugh) Scott of Pennsylvania travels through the North and assures them he is with them all the way."

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CHAMPION POTATO GROWERS at the Klamath Basin earned their "spurs" and recognition when they were presented with trophies by Robert Petrik, left, chairman of the potato exhibit committee for the Klamath Basin Potato Festival. Trophies were presented during the banquet at Merrill Friday night. Center is Robert Cheyne who won championship ribbons of Nettefs Gems, Commercial, U.S. No. 1s and on Nettefs Gem certified seed. Right is A. M. Cherry who won the same honors on his exhibits of White Rose potatoes. Both men are from Klamath Falls.

Former Aide Plans Revolt

LONDON (AP)—Former Cuban Ambassador Sergio Rojas Santamaria prepared today to fly to Miami to join 150,000 Cuban emigres he claims are preparing a revolution against Prime Minister Fidel Castro.

"It will be a civil war—perhaps another Korea," he warned. "Castro is a mad dog. He must be wiped out."

Santamaria was Cuba's envoy to Britain until he was fired four months ago. Cuba announced he had been "dishonorably dismissed."

The handsome, 45-year-old diplomat returned to Havana but quickly moved into the Argentine Embassy claiming he had been persecuted and had resigned because of the Castro government's "shift toward communism."

After 63 days he escaped back to Britain.

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Shooting Times

OREGON
October 25
6:00 a.m.—5:15 p.m.
CALIFORNIA
October 25
5:54 a.m.—5:14 p.m.

Gold Price Rises Again

LONDON (AP)—The price of gold on the London bullion market shot up to \$40.04 a fine ounce this morning in a renewal of the speculative buying which has unsettled the world's financial centers.

Bullion dealers had fixed the price at \$37.52 at the opening of the day's dealings. But within five minutes the price shot up \$2.52.

Last week's closing price was \$36.96 after the metal at one point hit a peak of \$40.60.

The official U.S. Treasury price is \$35 a fine ounce.

"The bubble has certainly not burst," said a spokesman for one of the five firms which handle the gold trade in London. "Buyers are coming into the market again."

"We get the impression that speculators would like to keep the price around \$40 an ounce, compared with the U.S. official level of \$35," he said.

The buying rush has been attributed to new Swiss financial regulations which have tended to drive international money out of the neutralist banking center, and to the belief that America might hike the price to stem drains on its gold reserves.

The U.S. Treasury has denied any plan to raise the gold price, which would in effect devalue the dollar.

"It seems clear," said the spokesman for the London bullion firm, "that speculators are taking little notice of the denial by the U.S. Treasury. The demand is not as heavy as it was last week, but it is steady."

Last week there were continental orders for up to a ton of gold at a time—more than a million dollars worth at a clip.

The London bullion firms which handle the gold trade are close-mouthed about the sources of buying orders. Most are believed to have come from Europe.

Bomb Scare Hits Depot

NEW YORK (AP)—A bomb was discovered today in Pennsylvania Station, one of the world's busiest railroad depots.

The bomb was found in a telephone booth on a lower level used by the Long Island Rail Road.

Police, mindful of four bomb blasts in the city in recent weeks, roped off the area while a bomb squad went to work to remove the device.

Wrapped in brown paper and containing what appeared to be two flashlight batteries, it was suspended by a piece of twine from a table board under the telephone.

A man, who was not identified, spotted the device at 9:45 a.m. and reported it to station officials. They reported it to police.

The phone booth is near Long Island Track 21.

The discovery came as police were investigating a bomb explosion Sunday aboard a ferryboat on a run from Manhattan to Staten Island.

Police were placing increased stress on the possibility that the bomber was among the 118 passengers aboard.

The blast was the fourth in the city in recent weeks — three on Sundays and one on the Columbus Day holiday. Nobody was hurt in the latest explosion.

Police had questioned all the passengers upon their arrival at Staten Island from Manhattan, then released them.

But, shortly after midnight, detectives began a methodical check into the backgrounds of all the passengers. The object was to determine whether any had been questioned after the other explosions or whether any had records of violence.

The police conceded, however, that the bomb may have been planted by somebody who left the ferryboat before it departed from Manhattan.

The bomb exploded when the ferry was about midway on its run to Staten Island.

It apparently was set off by a burning fuse. Police found no evidence in the debris of any metal timing device.

Mobutu Loses Control Of Congolese Soldiers

LEOPOLDVILLE, The Congo—fore they reportedly fell into a (AP)—Congolese soldiers today fight with villagers a few miles terrorized the population into staying out and killed 10 Africans.

United Nations forces were maintaining a hands-off policy. There were no signs of the Ghanaian U. N. police who were supposed to have helped maintain order here.

With nothing to check them, the soldiers, their uniforms often stained with beer, beat up and robbed civilians at will and tore clothes from African women. They set up road blocks and put out heavily armed patrols, which became more and more unruly as the stifling day wore on.

Reports of similar anarchy came from other parts of the country. In Stanleyville, capital of Orient province, soldiers mulcted and arrested their officers, according to the report reaching here.

In Leopoldville, fewer than 200 Congolese reached the stadium to watch the parade of British-trained African soldiers. Road blocks thrown up throughout this sprawling city kept the population from attending the ceremony.

Not many appeared to be headed for the stadium anyway. A U. N. official lamented, "We don't seem to have got our message across."

The Congolese soldiers occupied the city Sunday, running off the local police loyal to deposed Premier Patrice Lumumba. Today the soldiers and the policemen fraternized openly and together turned their rifle butts against Congolese crowds.

They appeared out of control of their officers. Their joint action against civilians had no apparent political significance.

Anarchy reigned throughout most of the rest of the Congo, with the soldiers of Col. Joseph Mobutu having turned to rioting, looting and terrorizing civilians.

Elsewhere in the Congo, only in Thysville, where the armored and commando units of the Congolese army are stationed, did officers appear to be still maintaining effective command.

Screaming troops, threatening with loaded rifles and using the butts as clubs, Sunday put the police in Leopoldville to flight and took over the African quarter of this city of 300,000. The night before.

Experts See Record Vote

WASHINGTON (AP)—Next month's presidential election may bring out five million more voters than the 1956 contest between President Eisenhower and Adlai E. Stevenson.

An Associated Press compilation of estimates from state officials and political experts in the 50 states indicated a record 67 million votes next month from the 84 million eligible to cast ballots. The 1956 presidential race drew 62,027,040 votes from an estimated 80 million eligibles.

The figures were based on actual registrations in states which require advance listing of potential voters, and on voting habits and surveys in those states which have no registration requirement.

The Census Bureau said 107 million persons will be old enough to vote, but many either will not meet eligibility requirements or will not bother to cast their ballots.

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U.N. Marks Birthday

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (UPI)—The United Nations celebrated its 15th birthday today embroiled in bitter East-West scraps over disarmament and the very make-up of the world organization.

British Minister of State David Ormsby-Gore was scheduled to take the floor in the General Assembly's Main Political Committee to start a new round in the disarmament debate that showed no signs of solution.

The Russians have threatened to lead a Communist walkout if the committee does not act favorably and quickly on Soviet disarmament proposals.

Poland was reported readying a demand that the General Assembly meet in special session next spring if the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union do not work out a nuclear test ban agreement in Geneva by then.

Ormsby-Gore is a specialist in this subject. He has spent much of the past two years as the British negotiator in Geneva.

The world organization takes a breather this afternoon to hear the Philadelphia Orchestra play Beethoven's Ninth ("Choral") Symphony in the great General Assembly hall in honor of U.N. Day.

President Eisenhower and the governors of 49 states proclaimed today as "United Nations Day" and more than 3,000 American cities and towns joined in the observances.

Ike Dedicates Freedom Bell

BERLIN (AP)—President Eisenhower today told the people of West Berlin that Americans "are determined to stand with you in the great task of maintaining and extending human freedom."

The occasion of the President's message was the dedication of the Freedom Bell presented to West Berlin 10 years ago by the Crusade for Freedom, a private organization that supports Radio Free Europe's broadcasts to Communist countries.



THE TOP DIVISION in this year's Klamath County United Fund campaign so far is Ross Ragland's Automotive Division. The division surpassed the 100-per-cent-of-quota mark during a report meeting Friday of UF volunteers. The drive has reached well past \$100,000 on its way to the \$138,942 goal. With Ragland, center, are his unit chairman, from left, Bill Bales, Merit Matthewson, Al Blanc and Cliff McGinty.

Roosevelt Teacher Receives Honor

Mrs. Paul (Dorothea) Buck was one of a handful of Oregon teachers this year who received the Valley Forge Classroom Teachers Medal from Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge.

The presentation was made by Arnold Gralapp, former superintendent of city schools, during a meeting of the Klamath County Department of Classroom Teachers, Oregon Education Association, at the Klamath Union High School library Thursday afternoon.

The medals go to a select group of teachers across the nation annually "to recognize those teachers in public, private and parochial schools in the U.S. who are doing exceptional work in teaching responsible citizenship and understanding of the American way of life."

Mrs. Buck teaches sixth grade and physical education at Roosevelt School in the city elementary district.

She was graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in health and physical education. Before coming to the city district, she taught in the Klamath County School District.

She represented the American Association of University Women at the state Legislature for many sessions and was president for two years of the League of Women Voters. She spent 10 years as chairman of the Infantile Paralysis Association, and is a member of the Legislative and Salary committees of the county Classroom Teachers Association.

Mrs. Buck also is or has been a member of the following: OEA, state Board of National

Parent-Teachers Association for Recreation, advisory board for the juvenile court, Governor's Legislative Interim Committee for Education appointee, charter member Toastmistress Club, Alpha Delta Kappa, teachers' honorary sorority, Manzanita Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, and Daughters of the Nile.

President Eisenhower is honorary chairman of the jury that makes selections. Other members are Herbert Hoover Jr., Roger S. Firestone, Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Charles E. Wilson and Dr. Kenneth D. Wells.

Don Belding, one of the founders and chairman of the board of the foundation, is a former resident of Klamath Falls. His mother was a teacher here.



A RARE AWARD went last week to Mrs. Paul (Dorothea) Buck, sixth-grade and physical education teacher at Roosevelt School, from Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge "for her outstanding work to create a better understanding of our American way of life." Presenting the Valley Forge Classroom Teachers Medal is Arnold Gralapp, former superintendent of city schools.