

Negroes Plan Extensive Voter Sign-Up Campaign

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (UPI)—A Negro leader said an intensive voter registration campaign would begin today in this industrial city where 13 days of racial demonstrations have brought more than 250 arrests.

"Voting is the big ax that will chop off the head of that snake—segregation—for good," said the Rev. F. L. Shuttlesworth.

"This (anti-segregation) movement is growing day by day," he said. "We are beginning to work on Negro voter registration and there will be mass marches similar to those in Greenwood, Miss."

34 Negroes Arrested
There has been a relative quiet in Greenwood recently but Negro folk singer Leon Bibb said in New York Monday he was leaving for Mississippi to join the "front lines" of civil rights battles.

A group of 34 Negroes was arrested Monday night at Knoxville, Tenn., for picketing the City Coliseum where officials were celebrating Knoxville's designation as an "all America city" by Look magazine. The Negroes were charged with parading without a permit and a few with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. One picket's sign said, "Hospitals are segregated in the all-America city."

Railroader Runs Amok; Kills Three

NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (UPI)—When Roy Gillott returned to work in Union Pacific's vast railroad yards Monday from nine days of sick leave, foreman Chet Mills asked him for a certificate from his doctor.

It was a routine request, required by company rules. But it angered the 6-foot, 180-pound Gillott, a truck driver for the railroad.

He yanked a revolver from his pocket and shot Mills, 42, twice. Then, he wheeled from the freighthouse dock and entered the offices where he gunned down two more men, killing them both.

Shoots Himself
Muttering that he had been fired, Gillott ran to his parked motor scooter and started to climb on. He stopped, shot himself in the back of the head and keeled over the scooter backwards. He was killed almost immediately.

Union Pacific officials said Gillott had not been fired. They said they had no idea why he turned suddenly violent.

One of Gillott's .38 caliber bullets went through Mills' back and punctured both lungs. Another struck him in the face and shattered his jaw, barely missing an artery.

Condition Critical
His physician said Mills' condition was too critical for surgery. He said internal bleeding was severe and numerous transfusions were required.

After shooting Mills, Gillott killed Eugene Bellows, 42, a time-keeper, with a shot in the back of the head.

Then, he raced down a corridor to the office of Dale Keeney, 45, the freight agent, and fired through an open door into Keeney's chest.

Progressive Tax Studied

SALEM (UPI)—A progressive rate structure with a top rate of six per cent, designed to raise about \$5 million, was proposed today by a subcommittee of the House Tax Committee.

The committee already has adopted an overall program calling for a flat rate on all earned income above \$500. Oregon's present top rate is 9.5 per cent.

The subcommittee also recommended that the one per cent net receipts tax apply to the first \$16,000 of income, instead of the first \$15,000 as originally proposed by the full committee.

Another subcommittee recommendation was a \$22 tax credit, instead of the \$20 recommended by the full committee. This would replace the present \$600 personal and dependency exemption.

The subcommittee proposed rates which would range from one per cent on income up to \$500, to 6 per cent on all income over \$14,000.

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Cancer Said Leading Killer Of School Children

What is the leading cause of death from disease among school children?

Few people are aware that the leading killer is cancer.

The statistics notwithstanding, the American Cancer Society believes that greater education among parents and broader application by physicians of knowledge now possessed could cut down the growing number of deaths from cancer in children. Mrs. John Dickinson, publicity chairman of the local chapter of the American Cancer Society, reported Monday.

April has been designated as the month when the American Cancer Society will receive donations for its annual nationwide fund drive.

The American Cancer Society reports that last year some 4,700 children under the age of 15 died of cancer.

"From 1934 to 1959, deaths from cancer in children increased from 5.2 for each 100,000 population to 8.1," the ACS reported.

The increase is due in part to the survival of many children who might have died from some other disease, such as diphtheria or smallpox, not so long ago. A number of children's diseases,

other than cancer, have been controlled.

But some 4,000 children will die of cancer in 1963, if death rates follow present trends.

The ACS pointed out that one of the problems of dealing with cancer in children is the "unhappy fact that too many childhood tumors are treated too late."

An increasing number of 5, 10 and 20-year and even lifetime survivals show that treatment when started early can often extend one's longevity.

Can the survival rate be increased? The ACS says it can.

Education can help. A great many parents are no longer ignorant of the fact that children as well as adults may have cancer.

JUDGE JAILS LAWYER

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (UPI)—Circuit Judge Wallace Gibson Thursday ordered attorney Marcus Jones to jail for six hours because he was late to court.

Jones arrived an hour late and apologized, explaining he was involved in a federal court case. But the judge said Jones had been late too often and sentenced him for contempt of court.



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