



TOSSED LIKE TOYS — Water and mud cascade down street as millions of gallons of water roared into a heavily-populated suburb of Los Angeles Saturday when a reservoir dam burst tossing houses and auto like toys onto the crest of an unstoppable flood tide.

# Sinatra Kidnap Case Virtually Wrapped Up

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The kidnap case of Frank Sinatra Jr. appeared virtually wrapped up today and the 19-year-old prepared to resume his singing engagement at the Lake Tahoe gambling spa where he was abducted.

The FBI remained mum concerning the details of the capture of the three kidnaping suspects Friday and early Saturday, but recovery of nearly all of the \$240,000 ransom paid by Frank Sinatra Sr. was announced by the federal agency.

The young singer's manager in Stateline, Nev., said Sunday night Frank Jr. was en route back to resume the engagement. But his mother, Mrs. Nancy Sinatra, said earlier he would not reappear there until Tuesday night.

Early Sunday, Frank Jr. left his mother's exclusive Bel-Air home where she returned early last Wednesday morning after being released by the kidnapers. His father's Hollywood spokesman said the young man returned to his Hollywood apartment Sunday.

The families of the two 23-year-old suspects arrested for the Sunday night kidnaping prepared to "do everything possible" to help them.

The arrest of Barry Worthington Keenan, scion of a wealthy Los Angeles area family, and Joseph Clyde Amisler, 23, Playa Del Rey, Calif., were announced by the FBI shortly after midnight Friday.

The third, believed to have been the leader of the trio, John William Irwin, 42, Hollywood, was arrested in Imperial Beach, Calif., Friday morning and held by the FBI in nearby San Diego, Calif. He was expected to be returned to Los Angeles today.

All three were arraigned before dawn Saturday. Assistant U.S. Atty Tom Sheridan said a federal grand jury charge was expected within three weeks. He said the multiple charges were expected to include kidnaping, conspiracy to commit kidnaping, possession of ransom money, interstate transportation in aid of racketeering and possible extortion.

# Demos Back Activities Of Solons

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Democratic leaders plunged today into the expected final week of the first session of the 88th Congress with words of praise for their legislative record.

The congressional leaders hoped for adjournment Friday or Saturday.

Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield, Mont., said Sunday Congress had compiled a "quite respectable" record and that any senator who contended otherwise should be ashamed of himself.

House leaders also hailed the legislation record, citing passage of precedent-setting school aid and mental health bills. In addition, they argued, both the civil rights and tax cut bills had been put in position for early passage next year.

But Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., called it a "standstill Congress" marked by loss of respect throughout the nation. He said Congress needed more active leadership.

Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney, D-Okla., called for further reorganization of the House and Senate. Monroney, co-author of the 1946 Legislative Reorganization Act, said the workload of Congress had pyramided many times since then.

Mansfield was asked by Sen. Kenneth B. Keating, R-N.Y., whether he agreed with critics that Congress this year has accomplished very little.

# Band Plans Yule Music

MERRILL — The Merrill Marching Band will present its first annual Christmas concert, Tuesday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gym. Admission will be 50 cents per person, proceeds to go to defray travel expenses to the spring music contest in Medford.

The program will feature music appropriate to the Christmas season with some special numbers played by different sections of the band.

The band is now in its third year. "Enthusiasm of the members," says band director Sev Garcia, "and the loyal support of the band's numerous friends has helped to build a sound foundation for an outstanding new young band in the area."

# Meet Slated By Council

The Klamath Falls City Council tonight will hold a public hearing on the proposed vacation of a portion of Willow Street between Seventh and Eighth streets for Dugan and West Chevrolet.

The auto firm is seeking the vacation for construction of a new showroom.

The meeting of the council will begin at 7:30 in council chambers at City Hall.

There will be a bid opening for new police cars and report of a bid opening on a park mower.

Proposed assessment rolls for the Worden Avenue improvement project and the Mountain View storm sewer project will be presented.

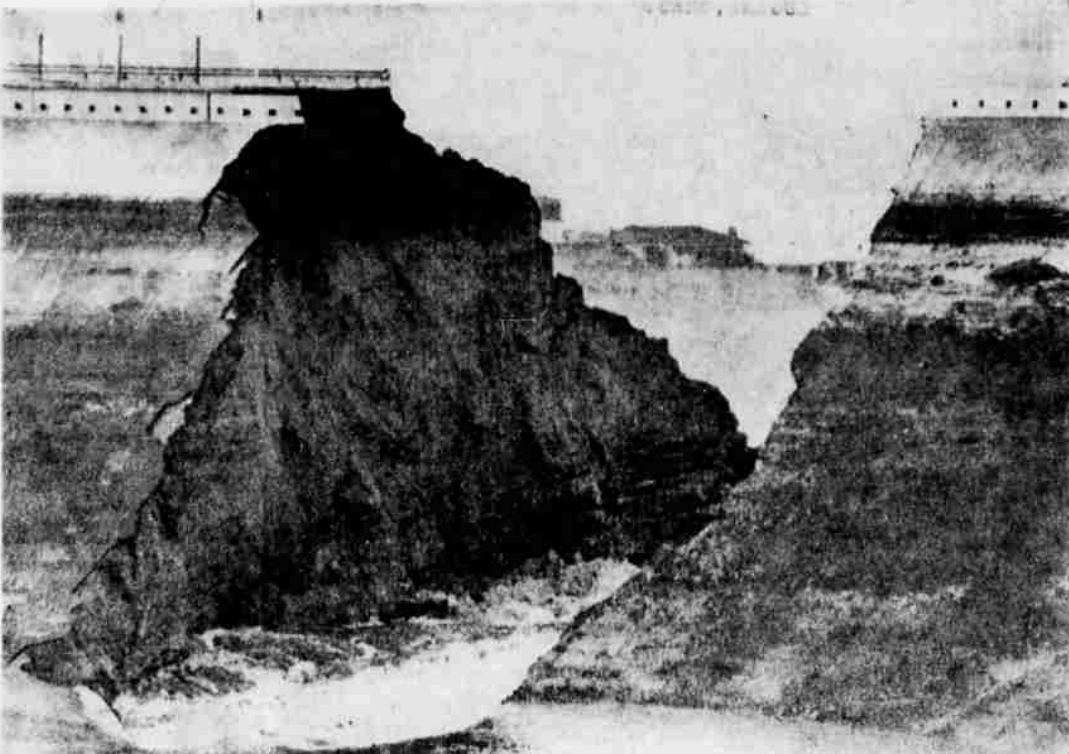
City Manager Robert Kyle is scheduled to report on Christmas caroling by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, progress of the Baptist Church project plans, sale of real estate recommendations for a replat of the Moughlin Heights area, a Christmas party and payments to contractors.

# Man Cited In Mishap

Arthur Eugene Coleman, 56, 3229 Alva, was cited for failure to yield right-of-way Saturday following a two-car collision at North Seventh and High streets.

Police said Coleman's 1957 auto and the other car, a 1958 foreign compact car, both received moderate damages, but neither driver was hurt.

The other driver was identified as Carl LeRoy Davidson, 25, Kingsley Field. Police said Coleman was westbound on Seventh and Davidson was southbound on High when the collision occurred at 3:35 p.m.



RESERVOIR BREAKS — This view shows the tremendous break in the Baldwin Hills Reservoir that sent millions of gallons of water roaring into a heavily-populated residential area. Only an early warning kept the death toll

from being a major disaster. At least 50 homes were reported destroyed in the first few minutes after the dam broke.

— UPI Telephoto

# 2 Fishermen Discover Survivor Of Lost Ship

NAMSOS, Norway (UPI) — Two fishermen tending their nets along the icy Atlantic shore spotted a strange object Sunday bobbing through the freezing breakers toward coastal rocks.

A ghastly sight greeted them when they drew near in their fishing boat.

Four frozen corpses and a man barely alive were lashed to a battered timber raft, all that was left of the 499-ton Norwegian freighter Jonetta, sunk in a storm two days earlier.

Fishermen Hans Hartvikoy and his brother, Sigfred, stared at the lone survivor, who managed a faint call for help.

"His mouth was almost frozen," Hans said today. "His arms and legs were stiff from cold and he could scarcely raise his head."

The man was the Jonetta's captain, Ole Johansen, 34. He had watched four of his 19 crewmen freeze to death and had seen the other six swept away by the sea, but something kept him awake and fighting for survival.

He told of his ordeal today in the Namsos Hospital where he was reported in good condition and expected to recover, thanks to the Hartvikoy brothers.

The Jonetta was sailing north through a storm and intense polar darkness Friday along the northwestern coast of Norway when the cargo shifted in the storm, leaving the vessel unmaneuverable and at the mercy of the seas.

A huge wave hit the ship and capsized it.

There was no time to radio a distress signal. Two crewmen

# Community Calendar

- MONDAY  
NEIGHBORS OF WOOD-CRAFT, 7:30 p.m., Christmas program, treats for children, KC Hall. Members and friends.
- TUESDAY  
WW I BARRACKS, 9:25, Ladies Aux., 5 p.m., Christmas potluck dinner, KC Hall.
- MERRILL WOTM, Chapter 18, 6:30 p.m., potluck dinner with LOOM, Christmas party following, Moose Home.
- COW BELLES, 2 to 5 p.m., Christmas tea, 6224 Juniper St., Moyina Heights. Members and guests.
- JOLLY NEIGHBORS, 8 p.m., meeting, gift exchange, Mrs. Verda Lords, 1400 Nimitz.
- EVERGREEN GARDEN CLUB, 8:30 p.m., meeting, cookie exchange, Mrs. Lela Thurman, 3307 Hilyard.
- WEDNESDAY  
THE KLAMATH STAMP AND COIN CLUB, 632 Main, will meet at 8 p.m., visitors welcome.
- LADIES SOCIETY, BLF&E, 6:30 p.m., Christmas party, no host dinner, Harold's.
- MIDLAND GRANGE, 8 p.m., meeting, Grange Hall. Officers wear uniforms.
- PLAYERS CLUB, 7:30 p.m., Christmas party, \$1 gift exchange, Legion Hall.
- A AND W CLUB, 1 p.m., meeting, Ruth Palmer, 1129 Crescent.
- GOLDEN AGE CLUB, 1 p.m., Christmas party, card exchange, Klamath Auditorium.
- FAIRHAVEN HOME EXT., 11:30 a.m., Christmas party, home of Jo Deputy. Bring table service.

# Accidents Kill Seven

By United Press International

Accidents claimed the lives of seven Oregon residents during the weekend. Five of the deaths were recorded in the state.

Frank Gestvang, 33, Klamath Falls, lost his life in a fire at his home Sunday. Gestvang's body was found on a smoldering mattress in a room in his home.

He apparently died of smoke inhalation.

Earl Snyder, 46, Salem, died when his sports car overturned and burned on the Willamette River Bridge in Salem Saturday.

Erin Murphy, 18 months, Salem, was killed in a two-car collision on Interstate 5 in Portland Saturday.

B. G. Bryant, 34, Portland, lost his life in a one-car accident on U.S. Highway 26 near Sandy Saturday.

Mrs. Nora Klingler, 75, Hermiston, was fatally injured when her car struck a parked logging truck on U.S. Highway 30 near Hermiston Friday night.

Elmer Leatherman, 62, Eagle Point, and his wife, Elvira, 60, were killed in a two-car, head-on collision on U.S. Highway 99 near Yreka, Calif., Friday night.

# City Briefs

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT C. HARKENS and children of Iran are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Harkens, in Kenn. Associated with the Kluzestian Development and Resource Corporation, Harkens has been in Iran for two years where he works with the people in various phases of agriculture. He was formerly employed with the extension service in the Bay Area. Following a six-week vacation, the Harkens will return to Iran for two years.

# Onetime 'Boy Wonder' Back To Face Charges Of Fraud

NEW YORK (UPI)—The FBI said today that onetime "boy wonder" Earl Belle, who fled Pittsburgh in 1953 when his paper financial empire collapsed, would be returned to that city to face charges of fraud and conspiracy.

The FBI spokesman was unable to state, however, just when Belle, 31, would appear to answer the charges in Pittsburgh, where acting U.S. Attorney Gustave Diamond announced his office was ready to prosecute.

Belle, disheveled and weary looking, arrived in the United States Saturday aboard a jetliner from Rio de Janeiro where he fled five years ago, leaving behind "untold losses" to American investors.

According to Brazilian police, Belle had become involved in a currency exchange fraud there and had been given the alternative of returning to the United States or facing Brazilian justice. Belle allegedly wrote \$70,000 worth of rubber checks to exchange houses involving the purchase of Brazilian cruzeiros.

Charges Not Related

The charges against Belle in

Pittsburgh were not related to his departure from Rio de Janeiro, according to Brazilian authorities.

Belle was accompanied here by an agent of the International Police Organization and was immediately taken into custody by the FBI.

A short time after he landed, the balding former financier was taken to FBI headquarters, then arraigned in federal court on the 29 counts of fraud and conspiracy. Bond was set at \$50,000.

Belle told U.S. Commissioner John B. Garrity he had come back to this country voluntarily "to face the charges against me."

The financial empire established by Belle, and others, included the Cornucopia Gold Mines, Inc., Manufacturers

Bank of Edgewater, N.J., two electronics companies, a water heater manufacturer and a drapery firm, valued at the time at \$5 million.

Cum Laude Graduate

Belle, a 1956 cum laude graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, flew to Brazil with his fashion-model bride, Naomi, his second wife.

They were active socially in Rio and Belle became involved in business ventures there. He and his wife had a child in Brazil. Under the country's law, the parent of a Brazilian citizen cannot be deported.

Still in his mid-twenties at the height of his business success in Pittsburgh, Belle had a valet and chauffeur to drive his luxury English sedan and was known as one of the city's big party-givers.

# Weather Roundup

Northern California: Fog in valleys through Tuesday.

The Dalles and Hood River: Intermittent rain in west late tonight; highs 22-45; low 30-37; gorge winds east 8-18.

Bend: Cloudy through Tuesday.

# School Board Directors Meet

The Klamath Falls elementary school board of directors tonight is scheduled to discuss attendance at hearings next month on the County Court's plan for reorganization of schools in the county.

Presumably, a delegation of board members will be appointed to attend the three hearings Jan. 6, 7 and 8.

The board meeting will begin at 7:30 in the schools administration building, 475 South Alameda Avenue.

In other business, the board is scheduled to consider an appointment to the budget committee for the term ending June 30, 1964, and discuss board minutes, vision testing and class loads.

# Five Day Weather

Western Oregon: More than normal rain north and near normal south with total one to one and one-half inch inland and heavier on coast; highs in 40's and low 32-44.

Eastern Oregon: Near normal precipitation; highs 28-38; lows 20-30.

Temperatures during the 24 hours ending at 4 a.m. PST today.

	High	Low	Prec.
Astoria	51	43	.81
Baker	35	26	—
Brookings	35	41	—
Medford	33	29	—
Newport	31	—	—
N. Bend	33	44	—
Portland	29	37	.91
Redmond	45	31	—
Salem	45	42	—
The Dalles	33	32	—
Chicago	16	10	—
Los Angeles	70	50	—
New York	29	20	—
Phoenix	64	26	—
San Fran.	45	39	—
Seattle	45	40	.47
Washington	33	20	—

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