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DOVER BRIDGE HAS FALLEN DOWN

A major traffic headache shaped up for Boston following the collapse of this bridge after a fire.

fallers riders also blocked part of the tracks of the New Haven Railroad and a railroad crane is shown at work (right) trying to clear the tracks.

Held Illegally 6 To 41 Years

7 Imprisoned Men Released

BROCKTON, Mass. (AP)—Seven men found to have been illegally committed as prisoners, were freed today after serving terms in state institutions ranging from 6 to 41 years.

confined at Concord Reformatory and Bridgewater.

During the hearing, Judge Forte criticized State Atty. Gen. George Engle, who he said, "up to now, it seems, if you had any of these cases, the attorney general seems to have prejudged these cases."

At seven men wept with joy when their freedom was ordered yesterday by Superior Court Judge Felix Forte on the ground their commitment was illegal and without even a hearing in some cases.

Judge Forte found one of the men, Elmer Bridges, had been a prisoner for 41 of his 51 years on a custody of mistake identity.

Paul Rivers, 25, of Somerville, committed in 1947 as a defective inquiring.

SALT WATER SLOSHES THROUGH N. Y. STREETS

NEW YORK (AP)—Ocean water bubbled out on New York City streets again today, as an extraordinarily high tide raised the Atlantic's edge above the flood mark at spots along the waterfront.

Swept shoreward in a peak spring tide, the seawater crowded into sewer mains, rose to the street level in lower Manhattan, and spilled out on the streets through curb drains.

At Piers in New Jersey and on Manhattan's West Side, the swollen water made it impossible to get automobiles aboard ferry boats running between the two points.

It was the second day of such high tides for the city—a result of a semi-annual phenomenon—the perigee of the moon, coupled with the monthly spring tide, which combined to increase the moon's gravitational pull to an unusual degree.

A spring tide occurs each month when the moon is full, causing slightly higher tides. The perigee of the moon, when it is nearest the earth, occurs twice a year. When the two coincide occur on the ocean results, with unusually high tides.

The other six men released and their terms are: William J. Bryant, 33, of Lawrence, committed at the age of 19 for truancy.

Gerald F. Martin, 27, of Lynn, one of a family of 16 children, in custody 11 years for receiving stolen goods.

Henry A. Gilbert, 48, of Northampton, a prisoner for 24 years. He became a musician and leader of the band at the Bridgewater state farm.

James Goodridge, 33, of Wrentham, in detention 28 years after confinement at the age of 5. He later was termed a sex case and was BULLETIN

Farmers Happy As Heavy Downpours Fall On Texas

LUBBOCK, Tex. (AP)—Farmers in limp under the heat and drought most of the west Texas droughters today were happy as heavy rain fell in part of the San Luis valley.

Over fields of pitifully thin wheat, browned cattle ranges and parched land along the heels of the heavy rain from near down into the late night.

The runoff poured into two small towns, Spur and Dickens, about 75 miles east-southeast of Lubbock, forcing some evacuations also ran down the heels of the rain-dry creeks, spilled over high ways and covered bridges.

Stil Flying In 91st Year

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP)—A licensed pilot celebrated his 91st birthday yesterday by taking four generations of his family and some friends on a flight.

James W. (Dad) Montee is credited by the Civil Aeronautics Administration with being the nation's oldest active licensed pilot.

He was at the controls during much of the flight in a Grumman Mallard 12-passenger amphibian from Santa Monica around Catalina Island and back to Long Beach and Santa Monica. His wife, Margaret, 83, a daughter, two granddaughters, a great-granddaughter and two friends were along.

Recorded Welcome Sent To Big Stone Gap Man

By JOHN R. MORRIS — BIG STONE GAP, Va. (AP)—Some between this Virginia mountain town and Tokyo, there was a recorded "welcome" message to her hospitalized son, Col. Edward S. Dickenson.

Col. Dickenson is a 23-year-old farm boy who was captured by the Korean Reds and returned repatriated last Wednesday, when he decided to be brought up to camp back to his home straight on a plane from the village of Cracker Neck.

He was flown yesterday from Korea to Tokyo, where he was hospitalized for a checkup.

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PANMUNJOM (AP)—Red efforts to persuade anti-Communist Korean war prisoners to return home appeared today to be stalled at least until next week and there was no indication whether the POWs would call off a showdown which threatens the armistice.

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DETROIT (AP)—Clerk Mary Aley is writing Detroit Police Academy memos in longhand while waiting for students to solve their latest academic problem—the theft of her typewriter.

The Swedish labor and labor unions in the city are threatening a strike after the union's ultimatum.

The United Auto Workers' contract with North American electric last midnight. Negotiations were broken off at 12 o'clock last night and no date was set for renewal.

College Musicians Have Spat Over Wearing Spats

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Musicians in the University of Pennsylvania's marching band had a spat over the wearing of spats.

White spats, they said, are just for the eye of tomorrow's military on the march.

Some 12,500 workers struck last night at Columbus, N.Y. 16,000 workers at the plant of the company at Fresno, Calif. The Fresno contract expires at midnight tonight.

OUR WEATHER

Generally fair today and tonight. Saturday, some cloudiness and slightly warmer.

Evening Prayer

Dear God, give us strength, courage, knowledge, and spirit, to live in these trying times.

START OF BIRTHDAY HIKE

Mrs. Sylvia Marie Carlen of Detroit celebrated her birthday in her usual manner—by taking a long hike, Thursday was her 64th birthday and she is showing starting a hike of 60 miles from Detroit to Port Huron.

She said she would rather die in bed or walking. Her answer was "walking." He told her to go ahead and walk. (AP Wirephoto)

home, but hooded it the five blocks from the bus line.

Historian Admits He Lied With Heart

Total Korean War Casualties Top 3 Million

Figures Released By United Nations

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y.—Final casualty figures for the Korean War, still clouded by uncertainty about the fate of thousands missing who may be dead, indicated today that both sides suffered a toll of more than three million.

Based on figures from official and U. N. delegation sources, the figures ran past the July 27 armistice date.

Penagon sources in Washington, basing their figures on a roundup they made in July, estimated Communist casualties, killed and wounded, at 1,620,000, and prisoners at another 120,000 for a total of 1,540,000—scaled down from an estimate last April of 1,875,000.

STILL MISSING

The United States still has 7,500 listed missing. The Defense Department early this month said they number 120,000 for a total of 1,540,000—scaled down from an estimate last April of 1,875,000.

Along with almost complete casualties, delegation sources have revealed that the U. N. allies actually lost only 1,200,000, because more of men, through rotation and replacement, than the standard size of the unit, from five to six times the strength of the unit finally served on the front.

Turkey, for example, with a unit of 5,000 men, had personnel number 29,802 during the three years Turkish troops were on the front.

Troop losses generally figured in ratio to the standard size of the unit. The United States lost 5,017.

Republic of Korea: dead 415,004, wounded 428,508, missing 409,428. United States: dead 25,604, wounded 105,961, missing and presumed dead 7,853.

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"I'll be flying a rocket ship before I get to old," Montee said after landing.

Father of Five Leads Way To Body

WINSTON-SALEM (AP)—The body of attractive, 24-year-old Mrs. Frances Larrimore Mitchell of Walkertown was found in a secluded patch of woods near Winston-Salem this morning.

Sheriff's deputies said William Allen Braddock, 33, of Winston-Salem told them that he was with Mrs. Mitchell, as they drove into the woods Wednesday night.

Mr. Fred G. Fogg, county health officer who examined the body, said she was shot four times in the right jaw.

Braddock is married and the father of five children. Braddock, former manager of the restaurant at Smith Reynolds Airport, said they had been drinking and that she was driving the car when they pulled into a secluded spot some 250 yards off Highway 311 to Walkertown on a hill above Winston-Salem.

He told his story to officers after first calling Twin City Sentinel photographer Bill Ray, asking for him and a reporter and telling him he had "some information that would be important for you."

Braddock then called Police-Photographer and reporter that he had killed a girl. He then led sheriff's officers and police to the secluded spot where her body was found.

Braddock said he "blacked out" as the girl was showing him some 22 cartridges he had bought "to shoot some squirrels." He said he did not remember a thing until he heard about the girl's death.

He said he was "walking" before something else happened.

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The explanation program has been suspended since Monday when the Koreans threatened a mass breakout if forced to attend. Communist Poland Czechoslovakia walked out when the other three commission members—Switzerland, Sweden and the United States—agreed to accept the POWs' terms.

Polish and Czech members returned yesterday, but only to reiterate their demand that the Koreans be forced to attend Communist explanations. The Reds refused to plan visits to the Chinese prisoners in place of the Communist sessions in place of the Koreans.

After the commission meeting, the Indian chairman, said he would have a statement Saturday. He declined to say anything about the possibility of a solution.

He said the problem of the balky Korean POWs was discussed today by the Communist representatives.

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Jet Factory Hit By Strike

LOS ANGELES (AP)—More than 28,000 men and women who build planes for the U. S. Air Force and other agencies went on strike today at North American Aviation Co. plant here and at a 222-hourly Pontiac (30). Algonac (40) and other Michigan cities to which she has visited in the past few weeks.

She rode the bus the rest of the week, visited in the past few weeks. She rode the bus and then took a bus home, but hooded it the five blocks from the bus line.

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