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Hunger In School: Hundreds Go Lunchless

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Hunger is no stranger to hundreds of city school children. They go to school without breakfast, often have little or no lunch, and more often than not, go to bed with partially filled stomachs.

In city schools each day, 250 free lunches are served at an annual cost of \$10,000. But these free meals do little more than take the edge off the hungry kid problem.

It would take \$70,000 more each year to provide lunches for these hungry youngsters.

A TABULATION

Here's the situation today, as outlined by Mrs. Anne S. Hausmann, director of the Attendance Dept. for city schools; 250 children eat free lunches

250 more children already have been certified as needy and would qualify today for free meals if money were available.

500 more low-income group children who now go home to little or no lunch, bring a sandwich, or go without lunch.

1,000 more children receive Aid to Dependent Children grants—checks figured to meet only 75 per cent of the minimum living requirements but

they do not have "lunch" money.

COSTLY SERVICE

Estimating it costs \$40 a year to provide a hot lunch for a child, it would cost \$70,000 more to meet the lunch demands of these hungry city school children.

Says Mrs. Hausmann: "We desperately need more free lunches. They are an investment in the future health of our children. No matter if some parents aren't worthy, the child's hunger is no less real."

The 250 meals provided now come from the city lunchroom program, headed by Miss Rosa Spearman.

There is no appropriation for free lunches. It has to come out of the lunchroom program, which is self-supporting and non-profit.

These free lunches, Miss Spearman said, actually are paid for by parents of children who buy their lunches daily.

The number of children varies with the school, and the need is greater among the Negroes than whites. Children in 29 of the city's 49 schools last year received free lunches, ranging from 1 to 34 students.

Although about one-third of the population is Negro, about half the free meals go to Negro children.

At the end of the last school year, 155 white and 157 Negro children were receiving free lunches. During the year, 243 white and 173 Negro children were on the list.

A child may receive free lunch all year, or only for a short time, depending on his home financial situation.

Sickness in the family sometimes will mean a child will have to receive free lunches for a few weeks or a month. Seasonal employment — with the worst months now just ahead — also changes the list.

After a parent applies through the school for free lunches, a social investigation is conducted by Mrs. Hausmann and her staff of three white and three Negro social workers.

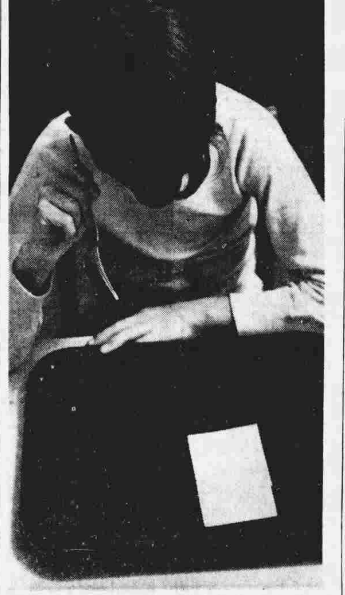
FUNDS SHORT

The free lunch program is one of their Attendance Dept. responsibilities.

It is a policy of the state not to provide free lunches for more than two children in any one family in an attempt to stretch the inadequate funds as far as possible.

A conference is held usually with the mother to determine which children will get lunches, she said.

In the case of the other school children in the family, Mrs. Hausmann's staff works with the mother to teach her to prepare low-cost nutritious packed lunches.



Empty Tray: Symbol Of A Child's Plight

Strike Hits Mexico

SAN LUIS POTOSI, Mexico (AP)—Reinforced federal troops patrolled this state capital today as a paralyzing political strike went into its third day. Strikers headed by the Civic Union are demanding the resignation of Gov. Manuel Alvarez of San Luis Potosi State or his ouster by federal authorities.

Reds Have Pilot

BERLIN (AP)—East German Communist police have taken into custody a U.S. Army pilot whose plane made a forced landing on the territory of the satellite nation, an East German official disclosed today.

School Gets Grant

WASHINGTON (AP)—A federal grant of \$45,510 will be made to help rebuild the dynamited Clinton, Tenn., High School. Secretary of Welfare Planning today announced approval of the grant to the Anderson County School Board. The dynamiting occurred Oct. 5.

Air Search Delayed

MADRID (AP)—Bad weather throughout central Spain today postponed an air search for a Spanish airliner missing with 21 persons aboard. The four-person craft was due in Madrid last night.

200-Million Estate

DAYTON, Ohio (AP)—The late Charles F. Kettering, automotive genius and former General Motors research head, left an estate conservatively estimated at a little more than 200 million dollars.

Check Proposed

GENEVA (AP)—The West today proposed an international control system to keep permanent check on the ground forces of all nations.

Our Weather

Partly cloudy to little with a chance of showers and little change in temperature this afternoon. Partly cloudy and cooler tonight. Saturday fair and colder.

Low this morning.....40
Low tomorrow morning...35
High today.....64
High yesterday.....61
High tomorrow.....61
Sunrise today 7:16 a.m.; sunset today 5:11 p.m.

10-Hour Siege Ex-Convict Rejects Pleas, Kills Self

PRINEVILLE, Ore. (AP)—An ex-convict brushed aside pleas to surrender and killed himself today after a 10-hour siege that began when he briefly held six persons captive.

Stanley Robinson, 27, shot himself in the head as police crunched across the frozen lawn minutes after midnight to pump tear gas into his small, white frame house.

Only moments before, a psychologist who had gone into the house, muffled in an attempt to persuade Robinson to surrender, walked out and said: "Well, boys, I think it's all over."

Fourteen policemen were running toward the house when they heard a noise that hardly sounded like a shot. One peeked through a window and saw the body of the slim, blond Robinson on a living room couch. Robinson had muffled the shot with rag.

It was the only shot fired in the siege that began when state policemen Vern Boyer went to the house to serve a warrant on Robinson, released from the state prison Oct. 31.

Robinson, a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War, then stepped from the bedroom with a 30-30 caliber rifle.

Boyer was kept prisoner 30 minutes, along with Robinson's former wife and their four children, whose ages range from five years to 11 months.

But then State Police Sgt. Lowell Hertzler persuaded Robinson to let his captives go, unharmed.

Police talked to Robinson over the phone. Once he sobbed: "I'm going to end it all." Then he said he would wait until Wade Scott, a psychologist and counselor at

Deadlock In Jury 'Hopeless'

By JOHN KILGO
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The case against bondsman Leo Reynolds ended in a mistrial today in Criminal Superior Court.

The foreman of a Mecklenburg jury consisting of 11 men and one woman announced at 11:03 a.m., "We remain hopelessly deadlocked."

Judge P. C. Fronberger asked the foreman, "Don't you think you can get together?"

The foreman said, "No."

Judge Fronberger then declared a mistrial, which means Reynolds will have to be given a new trial on the charge that he conspired to obstruct justice in City Recorder's Court.

Solicitor Grady B. Stott said the new trial date for Reynolds has not definitely been set.

TRIAL SOON

"I'll either try it next week or at the January term of court," he said.

The January term of Criminal Superior Court starts on Jan. 5, 1959.

Judge Francis O. Clarkson is scheduled to preside over that term.

The jury was reported split 8 to 4 for conviction.

The jury received the case yesterday at 3:25 p.m. After deliberating until 5 p.m. Judge Fronberger said:

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Judge Rules Mistrial In Leo Reynolds Case

—BIG DAY FOR ZEBULON, DANIELS— Cheer For Truman Drowns Out Santa



Mrs. Daniel (left) and Truman Greet The Crowd At Zebulon

By JULIAN SCHEER
News Staff Writer

ZEBULON, Ex-President and Mrs. Harry S. Truman came to town yesterday as the high school band played an off-key version of the Missouri Waltz, 5,000 people cheered and Santa Claus took a back seat.

But you've got to look at this thing from the real local angle, and it must go down as the day E. C. Daniel Jr.'s in-laws came to visit.

And to make the day an even greater one for history, it was the day a son-in-law got up on his speaker's stand and said some nice things about his mother-in-law. It was indeed a great one in more ways than one.

E. C. Daniel Jr., of course, married the Truman's daughter, Margaret, two years ago. And this is the Truman's first visit to their son-in-law's home.

E. C. Jr. told his home towners: "I think I have the nicest father-in-law in the world; who happens to be married to the nicest mother-in-law."

"Any man who can stand up in public and say something nice about his mother-in-law must have a pretty special one."

His remarks brought cheers from the 5,000 who had lined the streets here for more than an hour awaiting the visit of the Trumans — especially the smiling mother-in-law.

The Trumans arrived in Raleigh by train at 4:59 p.m. and the first words to greet them when they stepped from a private motor car were, "Hooray for Harry." The former president, flashing the famous Truman smile, gave the crowd of several hundred a big wave.

It's certainly a great pleasure to be in this great state of my son-in-law's," he said. He said he had visited North Carolina before and its hospitality is "unsurpassed by any place and I've been in ten all."

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Gov. and Mrs. Hodges said a few words of greetings and turned over the governor's limousine to the Trumans for the trip to Zebulon, 20 miles away.

Daughter Margaret remained in New York with her young son.

A motorcade swept the Trumans and town officials here and the high school band struck up the "Missouri Waltz" as the

ex-president got out of the limousine and mounted a speaker's platform. It was already dark and his white hair was bathed in Christmas lights. He stood just 20 feet from the drug store of his hosts, the E. C. Daniels.

"Somebody ought to be running for office, they won't often get a crowd like this I'm sure," he said at first.

"Why don't you run again?" someone in the crowd yelled.

BEST GREETING

Then he told the crowd, "Never before has a more cordial welcome been bestowed upon this retired farmer from Missouri who used to be President of the United States."

Mrs. Truman, the famed Beas, sat next to him and beamed, especially when her son-in-law made what is certain to be one of the more famous statements of the year.

E. C. Jr. then told the assembly that the reception was "a home town boy's dream." He said although he knew it wasn't

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Warden Leads Way Guards Rescued In Prison Rioting

FLORENCE, Ariz. (AP)—A steel-wired warden led 25 lawmen storming into barracks at the Arizona State Prison Thursday night and rescued two guards held by rebellious convicts.

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closer or we'll kill you," said Wright. "I didn't say anything."

At this point, Warden Eymann, a graying, 60-year-old former sternly armed with a 45 automatic pistol, shouted to the barricaded convicts: "If you even so much as scratch my men, I'll kill all of you."

Eymann and the two guards gave this account:

Hunt, Wright and another guard went to the isolation ward to bring one of the convicts some medicine. As Hunt and Wright entered the ward, the prisoners seized them.

The prisoners then phoned Eymann with this message: "We are going to take your prison. We have the keys. And we're going to Call Block 1."

Eymann fired several shots to launch an assault. After a few minutes the lawmen recaptured the hospital and the office and rescued the guards.

The prisoners were held in the courtyard and searched. Guards confiscated five homemade knives and one pocket-knife. Then they were returned to the isolation ward. Eymann ordered the door welded shut.

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—WANTED TO HUMILIATE HIM— Contractor Slays Unionist

LOS ANGELES (AP)—"I wanted him to jump into a swimming pool to humiliate him and be rescued."

That, says painting contractor Howard Newman, is why he shot and killed a union official yesterday.

Newman, 36, was booked on suspicion of murder after Rodrick Mackenzie, 44, business agent for local 26 of the painters district council, was gunned down in front of started works.

Newman, of suburban Pasadena, was contractor on a painting job in progress at a swimming pool company office. Shee-

ly's deputies said he told this story.

He became angered at Mackenzie Wednesday when the union official pulled a union painter off the job because Newman had hired non-union workers.

MAN PULLED

"Mackenzie came right on the job and pulled one man off that he knew was a union man," said Newman. "I brought a gun to work, knowing Mackenzie would return up."

"When he did show up I said to myself, 'I'm gonna make that guy walk over to the swimming pool.' I wanted him to jump into the pool to humiliate him."

"I told him to walk, and when he refused I shot him in the stomach. Even after I shot him again at close range he didn't make him walk to the pool and jump in."

Mackenzie turned and ran. Newman shot him in the back and leg. Mackenzie fell. Newman stooped over the victim, turned his head over and shot him again at close range behind the left ear, witnesses said.

Newman went to his office, laid the gun on his secretary's desk and told her to call the police.

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10 Persons Die In Home Blaze

DOVER, Del. (AP)—Nine children and an adult perished last night when a kerosene stove exploded and a flash fire destroyed their rural home.

Six of the children were brothers and sisters. Three mothers survived.

Three others—two adults and a child—were injured. Firemen found them coming down a road from the isolated home, searching for help. The child is in critical condition.

When two volunteer fire departments, from four miles away, reached the two-story frame house about 15 miles from here, it was almost destroyed. The roof had collapsed and the walls were nearly gone.

It was pretty much a flash fire," said Clayton fire chief James G. Knotts. "Only thing that could do was cool off what I let him recover the bodies."

Fifteen Negroes, all related, lived in the house, which had neither electricity nor running water.

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