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## Jet Crashes

**PALMDALE, Calif.**—A jet fighter plane crashed into the front yard of a home today just after taking off from the airport of this city 35 miles north of Los Angeles. The sheriff's substation said it had no reports on casualties.

## She's Engaged

**NEW YORK** (P)—Lee Ann Merriweather, Miss America of 1955, today announced her engagement to Frank Aletter, a Broadway actor. Miss Merriweather said the wedding will take place during July in San Francisco, where her mother lives.

## Fare Increase

**WASHINGTON** (P)—Passenger tickets on 25 of the nation's airlines may cost more beginning Monday. The 25 lines asked the Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) yesterday to authorize a 4 per cent fare increase, plus an added \$1 service charge for each ticket, effective Feb. 10.

## Talks Begun

**CAIRO** (P)—Yemen's crown prince and Egyptian President Nasser today began negotiations on the Yemeni request to federate with the new United Arab Republic.

## Hooligans Moved

**VIENNA** (P)—The Communist-controlled Polish national news agency reported from Sofia that hundreds of "hooligans" and other "demoralized youths" have been deported from Bulgarian cities to the countryside to work on farms.

## Funds Asked

**WASHINGTON** (P)—An unexpected increase in unemployment has brought a request from the administration for emergency funds to administer unemployment insurance laws.

## Perjury Found

**DENVER** (P)—Maurice E. Travis, 47, of San Pablo, Calif., former official of the International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers, last night was convicted of perjury for twice denying he was a Communist.



**Today's Weather**  
Cloudy and mild with rain and scattered thunderstorms today and early tonight followed by clearing and turning colder. Friday partly cloudy and colder.  
Low this morning 47  
Low tomorrow morning 36  
High today 60  
High tomorrow 60  
High tomorrow 51  
Sunrise today 7:18 a.m.  
Sunset today 5:57 p.m.

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## Reporter Finds Facts As Hobo

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WALTER WIEBUSCH  
"Yes, I Shot Him"

## Triangle Death Ends Couple's Tiff

**HOUSTON, Tex.** (P)—The young wife of a middle-aged lawyer argued with him, left home, picked up an old boy friend at a bar and shortly thereafter watched her husband pump five shots into the boy friend in a plush motel room early this morning.  
The slaying victim was David Lapoint Black, 23, a 200-pound unemployed ex-marine.  
**TALKS FREELY**  
Walter C. Wiebusch, 42, former assistant district attorney, talked freely with reporters and officers about his slaying of Black.  
The wife, 27, a pretty brunette, subbed at police station early today and declared emotionally:  
"I'll stick with him through this, if he'll have me."  
Police found the body of Black fully clothed, beside a bed in room 994 of the swank Town House Motel. He had been shot five times.  
The romances—both of them—began in the Hi-Lo Bar near the Town House last June.  
**MET BOTH THERE**  
That was where Mrs. Wiebusch, an oil company bookkeeper, met Black and her future husband, although the men were not together.

That's where she picked up Black last night about 11:30 p.m.  
But in the romance, the balding, tall, wiry Wiebusch was the winner. They were wed last November.  
As the principals told the story today, they argued and she left home about 11:15 p.m.  
**LEAVING FOR GOOD**  
"I was leaving him for good. We couldn't get along," she told reporters, not explaining further.  
She then registered at the Town House and headed for her old haunt, the Hi-Lo Bar. Black was there.

The pair returned to her motel room, lugging beer and whiskey with them.  
"I felt like something like this was going on," Wiebusch told Detective Neal Todd.  
"I drove around looking for her until I saw her car parked at the motel."  
At the motel desk he found his wife registered. He knocked on her door and demanded admittance.  
He talked to her through the door for 15 minutes.  
"I went down to my car. She followed me. I got my pistol and went upstairs and found this guy," He gestured toward the body of Black.

Mrs. Wiebusch followed her husband back into the room and witnessed the shooting.  
**TELEPHONED POLICE**  
Wiebusch telephoned police and said, "I just had to shoot a man over my wife. I'll wait here." The couple was in the motel room when officers arrived.  
He told reporters later, "Yes, I shot him—just like any man would who is a man."  
Black apparently was first shot while on the bed. The pillow was bloodstained. The weapon was a .25 caliber pistol.  
Wiebusch was charged, then released without bond.



MRS. WIEBUSCH  
"We Couldn't Get Along"

## —TONSorial TICKLER—

## What's Higher When Shorter?

By EMERY WISTER  
News Staff Writer

If you're a man and wear your hair flat-top style your haircut may cost you more money.

Starting Saturday, the price of flat-top cuts goes from \$1.25 to \$1.50.

That's in certain shops in the southern part of the city. But a check of other barber shops shows if the price goes up in one area it may soon spread all over the city.

Men's and boys' haircuts now cost \$1.25 and that's the price in practically all white shops in the city. The price in shops with Negro barbers is \$1.

Under the new scale regular haircuts would remain at \$1.25.

**TAKES LONGER**  
Why the higher cost for flat-tops? It takes longer and costs the barber shops more.

"We're going up Saturday," said a spokesman at the Blackman-Patterson shop at 1724 South Blvd. "Flat-tops take more time. We can almost give two ordinary haircuts while cutting one flat-top."

Wade E. Barber of the Doctors Barbering Shop on Kings Dr. said:

**DULLS BLADES, TOO**  
"They take more time and are an added expense. Flat-tops dull the clipper blades. It takes from 25 to 30 minutes to cut a head of hair, while the ordinary cut takes about 20 minutes."

"We like to cut hair but we think we should get a fair price."

One barber who asked not to be named said the movement for the higher rates stemmed from the southern part of the city, and had already spread to other suburban areas. But a check of several others in various sections of the city revealed the operators "have not decided."

Paul Colson, operator of Colson's Barber Shop on S. Church St., said the uptown shops likely will follow the lead of suburban establishments if the move becomes general.

"We'll have to go along," he said. "If half of them go up we'll have to do the same thing to keep harmony."



This Is Only \$1.25 . . .



(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Hatter) . . . But This Is \$1.50

## Unemployment Bill Offered 7 Teenagers Face Trial For Murder

**WASHINGTON** (P)—Sen. Kennedy (D-Mass.) planned today to introduce legislation to increase unemployment compensation payments and extend coverage of the program.  
Kennedy said the bill was designed to bring improvements which President Eisenhower has urged the states to make. He said no one state has done so.  
Legislation is needed now, he said, because "unemployment has passed the four million mark and may well reach five million in the near future."

Kennedy's bill would set federal requirements for many aspects of the unemployment compensation program now left to state determination. It would:

1. Provide for a benefit period of 26 weeks instead of the 26 weeks suggested to the states by Eisenhower. The period now varies greatly from state to state.
  2. Fix maximum weekly benefit payments at two thirds of a state's average weekly wage. Benefits now average only a third of lost wages, Kennedy said.
  3. Extend coverage to all firms employing one or more persons. Present law covers those with four or more employees.
  4. Establish a re-insurance fund and contingency administration expense fund to help the states worst hit by unemployment.
- Kennedy said the bill would not require any increase in the present 3 per cent unemployment tax maximum.

**NEW YORK** (P)—Seven teenage boys were brought to trial today on first-degree murder charges in the death of a polio-ridden 15-year-old youngster, who was beaten, knifed and kicked to death in a park last summer.  
Twenty-seven attorneys were appointed by General Sessions Court at a fee of \$500 each to defend the boys on trial. Several are prominent criminal attorneys who draw as much as \$25,000 a case.

In all, 18 boys had been arrested in the killing but lesser charges were placed against 11 of them. Of those on trial, two are white, two are Negro, two are Puerto Rican and one came from the Dominican Republic. Their ages range from 15 to 18.

The victim of the slaying was young Michael Farmer, son of a city fireman who had to use crutches because an attack of infantile paralysis had left him crippled.

**Evening Prayer**  
O God, we thank Thee for all those who have lived believingly and hopefully. We would be joyful, tireless, charitable in handling out a sentence—but not to the defendants in the ever-widening work of Thy kingdom. We praise Thee for this glory of our Christian faith. In Our Master's name. Amen.

**DMIE FINE HEAVY**  
**GREENFIELD, Mass.** (P)—Judge Samuel T. Tisdale was charitable in handing out a sentence—but not to the defendants. Three youths, accused of stealing a total of \$42 in house-to-house March of Dimes collections, were ordered to pay \$120 to the fund.

## British Airplane Hits Houses After Takeoff

## Soccer Champs Aboard

**MUNICH, Germany** (P)—A British European Airways plane reported carrying Britain's championship soccer team crashed on takeoff at Munich Airport today. A spokesman at the airport said there were several dead.

A BEA spokesman in London reported that 40 persons were aboard and that there were only 10 to 15 survivors, but the airport spokesman here said there were 44 persons aboard and the number of dead was not yet known.

Airport officials said the plane failed to make the takeoff from the runway.

It crashed into houses of the village of Kirchdruping and went up in flames.

Rescue teams were still at the burning wreckage trying to pull out the injured.

A BEA spokesman said rescue operations are still going on and that "10 to 12 to 15" persons have been pulled out of the wrecked airliner alive.

**BUILDINGS AFIRE**  
Fire brigades were rushed to the scene to quell the flames that spread to two buildings in the vicinity of the crash.

Police threw a tight cordon around the accident scene.

The spokesman said his information was that the plane plunged 60 feet to the ground after taking off.

One unidentified eyewitness reported 16 badly burned bodies were recovered from the wrecked airliner.

The team reported by BEA to be aboard was the Manchester United, England's soccer league champions for the last two seasons. The club, with 17 players and three officials, was returning to England.

The team has been outstanding in post-war soccer, and man for man was one of the most valuable in the world.

**Ship Freed**  
**TOKYO** (P)—The Japanese Antarctic expedition ship Soya radioed she broke into open sea today from an ice pack that trapped it for 46 days. 1,500 miles from the South Pole, the Maritime Safety Board said.

## 'Please, Please, Please'

## 'Rescue' Note Saves Child; Stepdad Ailed For Beatings

**REDWOOD CITY, Calif.** (P)—Housepainter Joseph Bedard was in jail today because his stepdaughter, Susan, 9, handed a penciled note to a school official.

The freckled child, a bruise over her left eye, gave this note to Mrs. Thelma Lou Sherwood, secretary of the Pedro Valley School, yesterday.

"I love you very much, and this is why I am writing this note to you. My father is not my real father, he is my second father, and he does not like me and wants to get rid of me. And my mother is my real mother but she does not like me either."

**GRUESOME FUTURE**  
"My father said he wanted me to run away and live with someone else. He said as long as I live in the same house as



SUSAN BEDARD

he does, every night I will get whipped. And I don't want to get whipped.

"So will you please take me home with you? I will love you very much. And then I would be happy. Because you told I am happy when I help you but I am not happy."

"I already packed my clothes this morning. So please take me home with you. Please is all I can say. Please, Please, Please. Love."

It was signed simply "Sue." Bedard, 34, was charged with child beating.

The stepfather insisted "the kid needs psychiatric treatment," contending she stole dolls from a store, set booby traps, and "ran to the kitchen and got a butcher knife" during the night.

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## Poland Protests

## France Involved In Arms Dispute

**PARIS** (P)—For the second time in less than a month France found itself in a dispute with a Communist country today over the stopping of a Red-flag ship at sea in search of arms.

The latest incident involved the 10,000-ton Polish freighter Wisla, halted in the Atlantic three days ago on suspicion she was carrying arms intended for Algerian rebels. No arms were found.

The Polish government, in announcing last night a protest against violation of freedom of the seas, said three warships intercepted the Wisla and a French oiler and four sailers searched her hold.

The French government admitted its warships stopped the Wisla. It said the ship was allowed to continue when no arms were found.

On Jan. 18 French navy units halted the Casablanca-bound 5,300-ton Yugoslav freighter Sovemja on suspicion she was carrying arms to the Algerian coast and forced her to unload 150 tons of arms at sea to fight unemployment.

The arms were confiscated throughout the country.

A government spokesman declared that France is exercising a "right of legitimate defense" in halting any ship suspected of carrying arms to the rebels.

For many months the French have admitted stopping many ships in Algerian coastal waters and checking them for suspected arms cargos. Until the Sovemja was halted, however, no protests were reported. The Wisla is the first ship reported stopped in the Atlantic, hundreds of miles from either Algerian or French territory.

**WORKS PROGRAM**  
**OTTAWA** (P)—Prime Minister John Diefenbaker, firing off shots in his campaign for a majority in the Canadian Parliament, has announced a huge public works program to fight unemployment.

"We assume it's down some place," Powell added.

## Missing B47 Presumed Lost

**MARCH AIR FORCE BASE, Calif.** (P)—A six-engine B47 Stratojet bomber is missing and presumed lost with a three-man crew, this Southern California base reported last night.

Planes are searching for it in the area of San Miguel Island 45 miles off the coast of Santa Barbara, said Maj. Craig Powell, March AFB public information officer.

The Stratojet was declared missing at 6:35 last night when it failed to return to March, its home station.

The plane last reported itself over Santa Barbara at 5:56 p.m., Maj. Powell said. From a "general idea of the flight plan," he added, the search was directed to the San Miguel Island area.

He said units of the 4th Air Force Search and Rescue Center at Hamilton AFB, San Francisco, are searching. The Coast Guard sent a plane from San Diego and another from San Francisco to join Air Force planes in the search.

"We assume it's down some place," Powell added.

## —SPANISH FORT FOR SPANISH WEAPON— Cannon To Return To Proper Home

**By DICK YOUNG**  
News Staff Writer

A 200-year-old Spanish cannon named "El Dominante" on which Charlotte school children have played for years is on its way to become part of an old Spanish fort at Saint Augustine, Fla.

For almost 30 years El Dominante occupied a commanding position at the north yard of the D. J. Hill school, founded by Stonewall Jackson Chapter, UDC, erected in 1929 to mark the site of the Charlotte Military Academy and to honor the memory of Confederate General D. H. Hill.

For the last several years the North Park Society has been interested in recovering the ancient Spanish cannon.

Where the cannon came from



(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Franklin)  
Willis Howard Plays On Ancient Spanish Cannon Beside A. G. School