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Six Firemen: How Badly Were They Hurt?

By JOHN KILGO
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Condition reports given to the press concerning six firemen injured in last week's chemical blast have been inaccurate and unfair, families of five of the firemen told The News today.

Public reports have said only that the men were in good, fair or satisfactory condition.

None of the firemen has been listed in the press as being in serious or critical condition.

VISITS INJURED

This morning a Charlotte News reporter visited the injured firemen to get a first-hand report on their condition.

None of the firemen with whom he talked disputed the relatives' statements.

Mrs. Luther Caudle, wife of one of the injured fireman, said "The seriousness of the condition of the men has been played way down.

"People read the paper and think the men got minor burns and are up walking around. Nothing could be further from the truth.

"Those men were in serious condition. Some still are."

Caudle, who was released from the hospital yesterday afternoon, said today that he thinks the condition reports were inaccurate as far as two firemen were concerned.

He was speaking of Manies and Greene.

Manies and Greene weren't able to talk with reporters this morning because of their injuries.

Fireman George Greene, whose condition was originally listed as fair, underwent surgery Monday that lasted 10 hours.

LONG OPERATION

Richard Manies, another who was listed in fair condition, was in the operating room Monday for about six hours.

Mrs. C. J. Baldwin, wife of injured Capt. Jack Baldwin, says she thinks the public condition reports have been inaccurate.

"People call me on the phone," she said, "and when I tell them how seriously Jack was hurt they are shocked. They say they read in the newspapers where he was in good shape.

"Well, let me tell you something. He wasn't in good shape and he still isn't."

Capt. Baldwin said today that he might have been in good shape, "but this morning is the first time I've been able to read a newspaper."

Mrs. F. L. Killian, wife of one of the injured firemen said:

"My husband is much improved now over last Thursday, but the papers didn't report his condition as bad as it was.

"He was up yesterday. He was in bad shape. They have no idea when they'll be able to do some grafting."

This morning Fireman Killian said, "I might have been in good shape; but if I was, I sure as hell hope I never get in bad shape."

Firemen Al Caudle's wife said the condition reports in the press "haven't been at all accurate."

"People ask me when Al is coming home, and I tell them how bad he's hurt and they say the paper must be putting it wrong.

NOT PRINTED?

"I don't think the truth has been printed about the men yet. They're hurt bad."

Mrs. W. S. Manies, mother of firemen Manies, says she doesn't understand the condition reports that have been made public.

"They're not accurate reports," she said.

"I've been reading the paper thinking it would be printed about how bad the men are hurt. It hasn't been in the paper yet.

"Richard is suffering terribly. He screams out and cries. His eyes and ear are paining him something awful. I don't see how they could have reported him in fair condition.'

Mrs. Manies says the press is largely to blame about the public misunderstanding of the men's conditions.

There have been stories of the men singing and joking.

"I've been in that room hour after hour," Mrs. Manies said, "and let me tell you I haven't heard any singing or carrying on.

"I don't think the men feel like that. Their morale is pretty high, but it's because they're so brave.

"I think it's about time to let the public know how badly they're hurt.'"

VETERAN OFFICER

A veteran fire officer went to visit the men Tuesday.

"I've seen a lot of bad things since I've been a fireman," he said, "but I'm not ashamed to tell you I broke down and cried when I saw the condition of those men.

"I read the papers and I had no idea they were hurt so bad. It's pitiful."

Mrs. Baldwin said she's seen firemen enter the ward, look at the injured men, and break down and cry.

"They're so shocked," she said.

CONDITION REPORT

This morning Memorial hospital gave this condition report to The News:

"They seem to be improving some. They're a little better."

Dr. E. R. Hipp Jr. said today his two patients "are getting along fine."

He is treating Capt. Baldwin and Killian.

Dr. W. T. Berkeley is reportedly treating Greene and Manies. He could not be reached for comment.

The office of Dr. Joe M. Van Hoy and Dr. Thomas D. Sparrow are treating the Caudle brothers. The doctors were in surgery this morning apd could not be reached for comment.

Missile Just Before Big Blast



AP Photofax

This picture released by U. S. Air Force at Cape Canaveral, Fla., today, shows the Juno II rocket just before it blew itself into smithereens. It was destroyed after it took a wrong course on launching.

Castro Resigning Post Of Premier

Steel Loss Rises High In Strike

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Steel production loss mounted toward 100 million dollars today in the third day of the nation-crippling shutdown is in sight.

Many more millions in wages have been lost by 500,000 striking United Steelworkers, quietly manning picket lines at darkened mills.

Losses on both sides will grow steadily. The negotiations front is static.

There's little optimism on the part of strikers, the steel industry or the government that the contract stalemate can be resolved quickly. Neither the industry nor the union has given any sign of retreating from its stand.

TO RENEW TALKS

Federal mediation efforts in the dispute will be renewed in New York Monday.

David J. McDonald, president of the Steelworkers, told pickets at the Bethlehem Steel Corp. plant in Bethlehm, Pa.: "We meet with the government on Monday, but I don't know whether it will do any good. Up to this point, we have been meeting nothing but messenger boys."

The strike at Tuesday midnight shut off nearly 90 per cent of the country's steelmaking capacity, representing about 300,000 tons of ingot steel daily.

Weekly production loss to the industry is estimated at 300 million dollars. The loss to strikers in wages is calculated at 70 million dollars a week.

In addition, allied industries such as coal and transportation have felt the strike keenly. About 25,000 workers have been idled due to business cutbacks.

McDonald journeyed to Bethlehem from New York as part of a union campaign to boost striker morale. Howard R. Hague, USW vice president, was touring the Chicago area while I. W. Abel, secretary-treasurer, was in the Pittsburgh district.

The union president told a cheering throng: "Industry never wanted a contract. It never really made us an offer. We did not want to strike. It was the steel industry itself that provoked the shutdown."

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It's A Gentle Throat-Cutting

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The chairman of the striking United Steelworkers union local eased back into a U.S. Steel Co. chair and plopped his feet on a company desk in an air-conditioned company office.

He was sitting in a portable field office the company provided for the pickets outside its Maywood plant Thursday. The company even ran in special water and power lines.

Robert Paige, the local chairman, and Otto Oster, plant superintendent, even were seen to smile at each other—on opposite sides of the high wire fence surrounding the plant. Said Paige: "We slit each other's throats gently around here."



AP Photofax

Bearded Castro surrounded by supporters.

Long On Rampage In Pleasure Palace

EL PASO, Tex. (AP)— Gov. Earl K. Long of Louisiana spent the night in a Juarez, Mexico, pleasure palace after creating a riotous incident with international overtones.

The colorful governor managed to evade newsmen after a shouting tirade in a Juarez, Mex., nightclub just before midnight, then ostensibly headed back to his El Paso hotel.

Some time later, however, he and other members of his party returned to the Mexican border city.

Long went to a Juaez establishment widely known for its entertainment, where he surrounded himself with a Mexican musical unit and at one time upwards of a dozen female entertainers.

Long returned to his hotel with his cousin and aide, Dave Bell, at 6 a.m.

EARLIER TIRADE

Earlier Long had disturbed a group of Mexican waiters and a number of patrons in the Juarez night club in a cursing, shouting demonstration over being followed there by photographers.

On returning to his El Paso hotel, Long pounded on the door of his suite in an attempt to gain entrance and, losing patience, started shouting "Wake up, wake up." At the door he turned, saw two newsmen watching him as he walked into the suite and shouted an obscenity at them.

Louisiana State Police Capt. D. L. Durrett also had hotel key trouble and about the same time was pounding on a door to gain entrance to his room. He exclaimed at one time, "That Earl Long is as good as 50 men."

It was in general an early morning of hotel door pounding as members of Long's party came drifting back to his hotel. An hour before Long showed up, his personal physician, Dr. M. O. Miller and J. M. (Pete) Menefee, both close friends of the governor, came to the seventh floor of the hotel and started the door pounding at doors to their own rooms.

The flareup came at a plush Juarez cafe, the Charmant, where Long loudly and profanely objected to the intrusion of newspaper cameramen on his party of eight.

The governor's party, including his Louisiana state police escort, and several friends, had gone to Juarez just before midnight, some hours after his arrival in El Paso from Big Spring, Tex.

A table had been prepared for the party at the Charmant and the members were seated immediately. Within minutes, cameramen appeared.

The governor saw the photographers, stood up and shouted: "Get those S.O.B.'s out of here. I didn't ask those S.O.B.'s over here."

Fast Sweep Back Into Office Seen

HAVANA (AP)—Fidel Castro is resigning as prime minister in an apparent effort to rally support to his cause.

Speculation in Havana is that Castro's absence from office will be brief—that the people will be rallied to demand that he return to the prime ministry.

Castro's decision to resign was announced today in Revolucion, newspaper of his 26th of July movement, and confirmed by Raul Castro, his brother and heir-apparent.

Associates said Castro had been upset by recent developments, including the resignation and flight of his air force commander, Maj. Pedro Luiz Diaz Lanz. Later Diaz told U. S. senators that Castro and others high in his government are Communists—a charge the Castro forces vigorously deny.

ANNOYING ATTACKS

Castro also has been disturbed about evidence of opposition to him within Cuba. But close associates say these activities have been annoying rather than serious.

Castro took over as prime minister Feb. 17.

Recently he has been devoting almost all his working time—often 18 to 20 hours a day—to the agrarian reform program. He said it would "determine the fate of our revolution."

Opposition to Castro's plan to break up large land holdings to provide small farms for the landless has been reported from sugar and cattle interests.

July 26 is the anniversary of Castro's successful revolution against Fulgencio Batista. The movement began in 1953.

Several weeks ago Castro invited half a million campesinos — rural people — to march on Havana July 26 in a big celebration to show their support for his movement.

It is recalled here that Juan D. Peron frequently "resigned" as president of Argentina ahead of state holidays in order to rally popular support.

The newspaper Revolucion in announcing Castro's resignation plans appealed to the country and the people to "maintain order and confidence in the responsibility of the men who head our destiny."

There was no indication in Havana that Castro's action was the result of any antirevolutionary movement.

Political quarters expressed belief Castro's absence from the prime ministry would be brief.

Police Nabbed In Shakedown

NEW YORK (AP)—A tranatlantic telephone call by no less a person than U. S. Ambassador to Great Britain, John Hay Whitney, tripped up two cops who were allegedly trying to shakedown an obscure East Side bar owner for $250, it was reported today.

The New York Post tells this story:

The bar owner's wife happens to be Mrs. Whitney's hairdresser. Furthermore, spotsman Jock Whitney enjoys an occasional sparring session with the bar owner, former European welterweight boxer Saveio Turiello.

And to top the table of inteesting coincidences, financier Whitney put $10,000 into helping Turiello open his bar three years ago. The loan has since been repaid, but the Whitney's friendship with the Turiellos is still running.

Turiello was plenty burned when six weeks ago, he said, two vice cops came into his Piccolo Club at 55th St. and Second Ave. and threatened to charge him with letting prostitutes hang around his place.

PRICE FOR SILENCE

The price for silence was $250, Turiello said.

Turiello told his wife, Marguerite, that night, and next day when Mrs. Turiello was dressing Mrs. Whitney's hair she told her.

Mrs. Whitney called London. Whitney called New York Police Commissioner Stephen Kennedy, person-to-person. The official wheels moved fast. Kennedy's special investigators came privately to Turiello's home that night and laid a trap.

It was sprung Wednesday night, police said, when Turiello handed Crotty, and his henchman, Patrolmen William Shuker, the $250 in marked bills.

Grand Jury Reports

More Supervision Of Jaypees Urged

By JERRY REECE
News Staff Writer

(School Fire Hazards Corrected. 1-B)

A Mecklenburg grand jury has called for "more supervision" of justices of the peace practicing here.

The grand jury which had been in session since Monday delivered its report to Judge W. M. S. Burgwyn, presiding over the current term of Mecklenburg Criminal Superior Court, yesterday afternoon.

Judge Burgwyn Monday instructed the 18-member panel to look into monthly jaypee reports which are required to be filled with the clerk of superior court and county treasure.

Only one section of the lengthy report dealt with jaypees. Judge Burgwyn said today he considered the report "meager."

42 JAYPEES

The jury reported a total of 42 jaypees either elected or appointed in Mecklenburg. Twenty-nine of these are in the City Police Dept., County Police Dept. and Domestic Relations Court and are limited in their duties to the issuing of warrants.

The report said only 13 jaypees have full practicing powers and only six of these are active now.

The jury found:

"1. There is little or no supervision over reports rendered by justices of the peace. No attempt is made to follow up in case a report is not submitted for a particular month by a justice of the peace.

"2. Justices the peace receive no instruction as to their duties or jurisdiction."

REPORT RECOMMENDS

Then the report recommended:

"1. More supervision over reports required from justices of the peace.

"2. Some method of instruction for justices of the peace in their duties and jurisdiction. (The Institute of Government might be helpful.)"

Judge Burgwyn said today he could not understand why only six jaypees seemed to be active here.

He said he thought the grand jury should have listed any jaypees who have not been faithful in turning in monthly reports.

Mrs. Jesse Caldwell Smith, county treasurer, said today she agreed more supervision of the reports was needed but she was not sure where it should come from.

State law says the reports must

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Evening Prayer

O Father, help us to grow daily as a Christian family. Save us from discouragement. May we have the knowledge and power to challenge successfully our everyday problems. Help us to dedicate our lives in service to those with whom we come in daily contact. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Payton Trial Jury Seated

HENDERSON (AP) — Twelve Franklin County men, selected after three days of pains-taking screening, assembled here today to hear evidence of dynamite conspiracy charges against eight tetxile union members.

The jurors, whose every move will be guarded by court officials, spent Thursday night at a motel, watched by two local police captains.

The final selection of the group was greeted Thursday with an ultimatum by Judge Raymond Mallard. He said, "I'm going to hurt somebody if they try to get to that jury."

Alterate members of the jury were selected during the Friday morning session. Opposing attorneys screened 12 of 25 persons before B. L. Wilcox, a farmer, was chosen from a fifth special venire.

Chosen as the second alternate was Burt Wester, Louisburg carpenter. His selection completed the jury panel and prepared the way for presentation of evidence in the case.

DYNAMITE PLOT

The eight defendants, including Boyd E. Payton, Carolinas director of the Textile Workers Union of America, are charged with plotting to blow up vital installations at the Harriet-Henderson Cotton Mills. The union and the mills are engaged in a violent strike which has resulted in the activation of national guardsmen.

The defendants face up to 45 years in prison if convicted.

Charged with Payton are Charles Auslander, Lawrence Gore, Calvin Ray Pegram, Robert Edward Abbott, Warren Walker, Malcolm Jarrell and Johnny Martin. Gore and Auslander are minor union officials. The others are members of the two striking locals.

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McCARTHY'S WIDOW CONDEMNS BIOGRAPHY

"A VICIOUS, LYING ATTACK on my husband." That's Mrs. Joseph R. McCarthy's reaction to Richard Rovere's biography of the late senator from Wisconsin. In a letter to today's People's Platform, she pens a poignant defense of the man Rovere called "a rebel without a cause." Turn to the Editorial Page, 8A.

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Our Weather

Considerable cloudiness, warm and humid with scattered mostly afternoon or evening showers or thundershowers through tomorrow.

Low this morning	71
Low tomorrow morning	72
High today	87
High yesterday	85
High tomorrow	87

Sunrise today 5:21 a.m.; sunset today 7:27 p.m.

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