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Nat Corn And 5 Others Escape From S. C. Prison

American Rescued . . . Greeks Arrive . . . German Greeted

JIMMY MULHOLLAN, (left) offers his latest comic book to Barry Suffman, 8, as Barry rests in bed after being pulled from the frigid waters of Susquehanna River at Harrisburg, Pa. Jimmy colled the men who rescued his playmate. In center photo, six of the children of Michael Katsanevas arrive at Idlewild Airport from Greece to join their father in Utah. Fellow workers of Katsanevas added money to his savings to provide the reunion. At right Sgt. Robert Kenny of Atkinson, Neb., greets adopted daughter, Mary Jean, 4, as she stepped off plane at Chicago. Kenny and his wife adopted the little girl in Germany but had to come back without her. (AP Wirephotos).

Convicted Murderer Still At Large

Two Recaptured In Short Time

COLUMBIA (AP) — Nathan T. Corn, convicted Rock Hill murderer, escaped with five other prisoners from the State Penitentiary about 11 a.m. today.

Two of the six were recaptured within a short time but Corn and the others were still at large nearly three hours later.

It was Corn's second escape from the penitentiary since he was sentenced in December, 1949, to life imprisonment for the murder of George C. Beam, his employer.

The six men made their getaway through a construction tunnel leading from the boiler room in a new heating plant. The tunnel leads to the outside of the wall but was barred with heavy oak timbers.

SAWED TIMBERS

The exit was accomplished, Penitentiary Guard Capt. Fuller Goodman said, by sawing through the timbers.

There was a guard at the tunnel and he already has been discharged for negligence, Goodman said.

The escapees were missed almost immediately and an alarm spread. Guard Lt. Jack Bradley recaptured two of the men on the Gervais Street bridge over the Congaree River in about 20 or 30 minutes after they were missed.

Names of the men recaptured were not available immediately.

The other three escapees with Corn:

Earl Gardner, 23, serving three years from Horry County for housebreaking and larceny and receiving stolen goods.

Jesse Bryson, 27, serving five years from Barnwell County for the same offense.

Charlie Goodson, 39, serving four years from Darlington County for breaking and entering and possessing burglary tools.

Goodman said the missing men probably wore the prison garb of blue trousers and gray shirts.

Corn's first escape was in February, 1951, when he made a daring get-away by concealing himself in a cardboard shipping box that was hauled away from the pen on a delivery truck. He was caught about three weeks later at Collinsville, Ill.

Three prisoners were implicated in Corn's first escape and lost their good behavior time as a result.

Beam, a native of Lincolnton, N.C., was killed in 1948 and his body placed in a box that was found in a tributary of the Catawba River. Corn was tried soon afterward for the killing, convicted and sentenced to be electrocuted. He won a new trial, however, and the second time was sentenced to life imprisonment.

LEE ANN LODMELL — PAULA KOREN

The young women appear not the least bit disappointed when they found they would have to go wading instead of ice skating during the unusually mild weather at Rapid City, S. D. Lee Ann finds herself in the role of royalty without a job—she's South Dakota's current snow queen. (AP Wirephoto).

Greek Children Learn About U. S. Shopping

By ROBERT H. JOHNSON JR.

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mike Katsanevas, 66, took his children shopping today—but he wasn't just looking for after-Christmas bargains.

He wanted practical coats and trousers and dresses and shoes, all right. But at the same time, he was showing six of his children a new way to live, the way he has learned to live in America.

The children arrived yesterday from Greece — Mike's Christmas present from his coworkers at the Clearfield Naval Supply Depot, where he is a janitor.

This was the first time he had seen them in seven years, since he left Crete.

Three children came with Mike then, but he had to leave his wife and seven other sons and daughters behind. He got a job as a janitor at the naval supply depot north of here. He prayed and he saved—but he never could get together enough money to bring the rest of the family over.

Then Mike's fellow workers decided on his Christmas present. They raised $2,500, and that was enough.

The family started, but in Athens Mrs. Katsanevas was detained for about a month because of a minor illness. The six children came on by plane. Another son, George, 21, will join the family when he finishes a hitch in the Greek army.

Mike couldn't say much when the airliner landed and his children ran out—he just laughed and cried. His friends standing behind the runway fence didn't say much either—they just grinned.

The thin little father tried to gather all six children into his arms at once. Then he and the other three—James, a U. S. airman first class now home on leave; a daughter, Kaliope, 18, and Manuel, 16—posed for pictures with them. And between shots they turned and hugged Leonidas, 17, Irene, 14, Nicholas, 13, Areto, 11, Stylianos, 10, and Stavrolla, 8.

As soon as he could, Mike got his children into friends' cars and took them out of the cold to his warm, brick home.

Today Mike starts a week vacation and has his nine children to share it with him.

Texans Will Be Texans

Hunters, Ranchers Have War

JASPER, Tex. (AP)—Two ranchers and five hunters who accused them of killing a hunting dog shot it out in a wild Christmas Day gunfight, officers said.

A sixth hunter — the only one who didn't fire a shot, the sheriff said — was slain. Both ranchers and another hunter were wounded in the furious exchange of some 40 shots. Six men were charged with assault to murder.

Dist Atty. J. L. Smith said the grand jury will take up the case Jan. 3.

Sheriff Tom Mixon said five hunters fought it out with two ranchers they accused of killing a hunting dog. He said the ranchers had often warned hunters they would kill any dogs they found in their pasture.

Roy Muench, 51, Beaumont, Tex., killed by a rifle blast through his right shoulder, had left his gun in his truck, Mixon said.

The bachelor rancher brothers, Sterling Garlington, 53, and Dalphin, 43, were among those wounded. Sterling was hospitalized at Beaumont, in critical condition, with a rifle shot in his stomach and shotgun blasts in his neck, chest and back. Dalphin was in a Jasper hospital in serious condition with face wounds.

The sheriff said, "these hunters came up to the Garlingtons where they were sitting in their pasture, one or two words passed between Charley Ellis — one of the hunters — and the Garlingtons, and the shooting started.

Pullen said Sterling Garlington ducked behind a dirt embankment and Dalphin ran across a ravine as the fight began. He said both had .30 caliber rifles.

Dalphin Garlington was among those charged with assault to murder and released under $2,000 bond. The others, all among the hunters, were Charley Ellis, his father Travis Ellis, who was shot in the face; Gerald Sanford; Richard Morris and Clarence Willingham. All are of the Jasper or Beaumont areas.

Travis Ellis's condition was reported satisfactory at a Jasper hospital.

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Volunteer Firemen Make Like Santa

Donna Sue Mozeley was a two-year-old with a burned-out home on Christmas morning.

But she was still a happy youngster, thanks to members of the Pinoca Volunteer Fire Dept., who played Santa Claus.

It all began early Christmas morning when Donna Sue's mother, Mrs. James E. Mozeley, got up to put out the little dinette suite, baby crib, doll and other toys. She turned up the oil circulator in the den and then went back to bed.

Half asleep and half awake, the young mother smelled smoke. She awoke her husband. They attempted to put out the blaze but it spread too quickly through the four-room pine-paneled house.

From about 4 to 7 a. m. the Pinoca and Wilkinson Blvd. Volunteer Fire Depts. fought the blaze and stood by to see that it did not spread to neighboring houses.

Today the Mozeleys had nothing but praise for the volunteer firemen and others who have helped them.

"Everyone has been so nice. We wish you would help thank them for us," Mrs. Mozeley said.

FEW ITEMS SAVED

Not much was saved from the blaze that destroyed Christmas for the Mozeley family. A few articles of Donna Sue's clothing was saved.

It looks, Mrs. Mozeley said, as though the stove and refrigerator can be re-enameled. Perhaps the dinette suite can be repainted too.

As for Donna Sue's Christmas gifts, most of them went up with the blaze. A small dinette suit that Santa would have brought probably can be refinished, Mr. Mozeley said.

After the firemen finished at the Mozeley home, 123 Bradford Drive they proceeded to Hipp General Store to take care of Donna Sue's Christmas. While her mother and father worry about rebuilding their home, she is very happy with her two dolls, cradle, tricycle and tea set.

Ike, Dulles Confer About French Crisis

By WILMOT HERCHER

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP)—President Eisenhower, awaiting France's vote on West German rearmament, had another long telephone consultation with Secretary of State Dulles this morning.

The White House reported that Dulles told the President there was very little information on the progress of debate in the French National Assembly.

The plan to rearm the Germans as an equal partner in the free Western alliance must run the course of five more votes in the assembly, and indications were that it would be late in the day before the final decision was reached.

If the French reject the plan, the President may return at once to Washington to grapple with a new world situation. His personal plane, Columbie III, is standing by at Bush Field near Augusta.

If German rearmament is approved, Eisenhower will probably stay at his holiday retreat until Jan. 3, working on his first messages to the new Congress and playing some golf.

MESSAGES SET

James C. Hagerty, White House press secretary, announced today it has been decided to send the President's budget message to Congress Jan. 17 and follow with the economic report Jan. 20.

The President spent about 2½ hours this morning with Gabriel Hauge, his personal financial adviser, and Dr. Arthur F. Burns, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, working on the two messages.

Hauge and Burns will take the drafts back to Washington today for final revision.

Eisenhower interrupted his financial conference about 9:25 a.m. to talk with Dulles. The conversation lasted about 15 minutes.

Some other special messages to Congress are being drafted, Hagerty said, and details will be announced over the course of the

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EVENING PRAYER

Merciful and most loving God, by Thy will and because of Thy love, the Christ-child came to exalt mankind and to be the Saviour of the world. Grant us continuance in our hearts of the blessing of Christmastide. To the glory of Him who is the Prince of Glory. Amen.

SEEK TRADE PACT

TOKYO —(AP)— South Korean Foreign Minister Y. T. Pyun said today the government is preparing to negotiate a trade agreement with the United States, in an effort to induce outside capital into this war-damaged country.

Sherrod To Take Post Leadership

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Robert Lee Sherrod, Far East representative for the Saturday Evening Post, will become the magazine's managing editor sometime next spring, the Post disclosed last night.

The 45-year-old native of Thomas County, Ga., formerly a war correspondent for Time and Life magazines, will succeed Robert Fuoss, who will become executive editor.

French Assembly Meets For Vote

PARIS (AP)—The French National Assembly convened shortly after 3 p.m. today for a decision fateful for the government of Premier Pierre Mendes-France and the defense of the Western world.

The Premier is asking for the Assembly's vote of confidence on West Germany's entrance into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and, by implication, the whole network of London-Paris accords for West German rearmament as a partner in a seven-nation Western European Union.

The public and press galleries of the chamber were packed long before the Assembly was called to order by its presiding officer, Andre Letroquer.

REDS DEMONSTRATE

Outside, many others, including knots of Communist demonstrators hostile to West German rearmament, thronged against barricades waiting a turn to get inside.

Hundreds of police stood on guard at strategic points around the Assembly building, the Bourbon Palace, to maintain order.

Shortly before the session opened, most of the political groups were holding last minute caucuses, and the odds appeared to favor the Premier by a slim margin.

The executive committee of the Independent Republicans, most of whom were hostile to the government last week, advised party members today to vote for the Premier. This, it said, should be done to support the Atlantic Alliance and not as a gesture for Mendes-France personally.

Various party spokesmen planned to take the floor before Mendes-France himself presented a supreme last-minute appeal for the Assembly's backing on his pro-Western foreign policy. Defeat would mean the resignation of his six-month-old government.

He is asking a vote of confidence today on two points—West Germany's entrance into NATO, and endorsement of the government's position on three amendments to the ratification bill.

If successful on those ballots, he was slated to demand that the Assembly reverse its refusal last Friday to ratify the treaty permitting West Germany to rearm as a member of the seven-nation Western European Union (WEU). That, too, would be a question of confidence which under Assembly rules could not be voted on for 24 hours, probably tomorrow.

Defeat on any of the three votes would force the government to resign, plunging France into another of its numerous postwar Cabinet crises.

Observers declined to predict in advance of the Assembly session how the deputies would vote. But it appeared that at best Mendes-France could hope only for approval of rearmament by a small margin, and with many Assembly

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Japanese Crown Prince Akihito strolls in the Imperial Palace grounds in Tokyo as he celebrates his 21st birthday. (AP Wirephoto).

OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy to cloudy weather with rising temperatures today, tonight and tomorrow.

Low temperature this morning, 43 degrees.

Low temperature expected tonight, 45 degrees.

High temperature yesterday, 53 degrees.

High temperature expected today, 64 degrees.

High temperature expected tomorrow 62 degrees.

Sunrise, 7:30 a.m.; sunset, 5:18 p.m.

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STILL STUNNED after being thrown from his car in an early morning collision, Richard McCabe of Long Island stares as flaming gasoline starts to consume the car's interior. All over the U. S., there were such accidents. Death toll: 355. (AP Wirephoto).

South Colder, North Warmer

Blame Weather On Air Flow Change

By EMERY WISTER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

A change in direction of air currents making the South colder and the North warmer was confirmed by the Weather Bureau today.

Philip F. Clapp, research supervisor of the Bureau's extended forecast section, talking to The News by phone from Washington, said averages in New England had been higher and those in the South lower since mid-October.

He said the change in the pattern of air currents may have had some effect on hurricanes which ripped the Carolinas and other Eastern states this year.

Many of the cold air masses have come down from the Middle West, pouring through the Carolinas and hitting them a body blow.

The cold air then moves north, but by the time it has reached Pennsylvania, New York and New England it has lost its sting.

This does not mean the Carolinas actually have been colder than the New England states, but it does mean that these states have been getting more cold weather and New England less.

In the month ending in mid-December, the average temperature of this section has been 37 or 38 degrees. In New York City the average was between 33 and 34 degrees. This 3-to-5 degree difference is less than usual.

AIR WARMED

Cold air which comes directly down from New England is often warmed considerably by the time it reaches the South. Now with the cold currents pouring in through mountain gaps and then wheeling north, they are weakened by the time they reach Virginia.

The cold air, fresh and strong as it roars down through the mountains, chills the entire southeast, even gives states like Mississippi and Louisiana a taste of freezing weather.

It's not unusual for cold air to come down through the mountains, but the fact is many cold snaps in times past did not have strength to get past the mountain barrier.

The movement of stronger air

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