Ike Outlines Billion-Plus School Building Plan

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BRINKS ROBBERY IS SOLVED

BULLETINS

2 Admit Disposal Of Body

NEW YORK (AP)—Two men have admitted they dismembered the body of blonde fashion artist Jacqueline Smith, 20, presumably after a fatal abortion Christmas Eve, police said today. The body of the girl still has not been found. The men allegedly disposed of it in "different places."

Boxing Great Dies At 76

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP)—Sam Langford, Boston's great "tar baby" of the ring of yesteryear, died today in a nursing home at the age of 76. None is expected to equal the feats of the "tar baby" who is reputed to have fought 642 bouts from 1902 to 1923, many against men who greatly outweighed him.

10 Hurt In Strike Violence

NEWARK, N. J. (AP)—Violence broke out on two fronts of the Westinghouse strike in New Jersey today as cars tried to pass through picket lines into plants at Bloomfield and Edison. Ten persons were injured in the incidents. Among the injured were a police captain, seriously hurt, and a union local president.

Ike's Name To Be Entered

CONCORD, N. H. (AP)—Supporters of President Eisenhower will formally enter his name next week in the first-in-the-nation New Hampshire primary and the President will inform them he has no objections, the Associated Press was told today.

Quick Payment Predicted

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Benson said today that if Congress enacts the administration's soil bank plan swiftly payments will be rolling to farmers by late spring or early summer.

Paper Strike May End Soon

DETROIT (AP)—The Detroit newspaper Publishers Assn. and three striking unions reached tentative agreement on contract terms today, paving the way for a possible early end to the city's 43-day old newspaper strike.

Federal Grants Would Cover 5-Year Period

States Would Match U. S. Dollar Outlay

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower asked Congress today to provide one and a quarter billion dollars in federal grants over the next five years to help conquer the nation's critical school shortage.

In a special message, the President also asked authority for federal purchase of up to 750 million dollars worth of local school bonds —if school districts cannot sell them in private markets at reasonable interest rates — and 20 million dollars for grants to the states for school planning.

In summary, this would mean a federal outlay over five years of some two billion with 750 million to be returned through eventual payment of bonds.

The states would be required to match the federal grants for construction.

The matching, however, would be under a formula whereby the wealthiest states put up $2 for each $1 of federal money while the poorer states would get $2 for each $1 they put out.

Eisenhower said a cardinal principle of his program is that "federal grants must not reduce the incentive for state and local efforts — but rather should stimulate an increase in such efforts."

CAN LAY BASIS

"With this program," Eisenhower said in his 2,600-word message, "we can lay the basis for better education in America in the years ahead. In this way we keep faith with our children."

He made no mention of a question already stirring Congress — whether federal education aid should go only to states adhering to the Supreme Court's ruling barring race segregation.

One reason Congress got nowhere in the last session on school aid was a split over this question.

CAUTION SOUNDED

Eisenhower cautioned his program should be considered only as an emergency measure designed to help states and local communities "overcome the nation's critical classroom shortage within five years."

"Once this shortage is overcome, the federal grant program can and must terminate. The states and localities should then go forward without federal funds, to meet their current and future needs. Present construction levels indicate their ability to do this."

A fact sheet issued by the Department of Welfare in connection with the message estimated that school construction needs over the next five years will be about 470,000 classrooms.

This summary also said that state and local governments will build 67,000 classrooms this year at a cost of 2½ billion dollars.

PICTURE SHOWN

The President set forth a picture of a nation with school rooms already jammed and the shortage growing sharply.

"Today, hundreds of thousands of children study under overcrowded conditions, in half-day or doubled-up school sessions, or in makeshift buildings not designed as schools," he said.

He cautioned that "the responsibility for public education rests with the states and the local communities."

And, he said, federal action "which infringes upon this principle is alien to our system."

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(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Hunter)

Mrs. Cleapor With Larry (Left) And Janice: 'People Have Been So Good'

But 'Missy' Grieves

Gifts Flood Destitute Family

By CHARLES KURALT
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Last week, a Mecklenburg family's house burned down, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cleapor and their two children were saved from almost certain death when their collie dog, "Missy", woke them up in time to escape.

Today, the Cleapors were living in a furnished apartment on Queens Rd. amid a dazzling stack of gifts from people who read their story in The Charlotte News.

"We've gotten hundreds of things — dishes and silver and clothes and furniture and toys," Mrs. Cleapor said. "It's just given us a new opinion of the human race."

"Missy," who is being boarded at an animal hospital, is not quite so happy. The canine heroine "hasn't been eating well," Mrs. Cleapor said. "She's been grieving over not seeing us, I suppose."

PART OF FAMILY

When the Cleapors rebuild, as they plan to do, Missy will become part of the family again, with a plush doghouse and a big yard to roam.

Meanwhile, the Cleapors have a new problem: What to do with the windfall of presents they have received, most of them from strangers.

Mrs. Cleapor has an idea about that. "We certainly can't use it all. I think we'll save some of the gifts until we hear about somebody who is in the same circumstances we were in."

CLOTHES GIVEN

Allstate Insurance Co., Mr. Cleapor's employer, furnished them the apartment. The manager of Sears-Roebuck gave the whole family new clothing. In all, Mr. Cleapor has received about 20 suits. Boxes have arrived every day filled with bath towels, quilts, blankets and rugs. Somebody contributed framed pictures for the walls.

Two-year-old Larry and one-year-old Janice benefited from the unsolicited rain of charity, too. They have received a bewildering variety of blocks and Teddy bears and toy cars and dolls.

"You just wouldn't believe people could be so good," Mrs. Cleapor said today. "I just hope we can pay people back some day."

Eight Men In Custody; Six Of Gang Arrested

WASHINGTON (AP)—Solution of the million-dollar Brinks robbery in Boston in January, 1950, was announced today by the Justice Dept. Eight men are in custody.

FBI director J. Edgar Hoover said FBI agents had arrested six members of the daring gang responsible for the robbery, that two more of the robbers are now in prison in connection with other offenses, and that one of the participants is dead.

The announcement followed six years of perhaps the most intensive investigation the FBI has ever concentrated on a single case.

SIX IDENTIFIED

Hoover identified the six arrested persons as:

Vincent James Costa, 41.
Michael Vincent Geagan, 47.
Adolph Maffie, 44.
Joseph F. McGinnis, 52.
Anthony Pino, 48.
Henry Baker, 49.

All live in the Boston area.

Hoover said the two gangsters now in prison, who were associated with the spectacular raid on the Brinks transfer office in Boston Jan. 17, 1950 are:

Stanley Albert Guscoria, 36, confined in the Western State Penitentiary at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Joseph James O'Keefe, 47, held in the Hampden County Jail at Springfield, Mass.

Hoover identified the dead participant in the robbery as Joseph Sylvester Banfield.

Hoover said two others—James Ignatius Faherty and Thomas Francis Richardson—are still being sought in the case.

The men arrested have been charged with bank robbery and theft of government property.

AMOUNT OF LOOT

The Brinks' loot, carried away by a large group of Halloween-masked men, included $1,218,211.29 in cash and $1,557,183.83 in checks, money orders and other securities.

The loot included some government cash and money orders.

NOTHING RECOVERED

None of the cash, checks, money orders and securities — which set a record for a hold-up haul, has been recovered.

A series of unexplained deaths among underworld figures in the eastern part of the country followed the robbery, leading to speculation that criminals were making as intensive a hunt for the loot as was the FBI.

Some officials expressed belief that the robbery gang fell into dispute over the split, with resulting killings.

All of the men named in the case by Hoover, except Faherty, were among the long string of witnesses who appeared before a Boston federal grand jury which investigated the Brinks robbery between Nov. 25, 1952, and Jan. 9, 1953.

THE FBI REPORT

The FBI released this report on its six-year investigation:

"The Brinks robbery was a product of the combined thought and criminal experience of men who had known each other for many years. The gang spent more than a year in planning the robbery and they started a systematic study of the Brinks organization after it moved to its present location on Prince St. in Boston.

"Before the robbery was carried out, all the participants were well acquainted with the Brinks premises. Each of them had surreptitiously entered the building on several occasions after the Brinks employes had left for the day and they made a study of Brinks schedules and shipments."

Legion Seeks Half-Billion Pension Hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American Legion told Congress today its No. 1 legislative goal this year is a half-billion dollar boost in veterans' pensions.

The plan would increase individual pension payments and make more veterans eligible.

National Commander J. Addington Wagner said passage of the pension bill would "spell the difference between existing and living — between despair and hope" for thousands of veterans.

Chairman Olin E. Teague (D-Tex) of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, indicated in advance of Wagner's prepared testimony that the plan will face cool treatment.

Teague disclosed he had turned down an American Legion request that he introduce its bill. And he said the committee would not take up the plan before it has disposed of such other items as hospital repair, scholarships for veterans' orphans and "equalization" of various veterans' benefits.

COST FIGURED

The Veterans Administration figures the American Legion bill would cost 528 million dollars its first year, with the amount to increase 18 per cent a year for some years thereafter. The Veterans of Foreign Wars is understood to be giving top priority to a similar measure this year.

Wagner asked that Congress:

1. Raise the present monthly pension rates of $66.15, $78.75 and $135.45 to $85, $105 and $150 respectively.

2. Increase income limitations on veterans eligible for pensions from the present $1,400 and $2,700 to $1,800 and $3,000.

3. Presume for pension purposes that any veteran age 65 or over is totally disabled and unemployable, and thus automatically eligible for a pension.

HALF MILLION NOW

About a half-million veterans are now getting pensions.

On other legislative matters Wagner said his group:

1. Favors 31 of the Hoover Commission's recommendations affecting veterans' services and opposes 46, especially those possibly involving cutbacks of federal medical services, compensation and pensions, veterans' job preference and Civil Service.

2. Wants the termination date of the World War II GI home loan guaranty program extended three more years, to July 25, 1960.

'To Prevent Murder'

Tighter Firearms Rules Are Sought

By DICK YOUNG
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Stricter laws governing the ownership of firearms were suggested today as a deterrent against murder in Charlotte.

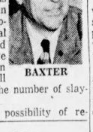
Councilman Herbert H. Baxter, lamenting two recent killings, proposed tighter regulations.

At yesterday afternoon's session of the City Council he asked for a review of the local firearms ordinances looking to tightening of these regulations.

City Attorney John D. Shaw who was asked to review the laws said he is beginning his study.

A STATE LAW

There is a state law which requires a permit for the purchase of pistols.



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Mr. Baxter is interested in strengthening local municipal ordinances and hopes to have laws in effect in Charlotte that will help to reduce the number of slayings.

He cited the possibility of requiring the registration of all firearms now in the possession of local citizens.

And, too, he said provision for stiffer fines for violations of the firearms law would help to halt the promiscuous use of these weapons.

INFORMATION SOURCE

Registration of currently owned weapons, which Mr. Baxter thinks should be done at the Police Department, might be the source of valuable information for police investigators, he added.

Mr. Baxter said that there should be strict enforcement of the law regarding a permit for purchase of a pistol, shotgun or other firearm.

And he said the reason for purchase and ownership of a weapon should be clearly and accurately stated in the permit application.

NO DIFFICULTY

"Of course," he went on to say "a man who has a reputation of being a sportsman and hunter would have no difficulty in observing the law and securing a permit for such purchase.

"Charlotte has had a bad reputation for murders but our record has improved some in recent years so let all of us do all we can to build up a reputation as a law abiding city where human life is regarded as precious," said Mr. Baxter.

Korean Ship Toll Is 66

SEOUL — (AP) — Sixty-six passengers, trapped in a third-class cabin, were burned to death today as flames roared through a small coastal ship, Korean National Police reported.

Police said a cabin boy dropped a kerosene lamp, turning the cluttered, below-deck cabin into an inferno.

The cabin boy, Park Chong Chul, 20, and the captain, Kim Han Suk, were arrested on a charge of negligence.

The 130-ton ship was docked at Samchonpo, about 60 miles west of Pusan on Korea's southern coast.

Eighteen persons were reported injured.

The 66 dead included 7 small children.

Flames boiled up from the straw mat floor, spread to cotton quilts and blankets. Within seconds the tiny cabin was a sea of flames.

First class passengers scurried to safety, but nearly all the third class occupants were trapped and died, police said.

The ship was reported carrying 127 passengers.

Hitler Bodyguard Says He Helped Burn Bodies

CAMP FRIEDLAND, Germany (AP)—A member of Hitler's personal bodyguard released by the Russians said today that he helped burn the bodies of Hitler and his bride, Eva Braun, but that only their legs were completely destroyed.

Because of a gasoline shortage, Lt. Harry Mengershausen reported, the upper parts of the bodies escaped the flames and were "well recognizable." He said they were buried in a garden near the air raid shelter in which the pair had committed suicide.

Mengershausen added that several months after the Russians captured him, they took him back to the burial spot to identify the grave. He said the grave was empty, and that apparently the Russians wanted only to confirm the location.

His account supported earlier prison reports that the Russians had recovered the bodies or parts of the bodies.

Hitler's dentist, former Maj. Helmut Kunz, said on his release from Russia last October that he flew to Moscow in 1945 to identify Hitler's jawbone. He said the Russians previously had exhumed Hitler's remains.

Hitler's valet, Heinz Linge, related on his release from Russia that he carried Hitler's body out of the bunker and, with others, poured gasoline over it. Linge said they watched it burn for five minutes.

Mengershausen was one of 28 German prisoners who arrived here from the Soviet Union today.

The latest arrivals raised to about 8,400 the total number of prisoners returned by the Russians since last September, when they promised to release 9,626.

Britain Speeds 2,000 Troops

LONDON —(AP)— Britain began speeding some 2,000 crack paratroops toward Cyprus today as a show of strength in the tense Middle East.

Dispatch of the airborne "fire brigade" to Britain's Middle East headquarters on Cyprus came amid reports the government was considering slowing down troop evacuations from the Suez Canal Zone because of the restless situation in the area.

Giant transport planes began ferrying the special combat group eastward through heavy rain clouds to reinforce Britain's estimated garrison on Cyprus of 100,000 men, many of whom are tied down by disorders arising out of demands for union of the island with Greece.

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Our Weather

Partly cloudy and windy today, tonight and tomorrow.
Low this morning—38.
Low tonight—34.
High yesterday—56.
High today—55.
High tomorrow—52.
Sunrise 7:32 a.m.; sunset 5:31 p.m.

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Heads For Riviera

LONDON (AP) — Looking in the best of health, Sir Winston Churchill left London today for Nice and a month's holiday on the French Riviera.

Lady Churchill, who is in a London hospital for a checkup, is expected to join her 81-year-old husband later this month.

'Dangerous' Criminals Fail To Escape

Gunfire Stops Break From Atlanta Jail

ATLANTA —(AP)— An attempted jail break by four prisoners, including the notorious Krull brothers, was balked amid gunfire at Fulton County Jail today after one man was slightly wounded by a knife-wielding prisoner.

The four, none of whom got outside the building, were listed as George Krull, 31, and Michael Krull, 33, both of Pittsburgh and both being held in the kidnap-rape of a 53-year-old Chattanooga, Tenn., business woman.

Byrd D. Slusser, 28, Mason, Mich., being held for Decatur, Ga., police on burglary charges, and Jesse Daniel, 20, of Atlanta, also held on burglary charges.

The men got out of their cells on the fourth floor in some undetermined way and one was caught as he ran down the stairs from the fourth to the third floor.

The other three, including the Krulls, made their way to the basement of the old Fulton Tower and were fumbling with a set of keys trying to unlock the rear door when chief jailer Hugh Cromer and Deputy Sheriff J. O. Stewart opened fire on them with revolvers and ordered them to surrender.

The prisoners then turned with hands up and gave themselves up meekly.

In their flight to the basement, one of the prisoners pressed a knife against an employe of the jail, inflicting a superficial cut.

In the lapse of several minutes between the time the men fled their cells and their recapture, city police were alerted and more than a score of officers surrounded the building.

AWAITING TRIAL

The Krulls, described by the FBI as "vicious and dangerous criminals," are awaiting trial on charges of kidnaping the Chattanooga woman last April 14, taking her across the line into Georgia and raping her. They were to have been tried in Rome, Ga., but in November won a change of venue to Atlanta on the claim that publicity had inflamed public opinion against them in the north Georgia city.

George Krull, who is listed from McKees Rocks, Pa., as well as Pittsburgh, was arrested shortly after the attack but escaped from a detention cell in the Rome Federal Building and was recaptured later in Tennessee.

Michael Krull was not captured until July 28 when he was taken in New York after an intensive manhunt.

Red-Hot Lt. Governor Race Seen Shaping Up

The chances of a red-hot race for lieutenant governor of North Carolina in the May 26 Democratic primary heightened today.

Edwin Pate, Laurinburg farmer-banker-businessman, told The News this morning, "I am considering entering the race for lieutenant governor."

Mr. Pate also said, "I have not reached a definite decision one way or the other. I will make an announcement of my plans about the first week in February."

SECOND CANDIDATE

The Laurinburg man may be the second candidate to announce. Alonzo Edwards of Hookerton announced last Saturday. He is a prominent farm leader.

Kidd Brewer, Raleigh business man, has not officially announced for the state's second highest post, but has been considered actively in the race for some time.

Mr. Pate, a former state senator, is chairman of the North Carolina State Ports Authority.

With the chances of a race for the governorship practically nil without either Dr. Henry Jordan or Terry Sanford in the running against Gov. Luther Hodges, the odds have favored a rugged bid for lieutenant governor.