

Police Shoot Slayer of Bus Driver, Girl

Negroes In Florida Ride Back Seats

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP)—Bus service resumed today after a Christmas Day layoff, but there was little evidence on early runs that Negro passengers were trying to integrate with white riders.

FEW RIDERS

With state offices, many business houses, Florida State University, Florida A. & M. University for Negroes and the public schools still closed for the holidays, bus patronage was slim.

Seven of the 12 buses checked had no white passengers. Negro riders, mostly domestics en route to work, did not appear heavier than before the announced end of the boycott by the Inter-Civil Council.

On the buses on which there were no Negroes, a Negro was seated in the front portion.

Nothing was seen of the Rev. K. Steele, president of the Inter-Civil Council, or any other officers of the organization on any of the bus lines before 9 a.m.

Police said they had no reports of any Negroes attempting to take seats on the buses alongside a white person.

One bus driver, who declined to give his name, said he hadn't paid much attention to where the Negroes were sitting because they had the bus all to themselves.

"He said he didn't care where they ride if they don't try to sit beside a white person."

Asked what he would do if a Negro took a seat beside a white person, the driver said, "I'd ask them either to move or get off the bus. I guess. If they didn't I'd notify the company. I wouldn't want to start any trouble."

Beacon To Be Sent Coast To Coast

MEXICO CITY (AP)—A beacon which officials believe may be seen from coast to coast of Mexico is being planned for installation atop 17,872-foot Mount Popocatepetl.

The beacon will aid domestic and international air navigation. Experts believe it will be visible from coast to coast of Mexico around Veracruz, and Acapulco, on the Pacific coast.

German Salvage Ships Arrive To Clear Port Said Of Sunken Vessels.

Cairo (AP)—The U.N. officials are expected in Cairo tomorrow, Hammarckjold, the U.N. officials are expected in Cairo tomorrow.

Two from New York to talk with Egyptian officials, ordered away from their Christmas dinners by U. N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold, to settle earlier differences even before Egypt brought up the new question of Israeli evacuation.

Israeli soldiers are withdrawing in slow stages from Egypt's Sinai Desert, blowing up fortifications and roads as they leave. But Israel has indicated she will give up the Gaza Strip — also seized from Egypt in the October invasion — only to U.N. control.

The coastal territory, packed with Arab refugees, is historically a part of Palestine but was held by Egypt from the 1949 Palestine Armistice until Israel occupied it during the recent invasion.

The Egyptian navy has begun sweeping mines from the canal, but Egypt's Suez Canal authority announced yesterday that there could be no other clearance work until all Israeli forces are out of Egypt.

Asked if this meant the Gaza Strip, a spokesman replied: "You can draw your own conclusions." In reply to another question the spokesman said Egypt might possibly change its mind later on the Gaza issue.

A U.N. salvage fleet of British, French and other vessels lies anchored in Port Said harbor, awaiting Egypt's permission to get on with the job of clearing the canal. The Egyptians reportedly had begun clearance work to begin as soon as the British-French forces left the Suez Canal zone. The last British and French soldiers were evacuated from the Gaza Strip.



Police Officer Barrett (left) and Sirkot, who stopped gunman.

Campaign Rumored To Put Chief Under Commissioners

By ANN SAWYER
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Changes in the method of selecting the county police chief are being whispered among County officials.

The reports, circulated on the Courthouse first floor, have spread out to various parts of the city and county.

Behind the talk about plans to change the method of selecting the police chief is the recommendation of the County Commissioners instead of the County Civil Service Board.

MEMBERS APPOINTED

In some areas it is being proposed also that three Civil Service Board members be appointed by County Commissioners instead of the resident Superior Court judge.

Three of the County Commissioners contacted by The News today said they had heard the plan discussed, but were not in a position to say how they feel about it.

Commission Chairman Sid Y. McAden said he had not heard about the plan, and added he is opposed to it.

"Leave the County Police Department the way it is now," Mr. McAden said.

Commissioner Ernest K. Brown, who at the beginning of his first term four years ago led the movement to abolish the County Police, was out of town today.

Commissioner John M. Morrison said he has heard rumors about a change "off and on," but will have to study the proposed changes a little more.

He did say he believes "the Commissioners should have some say-so."

"They are elected County officials," he said. "The judge is, too, but he has an eight-year term. The Commissioners are much closer to the people."

He added the City Council appoints its police chief and, "they get along all right."

Commissioner J. Herbert Brown, reported to be ramrodding the movement, today denied he is sponsoring it. He said he has heard the proposed change discussed in the Courthouse lobby, but he was unable to remember the person who first suggested it.

Asked if he were for the change, Mr. Morrison said he is in "no shape to say 'yes' or 'no'."

37 Welcomed

NEW YORK (AP)—Thirty-seven Olympic athletes who decided not to return to their Iron Curtain homelands were given a rousing welcome when they arrived by plane today from San Francisco.

Thirty-three were members of the Hungarian team and four were from the Romanian team.

Joyful reunions and speeches of welcome greeted them. With bared heads, the athletes and their greeters stood beside American and Hungarian flags while the Hungarian national anthem was played from a recording. The ceremony ended with a rousing Hungarian cheer.

Commissioner Sam McVinch, who also has heard some of the discussions, said "would like to give the plan more thought."

Four years ago when a move to have the police department put under the sheriff's department broke out into the open, a protesting delegation filled the Commission room.

After delegation speeches, Commissioner Ernest Brown was the only board member to vote for the proposal which would have meant the end of the county police department.

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Mrs. Idell Wintersold of Chicago said she heard the man say, "I'm getting off," and he got into his car and drove away.

At the front of the bus, the man turned and fired at Almerico, then shot the girl.

"She came running back, screaming," said Mrs. Wintersold, "but we had no idea she was shot. We thought she was being hysterical."

Passengers said they thought the man was just getting on at Cleveland.

Police said there was no type of identification to be found on the man's body. They were checking fingerprints.

Our Weather

Fair and not quite so cold today, tonight and tomorrow.

High yesterday — 48

High today — 53

Low tomorrow — 37

Low tomorrow morning — 30

Sunrise, 7:30 a.m.; sunset, 5:17 p.m.

More Weather Data on Page 2-A

Evening Prayer

O Christ, in our preparations for Thy natal day, amidst the hurry and excitement, may we not fail to take time for quiet contemplation of the amazing wonder that Thou didst come to earth in human form, a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, who might be lifted to Thy divinity, Amen.

Go First to FIELDS — Expert Watch Repair. (Adv.)



FLAMES EAT car of Mrs. Evelyn Porter in Chicago after it crashed into rear window of another car which stopped to have the window cleaned. The driver of the car, George Habermehl, died in the accident.

U. S. Highway Deaths Zoom To All-Time Holiday Record

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Traffic deaths zoomed to the highest total for any holiday period in American history during the long Christmas weekend.

Toll figures also showed that deaths in accidents of all kinds also shattered previous records.

Fatalities added up to 693 in traffic, 49 in fires and 117 in accidents of other types for a total of 959.

The motor vehicle death toll surpassed the record for any holiday period—609, set during the three-day celebration of Christmas last year. It also exceeded the National Safety Council's advance prediction of 650.

TOPS OLD MARK

The all-accident toll topped the old mark of 865 established during a three-day observance of Independence Day last year.

The deaths tabulated today were caused by accidents that occurred during a 102-hour period from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Tuesday. It was a four-day period, a day longer than the 1955 holiday period in which the former records were set.

Ned H. Dearborn, safety council president, expressed "bitter disappointment" at the fulfillment of the council's preholiday prediction.

During the long weekend holiday, deaths on the highways averaged nearly seven an hour for the 102-hour period. In the first 10 months of this year the nation's traffic deaths averaged 106 a day.

An Associated Press survey during a nonholiday period, from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Tuesday of the Dec. 14-18 weekend, showed 507 traffic deaths. The overall accidental death toll for the period was 587, including 27 in fires and 92 in miscellaneous accidents.

Hazardous driving conditions in most of the eastern half of the country during the first half of the holiday period were regarded as a major factor in the heavy traffic toll. Safety experts also said other travel dangers included a minimum of daylight and holiday drinking.

North Dakota was the only state not reporting an accidental death. Two other states, Maine and Wyoming, reported no traffic fatalities.

Leading in traffic deaths was California—more than 70. Other states with heavy tolls were Illinois, Texas, Ohio, New York and Michigan.

Hungary Seeking World Bank Loan

VIENNA (AP)—Hungarian Premier János Kadar's Soviet-dominated regime is reported planning to seek a 100-million-dollar loan from the World Bank. An official of the bank in Washington said Hungary has no chance of getting the money.

A report from Budapest said a Hungarian delegation either had left or would leave soon for Paris to approach officials of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

LOANS WANTED

The U.S. government has indicated it might extend economic aid to Poland's new regime and Secretary of State Dulles told a news conference Nov. 2 that discussion of this was under way with the Poles. But Dulles said there is not yet satisfactory evidence that American aid to Kadar's government in Hungary would be profitable.

Any proposal to bolster the Kadar regime with American funds undoubtedly would meet resounding defeat in the U.S. Congress.

Nepszabadsag has a predicted Hungary soon will have 200,000 unemployed due to the serious coal shortage which is forcing factories to close and other economic ills.

The Soviet Union has promised Hungary 700,000 tons of coal by the end of March. The Hungarians also are trying to buy electric power from neighboring Austria.

Hungary's churches were filled for Christmas services Monday night and yesterday. Some wine shippers had to walk past Russian tanks and armored cars, but the communists made no move to interfere with the religious observances.

That leaves only the United States, but there seemed no chance for funds from America unless the Kremlin permits Kadar's replacement by a government more acceptable to the Hungarian people and gives Hungary of least as much freedom from Moscow control as the Soviets have conceded to Poland.

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Fire Destroys 25 Residences

MALIBU, Calif. (AP)—A brush fire broke out east of here in the Santa Monica Mountains early today and within four hours had covered 1,500 acres and reportedly had destroyed 25 homes.

Keith Klinger, Los Angeles County fire chief, said firemen reported the number of homes burned. They said the flames were moving at the rate of 300 acres an hour. The chief said he had no reports of any casualties.

Seven or eight of the homes burned were substantial residences north of Zuma Beach off U.S. Highway 101.

The scene is roughly 40 miles north and west of Los Angeles. Klinger, who took personal charge of the fire crew, said Los Angeles County had 230 men, 25 engine companies and 3 bulldozers at the scene.

He reported that Los Angeles County sent 15 engine companies, Ventura county 2 and the State Division of Forestry an undetermined number of men. Help was requested also from the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Navy in station at Fort Huachuca.

The sheriff's office recalled off-duty officers.

The blaze was first reported by an unidentified pilot at 2:30 a.m. He placed it in the Zuma Canyon area. The fire raced into the upper Latio Canyon and toward Newton Canyon. Firemen said it could become a major disaster.

Authorities expressed concern for the small towns of Malibu Vista, Malibu Mar Vista and another settlement near Newton and Latio canyons.

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