

ANOTHER UTICA G.I. RELEASED BY COMMUNISTS

Frankfort Beauty Wins The Press Queen Contest

It Will Cost You \$1 a Mile For Every Mile Over Limit In Justice Nelson's Court

Justice of the Peace Fred L. Nelson, Deanaboro, says speeders must pay a dollar a mile for each mile in excess of the speed limit.

During the past six months more than 1,000 motorists have been arrested by state, county and local police and the count goes up and up.

Arrests have helped keep fatalities down to nine last year than last. Students of traffic control generally admit.

From February to July, deputies of Sheriff Charles Baker have made 333 highway arrests. Most have been for reckless driving, speeding, passing stop signs and no license. State and local police because of larger forces, have made more than twice this number.

Magistrates are required to sit on the back of a driver's license, the date and convictions for motor vehicle violations. These include about everything except parking and equipment violations, where the chauffeur does not own the vehicle.

It is a misdemeanor against the justice himself if he does not mark the license. The justice is subject to \$25 fine for such a neglect.

Magistrates have various set fees for speeding. Years ago the late John T. Buckley, Utica city judge, established a \$1 a mile fine for speeding in Utica, starting from zero. The practice died out. Later Judge John J. Walsh established a rule of \$30 fine for speeding in the city.

In New York Mills Police Justice Misaszek has set a \$20 fine for speeders. In New Hartford, speeding brings a \$15 fine. In Rome fines vary from \$5 to \$15 with the average about \$10. Most of the past justices in the county fine \$10. Circumstances are taken into consideration by the justices in many cases where the fine is increased to perhaps \$15 or reduced to \$5. In some cases the fine is suspended.

To date there have been 26 motor vehicle fatalities in Oneida County compared with 48 on the corresponding date last year. In Herkimer County this year there have been seven against 12 last year. The total last year in Oneida County was 64 while in Herkimer County it was 19.

Justice Nelson put his dollar a mile policy into effect on three motorists brought before him by Sheriff Deputies Arthur Pughe and Thomas Aboumder, James Kotary, 1111 East Dominick and Ward Youdan, 207 West Park St., both of Rome, were charged with driving 70 miles an hour. Each paid \$30 fines. Howard Clench Jr. Vernon Center was charged with driving 45 miles an hour and paid \$15.

During the past six months The Press has been publishing the names of motorists charged with motor vehicle violations. This ton it is hoped, has helped curb speeding. Public safety officials continue to warn that "the life you save may be your own."



Good Morning!

L-H Camp at Speculator

The Utica Scene: Increased employment, mill output promised for A. D. Juillard mill in New York Mills. Two swans alude recapture after escape from Utica man. Masons from several states to gather in Utica over weekend for annual assembly of Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters. Pages 9, 12, 13, 16, 18-21, 25, 27.

The Sports Front: Betty Rawls shoots two over par in exhibition. Schenectady enters Little League finals. Quintet poses field in Insurance City Open. PLAV edges Marcy. Pages 20, 30 and 31.

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'Me? Oh.. No!' Connie Cries At Good News

By BOB WATERS

Constance Wildrick, an 18-year-old blonde private secretary, last night was crowned The Press State Fair Queen before a crowd estimated at 11,000 at the Parkway Bandshell.

Constance, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Wildrick, Frankfort, RD 1, parlayed a \$5 bet into a \$50 grand prize. With it came the candidate's role for Miss New York at the State Fair contest next month and a chance for an all-expense trip to Puerto Rico.

The Press Queen, who scales 118 pounds and measures 5-foot, 3-inches, was speechless when Master of Ceremonies Ralph Allinger called her name as the winner.

Her first words were the classic phrase every contest winner has always gasped.

"Me? Oh, no!"

The five other finalists had a moment of shocked silence. Then they crowded the winner with hugs, kisses and congratulations. (Picture, Page 22)

The diminutive Elvira Romano, Queen Constance's best friend, who also was a finalist, shrieked:

"Connie, oh Connie, it's you! I'm so happy!"

And Queen Connie cried. The \$5 bet was the incentive to enter the contest, Connie admitted later.

"My friend, Sheila Zita, bet me \$5 I couldn't win, so I tried."

The few feet from the bandstand to a waiting car was a gamut of hugs and kisses for the winner.

One of the huggers was boy friend, Ken Kluska, of North Utica. He picked Connie up, kissed her and said:

"I always told you you were beautiful!"

The five finalists who went with Connie to the last judging were:

Dorothy May LaNere, 19, of 1212 Court

Barbara Robertson, 17, of 116 Bellmore Ave., Herkimer.

Elvira Romano, 17, of 1126 Miller

Anne Schrader, 19, of Fountain St., Clinton.

Dolores Ventura, 19, of 906 South.

(Other names, Page 11, 22)

NLRB Rejects Bus Driver Bid

Syracuse — (AP) — The National Labor Relations Board yesterday notified the Syracuse Transit Corp. that the board had denied a move by an individual to bring about an NLRB election aimed at decertifying the AFL union which has represented striking employees of the bus company.

Merle D. Vincent, regional director of the NLRB Buffalo office, wired Benjamin E. Tilton, president of the bus firm:

"This case is being dismissed this date on the basis of the conclusion that petitioner George Hoffman is acting as a front for the United Mine Workers, a non-complying union."

Hoffman, who led the drivers in their strike which the AFL union said was unauthorized, petitioned the NLRB Wednesday "as an individual" for an NLRB election to decertify the AFL Amalgamated Association of Street Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America.

Several youths subsequently were questioned by Mohawk Township Paul Curran. The alarm is still under investigation.

College Armory Due

Hempstead — (AP) — Approval of plans to build a \$24,000 armory on the campus of Hofstra College was announced yesterday by First Army headquarters.

Good Luck at State Fair — Miss Constance Wildrick



(Portrait by H. Ernest King)

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Start by Spring For TV Station, Balch Declares

By MAX ROBINSON

Frankfort — Construction of Utica's ultra-high frequency television station on Channel 19 will start early in the Spring, Richard Balch, of Utica, station owner revealed last night.

Permission to construct the station was granted July 1 by the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, after WIBX Inc. withdrew its application for the same channel.

Balch said he received the actual permit Tuesday. Under the terms of the permit, building of the station must start by Mar. 1, 1953, or the permit will be forfeited.

Early in July, Balch said he planned to erect a transmitter on Smith Hill in Utica, and to build the station in the second floor of the building in the northwest corner of Oriakany and Genesee. Call letters are to be WFRB.

Utica now is serviced by a very high frequency station, WHTV, channel 15. In order to receive the new station, set owners will have to convert their sets. Estimated costs for the adapters range from \$16 to \$30.

Presently only two television programs can be beamed from New York City to the Central New York area. Unless a new line is built, the new television station, when broadcasting a net-2,122 Americans. That left only 3,313 the Communists said they offered by the two stations in the

Balch revealed his plans last night prior to a dinner honoring himself and Floyd C. Harter, Herkimer, given by Frankfort Democratic Club at Frankfort.

FBI Bottles Up Fugitive Reds

Washington — (AP) — The FBI last night announced the arrest of two fugitive Communist Party leaders, Robert George Thompson and Sidney Steinberg in a hideout 8,000 feet up in the Sierra Mountains near Sonora, Calif.

The FBI also announced its agents had arrested Carl Edwin Rasmussen, 40, Samuel I. Coleman, 42, and Mrs. Shirley Keith Kremen, 21, on charges of harboring the two fugitive Communist leaders.

Thompson was one of the 11 Communist leaders convicted on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act.

Thompson disappeared when ordered to report to the federal court, July 2, 1951, for commitment to his three-year prison term. He had also been fined \$10,000. His bond was forfeited and he had been hiding in the Communist Party "underground," the FBI said.

Steinberg has been evading arrest in the Communist "underground," the FBI added, since June 20, 1951, when 21 Communist Party leaders were indicted in New York City for violation of the Smith Act.

The FBI said the arrests occurred on the premises located high in the Sierra Mountains in a sparsely settled community near Yosemite National Park in California. They were told by the U.S. Marshals in California that the fugitives had been spotted in the area.

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Deluge Follows Broken Rule

New York — (AP) — Gamma globulin, the precious blood derivative, which is supposed to cut down the crippling effects of poliomyelitis, is bringing nightmares to besieged officials at city hall.

Twice this week the city health department has yielded to groups of weeping, sometimes hysterical parents who contended that their children had been exposed to the dread disease.

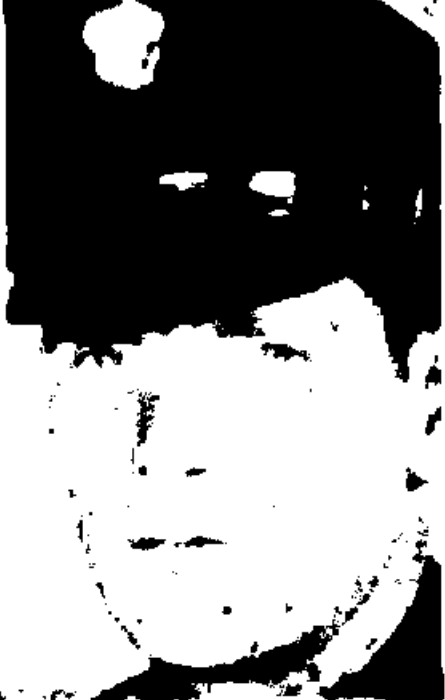
Yesterday a new group moved in, almost before the second had gone home in triumph.

"If the rule is broken for another group, why shouldn't it be broken for us?" wept a member of the new delegation.

The parents brushed aside explanations of a sterner policy which had been announced after the city had yielded Wednesday.

The new pressure came at the mid-point of the polo season and as the city received warnings that its limited stocks of the scarce derivative might not be replenished.

Yesterday's delegation represented parents of about 300 children who had been visiting a Queens summer camp when a case of poliomyelitis occurred.



SERGEANT OWENS

Reds Release 144 POWs, 6 Days to Go

Panmunjon — (AP) — Under sunny skies, 144 more American warriors came back grinning and shouting last night from the North Korean land of captivity.

They jumped down unaided from the truck beds as their names were called out.

There were 100 Americans in the first two groups and 100 awaiting South Koreans.

In all, besides the 144 Americans, 4 British, 2 South Africans and 250 South Koreans were released in the exchange.

With only six more days to go to the end of the prisoner exchange period scheduled in the New York City to the Central New York area. Unless a new line is built, the new television station, when broadcasting a net-2,122 Americans. That left only 3,313 the Communists said they offered by the two stations in the

Iran's in Red \$500 Million, Premier Says

Tehran, Iran — (AP) — Premier Zohedi yesterday accused his jailed predecessor, Mohammed Mossadegh, of leaving Iran in the red to the tune of 17,705,125,040 rials (\$54,733,075).

In a statement broadcast by Radio Tehran, Zohedi declared Mossadegh's regime was overdrawn 8,140,625,040 rials at the National Bank of Iran alone. The current rate is 325 rials to the dollar.

Zohedi said this financial mess was uncovered after a special committee had gone over the old government's books.

Mossadegh was overthrown and jailed last week after a vain attempt to topple the snafu from his throne.

Zohedi branded Mossadegh's internal policies as "material poverty, moral anarchy, bloodshed of innocent people, waste of government property, suffocation of the press and violation of the constitution."

The new premier promised his regime would do its best to pull Iran out of its financial hole and added the government was willing to admit mistakes if it makes them.

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A-Project Halted By Carpenters

Federal, N.Y. — (AP) — Picketing carpenters kept work at a near standstill on the billion dollar atomic project near here yesterday.

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John E. Owens, Steuben St., Area's Fourth

The Communists released the fourth prisoner from the Utica area early this morning (Utica time), according to The Associated Press.

He is Sgt. John E. Owens, of Company A, Fifth Regiment, First Cavalry Division. He arrived at Freedom Gate, Panmunjon, at noon today (Korean time).

Owens' mother, Mrs. John E. Owens, 1121 Steuben, was told of her son's release about 1 a. m. by John Bifano, 1501 Dudley.

"I've never seen her so happy," said Bifano.

He is the husband of Sergeant Owens' sister, Anna May.

"When I first told her, she just sat down and folded her hands in prayer."

I asked her: "What are you crying about, Mom?" She replied:

"Oh, I don't know. I'm just so mixed up with happiness."

Bifano was notified by The Associated Press in Albany minutes before the message was relayed to The Press office. He said he went immediately to the home of Mrs. Owens.

The mother of the released G.I., the Bifanos and Donna, the daughter of Sergeant Owens' brother, Robert, of Taberg, were present to recount the events.

In addition to Mrs. Bifano and Robert Owens, relatives include brother Alfred Owens of Rome and brother Carl Owens, serving at Westover Air Force Base.

Mrs. Owens moved to her present address four months ago from Rome. The family first lived in Utica, where Sergeant Owens attended early grades. They lived later in Vernon and then moved back to Utica. Bifano said the family's residence in Rome had been only during the period Sergeant Owens was in the Army.

Owens, 28, served in the Pacific Theater with the Marines during World War 2. After about a year and a half out of service, Bifano said, Owens enlisted in the Army. He worked at "various jobs" while a civilian, Bifano said.

Bifano's first comment, according to The AP, was "Are you sure?"

When told the news was accurate, Bifano said:

"Good! Thanks for the news!"

Bifano later told The Press he wasn't certain that the first message wasn't a joke until near the end of the conversation.

Meanwhile, the Communists said last night they would return today 400 Allied prisoners, including 145 Americans, three Turks, two Australians and 250 South Koreans.

If Russia's Lifting the Lid It's Off Chesapeake Too!

Washington — (AP) — Soviet diplomats in Washington, and two restrictions on Russian officials.

The moves came after the Soviet government announced it was lifting some restrictions on the movement of Americans and other foreigners in Russia.

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