

'AFRAID OF GUNS' SAYS ACCUSED EVADER OF DRAFT

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 19.—(AP)—Federal Judge Martin J. Welch will hear a probation report February 24 in the case of Arnie Viecko, 23, of Stockton, who testified he failed to register for selective service because he was "afraid of firearms."

New Defense Classes Start

Four Courses Are Announced to Train Red Cross Workers

BERKELEY, Feb. 19.—(AP)—Civilian training courses in four fields to meet war demands for qualified Red Cross workers are scheduled by Berkeley Chapter.

Livermore C.C. Urges Phone Line Extension

LIVERMORE, Feb. 19.—(AP)—Extension of the Napa District telephone line, at least to the 14-mile House, midway between here and the Red Mountain magnesite mines, was advocated today by the Livermore Chamber of Commerce.

ARMY, CIVIL DEFENSE HEADS PROBE INCOMPLETE BLACKOUT

Military and civilian defense officials today began an intensive investigation of last night's 20-minute blackout, in which two men died, warning signals were garbled and lights remained on for many minutes after the red alarm had been sounded.

District Attorney Ralph E. Hoyt, chairman of the Alameda County Council for Defense, admitted that the blackout was incomplete. It was the worst one since the very first of the war, he said.

Similar reactions were expressed by officials throughout the Bay area, as well as civilians, who heard their radios playing for as long as 10 minutes after the sirens had sounded.

NO WARNING GIVEN

Radio station managers explained, though, that they have been instructed by the Federal Communications Commission not to go off the air until they are warned to do so by the FCC, and last night that warning didn't come until 10 minutes after the raid warning.

The alert, broadcast when unidentified aircraft were detected approaching, was general over the area from Santa Rosa in the north to Santa Cruz in the south, and included the San Jose and Vallejo regions. The red warning was up from 9:01 p.m. to 9:21 p.m., and all clear was sounded only after the aircraft were identified as friendly.

Oscar A. Wacker, 64, of 2911 San Jose Avenue, Alameda, railroad worker and air raid warden, collapsed from a heart attack as he ran from his home to supervise the lights-out in his district. A Fire Department inhalator worked over him for some time, but he was pronounced dead.

In Berkeley, William H. Long, 65, of 2421 Grant Street, suffered a heart attack 14 minutes after the red alarm sounded, and died before a doctor could reach him.

FLAGRANT VIOLATIONS

Flagrant violations of the blackout restrictions were reported throughout the Bay area, and apparently were as bad in San Francisco as Oakland.

Before the store and office lights finally flickered out on Market Street, San Francisco, main thoroughfare, the advertising marquee on a newsreel theater blazed a sign: "When Air Raids Strike."

And the offices of the United States Mint in San Francisco were among the last to be darkened.

Hoyt observed the downtown Oakland area from the top of the Alameda County Courthouse. He said that a number of business buildings showed lights, and just before the all-clear sounded he counted 26 homes and apartments in the lake district where lights still were blazing.

SIGNALS STAY ON Traffic signals in the Grand Avenue district remained lighted for 16 minutes after the alarm, police said, because service station attendants assigned to extinguish them failed to go into action. The officers finally turned the lights off.

These were a number of reports of residents absolutely refusing to turn out their lights, even after they had been warned by passersby and block wardens.

Lawrence Donaldson, 63, of 2225 Adeline Street, was arrested and held for investigation after, police said, he refused to turn his lights off, threatened four men with a hand-axe and attempted to fight off investigating officers.

McQuillan went to investigate, and found Donaldson in his front yard. When he saw the officers, he ran around the house, with McQuillan in pursuit.

McQuillan chased him into the kitchen, where Donaldson once more attempted to grab the axe. McQuillan grabbed him, and as they scuffled, the officer said the man tried to kick him.

LIGHTS SHOT OUT At 30th Avenue and East 14th Street, someone shot out the floodlights in a used car lot. Police said they had not done the shooting.

At 21st and Brush Streets, an angry mob threatened to shatter the window of a tavern which appeared to be improperly blacked out.

Windows were broken in a beauty parlor at 582 14th Street and a hat and cap company at 426 Tenth Street by persons seeking to extinguish lights. Someone broke into the home of Erwin Pastor, 1017 East 14th Street, and put out a bedroom light that had been left burning when the family went out.

AIR BEACONS FLASH Several airplane beacons were reported flashing their red and white beams over the city throughout the blackout, and officers in towns having two-way radios finally were ordered to get off the air.

It was reported that sirens in the Montclair, Piedmont Pines and Berkeley districts sounded on the blue signal, and many residents were confused because their radios continued to play.

Residents of the Leland Heights area, near Stryward, heard explosions shortly after the all-clear, and thought the city was being bombed. The sounds came from a quarry where blasting has been going on for several days.

SHIPPARDS ALIGHT Among the brightest spots in the entire blackout were the two shipyards in Richmond, and the Bethlehem plant in South San Francisco. The Richmond plants assertedly did not get the warning until seven minutes after it was sounded in Oakland.

Traffic over the Bay Bridge was stopped on the alert signal, but the big lighted signs on the San Francisco approach continued to glow. Berkeley police had six calls complaining that the Golden Gate Bridge lights still were on.

A crowd listening to a concert in the San Francisco War Memorial Opera House knew nothing of the blackout until an air raid warden walked onto the stage and announced that it had been on for several minutes. He warned that no one would be permitted to leave the building.

JEEPS ROAR IN STREET Army jeeps roared up and down San Francisco streets after all other traffic was stopped, and soldiers directed the extinguishing of lights left burning.

The blackout caught Chinatown in the midst of its colorful new year's celebration. The sirens halted the merry-making.

The blackout was the 10th for Vallejo, and for the first time it was voluntary. In the past, the main power switches have been pulled to assure the entire city of being dark. Police took the names of every store that required more than one minute to turn off neon signs, and the owners were to face court action today. Authorities said they would attempt to have heavy fines imposed as an object lesson.

Press Freedom Need Stressed

Americanism Week Devotes Day to Censorship Problem

The freedom enjoyed by the people of the United States, as exemplified by a free press, will be honored tomorrow by civic leaders and organizations in Oakland when Americanism Press Day, a unit in Americanism Week, is observed.

Full confidence that the press of the Nation, the President and military and naval spokesmen will present a true picture of circumstances surrounding the present conflict was expressed today by Dr. Robert Gordon Sproul, president of the University of California.

FALSE CONFIDENCE

"I know," he said, "that they will not deliberately censor where censorship is not necessary. But I recognize that the unconscious censorship which results from delusions as to the truth is a human failing—witness the beliefs fostered in the minds of the public before Pearl Harbor—and that this is the kind of censorship from which democracy has most to fear.

"The American press is our only safeguard against this type of censorship. False confidence is a poor creature," he concluded.

"Following our newspapers' example of clear thinking based on facts, we Americans refuse to be dissuaded by the strategy of terror which uses devices like dualism and hysteria, anti-Semitism or anti-Catholicism, class hatred and bigotry to divide us into small, quarrelous groups," declared Niles Kinney, chairman of the Americanism Committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

MANY PARTICIPATE

The observance was joined by foreign-born citizens of all nationalities, who expressed their loyalty and devotion to democracy.

"During Americanism Week and every week," said Thomas Dias, director of a Portuguese program, "we will show our strength by speaking up for democracy, not only in words, but by our sweat and toil, and, if need be, by our blood and tears."

Publisher to Speak At Mills College

William F. Knowland, assistant publisher of The Tribune, will address a "Woman in War" meeting at 9 p.m. tomorrow in the Hall of Music at Mills College campus.

The meeting is part of the program of Americanism Press Day of Americanism Week.

His topic will be "Newspaper Publishing During Wartime."

Dr. Mary Woods Bennett is chairman of the conference, which is being presented twice a week during the entire spring semester.

Man Acts as Own Attorney, Convicted

Despite the fact that he appeared as his own attorney, John F. Keilly, 43, was convicted of robbery today by a jury in the court of Superior Judge Lincoln S. Church.

And as a consequence he faces life imprisonment in Folsom as a habitual criminal.

Keilly discharged his attorney just before he went to trial on a charge of robbing a drug store at 2637 Foothill Boulevard last April 12.

Judge Church directed Keilly to appear tomorrow for sentence.

Keilly served a San Quentin term for burglary from Los Angeles County in 1924 and at Folsom for an Alameda County robbery in 1930, according to Deputy District Attorney Laurence Dayton and Owen Holte, who prosecuted.

Hospital Nursing School Incorporates

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 19.—(AP)—Articles of incorporation were filed here today for the Mount Zion Hospital School of Nursing in San Francisco, founded for "charitable, educational and scientific purposes."

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One Dead, 12 Hurt As Trains Collide

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William G. Guess, Seaboard Air-Line division trainmaster at Jacksonville, Fla., said the dead man was J. W. Browning of Plant City, Fla., engineer of the northbound Sunquent.

Guess named five injured trainmen and said several passengers were taken to a West Palm Beach hospital.

Earlier, the New York office of the line said both engineers were killed and a third death was reported from the scene.

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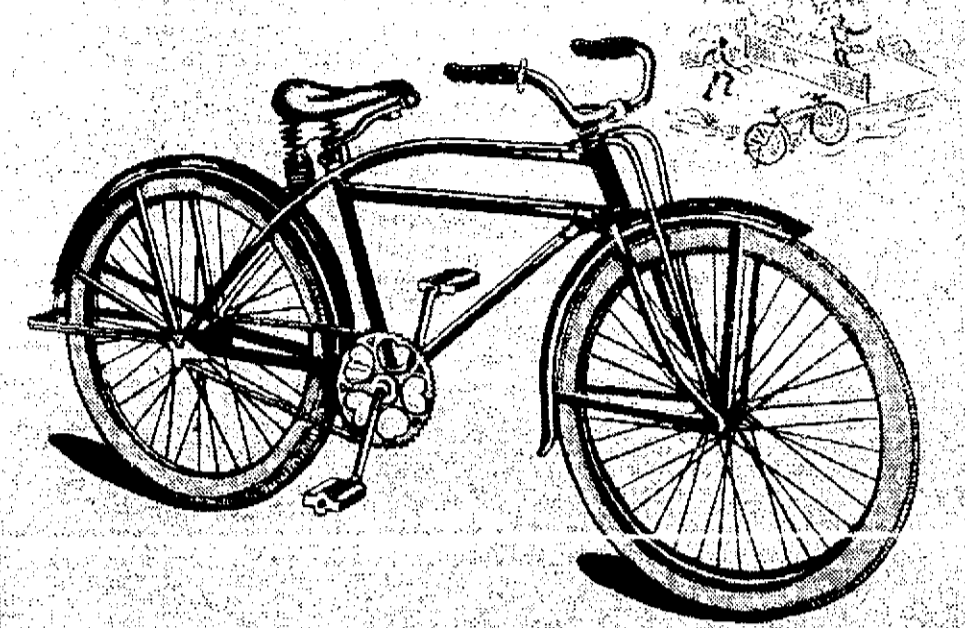
HALCO, 6538 Telegraph Ave., Oakland. Phone Piedmont 6161.

Returned When "Tubby," the deaf terrier, was lost, HU mboldt 4405 was heart-broken. But through a Want Ad, ordered for a month, "Tubby" was returned the first day. Lose something? Advertise!

Prefers Life in Jail ALBEMARLE, N.C.—(AP)—Howard Burleson, "worried and tore up all the time" over domestic problems, has asked the Stanley County court to place him in prison for the duration of his life.

Degree Work Planned RICHMOND, Feb. 19.—Richmond Royal Arch Masons held degree work practice last night during the regular meeting, according to F. A. Culbertson, high priest. W. P. Cooper will be in charge of the team.

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