

# Report Captain May Leave Battered Ship

## Nearly Swept Overboard

### Old Sol Takes Brush To Paint Picture Of Hoosierland

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FALMOUTH, England, Jan. 9  
—The Flying Enterprise was adrift tonight near a graveyard of ships on the Cornish coast, and the situation looked so grim that a plan was being made in event Capt. Henrik Kurt Carlsen is forced to abandon the freighter.

The steel towline between the Flying Enterprise and the tug Turmoil parted early today and Capt. Carlsen and his one-man crew, Mate Kenneth Dancy of the Turmoil, again were isolated on the freighter that almost is laying on her side.

Nearly Swept Overboard  
Capt. Carlsen and Mr. Dancy nearly were swept overboard as they crawled into the bow of the Enterprise and managed to saw away the broken end of the towline. The freighter was being knocked around by 25-foot seas, and as darkness approached, Capt. Dan Parker of the Turmoil got on the radio and told Capt. Carlsen:

"Where do you intend to leave the ship? I suggest aft as you will be out of the way of the wash. We'll have no difficulty picking you up provided we know where to look for you. However, it will not come to that."

Capt. Carlsen's reply could not be heard by shore stations, but there were indications that both skippers were going to try to keep a crew aboard the Enterprise until the last possible moment.

Additional word of how things were going aboard the wallowing freighter came in a radio message at 5:10 p. m. (11 a. m. Indianapolis Time) from the U. S. Destroyer Willard Keith, standing by:

"Carlsen missed several of our scheduled (radio messages) when his wrist watch got wet and stopped. Running now and then on time check. Both men drying clothes over candlelight while they sit wrapped in blankets."

"Needs Razors"  
Capt. Carlsen says he needs about four razors to get rid of his beard. He is looking forward to hot showers and week's sleep on Keith when his ship reaches port.

Earlier the Keith had radioed some grim news.  
"Carlsen and Dancy narrowly escaped being swept into the sea while at bow of Enterprise attempting repair," the Keith message said.

"Unable to pass tow in this weather, which is believed typical in this area, and the outlook is therefore not favorable for the immediate future."

## Bank Makes Rosy Report

Everything was up at Indiana National Bank last year.

President Russell White reported to the 816 stockholders yesterday that 1951 loans, deposits, earnings and number of deposits rose above 1950.

The \$1,662,398 six-story office building went up during the year. And President White called the merger with The Union Trust Co. "most desirable from every viewpoint."

Loans and discounts as of Dec. 31 rose to \$84,237,938.76 from \$68,904,626.11 a year earlier. Commercial and industrial loans gained most. Real estate mortgages showed smaller gains.

President White said the management is in full accord with the government's voluntary credit curbs to help keep prices down. He reported that the bank had discouraged loans "which appeared inflationary or speculative in character."

He also spoke regretfully of the resignation of Irving W. Lemaux as vice president and George W. Snyder, assistant vice president, at the end of the year. Mr. Snyder entered the banking business in 1907.

## Services Set Friday For Rush Co. Auditor

RUSHVILLE, Jan. 9.—Services will be at 10 a. m. Friday at the Wyatt Memorial Mortuary for Merrill S. Ball, Rush County auditor. He died yesterday at Ft. Smith, Ark., where he had gone to visit his son, Richard, in November. He was 78 years old. Entombment will be in East Hill Shrine Mausoleum.

Mr. Ball was serving his second term as auditor. A Republican, he was formerly a county commissioner and was also part owner of a cleaning firm.

He was a member of St. Paul's Methodist Church, and the Masonic, Red Men's and Elks lodges.

## UN Rejects Soviets

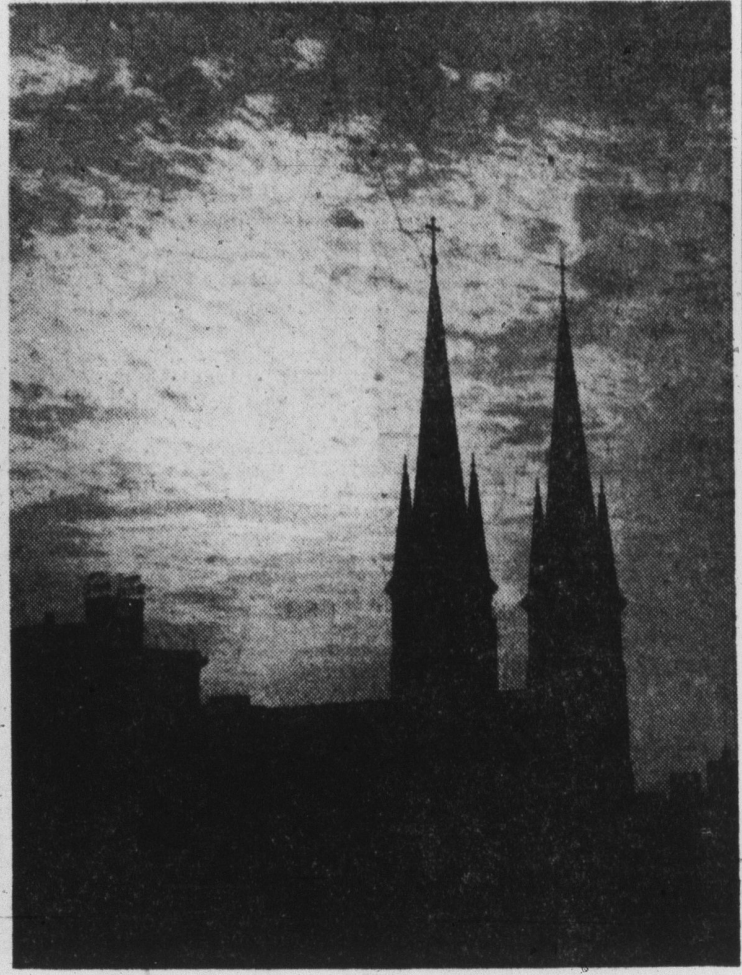
PARIS, Jan. 9 (UP)—The United Nations killed today Russia's demand for an immediate high-level meeting of the United Nations Security Council to take up the Korean armistice deadlock.

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PEEK-A-BOO SUN—After showing his face for a total of only three hours since Jan. 1, "Old Sol" peeked momentarily through a slit in the clouds yesterday over 5281 Primrose Ave.



MOTTLED BEAUTY — Rising half-hidden, the sun converts mottled clouds into a scenic backdrop for silhouetted spires of St. John's Catholic Church.

## Ike Backers In Indiana Start Work

Indiana Republican leaders, jubilant over Gen. Eisenhower's "green light" for the presidential bid, today announced plans for a statewide campaign.

County Clerk H. Dale Brown and State Rep. George Diener, leaders in the Ike-for-President movement here, will leave for Washington tomorrow to discuss organization of the drive with national backers.

They will meet Senators Lodge of Massachusetts and Duff of Pennsylvania to draw blueprints for the drive in Indiana.

Widens Split  
At the same time, Mr. Brown widened the split with Indiana GOP officials who are backing Sen. Taft. Referring to Cale Holder, state chairman, he said:

"It's his job to elect, not to select, a presidential candidate. 'The state committee, it seems to me, is putting on the pressure all the way down the line for Taft—from district chairmen on down.'"

Eisenhower leaders have been circulating petitions throughout Marion County urging the General "to respond to the call for service to the nation."

'Strictly Voluntary'  
Several of the petitions have cropped up in the Courthouse, particularly in Mr. Brown's office.

The County Clerk said his employees have not been asked to sign, and those who didn't need not fear for their jobs.

"It's strictly a voluntary proposition," said the County Clerk. "Nobody is being coerced. Those who don't sign have a right to be for whoever they want. Anyway, the petitions are useless now since we already have a candidate."

The petitions will be turned in at the second meeting of the Marion County Eisenhower-for-President Committee on Jan. 21, when permanent officers will be elected and organizational committees chosen.

## Garbage, Trash Complaints Triple

Complaints on garbage and trash collection have jumped to three times what they were before the new five-day collection schedule was launched.

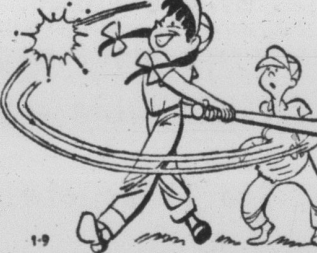
James H. Bookedis, sanitation plant superintendent, said complaints last week increased to 18 from a weekly average of six. Most of the increase, he said, was caused by confusion over the new collection schedules. Training of new personnel for collection department jobs also has handicapped operations, he added.

## Two British Soldiers Killed in Egypt Clash

CAIRO, Jan. 9 (UP)—A British Embassy spokesman said today two British soldiers were killed and several others wounded in a clash with Egyptian terrorists in the Suez Canal Zone.

He said the dead were one officer and one soldier, but gave no further details.

## LITTLE LIZ



Driving one thought home is a lot better than letting three die on base.

## Tuffy Makes Book (Law) To Stall Case

Attorneys for Isaac (Tuffy) Mitchell, indicted Indiana Ave. gambler, threw a legal uppercut at Prosecutor Fairchild today.

In a series of moves that left Mr. Fairchild and Judge Saul I. Rabb virtually knee-deep in law books, Attorney Sam Blum sought to stall the case indefinitely, they charged.

Mr. Blum last night demanded a jury trial of his charges that Prosecutor Fairchild "pressured" the grand jury into returning eight indictments against Tuffy.

Admittedly Unusual  
Judge Rabb, Criminal Court 2, and Prosecutor Fairchild were amazed. They admitted the "trial within a trial" procedure was highly unusual, except in civil cases.

With that, Attorney Blum stomped out, quipping to reporters:

"I'll teach them a lot of new law before it's all over with. The Judge and Prosecutor went into a huddle, pouring over the law books for a half hour. Finally, they admitted solemnly, 'It's the law. He can have a jury trial.'"

Judge Rabb said, however, he would ask Mr. Blum again today if he is "serious" in his request for a jury.

Today Judge Rabb granted the request for a jury trial and set it tentatively for Jan. 21.

Filed 'General Denial'  
Mr. Blum threw his pitch after Judge Rabb yesterday set the hearing for Saturday morning.

Mr. Fairchild had filed a "general denial" to Tuffy's charges. Tuffy's attorney can pull several variations to stall the case by his jury request. Impanelling of the jury might take several days, and the trial itself could drag out a week.

Mr. Blum said he planned to subpoena "at least" 30 witnesses to support his contention that the grand jury acted under "duress" from the Prosecutor's office.

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## Daring Bandit's Luck Runs Out

EVANSVILLE, Jan. 9 (UP)—A bandit who staged a spectacular liquor store holdup, disarmed and locked up two policemen and escaped with \$60 in cash, sat in jail today, awaiting prosecution.

Clarence Jackson, 35, was captured in a dragnet at nearby Henderson, Ky., half an hour after the hold-up here yesterday.

Mrs. Marie Williams, the liquor store clerk, told police Jackson entered, posed as a customer, produced a gun and forced another customer to scoop the money from a cash drawer.

When he cut the telephone wire, Jackson set off an alarm. He dashed out of the store into a taxicab when officers Roy Perkins and Charles Eagan arrived. Jackson disarmed the patrolmen, locked them in a shed and forced the cab driver to race through a blockade toward Henderson, where local police captured him.

## Turns Down Bid To Form New French Cabinet

PARIS, Jan. 9 (UP)—Christian Pineau, 47-year-old Socialist finance expert, refused today President Vincent Auriol's invitation to try to form a new French government.

Premier Rene Pleven resigned Monday after the national assembly defeated his government on a vote of confidence. Mr. Pineau met with Socialist party leaders this morning and then met members of other political parties. He then announced his rejection of Auriol's invitation.

## Near Record Heat Hits South American Area

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Jan. 9 (UP)—A heat wave has brought near-record temperatures to several cities in the lower part of South America.

The mercury yesterday was reported around 96 degrees across the continent from Buenos Aires to Santiago, Chile. Higher temperatures were forecast.

## 5th Grade Girl, 10, Makes Her First Solo Plane Flight

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 9 (UP)—Betty Lee Bennett, 10-year-old fifth-grader, claimed the distinction today of being "the youngest soloist in American aviation history."

Her father, Alfred B. Bennett, an airplane company official, said Betty Lee completed her first solo flight last week after he had given her 18 hours of instruction. "I wasn't worried a bit," said the young aviatrix, "and it was much more fun without Daddy along."

Mr. Bennett took his daughter to Cuba for the flight since Civil Aeronautics Administration regulations prohibit anyone under 16 from soloing. Mr. Bennett's 12-year-old son, Al, soloed in Mexico last year.

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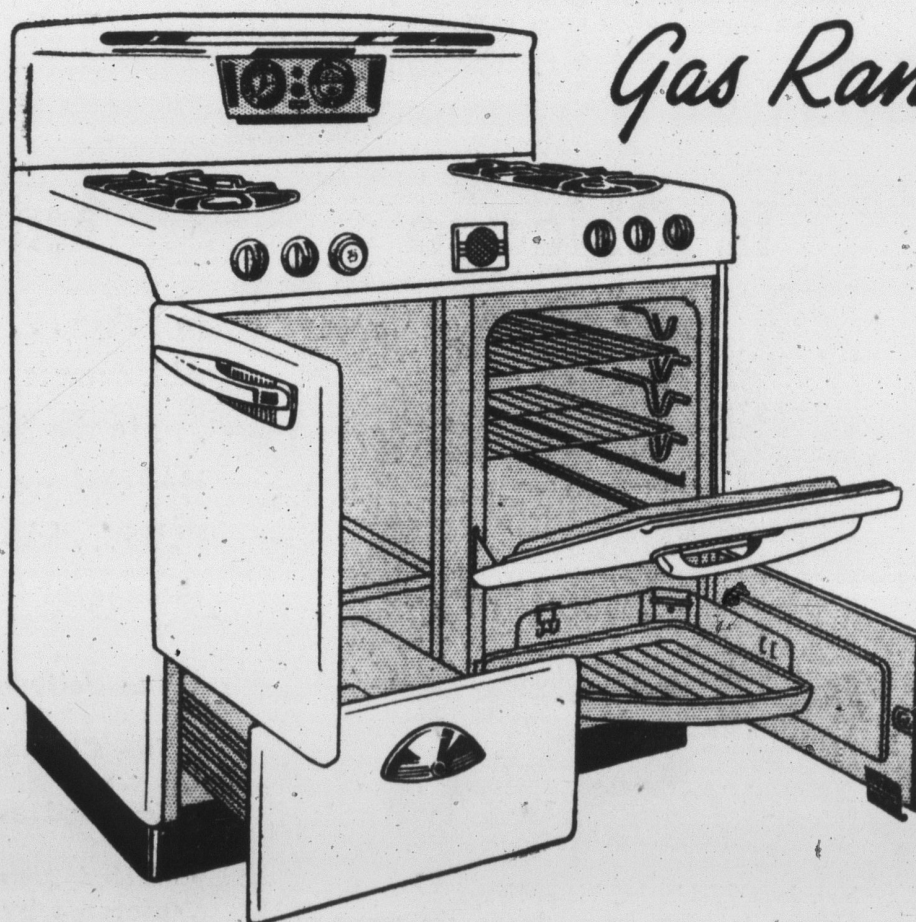
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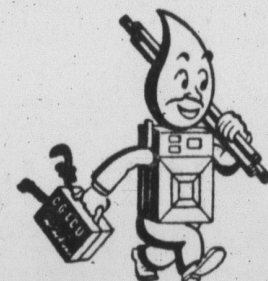


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