Negro Editor Blasts Rights Movement

By WILLIAM A. LANGLEY
Staff Reporter

The editor of the Pittsburgh Courier, a Negro newspaper, charged here Saturday night that the civil rights movement "has just degenerated into a racket, and is one of the facets of the Communist conspiracy."

George S. Schuyler struck out at civil rights leaders as "not being sincere, because they know very well the things they are asking for cannot be brought about overnight."

He said trying to enforce civil rights is "just like trying to enforce prohibition in Chicago."

"In fact, the federal government never will be able to enforce civil rights, because the question is up to the people. It's a matter of education, and the answer lies in their hearts and minds," he said.

SCHUYLER CALLED leaders of several civil rights organizations, including CORE and SNCC, "loathsome", and said many of them had served prison sentences on morals charges, pacifism and being members of Communist groups.

"Because of their Communist connections, their efforts are nefarious," he said.

Meanwhile, at Cape Kennedy, Fla., flight experts said the countdowns were going so well with the Gemini 6 hunter spacecraft they could have launched it Saturday if they had wanted to.

Schuyler said the activities of most civil rights groups have done nothing more than "arouse the enmity of white people."

Asked if he had ever been called an Uncle Tom, Schuyler answered, "Of course I have, but that's a tired epithet."

"The people that call me an Uncle Tom have never read 'Uncle Tom's Cabin'," he said. "In the book, Uncle Tom tells his slave master, Simon Legree, that he can have his body, but not his soul. And that's what we need — people with pure souls."

SCHUYLER SAID, "You can't win friends by antagonizing your neighbors, and you can't sell a product to someone by first offending him.

"I don't believe in leading people astray, and all this agitation by civil rights groups has not won colored people in the South one single friend. Beyond that, the agitators have all left town," he said.

Schuyler addressed the Republican Conservatives of Maine at a dinner at Valle's Steak House here.

He said Negroes should be Conservatives "because they have something to conserve."

"They have freedom, mobility, and the vote, and these are valuable things," he said. "We won't find them anywhere else on this earth."

He pointed out that 3,500,000 American Negroes own their own homes and automobiles; and some 120,000 own their own farms, with an average of 75 acres.

SCHUYLER SAID he has "a low opinion" of Nobel Peace Prize winner Martin Luther King.

"Why, he hasn't done anything —

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"Loathsome"

By Staff Photographer Carroll "Nefarious"

Schuyler Attacks Rights Leaders

Portland Sunday Telegram
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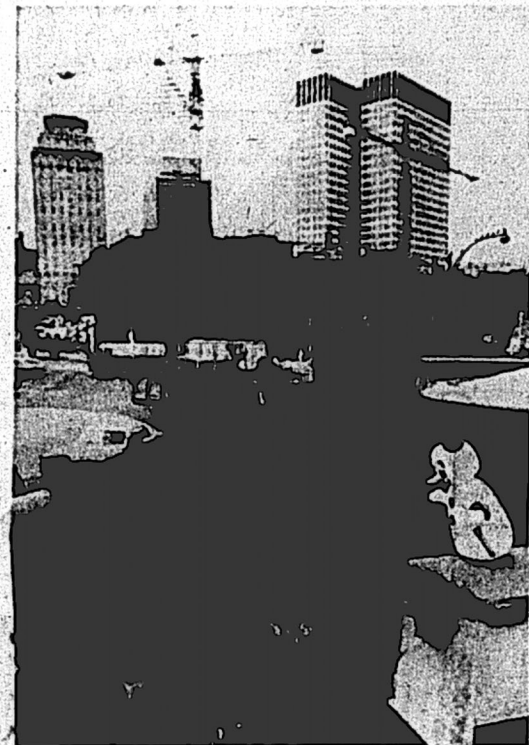
Maine Trees In Beantown

Christmas trees from Maine are arriving by the truckload in Boston's Dock Square market district. Maine growers have more demand than they can supply, says Forest Commissioner Austin H. Wilkins, who calls that situation significant in view of growing competition from Canada and from artificial trees. Wilkins says quality of this year's tree crop is good. In the background is Boston's new civic center and its city hall, topped by cranes. (AP)

Gemini 7 Laser Test Success
It's Rendezvous Day!

SPACE CENTER, Houston, Tex. (AP) — Gemini 7 pilot James A. Lovell Jr. sent a light signal to earth Saturday as the bearded astronauts headed for a world endurance mark, a church service and rendezvous with a sistership in space.

"I got her," shouted Air Force Lt.Col. Frank Borman, the command pilot, as he jockeyed the Gemini 7 so Lovell could track the earth light with his own light beam. Both pilots' voices burst with excitement.

Gemini 6 will blast off in pursuit of Gemini 7 Sunday chasing its target through 105,000 miles of sky and flying in formation with it — the first formation flight in space history.

Mission control said at 2:45 p.m. EST that there was no attempt to transmit Lovell's voice over the light beam on this first time a light signal has been sent from space to earth.

That attempt apparently will come later.

Mission control said it was as excited as the astronauts that had been on the entire flight to date.

"I see a lot of buildings," Borman said. "Looks like antennas around it. Also some smoke on the south side of the hill. I got it. I can see it again. There it is again."

The greenish light beamed spaceward from Hawaii was captured by Navy Cmdr. Lovell who aimed his own pencil thin beam of light at it. The highly disciplined laser light can carry voice communications as a radio wave does.

The light beam spreads less than a mile in its precise dash to earth.

On the successful Hawaii pass, at 2:15 p.m., Lovell noted he had some difficulty picking out the "greenish light of the laser beamed up from earth because his sighting device has a green filter. The only certain way to run the experiment, Lovell said, was to do it at night.

A tape recorded church service will be beamed up to the astronauts Sunday morning. The 15-minute Episcopal communion service was taped in Chicago and flown to Houston.

The mission whipped past the midpoint of its 14-days in space at 11:15 a.m. EST.

At about that time, the astronauts' families visited mission control at the Gemini 7 here.

"I'd also like to tell you the Borman boys are here," said communicator Elliot Eee.

"Hi, boys," replied the radioed voice of their father.

Arthur (Jay) Lovell, 11, got a chance to sit with flight director Chris Kraft at the control console after Gemini 7 was out of range — the first time a member of an astronaut's family had been admitted to that inner sanctum since the flight began. They usually stay in room at the rear.

The astronauts weathered a bit of fumbling, cold night in space, reported they got about five or six hours sleep — "not too good." The temperature in the cabin dropped 20 degrees through the night.

Then, during the day, they

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Marines 'Coptered To Da Nang Battle

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP) — Two fresh companies of U.S. Marines surged from helicopters into a blood-stained valley south of Da Nang Saturday to help several thousand other Marines and South Vietnamese troops close the net on a slippery Viet Cong regiment.

Yielding here and there, the foe remained elusive. Contact was reported light though constant in this fourth day of the battle, with the showdown still to come. The maneuvering was so tricky that the allies' supporting warplanes were temporarily grounded.

Far from the contested valley, sharp fighting flared between a task force of Vietnamese regulars and a hard core Viet Cong battalion in the Mekong delta.

The Vietnamese ran into machine gun and recoilless rifle fire 35 miles southwest of Saigon, but called in air support and attacked.

A U.S. military spokesman said the battle raged long after dark, with the Viet Cong trying to escape in small units. The troops reported 42 Viet Cong were killed. There was no announcement on Vietnamese losses.

Other government forces completed a drive launched a month ago against guerrillas based northwest of Hue, the old imperial capital barely 50 miles from Communist North Viet Nam's frontier. The troops reported they killed 140 Viet Cong, captured 20 and seized 45 weapons.

Bad weather limited air operations over North Viet Nam. The U.S. Air Force sent up none of its long-range squadrons. However, Navy planes from the carriers Kitty Hawk and Bon

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11 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Brunswick Survivors Tell Their Story
Burning Wing Caused Crash
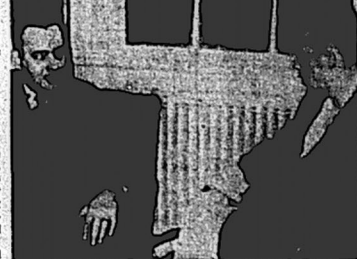
By HARRY G. SHULMAN
District Correspondent

BRUNSWICK — A burning wing created the emergency condition which forced the ditching of a Navy patrol plane Friday in cold Atlantic waters approximately 24 miles southwest of Brunswick.

This was the explanation made Saturday by the pilot, Lt. Robert C. Muller, 31, of 41 McMillan Drive, Brunswick.

"We were on a rocket run from an elevation of 2,000 feet and passing through the 1,000 foot range when the emergency arose," said Lt. Muller during an interview with the five survivors of the Neptune patrol plane of Patrol Squadron 11.

Muller, who suffered a head cut in addition to shock and exposure, was seated in a wheelchair in the solarium at the Naval Air Station hospital. Other than a shaven spot on the right side of his head, where stitches had been taken to close a cut, he appeared to be in fine physical shape.

THERE WAS little time to procrastinate. A Neptune weighs some 80,000 pounds when fully loaded. While it was considerably lighter Friday because it was not carrying a full supply of fuel, it still requires time to set down.

Muller made an instant decision to ditch, informed the crew, and pulled up at 500 feet to give copilot Lt. (jg) Donald S. Lavigne, 26, less fatality of the ditching, and the four enlisted men, as much time as possible to reach their ditching stations.

As soon as he reported his decision to the crew Muller sent out a "May Day" call giving his position. In the next few moments he was occupied with the task of setting down the aircraft as gently as possible.

To do this, Muller explained, you try to hit the water tail first. He lowered the flaps full, raised the nose and set down on a sea that was anything but calm.

As always happens in a ditching, the tail section of the aircraft broke off. This enabled Larry E. Clark, AO1, 22, Garnet Road, Brunswick, to escape through the opening caused by the loss of the tail.

"We slapped down and the nose went into the water, rose and nosed down again," continued Muller. "The plane came to a complete stop in a distance of perhaps 600 feet, and the crewmen were in and out of the plane or on their way out in a matter of seconds."

MULLER, who was sitting in the right side normally occupied by the copilot, said the overhead canopy in the cockpit was opened before the aircraft set down. This was a precaution against jamming. Both Muller and Lavigne had to

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Pilot And C.O.

Lt. Robert C. Muller, 31, right, pilot of the downed patrol bomber talks with his commanding officer, Cmdr. Joseph E. Klause.

Reed Picks New Lawyer As Judge

Telegram News Service

AUGUSTA — Gov. John H. Reed has nominated a Washington County attorney with only four months experience for a Probate Court judgeship. The nominee is Fred Ward, Machias, who was admitted Aug. 11 to practice law in Maine.

Ward was nominated by Reed for the $3,500-a-year post over two other candidates who have both practiced law for a number of years.

"I feel I'm qualified for the job," Ward said. "Otherwise I wouldn't have applied."

It's not known whether the Executive Council will confirm Ward's nomination. Executive Councilor Nathan Cohen, Eastport, said, "I've been checking into it but I've come to no conclusions yet."

The all-Democratic Executive Council will act on the nomination when it meets Wednesday.

AT LEAST two Washington County attorneys, both Republicans but neither a candidate for the post, expressed surprise at Reed's nomination of Ward. Both asked not to be identified.

The incumbent probate judge, Harold Blackwood, Princeton, is resigning from the post at the end of the year. He has held the elected office for several years. His term expires Jan. 1, 1967.

Cohen said the Executive Council will meet in executive session Tuesday night to discuss the nomination. For Dec. 3, the day after the last Council meeting, "because we'd already adjourned the day be

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Uncle Sam Topped Maine Sales Tax

By DONALD C. HANSEN
State House Reporter

AUGUSTA — Uncle Sam last year poured more money into Maine than the state collected from its own sales tax.

The federal government during the 1963 fiscal year contributed $53,240,837 in funds to 18 state departments. During the same period the state was collecting $44,498,832 through the sales tax.

The findings are contained in a year-long study made by the Maine Intergovernmental Relations Commission. The report will shortly be turned over to Gov. John H. Reed and members of the Legislature.

The findings prove that the fed-

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Poulos Decision May Affect $30 Million In Small Loans

By MURROUGH H. O'BRIEN
Staff Reporter

The status of about $30 million in small loans in Maine was placed in doubt Saturday by a Federal Bankruptcy Court decision.

In a ruling on the sale of credit insurance by the state's loan companies, Richard B. Poulos, U.S. Referee in Bankruptcy ruled a loan uncollectible if it "contains excessive, unauthorized and illegal insurance premiums."

His decision is the first legal test of the state's 1961 Model Credit Insurance Law and could

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become a "landmark" in the field nationally. Practically identical laws now exist in 33 other states.

POULOS DECLARED that a violation of the model law amounts to a violation of the Maine Small Loan Act.

This means that a loan company lends a person money at the legal rate of interest but also sells him insurance at an excessive premium, every thing is illegal and the borrower doesn't have to repay the loan.

higher courts, could void some 1,200 loans in wage earner bankruptcies disputed by the debtors and Trustee Gerald S. Cope on the basis of excessive premiums. More than $750,000 is involved.

It also implies that any borrower in the state who believed the premium for the insurance on his loan was excessive could have the loan declared void.

Sources estimate at least $5 million in loans in Maine could be jeopardized by Poulos' ruling.

$30 million in loans might be jeopardized by Poulos' ruling.

Credit insurance—more popularly known as "peace of mind" insurance—is included in a loan to protect both borrower and lender against default. The borrower, however, pays for it.

In most cases two types are offered: life and accident and disability. The policies themselves are sold to the debtors by an insurance company to the loan firm on a group basis.

Nationally, the amount of credit insurance in force, has

grown from $3.3 billion in force in 1950 to $57 billion last year. And last year debtors paid out $549 million in premiums.

POULOS DECISION is based on the case of a Lewiston husband and wife, Robert and Gail Richards, who in December, 1963, sought a wage earner bankruptcy.

At that time, they and Trustee Cope objected to a $887.22 loan made to the debtors by Aetna Finance Co. of Maine. The insurance premiums were

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