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Police Hunt Atom-Ray Thief



JOCKEY'S FAMILY—Mrs. Ernesto Mendoza, mother-in-law of Jockey Ismael Valenzuela, holds the rider's picture. With her are daughters Martha, left, and Susie.



Ismael Valenzuela



Willie Shoemaker

Double Interest Here

Jockeys From El Paso Ride Derby Favorites

El Paso had a "daily-double" of interest today in the Kentucky Derby in Louisville.

The two favorites in the "Run for the Roses" before 118,000 fans had El Paso area jockeys aboard.

Fingers were kept crossed in a home at 404 South Verde street. This was for Jockey Ismael Valenzuela, riding the top favorite, Tim Tam. Prayers for good luck to Valenzuela were offered by his wife's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto Mendoza. His own parents live in Colorado.

In the Lower Valley, hopes were on the 5 and 2 second choice, Silky Sullivan, ridden by the Veteran Willie Shoemaker, who comes from Fabens.

Valenzuela is a comparative newcomer to the upper ranks of jockeydom. He got his chance to ride the favorite Tim Tam when Jockey Willie Hartack suffered a broken leg last week.

"We've been keeping our fingers crossed and praying that Ismael wins the Derby," his mother-in-law said.

Ismael married Rose Mendoza here in December of 1954. They now live in New York City.

"Rose called me yesterday," Mrs. Mendoza said today. "She was very excited and asked us to pray for Ismael to win. I told her we were. It meant a lot to him."

Derby Run On Muddy Track

By United Press
LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 3.—The Churchill Downs running strip was a muddy mess today as the Kentucky Derby draw jammed the race track to see Tim Tam, Jewel's Reward and Silky Sullivan vie for American's most coveted racing prize.

Eleven other 3-year-olds also start in the mile and one-quarter classic which was contested over an "off" track for the first time since Citation won on a "sloppy" course in 1948.

Hasty House Farm's Can Trust finally was a withdrawn officially, joining Maine Chance Farm's Jet's Alibi, scratched Friday, on the sidelines.

The withdrawal of two horses fixed the total value of the Derby at \$160,500 with a net winner's purse of \$116,400. Second place worth \$25,000, third \$12,500 and fourth \$5,000.

Tim Tam came up as favorite at 8 to 3 with Silky Sullivan 2 to 1 and Jewel's Reward 5 to 2.

President Delays Gettysburg Trip

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 3.—A forecast of unfavorable weather caused President Eisenhower to cancel his plans to spend today at his Gettysburg farm.

He will spend part of the weekend at the White House.



LIT'LE LIZ

INSIDE WASHINGTON

Weekly Size-Up by Washington Staff
Of Scripps-Howard Newspapers

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Those Khrushchev-Nasser talks now going on in Moscow may mean trouble.

Middle East experts here are watching closely.

Best they hope for is that Egyptian dictator won't get everything he wants in the way of help for destroying Israel; won't be able to satisfy Khrushchev on future control of Middle East oil.

They'd like to see him chart a course like Tito's; keep his freedom of action.

If Khrushchev and Nasser join forces, three things could happen: —Pro Nasser Arab leaders could be pressured to demand bigger cut of oil royalties from Western companies, threatening to nationalize producing plants. (With Russian technicians to run them.) At the same time, Cairo and Moscow radios might urge oil-field workers to strike against Western "exploitation."

—British Red Sea Colony of Aden may be turned into a pint-size Algeria. Yemen, now part of Nasser empire, has employed big coast defense guns to control normal sea approach to Aden Port. Much Trans-Suez shipping now stops there to fuel. Yemen is also equipping Aden rebels with Russian-made machine guns and mortars.

—Anti-West agitation may be encouraged in Lebanon, next door to Nasser's Syria. Lebanon is traditionally neutral. But its president, Pro-U. S. Camille Chamoun, wants to change Constitution to let him have another term. It gives leftists a solid issue in their drive to bring country into United Arab Republic.

Note: Nasser won't go home an avowed Communist. Present Moscow line is to operate through governments calling themselves neutralist.

IF YOU'RE PUZZLED by Eisenhower remark at his press conference that he won't boom any-

one for the 1960 nomination, this seems to be the word: As of now, Nixon has the nomination wrapped up. Ike probably won't do anything before convention to bolster Nixon's candidacy, but he's satisfied the vice president would be a good choice.

However, if Nixon should slip, here are the men Ike has said—at informal White House meetings—would make good presidential candidates: Defense Secretary McElroy, Treasury Secretary Anderson, U. N. Delegate Lodge, Interior Secretary Seaton, Labor Secretary Mitchell and Assistant President Sherman Adams.

LOOK FOR ROUGH FIGHT between American Medical Assn. and labor unions over expansion of health and welfare benefits to union members. Leaders of some 40 unions have been invited to a June meeting here to map strategy for overcoming AMA opposition to their programs. AMA complains unions interfere with patient's "right" to choose any physician and any hospital. That's because unions sometimes refuse to pay bills if a member is treated by a doctor or hospital not on its approved list. On the other hand, some doctors in Ohio have been refused admission to their County Medical Society because they are treating patients covered by United Mine Workers Welfare Fund. (The doctors threatened to sue the County Society, then decided to appeal first to the State Medical Society. (Continued on Page 10, Col. 4)

Ike Acts For Antarctica's Peaceful Use

Eisenhower Issues Bid to 11 Nations To Join U. S. in Pact

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, May 3.—President Eisenhower today invited 11 nations to join a conference to seek agreement to insure that Antarctica be used for peaceful purposes.

Soviet Russia was one of the nations invited to participate with the United States.

In a statement, Eisenhower also urged the participating nations to continue their scientific co-operation in the South Pole region beyond the expiration next Dec. 31 of the International Geophysical Year.

Note to 11 Nations
The White House made public the Eisenhower statement along with a U. S. note delivered to the governments of the 11 nations participating in IGY antarctic activities.

The note suggested conclusion of a treaty which would have these purposes:

Freedom of scientific investigation throughout Antarctica by citizens, organizations, and governments of all countries; and a continuation of the international scientific cooperation being carried out during the IGY.

Pact Sought
International agreement to insure that Antarctica be used for peaceful purposes only.

Any other peaceful purposes not inconsistent with the charter of the United Nations.

State Department officials said the time and place of any resulting 12-nation conference would be decided after an informal exchange of views with the invited countries.

Those invited are Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Chile, France, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Union of South Africa, Soviet Russia, and the United Kingdom.

Dulles Seeks Backing For Ike's Arctic Plan

By Associated Press
DURHAM, N. H., May 3.—Secretary of State Dulles was en route to Copenhagen today for a Nato conference at which he is expected to pick up fresh support for President Eisenhower's Arctic inspection plan despite a Russian veto yesterday.

Before taking off from Pease Air Force Base in nearby Portsmouth last night, Dulles branded as frightening the Soviet veto in the United Nations Security Council.

There have been reports the North Atlantic foreign ministers meeting, opening Monday in the Danish capital, will support the U. S. polar inspection plan in a public statement.

Dulles also is expected to discuss with Nato ministers the U. S. position on preparation for a summit conference.

Police Captain Finds Lost \$365, Refuses Reward

Tom H. DeWitt of 5521 Paraguay street, who lost a money bag containing \$265 in cash and \$100 in checks, said the bag was found and returned to him.

The finder was Police Radio Patrol Capt. Arturo Islas. He refused to accept a reward, Mr. DeWitt said.

Mr. DeWitt, operator of Kiddie Playland, left his car at a parking lot and did not notice he had dropped the money until he got to the State National Bank. He notified police of his loss.

Captain Islas, who said he found the money bag in front of Hortex Mfg. Co., returned it to Mr. DeWitt at Kiddie Playland when the amusement center opened later the same day. A deposit slip in the bag was made out to Kiddie Playland, Mr. DeWitt said.

"I'm certainly glad Captain Islas found the money," Mr. DeWitt said. "We are very grateful for his promptness in returning it to us and think he should be commended."

Nehru Is Not Quitting

By United Press
NEW DELHI, May 3.—Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru today reversed his decision to retire from office and said he would carry on at least temporarily.



BRICKS STOP RAYS—Cage of lead bricks, like those stolen at El Paso General Hospital, encloses radioactive isotopes at Providence Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Barbara MacGregor, technician uses tongs to lift capsule of radioactive iodine. Were it not for lead bricks she would face death from radiation of many capsules in cage.

Boys Knuckle Down 192 Take Dead Aim in Marble Tourney

A field of 192 boys between 8 and 14 knuckled down today in the 1958 City Marble Tournament sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and The Herald-Post.

Manuel Rivas, Tournament co-chairman, said first-round shooters ended play at noon.

He said most of the afternoon would be required to complete the playoffs.

The 192 entrants this year almost doubled last year's entry list.

Three trophies, a number of medals, tee-shirts and blue jeans will be awarded winners. The 1600 marbles used in the contest will be distributed among the entrants.

Dr. W. W. Schuessler, Chamber president, will preside at the meeting, set for noon Monday at the Hilton Hotel.

To Discuss Future
Mr. Formy will discuss future plans for the El Paso Freeway and other highway projects. He will be accompanied here by H. Petry and C. A. Hawn, the other members of the three-man commission.

"We know there are El Pasoans who are not members of the Chamber of Commerce who will be interested in attending, and they are certainly welcome to do so," Dr. Schuessler said.

However reservations must be made in advance of 10 a. m. Monday so that advance preparations for the expected crowd can be made. This can be done by calling Miss Flora Malone, KE 3-1421, at the Chamber.

1700 Invited
All of the CC's 1700 members have been invited to attend.

The commission's visit is being sponsored by the Highway Co-ordinating Committee of El Paso. It is composed of two representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, two of the city and two of the county administration. James E. Rogers, a CC representative, is chairman.

The commission is scheduled to inspect proposed Freeway routes through congested areas of the city before attending the meeting.

101 Reasons Why Business Is Good Here

Copies of the pamphlet "101 Reasons Why Business Is Good in El Paso" are now available at the Advertising Department of the Newspaper Printing Corp. They will be furnished free of charge while they last. Mail them to friends and to people you do business with.

Kathryn Hampton

the notation "she has two front teeth missing now" written on them by her mother.

Officials noted grimly that the Hampton apartment was only eight blocks from the home where a two-year-old girl was ravished by an unknown assailant last April 20.

Police said the blonde, blue-eyed girl, considered small for her age, was abducted by a man who called to her from a car.

Kathryn's father, James, said "She must have been carried off." He collapsed from exhaustion yesterday after searching for 48 hours in tenement buildings and alleys for a sign of his daughter, one of five children.

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents were reported working with St. Louis police in the painstaking search in a teeming commercial area where the girl lived.

Every St. Louis policeman was given a picture of Kathryn with

Brick Theft Considered 'Inside Job'

Pilfering Of Heavy Material Baffles Probers

Boys playing in a ditch off Edith drive in Lakeside, in the Lower Valley, reported today they found lead bricks stolen from El Paso General Hospital. City police went to investigate.

Police today worked on a theory that theft of a dozen lead bricks used in the radiology department at El Paso General Hospital was an "inside job."

Several employes and part-time aides who had access to the unlocked third floor room where the bricks were stored were being questioned.

The theft took place after 11 p. m. Wednesday. More than one person may have been involved, since the 240 pounds of bricks would have posed a transportation problem for a single individual.

Two Points Cleared
Dr. Vincent Ravel, head of the department, made two things clear today:

1. The lead bricks are not and could not be radioactive.

2. Any rays absorbed by the thief from radioactive materials in the room would not cause death, although if the intruder were exposed long enough he might get sick.

Two lead shields also were missing from the laboratory.

The lead bricks and shields were used to enclose some isotopes made by the Atomic Energy Commission at Oak Ridge, Tenn. They were being used in the treatment of cancer.

The isotopes consisted of radioactive iodine, phosphorus and chromate capsules.

The lead bricks and shields formed a protective cage for the radioactive capsules.

Not Deadly
In removing the bricks and shields the thief must have exposed himself to some radiation, Dr. Ravel said, unless he used the lead aprons and gloves which physicians and technicians normally use.

But the quantity of materials and their potency were not sufficient to cause death, Dr. Ravel said. Besides, one of the materials—phosphorus—gives off none of the more penetrating gamma rays, and all the materials deteriorate rapidly.

These could have been exhausted, he added.

Doctors and attendants carry a small device, like a Geiger counter to measure their own dosage of radiation. Whether the thief had one was not known.

Suspect Dope Addict
Why would anybody go to the trouble of stealing more than 240 pounds of lead bricks and shields, worth less than \$100, and probably good for only a few dollars if sold for junk?

One theory considered by investigators was that a narcotics addict, desperate for money to buy a shot, was the thief.

The theft stopped cancer treatments at El Paso General with radioactive materials. Patients and the isotopes were moved to Providence Memorial Hospital, which has similar bricks and isotopes.

Unlike radium and other metallic materials obtained from uranium, isotopes are not naturally radioactive. They are made that way at Oak Ridge.

They give off alpha rays, which are harmless; beta rays, which have small penetration power; and gamma rays, which are the most

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