



Man Saved After 12-Hour Dredge At Bottom of Hole

Worker Trapped By Collapse Of Walls

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (AP)—A workman trapped for more than 12 hours at the bottom of a collapsed cesspool was rescued today.

A heavy crane finally jerked loose a metal plate pinning Leslie O. Stafford's foot at the bottom of the 24-foot hole and he pulled himself free.

Stafford, who up until then had spent eight agonizing hours trying to free himself, was rushed to a hospital. His rescuers said he appeared to be in excellent condition.

Because of the close quarters and the danger of shoring and no one else could reach Stafford's foot. Although someone stayed in the shaft to offer encouragement, he had to do the work of freeing his foot alone.

He banged away with a chisel, broke blades after blades of a power saw and tried unsuccessfully to move the plate with a powerful spreader jack.

Finally a crane was backed into position and a hook lowered to the trapped man. He lusted it to the metal and the crane hoisted it enough for him to pull his foot out.

Stafford's first request was for a cigarette. A doctor had him lowered into the shaft several times to give him sedatives, and he had been fed hot soup.

As the 40-year-old workman rode to the surface on a bucket seat attached to the crane a cheer went up from the rescue workers and scattered spectators who had stayed on through the night. His rescuers expected to find him alive.

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The father's body was found at the foot of the stairs, where he apparently collapsed while trying to help his children.

The blaze broke out about 2:30 a.m., and the interior of the house was burned out. Rossam said cause of the blaze was not known.

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Cleveland Picketers Greet Red

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CLEVELAND (AP)—Anastas I. Mikoyan, No. 2 man of the Kremlin, arrived in Cleveland today to start a 13-day coast-to-coast tour. He hustled off in an airplane plane and down a double line of police while several hundred picketing nationality groups were blocked back by ropes.

Mikoyan tipped his hat as he got off a Capital Airlines plane about five minutes after it arrived at 10:10 a.m. EST. Then he hurried inside the concourse gates to hold a brief news conference before leaving the airport.

Cyrus Eaton, Cleveland industrialist, and his wife greeted the first deputy premier as he alighted. Mrs. Eaton speaking in Russian.

Mikoyan told her it was very good to speak Russian with her, and solicitedly advised the 75-year-old Eaton, who will be his host here, that he should wear a hat on his white-haired head, lest he catch a cold.

Police and security agents lined up the concourse and the picketers were not permitted inside for the observatory platform.

For his departure from Washington at 8:27 a.m. Mikoyan was 15 minutes early at the airport, then his start was delayed 27 minutes past regular takeoff time.

During the flight he sat beside Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Menzlin, who read him the news from New York and Washington newspapers.

A diverted airline stewardess, Miss Rita Sylvester, 23, of West Warwick, R. I., served the 63-year-old deputy premier a breakfast of scrambled eggs and bacon, and he told her it was very good.

For a big rear end of him, Miss Sylvester said.

His unanimous nomination at a Democratic caucus Tuesday assured Rep. Sam Rayburn (D-Tex.) an unprecedented election to a third term as speaker of the House.

House Republicans ousted their leader for the last 20 years. Rep. Joseph W. Martin Jr. of Massachusetts, and those instead Rep. Charles A. Halleck of Indiana. The close 14-70 caucus was left some hard feelings and raised questions about the course of legislation in the House.

Senators of both parties meet separately today to select their leaders. Democrat Lyndon B. Johnson faced no opposition to retaining his leadership post, but Republicans had a fight on their hands.

A dozen Republicans who class themselves as liberals sought to head off in a caucus the selection of Sen. Everett Dirksen of Illinois.

Two Strikes
Douglas Cradick was stopped by a Honolulu patrolman who gave him a ticket for speeding. As Cradick drove off the policeman saw him flip the ticket out the car window.

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Mrs. Chionchio and Husband Leave Hospital

Wants Her Baby Cries Haunt Mom; She Goes Home

NEW YORK (AP)—Mrs. Frances Chionchio, 36, is home from the maternity ward — away from the sight of new mothers with crying babies. Her own infant daughter is still missing, with no lead for her whereabouts.

Mrs. Chionchio returned yesterday to her Brooklyn home from St. Peter's Hospital, where her child was kidnapped from a nursery Friday night, only 2 1/2 hours after birth.

The woman's uncle, Dr. John Molica, who delivered the baby, said he had planned to discharge her today or tomorrow, but after seeing her yesterday decided she should leave at once.

"I think she would be better off mentally if she were away from the atmosphere of seeing other mothers and crying infants," Molica said.

Mrs. Chionchio has one other daughter, Gerardette, 1. Her husband, Frank, 28, an attorney for the Port of New York Authority, was with her when she left the hospital weeping.

"All I want is my baby back," she sobbed as she waved photographers away.

Earlier, Mrs. Chionchio said of the kidnaper:

"He says he loves the baby that much would return her to us, I would even be willing to let her visit the baby periodically."

A widespread search continued for a heavily bleached blonde, between 30 and 35, believed to be the kidnaper. Police think she is a frustrated mother.

Hospital personnel who saw the woman at the hospital fled yesterday to identify photographs of two women police were especially interested in.

One was of Mrs. Betty Jean Benedetto, 44, missing from San Francisco, who stole a baby there under similar circumstances three years ago and returned it unharmed.

The other picture was of a Queens woman, pregnant and a former mental patient, reported missing by her husband Sunday.

Both seemed to fit the description of the woman seen at the hospital.

Evening Prayer
O God, who didst come to seek and to save the lost, forgive us for having sinned and fully seeking to go our own way. Help us to see clearly that Christ is the way, and lead us into that way. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

REDS PURGED
BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—President Nasser has carried out in Syria one of the biggest purges of Communists in the Middle East, arresting more than 300 persons. The arrests, beginning last Thursday, virtually wiped out the Communist organization in the Syrian region of Nasser's United Arab Republic.

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A Bucket Of Sand Is Removed From Cesspool Hole Before Stafford's Rescue

Party, Rules Fights Battles Highlight Congress Opening

WASHINGTON (AP)—Battles over Republican leadership and Senate rules mixed conflict today with the traditional course of convening a new Congress.

As the 86th Congress assembled, Senate Democrats lined up for a new fight over filibusters and civil rights. Strident Republican minorities in both houses fought over who should lead them for the next two years.

The liberals advanced Sen. John Sherman Cooper of Kentucky, former ambassador and staunch Eisenhower supporter, for the post. Dirksen was credited with the House.

The liberals were trying also to install Sen. Thomas Kuchel of California as party whip or assistant leader. Dirksen now holds that post.

On the other side of the political fence, Democratic Leader Johnson was reported ready to take the job away from a bipartisan group of civil rights advocates who want a rules change to make it easier to kill off filibusters.

PROPOSED RULE
In the last session of Congress, Johnson was one of the sponsors of a resolution that would provide that two-thirds of those voting could end debate. The present rule requires the affirmative vote of 60 senators to accomplish this.

But Johnson's resolution also would require a two-thirds vote to change the rule.

6 Tennesseans Die In Wreck

KENTON, Ohio (AP)—Six Tennesseans were killed early today when their automobile collided head-on with a gasoline tanker truck in I. 58, about two miles north of here.

The highway patrol and funeral homes where the bodies were taken, said the victims had been identified tentatively as residents of Cleveland, Tenn., and vicinity.

The driver of the tanker was treated for lacerations on the hands, knees and face.

Patrolmen quoted him as saying that all he could remember of the accident was seeing bright lights. U. S. 68, a two-lane highway, was clear and weather conditions were reported good.

Rescue Fails; 6 Die In Fire

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The Lighter Side Hickory, Dickory Dock; So Cuckoo Is the Clock

(From AP Reports)
Marvin Taber of Hutchinson, Kan., gave a cuckoo clock to his wife recently on the occasion of their wedding anniversary.

He attached a note which said, "I will love you until the clock strikes 13."

You get one guess at what the clock did yesterday.

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But enough of the actress' diary remained to combine with her memories in a book that sets a new high in confessions as to show business personalities. She tells all, from her romance with John Barrymore ("He gave me love, affection, humor and, above all, beauty") to her long battle with alcoholism ("One can never go back to 'normal' drinking, not even an ounce.")

Several hundred Batista supporters have taken refuge in various foreign embassies in Havana, but the new regime has not indicated whether it would observe the Latin American tradition of safe conduct out of the country for political opponents.

Earlier Tuesday Urrutia's cabinet dissolved congress, suspended the criminal courts and announced it would rule by decree until elections are held. Revolutionary courts reportedly will be set up by Batista, now an exile in the Dominican Republic, and other officials of his regime who may be ousted.

Urrutia has said he would demand Batista's extradition from the Dominican Republic. The demand presumably will be rejected by the Dominican dictator, Generalissimo Rafael Trujillo.

FOUND HIMSELF
She also tells of finding herself through her conversion to the Roman Catholic Church. "I don't pretend to have all the answers, but I believe I have enough material with which to make living in this world pleasant for myself and, it must follow, others."