



DOG MOTHERS ABANDONED KITTENS
ST. LOUIS.—Rusty, part-cocker spaniel owned by Mrs. Adeline Ainsworth of suburban Jennings, turns a warning eye on Tallulah, the mother cat, while nursing kittens abandoned by Tallulah when they were a few days old. After attempts to feed the kittens by hand failed Rusty began nursing them and now refuses to let Tallulah go near the kittens.—AP Wirephoto.

'Substantial' Drug Traffic Here, Anslinger Reports

United States Commissioner of Narcotics Harry J. Anslinger today told the Narcotics Subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee that "Washington has a substantial drug traffic not under control."

"It is disgraceful to have drug traffic in the Nation's Capital," commented Subcommittee Chairman Boggs, Democrat of Louisiana.

Commissioner Anslinger said efforts to control the drug traffic here are "so restricted on search and seizure that I wonder how local police make any case stand up."

He cited a case in which his men knew that a "five-time loser" was coming in on a plane at a time too late to get a search warrant. The man gave his consent to a search, Mr. Anslinger continued, and a suitcase full of heroin was found in his possession "enough to supply the whole town for a while."

Evidence Suppressed
In court, he continued, defense counsel successfully moved to suppress the evidence on grounds the agents did not have probable cause to even suspect the man.

"In Baltimore," Mr. Anslinger said, "we would have turned that case over to State police and in five days he would have been in the penitentiary for five years."

The commissioner repeatedly said that in States where State and Federal judges impose heavy sentences on drug peddlers his agency is having relatively little trouble.

He cited especially, Maryland, New Jersey, Minnesota, Virginia, West Virginia, most of the New England States, South Dakota,

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Safe With \$2,600 Reported Stolen

A small safe containing \$2,600 was reported stolen last night from a Silver Spring plumbing and heating company, according to Montgomery County police.

Detective Lt. William Whalen said the safe was taken from a second floor office of the S. J. Cohen Plumbing & Heating Corp., 9105 Brookville road.

The 100-pound safe had been bolted to the floor, police said. Police believe the thieves broke a second floor rear window and used a ladder found beside the building to enter the office and carry out the safe.

THE FEDERAL SPOTLIGHT

Salary-Cut Protection Is Defended by CSC

By JOSEPH YOUNG

In a brief to the Controller General, the Civil Service Commission has strongly defended its right to afford at least temporary protection against salary cuts in the cases of Federal employees whose jobs are downgraded.

Various Federal agencies have questioned the CSC's authority and declared that only legislation approved by Congress can guarantee employees against salary cuts in downgradings.

The Controller General has the case under advisement and will issue his decision shortly.

The CSC contends that the Federal Classification Act gives it the authority to fix the salaries of classified employee jobs and that this empowers it to protect employees against salary cuts at least temporarily when their jobs are downgraded through no fault of their own.

The commission's program is not mandatory on the various Federal agencies. It merely gives agencies which want to the authority to continue an employee at his or her present salary when their jobs are downgraded. The minimum protection provided for extends for 26 weeks and may continue for at least several years, depending on the employee's length of service.

The idea behind the program is that in the interim period the agency may be able to assign the employee to a job at a grade commensurate with his former rating and thus prevent him from having to take an eventual salary cut.

The majority of agencies have not put the commission's regulations into effect, preferring to wait to see what the Controller General's decision will be.

FIRST ANNUAL CAREER AWARDS—The National Civil Service League, together with Look Magazine, will present its first annual career awards to outstanding Federal employees at a dinner December 2 in the Sheraton-Park Hotel. The awards will be an annual affair.

The names of the speakers at the dinner will be announced shortly. League officials said the speakers are nationally known figures. Also, some of the country's leading entertainers will perform.

CAA—A personnel reduction is pending among Civil Aeronautics Administration employees at National Airport. A personnel cut occurred there several months ago and now there are reports that at least 10 more jobs may be involved.

Agency officials say the number of jobs to be cut hasn't been determined but that it won't be as drastic as first feared. The reduction is due to reorganization and economy factors. Some of the employees involved have had as much as 25 years service with the agency. One of them, a grade 10, was offered a grade 4 job.

CSC APPOINTMENT—I. Ralph Atticks has been appointed special placement representative of the Civil Service Commission. A career employee, Mr. Atticks was a civilian personnel officer of the Army Department before coming to the commission in 1953. He became chief of the separated employees unit and later was named examining representative in the Competitive Examining Section of the Examining Division. In his new assignment, Mr. Atticks will be concerned primarily with placement of top management specialists in the Federal service.

SCIENCE FOUNDATION—Meanwhile, Clyde C. Hall, who had been the Civil Service Commission's special placement representative for the past 10 years, has resigned to become public information officer of the National Science Foundation. Mr. Hall is a former newspaperman and worked in the Washington bureau of the Associated Press before going into Government.

FORMAT CHANGES—Under the new editorship of Cecil E. Goode of the Defense Department, the next issue of Personnel Administration, the magazine of the Personnel Administration, the

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METHODISTS ASKED TO ALLOW WOMEN TO BE MINISTERS

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP).—More than 250 churchwomen meeting here have called on the General Conference of the Methodist Church to modify its rules and admit women to the ministry.

A resolution urging such action was unanimously passed yesterday by the Woman's Society of Christian Service from the Baltimore south district, representing 40 churches.

It stated, in effect, that women are as qualified as men to become ministers and that the rule should be changed.

Mrs. Roland Doxson of Baltimore introduced the resolution.

Nixon Presides Over Cabinet

The third meeting of the Cabinet with Vice President Nixon presiding was held at the White House today.

Sherman Adams, Assistant to the President, attended the two-and-a-half-hour session. He will leave Washington at 9 a.m. tomorrow to fly back to Denver, presumably to give President Eisenhower first-hand information regarding the meeting and about other governmental affairs in Washington.

Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey is scheduled to see the President tomorrow and presumably will leave here tonight. The next on the list of Cabinet officers slated to see the President is Secretary of Defense Wilson who is due to meet with Mr. Eisenhower on Monday. Admiral Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is to see the President also on Monday.

All members of the Cabinet attended today's meeting except the Postmaster General. His department was represented by Maurice H. Stann, deputy Postmaster General.

London Sends Troops To Strife-Torn Cyprus

LONDON, Oct. 14 (AP).—A battalion of infantrymen left Britain by air today to reinforce troops on strife-torn Cyprus.

About 600 men and 30 officers of the Gordon Highlanders took off in 15 planes from the Lyneham RAF station.

The decision to strengthen the Cyprus garrison was made after Field Marshal Sir John Harding, new governor of the island, reported to London the results of his on-the-spot investigation of agitation for union with Greece.

U. S. Electronic Brain To Replace 450 Workers

The Government is going to install a high speed electronic brain—replacing 450 employees—to keep track of the \$50 million checks the Government issues annually.

A joint announcement by Treasury Secretary Humphrey and Controller General Campbell said today the move will save \$2.25 million a year.

They said the change to electronic check handling would take a year and that they hoped most of the workers whose jobs will be abolished "will be taken care of by transfers."

The changeover is expected to make a direct saving to the Treasury of \$1.75 million, and to save \$1 million additional in operating costs of the Federal Reserve System.

The "brain" will not write checks, but will take over the complex disbursing and auditing accounting, which go before and after the issuance of a check by the Government.

The Treasury said the equipment will be leased from International Business Machines Corp. at a cost of approximately \$900,000 a year. It will replace other equipment already being leased at a cost of approximately \$725,000 a year.

U. S., Red China Meet On Repatriation Issue

GENEVA, Oct. 14 (AP).—Ambassadors of the United States and Communist China met for the 21st time here today in an effort to settle the repatriation of civilians of both sides and reduce tension in the Far East. No progress was announced after the secret meeting.

A 30-word communiqué said another session between United States Ambassador U. Alexis Johnson and Red Chinese Ambassador Wang Ping-nan would be held October 20. Today's meeting lasted an hour and 45 minutes.

The communiqué said the two sides agreed to continue their efforts to settle the repatriation of civilians of both sides and reduce tension in the Far East. No progress was announced after the secret meeting.

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Rest Is Ordered For Ben-Gurion

JERUSALEM, Oct. 14 (AP).—David Ben-Gurion, 69, premier-designate of Israel, was ordered by his doctors today to have absolute rest for a week.

A medical bulletin said Ben-Gurion "feels well," and that his condition is satisfactory, but that he needs a rest in view of fatigue.

Ben-Gurion has been under strain recently, first with the midsummer Israeli election campaign and later with his efforts to form a new coalition government. He was to have presented his cabinet to parliament Monday, but this has now been postponed until he has recovered.



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