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Give Italy Wider Powers In Trieste

LONDON, May 11 —(Saturday)—(AP)—Britain and the United States Saturday gave Italy wider administrative powers in Trieste's Zone A, the scene of anti-Allied rioting last March.

A three-power agreement provides for a new Italian political adviser and an Italian senior director of administration in Zone A, the Allied-occupied sector of the strategic Free Territory at the head of the Adriatic that Italy

lost under her peace treaty in 1947.

Italians are to be put into many administrative posts now held by British and U. S. officers. The reorganization is expected to be substantially completed by July 15.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Deborah and Mark Frakes of Dekalb, Mo., have 44 uncles and aunts, including 21 through marriages of previous uncles and aunts—a record maybe?

Virginia Whitacre lives in Whitacre, Vermont. Angeline Faith lives in Hancock, Md.

Six sets of twins live on Ferris St., Pawtucket, R. I.

Seven lizards inherited the interest on \$3,920 when Mrs. Marion Beatrice Kellett died in Johannesburg, South Africa. As each lizard dies, the capital will be reduced by \$560, which will be paid to Kellett's widower.

It's the law in Bolivia that every home must keep fish in their drinking water. Why? Because the fish eat mosquito larvae and thus reduce the danger of Yellow Fever. Official inspectors pour oil into water jars that are found minus fish.

Looking for a pair of surplus army trousers, Ben Kimball, of Kearney, Neb., found just what he was looking for—right fit, etc.

In fact they fitted so well they felt familiar. He looked at the army serial number written inside and found his own former number—K6481. A veteran of the Second World War, Kimball had turned in the pants at Camp Atterbury, Ind., when discharged.

Miles of roads containing natural rubber powder have already been laid in the United States and Canada.

In the roads laid to date, the new material has come through fine. Cold weather does not affect them.

A series of car-stopping tests have definitely established that natural rubber powdered roads are a long step in stopping cars quickly when brakes are applied.

Road engineers claim that roads constructed of this material stand up perfectly under ice conditions. Preliminary tests indicate that ice film forms at lower temperature when natural rubber is added to the paving material. Pavement becomes less brittle at below-freezing temperatures, and less soft in hot weather. Furthermore, rubber roads gather little dust, and the destructive effect of traffic shock and vibration is greatly reduced.

Interest in rubber roads first came to light 13 years ago when one was laid in Holland. The Germans used the rubber road when they invaded the low country. The Allies also used this same stretch of highway when they drove the enemy out of the Netherlands. Yet in spite of the terrific strain put upon it by the army, the road today is in perfect condition. In more than 13 years of the most gruelling use, it has never cost a dollar in maintenance and still requires none. Ah, for such roads in the Garden of the Gulf!

You could not find, in all the world, a spectacle of barbarity to equal the palace owned by the King of Siam. In its courtyard are spires of inlaid glass, grotesque statuary, strong and bizarre demons and monsters, marble elephants, temples and pagodas roofed with porcelain. All done in flashy colors, all glittering like crazy bubbles in the sun. It is so barbaric and yet so beautiful that it reminds the visitor of Heaven and Hades thrown together to produce a blinding effect.

The Hindu of India will kill his own daughter by leaving her as an infant in some jungle clearing, and even when he will not actually take life, he will watch it unmoved, dying by inches in agony.

Cruelty does not describe how the Siamese hunter capture wild elephants. First, they shoot the animals in the leg from ambush, and follow cautiously until the swelling of the wounded limb makes the animal incapable of charging. From then on it is an easy thing to kill the beast in safety.

The hunt is quite an event, begun with soothing on the part of the kakirs, who select the place and the hour the chase is to begin. A large enclosure is built by making a circular palisade of poles ten to twelve feet high; a wild herd is driven into this enclosure by tame elephants. Then the entrance is closed, the suitable animals selected, and the rest released.

After being starved for a few days to make them weaker and more easily handled, they are put to work. A full-grown elephant, properly trained and broke fetches about \$5,000, but in the jungle his board costs little or nothing as he is turned out to forage for himself. He can be worked steadily from his sixth year until his death which is one reason why a good working beast costs so much.

Borneo, the second largest island in the world, is still a howling wilderness, the haunt of orangutans, poisonous reptiles, and head-hunting savages. It is more dangerous for a white man than any wilderness in darkest Africa—a seemingly endless stretch of white sand and jungle seated on a sea of blue water.

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Murderer Dies In Gas Chamber

SAN QUENTIN, Calif., May 11—(CP)—Stanley Buckowski, who thought the world was "peopled by punks," died in San Quentin's gas chamber Friday for the murder of an 82-year-old woman.

The ailing 37-year-old killer also confessed, while in prison, to murders of three Toronto residents.

Buckowski, born in Winnipeg and raised in Toronto, was pronounced dead by prison doctors at 10:13 a. m. (1:13 p. m. EDT) 10 minutes after the lethal gas fumes crept over him as he sat strapped in the death-chamber chair.

He was silent in his last hour except to snarl at the prison warden, a priest and his lawyer who tried to help him.

Buckowski, a self-confessed narcotics addict, was sentenced to death for the murder of Mrs. Helen Edmunds, 82, who surprised him while he was burgling her Los Angeles home in February, 1950, and started screaming.

He was convicted and sentenced to death Dec. 4, 1950.

His wife, Jean, 23, was tried with him for the murder but was acquitted.

Buckowski confessed to the Toronto slayings of Alfred Laying and Robert and Gloria McKay in 1949, three murders unsolved for two years.

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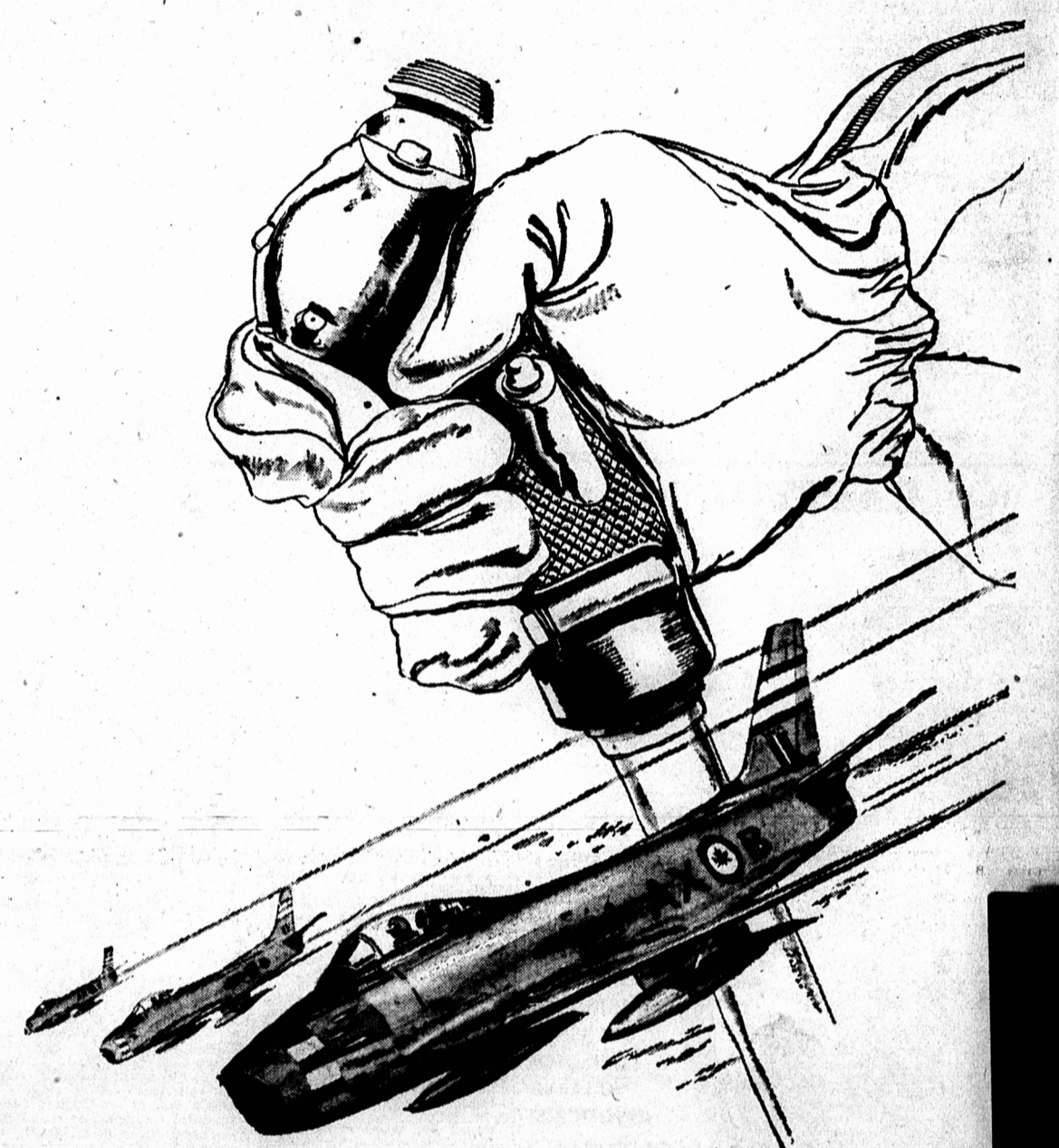
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