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U. S. Breaks Diplomatic Relations With Bulgaria

Well...
I Dunno,
But...

This from the "Life in These United States" in the forthcoming issue of the Reader's Digest struck us as having a lot of truth in it. The red-faced man was expressing his opinions vehemently. "Why, I wouldn't trust Jim Jones with the ashes of a dead cigar," he ended. A genial looking fat man sitting nearby spoke up: "That's funny, Bill, I was with Jim this morning and he was telling me that he thought you were about the most dependable, upstanding man in this community. He sure seemed to think the world of you." The red-faced one's color deepened. "Oh Jim's all right. I was just kidding, Jim's as fine as they come."

Later I saw the fat man alone. "Quite a coincidence that you heard Jim Jones praising this fellow who was cursing him out?" The fat one winked. "I don't even know Jim Jones. That's just a gag I pull whenever I hear some fellow getting cussed. And it always works. A man can't keep on cursing someone he hears has been praising him—it would be questioning the guy's judgment."

The Soviet satellites in the Balkans are a lot like American women. Just let one do something different and the rest want to follow suit. It's sorta like fads in this country.

The Robert A. Vogeler trial in Hungary has set off just such a follow the Jones situation and Bulgaria is following suit with the indictment of five Bulgarians, including two former United States legation employees, on charges of spying for the Western Powers. All Sofia papers carried the story under this headline, "Legation of the United States in Sofia Center of Plots and Espionage Against Peoples Republic of Bulgaria."

By gosh, if we've got so many people spyin' for us, it looks like we oughta learn more about what's goin' on behind the "Iron Curtain." And since all of those charged and tried are sentenced as being guilty, they must be doin' a poor job of spyin' not to get more done before they're caught.

We fell "hook, line and sinker" Monday afternoon for M. L. King's "Mardi Gras face" and was just about ready to protest being accused when M. L. reached up and removed the false face. When we first saw the creature, we had a funny feelin' that we oughta know him but the change in voice completely threw us off the track.

Kathryn Patton who is doing work for the Church of Christ in Frankfurt, Germany, has written Mrs. O. G. Lanier of her pleasure at receiving a copy of the Ranger Daily Times. A copy of the Times carrying the story of Mary Allen Lanier's marriage to Walter Pierce Pruitt had been mailed to Miss Patton.

The young lady has visited in Ranger many times and one summer was sent by the Ranger church to do missionary work in a section of New York.

Los Angeles Has Gasoline Price War



As a gasoline price war spread slowly across the nation, operators in the Los Angeles area advertised a "price war" and cut prices up to five cents per gallon on both regular and premium grade of gas. At the above L. O. S. intersection, station owner Jesse Furrow, left has cut the price one cent below his competitor across the street. (NEA Telephoto.)

NO ACTION TAKEN IN NASH CASE

The case of Mrs. Margaret Wilma Nash who is being held for Texas authorities in Los Angeles was turned over to the grand jury Monday and according to District Attorney Elzo Been, no action has been taken by the grand jury on the case. The district attorney stated that he did not expect any action to be taken by the grand jury unless more supporting testimony is found. Mrs. Nash is being held on her own confession that she killed Jimmie Daniels, Ranger policeman, on February 5, 1925 in Ranger. Los Angeles police have stated that they will hold Mrs. Nash pending instructions from Texas authorities. Chief W. G. Founds stated today that if no action is taken by the grand jury when it reconvenes he will call the chief of police at Los Angeles and tell him that the authorities here will not press the case, but that if Mrs. Nash wants to come back to Texas on "her own" to clear up the case officers will go into the case with her. Chief Founds stated he felt that the woman should be brought back and her story heard, but that officers have been assured that no conviction could result on her testimony alone. He said that the district attorney has stated that more corroborating testimony would have to be found before the woman could be tried.

BULGARIAN MISSION ASKED TO LEAVE WASHINGTON IMMEDIATELY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (UP)—The State Department announced today that it has broken diplomatic relations with Bulgaria. State Department press spokesman Michael J. McDermott said the United States informed the Bulgarian Foreign office of the break in a note delivered in Sofia yesterday. The Bulgarian Charge D'Affaire in Washington, Peter Voutov, was informed today and was asked to make immediate preparations to withdraw the Bulgarian diplomatic mission from Washington. The United States broke off relations because Bulgaria had accused Donald R. Heath, the U. S. minister in Sofia, of conspiring against the Bulgarian government. Bulgaria declared him persona non grata and asked his recall. The United States warned Bulgaria at the time that this country would break relations unless Bulgaria withdrew the charges. Bulgaria ignored the U. S. warning. Voutov was at the State Department only five hours. As he emerged from Thompson's office the stock blond diplomat smiled nervously at reporters. "It is just that the State Department wants to break relations with Bulgaria," he said. "Soon we are all going home—maybe at the beginning of March." Voutov said there are 12 Bulgarians attached to his staff. Only two of them—Voutov and his attaché, Constantin Grigorov—have diplomatic status. SOFIA, Bulgaria, Feb. 21 (UP)—The government announced today that five Bulgarians, including two former United States legation employees, have been indicted on charges of spying for the western powers. The announcement was carried by all Sofia papers under the headline: "Legation of the United States in Sofia center of plots and espionage against peoples Republic of Bulgaria." The indictments were announced while U. S. legation was awaiting a reply to a month-old note demanding that Bulgaria withdraw its request for the recall of American minister Donald Read Heath. The press charged that the five indicted Bulgarians transmitted political, economic and military information to American intelligence agents. The two former employees of the U. S. legation were Mihail Shikov, 39, former legation interpreter and son of a wealthy exporter of starr roses, and Jivka Rindkova, 23; Nikola Tzanov, 23, described as a former member of the Fascist youth; and Vassi Matchev, 19, a student.

March 1 Deadline For Conservation Of Soil Entries

FOR WORTH, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—Deadline for entries in the Fifth Annual "Save The Soil And Save Texas" awards program will be March 1, with winners to be announced at a dinner here May 6. Entries from throughout the state are being received from high school students, with the writer of the best essay on "My Soil Conservation District" receiving an expense-paid vacation in Colorado. Some 10,000 entries were received last year. Awards vary from the farmer or rancher who has done the best job of conservation with a worn-out piece of land, to the business or professional man who has rendered the greatest unselfish service to soil conservation. For the first time this year, a radio station will be given a plaque for the most effective support to the soil conservation district program. Awards also offered to both weekly and daily newspapers for the best editorials and advertisements on soil conservation. The program is sponsored by the Scripps-Howard Papers of Texas, and is directed by Walter R. Humphrey, editor of the Fort Worth Press, who first conceived the idea. The Smart Shop, Inc., Ranger's latest addition in the field of merchandising, reported today that a total of 271 visitors called at the shop at its formal opening last week end. The shop owned and operated by Mrs. Audrey Younker and Mrs. Gertrude Palmer was flower bedecked for the opening with arrangements sent by well-wishing friends and business associates. Favors were sachet bags tied in yellow, blue green and pink. The shop is carrying nationally known lines in ready-to-wear, accessories and lingerie and will follow up their slogan, "Special For You" with special orders for their patrons. Mrs. Verna Lee Brown is associated with the owners in the shop.

Damp And Cooler Weather Due

By United Press Showers will dampen Texas today and bring cooler weather to the north and western sections tonight. In an early morning forecast, the U. S. Weather Bureau at Dallas said showers could be expected in East Texas today and tonight and in the Del Rio-Eagle Pass area for two days. Between midnight and dawn, rain was reported at Fort Worth, Marfa and Dallas. Skies were clear in the Panhandle and South Plains but clouds hung over the rest of the state during the early morning hours. The top of a cool front touched Dalhart before sunup, dropping the mercury to 34 degrees. It had not reached Amarillo where the temperature was 47 degrees. At the other end of the thermometer, Brownsville had a warmish 70. Other pre-dawn readings were Lufkin 53, Dallas 58, San Antonio 62, Houston 59, Childress 54, Abilene 56, El Paso 55. The two former employees of the U. S. legation were Mihail Shikov, 39, former legation interpreter and son of a wealthy exporter of starr roses, and Jivka Rindkova, 23; Nikola Tzanov, 23, described as a former member of the Fascist youth; and Vassi Matchev, 19, a student.

Prospectors Join Search For Five Missing Flyers

CANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 21 (UP)—Six veteran prospectors today joined the search for the remaining five crewmen of a B-36 Superbomber believed to be on gale-swept Princess Royal Island off the British Columbia Coast. The grizzled soundoughs were to work independently from more than 200 ground searchers based from the Royal Canadian Navy Destroyer Cayuga. Capt. Harold L. Barry, 30, Hillboro, Ill., one of the 12 survivors of the 17-man crew that parachuted from their plane a week ago, said "the jump pattern shows they are definitely on the island." The missing men were the first four and the next to last to leave the plane. Barry, 1st Lt. Paul Gerhart, 26, Germantown, Pa., and T-Sgt. Martin B. Stephens, 30, San Francisco, were flown from their base at Fort Worth, Tex., to search headquarters here to retrace their steps in reaching safety on maps made by aerial reconnaissance planes. Barry's confidence that his missing buddies were on the island was relayed to the dog-tired searchers. But hope decreased that the missing airmen could stay alive during miserable weather without food. Fine-tooting the island was a major job. It is 50 miles long and about 20 miles across at the widest point. The 17 men abandoned their B-36 early last Tuesday after three of its six engines caught fire and fast-ferming ice dragged it down from 40,000 to 5,000 feet. The plane was en route from Alaska to Texas.

AUTOPSY MAY BE BIG FACTOR IN SANDER TRIAL

BY PAUL F. ELLIS United Press Science Editor MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 21 (UP)—Men accused of murder have been convicted or freed on an autopsy report. So it may be in the case of Dr. Hermann N. Sander. He has admitted that he injected 40 cubic centimeters of air into the veins of a dying cancer patient, and the state charges that he thereby committed murder. The autopsy may show that the dosage of air was not sufficient to cause death. Medical science is not sure just how much air into the heart will kill a person. Sander's patient, Mrs. Abbie C. Borroto, died December 4 and it was not until some seven weeks later that her body was exhumed and an autopsy performed. The report is a guarded secret. The states had not ordered an autopsy as is usually the case. This autopsy was made on request of Sander's defense attorneys. It was an unusual autopsy. In the first place, the dissecting of the body and the minute examination of the vital organs required 10 hours. Many photographs were taken. The comments of the doctors as they worked over the body were recorded on tape. The whole procedure is expected to be re-played in the courtroom and unless Sander himself goes on the stand it may be the highlight of the trial. There will be expert testimony from the doctors who were present at the autopsy. Dr. Richard Ford, Harvard University pathologist, will testify for the defense. Dr. Ralph Miller for the State. Miller is the New Hampshire State of Dartmouth College. Dr. Albert Halprin, chief medical examiner for the city of New York, was called in as an outside expert. The report of the experts probably will not be in agreement. The fact that 10 hours were required for the autopsy may be an indication that the doctors made a thorough search for all centers where cancer had spread in Mrs. Borroto's body. On the death certificate it was stated that she had cancer of the large bowel that had spread to the liver. In such advanced stage of cancer it is quite common to find in an autopsy that cancer had spread to many other parts of the body. The defense is expected to emphasize that the cancer alone caused death, regardless of the 40 cubic centimeters of air.

GOVERNMENT MINE SEIZURE ALMOST SURE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (UP)—A high government official said today that federal seizure of the soft coal mines is "almost inevitable" within a few days. He told newsmen the crack-down could be averted only by an unexpected speed-up in negotiations between John L. Lewis and the soft coal operators or by an equally unexpected back-to-work move on the part of the 372,000 striking United Mine Workers. The official did not disclose details of how President Truman would seize the mines. Mr. Truman has said he does not have seizure power now and there have been no indications that he plans to ask Congress for the authority. As Lewis and the operators resumed negotiations (at 10:30 A. M. EST), some government officials said they believed the parleys would bog down even more as a result of the government's contempt of court action against the union. Federal Judge Richard B. Keach directed the union to show cause next Friday why it should not be cited in contempt because its members ignore the 10-day "no strike" order he issued on Feb. 11. Keach's action was not directed against Lewis personally. The mine workers chief twice has pleaded with his miners to return to the pits in accordance with the court's order. In the past, Lewis and the union has been fined \$2,130,000 for ignoring two federal no-strike court orders. Eat Hot Dogs by the Mile WHEELING, W. Va. (UP)—They bought hot dogs by the mile at two amusement parks here last season. Park officials reported 1,500,000 visitors ate, to be exact, 17 miles of the all-American delicacy. They also consumed 38,000 bags of pop corn and 188,415 bars of ice cream. Snow Crosses Up Skiers SEATTLE, Wash. (UP)—Special trains scheduled by the Milwaukee Railroad to take skiers to a nearby winter sports area were cancelled three week ends in a row. Railroad officials announced that 142 inches of snow had covered tracks, making train movements impossible.

Opening Of Smart Shop Draws Crowd

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Consul Asked To Start Search For Missing Couples

SEMINOLE, Tex. (UP)—The U. S. Consul at Chihuahua City, Mex., has been asked to start a search for two Seminole couples overdue on a vacation there. The Gaines County Sheriff's office identified the missing couples as Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Adairson, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crockett. They left Seminole by automobile last Tuesday to fish on a lake 100 miles northwest of Chihuahua City, planning to return by last Saturday.

Dress Rehearsal For Play Tonight

A dress rehearsal for the Band Boosters Club's play will be held tonight at 7 o'clock at the High School auditorium and all members of the cast are expected to be there promptly at the appointed hour. The play will be presented at the High School Friday night at 7:30 o'clock and proceeds from the admission charges will be used in work with the band. Title of the play is "Deacon Dubbs" and is a three act comedy. Parts will be taken by local talent.

Mitchell Rites To Be Wed.

Funeral services for Lee A. Mitchell of Ranger will be conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in Ranger. The Rev. David C. Ham, pastor of the church, will officiate and interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery with Killingsworth's in charge of arrangements. Mr. Mitchell died of a heart attack shortly after reporting for duty on his job with the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company at the Butler Camp, Monday morning. He was born in Georgia October 6, 1882 and had been a resident of Ranger since 1926. He was a member and deacon of the First Baptist Church. Survivors are Mrs. Mitchell, one son, Robert Lee Mitchell of California, two daughters, Mrs. R. V. Robinson of Ranger and Mrs. Gene Kribbs of Denton. 3 sisters, Mrs. Jim Schmitt of Hope, Arkansas, Mrs. C. C. Harmon of Emmet, Arkansas and Mrs. Minnie Clark of Carroll, Ohio; three brothers, Will Mitchell of Mingus, Frank Mitchell of Gordon and Hubert Mitchell of Eliasville. Four grandchildren also survive. Pallbearers will be Flake Turner, Alex Robinson, Elton Kenney, W. W. Mitchell, Lloyd Bruce, T. J. Anderson and W. A. Lewis. Honorary pallbearers will be Carl Page, Joe McKinnon, Dr. R. H. Hodges, Col. Brashier, Elton Brooks, P. P. Kribbs, W. B. Emfinger, O. F. Sides, Will Eyley, and W. P. Powell.

Eight Burn To Death As Fire Destroys Home

ADDITION, Mich., Feb. 21 (UP)—Farmer Gerald Beagle and seven of his nine children burned to death early today when fire destroyed their rickety frame home. The victims' scorched bodies were found in the smoldering ruins by firemen who said they "didn't have a chance against the flames." Victims were Beagle, 44, Geraldine, 14; Barbara, 12; Elois, 10; Norma, 9; Paul, 6; William 5, and Linda, 23 months. The mother, Mrs. Dorothy Beagle, 44, jumped from a second floor window and ran barefoot nearly half a mile to the home of Morris Miller who called firemen and took her to Addison Hospital. Attendants said she suffered second degree burns and cuts and bruises but would recover. Dr. Robert Huebner said Mrs. Beagle told him at the hospital "there isn't any use going out there." "They're all dead," she sobbed. "I saw all of them there before I got out." She said the fire was caused by a defective coal furnace, but authorities were unable to verify her statement immediately.

March Of Dimes Jars Available

R. V. Galloway stated today that fruit jars that were used in the March of Dimes campaign are back at the Chamber of Commerce and if there are those who wish to have their jars back, they may get them by calling at Galloway's office. He stated that those that are not called for will be saved for use in next year's drive for funds.

Miss Brazda To Take Part In Music Festival

Elaine Brazda, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Brazda as a member of the 200-voice SMU Choral Union, will take part in the first annual SMU Music Festival on the SMU Campus March 15-25. The festival will include performances by the San Antonio Symphony Orchestra, The Houston Symphony and the Dallas Symphony. The symphony orchestras will appear in the order named on March 15, 17 and 22. The Choral Union will climax the festival program with a performance of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" oratorio with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra on March 25. Miss Brazda sings in the alto section of the campus-wide choral organization.

Capt. Boyd Said To Be Better

Capt. Johnnie Boyd of the Police Force today was reported to be resting better at his home where he has been confined since last Tuesday. Captain Boyd sustained a back injury last Tuesday and has suffered painfully since then and has been confined to bed.

Doctor Goes On Trial for "Mercy Killing"

Dr. Hermann Sander, center, is accompanied by his wife, right, and his lawyer, Louis Wyman, left, as he enters the Hillsborough County Court at Manchester, N. H. Dr. Sander is on trial in the "Mercy Slaying" of Mrs. Abbie Bronoto, a cancer victim. (NEA Telephoto.)



Masons To Have Banquet Thursday

It was announced today that the annual Washington's Day banquet and program will be held Thursday night beginning at 6:30 o'clock at the Masonic Hall. The banquet will be held in the banquet hall downstairs and after the banquet the guests will go to the hall upstairs where a program will be given and guest speaker heard. All Master Masons and their wives are invited to attend.

THE WEATHER
By United Press
EAST TEXAS—Considerable cloudiness, a few light rain showers in east and south this afternoon, in east tonight, and near the Coast Wednesday. Cooler Wednesday and in west and extreme north tonight. Fresh to strong southerly winds on the coast, becoming northerly Wednesday.
WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy, a few showers in Del Rio-Eagle Pass area this afternoon; cooler in Panhandle and South Plains this afternoon; partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; cooler tonight.

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CONFESSED BANDIT WAITS RETURN TO LOUISIANA

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—A mild-mannered robbery victim who told police that he had made off with \$28,000 in a stick-up at the swank old Southport Club today as he awaited the arrival of Louisiana authorities.

The man, about 55, identified himself as F. G. Maloney. He nonchalantly told police Capt. Fritz of Dallas that all he wanted to do is go back to Jefferson Parish, La., and get this thing straightened out.

Fritz amplified "this thing" as the \$28,000 hijacking of the old Southport Club last Jan. 10. "I only got what was coming to me," Maloney told Fritz.

Fritz said he had been told that Maloney formerly worked at the gambling club, and that he was once Jefferson Parish sheriff Frank Clancy's brother-in-law.

Dallas police became acquainted with Maloney last Sunday when he reported that two masked men, armed with revolvers, had broken into his tourist cabin and stole \$888 in cash and a diamond ring.

With him was a statuesque, 30-year-old redhead who had registered as his wife.

Fritz called Maloney in for an interview yesterday to talk about the tourist court robbery.

Shortly after Maloney had gone New Orleans police called Fritz and recommended that the man be questioned in the old Southport robbery.

Maloney and the redhead later were picked up in downtown Dallas. Fritz said Maloney had \$16,000 in his pockets when arrested and \$5,000 was found in the hotel room where the couple had registered following the tourist court holdup.

"I think he knows who robbed him and I also think they took him for several thousand dollars," Fritz said. "They knew what they were after."

Louisiana police said they did not want the red-head but offered to give her a "free ride" back to Jefferson Parish when they return Maloney.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS



DUAL-PURPOSE HEART—What with Boy Scout Week, celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, and St. Valentine's Day being so close together, these Girl Scouts in New York decided to combine their greetings into one oversize heart.

Ft. Worth Livestock

slow, steady to weak, spots 25-50 lower, stockers steady. Good and choice slaughter calves 24.00-26.00, common and medium 18.50-23.00, culls 16.00-17.50. Few medium and good stocker calves 22.00-27.00. HOGS 1000: Butcher hogs and feeder pigs mostly steady with Monday, some steady to 50 higher. Good and choice 185-260-lbs. most by 17.00 and 17.25, good and choice 150-180-lbs. and 270-375 lbs. 14.50-16.75. Sows 13.00-14.50. Feeder pigs 11.00-14.00. SHEEP 1200: Slaughter lambs steady to strong, feeders steady, other classes scarce Good and choice shorn slaughter lambs with No. 1 and 2 pelts 23.50. Good fresh shorn slaughter lambs 23.00, medium and good fall shorn lambs 23.50. Feeder lambs 23.00-50, good feeders absent.

CALVES 500: Slaughter calves

PROSECUTION APPEALS SPY CASE ON LENIENCY

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 21 (UP)—Robert A. Vogeler, 39, American business man who pleaded guilty to sabotage and spying against Hungary for the United States, was sentenced to 15 years in prison today.

The prosecution appealed at once, as is its privilege in Hungarian courts, on grounds that the court had been "too lenient."

A British associate, Edgar Sanders, was sentenced to 13 years imprisonment. Two Hungarian co-defendants were given death sentences. Three other Hungarians were sentenced to prison terms of five to 10 years.

mony Vogeler read, and "torture or drugs apparently were used."

(In London, a foreign office spokesman said it was fair to speculate that "threats, inducements and pressure" had been applied to cause Sanders to incriminate himself.)

Judge Vilmos Olthy of the Budapest people's court pronounced sentences after a trial that lasted only three days. All seven defendants pleaded guilty to operating and taking part in a spy ring which functioned for eight years.

Vogeler, assistant vice president and eastern European manager of the International Telephone and Telegraph Company said in court that his business connections in Hungary were designed merely as a cover for his spying on behalf of the U. S. Army Intelligence.

The sentences of the Hungarians, handed down in the red brick criminal court building where Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment, follow:

Imre Geiger, manager of the Standard Electric Company, Hungarian subsidiary of the I. T. & T. death;

Zoltan Rado, former section chief in a government ministry, death;

Istvan Justh, a Catholic priest, 10 years;

Keleman Domokos, factory director, 10 years;

Edina Doery, a Baroness turned barmaid, five years.

Five of the defendants, including Vogeler and Sanders, who is a cousin of actor George Sanders, had faced possible death sentences under the law.

Vogeler was white of face but firmly in control of himself when he and his six co-defendants marched from their jail cells with police escort just before 1 P. M. (7 A. M. EST).

Their lawyers strode briskly into the courtroom. The corridor

Chicken Stealing Disapproved BOSTON, (UP)—A law dating from Colonial days gives Massachusetts poultrymen unique police powers. They may hold prisoners for 24 hours any chicken thief caught on their property. The only exception is that such thieves may not be held on the Sabbath.

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leading to the chamber was blocked off. Only 150 ticketholders were allowed past the guards.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



VIC FLINT

BY MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE



FINGERPRINTS Don't Lie

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THE STORY: At a swimming pool, Azalea Palmer, young, beautiful and platinum-haired daughter of the wealthy Wendell Palmer, is discovered by her father, a sculptor Paul Moody, when he learns that her father has been reported as being killed.



Sprawled on the rug was the body of Wendell Palmer. . . Azalea screamed.

THE Palmer home had been built in the era when walls were permitted in Los Angeles. In fact it was so old that it did not have even a swimming pool.

The roof had deep overhanging eaves, too, for it dated back to a time when Los Angeles had not discovered that its sunshine had so little radiation that shadows are as cold as the sun is hot. The windows were not exhibitionist show-cases for the interior. They were small and heavily curtained.

But the house was not lost in the depths of the estate. Though its gardens and trees crowded close to the windows, the house fronted on the street, and a flight of steep steps climbed to the rather grandiose door.

For some strange reason, richer homes in Los Angeles keep fewer servants than mansions of equal luxury would house elsewhere. Perhaps this is because the people eat out so much, and servants want so much time off.

In any case, Wendell Palmer could not endure a valet, or a real butler. He would not even have a secretary in the house. Rich as he was, he hated to be waited on, and it was not at all unusual that he should be all alone in the palace.

Azalea Palmer was out of the car before Nadine Fannell had brought it to a full stop. Over her shoulder she called "Thanks! G'bye!" She darted up the steps.

hurred her back up the steps. Choked with horror and terror, Azalea led her to the door of the library which Wendell Palmer used for his office. Azalea pointed. Nadine flinched away.

Sprawled on the rug was the body of Wendell Palmer. His white hair was matted with blood. In a sudden return to little girlhood, Azalea screamed:

"Daddy! Daddy!" and would have flung herself on the floor and lifted his battered head to her breast. But Nadine caught her back. It took all her strength to hold the maddened girl, and she had to repeat over and over:

"Don't touch anything! You mustn't touch or move a thing! You mustn't touch a thing till the police get here. Have you called them?"

Azalea looked at her through tear-filled eyes and shook her head. She was imbecile with shock and grief.

"I didn't call anybody but you." "Then I'll call them," said Nadine. "Don't move! Don't touch a thing!"

She ran to the telephone, but fell back from it in horror, seeing that it was covered with blood and the table about it was red. She ran into the adjoining room where there was an extension, dialed the "O Operator" and cried:

"Give me the police!" In a moment a man's voice answered. He shouted: "Murder! Police! Help!"

"Address and name please," the voice demanded. Nadine gave them. The voice said: "Hold on. I'll give you the near-

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State 38.
Kansas 67, Drake 50.
Oklahoma 76, Iowa State 48.
Iowa 64, Minnesota 62.
Nebraska 55, Missouri 48.
Wisconsin 58, Purdue 45.
Northwestern 61, Marquette 52.
Michigan 70, Michigan State 53.
Washington (STL) 33, Wayne
28.
Ohio State 75, Indiana 65.
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Tennessee 67, Louisiana State
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SPORTS

FT. WORTH BOXERS KEEP TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—Fort Worth boxers today retained their team championship after easing out Amarillo in the 14th Annual State Golden Gloves Tournament last night.

About 5,000 fans were on hand last night to witness the semi-finals and finals of the tournament in Will Rogers Coliseum.

Pat McCarthy, a 167-pounder from Amarillo, took the flyweight championship by piling up points in the first two rounds and standing off a third-round attack by southpaw Ferrell Snider, 112, of Fort Worth.

Another left hander, Felix Baker of Houston, won the bantamweight title by defeating Freddy Morales, 116, of "Abilene," flyweight champion for two years. Baker, 118, pounds, used his longer arms to advantage, although Morales had the edge on in-fighting.

Alfred Flores, a hard-hitting Allen Academy student, decided veteran Lloyd Denman, 126-pounder from Waco, in the featherweight title scrap. Flores straightened up Denman several times in the second round with a looping right.

Johnny O'Gee of Dallas kept his lightweight championship by jabbing his way to a decision over Jim McFadden, a Waco soldier. O'Gee took the lead early in the first round with sharp rights and hurt McFadden with uppercuts in the second heat when the soldier went into a crouch.

Adolfo Martinez, a 19-year-old El Paso puncher, took the welterweight title by spring a technical knockout in the second round over Johnny Fannell of Corpus Christi. Martinez, arm was raised when Fannell, who had been belted with left hooks and a haymaker right, could answer the bell for the second round.

Chuck Wallace Willard of Houston finally caught up with

Wyoming 50, Utah State 35,
Denver 41, Colorado A. and M. 36.

Jim Wortham, Amarillo 157-pounder and floored him with a right hook in the third round to win the middleweight championship on a decision.

Michael Woolsey, a fighter' mad 172-pounder of Fort Worth, soothed his pride by scoring a technical knockout over J. Roy Henry of Amarillo for the light-heavyweight championship.

His semi-final decision over Campbell Woodman of Bryan brought boos and catcalls from the spectators. His second-round victory clinched the team title for Fort Worth.

In the final fight, Tom Adams of Hardin Simmons, who has never lost a golden gloves fight in Texas in four years, pummeled James Hoff of Rice Institute to win the heavyweight championship. Adams floored Hoff in the first round for a nine-count with a left hook and right cross, but the Houston boxer was still on his feet at the final bell.

Two Teams To Meet Here Tonite

Tonight at 8 o'clock at the Recreation building the Morton Valley Baptists basketball team will meet the Community Center Broncos, an all-colored team from Brownwood. Admission will be 50 cents for adults and 25 for college and high school students.

The team from Brownwood is expected to arrive about 7 o'clock.

The game is the initial event of a series being planned for the community of Morton Valley and proceeds from which will be used to buy equipment for the Morton Valley gym, to refinish the floor and to buy uniforms for the various teams. The series is designed to promote community interest and wholesome entertainment.

A girls' basketball team has already been organized, and a team for boys of junior high school age will be formed in the

Political Announcements

The following have announced their candidacy for the various offices in the coming elections of 1950.

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P. L. CROSSLEY, (re-election).

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—It may be 12 years before Stanley Majewski and his bride of one day can start their honeymoon.

The Majewskis were married yesterday in a criminal district courtroom. Only a few minutes before they said "I do," Majewski was found guilty of robbery, theft and burglary.

His sentence—12 years in the penitentiary.

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—A lack of "mummy sense" by some Texas legislators was criticized yesterday by Prof. George C. Hester of Southwestern University.

Hester, a former member of the legislature, told the Texas Retail Jewellers Association at a luncheon that the state needs to reduce its expenditures.

The expenditures, the professor of government said, have nearly quadrupled in the past decade and although tax revenue has greatly increased, "we still haven't got enough money."

HUBBARD, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—Injuries received last night when his automobile left the road and overturned on the outskirts of Hubbard were fatal to Hoyt Odom Fondren, 33, of Dawson.

Fondren was alone in the automobile which traveled 600 feet on the side of the road before overturning, officers said.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—San Antonio's 1950 traffic fatality toll stood at five today with Pvt. Nicholas Buchniak, 20, the latest victim.

Buchniak, stationed at Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, was fatally injured yesterday when his automobile collided with a heavy dirt truck.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—Patrolman Vernon Irby, 29, was in serious condition in a hospital today after four negro men attacked him last night.

Irby was shot once in the left side as he struggled with one of the men. The other three fled.

William David Scott, 21, a concrete worker, was arrested and

next few days. Plans are also underway for ping pong tournaments, softball tournaments and contests of various kinds.

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charged with assault to murder and carrying a pistol.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—Paul Walkup, a tavern operator was charged with attempted robbery today after an attack on Happy Allen, cafe owner.

Allen told police he was walking in downtown Houston at noon yesterday when a man he identified as Walkup tried to slug him and grab a money bag containing \$7,000.

Walkup denied the charge, and insisted he was only talking to Allen about a business deal.

"He just got mad at me over the deal," Walkup said.

GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—This island city came up today with its own version of the famed Mardi Gras celebration, complete with street dancing, parades and a masked ball.

An annual event, the celebration coincides with its bigger counterpart in New Orleans.

The grand ball will be tonight in the Marine Room of the Galveston pleasure pier.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 21 (UP)—The nation's coal strike may hamper operations at the Sheffield-Steel Corp. plant here within two weeks, plant spokesmen estimated today.

The plant's coal stockpile will last that long, and then some 350 to 400 employees who operate the furnaces may be laid off, according to R. L. Gray, president of the firm.

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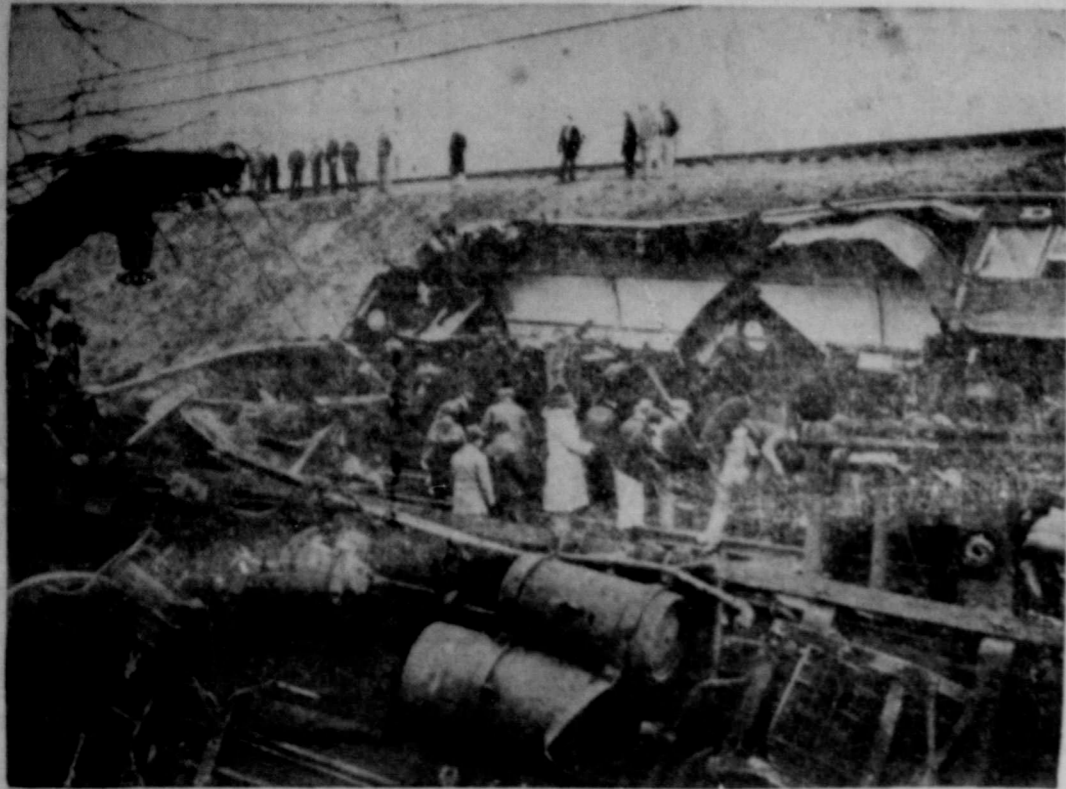
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Wrecking crews work to clear tracks at Rockville Center, N. Y., after head-on collision of two trains in which at least 29 persons were killed and more than 100 injured. Note steel car in background, sliced down the center as if by a gigantic knife. (NEA Telephoto.)

Removing A Victim



Firemen and other rescuers pry wreckage apart to release body of a victim (arrow) of the Rockville Center, N. Y., train wreck in which 29 persons were killed and more than 100 injured. (NEA Telephoto.)

Trying To Save The Injured



An entire ward in South Nassau Hospital is filled by the 78 injured persons hospitalized after head-on collision of two Long Island Railroad trains at Rockville Center, N. Y. Crash killed at least 29 and injured more than 100, many of them critically. (NEA Telephoto.)

Stunned Survivors



Photo, taken just a few minutes after two Long Island Railroad trains collided head-on at Rockville Center, N. Y., shows some survivors trying to get out of car, others lying stunned where they were thrown. Car was tilted at 45-degree angle and balanced so precariously it rocked dangerously under feet of rescuers. Twenty-nine persons died in the wreck and more than 100 were injured. (NEA Telephoto.)

WINDSORS BIG QUESTION MARK AT MARDI GRAS

By Preston McGraw
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 21 (UP) Half a million persons plunged into the magnificent wonderland of Mardi Gras today wondering between shouts and kisses whether the Duke and Duchess of Windsor would bow to local royalty.

Mardi Gras, where anything short of blood-letting passes as custom bartered into being at midnight. By dawn, with this Gulf city several thousand liquid gallons and a sun lighter, brilliantly decorated Canal Street was expected to be bulging with the riotous celebrants.

The social question will be answered today when the Duke takes his lady to the exclusive rex and comus balls.

Rex, who this year is businessman Reuben H. Brown, and the queen of comus, debutante Mary Brooks Soule, traditionally bend their knees to no one. On the other hand, the permanently noble Briton and his American-born wife are accustomed to scraping before few people.

The custom that male visitors bow and female curtsy to Rex and Comus once was whimsy. But during the last several years it has taken on a rather deadly demeanor. You bow or you "ain't Mardi Gras."

The Duke and Duchess may settle it once and for all. The Rex parade was scheduled for noon. Comus, so select a society that \$2,000 once was offered for two lost ball invitations burst into full marching and waltzing splendor tonight. By that time, the masks which are legal only from midnight to sundown—and only today—must be off.

Tourists and residents alike blanketed Canal Street in last night's kick-off parade for Proteus, God of the Sea. Later they jammed into narrow, balcony-lined Bourbon Street, artery of the fabulous French quarter. Kisses were cheap, and few cost so much as a protest even from strangers.

Nearly 50 policemen were spotted in one four-block hunk of Bourbon Street. They were pushed, pulled and ribbed. But the Mardi Gras duties are restricted to stopping such inhumanly vile situations as knife wielding or gun pullings. Local protocol forbids them to be indignant at such pranks as champagne dousing, or soaking from an errant mickey.

The Zulu Aid and Pleasure Club, the only negro organization, swarmed in carefree technicolor from midnight on. The Zulus sweep into bars and declare open house when it suits their fancy and if they give out before the others do it is without regret or thirst.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 21 (UP) — The West Texas Chamber of Commerce won't like this.

Federal Judge Stephen Chandler yesterday said he would be lenient and give a band of convicted moonshiners a chance for probation if they would migrate to "some place like West Texas."

To put it more specifically, the judge wanted the defendants, all negroes, to still their spirits outside the boundaries of dry Oklahoma.

He sympathized with the moonshiners in one respect. He admitted that their farmland was stripped of its topsoil and they could not make much of a living except from the stills.

The attorney for defendant Amos Taylor, an old offender, asked the judge if his client could escape a prison term by moving to "one of the cotton states where it's lawful to sell whiskey and he can work."

The lawyer mentioned Texas, Arkansas or Louisiana.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS AND RECORDS

Real Estate Transfers, Marriages
Suits Filed, Court Judgments
Orders, Etc.

INSTRUMENTS FILED

The following instruments were filed for record in the County Clerk's office last week:

L. M. Barron to The Public, affidavit.

H. A. Bible to D. W. Crawford, oil and gas lease.

British American Oil Company to R. J. Steel, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Mrs. Mae W. Baker to Mrs. N. H. Davis, warranty deed.

N. A. Brown to First National Bank, Cisco, deed of trust.

Lloyd L. Bruce to A. P. Thomas Jr., warranty deed.

Earl Bender to Robert L. Clinton, Jr., warranty deed.

J. C. Carter to C. B. Pruet, transfer of vendor's lien.

U. F. Casey to W. T. Casey, quit claim deed.

J. T. Cooper to B. F. Gilchrist, assignment of oil and gas lease.

C. G. Clark to Rebecca E. Shirley, warranty deed.

City of Eastland to Jesse V. Cox, quit claim deed.

Frank Castleberry to The Public, affidavit.

D. W. Crawford to Del-Lake Oil Company, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Commercial State Bank to T. C. Weaver, release of vendor's lien.

George Campbell to Albert C. Straley, Jr., quit claim deed.

T. L. Cooper to Anderson Bros. warranty deed.

Ethel Cone to L. J. Nelms, warranty deed.

Crown Building Co. to Wayne Lingle, warranty deed.

E. C. Clark to L. D. Isett, extension of oil and gas lease.

John T. Cook, Jr. to W. H. Jobs, warranty deed.

E. P. Crawford to Essie Owen, quit claim deed.

Dewey Cox to Essie Owen, quit claim deed.

Victor Cornelius to C. L. Reeves, warranty deed.

W. D. Cavender to Ranger Lbr. & Supply Co., ML & assignment.

Dublin National Bank to Edgar W. Ash, release of vendor's lien.

I. Van Daniels to E. C. Johnston, oil and gas lease.

S. A. Eison to First National Bank, Gorman, deed of trust.

R. N. Fair to L. C. Richter, release of oil and gas lease.

G. G. Goss to Charles A. Watson, release of deed of trust.

Elsie Glenn to First Federal 3 & L, deed of trust.

Ed Glover, Jr. to F & M National Bank De Leon, deed of trust.

Oscar M. Gage to J. B. Riffe, warranty deed.

Callie Lee High to The Public, affidavit.

Robert M. Huff to Clyde G. Hood, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Frank E. Isett to Barbara Ellen Music, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Frank E. Isett to Donald G. Isett, assignment of oil and gas lease.

W. K. Jennings to L. D. Isett, extension of oil and gas lease.

Bill Johnson to M. M. Sheffield, warranty deed.

Bill Johnson to Kansas City Life Ins. Co., transfer of vendor's lien.

Kerr-McGee Oil Ind. to J. L. Parker, release of oil and gas lease.

J. L. Latimer to Commercial State Bank, Ranger, warranty deed.

J. J. Lynn to Mrs. C. Owen, release of oil and gas lease.

W. A. Laster to Lone Star Producing Co., rat. of oil and gas lease.

H. E. Lucas to Veterans Land Board, warranty deed.

Frank Morehart to P&M Supply Company, warranty deed.

Frank Morehart to S. B. Pugh, warranty deed.

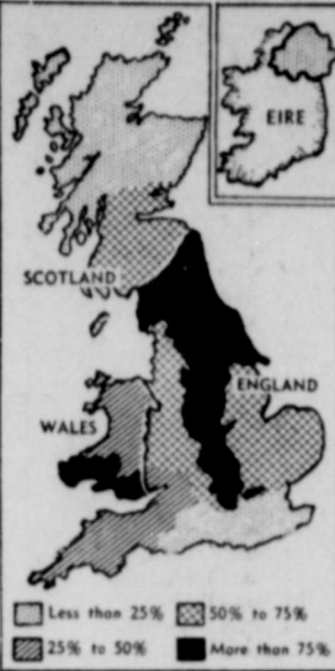
T. P. McCord to Frank Morehart, quit claim deed.

J. H. McKinney to N. A. Brown, warranty deed.

L. H. McCrea to A. D. Anderson, warranty deed.

Luther H. McCrea, Jr. to A. D. Anderson, warranty deed.

Venner H. Owen to Elsie Glenn, release of lien.



BATTLEGROUND — Political map shows percentage of seats in English House of Commons won by Labor Party in 1945 general elections. Black parts of map are mining and industrial areas where Laborites are solidly entrenched. Conservatives find strength in Northern Ireland (inset), residential districts, and farm areas. Shaded and cross-hatch parts are "twilight zones" — critical battlegrounds where both parties are campaigning heavily for general election on Feb. 23.

S. S. Powers to Travis Smith, warranty deed.

George L. Parrack to M. E. Daniel, warranty deed.

R. L. Perkins to Freddie L. Bleck, warranty deed.

Mrs. Pearl Priour to Theo T. Priour, release of deed of trust.

Kerksey N. Parker to T. W. Pittman, warranty deed.

E. A. Ringold to Hal Jackson, release of deed of trust.

C. L. Reeves to Victor Cornelius, deed of trust.

Strawn National Bank to Dick A. Jones, deed of trust.

Henry Schaefer to Frank Morehart, quit claim deed.

Robert J. Steel to W. R. Fairbairn, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Charles S. Sandler to Royce L. Boyd, release of vendor's lien.

Frank Spraws to The Texas Company, oil and gas lease.

T. O. Shelley to R. O. Rankin, warranty deed.

M. M. Sheffield to Kansas City Life Ins., deed of trust.

John F. Tucker to Veterans Land Board, warranty deed.

T. A. Thompson to W. L. Andrus, transfer of vendor's lien.

H. H. Tompkins to Mrs. G. A. Langford, quit claim deed.

Taurus, Inc. to Jackson Palmer, deed.

H. H. Tompkins to Royce L. Boyd, warranty deed.

Union Central Life Ins. to H. E. Lucas, release of deed of trust.

Elizabeth Vaughn to Mrs. Celeste Isbell, power of attorney.

Perry F. Vinson to Veterans Land Board, contract.

Bob Vaughn to J. C. Earnest, lease.

Veterans Land Board to James M. Brown, contract of sale.

Veterans Land Board to Henry A. Scitern, contract of sale.

Woodley Petroleum Company to Premier Oil Ref. Co., assignment of oil and gas lease.

Charles A. Watson to W. A.

Edwards, warranty deed.

E. L. Weaver to W. R. Usery, deed.

I. C. Watson to J. Gordon Bristow, MD.

Louis A. Watson to Charles H. Kadane, release.

Ed Wende to F. M. Shaver, MD.

Max Witt to W. I. Agnew, extension of vendor's lien.

Raymond F. Walker to Commercial State Bank, deed of trust.

Karl K. White to Mrs. Marion E. Caines, release of vendor's lien.

NO CIVIL PROBATE

J. A. Greenwood, deceased, application to probate will.

Ruben Gaeta, et al, minors, application for guardianship.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

The following couples were licensed to wed last week:

Floyd Ray Dixon to Betty Sue

Harrison, Gorman.

Woodie Doyle Rodgers to Hazel Jackie Howard, Ranger.

Howard Brady Ingram to Alva Winne Rice, Cisco.

SUITS FILED

The following suits were filed for record in the 21st. District Court last week:

J. D. Abbe v. Frances Abbe, divorce.

Lula Flynn v. L. R. Flynn, divorce.

Doris George Cagle v. Merlin Cagle, divorce.

Veima Thurman, a widow v. W. M. Reeves, annulment.

Joe W. Gifford v. G. A. Dunn, Jr., damages.

ORDERS AND JUDGMENTS

The following orders and judgments were rendered from the 21st. District Court last week:

McCullough Tool Company v. Huntley & Gilliam, order.

The First National Bank in Cisco v. Ruby-Tyler, judgment.

William Morris v. B. H.

Morris, judgment.

Hamilton, et al v. T. & P. Railway Co., judgment.

Merle S. Fowler v. Robert F. Fowler, judgment.

R. R. Wickham v. Evaiana judgment.

Wickman, judgment.

Betty Joe Williams v. Charles Rayford Williams, order.

A. M. Walker v. J. B. Walker, judgment.

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THE STORY: Azalea Palmer, young, beautiful, platinum haired, made her father murdered at her home. A short time before her father, Paul Moody, a young sculptor, had gone to see the murdered man, Wendell Palmer, because he had opposed Paul's plans to marry Azalea and had prevented Paul from obtaining a commission to sculpture a group of figures for a new building. Nadine Fennell, Azalea's closest friend, has succeeded in quieting the murdered man's daughter and the police have been called.



Dorton's voice gave a sharp command: "Get back there, Kelso! Don't touch that phone!"

AZALEA PALMER and Nadine Fennell were still numb with shock and dumb for lack of words to fit their horror, when the air was pierced by a wild superhuman banister wall that seemed almost to express the mad screams that death and sudden death and vicious death must ugly the world.

The two girls, shrinking away from the mute victim of crime, were in such terror that it seemed as if Nadine had no more than left the telephone and taken the shivering Azalea into her strong arms when the radio siren-shriek was broken off, and they heard the sound of footsteps on the outer marble stairway.

Through the open door came two big officers, who strode to the side of the two girls and stopped short as if on the edge of an abyss, as familiar to them as death is to a doctor.

To the questions implied in their eyes, Nadine gave what answers she could. Indicating Azalea, whose head was buried in Nadine's shoulder, she said:

"It's her father, Wendell Palmer."

The two officers exchanged glances and then looked down at the dead with a new respect. Wendell Palmer was a big man. This homicide was a big thing. Dorton saw that the heavy base of the telephone must have been the weapon that crushed the reddened skull. He did not need to ask if either of those frail girls had done the work. Nadine went on:

"This is his daughter, Azalea Palmer. I just brought her home from the tennis tournament. I let her out at her door and drove on. I found her gloves and drove back. She came running down the steps, crying that she had found her father---murdered. I came in with her. I telephoned the police. We haven't touched a thing."

"And a good thing you didn't," said Cloyd. Dorton added: "We won't touch nothing neither till the detail from downtown gets here." Cloyd added to that: "Don't you think the little lady had ought to lay down and save her strength? She's got a lot to go through yet."

BUT at the idea of such idle repose, Azalea rebelled. For all the conditions of mood, it was her desire to meet her problems stand-

ing up and fighting.

Already a few strangers were drifting in, sightseers whose curiosity and the sight of the police car at the curb had drawn up the steps to the open door. The officers herded them back to the crowd clotting on the sidewalk, and closed the door.

Then, while Dorton stood guard in the room, Cloyd prowled about the house, the cellars, the upper rooms, the gardens against the remote chance of catching the killer still lurking about.

Nadine had forced Azalea into a big chair and sat on the arm of it, helpless to offer any solace to the softly weeping girl, who was now a complete orphan, with no mother, no father, no brother, or sister, or any kin or kith to share that suffering that was still a secret, not yet the headline mystery of the day which would soon fascinate the whole nation.

The girls kept their eyes averted from the untouchable body on the floor, and hardly noticed the entrance of a big, ugly man in plain clothes whom Dorton greeted with a none too friendly, "Ho, Kelso."

It was not till long afterward and then by some trick of awakened memory, that Azalea recalled hearing Dorton's voice in a sharp command:

"Get back there, Kelso! Don't touch that phone! My God, ain't you been on the force long enough to know better'n to lay hands on the weapon that probably done the deed? Keep back, I say, or I'll run

you in, detective or no detective." Azalea and Nadine heard the words and saw the man, but paid no further heed.

Meanwhile the police machinery was still at work. The voice that had sent the radio car to the scene had notified Police Headquarters of Wendell Palmer's name and fate and address. Instantly a team of two police detectives had dashed to a car and sent it shrieking through the traffic.

THE medical examiner, who had just come in from the gory street-scene of a car collision drove back into his sedan and made for the Palmer home.

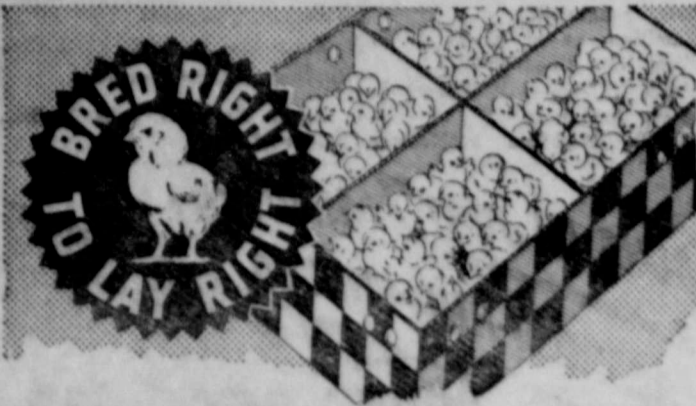
Since there would doubtless be latent fingerprints to discover and develop, Ray Pinks, the chief of the Crime Laboratory, did not send a man from the R and I (Records and Identifications) Bureau, but chose one of the dozen or so experts in the SID (Scientific Investigation Division).

He detailed James Stivers, who hurried away carrying a field kit the size of a suitcase. In the car-avan were also a cameraman and a police stenographer.

As the various cars pierced the thronged streets, through twisted lanes opened by the sirens, a covey of newspaper reporters raced after them.

In less than half an hour, the home that Azalea had found so dreadfully empty was more crowded than it had been when her father and mother had given one of their famous receptions there.

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Vida Elliott Group Has Meeting

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Society-Clubs

Jim Head Family Has A Reunion

Members of the Jim Head family held a family reunion here this week end in celebration of Mr. Head's 70th birthday.

A family gathering at the home Saturday night opened the celebration and Sunday all attended services at the Church of Christ after which dinner was served in the dining room of the church.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Head and their children and families, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Brown and son, Jim of Temple; Mr. and Mrs. Truman Head and son, Joe and Jerry of Temple; Mr. and Mrs. Manley Head and children, Sharon, Thomas Ray and Helen, all of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burnett and daughter, Vicki of Grand Prairie; Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Bean and son, Bill of Burkburnett and Mr. and Mrs. Princetown Head of Burkburnett, and a brother Frank Head and Mrs. Head of Strawn; Mr. Head's sister, Mrs. L. E. Gray and Mr. Gray of Ranger and Roy Gray of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Baker and children, James, George, and J. Reese and children, Karen and Paula of Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. J. Don of San Angelo; Mrs. Sylvan Gray and children Sherry and Tommie of Fort Worth and Mrs. S. B. Baker of Ranger.

Royal Neighbors Meet Mon. Nite

The Royal Neighbors of America, Carnation Camp No. 9059 held the regular meeting Monday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Elks Club.

In a business session plans were discussed for the State convention to be held in Dallas April 18-19. Plans were also made for an initiation of several new members at the next meeting of the Camp on Monday, March 6. All members are requested to be present and assist in the initiation. Officers are especially urged to be present. A prize will be offered for the member bringing to the next meet

Class Luncheon Is Postponed

According to an announcement made today the luncheon for members of the TEL Class of the First Baptist Church which was scheduled for Wednesday at 12 o'clock has been indefinitely postponed.

New Era Club To Meet Wednesday

It was announced today that the regular meeting of the New Era Club will be held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Community Clubhouse.

Mrs. Evis Landers will be hostess and all members are asked to note the change of time from 3:45 o'clock.

1947 Club To Meet Wednesday

The 1947 Club will hold its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Community Clubhouse and all members are urged to attend.

Mrs. A. W. Brazda will be the guest speaker.

Lone Star Ladies Postpone Party

It was announced today that the party which had been scheduled by the Lone Star Ladies Club for Thursday night in the home of Mrs. J. A. Bates has been postponed and will be held at a later date.

The club will meet Thursday afternoon, February 23 in the Clubroom at 2 o'clock and all members are invited to attend.

Woodmen Circle Luncheon Put Off

The luncheon for the Woodmen Circle which was scheduled for Wednesday at noon in the home of Mrs. Ted Bott has been postponed until a later date, it was announced today.

Members are asked to note the change in plans.

Luncheon For Class Scheduled

The Martha Dorcas Class of the First Methodist Church will be entertained Thursday at 12:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. L. R. Pearson at a covered dish luncheon.

All members are invited to attend and to take a covered dish.

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ing the most former members for re-instatement and a prize will also be given for the member who brings in the most applications for memberships.

The next meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock at the Elks Club and refreshments will be served following the meeting.



APPEAL BEARS FRUIT—David Lee Campbell, 2½-year-old victim of kidney disease, is slightly amazed at the number of watermelons he has received since his appeal for the out-of-season fruit. They were flown to his Kilgore, Tex., home from Panama.

Band Boosters Postpone Meeting

The meeting of the Band Boosters Club which was scheduled for tonight has been postponed, according to the president, James Smith.

The meeting will be held at a date to be announced later.

Child Welfare Club To Meet Wednesday

The Child Welfare Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of the president, Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall. All members are urged to attend.

Personals

Alma Moeller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moeller has enrolled for the next semester at Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos.

Mrs. Marcus Matthews is a medical patient in the Ranger General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Robinson had as their guests Sunday Mr. Robinson's sister, Mrs. Gertrude Johnson of Breckenridge and her daughter, Mrs. Robert Wisor and Mr. Wisor and their children, Beverly Anne and Barbara Jean, just recently returned from Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Williams had as their guests Sunday Mrs. Williams' uncle, L. K. Farris and nephews, Fred Keck and Leroy of Seymour.

Mrs. T. J. Perry of Vanderbilt, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Patterson and her sister, Mrs. M. C. Williams, Mrs.

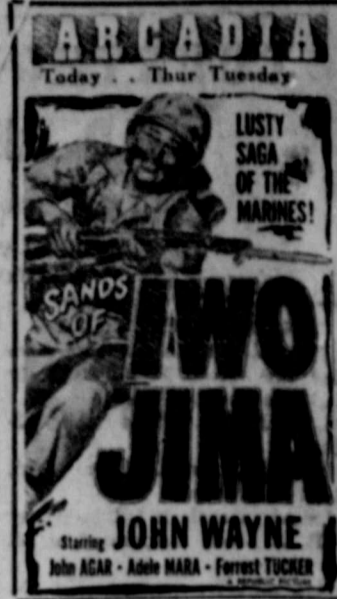
Carries Bullet 49 Years
PRESTON, Ga. (UP)—Charlie Christian wasn't sorry he had to part with an old possession. A surgeon removed a bullet that had been in his foot for 49 years.

The promise of "lands full of beaver" lured traders and trappers along parts of the Mississippi, St. Lawrence, and the Great Lakes ahead of explorers and missionaries. The beaver laid the foundation for the Hudson's Bay Company and for John Jacob Astor's fabulous fortune, says the National Geographic Society.

Trucks hit 16 times harder than automobiles, according to the Interstate Commerce Commission and the National Safety Council. Analyzing 1,208 truck accidents caused by mechanical defects, the ICC reported a total property damage of \$2,636,895, or an average of \$2,182 per crash.

Turtle eggs, no tempting morsel for appetites in the United States are consumed in South America

Dan Drain and Mr. Drain and their daughter, Belinda Gay.



by natives and Europeans alike. Eggs of the lizard species, the iguana, are considered a great delicacy by gourmets.

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