

Weather
 Shows, colder tonight; Thursday clearing; windy and colder.
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House in Showdown Battle Over Federal Measure

The Greatest Story Ever Told Foes View To Block Legislation

By Fulton Oursler



An impression of the Fountain of the Virgin, which is the water supply today at Nazareth just as it was in the time of Joseph and Mary.

CHAPTER I
THE MAN WHO WAITED
 People in Nazareth said that Joseph was like his great ancestor, the favorite son of Jacob. It was true that the carpenter with his small golden beard, so different from his black-haired neighbors, was a dreamy, quiet-spoken man, looking more like a scholar than a craftsman.

With his great knobby hands Joseph often built a house of straw, fashion a chair or a bench, hang a mirror, mend a wheel, build a new plow or yoke.

But Joseph with his prematurely hoary hair was called a visionary because he refrained from gambling with travelers or passing caravans; he avoided tavern wench, and found his pleasure in good talk with a few neighbors. Among Nazarenes these were queer habits.

for generally they were a rody lot. This town lying hidden in the mountains was near a post on a busy trade route between Europe and Asia, so there was often excitement in the neighborhood, a slow flowing back and forth of candles and baled merchandise—fragnances, silks, wines and oils. The townfolk got their news from those travelers. They were rough men, these merchants and camel drivers, and the people of the town were rough, too, ready to brawl, to gamble and struggle—ready for anything.

Late one afternoon Samuel of Cana stood on the threshold of Joseph's shop, at the end of the Street of the Coopermith. The young merchant was and powerful against the fading light.

Turns State's Evidence Harry Russell Pleads Guilty

WINNSBORO, S. C. (AP)—Harry Russell, who testified that he had been paid \$15,000 to help commit a robbery, today pleaded guilty to armed robbery and highway robbery. Russell told the story of the \$45,000 robbery.

Russell said he was indicted jointly with James Robert Pitts, 28-year-old "man without fingerprints" and Jesse Jean King, dark haired 21-year-old waitress. All are Charlotte, N. C. residents.

The men are accused of robbing J. Wash Ladd, 75-year-old storekeeper, at his Salem Crossroads store on the night of last Aug. 13.

Russell turned State's evidence as the trial got under way. His testimony gave the following account of the robbery:

"I was in the store with the latter's house on last Aug. 13 that day.

"I had a good job in South Carolina" lined up. Pitts expected to realize from \$15,000 to \$30,000 on the job.

The next night they drove to Salem Crossroads, parked their car in the woods near Ladd's store.

Pitts tied a handkerchief around his face and carried a blackjack. He sent Russell and King a signal into the store while he (Pitts) stayed outside.

"I told King I didn't believe I could go through it. It takes a lot of nerve to put a gun on a man."

"Pitts said I was a yellow-bellied son and to go on in and get it over with."

Pilot Hurt; Residents Of Home Spared

Had Attempted To Land In Pasture

By J. A. DALY
 Charlotte News Staff Writer

Two women and an Air Force pilot miraculously escaped death when a twin-engine airplane, out of gas, plunged into the home of J. B. Watt on York Road, 5 1/2 miles from Charlotte, at 11:45 A. M. today. The wreckage did little harm.

The pilot, L. B. A. Segrave, who had departed from the Navy airfield at Quantico, G. D. C., sustained painful cuts and severe bruises. He was taken to Memorial Hospital for a preliminary examination. It indicated that his injuries were not serious though he was suffering from shock.

In front door.

The speeding, heavy aircraft crashed through the front door of the Watt home, abraded off the wings and came to rest in the living room, a bedroom and the dining room.

Mrs. Watt, aged about 47, and her 22-year-old aunt, Miss Maggie Whitehead, who were sitting on the porch, escaped unhurt. When the plane crashed into their home, they were in the dining room, where Mrs. Watt was sewing.

Shortly before the crash, L. B. Segrave advised the Charlotte Municipal Airport Control Tower that he was out of fuel and was coming in for an emergency landing. The Control Tower operators advised the pilot to use the GIO Communication Wreckers involved in the threatened bailout of 100-foot altitudes.

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Flier Had Tried To Land Before Crash

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman today called off the day truce in the nation-wide telephone strike scheduled for Friday.

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Truman Defies Reds' Threat

By ERNEST B. VACCARO
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Atom-Smashing Machine Damaged

PRINCETON, N. J.—An atomic particle accelerator virtually destroyed the \$400,000 cyclotron in Palmer Physical Laboratory today.

The cyclotron was built in 1935, was one of the first atom smashing devices constructed in the United States.

Navy firefighters from the Lantana Naval Air Station, called to aid Princeton fire department. The fire was in an oil jacket surrounding the magnet, which heated the machine.

Four Perish In Fire

WINDSOR, Nova Scotia.—A mother and three children perished in a fire that swept through a frame home at Winchester Surgical Supply Co. today.

The fire was in a building owned by the firm, which was used as a warehouse for the company's supplies.

Legislation Proposed To Authorize Mine Seizure

By STERLING F. GREEN
 Staff Editor, The News

WASHINGTON (AP)—A move for rush legislation to give President Truman power to seize the struck coal mines developed today in Congress.

Chairman Lusk (D-Mich.) of the House Labor Committee told reporters that he understood R. P. Bailey (D-W.Va.) was preparing a bill along that line. He said the labor committee would give it prompt hearings and aid.

Conscience Drives Woman To Reveal Story Of Father's Slaying By Brother

PONTIAC, Mich.—If human bones dug from a cow shed grave today furnished leads to a sensational father's slaying and a family's dark secret.

The bones were discovered by searchlight last night, presumably were those of Stanley James, auto worker, who was 34 when he was murdered more than two years ago, suspects committed to a mental institution.

Behind the discovery was a story of a family ploy to hide the death—how it was planned and carried out by a daughter's nagging insistence that they be buried together.

Prosecutor Clyde D. Underwood said he would request a first degree murder warrant for first degree murder against Stanley James, 38, a Marine sergeant who was shot and killed by the actual slayer by other members of the family.

The initial revelation and unearthing of a man's partial skeleton took place within the last 24 hours.

Authorities dug up the clothes and the bones of the victim in the cow shed on the James farm near the southeastern Michigan village of Clawson.

TOLD BY MISS GREER
 Yesterday Police Chief Clarence Witt of Clawson, a small rural community, said he had been told the story on the farm.

Jury Completed In Sander Trial For Mace Slaying

MANCHESTER, N. H.—An all-male jury was completed today for the "mercy killing" trial of Edward J. Sander, charged with the slaying of a man, in Manchester.

The jury was selected from a list of 100 names drawn from the city directory.

The trial is expected to last several weeks.

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