

Killer Executed After Suicide Try

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Caule And Connelly Get 2 Years In Jail



IN A DRAMATIC MOMENT on Cyprus, armed British soldier flushes a 22-year-old EOKA fighter from cave hideout following an eight-hour gun battle. Inside

the cave was the body of Gregoris Alexi- tion, second in command of EOKA underground.

Fields Cuts Wrists And Hits Guards

REIDSVILLE, Ga. (AP)—A man convicted of slaying a policeman, cut both wrists with a razor blade and attacked one of five guards before he was electrocuted at the Georgia State Prison today.

Jennings E. Fields, 32, cut himself severely on both wrists with a blade he said he took from a refuse basket. He inflicted the injuries while he was talking and praying with a priest shortly after being led from his cell.

Warden R. P. Balkcom said five guards in the infirmary and the physician had to take stitches in the guard's lacerated foot.

Fields finally was placed in the chair at 10:26 a. m. and was pronounced dead a few minutes later.

12 Airmen Happy Over Top Bail-Out

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP)—Twelve happy airmen congratulated each other today on a perfect bail-out in a night-time rainstorm as Air Force investigators probed the wreckage of a shattered "Flying Boxcar" from which they were jumped.

The commander of the smashed C119, Capt. Franklin Greenspan, credited "good military discipline" with saving the lives of the eight passengers and crew of four.

The overall reaction to the 5,000-foot drop in an inky black rainstorm was succinctly summed up by the crew chief, S. Sgt. Eugene L. Okonok of St. Cloud, Minn.

"It scared hell out of most of them," Greenspan said he lost his left engine about 15 minutes out of Columbia last night in the flight from Chaute Air Force Base, Ill., to Charleston Air Force Base, S. C.

Greenspan also said he didn't know why he was unable to maintain altitude with the remaining engine. The crew scattered 1,000 pounds of cargo and personal baggage over the South Carolina coast.



REPORTING to military authorities, Capt. F. R. Greenspan talks on telephone after he and 11 other men parachuted to safety from their C119 Flying Boxcar.

Judge Denies Motion For Another Trial

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Matthew J. Connelly and T. Lamar Caule, who held high positions in the Truman administration, today were sentenced to two years in prison and fined \$2,000 each for conspiring to defraud the government.

Federal District Judge Gunnar H. Nordbye, before imposing sentence, denied a motion for a new trial.

The last-minute motion filed yesterday was that the late Federal Judge Ruby M. Hulien, who presided at their trial last summer, was in "no proper mental and physical condition" to preside at the trial.

Judge Hulien was found shot to death in a yard at his home three weeks after Caule and Connelly were convicted by the Federal Court jury.

NOTHING IN RECORD Judge Nordbye said today he found nothing in the record of the case to indicate Judge Hulien had suffered from any mental disturbance at the time of the trial.

Connelly was White House appointments secretary during the Truman administration. Caule was head of the Justice Dept. tax division until Truman fired him for having outside interests that conflicted with his official duties.

Both Connelly and Caule made payments to the court and attorneys appointed to Judge Nordbye for leniency.

Caule previously had said he was man with an epileptic. He told the court today.

"I have not been a party to any conspiracy. Thousands of tax cases have passed through my hands and lighting has struck all around, but never hit me. In 1950 four people died because I approved of tax evasion prosecution against them."

"You may do what you please, but I would not take the life of someone else just by a stroke of the pen."

A jury of four women and eight men found June 14 that they conspired to try and avert the prosecution of Irving Sachs, a St. Louis merchant and income tax evader, who paid a \$40,000 fine but didn't go to prison.

Harry L. Schwimmer, a former Kansas City attorney, was also a defendant, but a mistrial was declared when he became ill.



T. LAMAR CAULE

Voting Age Bill Offered

RALEIGH (AP)—Two proposals which failed to make the grade in 1955 are back before the Legislature.

The question of lowering the voting age was revived by Sen. Perry W. Mason of Northampton last month's introduction of a bill to give the ballot to 18-year-olds.

Streamlined laws in the field of building regulation and inspection, recommended by the Commission on Reorganization of State Government, were offered in both House and Senate.

A constitutional amendment, which would have to be approved by the voters in the next general election as well as by the Legislature, would be required to lower the voting age from 21 to 18.

Past sessions have refused to make the change.

The 1955 General Assembly failed to adopt reorganization proposals dealing with building regulations.

Rep. David Clark of Lincoln, reorganization commission chairman, said he added the subpoena served on him last week in Taylor City, N. C., to appear before the grand jury in Conway, S. C., is illegal.

South Carolina law says a subpoena served outside the county in which it is written must be signed by the clerk of court, Carter said. "Mine was signed only by Sheriff Henry."

The editor gave The News the text of the letter he wrote to the grand jury foreman in lieu of appearing.

"If you would consider a postponement until the June term of the Court of General Session, I shall be happy to appear before your body and present all the facts at my disposal," he told the foreman.

"I would prefer to give this information at that time directly to the grand jury and have that body subpoena witnesses by some agency other than the sheriff's department."

"I believe some of the witnesses. See GRAND on page 2-A

Welfare Funds Drained As Pleas For Aid Soar Here

By CHARLES KURALT
Charlotte News Staff Writer

City relief agencies revealed today there is a serious shortage of funds to meet rising unemployment in Charlotte.

A Social Planning Council committee has been named to recommend emergency aid measures. After a meeting tomorrow, it will join with the Mecklenburg Welfare Department and private agencies to seek a solution.

Unemployment in Charlotte is at its highest peak in recent years. Employment Security Commission chief George Everett said.

BLAMES THE RAIN

He blamed much of the increase on rainy weather which has laid off hundreds in the building trades. Salespeople, farm hands and self-employed yard workers have been affected too, he said.

The Welfare Department and two United Appeal agencies, Family and Children's Service and the Salvation Army, reported big jumps in the number of people who asked them for aid in recent weeks.

"If we moved in promptly to meet emergency and continuing needs in families with unemployment, we would need a million dollars more than we have," Welfare Supt. Wallace H. Kuralt said.

Maj. W. H. Arnold of the Salvation Army declared, "The agencies are in a terrific spot. We have a very limited amount of money for emergency relief and we are considerably overdrawn into money we should be saving for later use."

Family and Children's Service director Mary Elizabeth Carter said her agency, which is set up to offer casework assistance, not direct relief, has nonetheless had to give emergency funds.

TOO DRASTIC

"Some of the emergencies have just been too drastic for us not to help," she said.

Unemployment compensation helps many of the people who are out of work. But it takes a week or so after the first application for unemployment checks to come through. Many employees are not eligible at all. Others, who quit their jobs or are fired for good reason, cannot qualify.

The Salvation Army budget is 75 per cent spent in four months. Family and Children's Service has spent 42 per cent of its budget in four months.

The Welfare Dept. is basically unprepared to aid those who cannot work, not those who can work but cannot find a job. Generally, all of an individual's own resources must be used up before the Welfare Dept. can step in.

"For the past several years," Mr. Kuralt said, "people in the building trades, for example, could go out and find another job if they were laid off. Today, for some reason, not all of them can."

"As a result, there are far more demands for our aid than in the last 10 years. The volume of applications is 50 per cent greater than six months ago."

The Social Planning Council committee is composed of council members John Stewart, Mrs. Louis Rogers and C. C. Hines Jr. They will try to find a solution to the flood of requests for emergency help.

Everybody agreed bad weather contributed to the city's rising unemployment. Mr. Everett said he thought spring would bring seasonal relief.

But there was the suggestion that a "leveling off" of the business boom may be reflected in the increased demand for emergency aid, since bad weather in years past hasn't brought on quite the effect of this winter's crisis.

Changes Brighten For Solicitor Bill

By JULIAN SCHER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

The chances of Mecklenburg's courts comprising a separate judicial district looked very bright today.

Support for the separate district came from where it counts most, Sen. Pat Cooke of Gaston, a key figure in the proposed change.

Mr. Cooke said, "I certainly think Mecklenburg ought to be a separate district."

IMPORTANT SUPPORT

The Cooke support is important for several reasons:

1. Cooke is the senator from Gaston and in the past Gaston County officials have balked at the idea. Gaston and Mecklenburg now comprise the 14th Judicial District.

2. Cooke introduced a bill last week which would make some changes in the solicitor setup of the state, including the separation of Guilford County to make that county the state's 22nd district to itself.

3. Cooke is chairman of the Senate's Courts and Judicial Districts Committee which will hear arguments on the bill.

Last night the Mecklenburg delegation moved ahead with plans to submit an amendment to the Cooke bill, SB 49, which would call for Mecklenburg to stand alone.

Sen. Spencer Bell and Rep. Frank Sneed will prepare the amendment and submit it to the committee.

Members of the local bar association voted to back the proposal last week.

Since Gaston and Mecklenburg would be affected, the Cooke bill, See SOLICITOR on page 2-A



SEN. PAT COOKE

Heave-Ho Ends Show By Gleason

NEW YORK (AP)—Celebrated comedian Jackie Gleason has now joined the ranks of those who've gotten the celebrated lounge at the celebrated Stork Club.

The TV star staged an impressive off-camera performance which was a bit too much off-color for club proprietor Sherman Billingsley.

Witnesses described Gleason's act as closely resembling that of the character, "The Loudmouth" he often portrays on his shows.

Billingsley said, however, that Gleason overdid the part when he played it at the club late last night — not only was he loud, he was downright obscene.

After a bit of a tussle, it was said, the comedian was escorted right off the premises.

WEATHER

Cloudy and continued cool today. Cloudy and cool tonight and Wednesday with occasional rain.

Low this morning 39
Low tomorrow morning 36
High today 48
High yesterday 46
High tomorrow 48
Sunrise today 6:48 a.m.
Sunset today 6:22 p.m.

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CHRIST THROUGH ROMAN EYES

News Begins Stirring Easter Story

One of the most exciting stories of all time begins in The Charlotte News on Wednesday.

As a special Lenten feature, The News will publish a weekly series called, "Memo to Caesar."

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The approach is unique and the handling of the material will make "Memo" one of the most popular Lenten features of all time.

"Memo to Caesar" by Ken Woodman is a series of confidential memorandums from Pontius Pilate to Caesar. In modern language the memos tell the story of Christ and His times.

Pilate's first report, as an example, begins this way:

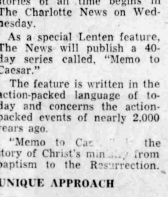
"With your permission, I dispense with the customary greeting and come immediately to the business at hand.

"Our confidential agent, Junius, operating in the Jordan district, reports that a wildish sort of man has come out of the wilderness and is preaching to large crowds along the river bank.

"This man's name is John. So effective a speaker is he that even publicans and soldiers go to hear him. He performs a ceremony called baptism with the waters of the river."

Watch for "Memo to Caesar" starting Wednesday in The News.

MR. WOODMAN



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