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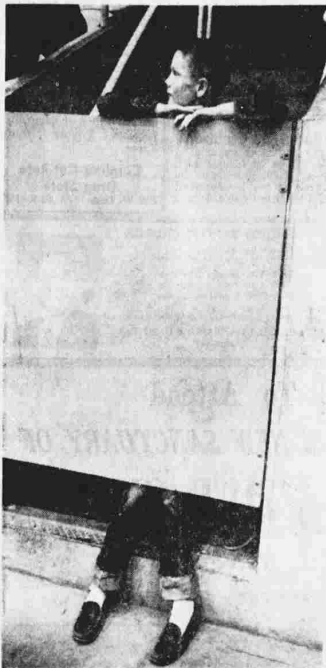
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The Dachshund Boy

The elongated young hockey fan behind the coliseum door is Tom McConnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. McConnell, 5400 Wedgwood Dr., who was content to observe a hockey game from the top of the door. The feet belong to Kirk Otey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirkwood Otey, 5226 Murrayhill Rd., who would be anxious to slip under the door for closer scrutiny of icy doings.

Supermarket Try

Tear Gas Works, Safecrackers Halt

By BOB SLOUGH
News Staff Writer

Tear gas may have prevented safecrackers from making off with more than \$4,000 at Dixie Supermarket on South Boulevard late last night or early today.

The attempt to enter the safe was discovered this morning when market manager Jack Kirby went to open the business shortly after 8 a.m.

Kirby found the supermarket filled with tear gas and the combination on the safe in his office knocked off.

County policemen who investigated the attempted safe robbery doubted that the safe was opened. They theorized that the tear gas device attached to the safe door was punctured when the combination was punched and forced the robbers to flee the building.

A locksmith was attempting to open the safe at noon today. Kirby said the safe contained at least \$4,200 in checks and currency and possibly more.

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Quemoy Peaceful

TAIPEI (AP)—The Chinese Communists refrained from shelling the Quemoy Islands on this even-numbered day.

Arab Union Eyed

CAIRO (AP)—Delegates of Arab chambers of commerce meet here today in an effort to give substance to a seven-year dream of an Arab economic union stretching from the Atlantic Ocean to the Persian Gulf.

Reds Warn Iran

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Union hinted to Iran today that signing a defense agreement with the United States would give the Soviet Union the right to send troops into Iran.

Snowstorm Hits

BUFFALO, N. Y. (AP)—Another weekend of wintry weather slammed into upstate New York today and by daybreak up to 17 inches of new snow already had fallen in the snow belts east of Lakes Erie and Ontario.



—EMPTY STOCKING FUND—

Father Can't Provide Now

By BOB SLOUGH
News Staff Writer

"I just don't know when he'll be able to work," she said. "I just don't think he'll ever have the strength."

Her husband has been in and out of the hospital and still suffers from a lung condition.

For years he used the muscles in his body to work for his family. But his body is tired and his muscles no longer strong enough to get him a laborer's job even if he could find one.

The woman wore two dresses and a towel wrapped around her head. It was cold outside and inside the house.

The couple has three children—two girls ages 13 and seven and a boy, 11. The house has no rug on the floor and curtains on the windows are lifted up during the day to let in precious light.

OIL LAMP

An old oil lamp on a table provides lights at night but it is not used during the daytime.

"We've been without lights for a long time," the mother said. "A bed in the living room is covered with a sheet because that's all there is."

The woman explained it simply. "I don't have any bed covers. No blankets and no quilts."

The sheet on the bed was

clean. It had a slit down the middle.

The children in this family will have no Christmas.

It's all this mother can do to provide for her husband and children on the emergency aid she is receiving.

Her husband was not at home and she stood beside the stove in the living room as she related her story.

"He may get mad at me for saying it," the woman said, "but I don't think he'll ever have his strength back to work."

There had been better days before the husband was struck down with the lung condition.

There could be a better day for the family on Christmas Day, with Empty Stocking Fund help.

Send your contribution to the Empty Stocking Fund, The Charlotte News, PO Box 360, Charlotte.

If you know of a family that needs help for Christmas have them contact the Christmas Bureau, 120 E. 3rd St., Charlotte, Franklin 6-4657. In order to allow time for processing applications, the Christmas Bureau will close for new applications Dec. 17.

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—CHARLIE'S TROPHY TRIBUTE TO MANY—

Dividend Of Shrine Bowl — A New Life

By BOB QUINCY
News Sports Editor

When jutawaged Charlie Overstreet walked out of Memorial Stadium a year ago this afternoon, he carried with him the sweet taste of a 12-6 victory, the accolade of being the outstanding lineman in the Shrine Bowl game and a new identity.

The name was the same but Charlie Overstreet was not. "The Shrine Bowl changed my life," he says softly. "I can't" said the six-footer. He didn't bother to give the reason, but it soon became apparent it was a good one. Charlie didn't own a coat.

Ray Hait and Luke Solomon, who had been assigned to look after the needs of the South Carolina youngsters, went to work. It isn't the policy of the Shrine to offer clothing to its participants but this was an unusual case. Donations came quickly and Charlie soon had a sports coat, sweater and a shiny new look.

Yesterday Charlie sat in the office of The News and told the whole story. He had returned to accept the handsome trophy voted him for his prowess as a lineman and to offer his humble thanks for having been allowed to play in the game.

Now a thick-shouldered crew-cut, 195-pounder and a student at Georgia Military College, Charlie began by saying the Shrine game, originally, seemed to be just another honor for a good football player.

"I was glad to come last December," he said, "and my coach at North Augusta, Cally Gault, told me I would be impressed by all that was to take place. I didn't realize the extent of it."

Gault was an assistant coach of the South Carolinians last year. He had chosen Overstreet for his dynamic ability on the field during his prep school days.

"I borrowed an old suitcase," said Charlie, "and I put some underwear and socks and a couple of sports shirts in it. I would have put more but that's all I had."

Charlie's mother and father are separated. He lives with his grandmother in the South Carolina town. On weekends, he worked at a filling station to help make ends meet.

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3 Of Family Die In Blaze

DECATUR, Ill.—A man, his wife and their 5-year-old son perished early today in a fire which ripped through their frame home on the northern edge of this Central Illinois city. Another son escaped unharmed.

Police said they found the bodies of Leroy A. Knitly, about 47, his wife Mary Louise, about 32, and their son Ronald piled up at the foot of the stairs in the two-story residence.

A neighbor, Mrs. Doris Fresscura, said she tried to alert the family by telephone when she noticed flames when no one answered the telephone. Mrs. Fresscura said she turned in the fire alarm.

Police were unable to explain how David Knitly, 9, escaped. They said he was in a state of shock and unable to give an account of the fire.

Two other sons, Robert, 21, and Richard, 15, were away from home at the time. Earlier, police said witnesses first reported seeing seven bodies, some of them stacked on the porch.

The blaze was believed to have started from an overheated furnace, police said.

The Knitly home was described as a total loss.

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—\$1.5 MILLION IN PAINTINGS—

Art Sleuths Find Jackpot

CHICAGO (AP)—Two attorneys who double in art sleuthing and collecting have picked themselves 1 1/2 million dollars in masterpieces, says a Vatican art expert.

The lawyers' only for the three paintings? Just \$2,200. "Extraordinary luck," says the Chicago artist who advised them to take a chance on their purchases, "just like finding diamonds in the street."

Prof. Amadore Picozza, catalogist for the Vatican Gallery of Art, pronounced the 16th century paintings authentic Friday. He described them as:

"Christ Carrying the Cross," by Giorgione; "Sacred Conversation," by Giovanni Bellini; and "The Massacre of the Innocents," by Raphael Sanzio.

The lucky barristers are Rudolph Vasalle and Paul Delaney.

Delaney told a newsmen he bought the 17 by 15 inch Giorgione for about \$1,000 from a Chicago dealer who apparently knew little of its history.

The painting, one of the last by Giorgione before his death in 1510, was valued by Picozza at one million dollars. The Venetian artist painted only about one dozen masterpieces.

BELLINI WORK

The other painting owned by Delaney was termed by Picozza "the great lost masterpiece of Bellini." The attorney said he bought it in 1953 for \$1,000. The catalogist says it is worth \$300,000.

Last July, Vasalle walked out of a Chicago auction house with a small 11 by 16 inch painting for

which he paid \$170.

Alexander Zlot-Mirski, Chicago art restorer and sculptor, who has passed previous titles, though with somewhat lesser results.

"I love the painting and see its possibilities as a great one," he said.

"Sometimes, it is valuable. Sometimes, the buyer does not even get back what he paid for the painting plus the cost of restoration. That's why so many of these 'finds' are bought at auctions. Dealers cannot or will not pay for the restoration."

Asked why he himself did not purchase the paintings he had hunted about, Mirski answered, "I cannot afford to speculate."

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