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Carol Tregoff Puts Head On Manacled Wrist And Breaks Into Tears.

Girl Ensnared Self In Killing Lover's Wife

WEST COVINA, Calif. (AP)—Carol Tregoff, snarled in what officials call a web of conflicting statements, is accused with her lover of murdering his socialite wife.

Police say the shapely ex-model incriminated herself by trying to shield her paramour.

Miss Tregoff, 22, and her lover, Dr. Bernard Finch, are charged with murder in the July 18 shooting of the wealthy surgeon's 33-year-old wife, Barbara.

Miss Tregoff was arrested in court Wednesday shortly after she sobbingly admitted at Dr. Finch's preliminary hearing that she loved him and had sexual relations with the 41-year-old surgeon.

The hearing continues today.

HEARING CONTINUES

Deputy Dist. Atty. Fred N. Whitchell said Miss Tregoff "tripped herself up" when she testified Tuesday about a leather case found near the Finch home after the shooting. Investigators described the case as a "doll-yoursell murder kit." It contained a hypodermic needle, sedatives, bullets, a knife and rope.

Miss Tregoff surprised authorities by testifying she took the case from her car at the Finch home when Dr. Finch asked her to get a flashlight. She identified some of the contents as household goods the doctor bought for her and said Finch carried weapons whenever he had narcotics in his car.

"She read in the newspapers about the murder kit and decided she had to account for it," Whitchell said. "In the previous questioning, the bag never was mentioned."

"It is quite apparent now, when you take the entire picture of evidence and the relationship between the pair, that her testimony shows an active participation in aiding and abetting in this murder."

"These changes (in testimony) in themselves, show a concert of action between Miss Tregoff and Dr. Finch. I am satisfied they conspired together, and that she aided in committing the crime."

"I believe their plan was to use Mrs. Finch with rope, give her an injection of sedative, put her in her car and push the car off the cliff (in front of the Finch house)."



Can Charles Norman (right) be the killer whose face was reconstructed by an artist from descriptions furnished by witnesses? Norman says he killed grocer C. D. Campbell April 6. The drawing was used by police in their search for the killer.

Confessed Killer Taking Lie Tests

BY JOHN KILGO
News Staff Writer

A Negro man who says he killed a white grocer on April 6 was taken to Raleigh today to undergo extensive lie detector tests.

Charles Norman, 29, his feet shackled, left for the capital city at 8:30 a.m. with Detective C. A. Allen and Lt. Coy Sykes.

Norman agreed to let the State Bureau of Investigation give him the tests.

The tests were scheduled to last most of the day.

Norman tells police that on April 6 he went into the store of C. D. Campbell, 1101 Beatties Ford Rd., and stabbed Campbell "a number of times" with a pocketknife.

Norman told police he was planning to rob Campbell, but it stashed the elderly grocer when he put up a fight.

Police are searching for evidence to back up Norman's claim. He was given a life detector test last Sunday that lasted for an hour and a half. County Police Lt. L. A. Kelly gave the test and it reportedly showed Norman was telling the truth.

LA. Kelly said he asked Norman 24 questions during the test.

about twice as many as he usually asks.

This morning a veteran policeman told a reporter:

"I've known him (Norman) a long time, and he's always told me the truth. He's never lied to me."

TAKE KNIVES

The detectives took a plastic bag full of pocketknives with them to Raleigh this morning. Norman, undoubtedly, will be subjected to tests about the knives.

A black handle pocket knife was found in Campbell's store the day of the killing.

Last Sunday, police placed a batch of knives on a table and told Norman to pick out the one he allegedly used on the grocer.

He picked the wrong knife. This is one reason police continue to check his story thoroughly.

Norman told police he was confessing to the crime because he couldn't get it off his mind.

SAT CALMLY

Det. Allen got Norman out of the county jail this morning at 8 o'clock. He was taken to police

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Nixon Goes Deep Into Siberia

SVERDLOVSK, Soviet Union (AP)—Vice President Nixon motored deep into the semi-secret Ural Mountain mining area today and received cheers every mile of the way.

Speaking to officials of a copper mine he visited during the forenoon, Nixon came out with a very strong indication that he favors either a quick meeting of President Eisenhower and Premier Khrushchev or a quick agreement at Geneva which would permit a summit conference.

"I do not pretend that personal contact would solve the basic problems of the world," he said, adding briefly later:

"This trip of mine will be followed by others including contact between other leaders."

IN WAKE OF REPORTS

The statement came in the wake of reports that he was on the verge of recommending that President Eisenhower invite Khrushchev to the United States for a visit. He has repeatedly remarked that a look is worth a hundred descriptions.

It is believed that Nixon referred to the hope that a way would be found for a summit conference. The draft among Nixon's followers seemed to be towards recommending a visit by Khrushchev at a suitable time.

For the first time on his tour, Nixon really went into the Siberian mines and mines long enough to see what was going on, at least in part.

His schedule in other spots had been so tight that frequently he had less than half an hour to see what was going on, at least in part.

It was his next to last day in the Siberian industrial complex of 600,000 mines and perhaps the one where he received the warmest welcome.

CHEERED BY PEOPLE

People all through this territory cheered him as they would cheer a governor motoring through a pioneering country in the American Far West.

And it looked like pioneering country in the West, with log cabins made out of the lush forest.

He also disposed gently of the questions of hecklers, who have been yelling at him questions about the air bases strung in strategic places around the Soviet Union.

Evening Prayer

O God, we thank Thee for the good news of the gospel of Christ. Breathe upon us the breath of the Holy Spirit. Make spread the light of Thy gospel to all men. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.



Flames From Blast Light Up Night Sky.

Tanks Explode Chemical Blasts Rock 2 Towns

PORTLAND, Conn. (AP)—Exploding chemicals shook two communities today and lit up the pre-dawn sky as flames destroyed a chemical distributing depot.

Thirteen tanks of industrial chemicals exploded in the blaze, which a fire official said apparently began accidentally.

The biggest blast, which knocked sleepers from their beds here and in Middletown across the Connecticut River, came when a 13,000-gallon tank of alcohol went off.

The flames at times burst like rocket blasts 500 feet high. Flaming debris was scattered over a wide area. Sparks showered in every direction, even landing on some private homes. The flickering rooftops were wetted down quickly by firemen, however.

FAMILIES MOVED

Between 20 and 100 families were evacuated temporarily from their homes, a few aged persons in ambulances.

No deaths or injuries were reported in the mid-Connecticut town.

Firemen were kept from the blaze by the flames and intense heat and unable to examine the scene.

C. Albert Mugford, manager of the company, Phillips Brothers Chemical Co. Inc., estimated the loss at approximately half a million dollars.

He said the company lost \$250,000 in chemical stock. The outfit, which employs 14 persons, is in effect a warehouse. It receives chemicals, recuts them and reships them. The depot housed about 1,000 drums of industrial chemicals.

The plant is located almost under the 100-foot-high Middletown-Portland highway bridge, a vital link in a mid-Connecticut route.

The bridge was closed to traffic for several hours.

Firemen said the displaced families would be allowed to return to the half-mile-square evacuation area as soon as it was determined whether there was a danger of leakage from a burning tank of acetic acid.

The tank sat on a railroad car adjoining the shattered plant while firemen played hoses on it. Acetic acid could be dangerous, acetic acid could be dangerous.

There were also 2,000 to 4,000 pounds of cyanide in the plant, Mugford added.

He said there did not appear to be any threat from the fumes in the air.

The fire was discovered by a passing truckdriver at 3 a.m. At 3:45 a.m. the explosions began. Resident state policeman William Ackerman said the first explosion:

"It knocked me and half the town out of bed."

Ackerman soon was joined by about 25 state policemen from around the state. About 150 firemen from Portland, Middletown and nearby Cromwell were called to the scene, but couldn't get near the blaze.

Portland fire chief James Lynch said, "Pieces of steel would go whizzing by our heads."

POWER BLACKOUT

Several electric power lines were burned or blasted down and the neighborhoods were blacked out. Ties on a New Haven Railroad freight branch line near the burning depot caught fire.

The flames in the depot began to diminish shortly after dawn and were contained a few hours later.

Water from hydrants was short, and firemen pumped water from the river.

A scrap yard across the street, Charles M. Gordon and Sons Inc., was wrecked by the fire. One of the sons, Yosef, said the loss would run to \$30,000 or \$40,000.

Our Weather

Partly cloudy and continued warm and humid today, tonight and tomorrow with isolated afternoon or evening thunder-showers.

Low this morning . . . 72
Low tomorrow morning . . . 72
High today . . . 92
High tomorrow . . . 92
High tomorrow . . . 95

Sunrise today 5:30 a.m.; sunset today 7:28 p.m.

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Levan Can't Play For Rest Of Life

(Houser Shocked at Levan's Sentence, 8A)

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)—Two members of the Chattanooga baseball club were suspended—one for life—today as the result of charges that gamblers had attempted to fix games in the Southern Association.

George M. Trautman, boss of the minor leagues, announced that Jesse Levan had been banned for life for acting as liaison man for a gambler seeking to get players to throw Chattanooga games.

The second player, Waldo Gonzales, was suspended for a year, effective July 3, 1959, for attempting to obstruct the investigation of the case.

NO PUNITIVE ACTION

Trautman said other players were questioned but no punitive action was taken against them.

Levan played for the Charlotte Hornets for the first time in 1954 and made a sensational stand in games. He belted seven homers, drove in 41 runs and batted a lofty .412. The Washington club called him up at season's end.

The next year Levan, who had been purchased by Charlotte from Miami in 1954, slumped to .250 after being optioned down by Washington. He hit seven homers, drove in a scant 27 runs in 37 games.

(Pitchers James Hesse and Thomas McAvoy, also involved in the case, appeared briefly in Hornets uniforms in past years.)

Meanwhile, the Dallas Times Herald quoted a former Southern Association player as saying that the Chattanooga park is "nothing but a gambling casino."

More CO-OPERATION?

An Atlanta writer, Bob Christian, quoted another source as saying that several if not all the clubs in the association co-operated with gamblers during the last three seasons.

Christian wrote that agreements between players and gamblers usually did not affect the outcome of games but dealt with such trivialities as "touting off pitches."

He was asked today to tell his story to a Georgia grand jury.

Levan and Gonzales, the latter an ex-Texas leaguer, previously had been suspended by Charlie Hurth, president of the Southern Assn., for failing to report an attempted bribe by Levan.

Trautman said his investigation had developed no proof that a game or games actually had been thrown. He said several players were guilty of not having reported attempts to have them fixed.

He listed Pitchers James Hesse, Thomas McAvoy and Samuel Weeks as others involved.

TRAUTMAN'S REPORT

Trautman's office gave this report:

Hesse testified that Levan approached him on two occasions, once before the start of the 1959 season and another time during the season, inquiring as to

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Seems the gamblers had heard rumors of governmental change over the past 12 years, but they'd been rather skeptical. Now peace should come quickly with the pair, top officers, to spread the word.

More Moores

They were quite tired of fighting, so this week two Waitri tribesmen came down out of the Pakistan hills to surrender to the British. Of course, after 25 years of sniping at the crown's troops, it took some doing to convince them that the British gave up the country in 1947.

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—WHAT'S INSIDE— Gaston Country Club Veddy, Veddy Plush

GASTONIA IS POPPING its shirt buttons over its new Gaston Country Club, which features a plush clubhouse, three swimming pools and a championship golf course. Read about it, and about the record-smashing 64 shot on the course yesterday, on page 10A.

Did YOU KNOW that housewives spend more money feeding their pets than feeding their babies? On page 13A, Sally Smith of the women's department gives the facts gleaned from interviews with local grocers.

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CANOGA PARK, Calif. (AP)—Four years ago a man slipped into a pretty housewife's kitchen and grabbed her as she stood ironing.

Mrs. Patricia Faye Smith smashed her iron against his face. The man fled, screaming, his face branded.

Two weeks later she received a crudely written note. "I'll get you," it said. For Mrs. Smith it was the beginning of four years of torment.

ONCE THE MAN appeared again at her home and tried to rape her—but fled when her children came home. Countless times her phone has rung. A man's voice would say: "I'll get you."

Three times the Smiths moved—from one Los Angeles suburb to another. They were beginning to feel secure in their home in Canoga Park.

Then, yesterday the man returned. Mrs. Smith, 30, recognized him. A long, lilyd scar stretches from his left eye to his mouth, she said.



MRS. SMITH

She said he forced her into the bathroom of the home, ripped off her blouse, and pulled a penknife. She said he told her:

"Now you are going to know what it feels like to be ugly."

She said he slashed her on the ankle twice, then slashed at her shoulders, arms and thighs.

HER OLDEST SON heard her screams and pounded on the locked door of the home. Mrs. Smith said the man smashed her face with his clenched fist and warned:

"I'll be back to finish the job."

Then he fled. Police put out an all-points bulletin for the scared man, whose identity isn't known. Police reports verified Mrs. Smith's story of years of torment. Officers have been seeking her assailant since the first attack, which occurred in Sunland.

None of the knife cuts were deep, but Mrs. Smith was injured in near hysterical condition. Police are watching her home.