

One Defendant Identified As Northampton Mobster

Bush Points To Another As Earlier Jail Visitor

Special Hearing Opens For Seven

JACKSON—(AP)—Godwin (Buddy) Bush, 22-year-old Negro who was the intended victim of an attempted lynching here last Spring, today identified Joe Lee Cunningham as a member of the mob which whisked him from the Northampton County jail here.

Testifying at a special hearing ordered by Gov. R. Lee Cheney under the State's anti-lynching law, Bush also said that another member of the accused seven had visited the jail in company with a police officer only a hour before Bush was taken from his cell by a band of masked gunmen.

Bush was the first witness called by the prosecution, as the special hearing opened before Judge J. Paul Frazier at the U. S. Court here today. Bush told of events leading up to his imprisonment on charges of assault with intent to commit rape upon a young girl named Susan Shepherd, a Negro. The Northampton County Grand Jury last month returned a verdict against Bush on charges and at the same time returned no bills against the other six men named in the indictment.

With the seven defendants sitting in a row, only a few feet away from the big rectangular courtroom, Bush said: "Mister Joe Lee Cunningham" came to his jail cell with two other masked men and said: "Come on down, nigger, and let's go."

TWO ARMED
Two of the men were armed with pistols, Bush said. Later, on questioning by Solicitor Ernest Tyler, Bush identified Russell Bryant, another of the defendants, as the man who he said accompanied him to the jail cell about 1 A. M. on May 23—48 hours before the masked men took him from the jail.

The defendants listened intently as the Negro testified. The courtroom was almost filled by a crowd of 200 persons, about 100 of them Negroes.

After the charges were read to them, each defendant answered individually to the "guilty" question.

Bush said he noted only five men in the hallway. He said he saw, came and got him from his cell and two others waited outside the cell.

Northampton County Jailor A. W. Eason, who was present, said that the pre-dawn darkness, to a question from Solicitor Ernest Tyler, he had released Bush to them, the elderly, grey-haired jailer replied: "I don't know."



GETTING THE CASH—Members of this crowd know the meaning of "just before the battle" but all was calm and orderly while veterans, almost filling the lobby of the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co. here, waited patiently for an opportunity to cash their furlough pay bonds this morning. First 200 bonds cashed at this bank got the veterans \$37,500.

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New Staff Photo by Tom Franklin Studio

Over 1,400 In Three Hours This Morning

Hundreds Of Veterans Cash Terminal Pay Bonds

By J. A. DALY
Charlotte News Staff Writer
Approximately 1,436 veterans cashed their GI terminal pay bonds totaling an estimated \$312,000 at banks in Charlotte during the first three hours today.

A survey by The Charlotte News obtained data which indicated that the bonds are averaging around \$225 in amount. Today was the first banking day on which the veterans were privileged to exchange their leave bonds for cash and there was a morning-long rush in the banks.

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more veterans left their bonds with instructions that they be cashed and the proceeds credited to the individual veteran's bank account. Reports from all banks in Charlotte indicated, however, that the veterans with relatively few exceptions took their money and departed. All Charlotte financial institutions authorized by the U. S. Treasury to cash the veterans' bonds were co-operating in this activity. Banks here informally forecast that the rush to exchange the bonds for cash probably will continue at least several days. It was estimated that probably 18,000 of these bonds are held by Charlotte and Mecklenburg County veterans.

In the rush to accommodate the veterans and minimize the waiting time for those in the line, the uptown banks made no effort to keep an accurate check on the amounts paid out in cash or of the number of bonds cashed. However, the bank officers of the banks made estimates in response to requests from The Charlotte News.

BATTLE RAGES
Radio Ambro reported a continuing battle in that section and Imbabura province, 30 miles to the north, against the forces of the North American, fourth largest city in Ecuador, is 70 miles south of Quito on the railroad.

The Guayaquil garrison announced that it no longer recognized Manchano as the Chief of Government.

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Rail Workers Get Pay Raise
CHICAGO—(AP)—An arbitration board today awarded a 15.2 cent an hour increase of 15.2 cents an hour, effective September 1, to nearly 1,000,000 non-operating workers on the nation's major railroads. The men had been on strike for 100 days.

2 Die As Storm Hits Pa. Town
BURGETTSVILLE, Pa.—(AP)—Two elderly men were killed today when a small tornado struck this southwestern Pennsylvania town, demolishing several buildings and homes.

Jap Is Convicted Of War Crimes
GUAM—(AP)—Naval Capt. Hiroshi Iwawaki, frail, nervous Japanese, was found guilty today of murder for the torture deaths of ten American prisoners of war on Truk.

Hold For Manslaughter
WINSTON-SALEM—(AP)—An armed posse of Irish neighborhood citizens yesterday captured the alleged driver of a fast-moving automobile which police said had struck and killed a nine-year-old bicyclist and later crashed through a stop sign and turned over.

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More Troops Join Revolt
QUAYASQUITO, Ecuador—(AP)—The Quayaquil garrison of this largest Ecuadorian city announced it had joined the revolt against Gen. Carlos Manchano today, supplementing counter-revolutionary forces moving against Quito from the north.

President Says America Will Stay Powerful

Chief Executive Speaks At Final Session Of Brazilian Conference

QUITANDINHA, Brazil—(AP)—President Truman said today the United States is "determined to remain strong" to back up a foreign policy based on a desire for permanent peace.

He told the Inter-American Defense Conference that this "is in no way a threat" because "no great nation has been more reluctant than ours to use armed force."

But, he said, "our aversion to violence must not be misread as a lack of determination on our part to live up to the obligations of the United Nations Charter as an invitation to others to take liberties with the foundations of international peace."

Nevertheless, Mr. Truman expressed confidence that current international disputes can be settled without war.

"The world may depend upon it that we shall continue to go forward in any way to avoid anything that would increase the tensions of international life."

When President Truman addressed the United States "shall not permit our obligations under the U. N. Charter, nor shall we permit others to forget them."

And he asserted again when he declared "without the Western Hemisphere, no world property is."

AID FLEDGE CHERISHED
A Presidential reference to the United States pledge to assist Latin America in a long-range economic program also was cheered. The delegates broke into loud applause again when the President declared "The United States seeks world peace—a peace of free men."

There was an evocation lasting full five minutes when he finished speaking. He was introduced for the address by the Brazilian foreign minister, Raul Fernandes.

Mr. Truman said the postwar era "has brought us bitter disappointment and deep concern."

"We find," he said, "that a number of nations are still subjected to a state of war, and that the many we fought to overcome, many of the remaining peoples of Europe and Asia live in the shadow of armed aggression."

WEATHER
Partly cloudy and hot with scattered thunderstorms today. Heavy rain and strong gusts as hot tonight through Thursday.