

Trousers May Be Canceled

THE ITALIAN RIFLE IN SLA

FLOODED STREET FLORIDA PLAYGROUND



Youngsters in a residential area of Jacksonville, Fla., frolic in their row boats in a flooded street caused by recent heavy rains. Here the young pass by a stalled auto that failed to make it

through the high water. A tropical storm which crossed Florida Friday contributed to the flood conditions. (AP Wirephoto)

Cabbie Thought Hall 'Good-Time Charley'

ST. LOUIS —(AP)—“I first thought I had a ‘good-time Charley,’ then I knew I had something worse,” the cab driver who tipped police to Carl Austin Hall, said.

John Hager, 39, spent nearly two days driving with and drinking with the man charged with the kidnapping of 6-year-old Bobby Greenleaf of Kansas City.

Hager did realize the man, known only to him as Steve, was “hot,” he thought he had a bank robber. He then tipped off Police Lt. Louis Shoups who arrested Hall Tuesday night.

Hager's identity was a “closely guarded secret” until last night. After Hager was questioned extensively by FBI agents, Globe-Democrat reporter Ted Schafers located and interviewed him.

Hager will get \$1,500 in rewards, a local official of the AFI Teamsters Union announced. Hager, a driver for the Ace Cab Co., will get \$500 from his firm, \$500 from his Teamster's Local 405, and another \$500 from Dave Beck, international president of the union.

The cab driver told of meeting Hall in front of a downtown hotel, getting him a date, carrying two heavy suitcases in which about half of the \$500,000 Greenleaf ransom money was found, at least five times, and finally getting scared because of Hall's actions.

Monday afternoon “another cab driver drove up and asked me if



JOHN HAGER

I could get his fare a girl,” Hager related. “The fare was a well-dressed man who appeared to have been drinking. He looked like a ‘good-time Charley’ to me.”

The fare said his name was Steve. I told him I knew a friend who might be able to get him a date.

I got two metal suitcases out of the trunk of the other cab and put them in the trunk of my cab. I had a hard time getting both suitcases in the trunk and suggested I put one up front. But Steve said ‘no.’

“We drove out to Sandy O'Day's house (she now is held in Kansas City as a material witness), picked up Sandy, went to a bar and had some drinks for which Steve paid with a \$20 bill. He showed the change, \$18, across the table to me and said, ‘You take this.’ I said to See TAXI on page 5-A

Officers said they were checking case manager Carl Vickery's story, before his death yesterday at a Knoxville hospital, that he was slain to avenge the death of a man he told his wife he killed in 1945 before in Collinsville, S. C.

Police tentatively identified the other slain man as Harold C. Whittle, about 42, of Sumter, S. C. Sheriff Austin Tate said he talked with Sumter officers who gave a description “about that fit” him. He said it was believed the murder of Whittle was en route to Knoxville for possible identification.

Other said papers found on the man, however, gave the names of both Benno Arnold, 43, of Lake Wales, Fla., and James Calhoun of Atlanta.

OUR WEATHER

Fair weather today, tonight and Sunday.
 High temperature yesterday 67 degrees.
 Low temperature this morning 43 degrees.
 High temperature expected today 72 degrees.
 Low temperature expected tonight 42 degrees.
 Sunrise 6:35 a.m.; sunset 5:35 p.m.

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Storm Gains Strength Again Over Atlantic

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—The tropical storm which yesterday lashed Florida with gales and rain regained its strength over the Atlantic today but was pointed toward open water apparently with no other land areas in its path.

It was centered at 10 a. m. (EST) about 250 miles east of Savannah, Ga., of 250 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras. Higher winds were 15 miles an hour, or just under hurricane force.

Walter R. Davis, storm forecaster in the Miami Weather Bureau, said winds will rise along the coasts of South and North Carolina as the storm passes offshore, but no heavy blows will be felt.

“Only small craft are warned to remain in port,” said Davis.

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The storm formed in the Gulf of Mexico and swept across Florida with mile-a-minute winds from Punta Gorda on the Gulf Coast to Vero Beach on the Atlantic. Its heaviest rain was carried in a band 10 miles wide and 150 miles long north and east of the center.

Much of the state already was waterlogged and rain from the tropical weather brought on additional critical floods in some sections.

At Orlando, Sen. George Smathers (D-Fla.) wired President Eisenhower that Florida was “suffering from what many say is the worst flood condition in 50 years.”

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Territorial police headquarters here said they had no confirmation of the committee report at this moment.

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Tito Moves Troops, Offers Compromise

Threatens To Resist Italian Occupation

By ALEX SINGLETON

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP)—President Tito sent troops into the Yugoslav zone B of Trieste today and threatened to use them if Italian forces move into zone A. But he offered surprise “solutions” which would turn the vital port city into an autonomous unit under Italian sovereignty.

This was Tito's answer to the decision by the United States and Britain to pull their troops out of the Adriatic seaport—zone B—and turn it over to Italian administration.

Tito's foreign office formally protested to London and Washington against that decision and the tough Yugoslav leader today bitterly declared his country would consider the movement of Italian troops into Trieste “an act of aggression, protest rejected.”

In London, the British foreign office formally rejected the Tito protest and said in a statement it was “difficult to see how an act of aggression could be committed by the movement of Italian troops into territory which is not Yugoslav.”

The new Tito proposal appeared at first glance to be a major Yugoslav concession. His previous demand was that the city be turned into an international port and the surrounding territory—new zone B—be handed outright to Yugoslavia.

Tito's new proposal called for both zones to become separate autonomous units—zone A under Italian sovereignty and zone B under Yugoslav sovereignty—“For 10 or more years.”

He indicated this was his final offer and threatened that if it was given serious consideration by the West “There will be no peace in this part of Europe.”

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SCENE OF BRUTAL KILLING COMBED FOR CLUES



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Reds Propose Meeting On Korean Parley

TOKYO (AP)—The Communists proposed tonight over Peiping radio that the Allies and Reds send delegations to Panmunjom to discuss when and where to hold the Korean political conference and what actions shall take part in it.

The Chinese-language broadcast first heard here quoted Red China's Premier and Foreign Minister Chou En-lai as saying he wants a reply to this from the United States and the U. N.

Peiping said this is China's reply to Allied moves sent recently to the UN outlining plans for the conference.

The latest U. S. note, its fourth, was sent to Communist China and North Korea Thursday. Three others had been ignored.

The message told the Reds the States are ready to negotiate and added that “if your side has any intention” of holding the peace talks, “there can be no reason for your side to refuse to get on with the conference.”

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Police Quiz Husband In Bludgeoning

No Arrests Made In Mrs. Russell's Death

By HARRY SHUFORD

Charlotte News Staff Writer

A pair of trousers found clinging the plumbing has led police to question Richard H. Russell in the early morning slaying of his wife, Mrs. Althea M. Russell.

Mrs. Russell's battered body was found shortly after 7 o'clock this morning in a workshop-storeroom at 312 E. Morehead St.

Mr. Russell operates an extermination and pest-control outfitting firm at that address. The couple lived in an apartment on the second floor of the building.

County Coroner Dr. W. M. Summerville said that Mrs. Russell, 39, died from blows on the head by a blunt instrument. He set the time of death at approximately 2 a. m. today.

DEEP WOUND

The fatal wound presumably was a deep slash and was in the left side of her forehead, Dr. Summerville said.

The death weapon has not been found. The trousers, which Mr. Russell identified as his, were discovered in the plumbing when one of the investigating officers flushed a downstairs toilet.

Another detective, examining the furnace under the building, saw water gush out of one of the sewer pipes where the toilet was flushed.

A plumber was called to open the sewer and found the toilet and clothing were found inside.

The trousers had been cut into small pieces. However, the strips were too large to pass freely into the sewer system.

When shown the trouser remnants this morning at police headquarters, Mr. Russell said he had worn the pants yesterday.

He said his wife told him yesterday morning that she never wanted to see him wear those trousers, where the toilet was flushed.

DESCRIBED MOVEMENTS

Investigating officers said that Russell gave the following description of his movements last night and this morning:

Last night, he read a detective story and bedded down about 1:30 a. m., when he stopped reading, his wife put some drops in his eyes and he went to sleep in bed.

This morning, shortly after 7 o'clock, he awoke and found his wife was not there. He went downstairs through the company office and discovered his wife's body in the workshop-storeroom on the floor in the

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U. S. Moves To Protect Indians From South Korea

By GEORGE MCARTHUR

PANMUNJOM (AP)—American troops and tanks moved today to block South Korean threats of armed attack against Indian troops while the War Prisoners Repatriation Commission asked the Communists to start interviewing reluctant war prisoners next Tuesday.

The American troops took up positions near Panmunjom facing southward to head off possible South Korean moves west today to the 5,500 Indian soldiers guarding prisoners who refuse to go home.

The show of armed might came amidst these developments:

1. The Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission (NNRC) expressed dissatisfaction with the untimely for building “explanation” centers and asked for the second time that the Communists be allowed to take over the job.

2. The commission disclosed it has received two letters containing “unconcealed threats” from the South Korean government leader, Indian Lt. Gen. K. S. Thimayya said in a letter to the U. N. Command that the NNRC would deal only with the Communist and U. N. command and regretted its inability to entertain . . . member

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Kornegay Heads State YDC's

RALEIGH (AP)—North Carolina Young Democratic Clubs today unanimously elected Kornegay of Greensboro as president for the coming year.

Before the vote was counted, Brown moved that the convention choose Kornegay by acclamation. The motion was introduced.

It was adopted unanimously. Kornegay succeeded Billy Harrison of Rocky Mount as YDC head.

The Convention defeated by a voice vote an attempt to bring up a resolution condemning secret sessions by governmental bodies.

The resolution, defeated yesterday by a 53 vote in the Resolution Committee, was introduced before the Convention as a minority report by Committee Member F. M. Brown Jr. of Greensboro.

Henry Wilson Jr. of Monroe, permanent Convention chairman, held a two-thirds majority would be required to bring up a resolution to adopt the anti-secret resolution. He announced the voice vote “definitely was a two-thirds majority.”

Resolutions praising Gov. Unstead and his 72 million dollar bond program for schools and mental hospitals, and memorializing the late Sen. Willis Smith and former Gov. James B. Hunt, were adopted by the Convention.

Comic Dictionary

CONFERENCE

A term for swapping stories in a businessman's private office.