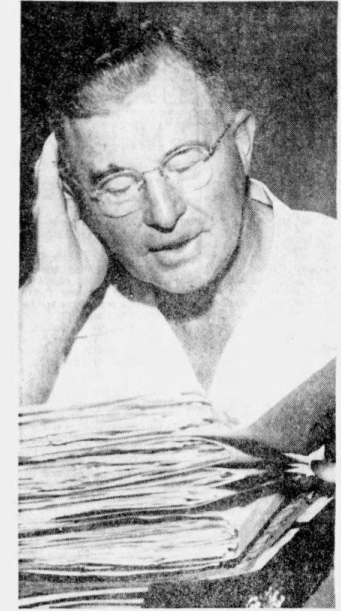


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Watch Your Contributions

Rackets Feed On Kind Instincts

By JULIAN SCHEER
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Thompson Orphanage—and other local institutions—are being smothered with kindness. They're being smothered with tickets to shows, circus, fire works displays—anything that comes to town.

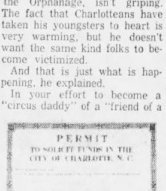
It's nice to be remembered, they say, but you'd better watch out for a racket.

If you send ducks to Thompson Orphanage, so is someone else. There aren't but 82 kids living there so why the hundreds of tickets?

M. D. Whisnant, director of the Orphanage, isn't gripping. The fact that Charlotteans have taken his youngsters to heart is very warming, but he doesn't want the same kind talks to be come victimized.

And that is just what is happening, he explained.

In your effort to become a "circus daddy" of a "friend of a child," you may be kicking into a cozy little racket that appears to be harmless.



IN BUSINESS FOR 82

Hours later, Mayor Frank Tohey came back with an assertion that the Memphis City Commission June 23 had passed a resolution authorizing a utilities division to steam plant. Tohey indicated he felt this was assurance enough.

The Budget Bureau, the Tennessee Valley Authority and the Atomic Energy Commission now are engaged in a re-study, at President Eisenhower's order, to determine whether to cancel the Dixon-Yates contract in the light of Memphis' announced decision to build its own plant, rather than to use the output of the private project.

The 197-million-dollar Dixon-Yates plant now is under construction at West Memphis, Ark. It is intended as a source of energy to replace TVA power being diverted chiefly from the Memphis area to AEC plants in the Tennessee Valley area.

Atty. Gen. Brownell said the FBI was used to "gather facts" for his guidance in rendering legal advice on whether to cancel or go ahead with the Dixon-Yates contract.

She Was 'Going To Tell My Mother'

Boy Tells Of Killing Young Girl With Axe

MANCHESTER, N.H. (P)—The nude body of a 4-year-old girl, missing since Wednesday, was found last night in a shallow grave in the cellar of a young neighbor's home.

Authorities said little blonde, blue-eyed Patricia Johnson had been sexually abused and slain with an ax and that Walter Bourque Jr., 17-year-old shoe factory worker and a volunteer searcher for her, admitted the crime.

County Solicitor Conrad Dana's said Bourque admitted attacking the little girl sexually and then killing her when she said:

"I'm going to tell my mother."

Little Patricia had been the subject of an intensive search since she was last seen by her father Wednesday night playing in front of her home.

Dana's quoted Bourque as saying he lured the child into the cellar of his home about 3:30 p.m. |



WALTER BOURQUE PATRICIA JOHNSON

Hodges Believes Continued Segregation in Sound Advice

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TURNCOATS CROSS LINE TOMORROW

Three Americans To Be Allowed To Go To Hong Kong

HONG KONG (P)—The Hong Kong government announced tonight that the three turncoat Americans now seeking to leave Red China will cross the Chinese-Hong Kong border tomorrow afternoon.

The time was given at between 1 and 2 p. m. (11 p. m. and midnight EST Saturday).

The government said it obtained its information from Hong Kong's charge d'affaires in Peking, who had learned of the repatriation permits from the Chinese Red Cross.

Earlier a dispute over transit permits had caused a delay in the release of the men. The Chinese Reds had demanded transit permits for the three Americans—a move denounced by Hong Kong authorities as a communist trick.

Announcing such permits had not and would not be issued, a government spokesman said the unexpected demand "undoubtedly was a propaganda move" aimed at pressuring U. S. and British authorities into allowing the men to enter Hong Kong legally.

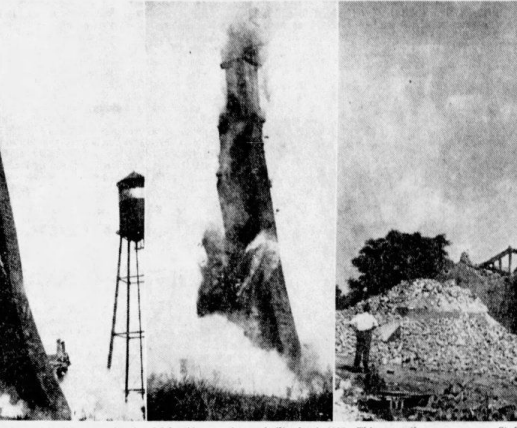
A government statement issued shortly afterward said the British charge d'affaires in Peking had been authorized to inform the Chinese Red Cross Society that the men would be admitted to Hong Kong.

This was interpreted as meaning there was no indication whether the men would be admitted to Hong Kong as undomiciled aliens, the status of most European refugees returning from Red China. There was no indication whether the move would satisfy Peking authorities.

The announcement said the formal authorization for their entry had not previously been given "because of the necessity for consultations with authorities in London and Washington."

As undomiciled aliens, they would be turned over immediately to American authorities here. British sources said the Hong Kong government's position has been to make certain that the men would not be left on its hands through some fudge that would prevent them being handed over directly to U. S. officials.

Going Going Gone!



The law of gravity, with the help of 15 tons of dynamite, turned this 200-foot smokestack at the old Southern Cotton Oil Co., 101 W. Tremont Ave., into a pile of rubble this morning.

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THE HEAT IS ON IN TWO WAYS AS DUBLIN BARTENDERS STRIKE

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP)—It's a sad day for the Irish. With the temperatures topping 80, there was not a pint of porter to be had in any pub in Dublin.

Sharp at closing time last night Dublin's 2,200 bartenders donned their striped aprons, draped their barclothes over the beer pumps and went on strike.

The walkout—lacking demands against the Irish Vintners Assn. for a 25 shilling (\$3.50) a week wage boost and better working conditions—shut down every tavern in town.

The strike began politely enough, but shortly after a "heated discussions" in Dublin's streets.

Congressman Indicted On Land Charge

SEGUIN, Tex. (P)—Rep. John J. Bell (D-Tex.), who helped set up the Texas veterans land program when he was in the state legislature, was indicted yesterday on charges of conspiring to steal \$154,810 from the state in that program.

He immediately denied guilt. He made the same denial when questioned by a state investigating committee earlier. The freshman congressman said he received some legal fees and that was all.

Indicted with him was T. J. McLarry of Denver, Colo., an attorney, and J. T. Wolford of Cuero.

It was from McLarry, Bell said in the state investigation, that he received the legal fees. McLarry was indicted in May on other counts connected with veterans land deals.

The indictments against the three involve deals of July 1952 in which 3,701.4 acres of Guadalupe County land were sold to 24 veterans.

The indictments read: "T. J. McLarry, John J. Bell and T. J. Wolford on or about the 15th day of July, 1952, did then and unlawfully conspire . . . to unlawfully and fraudulently take \$154,810 (from . . . the State of Texas . . .)

The land scandal investigation began less than a year ago. At least 318 indictments have been returned, ranging from bribery to false certification of documents.

Two Youths Held In Sinking Hoax

WOODMERE, N. Y. (P)—Two youths were held early today as police unraveled the mystery of the fishing boat Blue Star.

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His companion was George Teen of Oceanide, N. Y.

Police said the youths, who broke into the radio shack of the St. Joseph, were charged with a third-degree burglary.

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The message said a boiler room explosion set the boat ablaze, blocking access to life preservers. The last radio telephoned message said tersely that the Blue Star was going down and a foreign survivor was picking up survivors.

Coast Guard air and sea craft patrolled some 4,000 square miles of the sea in the area pinpointed in the message only to find an oil slick and a torn, unmarked lifejacket bobbing in the water. Neither was necessarily an indication of a disaster.

Magazine Editor Disappears

CHICAGO (P)—Police today investigated the disappearance of Howard Rushmore, editor of a monthly national magazine, who has been missing since early Thursday.

Rushmore, who came to Chicago Monday from his home in New York City, failed to keep an appointment yesterday with Detective Frank Heimsick.

Police said Rushmore came to Chicago to work on a story in connection with the death of James Forrestal, the former secretary of the Navy and Defense Department. They said Rushmore had appeared on a Chicago TV program Wednesday night and said he was looking for a Chicago Communist party leader.

Rushmore at one time was film editor of the Communist Daily Worker but he broke with the party in the 1930s. He has been a witness against the Communist conspiracy before several congressional committees. Until last fall he was a reporter on the New York Journal American, specializing in articles about communism.

Police said when Rushmore returned to his hotel after appearing on the TV program he re-

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Husband Of Ex-Charlotte Woman

CHICAGO (P)—Police today received a message from the desk of a man who gave the name of "Larry" had called and asked to meet him at 1:15 a.m. EST at Roosevelt Hotel and Halsted St.

Rushmore, who is 65 and weighs 200 pounds, left in a taxi-cab to meet "Larry," and police have been looking for one who has seen him since he left the hotel.

Stephen Harrison, a Chicago newspaperman who with his wife had been with Rushmore at the TV studio and at the hotel, offered to accompany Rushmore to the meeting place on the Near Southwest Side, but Rushmore said he would go alone.

Detectives Maurice Schaffner and George Williams said they found return tickets for New York with an unclaimed reservation for an airplane trip at 6:25 a.m. Friday, a reservation Rushmore neither kept nor canceled.

In New York City, Rushmore's wife, Frances, said she knew of no acquaintance of her husband by the name of Larry.

"He was to call in yesterday and didn't," Mrs. Rushmore quoted Harrison. "I'm really worried. He was on a real hot story."

Police said Harrison was expected in Chicago to aid in the investigation.