



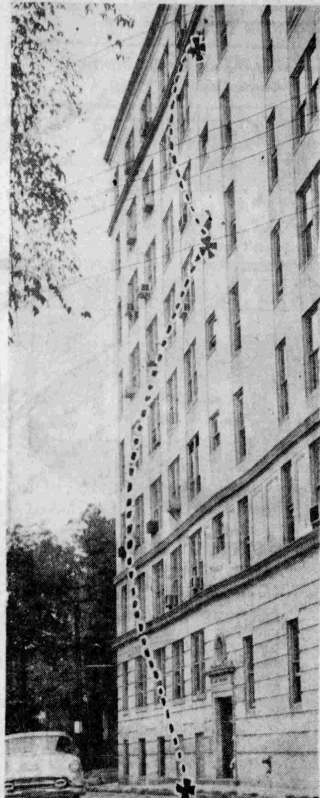
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(News Staff Photo by Tom ...)
Dotted line shows path of fatal plunge from Law Bldg.

MAN DIES IN 7-STORY FALL FROM LAW BLDG.

Salesman Victim Of Week's 2nd Plunge

By ANN SAWYER and JIM SCOTTON
Charlotte News Staff Writers

A 55-year-old Charlotte man plunged to his death from a window in the Law Bldg. at E. Trade and S. Myers St. shortly after 8:30 a.m. today.

Police identified him as Herman C. Garris, 604 Pecan Ave., a local department store shoe salesman.

A suicide note, scribbled in pencil on an envelope, was found by a Douglas & Sing ambulance attendant.

Coroner Dr. W. M. Summerville, who viewed the body at 9:20 a.m., ruled the death was suicide.



MR. GARRIS

She Wanted Baby, 'Just Took One'

CHICAGO (AP)—A brown-haired young wife told police today she wanted a baby so much that she stole one-month-old Ronald Joseph Bucher from his crib last night.

The baby was found unharmed with Mrs. Gladys Bynum, 24, in the basement apartment she shares with her husband, Charles, in the same southwest side area where the child was kidnapped.

"I wanted a baby so much I just took one," she told Capt. Patrick Deele, Mrs. Bynum and the baby were taken by police to confront the infant's mother, Mrs. Lois Bucher, 21.

Mrs. Bynum's story affirmed that of Mrs. Bucher, relating how the two women met in a store yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Bynum said she had worn a maternity dress and making to make her friends think she was expecting a baby of her own. She was not pregnant, she said.

The child's abduction set in motion a search of the area by 100 policemen.

Used Ax, 2 Knives

'I Must Be Crazy,' Aunt-Killer Says

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)—A 12-year-old South Dakota farm girl, who said "I must be crazy," told police today how she killed her aunt with an ax after brooding over a missing \$5 allowance.

The girl, Patricia Corcoran, was held for investigation into the slaying yesterday in the neat stucco home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Buncie, 55, was William Corcoran's sister.

The girl lost a \$5 bill Mrs. Buncie had given her for school expenses and brooded as she made her way home and stopped off at a Roman Catholic catechism class.

When Mrs. Buncie returned from a job at the Oakland Naval Supply Base, she asked the girl what had happened to the \$5.

Ray quoted the girl as saying she got a shot handed ax from the garage and struck her aunt. Then she stabbed her with a bread knife and, when that bent, resorted to a butcher knife.

Buncie returned home an hour later to find the girl standing on a washing machine. "I've just killed Laverne," he quoted her. "I must be crazy."

"After calling police from a grocery store, Buncie said he returned and found the girl sitting quietly in the living room. "I'm crazy," she said, and "homiesk," he quoted her.

"She's just a plain skinny kid," Ray said. "She must be 5 feet 3 inches tall and can't weigh more than 90 pounds or so. Her little arms aren't more than two inches thick."

In Mitchell, the girl's mother said she thought Patricia was just terribly, terribly homesick—she had never been away from home before.

"She never had been in trouble—this is a terrible shock for all of us."

Ike Doubts Third Term Law Wise

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL
WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower said today he does not regard as entirely wise the constitutional amendment that bars a third presidential term.

Eisenhower, making no attempt to apply his remarks to his own case, said he believes that by and large the people should be able

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to choose as president anybody they want, regardless of the number of terms.

He told a news conference that there have been objections that this might concentrate power in one individual. But he said he has the utmost confidence in the long-range judgment of the American people.

Eisenhower also hatted back at the Democratic presidential nominee, Adlai E. Stevenson, on the civil rights issue.

He said that in the armed forces, his administration ended desegregation by taking the bull by the horns. He did concede that the more enthusiastic and larger crowds of his career, with the people happy except in spots where there were questions about farm problems or depressed areas.

Among the items that came up during the question and answer session:

TAXES—Told that he had indicated in a speech in Lexington, Ky., this week that he had suggested the possibility of a tax cut in the next year or so, Eisenhower said that he wouldn't classify the issue as bright or right around the corner.

H-BOMB—It would be foolish, the President said, to stop unilaterally the testing of hydrogen bombs. He said there should be some definite international agreement before anything along that line is attempted, as otherwise Russia could go ahead with tremendous advances while the United States stands still.

MINIMUM WAGE—Asked whether he thought the \$1-an-hour minimum wage should be raised, Eisenhower said that first he wants to see minimum wage coverage for people who haven't got it.

SCHOOLS—Eisenhower said he looks to him as though the best way to finance new schools is by the federal government, putting up half the money and the states half. He said the federal money should be distributed on a basis of need as the first consideration.

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ADLAI STEVENSON looks on with sympathy as Loraine Hartman, 6, shows the Democratic presidential candidate a missing tooth, the result of an accident. (AP)

Stevenson Cheered On Harlem Visit

NEW YORK (AP)—Adlai Stevenson said Eisenhower last Monday buoyed today by a cheering reception from Negroes in civil rights-conscious Harlem.

The Democratic presidential nominee headed for the second World Series game in Brooklyn with confidence in his camp that he had surmounted a possibly critical juncture in his campaign.

His supporters regarded Harlem as something of a wasteland as to how he might fare in other populous Negro centers in Northern states with large electoral votes.

An on-the-spot estimated by police a 4,000 gathered his contention that Negroes had made their greatest gains with a Democrat in the White House.

They applauded also when he accused Eisenhower of a "brazen" attempt "to seize partisan credit for progress in civil rights."

The outdoor rally last night was open to all corners, friends of Stevenson and covering the event heard no roars or jeers or any unfriendly remarks.

But if any of those attending were unfriendly, they were silent. The cheering of the event heard no roars or jeers or any unfriendly remarks.

LOUDEST APPLAUSE
Loudest applause came when Stevenson reiterated previous assertions that "I support this decision" of the Supreme Court ruling segregation in public schools unlawful.

He quoted President Eisenhower as having said of the decision: "I think it makes no difference whether or not I endorse it."

At another point, Stevenson said Eisenhower has been "presented with an opportunity for great national leadership in this field" and had been "virtually silent."

Educational Requirements Out Civil Service Law Changed

BY DICK YOUNG
Charlotte News Staff Writer
All educational requirements for Civil Service appointments to the City Police and Fire Departments were suddenly removed today by the City Civil Service Commission.

The three-man board at a meeting this morning eliminated the requirement that applications for Civil Service posts must be high school graduates.

And Mayor Pro Tem James S. Smith said, "The Civil Service Board has been making fine progress, and I regret this decision because I believe policemen and firemen should be at least high school graduates."

However, Fire Chief Donald S. Charles put his stamp of approval on the new standard. He said: "I'm sure it will work out all right. There are many good men who are self-educated and if they are able to pass the Civil Service examination, that should be sufficient. We have been experiencing difficulty in finding sufficient numbers of men to fill vacancies in our department."

Police Chief Frank N. Littlejohn was out of the city and not available for comment. Councilman Herman A. Brown also had no objection to the board's decision, asserting, "I guess they know what

NO WITNESSES

There were no eye witnesses to the fall from the window on the fifth floor landing and one man said he heard the body hit the pavement.

There were very few people in the Law Bldg. at the early hour, Attorney J. M. Scarborough said he had talked with Mr. Garris shortly before the body was found.

Mary McDowell, elevator operator, said she took Mr. Garris up twice.

A secretary, Mrs. Lamar Graves, who was the only passenger with Mr. Garris on his second trip up, said he got off the elevator behind her at the seventh floor. She estimated the time at 8:40 a.m.

REPORTS CLASH

There are conflicting reports about the floor from which Mr. Garris jumped.

Police said they found scuff marks on the inside window sill on the landing between the sixth and seventh floors. Glass was broken in the fifth floor window, directly below, and police theorized that the falling man struck that window.

The personnel department at the store where Mr. Garris worked said he had been in poor health for some time and did not work yesterday.

The notes found on the body was marked "8 a.m. 10-5-56."

"CAN NOT GO ON"

The scrawled note read in part, "I'm sorry, dear. My love to you. I can not go on like this. . . God bless you."

The note was signed, "H. C." and "God bless you."

Several persons who talked to Mr. Garris before his death said they noticed nothing unusual in his behavior today.

Paul E. Long, 2113 Labyrinth Ave., who lives in the vicinity of Mr. Garris, gave him a ride from the 500 block of Pecan Ave. to the

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Yogi's Slammer Gives Yanks Lead

BROOKLYN (AP)—Yogi Berra slammed a home run over the screen in right field with the bases loaded in the second inning of the World Series today to give the New York Yankees a 6-0 lead over Brooklyn in the second game.

The blast, about 400 feet to a parking lot across Bedford Ave., knocked starter Don Newcombe out of the box and Ed Roebuck came on to pitch for the Dodgers.

The Yankees scored one run in the first inning. With one away Slaughter singled, and after Mantle fled out, moved to second

BULLETIN

A woman identified as Miss Bertha Abernethy fell down a flight of stairs at 2813 Providence Rd. this afternoon and died, police said. The address was the home of Robert P. Brown, who committed suicide Tuesday by leaping from a Johnston Building fire escape.

Miss Abernethy was tentatively identified as a cousin of Mr. Brown.

Aches And Pains
WINSTON-SALEM.—City employees can still afford to be sick here, but for others the price of illness is going up.

The Winston-Salem Hospital Commission voted to continue the 25 per cent discount for City employees at City Memorial Hospital. But discount for all others has been discontinued.

5 DIE IN PLUNGE
TOKYO.—Five Japanese were killed and 16 injured today when a bus plunged 90 feet off a mountain road into a deep ravine.

see & save
A clerk, Herbert Isaac, 17, cried vainly for the getaway car.

Murder Charged
GASTONIA.—Major Whitesides Jr., a Dallas warehouse worker, was charged with murder today in a Saturday night highway fatality.

Police identified Whitesides as the driver of a car which was racing with another on I-40 on Wilkerson Blvd. between Gastonia and Charlotte and crashed head-on into a third car.

Mrs. George F. Shirley of Newport News, Va. was killed in the wreck. Her husband and their two daughters were injured. The Shirleys were driving east toward Charlotte in the outside lane when another car veered across the highway and struck them.

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