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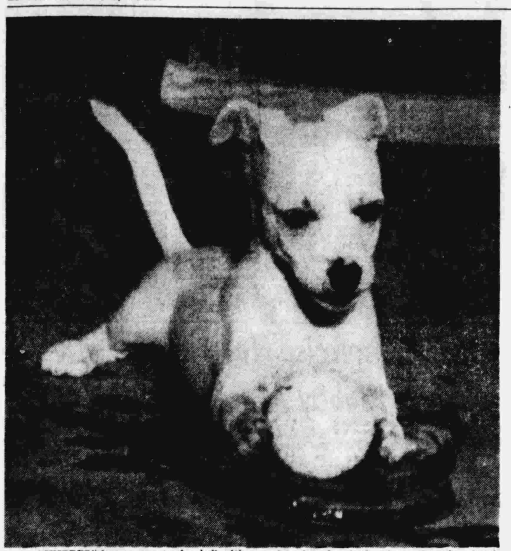
Jail Escapees Taken; 4 Hostages Released



"SKIPPER" has no one to play ball with now, because his playmate, 3-year-old James Overton, was killed in Atlanta by an auto when he chased the dog across the street. Police found the puppy cuddled in the child's mitt near the accident scene. (AP).

Turnkey Locked Up In Cell

HILLSBORO, Ill. (AP) — Three heavily armed prisoners broke out of the Montgomery County jail last night, commandeered two automobiles and took four persons as hostages. Two of them were captured early today in the Indianapolis area.

All the hostages were released unharmed. Illinois state police said. The hostages were Mr. and Mrs. Don Fogler, Miss Selma Richter, a school teacher, and William Hodton ,al lof Pana.

State police said Warner Yater, 14, and Raymond Schneider, 20, both of Chicago, were captured early today at Indianapolis. They had released Miss Richter and Horton and abandoned their second automobile in the area.

The other escapee was Norman Patrick Kelly, 20, a Negro, of Chicago.

Dave Wisdom, chief deputy sheriff at Hillsboro, said the three men had fled in a deputy sheriff's car and were armed with a sub machine gun, a rifle and two pistols.

P. M. Bandy, the jailer, said he was alone on duty and was rushed by the three youths as he let a prisoner into a cell.

"They threatened to kill me," he said. "They got out and locked me in the cell, took my keys and stole the weapons."

Folger told police he and his wife were driving home when they were forced to the roadside by a car.

He said two men jumped into their vehicle and directed him to drive east ahead of the sheriff's auto.

At Irving, about five miles from Hillsboro in south central Illinois, Fogler said the second courle was stopped. Their car was commandeered and the sheriff's car abandoned.

The hostages were warned if they "followed orders they would not be harmed," Fogler added.

(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Hunter)

Father Fogartie Knows It's HIS Day

Preachers are pops, too, and tomorrow on Father's Day the Rev. James Fogartie, pastor of Myers Park Presbyterian Church, will sit with his family instead of preaching. He is shown here with his children, Ann, Arthur, Elizabeth and 18-month old Jimmie, who obviously are happy their daddy's on vacation.

Tribute will be paid in sermon and song in local churches to fathers tomorrow. At home, the lucky men are receiving gifts ranging from customary pipes and tobacco to hand-painted mayonnaise jars.

There'll be trips to the mountains, the city parks, and fishing excursions with Pop as the guest of honor. A more sombre side of the day will be reflected in graveyards where children still remember fathers who are dead, with flowers.

There will be no parades or fireworks to honor the head of the house, but what father wouldn't be just as happy with the energetic hug Mr. Fogartie is getting.

IT COULDN'T BE THE MONEY

Usually Staid School Contest Turns Into Steaming Tussle

By CHARLES KURALT
Charlotte News Staff Writer

The most vigorous County School Board election campaign in years heads down the home stretch today.

The vigor has been injected by Dan Hood, the outspoken Matthews farmer who is seeking to unseat J. Mason Smith, a 13-year veteran on the board.

Mr. Hood led the ticket in last month's Democratic primary with 7,838 votes to 5,971 for Mr. Smith. The 5,192 votes picked up by a third candidate, William E. Derrick, threw the race into overtime.

PLENTY OF HELP

The runoff election is one week from today. Both candidates are spending a lot of time shaking hands and both have plenty of hard-working helpers.

This battle does not fit into the quiet, unexciting mold of previous school board races. Both men are out to win the job—which pays only $10 per meeting plus travel expenses of seven cents a mile.

The candidates are taking diametrically opposite campaign positions. Mr. Hood has launched a frontal attack on school board policies. Mr. Smith says as far as he is concerned, "There are no issues in the election," and answers "no comment" to all other questions.

Most people following the campaign have the feeling Mr. Hood is on outs with School Supt. J. W. Wilson. But both Mr. Hood and Mr. Wilson deny that.

Still, Dan Hood leaves no doubt where he stands.

"ATMOSPHERE OF FEAR"

In response to questions, he charged that some teachers are "working in an atmosphere of fear" created by administration policies.

The school board has also been guilty of "thoughtlessness," he said.

Teachers, he thinks, aren't paid enough. He believes they should have paid sick leaves and coffee breaks.

He also thinks a more adequate number of classrooms can be had by the county with no increase in appropriations by "leaving off frills" elsewhere.

Smith supporters claim these are phony issues, raised, as Mr. Smith says, "to muddy the waters."

Hood supporter R. E. James, another Matthews farmer, responded that "the trouble with the present board is that it's a 'yes-yes' outfit.

"Dan Hood knows how to cooperate, but at least he'll say what he thinks," Mr. James said.

"The crowd that's in now is entrenched against Dan," one Hood man said. "They don't want to see any new blood on the board."

Besides Mr. Smith's 13 years on the board, Chairman W. Banks McClintock has nearly 30 years, Fred Cochrane has served for eight years, J. Murrey Atkins and Lacy Ranson have served four years of their first six-year term.

Mr. Hood's farm is used as a detention home for wayward boys. He has a daughter at Matthews School now.

He has definite ideas about how schools should be run.

When the heating system at Mint Hill School was out of order for a time last winter, he charged, "teachers just wore their coats and kept their mouths shut.

"They were afraid to say anything," he declared.

At another school, children went without water for several days when drinking fountains were shut off, he said.

"You wouldn't run a private business that way. We shouldn't run the schools that way, either," he said.

"And we should have at least

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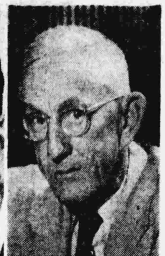
MR. SMITH



MR. HOOD

Scandinavians Make Like The Latins

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP)—Britain's Queen Elizabeth II and Princess Margaret danced the samba and mambo into the early morning hours today with members of European royalty and Swedish bluebloods.

The royal ball in the Town Hall on Stockholm's waterfront climaxed the visit to Sweden of Queen Elizabeth and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh.

He's All Wet

DETROIT (AP)—Two men Perry Robinson met in a neighboring Windsor, Ont., bar told Robinson he was all wet when he said he could swim across the Detroit River. They were right.

Robinson told police a $40 bet was made and when the three reached the river's edge one of the men said, "I'll hold the money," and the two pushed him in and ran.

—What's Inside—

Church Report Number 1: Historic 1st Presbyterian

"WHERE WE WORSHIP" — histories of Charlotte and Mecklenburg churches — begins today in The News. Appropriately, church editor Helen Parks takes the first look at historic and hallowed First Presbyterian. Her report is on the Feature Page, 2-B.

FOR THE LITERATI, there's Bud Cox's book page, featuring a review of the first of what will probably be a long string of campaign-year humor works. This is Roger Price's satirical "I'm For Me First." It's on page 6-A.

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Our Weather

Partly cloudy and continued warm today, tonight and Sunday with widely scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers.

Low this morning—64.
Low tomorrow morning—65.
High today—93.
High yesterday—87.
High tomorrow—90.
Sunrise today 5:08 a.m.
sunset today 7:40 p.m.

More Weather Data on Page 5-A

Kidnap Ransom Figure Freed

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP)—Louis Shoulders, former St. Louis police lieutenant who became a controversial figure in the mystery of the missing Greenlease kidnap ransom money, was released from the federal medical center here last night.

Shoulders was taken to St. Louis in a private ambulance provided by relatives. He had been in the center since July 16 1954, on a three-year sentence after he was convicted of perjury in connection with the $600,000 kidnap-ransom case.

Shoulders had suffered several heart attacks while at the center.

Bobby Greenlease, 6, son of Robert C. Greenlease, a wealthy Kansas City automobile distributor, was kidnaped and slain in 1953. Shoulders and Patrolman Elmer Dolan captured the kidnap-killers, Carl Austin Hall and Bonnie Brown Heady, in St. Louis the night of Oct. 6, 1953. After the arrests it developed nearly half the $600,000 ransom was missing.

Hall and Mrs. Heady were executed for the kidnaping. Shoulders and Dolan were convicted of lying to a grand jury about their handling of the recovered ransom money. Most of that vanished money still is missing.

Dolan has completed his two-year sentence served at the federal prison at Texarkana, Tex.

Message From Golfers

Eisenhower Given Non-Liquid Food

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower today ate soft food for the first time since he underwent major abdominal surgery a week ago.

A 12:30 p.m. EDT bulletin from Walter Reed Army Hospital reported that during the morning the President had four ounces of cooked wheat cereal with a little sugar and milk.

It was the first time since entering the hospital June 8 that he had had anything except liquids.

"BEST STEAK"

"The doctors tell me," White House press secretary James C. Hagerty said, "You would have thought the President was eating the best steak in the world when he got this four ounces of cream of wheat, and he really enjoyed it."

Reporting other developments as Eisenhower started his second week of convalescence, Hagerty told a news conference:

1. Eisenhower laughed off a subtle suggestion from newsmen that he say whether he intends to remain in the presidential race despite this second major illness within the last nine months.

"They're getting curious, aren't they?" Hagerty reported the President as remarking with a hearty laugh.

2. The President got "a tremendous kick" in receiving a cartoon signed by all the golfers taking part in the current National Open at Rochester, N. Y.

The cartoon, featuring a golfer about to drive, was captioned:

"To Ike who has done the most for golf—get well fast."

The pen-and-ink drawing carried the signatures of many of the President's golfing pals. The names included Ben Hogan, Cary Middlecoff, Byron Nelson and Sam Snead.

Hagerty said Eisenhower plans to watch part of the National Open tournament on television in his hospital room late in the day. That would be his first look at a TV program since being hospitalized a week ago yesterday.

Through Hagerty, Eisenhower asked newsmen at the hospital to send the National Open participants word of his deep appreciation for the cartoon.

Pruitt Inquest Set June 25

SHELBY — (AP) — An inquest into the death of Oren Asa Pruitt, 33-year-old bridegroom of one day who fell from an airliner during his honeymoon flight, tentatively has been set here for June 25.

Pruitt was killed Tuesday night when he fell through the door of a Piedmont Airlines DC3 during a regularly scheduled flight from Charlotte to Asheville. Pruitt's body landed in a nearby cemetery.

The inquest is expected to reveal how the plane's door came open.

Cleveland County coroner Ollie Harris said today, "I inspected the plane and the only question seems to be whether Pruitt opened the passenger door accidentally or intentionally. Nobody pushed him and somebody had to open that door — there wasn't a thing wrong with it."

Piedmont officials inspected the door when the plane landed at Asheville. They said it was in perfect condition mechanically and the plane was returned to its regular run for the following day.

The airline said that complete findings of its investigation will not be made public until the coroner's inquest.

Stayed Close By

HONOLULU (AP)—Edward Medieros, 33, who lived almost next door to Ft. Shafter for 11 years after walking away from his post at the fort, was convicted yesterday of desertion. He was sentenced to two years at hard labor and a dishonorable discharge.

Medieros, the father of two children was arrested last April 26. He pleaded innocent to the charge of desertion.

—Cloak And Dagger Snafu—

Reds Watched U.S. Agents Battle Each Other

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate says it was confused U.S. agents — not Russian spies — who struggled over defected Soviet pilot Peter Pirogov in a Washington restaurant seven years ago.

The subcommittee put out a statement last night, saying the American agents mistook each other for Soviet spies, while the real Russian agents stayed in the background "surveying the scene thoroughly."

Earlier in the day the subcommittee had made public testimony taken behind closed doors, in which Pirogov indicated he thought he had had a narrow escape from kidnaping by Soviet agents. But he said he didn't know for sure who had handcuffed him.

The incident occurred in August 1949 when Pirogov went to the restaurant two blocks from the White House to meet Anatole Barsov another Soviet pilot who had fled to the West. Pirogov wanted to talk Barsov out of going back to Russia.

Barsov finally went back to the Soviet Union, and Pirogov now says he thinks the Russians shot him.

The subcommittee said it had conducted an inquiry into the restaurant "episode" and disclosed for the first time that U.S. agents arrested Barsov for deportation. It said he had been in secret contact with the Soviet Embassy after accepting asylum here.

THE ACCOUNTS

The Senate group gave this account:

"When Barsov and Pirogov, the two defecting Soviet fliers, met in the Three Musketeers Restaurant, an agency of our government kept the meeting under surveillance, fearing that Pirogov might be kidnapped by Soviet agents who were also in the restaurant watching the two Russian fliers.

"Earlier, when it was learned that Barsov was secretly dealing with the Soviet Embassy, it had been decided that he should be arrested and deported, and officials of a law enforcement agency arrived at the restaurant to make the arrest according to this plan.

"However, when the meeting of the two fliers did not go according to plan, and unexpected complications described by Pirogov arose, the American officials involved due to a momentary failure to identify each other, believed that an attempt at kidnaping was being made. A scuffle ensued before the persons engaged in the encounter realized that no Soviet agents were participating.

"When the episode was over, the Soviet agents were observed surveying the scene thoroughly. Barsov was taken into custody by the United States arresting officials. Pirogov had been handcuffed during the encounter to an American agent for his own protection. . . ."

The subcommittee said the FBI was not involved. Reports have been current on Capitol Hill that the agents were from the Central Intelligence Agency, but there was no confirmation.

Evening Prayer

Dear Father of lights, we thank Thee for the gifts that come from Thy "good hand," and for the men and women, who, as Thy messengers, have brought to us the gifts that we enjoy. Teach us to love them and to love Thee, and to be ever grateful. In Christ's name. Amen.

Police Chief Killed; Wife Says She Shot Him

CLEVELAND (AP)—A young police chief died today from a bullet wound and police held his pregnant wife.

Police Chief Ray S. Trosper, 28, of Lyndhurst, died in Huron Road Hospital after hours of surgery.

Mayor Elmer T. Elbrecht of the Cleveland suburb said Trosper's estranged wife, Kathryn, 25, admitted shooting him last night during a domestic quarrel.

Mrs. Trosper, the mother of a 4-year-old son and expecting another child in three months, sued for divorce last month.

She accused him of striking her and falsely saying she had affairs with other men. Judge William K. Thomas of Common Pleas Court issued a restraining order to keep him from molesting her.

Mrs. Trosper, under the care of her obstetrician, spent the night in a cell at South Euclid, another suburb. No charges were filed immediately.

Mrs. Trosper said her husband threatened to take away their son, Michael.

She said in her statement that she got her husband's service revolver from the guest closet, but didn't know it was loaded.

"I wasn't going to use the gun, but I wanted him to leave the boy at home," police quoted her as saying.