

Harlan County Jury Convicts Dead Man

Murder Defendant Shot In Court Room

Harlan, Ky., May 22.—(UP)—Disappointed by one jury and unwilling to take a chance with a second, Jack Heaton, 26, approached the defendant from behind and fired a bullet into his brain.

The scene was in the Harlan county courtroom. It was jammed with 300 persons watching the second trial of Manzo Shepherd, 24, charged with murdering Joe Christian, Heaton's uncle. The pistol shot occasioned little surprise. The spectators pushed forward a little, craned their necks.

"Order in the court room," said Judge James S. Forrester, rapping the bench with his gavel. The dying defendant slumped in a chair; his slayer was seized.

Heaton chose the moment when the jury was filing out of the room having been charged by Judge Forrester. It heard the shot but a bailiff hastily closed a door behind the last man in the line and it had no idea who had fired it or at whom.

Therefore, entirely ignorant that its proceedings were on the academic side, it deliberated over the evidence, took a poll, and found itself agreed that Shepherd was guilty of murder in the first degree, meaning a mandatory death sentence. But Shepherd had died in his chair at counsel table when it returned, 20 minutes later, to report.

Harlan county is well known for extended and bloody mine wars in which, over the years, scores have been killed.

Shepherd was tried first on Tues-



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In the opinion of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, this is the best glamor picture of the year. Called "Sophisticate" by the cameraman, Scotty Welbourne, the subject is Brenda Marshall, screen actress, Miss Marshall, born in the Philippines, has risen to stardom via the Federal theater.

Former Rail Agent Convicted Of Fraud

Aftermath Of Rail Crash At South Bend

Detroit, May 22—(UP)—James A. Wilson, 68, former general claims agent of the Grand Trunk and Western Railroad, was held under \$10,000 bond today after a federal court jury found him guilty of using the mails to defraud the road of \$75,000.

Wilson was referred to the probating department pending sentence.

The government charged that Wilson, Oliver T. Prickett, Lansing, Mich., former claims agent for the road, and Perry R. Chapin, Hammond, Ind., attorney, conspired to defraud the railroad of \$75,000 by preparing and approving 17 false damage claims arising from an accident near South Bend, Ind., Oct. 12, 1938.

Prickett and Chapin pleaded

guilty and now are awaiting sentence. Prickett appeared as chief government witness against Wilson.

Assistant U. S. attorney Thomas P. Thornton called more than 50 witnesses, many of them from Hammond, Ind., Calumet City, Ill., and Chicago, in the government's prosecution of Wilson, against whom another indictment still is pending. They testified that they received fees of \$25 to \$100 from Chapin for filing false claims which the prosecution charged, Wilson subsequently approved.

The South Bend railroad accident involved trains on the Grand Trunk and New York Central railroads, both of which were carrying passengers to the Notre Dame-Minnesota football game. The Grand Trunk assumed responsibility for the crash and paid out more than \$350,000 in legitimate personal injury claims.

ROOSEVELT WARNS

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sion that this is being done."

George said he believed recent statements of Nazi leaders as reported in this country, indicating that Germany's plight is becoming more desperate, were intended as propaganda.

Work Is Started On Repainting Elks Home

Work started this morning on the repainting of the Elks home on North Second street, the largest residence in Decatur. Heber Feasel had the contract for the work.

"V" Fleet Button



President Roosevelt

Introduced by President Roosevelt on the eve of Maritime Day, the Victory Fleet button, shown on his coat lapel, becomes an official badge of more than 1,500,000 shipyard and factory workers who are helping build vitally-needed cargo ships. The badge features a silver eagle perched on a blue anchor against a red background.



Dr. Manuel Prado

Peru's president, Dr. Manuel Prado, is caught in an informal moment by the camera in New York during a press conference. The president eats a snack and drinks a glass of orange juice with his guests. Dr. Prado is visiting the U. S. and came to New York from Washington where he was officially welcomed by President Roosevelt.

Defense Study Most Popular
Los Angeles, Cal.—(UP)—Defense training is proving one of the most popular subjects at the University of California. There are now offered 44 courses and 51 classes, all leading to practical jobs.

New Grapefruit Market
Winter Haven, Fla.—(UP)—A new market for grapefruit has been opened with development here of a method of obtaining lactic acid from the fruit. The derivative is widely used in medicine and industry.

Egg-a-Day Schedule Triumphs
Unity, Me.—(UP)—A Rhode Island Red hen entered in the Monmouth egg-laying contest by G. E. Constable easily won the February prize when it produced 28 eggs—one for every day of the month.

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Youthful Chicago Slayer Convicted

Life Imprisonment In Theater Slaying

Chicago, May 22—(UP)—A criminal court jury today found 17-year-old Clarence McDonald guilty of murdering his high school sweetheart as he kissed her in the balcony of a movie theater and recommended that he be imprisoned for life.

In returning a guilty verdict, the jury of eight women and four men ruled that the handsome, blond boy whom the defense had described as "a Penrod gone berserk" was sane when he shot Dorothy Broz, 17, as he pressed a kiss on her lips during the movie "Sealed Lips" last February 24.

Six topflight psychiatrists, three for the defense and three for the prosecution, had disagreed during the 10-day trial on the boy's mental state and most of the trial testimony concerned whether or not McDonald was a victim of split personality.

When the jury delivered its verdict McDonald, who had sat stolid and morose while his fate was being debated, snapped to attention for the first time in the court room. His chin quivered, he blinked his eyes and remarked: "I beat the chair. Now I have a chance to get out."

BLOODY BATTING

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Allied air bases from which Japan could be bombed, because there were too many bases.)

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All counterattacks have been repulsed, however, Red Star said, and the Russian westward march remained uncheckered.

Dispatches from the front indicated that counter-attacking German formations had been sent racing back their tanks shattered and their ranks decimated, and that the great Russian drive had gained suddenly in momentum.

Blistering hot guns of the world famous Red artillery were laying down a pulverizing barrage of German defenses in the Kharkov suburban zone while Russian planes dive-bombed German defenses and reserves who pressed toward the front in response to urgent calls by the German command.

Dispatches indicated that the ferocious counter-attacks by which the Germans sought to save the day had been broken and were now diminishing in intensity.

On the 25-mile Barvenkovo-Izium stretch of the front, 70 miles south of Kharkov, the German counter-offensive had been repulsed at all points, it was asserted officially.

The noon communiqué said: "Last night our troops engaged in offensive battles in the Kharkov

Murder Puzzles



Eugene Law

Authorities at Hutchinson, Kan., seek a motive for the double slaying of Francis J. Law, 60, and his wife, 54, and the suicide of Eugene Law, 18, above, foster son of the Laws, who was found mortally wounded in a closet in the Law home. Law and his wife were found dead from gunshot wounds.

direction. Fighting continues in the eastern part of the Kerch peninsula. There was nothing of importance in other sectors."

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It was indicated that more might be heard in the next few days of important Russian offensive operations on the Arctic front.

Already it had been reported that the Russians had gained 13 miles in northern Finland, in a new drive, and it was indicated that this offensive was timed with a strong Russian attack in the Murmansk area on the Arctic coast.

Snakes Aid Against Hitler

Brisbane, Australia.—(UP)—

Australia, in its all-out effort to defeat Hitler, has decided to enlist its snakes. They will be used in helping to keep prison, concentration camps and other military concentrations free of rats.

K.P.'s Electrified

Camp Claiborne, La.—(UP)—K. P. duty was worse than usual when electricians installed a new refrigerating unit. Every metal object in the kitchen and even the dishwasher was charged with electricity.

Profanity reigned and mess was late.

Musician, 71, Weds Girl, 23



Rosario Scalero, 71, head of the composition department at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, and his bride, Germaine Tepin, 23, of Philadelphia, leave St. Patrick's church after their marriage. Scalero is well known in Europe, having written many compositions for string quartet and voice.

Doolittle's Son Elected At Raid

Son Of Tokyo Raid Leader In Air Corps

Fort Wayne, May 22.—(UP)—"That man won't let anything stand in his way when he makes his mind up to do a job."

The speaker was Second Lieut. James H. Doolittle, Jr., and his subject was his father—Brig.-Gen. James H. Doolittle, Sr., who had led the successful Tokyo bombing raid of April 18.

When young Doolittle's flying partners first told him of his dad's feat, after hearing it announced by radio, he grinned from ear to ear, then commented:

"I thought he might have something to do with it!"

"I'm pretty used to seeing him do things," the 22-year-old son of America's war hero told an army reporter at Baer Field, the army air base near Fort Wayne shortly after his father's return to Washington to be decorated by President Roosevelt.

Young Doolittle had hopped into Baer Field on a short visit, and it was on the Baer Field hanger telephone that he talked to his famous father for the first time since last

March. He had been on the call through since noon day afternoon, and did not return till late Wednesday afternoon.

Grinning, he picked up the phone and greeted from Washington, "Hi General! How are you?"

Their conversation was

and concerned young

and plans.

Father and son had

other the first work

when both were at the

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Lieut. Doolittle returned

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as a pilot under Capt. Eufaula, Okla., who is his

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