

Borrow Airplane, Fly From New York To Visit In Decatur

Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Langdon, of Cortland, N. J., travel the modern way. When they decided to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Theron Dull of Mercer avenue in this city, they borrowed a plane from a friend and flew here.

one during a storm near Cleveland, O. They flew under a low ceiling most of the way, said Mr. Langdon the pilot.

Langdons when she lived in an adjoining apartment at Cortland, while he worked in Syracuse, N. Y., during the war.

Sings Here Sunday



Margot Power

Margot Power, a 1947 winner of the "Arthur Godfrey Talent Scout" auditions, and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Brock will be added attractions of the Richard Maxwell program at the First Christian Church of Decatur, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock under the auspices of Decatur churches and veterans hospital programs.

Miss Power is a graduate of Syracuse University, having won a music scholarship in competition with 400 contestants. She has appeared as guest soloist with the Buffalo civic symphony orchestra and with the twilight music hour series at the Buffalo science museum. Coming to New York to study for opera, the young singer has interrupted her studies to tour for veterans hospital programs.

The program will feature Richard Maxwell, famous radio singer-philosopher, known to his fans throughout the country for his own radio programs, "Hymns You Love," "Song of Cheer and Comfort" and "A Friend In Need." In addition to singing songs his fans have admired on the air, Maxwell will tell dramatic stories of his experiences while touring army and navy camps and hospitals.

The public is invited to attend the program and meet these network stars in person. There is no admission charge.

Heavily-Armed Gang Believed In State

Suspects In Series Of Midwest Thefts

Indianapolis, Sept. 9—(UP)—State police said today that a heavily-armed gang, including two women, was responsible for a series of southern Indiana and midwestern robberies.

A state police alert described the gang as "among the most dangerous in the midwest" and warned all units to maintain a close lookout.

Troopers said they believed the gang, whose ringleaders were listed as ex-convicts Frank Nichols, 42, and Fred Seno, 40, both of Chicago, was back in Indiana after a \$13,000 Milwaukee hold-up last Sunday.

Nichols and Seno definitely have been linked to jewelry store robberies in Jeffersonville and Vincennes, state police said. They believed the gang also was responsible for unreported gambling house hold-ups in southern Indiana. It also is wanted for questioning in the shooting of two Jeffersonville police officers.

Originally, the series of robberies was believed to have been the work of two men. Now, however, state police said they have established that a newly-organized mob was responsible.

Two women, one a blonde and the other a brunette, and a man who drives the gang's car accompany Nichols and Seno, troopers said. The identity of the three other members of the gang has not been established.

Funds Are Allocated For School Lunches

Over Million Dollars Granted To Indiana

Washington, Sept. 9—(UP)—The agriculture department has announced an initial allocation of \$46,800,000 to the states for operation of the school lunch program this year.

Another \$1,950,000 was earmarked for the program in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The money will be used to purchase food for school lunches which are sold to children at cost.

Each state must match the federal funds on the basis of its average income. Mississippi, for example, must put up 48.35 percent of the federal grant. Such states as California and New York must put up the full 100 percent.

In all, congress appropriated \$65,000,000 for the school lunch program this year. The remaining money will be used by the agriculture department to buy food needed by schools to meet special nutritional requirements.

A total of \$75,000,000 was appropriated for the program last year. This, however, included \$10,000,000 for equipment which was eliminated this year.

The initial grants by states included: Illinois, \$1,841,051, Indiana \$1,055,508; Iowa \$742,019, and Kentucky \$1,602,020.

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The players told police that they obediently did as he ordered. At that time, Bilsky said, the players heard the voice of another bandit. He instructed the players to put their hands behind their back and tied their hands securely to the back of the chair they were sitting in.

The second bandit then ransacked their billfolds or pockets, the players said.

Confesses Killing Woman For Revenge

Relative Confesses Killing For Revenge

St. Louis, Sept. 9—(UP)—First degree murder charges will be filed today against Edwin Linders, 36, who confessed that he killed Mrs. Roy H. McAndrew, 44, for revenge in the fanatic belief that "she poisoned my father and tried to cheat me out of my inheritance."

Prosecuting attorney Stanley Wallach said he probably would ask the death penalty for Linders, who confessed slaying his relative-by-marriage after intensive questioning.

Mrs. McAndrew was the wife of a former Manhattan atomic project engineer who is now a civilian employe of the army in Japan. McAndrew was reported to be returning here.

Police chief Earl Lewis said Linders' confession was incoherent.

Linders told police a rambling story of an extreme hatred for his step-mother, Mrs. Alma Linders, the sister of Mrs. McAndrew.

He said his hatred for her developed after the death of his father in December, 1944, because the elder Linders had left his entire estate to his step-mother.

Mrs. Linders said the estate was valued at approximately \$100,000 including \$40,000 in real estate.

He accused Mrs. McAndrew of poisoning his father but did not elaborate on the charge.

Police said there was "absolutely no evidence" to support Linders' charge. Records show that his father died of heart disease, they said.

Mrs. McAndrew was killed Sunday night in the living room of her home in suburban Kirkwood, Mo. Her daughter, Mary, 22, was upstairs at the time.

Miss McAndrew said she heard the doorbell ring about midnight Sunday and her mother answered the door.

The daughter did not go down, but heard her mother "talking with the visitor in a calm voice as though it was someone she knew."

Then there were four shots. When Miss McAndrew got downstairs her mother was dead and the murderer had fled.

Police picked up Linders because he resembled a man seen fleeing the McAndrew home by neighbors. A .45 calibre pistol was found several blocks away. Mrs. McAndrew was killed by .45 calibre bullets.

Linders' wife, Margaret, was taken into custody with him but was released when it became apparent she had no connection with the killing.

Linders' step-mother said she believed he went to plead with Mrs. McAndrew to influence her sister to give him part of his father's inheritance. She said he may have killed Mrs. McAndrew in a rage at her refusal to help him.

Police quoted Linders as saying he bought the pistol at an East St. Louis pawnshop several weeks ago. He said he took a taxi to the McAndrew home and "bummed" a ride back to St. Louis because he was out of funds.

After the killing, Linders told police, he returned to his hotel and "had my first good night's sleep in a long time."

Police said he apparently suffered no remorse.

"I could go down to the morgue and comb her hair right now without it bothering me," officers quoted him.

Humanity is never so beautiful as when praying for forgiveness, or else forgiving another. — Richter.

No man needs sympathy because he has to work.

V-2 ROCKET IS

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also building the battleship Kentucky and a cruiser to carry guided missiles. Spokesmen have said there is "no clear limit" to the possible size of the carrier.

Dr. Frederick Howde, president of Purdue University and chairman of the guided missiles committee of the joint research and development board, attended the Midway's rocket-firing experiment.

ELECTION TEST

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Storch, a former marine corps combat correspondent, has promised if elected, to vote for repeal of the Taft-Hartley law.

Lichtenwalter has been bitterly attacked by the opposition for his role in guiding through the state house during the recent session a series of labor measures termed by union leaders even more drastic than the Taft-Hartley law.

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GARY SCHOOL

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protest to the Gary school board re-zoning program which sent negro children in the first three grades to Emerson.

All negroes in Gary formerly were sent to one overcrowded school.

Only about 650 of the students had returned today, but strict directors of the CIO United Steelworkers of America advised all union members to assist in urging the others to return.

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"Put these over your face," he ordered.

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