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Arrest Phenix City Mayor



MAYOR ELMER REECE (right) of crime ridden Phenix City, Ala., under guard and being booked in the jail he once controlled, listens glumly while acting police chief Col. Jack Warren of the national guard reads the charges against him. Accused on three counts of willful neglect of duty, Reece spent the morning in jail before being released on \$3,000 bond. Phenix City was put under martial law recently in an all out effort to rid the town of vice.

Dr. Sheppard's Arrest Upheld In Court Today

Detectives Report Admissions Made By Dr. Sheppard

CLEVELAND (INS) — Dr. Sam Sheppard, eyes closed as if in pain, was refused a longed-for writ of freedom today.

The society doctor, charged with the bestial killing of his pregnant wife last July Fourth, bowed his head and clenched his fists as a common plea judge upheld his arrest Friday night on first degree murder charges.

His attorneys, William Corrigan and Arthur Petersidge, had applied for a writ of habeas corpus, claiming that the prisoner was arrested on a warrant illegally issued.

While most police and city officials from Cleveland and Bay Village, scene of the shocking crime, argued that the writ in a midtown courtroom, detectives were reported to have revealed that "Dr. Sam" made some startling admissions under grilling Sunday.

He was said to have admitted that he told young, freckle-faced Susan Hayes before the murder that he loved her and would like to get a divorce from Marilyn Sheppard—but it was impossible because he did not want to "smear the Sheppard name."

Inspector James McArthur, advised of the "detectives' report," snapped "It's a lie. He has admitted nothing of the sort."

It was believed the report may have come from continued, behind-locked-doors questioning of the pert, 24-year-old Miss Susan Hayes, who has made damaging admissions about her relationship with the doctor.

The report that Dr. Sheppard had confessed his relations with Susan—firmly denied by Inspector McArthur—included the news that the prisoner had confessed he told Susan he loved his wife, but not as wife.

Dr. Sam's attorneys made a long session of their appeal for a writ today before a jammed courtroom and Common Pleas Judge Frank Merrick. They claimed the first degree murder warrant, issued by Bay Village councilman Gershon Barber, acting as mayor, was illegal because a councilman has "no authority" to issue such a paper.

Judge Merrick cited a 1941 law passed by the Ohio legislature which provided that a city without a municipal or police court with an elected judge may give the president of its city council full magistrate's power.

"The writ," said Merrick, "is refused. The prisoner is to remain in the custody of the sheriff."

Attorney Corrigan announced immediately, "I will appeal." He also insisted that all testimony at the hour-long hearing be entered in the record.

Dozens of spectators pushed toward the courtroom door to see the chief suspect in the brutal slaying as he was led from county jail wearing handcuffs, a white sport shirt, faded blue denim pants and his famous "therapeutic collar."

He was untroubled during early proceedings but as witnesses were called to the stand by Corrigan attempting to justify his plea for

Name Grand Champs For 4-H Divisions

Winning Exhibits Displayed At Fair

Four grand champions were named in the Adams county 4-H baking, food preservation, clothing, and home improvement projects, which will be on exhibit with other winners at the 4-H fair in Monroe starting Tuesday. Miss Anna K. Williams, home demonstration agent, said today. The fair lasts until Thursday night.

Janet Shady, of the Kirkland Kutz 4-H club, is the grand champion of 4-H baking. Miss Shady was winner over 305 other girls and boys who completed this project. This was the largest contest in the history of Adams county 4-H club.

Norma Jean Bailey, of St. Mary's township, was named grand champion of the home improvement project Saturday afternoon at Monroe by the judge, Mrs. P. B. Smith. Miss Bailey had designed and decorated a miniature bedroom, which will be displayed with the other home improvement projects at the Monroe school during the fair, August 3-5.

Colleen Egly, of the Jefferson Work and Win 4-H club, won grand champion honors in the clothing exhibition Friday night at Monroe. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holman Egly of route 2, Berne, Miss Egly exhibited a blue best dress and velvet jacket and a striped denim dress with green jacket. There were 263 different clothing exhibits.

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Urges Specific Charges Made On McCarthy

Senator McClellan Urges Committee Named For Study

BULLETIN — **WASHINGTON (INS)** — Senator GOP leader William F. Knowland, formally proposed today that the Senate refer the entire issue of censuring Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy to a special committee.

Knowland moved that a select committee of three Republicans and three Democrats be named by Vice President Richard Nixon to consider the censure resolution of Sen. Ralph E. Flanders (R-Vt.), and all other amendments which have been offered.

WASHINGTON (IN) — Sen. John J. McClellan (D Ark.) said today the motion to censure Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy should be referred to a special Senate committee to draft specific charges so that McCarthy will have "a fair opportunity to defend himself."

McClellan, senior Democrat on the Wisconsin Republican's investigating committee, told newsmen that he believes the charges of Sen. Ralph E. Flanders (R-Vt.) are not specific enough and should be developed further before any action is taken.

McClellan's statement, echoing the criticism of other senators who have complained of the lack of specific charges in the Flanders motion, was made as the Senate prepared to open the third day of debate on the move to discipline McCarthy for his conduct as a senator.

McClellan, whose stand on the censure motion was expected to influence other Democrats, made known his position after returning to Washington from his primary election victory in Arkansas.

Meanwhile, McCarthy called off a meeting of his government operations committee considering the appointment of former Sen. Owen Brewster (R-Me.) as the unit's chief counsel, in order to deal first hand with the Flanders motion on the Senate floor.

The Arkansas Democrat said he felt that a special committee, composed of Republicans and Democrats who have had little to do with the McCarthy matter should be appointed to handle the censure motion rather than any present standing committee.

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Mrs. Ruth B. Moser Is Taken By Death

Funeral Services Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. Ruth B. Moser, 61, died Saturday afternoon at her home northwest of Berne after an illness of three weeks following a heart attack.

She was born in Wells county July 16, 1893, a daughter of Fred and Margaret Hook-Gottschall and was married to Daniel S. Moser Dec. 18, 1915. Her husband died Dec. 30, 1931. She had lived in Adams county for 44 years.

Mrs. Moser was a member of the Old Salem Evangelical United Brethren church near Lynn Grove.

Surviving are three sons, Richard of near Berne, Roger of Monroe and Roy, at home; two daughters, Mrs. Chester Stevens and Mrs. Luther Engle, both of near Monroe; a foster son, Edward Pierce, stationed at Chandler air force base, Arizona; nine grandchildren; three brothers, George Gottschalk of Rochester, Herman of near Berne, and five sisters, Mrs. Charles Cory of Haskell, Okla., Mrs. Luella Reynolds, Mrs. Pearl Gentis and Mrs. Emil Moser, all of Bluffton, and Mrs. Henry Durkes of Battle Creek, Mich. One daughter, a triplet sister of Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Engle, died in infancy. One brother and two sisters are also deceased.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Old Salem EUB church at Lynn Grove, the Rev. Cecil Smith and the Rev. George Holston officiating. Burial will be in the MINE cemetery. The body was removed to the Yager funeral home, where friends may call until time of the services.

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Decatur, Indiana, Monday, August 2, 1954.

Five Communist Party Leaders Are Arrested By Government Agents

Housing Bill Signed Today By President

First National Housing Program Sponsored By GOP

WASHINGTON (INS) — President Eisenhower signed a compromise housing bill into law today and declared that it is "a major advance toward meeting America's housing needs."

The chief executive voiced only a mild criticism of the deep slash made by congress in his public housing recommendations as he landed the bill in glowing terms.

The first Republican-sponsored national housing program in history was to be followed by orders relaxing credit regulations on purchase of a home.

The measure, one of the first items in the legislative program laid down by Mr. Eisenhower last January, reached his desk in practically the same form he recommended—except for its sharp curtailment of the public housing program.

With the signing of the bill into law, federal housing administration officials planned to reduce required minimum cash down payments by hundreds of dollars on FHA-insured home loans, and to land into effect other credit-easing regulations.

The new law, product of an intensive presidential study last

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Return Ministers To Local Churches Annual Conference Held By EUB Church

The Rev. John E. Chambers, Benj. G. Thomas and L. T. Norris were reassigned to their present churches at the final session of the annual Evangelical United Brethren church held at Lake Wawasee, Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Chambers was returned as pastor of the Trinity Evangelical United Brethren church; Rev. Thomas to the Bethany Evangelical United Brethren church, and Rev. Norris to the Union Chapel Evangelical United Brethren church, northeast of Decatur.

Only one change was made in pastoral assignments in this immediate area. The Rev. James F. Thomas, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Benj. G. Thomas of this city, was assigned as pastor of the Calvary Evangelical United Brethren church, east of Decatur. He succeeds the Rev. Carl Finley, who served the Calvary church for the past year.

The Rev. James F. Thomas is a senior of North Central college at Naperville, Ill., and will continue his senior year while serving the Calvary church. This is his first assignment.

Other pastors returned to their charges of last year include: the Rev. Howard Rees, Monroeville circuit; the Rev. Lewis Strong, Ossian circuit; the Rev. C. L. H. Arthur Givens, Berne; the Rev. A. R. McKain, Geneva; the Rev. C. H. Smith, Lynn Grove.

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Mad Butcher Killer Arrested In Canada

Killer Of Montreal Youth Under Arrest

MONTRÉAL (IN) — A man hunted by police as the "mad butcher" killer of a six-year-old Montreal boy was arrested today in Quebec City.

The suspect was identified as Lucien Picard, about 45, an unemployed machinist in whose squalid Montreal room the mutilated torso of the murdered boy, Raymond Trudeau, was found Sunday.

Neighbors of Picard had described him to police as a "quiet and mild-mannered" man who was almost always drunk.

Also sought by police was a "mysterious stranger" who is believed to have aided in the torture and dismemberment of Raymond, son of a candy store proprietor.

Parts of the boy's head, arms and legs were found Saturday, wrapped in cartons on a garbage dump near Montreal's waterfront.

Sunday, the youngster's torso, "severely mutilated" according to police, was found in a cheap satchel in Picard's room.

Discovery of Raymond's torso came about as a result of Picard's last conversation with his landlord, Edmond Moreau. Friday evening, Moreau said Picard was "Stumbling drunk" and told him he could not pay his week's rent.

The landlord, watching for Picard on Sunday, noticed a stench coming from the room. He investigated, broke into the padlocked room, and found the satchel with its gruesome contents.

Police found blood-stained bed-sheets and pillow-cases, blood on the floor, large knives with what appeared to be blood-stains on the handles, boxes similar to those in which Raymond's head and limbs were found 24 hours earlier, and paper identical to that which had bound the grisly packages.

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Schuriger Speaks At Terre Haute Rally Decatur Attorney Speaker Saturday

The young people of Indiana should be most interested in their state government, because they are the ones who will pay for the mistakes now being made," Severin H. Schuriger, of Decatur, candidate for the state appellate court, told a kick-off rally for the Democratic campaign in Terre Haute Saturday afternoon. Schuriger was one of several state candidates who addressed the crowd.

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All state candidates except two were present at the rally. In the evening, Congressman Ray J. Madigan of Gary, addressed the group, and Mayor Ralph Tucker of Terre Haute made the principal speech.

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Report Revolt On New Regime In Guatemala

Military Cadets, Others Rebel On Government Regime

GUATEMALA CITY (IN) — A group of 300 Guatemalan military cadets and others revolted against the month-old anti-Communist regime of Guatemalan President Carlos Castillo Armas today and many persons were reported killed and wounded in bitter fighting in the capital.

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Alleged Killer Is Nabbed At Bluffton

Man Beaten To Death At Swimming Party

Richard J. McClain, of Indianapolis, 38, was arrested in Bluffton this afternoon and charged with the murder of Rex Foor, age 30, Indianapolis taxi driver last Friday.

McClain, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, was arrested by police after a three-county road block covering Adams, Wells, and Huntington counties sealed all routes leading north. All Decatur police cars participated with the sheriff's office and state police in blocking highways 124, 224, 27, 33, 116, 118 and 119.

McClain was arrested with his wife and four children and offered no resistance.