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HONOR DEATH TRIAL OPENS IN HONOLULU

Racial Hatred and Politics Mixed Into Case of Navy Men and Matron.

DARROW AIDS DEFENSE

Slaying of Native After Attack Turned Attention of World to Islands.

BY DAN CAMPBELL

United Press Staff Correspondent

HONOLULU, April 4.—An attack on the wife of a young naval officer, the murder of a native accused of participating in the attack, racial feeling, and Hawaiian politics were well-mixed today in the trial of an American matron and three navy men, accused of murder in Honolulu's "honorable slaying."

The defendants, Mrs. Granville Roland Fortescue, her son-in-law, Lieutenant Thomas H. Massie, and enlisted men, Edward J. Lord and Albert O. Jones, were defended by a brilliant legal staff headed by Clarence Darrow.

They were indicted for the second-degree murder of Joe Kahahawai, a native abducted and killed on Jan. 9. He and four other men at the time awaited a second trial on charges of having attacked Lieutenant Massie's wife.

Evidence Is Circumstantial

The defendants neither have denied nor admitted their guilt. The defense has kept silent on plans for the trial. The police claimed, soon after the murder, that they had a string of circumstantial evidence against the defendants, but no witnesses to the crime have been found.

There have been many theories as to what happened between the time Kahahawai was abducted and an automobile in front of the hall of justice, where a white man showed him a document which looked like a summons, and the time his body was found.

The body was found near the automobile stopped near Koko Head. Three defendants were arrested, the fourth was stationed outside Mrs. Fortescue's residence.

Lieutenant Massie is expected to outline a defense of accidental homicide. The defense may plead "alarm clock insanity," that under the strain of believing the Hawaiian guilty of the attack on Mrs. Massie, the defendants lost their reason temporarily.

World Attention on Islands

Circuit Judge Charles S. Davis indicated that court would be in session in the mornings. It was expected that selection of a jury would take up most of the first week of the trial.

The slaying of Kahahawai, and subsequent charges that conditions in the "Pearl of the Pacific" were not safe for white women focused world attention on Honolulu.

The background of sensational events there reached from the depths of Honolulu's underworld to the uppermost level of American society.

Mrs. Massie, formerly Thalia Fortescue, was attacked one night last September in the Waikiki beach section of Honolulu, made famous in songs and stories of Hawaii. She was brutally and criminally assaulted.

Five men were arrested and identified by Mrs. Massie. One was Kahahawai.

Another, Horace Ida, later was kidnapped on a main street and beaten, he claimed, by United States sailors.

Unsubstantiated Unrest

The five men were released on bail after the jury disagreed at their trial. A second hearing was scheduled.

Meanwhile feeling between the foreign residents and natives grew with other attacks on white women. Sailors and natives clashed.

On one occasion marines were brought from Pearl Harbor to maintain order.

Sailors from the naval base were not allowed to come into the city.

An unsubstantiated bad feeling broke out with the kidnapping and murder of Joe Kahahawai.

According to the police story, they found evidence that Kahahawai was killed at Mrs. Fortescue's home, that his body was wrapped in a sheet and placed in a car, and that his killer intended to throw the body into a geyser where it never would have been found.

Hourly Temperatures
6 a. m., 32 10 a. m., 45
7 a. m., 33 11 a. m., 50
8 a. m., 35 12 (noon), 53
9 a. m., 40 1 p. m., 57

Poorhouse Inmate Gets \$80,000, but 'Keeps Cool'

By United Press

VINCENNES, Ind., April 4.—One new suit, or maybe two, and a railroad ticket to California is all that John Wheeler, 70, Knox county infirmarian inmate, will buy right away with the \$80,000 he inherited last week.

Old John worked around the infirmary today the same as ever. Since he has learned that an uncle he never saw, John Vest, died in California and left him sole heir to a fortune, Wheeler has not changed.

He wears the same overalls, shirt and slouch hat and old shoes. Each night he washes his clothes and dons the same ones again the next day.

A shiny new auto doesn't interest Wheeler. "If I did buy one," he reflected, "I'd have to have a chauffeur, because I can't drive. If I had a chauffeur, pretty soon maybe I'd need a valet."

"No, I just because I haven't had money before, that doesn't mean I don't know how to spend it wisely."

Wheeler said he will stay in the infirmary until he "sees the greenbacks." Then he'll buy "some of the boys here" a little present and leave for the west.

5-Year Plans

Eugene Lyons, United Press staff correspondent at Moscow, has written a vivid, colorful and realistic series on the Soviet five-year plan. First article of this series, dealing with the second five-year plan, and the wind-up of the first five-year plan, appears on Page 2 of today's Times.

Lyons has been watching the Soviet experiment since the birth of the first five-year plan. His intimate, close contact with the Soviet leaders, his knowledge of their country, has given him an unparalleled background for an honest and fair statement of aims and conditions.

In the Lyons series, he gives a picture of the human struggle of the Russians to push their strategy through to success, their failure and accomplishments.

These articles will bring home to every reader the hardships, sacrifices and labor demanded of Russians by their leaders. It is a portrait of a country on trial in the eyes of the world.

FOUR KILLED IN AIRPLANE CRASH

Sleet Coats Wings, Blinds Pilot in Storm.

By United Press

ALBORN, Minn., April 4.—Four business men, flying to the air show in Detroit, ran into a sleet squall near here today which blinded the pilot, weighted the wings of their plane and sent them to death in a crash at more than sixty miles an hour.

The dead were: Chester Fuller, 25, pilot, E. J. Kurvinski, 33, owner, G. J. Sorenson, 32, owner of the plane.

W. Sorenson, his brother. The four left Ely, Minn., at 6 a. m. They ran into a snow squall near Independence, Minn., and swung northward to escape it.

Sleet, which weighed the wings of their plane, and the United Press and eye-witness story of the accident.

"The plane was less than twenty-five feet from the ground," Watson said, "when I first saw it. They appeared to be trying to find a place to land. The plane was going at a terrific speed. The wings were coated with sleet and it seemed that they had no control over it."

"They went lower and lower, apparently not knowing how low they were. The ship crashed on its propeller and rolled over and over along the highway."

"The pilot apparently had sensed the danger and turned off the ignition switch, as the plane did not catch fire."

T. B. UNIT IS URGED

Women's Groups in Favor of Mission Offer.

Resolutions urging the city to acquire and operate a proposed new building for tuberculosis patients on city hospital grounds have been passed by a number of women's organizations recently, it was announced today.

The Indianapolis Flower Mission has offered to finance the proposed new building, confining to architecture of city hospital buildings, and recommends, under the resolution, the city maintain the institution.

The resolution has been passed by the Seventh District Federation of Clubs, the Women's Auxiliary of Railway Mail Clerks and about ten literary societies. It was to be brought before the executive board of the W. C. T. U. at a meeting today.

The resolution will be presented to the city council.

JOBLESS MAN SLAYS WIFE, SELF IN GARY

Woman's Skull Crushed With Ax; Suicide With Razor.

By Times Special

GARY, Ind., April 4.—A laborer hanged his wife to death here Sunday and then ended his own life by slaying his throat. Their five small children, the eldest 11 and the youngest 2, were in charge of police officials today.

The father, Dan Molin, 50, had been jobless. Sunday morning he walked into the kitchen where his wife was preparing dinner and crushed her skull with a heavy ax. He then slashed his throat with a razor. Mrs. Molin was 40.

Katherine, 4, saw her mother struck down and ran to the home of neighbors.

POLICE RENEW HOPE IN LINDY KIDNAP HUNT

'Important Leads Continue to Withstand Probe,' Say Officers.

FLIER'S TRIP MYSTERY

Colonel Believed to Have Visited Yacht; Agent Is in England.

BY BATES RANEY

United Press Staff Correspondent

HOPEWELL, N. J., April 5.—Important leads in connection with the kidnapping of Charles Augustus Lindbergh Jr. continue to withstand investigation, police announced today a few hours after Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh had returned from a mysterious visit away from Hopewell.

The colonel, garbed in a flying coat and heavy gloves, drove into his estate shortly after midnight. He was accompanied by one man whose identity was not certain. Nothing definite could be learned of where he had been, although the visit of a seaplane to Martha's Vineyard, Mass., had been connected by some with the trip of Lindbergh.

Lindby on Mystery Trip

Other events included: Departure from Norfolk, Va., of Rear-Admiral Guy H. Burroughs, where John H. Curtis and Mrs. Curtis already are missing on a mysterious mission in connection with the investigation. Burroughs returned to Norfolk today, but made no statement.

Arrival in England of Major Charles Schoeffel of the New Jersey state police for a conference with Scotland Yard operatives.

With Lindbergh when he returned was another man, believed to have been John Fogarty, a private detective, retained by Lindbergh to aid in the search for his infant son, kidnapped from his crib on March 1.

The return of the flier was linked with visit of the seaplane at Cuttyhunk, Mass., Sunday morning.

Curtis said they were looking for the yacht "Sallie." They were believed to have established contact a few hours later with a yacht off Penikese Island.

Talk to Coast Guard Ship

Charles D. Church, retired fisherman, said the man talked with the commander of a coast guard ship in the harbor. He said they left shortly after noon and flew in a northerly direction.

Over Penikese Island, Church said, the plane dropped within what might have been hailing distance of the yacht anchored off the island and appeared either to examine it or communicate with it.

As Lindbergh returned to his estate, his car passed two automobiles loaded with newspaper men at the intersection of the Providence line road. The car stopped and Lindbergh was said to have called out: "Are you the police?"

"No, we are the press," was the response. "Is there anything new, colonel?"

"Thank you," the flier said as he drove on into the estate.

Press Hunt in England

LONDON, April 4.—The "Lindbergh mystery" came to London today with all the sensations of an Edgar Wallace "thriller."

The city was intrigued by the closely-guarded arrival of Major Charles Schoeffel, assistant superintendent of the New Jersey state police, who came here to confer with Scotland Yard on the kidnapping of Charles Augustus Lindbergh Jr.

Schoeffel conferred with yard officials today and then left on an undisclosed mission.

It was reported he had gone to Scotland, presumably to interview Mrs. Taylor, mother of the Lindbergh baby's nurse, Betty Gow.

TOW-IN BAN APPEAL REGARDED UNLIKELY

Final Decision on Sheaffer Ruling to Be Made This Week.

City officials indicated today there will be no appeal from a decision of Municipal Judge William H. Sheaffer holding the automobile tow-in ordinance unconstitutional.

Final decision on whether an appeal to circuit court will be taken is scheduled at a conference later this week which will be attended by safety board members, legal department representatives and Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan.

HOWARD'S LIFE ON AIR

Frazier Hunt to Discuss Success of Scripps-Howard Head.

NEW YORK, April 4.—The life story of Roy W. Howard, chairman of the board of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, will be told by Frazier Hunt, magazine editor, author and former war correspondent, during his "Great Personalities" program over a NBC-WJZ nationwide network Tuesday at 8:30 p. m. (Central Standard Time).

KIDNAP THEATER HEAD

Iowan Believed Captive of Movie Show Bandits.

ANAMOSA, Ia., April 4.—Charles Niles, 20, manager of the Niles theater, was believed today to be the prisoner of robbers who held up the showhouse Sunday night, escaping with \$500.

Niles is the son of Clifford Niles, prominent politician and publisher of the Anamosa, Eureka.

PAUPERS IN LIMOUSINES

You Must Have Front in Hollywood



Here are two who went broke with a last big splurge and another who Dame Rumor said was almost in the same boat in Hollywood movie circles. Francis X. Bushman (left) ran through \$700,000 and after it was gone, he still had a big limousine

and liveried chauffeur. Gloria Swanson (center) was reported near financial ruin several times, but she stuck it out, kept her palatial home and servants, and came out on top. Charles Ray (right) spent enough to keep a man for a year on a final big party the night before his crash was announced.

BY DAN THOMAS

NEA Service Writer

HOLLYWOOD, April 4.—Hollywood paupers!

In no other city in the world can this particular species of humanity be found. They are by-products of the motion picture industry only.

No sleeping on park benches and getting hand-outs from soup kitchens for them! Here things are done differently.

Of course, the financially embarrassed lady or gentleman might have to draw his own bath in the morning. And it is possible that he even might have to scramble some eggs in his own kitchen for breakfast. But when he emerges from the seclusion of his own home—in which, by the way, he has a most comfortable bed—he is faultlessly attired and he rides down Hollywood boulevard in his expensive motor!

THAT is the key word in Hollywood—appearance. In this rather fictitious community many things are based on appearance. The actor feels that he must keep up the show.

Francis X. Bushman of the classic profile, who used to be our leading matinee idol, showed Hollywood a perfect example of "appearance for appearance's sake."

Not so long ago Bushman filed a bankruptcy petition, claiming that he was a pauper. Hard-boiled reporters in the courtroom at the time were on the verge of breaking into tears as Bushman told his story of how \$700,000 had come and gone.

Then Bushman left the courthouse. His expensive car and chauffeur were waiting at the curb.

A FEW years ago when Charles Ray met with financial reverses he kept up the show to the very last minute. The night before his bankruptcy was announced he staged a party which seldom has been equaled for lavishness.

Dancing continued until almost daybreak. And the next day newspaper headlines told those guests and the world at large that Charlie was bankrupt!

He could have lived modestly for at least a year with what he spent on that one party. But at least he bowed out of Hollywood's social life amid a blaze of glory.

There have been no end of stories regarding Gloria Swanson's financial status. Many will tell you that she is, or at least was practically "broke."

Yet Gloria never has given up her beautiful Beverly Hills mansion, her expensive limousine or her servants. From outside appearances, there never has been a time when Rockefeller had a thing on her.

ANTI-WAR PARLEY SET

Unemployed Council to Stage Demonstration Wednesday.

Local organization of the Unemployed Council will join others in the nation Wednesday in an anti-war demonstration to be held in Military park. The meeting will be a protest against growing dangers of war and preparations for war by the powers.

To those who talk to him as he works, Cannon explains: "I come here every day when it is nice weather to keep the grass cut close. They are nearer to me, when it's well trimmed."

Patrick Cannon Says Loved Ones Are "Nearer When Grass Is Cut."

Patrick Cannon, 2205 South Meridian street, whose brogue is as Irish as his native Killarney, came to Indianapolis fifty years ago today and for nearly thirty-one years has spent much of his spare time caring for the graves of his wife and three children in Holy Cross cemetery.

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Ind., he was posing as a wealthy eastern broker.

The holdups for which solution was claimed by police largely were in Illinois and California, but included a "downtown bank in Cincinnati" with loot of \$4,000.

Arrest of Loftus resulted when a mother complained to police of Loftus' attention to her daughter.

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MOTHER KILLS CHILDREN, SELF

New York Attorney's Wife in Triple Tragedy.

By United Press

MONTECLAIR, N. J., April 4.—Mrs. Raymond B. Fosdick, wife of one of New York's most prominent attorneys, shot and killed herself and her two children today in the pretentious Fosdick residence in Montclair.

The tragedy was discovered by Fosdick, who was awakened by the shots.

Mrs. Fosdick, victim of a nervous disorder, went first to the room of her daughter, Susan, 15, and shot her through the head.

Then she went to the bedroom occupied by Raymond Jr., 5, and killed him in the same manner. Then she placed the weapon to her own heart and pulled the trigger just as her husband rushed into the room.

She left a note but police said its contents did not furnish a reason for the shootings. With the note Mrs. Fosdick had prepared a will, the contents of which were not made known.

Fosdick, a brother of Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, noted clergyman, was prostrated by the tragedy.

Skipper's Pistol Quiets Scared Crew; Save Ship

By United Press

QUINCY, Mass., April 4.—Twenty-eight worn officers and seamen of the collier William C. Atwater arrived here today after a terrific struggle with booming gales off Cape Cod and told how their captain's threat of gunfire against rebellious members of his crew drove them back to their duties and brought ship and men safely to port.

When the Atwater grounded on an uncharted bar south of the dangerous Sow and Pigs reef, a forward section of the ship's lower double bottom was ripped out. Her forward hold filled with water. The main deck was swept by every sea.

Officers and men flung lifebelts around them and prepared to abandon ship.

Members of the crew ran to the captain, dropped to their knees and begged him to beach his vessel and allow the men to take to the lifeboats.

Captain Pearce threatened to use his pistol. They returned to their posts.

FINDS SOLACE IN CARE OF FAMILY'S GRAVES

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SENATE FACES FIGHT ON BEER REVENUE PLAN

Bingham Heads Battle in Upper House, Claiming Levy of 6 Cents a Pint Alone Almost Would Balance the Budget.

HOOVER RENEWS ECONOMY PLEA

Special Message Suggesting Commission to Push Plans to Cut Expenses Assailed by Joe Robinson.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, April 4.—President Hoover in a special message to congress today recommended that a "complete national program of economy" be framed by a joint committee of both houses.

The President called on congress for rapid action and also recommended it adopt legislation necessary to put this national economy program into effect.

"I am convinced that only by such unified nonpartisan effort," the President's message read, "and by willingness on the part of all to share the difficulties and problems of this essential task can we attain the success so manifestly necessary in public interests."

The President's message commented on the delay in congress in arranging reduction of expenditures by upward of \$200,000,000 necessary as part of the program to balance the budget for the year beginning July 1.

Need Organized Effort

"I have in various messages to the congress over the past three years referred to the necessity of organized effort to effect far reaching reductions of governmental expenditures," said the President.

"To balance the budget for the year beginning July 1, next, the revenue bill passed by the house of representatives on April 1 necessitates that there shall be a further reduction of expenditures for the next year of about \$200,000,000 in addition to the reduction of \$389,000,000 in expenditures already made in the budget recommendations which I transmitted to the congress on Dec. 9.

"It is essential in the interest of the taxpayers and the country that it should be done. It is my belief that still more drastic economy than this additional \$200,000,000 can be accomplished.

Far-Reaching Law Changes

"Such a sum can only be obtained, however, by a definite national legislative program of economy which will authorize the consolidation of governmental bureaus and independent establishments; and beyond this, which will permit the removal of long established methods which lead to waste; the elimination of the less necessary functions, and the suspension of activities and commitments of the government not essential to the public interest in these times.

"These objects can not be accomplished without far-reaching amendments to the law. The executive is bound to recommend appropriations adequate to provide for the functions and activities of the government as now established by law. This is mandatory, and the opportunity for administrative savings is limited.

"The appropriations committees likewise are bound, and can only act within restricted limits.

Lessen Taxpayers' Burden

"Therefore, to lessen the burden upon the taxpayers in a substantial amount, it is necessary to enter upon other fields by amending existing laws which place unnecessary obligations on the departments and independent establishments.

"Clear indication that the limit of executive authority to bring about economies has about been reached, is shown by the fact that the total expenditures estimates in the budget of \$4,112,000,000 (including postoffice deficit after deduction of receipts) presented to the congress except for increased payments to veterans and expenditure of construction works in aid of employment, was the lowest in over five years."

OHIO RIVER NEAR CREST

Little Damage Expected From High Water Near Evansville.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 4.—The Ohio river here was believed to have neared its crest at 38.5 feet today, and no damage from the flood stage was anticipated.

Ferry service was suspended at several points over the week-end because of high winds, but had been resumed at most stations. Much of the lowland area was under water, but only in districts accustomed to floods.

ROAD POLICY PONDERED

Governor, Highway Heads Confer on Maintenance Program.

A new policy for state highway maintenance may develop from a conference today with Governor Harry G. Leslie, Director John J. Brown of the state highway department, his assistant, Ralph Simpson, and A. H. Hinkle, maintenance chief.

All participants in the conference refused to comment on the plan until after the highway commissioners meeting next Thursday.

BUTLER PRAYS FIRST

Staris Speeches That War, Even if He Does Swear.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—Major-General Smedley D. Butler, Republican candidate for the United States senatorial nomination, who resorts to profanity frequently always began his campaign speeches with a prayer.

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