

**NEW TRIAL DUE FOR ROBINSON**

Abductor of Mrs. Stoll Now  
In Jeopardy of Lindbergh Law.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 7 (U. P.)—Thomas H. Robinson Jr., 36, who has served six years at Alcatraz prison for abducting Mrs. Berry V. Stoll in 1934, must face a new trial on the kidnaping charge which carries a possible death sentence.

Federal Judge Shuckford Miller denied Robinson's plea, yesterday that the indictment be quashed, but advised a review of the action of the grand jury which indicted him in 1934 for kidnaping the Louisville socialite.

Robinson, who studied law while serving a life sentence, recently won a new trial on the ground that he was coerced into confessing the crime. In a plea of abatement, he claimed there was insufficient evidence to indict him.

The judge set Robinson's arraignment for next Wednesday, and approved a defense motion that the defendant be allowed to proceed as a pauper. Robert Hogan was the court-appointed defense attorney.

Under the Lindbergh kidnaping law, the jury could recommend the death penalty upon conviction, if the government established that Mrs. Stoll was injured during the abduction. She signed an affidavit Tuesday, saying Robinson had struck her with an iron pipe and permanently injured her hearing.

**TOJO ASKS GREATER HOME FRONT EFFORT**

By UNITED PRESS  
Premier Hideki Tojo, acknowledging that the allied offensive in the Pacific has "gained in intensity," has called for an increased home front effort to harness the empire's resources for total war, the Tokyo radio said in a broadcast reported to the OWI today.

Tojo told 240 newly appointed government officials that they have an enormous responsibility in the war effort and that any failure on their part will "blush the virtue of his imperial majesty, the emperor," the broadcast said.

**MRS. BUTLER, WIDOW OF BANKER, IS DEAD**

Mrs. Mary Wallick Butler, widow of John A. Butler, former Indianapolis banker, died last night at her home at 946 N. Meridian St. She was 76.

Mrs. Butler was born and lived most of her life in Indianapolis. Her husband had worked at the old Farmers Trust Co. She was a member of the Second Presbyterian church and the Charity and Benevolent circles.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Mary Bradley of Indianapolis; a son, Noble C. Butler, of Anderson; a sister, Mrs. Fred L. Tolle, of Baldwin, N. Y.; a brother, Frederick Wallick, of Winter Park, Fla., and two grandchildren, Noble C. and Robert G. Butler, of Anderson.

Dr. John S. Milner of the Second Presbyterian church will conduct the funeral services at 2:30 p. m. Saturday at Flanner & Buchanan mortuary. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

**ROOSEVELT AGAIN, HENDERSON SAYS**

NEW YORK, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—Leon Henderson predicted last night that President Roosevelt will be re-elected in 1944 along with a Republican house, and a senate Democratic by a small margin.

Speaking at New York university, the former OPA administrator also predicted the war with Germany would be over by January, 1945, but that beating Japan would require an additional year.

**JAPS PROMISE 'FREE' PHILIPPINES OCT. 14**

By UNITED PRESS  
The Tokyo radio said today that the "Independence of the Philippines will be established on Oct. 14.

In a broadcast recorded by the United Press in San Francisco, the Tokyo radio said the independence date was announced in Manila by Dr. Jose P. Laurel, who was elected president of the new "republic" by a hand-picked assembly last week.

The Japanese granted similar "independence" to Burma several months ago.

**Car-Stealing Thrill Ends In Crash, Jail for Youths**

The thrill they experienced in stealing cars ended at the county jail today for two 16-year-old youths after a 90-mile-an-hour chase and a crash.

And the craving for an early morning ride resulted in injury to their two unidentified companions who escaped.

The arrest of the two youths brought embarrassment to the police. One of the youths said the best place to park a stolen car was near the police station. He boasted he had done so, even gotten a parking ticket which he removed and drove off.

When Deputy Sheriff Harry Foxworthy and Robert Imhause were driving on 28th st., near Sherman drive early today, they saw a car speeding north on the drive at a high rate of speed. They gave chase, but could not overtake the car ahead, traveling at 90 or more miles an hour.

At Sherman dr. and the Millersville rd., the pursued car crashed into a tree and the two were held for further investigation.

**Costly Steak****PROBE PUSHED IN WAC DEATH**

Dakota Police Are Tracing  
Salad Victim Ate Prior  
To Bludgeon Death.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Oct. 7 (U. P.)—The army threw a shroud of military secrecy today over its inquiry into the mystery slaying of WAC Lt. Naomi Kathleen Cheney, 25, Jasper, Ala.

Capt. E. E. Seiler, public relations officer at the army air force technical training post where the brunet WAC was stationed, disclosed only that several persons have been detained at the post for questioning.

But he indicated that they are being held as witnesses rather than suspects in the murder of Lt. Cheney, whose brutally beaten body was found by a 10-year-old child late Tuesday after it had lain for 18 hours in a clearing close to a busy thoroughfare.

Visited at Hospital

Investigation revealed, meanwhile, that Lt. Cheney left the post Monday night about 9 o'clock after visiting a friend at the post hospital. At the gate she is reported to have asked a military policeman if he thought it safe for her to walk the mile to her apartment in town.

The military policeman, inquiry disclosed, told her to use her own judgment.

Authorities said Lt. Cheney was slain shortly before midnight. They said a medical report that she ate a salad of peas shortly before her death offers the only clue to her movements during the intervening three hours.

Motive Is Mystery

Police Chief Fred Searls said officers were "turning the town upside down" in an effort to ascertain what restaurants may have served the salad.

Both police and the army were at a loss for a motive. An autopsy showed that Lt. Cheney had not been raped. Seven dollars found in her purse indicated that robbery was not the motive.

**OPPOSE DIVISION OF U. S. FLEET**

Concentration in Atlantic  
Will Whip Hitler Quick,  
Senators Believe.

By UNITED PRESS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—The allies can deliver the decisive blow against Germany this year if they concentrate shipping in the Atlantic and otherwise make the best military use of the 3,000,000 tons of ships they acquired unexpectedly in 1943, a senate military affairs subcommittee reported today.

It vigorously opposed dividing shipping strength equally between the Atlantic and Pacific, and challenged congressional critics who demand more attention for the Pacific area.

To divert ships from the European area now, it said, "would choke off our greatest offensive in midstream. It would prolong the war and cost innumerable lives."

U-Boat Sinkings Decrease

The United States has 16,000,000 tons and her allies 80,000,000 tons, it added, but there are not enough ships to support simultaneous supreme offensives in all theaters. Proper military use of shipping, however, could place the 5,000,000 tons overseas six months ahead of the end of 1944 schedule, the committee said.

Sharply reduced submarine sinkings and record new production gave the allies this year a "windfall" of 3,000,000 more tons of shipping "than entered into our military planning for 1943," the committee said. In military terms, it explained, that means 9,000,000 extra tons of cargo in one year—enough to equip 1,500,000 more troops in the European theater.

**PYTHIAN SISTERS AID ARMY FUN PLANS**

Bringing the organization's total contributions for entertainment of service men to \$500, the grand temple of the Pythian Sisters of Indiana added \$100 to the fund yesterday at the opening session of the 55th annual convention in the Claypool hotel.

During the last year the 135 temples of the organization have contributed money for entertainment for servicemen in Indianapolis, Franklin, Seymour and Logansport.

New officers who will be installed today are Mrs. Mary Burgess, New Market, grand chief; Mrs. Madge Robertson, Salem, past grand chief; Miss Johanna Dickman, Shelbyville, grand mistress of records and correspondence; Mrs. Alma Meyers, Warsaw, grand outer guard; Mrs. Nellie Wallace, Frankfort, grand trustee, and Mrs. Edna Boughman, Kokomo, state press correspondent.

**AUTO DEATH 'ACCIDENTAL'**

—LAGRANGE, Ind., Oct. 7 (U. P.)—LaGrange County Deputy Commissioner Harley F. Flannigan today returned a verdict of accidental death for Carlos C. Marchand, 20, LaGrange, who was killed instantly yesterday when the automobile he was driving careened into a tree.

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**JAP SINKS JAP SHIP, 544 DIE, TOKYO SAYS**

By UNITED PRESS  
Tokyo radio said today that a submarine had sunk a Japanese liner between a mainland port on Hushu Island and Korea on Tuesday and that 544 of the 616 aboard the vessel were believed to have died.

The broadcast did not identify the nationality of the submarine. The attack, Tokyo said, occurred in the vicinity of Oki Island, which is in Tashima strait.

The two are held for further investigation.

**War Neglects Geologists, Harvard Professor Reports**

By Science Service  
CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Oct. 7—The army and navy need geologists—but few geologists now in the armed services are given opportunity to use their technical skills, Dr. Kirk Bryan, professor of geology at Harvard university reports to the journal, Science. Creation of a geologic staff in the armed services to advise on problems of construction, tactics and strategy was suggested

by Dr. Bryan to remedy this paradox.

Based on his own survey of what 318 Harvard trained geologists now are doing for the war effort, Dr. Bryan states the proportion in the army and navy is fairly high: 10 with Ph. D. degrees; 11 with master's degrees; 17 men who have done graduate work, and five graduates who are recognized geologists—13.5 per cent of the total. Many other

geologically trained men, who intend to be geologists and have adequate training, might be used as valuable field assistants.

Few geologists are satisfied that the full value of the profession or of its personnel is appreciated," asserts Dr. Bryan.

"Every geologist believes that the army and navy need geologists as advisers on construction, on tactics and on strategy. If these men were used as geologists, the situation would be more satisfactory."

**JAPS SEIZE PRIESTS, CLOSE UP CHURCHES**

CHUNGKING, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—The Japanese have closed all Italian Catholic churches in occupied districts of Shensi province and arrested Italian priests and Chinese Catholics, Central News agency reports.

It was recalled the Japanese previously put Italians in Japan proper and occupied territories under surveillance, and confiscated Italian properties.

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