

STATE STYMIED IN STEVE'S CASE

Judge Says He Can't Approve Return to Prison.

Tangled in a jurisdictional "double-play," Deputy Atty. Gen. Frank Coughlin today supposed the state would have to file a "writ of confusion" in the D. C. Stephenson case.

He said he would wait until next Monday before deciding the state's future course.

Stephenson, ex-Ku Klux Klan dragon, serving a life sentence for murder, continued his sojourn in the home and jail of Hamilton county Sheriff George Michelfelder. Meanwhile, State Prison Warden Ralph (Cap) Howard returned to Michigan City empty-handed because Hamilton county officials refused to relinquish Stephenson.

Sheriff Michelfelder, who granted Stephenson the liberty of his house, declined to release his prisoner to Warden Howard without approval from Hamilton Circuit Judge Cassius Gentry.

Judge Gentry said he was restrained from acting in the case by an order issued yesterday by the state supreme court.

The court forbade Judge Gentry to rule on a habeas corpus plea filed by Stephenson last Thursday.

Judge Gentry has until Monday to show cause why the writ of prohibition, preventing him from acting in the case, should not be made permanent.

Deputy Atty. Gen. Coughlin contends Stephenson is under the jurisdiction of Special Judge Cleon Mount of Tipton. After overruling Stephenson's plea for a new trial, Judge Mount ordered him back to Michigan City.

Stephenson was convicted in Noblesville in 1925 of responsibility for the death of Miss Madge Oberholzer, Indianapolis statehouse employee.

Local Jews Map Plan for Participating In Drive to Raise \$100 Million Fund

Indianapolis Jews will aid with the United Jewish Appeal's campaign to raise \$100,000,000 to assist the 1,500,000 Jews of Europe to find homes in Palestine and other lands.

A series of parlor meetings will inaugurate the campaign which will be conducted here on a community basis from May 13 to 27. Lt. Col. Judah Nadich, chaplain and former aid to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, will address a women's division luncheon Thursday noon at the Broadmoor Country club and a parlor meeting that night at the Lincoln hotel.

This announcement was made last night at a dinner meeting of representatives of the local Jewish community in the Broadmoor club. The dinner was sponsored by the Jewish Welfare fund. Julian Freeman and Morris Goodman will serve as co-chairmen of the local campaign.

Isaac H. Levy, a guest speaker, explained the campaign funds are needed for assuring the survival of the hundreds of thousands of Jews in Europe who do not come within the scope of government or inter-governmental assistance or for whom supplementary aid must be provided. Great number of Jews will die unless relief, rehabilitation and resettlement measures are undertaken by the joint distribution committee promptly on an unprecedented scale, he pointed out.

Palestine Home Sought

"Anti-semitism and displacement have made the plight of the remaining Jews of Europe far, far worse than that of other war victims," Mr. Levy deplored. "Most of them do not receive any aid from intergovernmental sources. They do not ask for preferential treatment. They hope merely to be raised from the level of sub-humanity to the level of survival. They cry out to us, not for special favors, but for life itself."

Mr. Levy is executive chairman of the joint distribution committee, one of the three agencies comprising the United Jewish Appeal.



Assisting with the local campaign to raise \$100 million for European Jewry are left to right, Henry Montor, executive vice chairman, United Palestine Appeal; L. L. Goodman, chairman, special gifts division of the Indianapolis Jewish Welfare fund, and Isaac Levy, executive chairman, joint distribution committee of the United Jewish Appeal.

Henry Montor, executive vice chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, stressed the importance of transporting the stricken Jews of Europe to Palestine. "Development and far greater financial support are the two major needs of Palestine," he said.

In addition to the agencies represented by Mr. Levy and Mr. Montor, the third whose work is supported by the United Jewish Appeal is the National Refugee service. The latter provides for the retraining and resettlement of newcomers to the United States.

L. L. Goodman has accepted the appointment as special gifts chairman for the local campaign. In addition to Mr. Goodman, the following are announced as fund chairmen:

Mrs. J. A. Goodman, women's division; Mrs. Charles Efraymonson, special gifts, women's division. Serving with her as co-chairmen are Mesdames Herman Chalinek, Sultan Cohen and Max Selig.

David Cook is chairman of individual gifts, men's division, with Marshall Sherman and Marc Wolf, co-chairmen. Mrs. Max Selig will be chairman of individual gifts, women's division. Mrs. Harold I. Platt is co-chairman. Theodore Dann and Manuel Love are co-chairmen of trade and professional groups. Publicity chairman is Louis D. Young with Harry S. Joseph as co-ordinator.

Division and group chairmen form the executive steering committee on which Samuel Mueller, president of the Jewish Welfare fund, and Sidney Cahn, executive director, are serving ex-officio.

SCIENTIST DECRIES CONTROLS

LOS ANGELES, April 9 (U. P.)— "Intolerable" controls and penalties are keeping many able scientists from working on nuclear projects, according to Dr. Harold Urey, Nobel prize winning chemist and war-time director of atomic research at Columbia university.

YOUTH CLEARED IN MURDER CASE

Indianan Proves He Was in Charlestown.

ST. LOUIS, April 9 (U. P.)—A Charlestown, Ind., youth was cleared today in the murder of Alice Shryock, 16-year-old bobby-soxer. He was accused of writing her a threatening letter.

Clarence (Buddy) Snelling, 19, was absolved after questioning by Indiana state police.

Authorities said he established the fact he was in Charlestown during the week-end when the girl was shot and killed near here.

Her semi-nude body was found Saturday on a wooded hillside six miles from her suburban St. Louis home.

Snelling, who had dated the girl before she and her family moved here from Charlestown, was questioned after the victim's father, John Shryock, said the youth had threatened her in a letter.

Mr. Shryock, a carpenter and contractor, told a coroner's jury Snelling "wanted to marry Alice but I wouldn't let him." The threatening letter followed, he said. "I didn't see it," he said, "but I know she got this letter."

One of the letters Alice received from Snelling addressed her as his "wife," the father said.

Sheriff Arthur Mosley said the victim, who liked swing music and carried pictures of several servicemen in her purse, may have been killed Thursday in a vacant lot next to her home. It was there her shoes and a photograph she carried were found.

Mr. Mosley believed the girl's body may have been driven to the hillside where it was found.

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