Race That Death May Cost Taxpayers oth Carolina \$2,000

cace With Faced Chair

- The following ents leading to the Langley who was mbe county about for murder will be

eds of a clock to save

that the brother is innocent.

race and today the brother they less I reached Raleigh by a certain saved from electrocution in Cen-time. trai Prison in Raleigh is asking the state for \$2,000 because he and started across Virginia. Sleet was pardoned. Paroles Commis-had fallen over about four inches sioner Hathaway Cross now has of snow on those mountains and the request under advisement.

a 1947 law authorizing payment of stranded. Officers said it was too 5500 a year for sentences served dangerous. for those who prove they were - A man racing wrongfully convicted.

The kid brother was Gus Colon must be electric chair Langley, a Randolph county paintpushing a 1932 Ford er who was sentenced to die for the robbery-slaying of Lonnie G. block. For a long way, we pushed at of a bleak win- Russell in Asheville in 1932. Three lly when he has times Langley was reprieved hours

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before he was scheduled to be strapped in the electric chair.

That wild, dangerous trip over the slippery mountain roads of Virginia was only one episode in one of the strangest and most publicized cases in the history of North Carolina justice. The news of his brother's suit against the state reminded D. R. Langley of the details of the case.

"I was returning from a trip to New York with my sister, Juanita in his possession absolute proof Matthews of Jersey City," D. R. said. "Gus had won one reprieve D. R. Langley of 606 S. 15th already but he was to be electro-D. R. Langley of 600 S. 15th cuted in 24 hours and I was told the execution would take place un-

"My sister and I got in that Ford frozen solid. We found the road He is making the request under blocked, and about a hundred cars

"I told them I had to get through. One officer said he'd see about it, but he'd have to call someone to we pushed the car around the road the car. We couldn't hold our footing, so we took our shoes off. Our socks froze, so we took them off." "We got to Raleigh in time."

That was a desperate measure. Those were desperate days. Curled up on a sofa at his home, D. R. was able to laugh about it now. But in proving his brother's innocence he mortgaged one business, sold another one, spent half of his World War I bonus money and most of the money he was able to carn as

Gus, who married a girl from the Asheville area, had a spat with his because Mrs Hinson berated her On The Way Out wife at their New Jersey home and decided to visit his father, John W. touch. The date and time the Hin-Langley and D. R. in Wilmington, son's agreed Gus had stopped to He decided to travel via Asheville, borrow the quarter said he was Shorty Johnson got together and

identity of the slaver.

"The brother got a \$100 advance trial. on the reward," D. R. said. "He "Gus is one of these jokers." D. manual shifting. my father's."

Hanover county, D. R. said, and hick town he called Sheriff Lawrence Brown of Buncombe county and asked Solicitor Zeh Nettles told that jury mechanisms to accommodate vary-D. R. said, but he didn't check the sentencing Gus to death.

when the murder was committed dered them back to Braus turned up at Fort Bragg. Gus had the reservation. That stamped die.

time said Gus was innocent. not have the 25 cents toll charge, pronounced anew. so Gus had gone to Hinson's place,

TOY DRUM BEATS FOR DEAD DADDY



MARCHING BESIDE the big bass drum in a New York parade commentsrating the 52nd annual memorial services of the Jewish War Veteras of America, tiny Stephen Fried, 3, beats on his little to a drugs Stepher 1 father, Pvt. Harold Fried, was killed in the war. Four thousand Jewis war veterans participated in the ceremonies

Society of Automotive Engineers.

The discussions disclosed, how-

ever, that there sull is a wide di-

the mechanism that should replace

control and governor, while still

There was agreement, too, that

the change to all automatic gearshifting in passenger vehicles will

be achieved only by stages. Most

The nation's automobile industry

development of automatic trans-

missions and controls and it is ex-

pected in most automotive circles

equipment on a number of addi-

Missing Paintings Are

Headquarters six paintings which

\$6,640, were removed May 24 from

were replaced by four small land-

"They aren't even originals, so

The six paintings, which belong

to the Netherlands, will be turned over to the Netherlands restitution

authorities attached to the Dutch

LARGE EAGLE SHOT

SANFORD-What is thought to

be the largest eagle shot in Lee

The next day, Gill recommended

commutation of Gus' sentence and

military mission here

Howard beads the A. M.

Minimients, Fine Arts, and

tional vehicles next year

BERLIN (AP)

Mr

Archives section

The six painting.

of dollars in the

painter.

The story began, D. R. said, when borrowed fare. The Hinsons told Gear Shifting

D. R. paid back the 25 cents and retraced the route. At every stop, Meanwhile, Gus' wife wrote to he got new evidence that his brothher brother in Asheville about the er was innocent. He was after the spat and his departure from New sort of evidence that would hold And meanwhile. Lonnie in court. He and about 50 guests Russell had been killed. Asheville had seen Gus picking that guitar police posted a \$300 reward for in- and yodeling at the party when formation leading to the arrest of the murder occurred 300 miles the killer. The brother then went away. He didn't have to be conto police and said he knew the vinced, a jury did. So D R col- vergence of opinion among the enlected affidavits and waited for the gineers as to the exact form of

listed my name and address, the R. said. "While they had him in Advocates of automatic controls name and address of my father, and jail before his trial, he wrote a and transmissions apparently are told Police Gus was the killer. But letter to Al Capone in Chicago, agreed that eventually even a con-Gus was in Wilmington the night The jailer of course, took the let- tinuously variable ration transmisof the murder, picking a guitar and ter to the sheriff. It had some sort sion will be developed for gasolinesinging at a neighborhood party at of foolishness in it. Gut told Ca- propelled vehicles. But some of pone he had met a girl friend of his. them prefer fluid coupling, others John Morris was sheriff of New thta he needed help in this little like transmissions with hydraulic

Brown if he'd be willing to retrace at least a hundred times. Our litthe route traveled by Gus and the hick town," D. R. said with a struction. Shorty in the trip from Asheville smile. "The trial started at 10 a.m. to Wilmington. Brown said yes, and at 2:30 p.m. the judge was

"Yes, we had the soldiers sum-D. R., however, was checking moned, but when they got to Ashe of the vehicles produced in 1948 ville they were told that the only and probably in 1949 still will have established the fact that Gus and place they could stay was in the manually-operated gear shifts. Johnson had not been in Asheville jail. Their commanding officer or The nation's automobile industrial.

"The witnesses along the route picked up two soldiers en route Well, in Asheville they told us and carried them to their base affidavits were all that would be there. A guard at the gate had necessary. When we produced the that for competitive reasons these taken the license number, names, affidavits, we were told they were devices will be offered as optional and stamped the time on his reconot any good." D. B. snapped his ords when he admitted the car to fingers. "They sentenced Gus to

Actually, Gus was sentenced to There was a toll bridge over the die twice. Through an error in pro-Northeast river outside of Wil- ceedings, he was taken back to Returned To Dutch mington then. Gus and Shorty did Asheville and the death verdict was

The party goers in Wilmington, Howard said that Dutch thorough many of whom had never seen Gus ness in keeping art records had enbefore he strummed the guitar that abled. Allied investigators to trace night, began to speak up. Louis T. : O American Military Government Moore got busy, along with Harriss Newman, David Sinclair, John J. the Nazis took from Holland during Burney and Royce S McClelland, the occupation attorneys, "Those people worked like they were working for their it own sons," D. R. said, "and they wouldn't take a nickel for their

services At Central Prison, Gus Langley the walls in the offices of Gen. Lathad his head shaved for the second eius D. Clay and his Deputy, Maj time, D. R. visited him four days Gen, Frank A. Keating, The paint before the execution date. "I knew ings in General Keating's room he was shaky," D. R. said, "because he joked so much to cover up his scapes from a secretary's office feelings. The warden and I were at his death row cell and Gus said, there can be no mistake this time; Warden, I understand I get a last an American official said request.

That's right, said the warden, what do you want. Gus?

'When you put me in the chair" D. R. quoted Gus as replying. please let me have hold of Sheriff Brown's hand when they turn on the juice

Less than 48 hours before Gus was slated to die, New York offices of the Civil Liberties Union and county in many years has been brought to Sanford by L. D. Shaw the Legal Aid Society increased of the White Hill community, who pressure on Edwin Gill, then parole killed the eagle on the farm of commissioner, to halt the execu-J. W. Yow, Shaw said the eagle. tion. Letters poured in from all over the United States—one came which, with a wing spread of six feet eight inches, was after a flock of chickens, when killed in from a lawyer in Australia protesting the execution.

D. R. went to Raleigh and asked Gill to hold a hearing in Wilming- hearing was half completed, "but I ton on the case. Such a hearing, can promise you your brother won't outside the county where the crime die tomorrow morning. was committed, was unprecedented, So was D. R.'s energy,

Gill gave in. The execution hour later he arranged a parole, Finally, then was 24 hours in the future. in 1936, then-Gov. J. C. B. Ehring-The courtroom, scene of the hear- haus pardoned Gus Colon Langley ing, was full. Stressing the fact "I had made 37 round trips to that the hearing was not official, New York City, Buncombe county that no oaths would be taken and had spent \$49,000 in obtaining the no witnesses forced to testify, Gill first death sentence for a white

man in 13 years, and then they albegan hearing the evidence, "I don't know what I'll do in most killed the wrong man," D. R. this case," Gill told D. R. when the said.

City Of 15,000 Free Of Crime: Jails Are Idle

RICHLAND, Wash,-Experts on 15,000 persons

Here is the record for the past hree years:

There has never been a murder or a major crime of violence. There has been only one traffic fatality

Juvenile delinquency is 70 per cent below the national average for a city of Richland's size The city's two jail cells hav

ever held a prisoner. The relief roll is zero

Everybody is employed There are no vagrants.

Only two suicides have occurred The reason for this startling ecord are several. In the first place, the community is govern ment-owned, controlled by the Atomic Energy Commission which also controls the Richland and Hanford plants-factories working on atomic research.

The community is part of a gov ernment reservation and persons moving in are carefully screened Everybody works or doesn't move to Richland.

Another important factor in Richland's record is the high average education level. Workers con nected with atomic research and production are for the most part highly skilled. Most citizens have high school or college educations

Richland's service department bead, former FBI agent E. L. Richmond, who is responsible for law enforcement, has tackled the juvenile delinquency problem by warning parents rather than the youngsters. The parents are responsible and if the children don't behave, the family must move from Richland

However, threats are not the He decided to travel via Asheville. Dorrow the quarter said he was. In Asheville, he and a pal named innocent of the Asheville murder. Associated Press Automotive Editor real story behind juvenile good FRENCH LICK, Ind (P)-The behavior here, The Richland gradual elimination of all manual Junior Chamber of Commerce has gear shifting on passenger auto- sponsored the Hi Spot Teen Age tomatic controls and transmissions

The club is open three nights:

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Hi Spot is governed by the mem bers with adult supervision. Incidently, the sponsoring organization won second place in a national youth activities contest for organizing the club

starts July 1.

If they use only 349, it's going to cost the Government an extra \$5,000,000-to keep egg prices from cracking.

N. F. Dodd, Vice-Chairman of the 140,000,000-odd people in this the Board of Commodity Credit in this war-created community of eggs apiece during the year which a House Appropriations subcommittee during hearings on the 1948 Agriculture Department supply

> He said the CCC figures egg production in the next year at 4,800,-000 000 dozen

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