

Wounded Couple Still Cling To Life; Rose Held

WEATHER

Today and Thursday mostly fair and hot with isolated afternoon thundershowers in the mountains. Highest temperatures 88 to 96.

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THE GREAT GABLE - Fact and Fable

Gable's Life With Carole Both Wonderful And Turbulent

(The love story of Gable and Carole Lombard One of the happiest. Ninth in a series of articles on the life and loves of Hollywood's top male lover. Copyright 1955 by The New York Daily News.)

By JESS STEARN

With Carole Lombard, the elegant hoyden, married life was wonderfully turbulent for Clark Gable. Even their original meeting was typically storm - but tender.

Although they appeared together in a picture, "No Man of Her Own," in 1932, Gable and the blonde comedienne, divorced from actor William Powell, didn't meet socially for another six years, when they promptly clashed at a dance.

The next morning a peace offering arrived from Carole, a flock of doves. That set the pattern for the future, with Carole sending doves whenever they quarreled.

"They were the perfect match," an intimate relates, "and no man could have been prouder of his wife. After they came back from the Atlanta premiere of "Gone With the Wind," everybody was talking about the picture and the great celebration - everybody but Clark; he could only talk about Carole.

"He was like a schoolboy talking about his first girl. He kept repeating, 'You should have seen the way they looked at Carole. You never saw anybody so beautiful.'"

They were constantly amusing each other with harmless practical jokes. When Gable was struggling with a dance routine for "Idiot's Delight," Carole sent him a ballet outfit, and for Valentine's Day a beat-up old white towel covered with red hearts. Gable soured up the "tin can" and raced it for a year.

Carole called him Pappy and he called her Mrs. G. or Ma. "They were like a couple of kids in love," another friend recalled. "Clark couldn't bear even brief separations from her. He even bought a trailer so she could go to Bakersfield, Calif., on trips with his all-male hunting club. Carole was such a great sport that the other members made an exception for her.

"One night, Carole was in the trailer, and Clarke, playing cards with the boys, started to yawn and announced he was ready to turn in.

"Five minutes after he left, there was a loud crash and everybody ran out to investigate. The trailer, jolted off its blocks, had crashed to the ground. Clarke and Carole, smothered in blankets, were laughing so hard they couldn't talk."

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CLARK GABLE

Coats Club Makes Centennial Plans

The Coats Fellowship Club held its regular meeting at Carson and Hacks Grill and made plans for the town's participation in Harnett's centennial celebration.

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Shoe Cobbler Is Winner Of \$32,000

NEW YORK (AP)—Gino Prato, winner of \$32,000 on a television quiz show, secluded himself in his Bronx shoe shop today to begin a weeklong ordeal of deciding whether to risk doubling his fortune or losing it in a last-chance gamble.

The 55-year-old cobbler hammered his way through a four-part quiz in his category, opera, in his fourth appearance Tuesday night on CBS-TV's "64,000 Question."

Next Tuesday night the Italian-born Prato will make his climactic appearance before the TV cameras and announce his decision.

If he decides to continue and answers the questions, he will take home \$64,000. If he loses, he will win a Cadillac worth at least \$7,000, as a consolation prize. If he feels he should not go on, he will be permitted to keep his \$32,000.

Questioned after the show, the little shoemaker appeared tense. "Fine, fine, I feel fine," he said. "And if you please I would like to"

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Elderly Couple Wounded By Avowed Slayer

Mike Rose, Jr., 25-year-old cafe operator who failed in his avowed efforts to carry out a triple-assassination, is being held in the county jail without privilege of bond for emptying a pistol into the bodies of his father-in-law and mother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hodges, well-known and popular residents of Dunn, Route 3, are in the Dunn Hospital in a critical condition and near death as the result of Rose's shooting spree, which took place at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at their farm home on the outskirts of Dunn.

After his capture by State Highway Patrolman W. O. Grady, Rose boasted about the shooting, said he had meant to kill Mrs. Hodges and his estranged wife, Mrs. Ma Hodges Rose, employee of the Dunn girdle factory.

He said he thought his wife was at her parents' home at the time and that he went there for the express purpose of shooting to death all three of them.

Threatens To Finish It
"And," officers said he boasted, "if they'll just let me out of jail under bond, I'll go back and finish the job on all three of them."

The shooting upset the peace and quiet of a splendid rural community and laid low two highly-respected citizens, both of whom are known for their gentle and kind dispositions.

Citizens Angry
As a result, feeling ran high and Constable Lonnie Jackson and Rural Policeman E. E. Sturgill spirited Rose away from the Dunn hospital to the county jail for fear that citizens might take the law into their own hands. There was such talk.

Citizens said they wanted to give Rose a quick, sure-fatal dose of his own lethal medicine.

Some citizens told newsmen openly that Rose would be taking his life in his own hands if he so much as dares to show his face in the community again. They sounded as though they meant it, too.

"It was the most cold-blooded, the most deliberate, the most calculated and premeditated crime I have ever come across in all my long years as an officer," declared Constable Jackson.

He said Rose showed no remorse at all; only regret that he didn't kill all three of them and determination to finish the job at the first opportunity.

Separated From Wife
Rose has been estranged from his wife for sometime and neighbors said had severely "beat her up" only recently.

According to the stories told (Continued On Page Six)

Record Roundup

MARRIAGE LICENSE - A marriage license was issued July 30 from the office of the county register of deeds to Lufflett Teed Easley, Jr., 25, of Georgetown, S. C., and Betty Lee Gardner, 22, of Angler Route 2.

RUMMAGE SALE SATURDAY - The Young Peoples Auxiliary of the Erwin Advent Christian Church is sponsoring a rummage sale Saturday, August 6, from 9:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. at the Erwin Park Center. New and used clothing will be sold along with home-made cakes.

WINS ATTENDANCE CUP - Lillington Junior Chamber of Commerce members are receiving congratulations on having won the attendance cup at the meeting of the 7th District (last Wednesday) (Continued on Page Six)



ROSE NURSES WOUNDED HAND - Mike Rose, Jr. is shown here nursing his wounded hand in the county jail in Lillington, where he is held without privilege of bond. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)



WOULD-BE DUNN KILLER AND WIFE - Pictured here in happier days are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rose, Jr. of Dunn. Late Tuesday afternoon, Rose set out on a killing spree with murder in his heart to kill his wife and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hodges of Dunn, Route 3. He found his wife had not yet returned from work at a Dunn girdle factory but emptied his .32 revolver into the bodies of her elderly parents.



ROBERT HODGES Wounded Rose As He Died



MR. AND MRS. JIM HODGES Victims of Shooting



MRS. MIKE ROSS, JR. And Unidentified Girl

Record Being Reviewed By Both Parties

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Democratic-controlled Congress laid its record before the country today. Partisans immediately began debating whether it gave a new showing of "unity and achievement" or short-changed President Eisenhower on domestic legislation.

After false starts Saturday and Monday, Congress finally achieved its goal of sine die adjournment Tuesday night, the House quitting at 11:36 p. m. EDT and the Senate at 12:05 a. m. EDT today.

The dam broke when the House approved the compromise housing bill despite last-minute objections from President Eisenhower over some relatively minor provisions.

This was followed by settlement of the bitter squabble between House and Senate leaders over how to handle some pay raises for congressional employees in the appropriation bill for Congress itself.

Compromises were reached and approved over legislation to extend the defense production law and apportioning federal funds for free polio vaccine. And in the scramble, the Senate shelved sugar production quotas until next year.

The windup marked the end of seven months in which Mr. Eisenhower put practically all he asked in terms of foreign policy and national defense from a Congress controlled by the opposition party.

On domestic legislation the story was different. Mr. Eisenhower was given much of what he asked but generally the final bills bore a Democratic imprimatur. And big chunks of his program were ignored, stymied or sidetracked until next year.

"UNITY AND ACHIEVEMENT" LABEL

The record was one to which Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson attached a label of "unity and achievement." He said Democratic leadership had enabled the nation, "for the first time in many years," to speak with "a strong and single voice" to the world.

Johnson, whose tactical genius (Continued On Page Six)

1955 Leaf Support Prices Set

Support price for fully-cured tobacco in the Border Belt, announced sometime ago by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is 48.30 cents per pound - on the average.

This figure, according to explanation by market officials, arrived at by a formula, is 90 per cent of parity ratio.

With actual support figures varying according to the specific grade of tobacco, it means that growers - dissatisfied with prices submitted by company buyers - may exercise the privilege of "turning their tickets" on the baskets involved with instructions that the particular lot be consigned at the applicable support price on that grade, to the Fine-cured Tobacco Stabilization Corporation.

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JUST HAVING FUN BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP)—Thomas Goodwin, 35, arrested for burning the walls of a restaurant with flaming paper towels, told police he was just having a "little fun" on his day off.

Campbell Endorses Centennial Issue

Dr. Leslie H. Campbell of Buie's Creek, president of Campbell College and Chairman of the Harnett County Centennial Committee, today commended The Daily Record for its proposed Centennial Souvenir Edition.

Production of the big historical edition is now underway and will be published just before Harnett's mammoth celebration gets underway.

Dr. Campbell declared that The Record and other agencies giving publicity to the notable achievements of the past and calling attention to the present builders of a greater future "is making a real contribution to the aims of our committee."

The Record's centennial edition will present a written review of 100 years of progress by the County of Harnett.

Dr. Campbell's Endorsement
Following is the complete text of Dr. Campbell's letter endorsing The Record's Centennial edition:
As chairman of the Harnett County Centennial Committee, I want to commend you and The DAILY RECORD for your proposed publication of a special Centennial Number. Certainly while we are pausing to celebrate our anniversary, every Agency that gives publicity to the notable achievements of the past and calls attention to the present builders of a greater future is making a real contribution to the aims of our committee.
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Three Acquitted By County Judge

Three defendants were acquitted in Harnett Recorder's Court Tuesday as the court handled a light docket, chiefly traffic offenses.

Bruce Leo Houch, Jr. was cleared of the charges of driving without an operator's license and failure to stop for a stop sign resulting in an accident. Gertrude Smith was found not guilty of abandonment of her children, 12, 9, 8 and 6. Douglas McLaurin, Fuquay Springs, Route 2 was found innocent of the charge of assaulting Joe Nathan Bailey with a knife. In other cases, Robert I. Mulchi, Ft. Bragg soldier, tendered plea of guilty to driving without an operator's license. Judgement was continued on payment of costs. Case against V. J. Wirzha, charged with driving without a license was dismissed. Hubert Junior McLean, Negro, (Continued On Page Seven)