

Where Thugs Cremated Fried, Kidnap Victim



In this furnace is a New York social hall, Arthur Fried, 32 (inset), White Plains contractor, was cremated in 1937, four days after he had been kidnaped by four young New York East Side thugs, according to reported confession of the gang, which was rounded up by G-men. Fried was being held for \$200,000 ransom when the gang became frightened and killed him.

Italy, Germany Assure Czechs

Seek Victim Of Kidnapers In Basement

Gruesome Find in New York May Solve Kidnapings in That Metropolitan Area

New York, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Dwight Brantley, head of the New York Federal Bureau of Investigation office, said today Federal agents were investigating a possible connection between the unsolved kidnap-slaying of 12-year-old Peter Levine, New Rochelle, N. Y., and the newly-captured members of an alleged "kidnaping syndicate," who are accused of three kidnapings, two robberies and one murder.

The new turn in the fast-breaking case developed as police exhumed fragments of bones from a cemented "tomb" in the basement of Ukrainian hall on the lower East Side. Police expressed a theory the bones might be from the body of Arthur Fried, young White Plains business man who was abducted last December 4 and held for \$200,000 ransom.

McCluer Will Be Sent Back For Hearing

Raleigh, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Governor Hoy said today he would sign an order directing that James McCluer, of Beaufort county, who was committed to the State Hospital for the Insane five months ago as insane, be turned over to the sheriff of Beaufort county for a hearing before a superior court judge in connection with a salving of which he was acquitted "by reason of insanity."

Guarantee Frontiers Left After Little Republic Is All But Obliterated; Hungary Is Given Big Slice and Still Is Not Satisfied

Vienna, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Foreign Ministers von Ribbentrop of Germany and Count Ciano of Italy it was learned on good authority today, have assured the Czechoslovak foreign minister that Germany and Italy were ready to guarantee Czechoslovakia's new frontiers.

F. Chvalikovsky, the Czech minister left for Prague today after the one-day conference in which Hungary was given an estimated 4,875 square miles of Czech territory.

Hungarians and Poles said they still hoped more Ruthenian territory would eventually fall to Hungary, thus giving Poland and Hungary the common border they desire. Ruthenia, the eastern tip of Czechoslovakia, was forced by the Italo-German meditation award to cede its capital to Hungary and its principal railway lines.

Between 100,000 and 150,000 Ruthenians again will become Hungarians under the award, leaving about 500,000 in the Czechoslovak Ruthenian states.

The Ruthenian delegation last night protested the decision, asserting it did not conform to ethnographical principles proclaimed at the four-power Munich conference September 29.

Five fraternal Ukrainian (Ruthenian) organizations cabled united Ukrainian organizations in the United States with headquarters at New York asking for funds to assist the homeland.

Yugoslavia expects to be next in the revision of eastern European boundaries under the sponsorship of Germany and Italy, Yugoslav observers of the Hungarian-Czech negotiations said.

Ten Are Seeking Post Office Job In Wilson Fight

Washington, Nov. 3.—(AP)—The Civil Service Commission made public today the names of hundreds of applicants for vacant postmasterhips throughout the country. The applicants are subject to civil service examinations and those with the highest resultant standing will be eligible for appointment by the President, subject to Senate confirmation.

Fayetteville Site For New Hospital Definitely Named

Fayetteville, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Selection of a site on the Fayetteville-Raleigh highway two miles from Fayetteville was announced today for the \$1,500,000 veterans hospital, already authorized.

Chinese Are Building Up New Forces

Army of 300,000 Recruits Being Trained; Japs Smash Defenses Above Hankow

Kingtu, China, Nov. 3.—(AP)—A new army of 300,000 recruits is being trained in Szechwan province to fight alongside 400,000 well drilled Szechwanese in renewed hope of stopping the invading Japanese. It is estimated that rice, wheat and other crops in this western province of nearly 53,000,000 population and 166,000 square miles are big enough to support 2,700,000 fighters for a year, one of the reasons why General Chiang Kai-Shek chose it for the new military base for the operations against Japan.

CHINESE DEFENSES ABOVE HANKOW ARE BEATEN DOWN

Shanghai, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Smashing the first major Chinese defenses above the newly-captured Hankow, the Japanese invaders tonight reported the seizure of a strategic point 80 miles down the Hankow-Canton railroad. Several days of artillery bombardment, which tore a hole in the strategic point's north wall, was followed up by a bloody infantry assault along a river flowing through the town.

Forty-five miles up the Yangtze river from Hankow, the Japanese announced, the Klayu forts had fallen. The "mopping up" operations of the Japanese, who took Hankow October 25, spread out fanlike from the former Chinese capital. To the northwest a battle was in progress at a point 55 miles from Hankow.

One Japanese column reached Hankow after a three-day drive down a highway and reported it had dispersed straggling Chinese units which were fleeing and leaving "heaps of dead along the roads."

Raleigh Will Hear Talmadge Cuss Control

In the Sir Walter Hotel, Daily Dispatch Bureau. Raleigh, Nov. 3.—Proving that they are not going to allow the crop control referendum to go "New Deal" by default, opponents of the control plan have arranged to bring former Governor Eugene Talmadge, of Georgia, here for an address in opposition at the Memorial Auditorium Saturday morning at eleven o'clock.

The red-gallused Huey Long-styled buzzsaw from the Cracker State has been delivering blistering attacks on the Roosevelt administration and all its works for several years now, and his temper and tongue have sharpened rather than dulled as time marches on.

All of which indicates that verbal sparks will fly when "Gene cuss loose. The Talmadge speech is but one of the many indications that crop control opposition is going to be remarkable.

Spanish Attack Angers Britain

Government Harassed In Parliament

Insurgents Steadily Advance Positions In Great Battle on Ebro River in Spain; Losses Admitted by Government Troops

London, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Opposition members in the House of Commons pressed the government today for a statement on the Spanish naval battle off the English east coast.

Prime Minister Chamberlain announced he was "slightly indisposed" and would be unable to attend the debate.

The insurgent motor vessel Nadir shelled and sank the government freighter Cantabria almost at the moment Chamberlain yesterday told the House the Spanish civil war was "no longer a menace to the peace of Europe."

By his speech, noting that Italy had withdrawn a large number of troops from Spain, and was ready to withdraw more, the premier won House approval to put into effect the April 16 British-Italian friendship pact, probably on November 15. The vote was 345 to 138.

When news of the sea attack reached Parliament, however, one opposition party speaker snapped out: "They will be up the Thames next."

GOVERNMENT TROOPS ARE GRADUALLY FALLING BACK

Hendaye, France, Nov. 3.—(AP)—A steady insurgent advance today pushed government troops slowly along the Ebro front in General Franco's seventh effort to recapture the strategic river bend in northeastern Spain.

Government dispatches admitted today "the enemy succeeded in bettering his position slightly at the cost of heavy losses."

At the same time, what apparently was a serious engagement was being fought on the outskirts of Madrid, which itself was shelled heavily by insurgent artillery.

Advices from Madrid gave no indication whether the offensive there was launched by government defenders or insurgent besiegers of the one-time capital. These reports merely said since last midnight heavy rifle and machine gun fire in the west could be heard in the heart of the city.

Insurgent information at the border indicated it was merely a question of a short time until the government's front collapsed as the militiamen would be forced to flee across the river to positions from which they launched on July 25 the offensive that began one of the bloodiest battles of the civil war.

The insurgents contended government communication lines were cut and their positions therefore, made precarious.

Many State Candidates Seek Office

Raleigh, Nov. 3.—Citizens of North Carolina will trek to the polls next week to cast their votes for a United States Senator, eleven congressmen, three Supreme Court justices, the entire General Assembly, and other important State officials, as well as hundreds of local officials in every township and county in the State.

North Carolina is overwhelmingly Democratic, but leaders of the statewide campaign here in Democratic headquarters at Raleigh are making an effort to get out the full strength of the party. State Chairman R. Gregg Cherry and other officers of the State Democratic Executive Committee have been conducting an active campaign that has extended their efforts into every precinct in the State. They have personally visited practically every section, and have maintained close personal contact

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Vance Road Work Bid At \$34,158.60

Raleigh, Nov. 4.—(AP)—The Highway and Public Works Commission announced low bidders today on eleven road projects estimated to cost \$511,000, on which proposals were received this morning. Projects and low bidders included: Vance county, 3.36 miles of grading, surfacing and structures on a road starting 4.56 miles east of Henderson, running to the Warren county line; Killebrew & Yount, Reidsville, \$34,158.60.

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Senate Body Denounces Political Compulsion On Pennsylvania WPA Folks

Democratic Campaign Letter Advised Them "No Excuse Will Be Accepted" for Absence from Meeting; Ickes Says Roosevelt Is Stronger

Washington, Nov. 3.—(AP)—The Senate campaign expenditures committee called "intimidation" today a phrase in a Democratic campaign letter which warned WPA workers that "no excuse will be accepted" for their failure to attend a national rally held in Norristown, Pa., October 29.

The committee said it had been unable to determine how many Federal WPA workers were among the 2,500 persons who attended the meeting as a result of the letter, signed by Joseph McElwee. The letter said the meeting was being held "at the direction of Senator Guffey, Democrat, Pennsylvania, and David Lawrence, State Democratic committee chairman."

McElwee is a member of the Pennsylvania State compensation board and a local official of the Democratic party. McElwee later denied in an affidavit obtained by the Senate committee's investigators that Guffey or Lawrence had any knowledge of the letter.

Other developments: Secretary Ickes said that public support of President Roosevelt was stronger in the west today than he was in 1936. The secretary, holding his first press conference since returning from a month's speaking tour of the west, said there were local cross-currents in western politics, but that they did not affect national prospects.

Chairman Dies, Democrat, Texas, told newspaper men the House committee investigating un-American activities had "encountered considerable trouble in obtaining witnesses since President Roosevelt rebuked it." Dies said many witnesses he wants to testify hold government jobs, which he said they were afraid of losing if they told of un-American activities they have seen.

Dies Group Overplayed Hand Sharply

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, Nov. 3.—Congressman Dies' committee on investigation of un-American activities evidently overdid itself when it

permitted recent witnesses' attacks on Governor Murphy of Michigan to get into its records. There is so general and violent a prejudice against communists in this country that it is a bit hazardous for any one to be at all adversely critical of a quiz like Representative Dies' list he accused of being, himself, a red sympathizer. Maybe no one less potent have panned the Dies committee's methods as effectively as the White House tenant did without involving himself in trouble. However, the President, having taken the initiative, there is plenty of press comment to the purport that he was right about it.

It isn't that an investigation of un-American activities is undesirable. If there is any appreciable amount of actual plotting in our midst against our politico-economic system, of course it ought to be investigated. But investigating what a few folks are merely thinking, personally, individually and internally, without doing anything about it, is rather doubtful business.

If a governmental system is mainly good there are not likely to be many people who wishful to overthrow it. If it has certain defects it ought to be legitimate for some of them at least to think so.

Our Anti-Red Complex. I've lived all over the United States, from New York to San Francisco and from the Dakotas to New Orleans, and my observation is that our population is reasonably contented. Oh yes, the farmers kick, labor has its discontents and we white-collarites (my own group) have our grievances, but it's all mostly superficial. One of my earliest recollections of the preachings of Herr Most, Cincinnati anarchist. Then there was Eugene V. Debs, a socialist. The I. W. W. followed. Now it's communists. Herr Most never made a dent, but in his day there was a lot of worry

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Death in His Eyes



Here is a dramatic close-up of John W. Deering as he appeared a short time before five riflemen executed him at Salt Lake City prison for the robbery-murder of Oliver R. Meredick, Jr. An electro-cardiogram was made of his heart's action and stoppage when the bullets crashed into him. (Central Press)

AAA Leader Says Prices Reasonable

Tobacco and Peanut Growers Fairly Paid, Georgia Director Says in Speech

Dawson, Ga., Nov. 3.—(AP)—I. W. Duggan, director of the AAA's southern division, said today Federal farm legislation "has resulted in a reasonable income for tobacco and peanut growers," and added "I feel the program, if continued, will do the same for cotton growers."

Duggan was the principal speaker on the farmers day program of Dawson's week-long peanut festival. "I think that cotton farmers, as well as tobacco and peanut farmers, should have a program that is designed to give them their fair share of the national income," Duggan asserted in a prepared address. "Any program for peanuts, cotton, tobacco and other commodities should include provisions which will enable farmers to achieve and maintain a balance between supply and demand."

Duggan said the 1939 AAA program would include a special base for peanuts. He called attention to the December 10 vote on marketing quotas for cotton and tobacco, and asserted: "If marketing quotas are not in effect in 1939, you know as well as any one what will happen to both production and price."

Rich Philadelphia Youth, Missing, Has Work At Richmond

Richmond, Va., Nov. 3.—(AP)—Detective Captain A. S. Wright said today Sydney E. Martin, Jr., missing 20-year-old son of a wealthy Philadelphia family, had been found in Richmond working for an electrical contractor.

The detective said he learned only today that the boy for whom the Philadelphia family had expressed grave concern was boarding at the home of a "Mrs. Otis" in North Side, Richmond, and was working in a midtown shop. Wright said he had not determined how long Martin had been in Richmond.

Martin, son of a prominent Philadelphia architect and clubman, apparently "vanished" from the Quaker City after a visit to a night club September 15. Reached by telephone at the electrical firm, young Martin said "seriously," "I have no statement to make." He declined further comment and refused a request for a personal interview.

Crop-Saving Rain Visits Middle West

Heavy in Some Sections and Comes in Nick of Time for Seasonal Crops

Chicago, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Forecaster C. A. Donnell said "a million dollar rain" spread over a large section of the mid-continent today and slowly would expand in area. The rain trough extended, he said, from San Antonio, Texas, northeastward through Dallas, Oklahoma, Kansas, northwestern Missouri, Nebraska, central Iowa, most of Wisconsin and to western Lake Superior.

The fall was heavy in some sections last night and this morning, Wichita, Kans., reporting 1.86 inches; Concordia, Kans., 1.05 inches; Omaha, 1.12 inches, and Oklahoma City, 1.02. An autumn heat wave, which shattered records for this late in the season in many localities, plus the drought, had brought worried frowns to many a farmer, although the "September weather" in November was a boon to city dwellers and corn harvesters.

Mrs. Wilson Testifies For Banker Hubby

Raleigh, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Mrs. E. W. Wilson, of Salemberg, testified today in her husband's behalf in Federal court that when he drew checks on the Dunn branch of the First Citizens Bank & Trust Company he apparently had deposits there which had not been properly credited to him. Mrs. Wilson took the stand as the first witness after the government offered further testimony relating to the charges that Wilson and E. B. Graham, cashier of the branch, misappropriated \$1,067 in bank funds.

The woman said that she acted as cashier for her husband and did most of his banking. She said a check of their business records showed deposits had been made at the Dunn bank, which apparently were not credited.

F. H. Brooks, of Johnston county, also a former legislator, testified for the prosecution that he held conferences with Wilson, acting as attorney for the bank, and that Wilson told him "he was sorry he couldn't shoulder the whole burden, that it was his fault and not Mr. Graham's that he got the money."

Mrs. Wilson testified that at a conference Graham had admitted her husband had accounts in the bank he had not been credited with.

Graham testified yesterday as the first witness against Wilson.

Lorillard's Ohio Plants Start Again

Troops Ordered Out by Gov. Davey Stand Guard as 500 of 1,100 Go Back

Middletown, Ohio, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Under the protection of troops ordered here by Governor Davey, the P. Lorillard Tobacco Company plant resumed operations today. One shift of about 500 workers entered the plant at 8 a. m. without interference. The plant, closed since October 3 by a CIO strike, normally employs 1,100.

Five hundred National Guardsmen were ordered here by Davey after city officials warned that reopening of the plant while the strike was in progress might result in rioting and bloodshed. The Pioneer Tobacco Workers Union, which struck October 3 for a closed shop and the check-off, agreed shortly before midnight to end the dispute and return to work.

CIO Organizer Sam Sponseller said the vote was 557 to one.

While troops had been enroute from Columbus, Paul Fuller and John Owens, regional CIO directors, urged the strikers to return to their jobs "in orderly fashion."

"We do not intend to have our people murdered by a lameduck governor, who has proven himself to be America's notorious No. 1 strike-breaker," Fuller wired Sponseller. Fuller said he would file charges with the National Labor Relations Board.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Fair tonight and Friday; slightly warmer in north portion.