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FAKE TELEPHONE CALL HELPS IN KIDNAPING PLOT

Ten-Year-Old Daughter of Wealthy Parents Is Taken From School

NO RANSOM ASKED

Abductor Has Phone In Family Home Cut Off for Time

HARWICHPORT, Mass., May 2.—(AP)— Margaret McMath, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil C. McMath; and grand-daughter of Francis C. McMath, wealthy Detroit engineer and industrialist, was kidnaped today.

Dismissed from her fourth grade schoolroom after a telephone call purporting to be from her father had been received there, the girl entered a large blue automobile driven by a man described as a Negro.

No motive for the kidnaping was known to the family who have been residents here for two years.

State police and coast guards swung into action a search for the abductor which extended across Cape Cod by land and from Boston south to New London, Conn., by sea. There was a possibility the child might have been taken aboard a sea-going craft.

The telephone call received at the Center school, which the child attended, said the speaker was her father. He said he was sending a chauffeur to get her. At about the same time another call to the McMath home asked that the telephone receiver be taken off the hook for ten minutes. The speaker said he was a telephone company employe. The calls were traced to a general store.

When the abductor arrived at the school he sent another pupil into the building to inform the girl's teacher that he was waiting for the child. She left immediately and it was not until an hour later that police were notified.

Police believed ransom was the motive because of the reputed wealth of the child's family. Her father formerly was employed by a Detroit structural steel firm. Since coming here he has been engaged in boat building.

Because the abductor asked that the McMath home telephone be disconnected for only ten minutes, evidence was given the theory that he intended to escape by boat. The drive to the waterfront from the school was less than a mile. Residents of Harwichport were confident, however, that no craft could leave the waterfront unseen.

In Chauffeur's Uniform

The abductor was described as having worn a dark gray uniform similar to that worn by chauffeurs. The car he drove was about three years old and of the sedan type. The registration number was not obtained.

The child, known to playmates as "Peggy," was described as having dark eyes and light robes behind hair. She wore a dark blue coat, brown shoes and stockings and a tan and orange dress. She has a brother, Francis, eight years old.

Upon receipt of word of the abduction, state police were dispatched to various parts of Cape Cod to check on vehicles.

The coast guard order issued from headquarters at Boston asked all craft to watch for suspicious or strange boats.

Francis C. McMath, grandfather of the child, is prominent in Detroit. He formerly was president of the Canadian Bridge company and a director of the Union Trust company and other corporations. He has been active in the affairs of engineering and scientific societies.

Harwichport is a small summer resort in the town of Marstch on the southern side of Cape Cod.

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PRESIDENT TO BUY WOMAN FALSE TEETH

SAVANNAH, Ga., May 3.—(AP)— An impoverished woman residing in a rural section near Savannah is going to get a set of false teeth through the intercession of President Roosevelt.

She found it necessary to have her natural teeth extracted and the duties of providing for her children left nothing for the purchase of a plate. So she wrote to the President, explaining her plight.

A few days later the Savannah chapter of the Red Cross received advices from its nations headquarters in Washington, saying the White House had requested teeth be given the woman.

Where Martial Law Rules in Iowa and Judge Who Was 'Lynched'

Judge Charles C. Bradley, above, dragged from his bench and nearly hanged by a mob of Iowa farmers, has refused to name any of the men who mistreated him. The mob's action brought martial law to end acts of violence by farmers fighting foreclosure sales. The rioting farmers are pictured in the center in one of the acts of violence that resulted in martial law for two counties. After halting a foreclosure sale at Primghar, the farmers forced sheriff's deputies and an attorney to kiss the American flag on the lawn of the courthouse.

National guardmen have established martial law in two counties. The picture shows state troops unloading machine guns at the farm war front.

SHOOTINGS LAND 3 IN HOSPITAL

Two Fights and Attempt At Suicide Give Police Busy Hour

Two shootings and an attempted suicide last night in Tucson's police horizon with a bloody light.

Alfredo Oliveira, 35, lay in St. Mary's hospital expected to die as a result of a .22 caliber bullet wound in his back, the bullet lodging in his liver, while Pedro Vasquez also was in the hospital suffering a deep scalp wound apparently caused by the crossing effect of a bullet and Candelario Cortez was in the city jail held for investigation as a result of a shooting at about 8:30 o'clock at 1024 North Anita street.

William Dennis, a Negro, was in St. Mary's hospital with a bullet wound under his right eye as a result of a fight which occurred shortly after 8 o'clock with George M. Ferguson, also a Negro, at a home-cooking cafe at 23 Sabino street. Ferguson was lodged in jail, his injuries not being serious enough to deserve hospital treatment.

Mrs. Matilda Barnhart, 24, a resident of May, Texas, arrived at a local hotel, walked into Marvin's drug store at South Scott and East Congress streets last night at 6:45 o'clock and purchased some poison. She took three capsules of it immediately. Attaches at St. Mary's hospital, where she was rushed by ambulance, said last night she would live. Mrs. Barnhart said if she did happen to live she would try suicide again.

All the cases were handled by Captain C. A. Wollard and his aides. The original investigation of the fight on Anita street was undertaken by Patrolman Jay Smith, who was aided a few minutes later by the arrival of the captain and Patrolmen Walker M. Hyde, James Herron and Paul Wright.

Of the two battles, the one on Anita street which involved Cortez, Oliveira and Vasquez was the gayer. Cortez, who says there wasn't any fight that he was in, but who had blood on his trousers when booked at the police station, is a gardener and lives at 1007 North Fourteenth avenue.

A preliminary piecing together of statements failed to show anything except that there had been a fight between the three men when Cortez had driven up to the door of the house in his truck and had come upon the other two while they were eating. Mrs. Trinidad Vasquez, mother of Pedro, told one story, Pedro told another, Oliveira, after he was advised by a doctor that he was on his deathbed in the hospital, told a third and only parts of them jibed. Oliveira has a sister living in Culver City, Calif., a Mrs. Josephine Liverla.

Cortez was captured after he had fled from the house and made a trip to the hospital to see a Manuel Finbres being operated upon there. He went to the hospital allegedly to take Finbres some cigarettes and had left unnoticed by police. Detectives Jesse Franco and William Nicholson captured him just before 10 o'clock.

Charges against Cortez and Vasquez were lodged by Captain Wollard.

In the Sabino street affray, Ferguson and Dennis apparently had a quarrel over a woman, part of fight being when Ferguson allegedly shot Dennis in the face, the .22 caliber bullet lodging under his right eye. Both Ferguson and Dennis were booked.

The quickly-consecutive shootings caused all available police to be rushed into action for an hour or so, and Chief of Police Jack E. Dyer appeared at the station when notified that things were happening fast and furiously.

LOAN OFFERED

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(AP)— The reconstruction corporation today authorized a loan of $500,000 to aid in rehabilitating the earthquake stricken area of southern California.

$8 LEGISLATIVE PAY SUSTAINED

Supreme Court Throws Out Case of Pima Members

PHOENIX, May 2.—(AP)—The supreme court ruled today members of the 11th legislature were entitled to a salary of only the $8 paid them as provided in a constitutional amendment adopted at the 1932 election.

The opinion, written by Chief Justice Henry D. Ross and concurred in by Associate Justice A. G. McAlister, sustained a demurrer filed by Mrs. Ana Frohmiller, state auditor, to a petition filed by the Pima county delegation in the legislature for a writ of mandamus to compel her to approve their claims for salaries of $15 a day for two days and to draw warrants for that amount. The opinion ordered the action dismissed.

The court held that the terms of the legislators begin with the second Monday of January next after the election and that therefore the reduction in salaries, made by the amendment adopted in 1932, was not made during their terms of office and consequently was applicable to the 11th legislature.

The opinion said the plaintiffs were aware that such an amendment was to be voted on but that, nevertheless, they sought the legislative offices. This indicated, the opinion said, they were willing to accept the office on such terms and conditions as their constituents might impose.

On the theory that "a bargain is a bargain," the opinion read "binding alike on both parties, plaintiffs have no just cause of complaint."

The suit was brought in the supreme court as an original action. Justice Alfred C. Lockwood sat with the court during the arguments but did not participate in the decision because of illness which has kept him away from his office for several weeks.

FAMILY OBSESSION EXPLAINS SUICIDE

LOS ANGELES, May 3.—(AP)— The strange life of lonely beauty led for 28 years by Margaret Keith, 45, wealthy recluse who died by her own hand on a blue in one of her two magnificent homes here last Friday, was explained today by partial explanation today as a three-day funeral rite of classical music began.

A sister, Mrs. Keith Eskridge of Los Angeles, who said she had seen Miss Keith but three times in eight years, traced the cause of the tragedy back to a "family obsession" for solitude.

Mrs. Eskridge added that her sister drew a large allowance from her father until his death, when she inherited nearly $1,000,000.

Her communication with the outside world was carried on almost entirely through a Japanese yard boy.

Especially detailed was her letter of instructions as to the peculiar funeral rites she desired.

Her body was to be kept for "several days" in a room from which all but necessary persons were to be barred. Her clothes were to be changed daily. At intervals of several hours, she directed, she was to be placed in her hands, and all flowers in the room were to be changed. A "fine orchestra" was to be engaged to play at intervals 27 of her favorite compositions.

And, "when several days" had passed, the body was to be cremated and the ashes "scattered to the wind."

The rites began in secrecy today.

She was attractive in middle age and her sister said she was beautiful as a girl.

TWO FLIERS KILLED

PRAGUE, Czecho Slovakia, May 3.—(AP)—A pilot and an observer were killed today when two military planes collided over the airport at Nectra. The other pilot and observer escaped by parachutes.

Veteran Survey Shows 1268 Soon to Be in Need of Help

More Than 2000 Persons Sent Here From Other States of Union; List of Those to Be In Distress Includes Wives, Children of Ex-Soldiers

Reports from 883 veterans, widows of veterans and orphaned children of veterans have been tabulated by C. H. Howe, leader of the committee of veterans which has made a compensation survey. The reports indicate that at least 1,268 persons will need assistance of some kind before August 1. Thirty-nine persons will need relief three months after that date and 18 more six months after that date.

The survey indicated that 2,600 persons have been sent to Arizona by other states and are now residents of Tucson and vicinity under present residence laws. Certain states have sent for larger numbers than others, the survey shows.

The tabulation by states is as follows:

Ala., 21; Ariz., 112; Ark., 32; Calif., 120; Col., 29; Conn., 3; Del., 6; Fla., 14; Ga., 26; Idaho, 4; Ill., 156; Ind., 61; Ia., 37; Kans., 28; Ky., 61; La., 11; Me., 1; Maryland 5; Tenn., 24; Tex., 44; Utah, 4; Vermont, 2; Va., 3; Wash., 22; West Va., 27; Wis., 32; Wyoming, 15. Others including several states have not yet acquired residence here, involving 21 persons. The total, including those 112 who have been residents of Arizona for long periods is 2,591.

To these must be added veterans of unidentified origin including 21 who refused to cooperate in the survey and 18 who were too ill to do so. The figures also fails to include compensated veterans who were not reached in the survey.

The 1268 persons who will need assistance immediately include 440 veterans and their dependents. The 39 who will need help in three months include 17 veterans and their dependents. Those who will need help in six months include five veterans and their dependents.

In addition, 48 veterans with 63 dependents cannot be classified at this time and may or may not need assistance.

In these groups, the survey showed, are 85 children who were already reported to be underemployed.

Indications that being the wife of a sick veteran does either as a hazardous occupation was given in the fact that 91 of the veterans reported sick wives. Many thought not all of these are tubercular.

Three hundred seventy-five of these reporting own property and 295 estimate that they will lose their real estate because of condemnation losses.

One hundred sixty-nine veterans who will need assistance are in the hospital. They will need no help for themselves but will be unable to continue the support of their dependents.

One hundred seven of the hospital veterans will need no assistance.

Active T. B. cases in the survey included 345, arrested, 48.

JAPAN EXPECTED TO ASK NAVAL PARITY

TOKYO, May 3.—(Wednesday)—(AP)—A foreign office spokesman declared today that Japan would certainly would demand naval equality with America and Great Britain in the 1935 naval conference.

"Even Germany is demanding equality in armaments, and there is no reason Japan, which never has been defeated in war, should accept a position of naval inferiority," he declared.

He was of the opinion the question of relative naval strengths was not likely to be seriously considered at the coming Washington or London parleys or anywhere prior to 1935.

TORNADO'S TOLL IS FIXED AT 63

Louisiana Heaviest Sufferer With 41: Loss of Property $2,000,000

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

Scores of tornadoes that whipped about crazily from Louisiana to Illinois during a two-day assault on the Mississippi valley left at least 63 dead in their paths, more than 200 injured and property damage in excess of $2,000,000.

The winds got a running start in the Mississippi Delta Sunday and for 24 hours were a weird pattern of destruction in scattered sections from Minden, La., to northwest Illinois.

The toll by states:

Louisiana	41
Arkansas	9
Mississippi	7
Illinois	6

Sunday's tornadoes were comparatively mild and were confined to the Mississippi and Arkansas deltas. Eight were killed—seven in Mississippi and one in Arkansas. But Monday the winds renewed the attack and jumped about from Minden, where at least 25 were killed, to Morrison, Ill. Some Chicago felt fitful gusts of the storm.

The first report of Monday's tornadoes came from the Arkansas-Missouri line where the wind killed two persons at Salem and one at Camp, Ark. Rural property damage in the border was heavy and more than 12 persons were injured.

About 4 p. m. Monday the tornado rode into Minden in a black, funnel-shaped cloud. It levelled the Negro quarter of that important parish seat and killed at least 25. First reports said 64 were killed at Minden, but only 25 bodies had been recovered yesterday. Property damage was enormous. Farms were razed, highways were choked with debris and communication lines were wrecked.

The storm split at Minden and tore into Arcadia, 25 miles away, where six more were killed.

Another tornado struck Magnolia, Ark., about the same time and killed six Negroes. Hail and wind caused near sections of Illinois and killed five.

REBEL DIES, TOTAL OF FRAY NOW IS 15

HAVANA, May 3.—(AP)—The finding of a body of a rebel who had died of his wounds today raised to 15 the death toll of four agitations last Saturday.

Three rebels who participated in a raid on the civil guard post at San Luis were surprised and slain by a detachment of guards.

A dispatch in today's Heraldo de Cuba said four rebels who figured in the assault at San Luis had surrendered and accused Sergio Carbo, magazine editor now in political exile, of having inspired the Orientle outbreak.

Authorities denied the story of two 16-year-old boys that they witnessed the killing or wounding last midnight of two soldiers and five policemen after the former arrested the city officers.

An unidentified Negro youth was shot and killed today when he allegedly attempted to steal a bicycle near Principe prison.

COUNTY DEFIES IOWA MILITARY

Can't Send In Troops, Says Attorney; Will, Says Governor

LE MARS, Iowa, May 2.—(AP)—A dry to the military patrolling two sections of western Iowa following last week's farm rioting came late today from County Attorney James Smith at Cherokee.

Smith said he had received reports the troops stationed here were planning to send details into his jurisdiction in search of alleged offenders, and announced that if such steps were taken the Iowa national guardsmen would be arrested and charged with violation.

Smith asserted there had been no trouble in Cherokee county and consequently, he said, the troops "will have no more authority there than ordinary citizens."

Meanwhile, organization of a military council to prepare the cases of the hundred-odd farmers arrested by guardsmen in connection with the riots preceded. The council, headed by Major L. Des Mallonee of Audobon with three other national guard officers as members, is to be assisted by Judge Advocate Frank E. Hallgan, acting as special prosecutor for the state attorney-general.

The body in addition to investigating the so-called farm revolt cases will act as the court throughout the area occupied by the troops during the period of martial law.

Major Mallonee conferred with guard leaders here on means to cooperate in law enforcement and justice dispensing agencies in the two areas, one of which centers about Denison and the other about this city.

Details of troops continued occupying the occupied areas throughout the day in search of persons wanted in connection with riots last week as well as those involved in the abduction and maltreatment of Judge C. C. Bradley at Le Mars.

A total of 185 men have been arrested.

One cause of a recent disturbance here was removed today when the 52 Durbland family vacated a farm which they had held in defiance of an eviction order for several weeks.

GOVERNOR DISAGREES WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY

DES MOINES, Ia., May 2.—(AP)—Gov. Clyde Herring said today troops would be sent into Cherokee county if military authorities at Le Mars deemed it advisable.

Commenting on a telegram received from County Attorney James Smith of Cherokee, declaring troops were not needed there, the governor stated that "if any arrests are to be made by troops in Cherokee county, they will go in and get them."

DOLLAR AND POUND STAGE PARIS BATTLE

PARIS, May 3.—(AP)—Paris became one of the chief battlefields of the American dollar and the British pound sterling today with heavy exchange transactions taxing Bourse facilities.

The dollar sharply rebounded, increasing 42 centimes in value while the pound went up 26 centimes, making the American dollar's proportionate increase six times that of the pound.

The close of the dollar at 21.74 francs compared with yesterday's final figure of 21.32 and the opening figure of 21.40 francs.

L'Information, a leading financial paper, said a "monetary armistice" is needed, and added that Great Britain and the United States are apparently far from an accord on the stabilization of currencies.

ALABAMA SEEKS GLOBE SUSPECT

Man Charged There With Payroll Robbery, Says Sheriff

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 3.—(AP)—Sheriff J. R. McFadden of Maricopa county, was advised today described in this report, is such as to circumvent the proper functioning of the legislature in controlling the fiscal policy of the state." the committee's report to the governor said:

"As to the grossly irregular manner in this procuring transportation for needs beyond the end of the fiscal year, it is respectfully suggested that you refer this matter to the attorney general for such action as he may deem necessary in the premises."

Cites Claims

The committee report cited three claims of the commission for travel expenses, as follows:

June 22, 1931, claim 161 ....$163.88
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June 30, 1932, claim 315 ....$159.70

It then listed the declared purpose for each, such as: "Claim No. 161,

"Three round trip tickets, Phoenix to New York, commissioners and rate expert, for Commissioners Dutle and Howe and rate expert, L. G. Reif."

"To assess our auditor as suspicious were aroused," the report continued, "as to the propriety of these claims, was due to the fact that in the examination of other claims for traveling expenses they had ascertained that Mr. Reif, who was one of the persons supposed to have used the tickets in each case referred to above, was himself out of the city on other business at the time of the purchase of the tickets. To be specific, on June 22, 1931, he was between Boston and Albany x x x."

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S. P. SCRIP BOUGHT BUT NEVER USED

Purchase Made in Phoenix by Betts While He Is in New York

REDEEMABLE IN CASH

Chairman Explains System Is Used to Keep Fund for Board

PHOENIX, May 2.—(AP) The special legislative investigating committee today asked Gov. B. B. Moeur to refer to the attorney general its charges of "irregular practices" in the administration of the corporation commission's travel funds.

In a seven-page report, the committee said the commission had $17,55 worth of railroad scrip, purchased at intervals since 1929, which was purchased "solely to exhaust the balance remaining in the travel fund at the end of the fiscal year in order that the r ney ... should not revert to the general fund in accordance with the laws of the state."

The committee took into custody more than $1,000 worth of scrip and "redeemable receipts" about which it wrote the governor as follows:

"The committee feels that since the money expended by the transportation was unlawfully withheld from the general fund, it is only right that the transportation should be turned over to the state treasurer for redemption and payment of the proceeds into the general fund."

Declaring that the "effect, and possibly the motive, of the practice described in this report, is such as to circumvent the proper functioning of the legislature in controlling the fiscal policy of the state," the committee's report to the governor said:

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SOONG IN SEATTLE ON WAY TO CAPITAL

SEATTLE, May 3.—(AP)—Reluctant to comment on developments in the Orient until after his conference with President Roosevelt, Dr. T. V. Soong, finance minister of China and acting premier, halted for a few hours in Seattle today on route to Washington, D. C., to participate in the President's economic parleys.

"While I am in this country I am the guest of the President," he said, "and please. It would not be courteous of me to comment to the press before I have seen him."

He disclosed that he will also represent China at the world economic conference in London June 12.

STATE REPEAL TRY FAILS FOR TEXANS

AUSTIN, Texas, May 3.—(AP)— The house of the Texas legislature today refused to give the necessary two-thirds vote to a resolution proposing submission of an amendment to repeal the prohibition section of the state constitution.

Both houses already have passed a resolution proposing submission of an amendment to the constitution to legalize 3.2 per cent beer. The election has been set for August 26.

ROAD GROUP HONORS RESIDENT OF DOUGLAS

EL PASO, Tex., May 3.—(AP)—F. O. Mackey, Douglas, Ariz., was re-elected president of the Broadway of America for the third time at the conclusion of the association convention here today.

Regional directors elected were J. J. Walker, McMinnville, Tenn., western divisions; J. Ben Critz, Dallas, central, and A. H. Gardner, Tombstone, Ariz., western.

State directors: Arizona, George Lilley, Phoenix, and Stanley Kitt, Tucson; New Mexico, Harry Rosenstier, Lordsburg, and C. F. Hoffman, Las Cruces; Texas, M. M. Heard, Naples, and J. H. Green, Colorado, Tex.; Arkansas, E. L. Howlett, Hot Springs, and Terrell Cornelius, Hope; Tennessee, Dorsey Crenkat, Waverly, and Hardie Moore, McMinnville.

The resolutions committee was instructed to frame a resolution urging the national director of the budget to maintain the good roads bureau and federal aid to states for highway construction.

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