



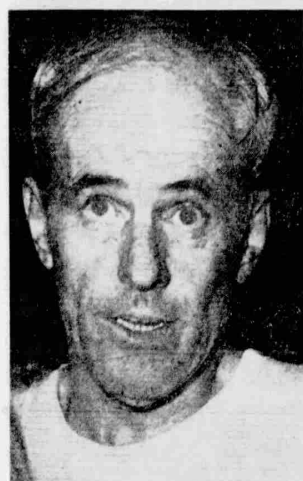
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Butler Just After Surrender To Posse

Still Wears Handcuffs

Sheriff's Killer Gives Up To Posse

PITTSBURGH (AP)—An escaped convict, sought in an all-night manhunt for the slaying of a sheriff, stumbled from his hiding place in a wooded section at dawn today and meekly surrendered to police.

Gray-haired, 56-year-old John Butler was still wearing the handcuffs, with which he was manacled when he broke from a moving police car yesterday afternoon after the shooting of Sheriff James R. Lauer, 52, of Northumberland County, Pa.

Wearing a muddy, T-shirt and soaking wet blue trousers, Butler stumbled out of a foggy, wooded area just as a posse of about 120 policemen prepared to flush him out.

When Butler emerged from his hiding place with his arms held up in surrender, scores of policemen and newspaper photographers and reporters rushed down the hillside and converged on him.

When a policeman asked Butler if he knew what he did, the convict replied, "Well, I guess he's dead."

HE'S SORRY

Butler also said he was sorry for what he did, police said. He protested that he had not meant to kill, called the sheriff "a friend of mine."

He immediately was taken to a spot where he hid for nearly 14 hours, a heavily wooded area located in a marshy area at the foot of a slope, and later to the Allegheny County jail here.

He didn't have the death warrant with him and police were unable to ascertain what he did with it.

He was captured about 200 yards from where the shooting occurred just north of Pittsburgh.

The manhunt was one of the most extensive in the city's history.

Lauer was killed while scuffling with Butler for the sheriff's 35 caliber revolver in the back seat of the police car. The sheriff died of a wound in the abdomen.

Butler fled on foot.

Lauer and a friend, Merlin Diehl of Shamokin, Pa., were taking Butler from Northumberland County to Western State Penitentiary here, about 200 miles. Diehl was driving with Lauer beside him. Butler was in the back.

"Butler lunged forward, grabbed the gun from the front seat between me and Lauer," said Diehl. "Lauer jumped in the back of the car and they were scuffling." Diehl added:

"I stopped the car to assist Lauer and opened the back door to help. At that instant this guy shot Lauer and said, 'I'll shoot you too.'"



STOP... AND LOOK!

Perhaps you've been noticing that The Charlotte News has been getting more colorful lately. And we're mighty proud of the fact that in today's issue you'll find four color ads... which is more than we've ever published before on a single day!

GENEVA KEY TO FUTURE OF SUMMIT

Ike Tells Gromyko Of Progress Need In Present Talks

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower today told Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko "a measure of progress" must be made at the present Geneva East-West talks if Russia wants a summit meeting.

Eisenhower expressed himself during a 30-minute White House meeting with Gromyko and the American, British and French foreign ministers.

Gromyko, without commenting on Eisenhower's call for progress described the session as "a very pleasant and useful conversation."

French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville and British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd described Gromyko's comment as "a tripartite declaration," thus saying in light humor that this was also their comment.

In a formal statement read to newsmen by his press secretary, James C. Hagerty, Eisenhower expressed hope that the Geneva meeting "would lead to a better approach to the solution of the problems that confront us in Europe."

NEED STRESSED

Hagerty said Eisenhower stressed the need for peaceful solutions to the problems of Germany's future and other issues now being debated. He added:

"The President likewise expressed the hope that on their return to Geneva the foreign ministers would be able to achieve that measure of progress which would make a subsequent meeting of heads of government desirable and useful."

Although he talked to all four foreign ministers, Eisenhower clearly was beaming his remarks at Gromyko. He was to effect reaffirming his determination to meet a meeting with Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev unless the Soviet demonstrate good faith at Geneva by offering reasonable concessions to match the West's proposals.

WASHINGTON (AP)—With a blast at Pentagon rivalries, "confusion and duplication," the House Appropriations Committee today recommended \$30,245,339,000 in new funds for the Defense Department.

In cutting \$309,060,000 from the amount requested by President Eisenhower for the year starting July 1, the committee told the Army and the Air Force to cease bickering over who has the best missiles, called for a general tightening up on defense operations, and spoke of a growing Soviet military threat.

On the face of it, the committee sided with the Army in its missile war with the Air Force by boosting Army funds and cutting Air Force money for missiles.

It approved funds to keep up the Strategic Air Command, to shore up the Navy's anti-missile warfare program, and to expedite work on atomic airplanes.

It disapproved the President's plans to reduce the strength of the National Guard and the reserve forces but went along with his figures for active military manpower.

It reduced the Navy's request for 260 million dollars to build a new super aircraft carrier.

It also voted to authorize the President to keep our big strike back bombers in the air around the clock if necessary to prevent their destruction on the ground by a sneak attack.

These and other actions were included in a bill for the committee sent to the House floor this week.

WEATHER

Generally fair and a little warmer today, tonight and tomorrow.

Low this morning 60
Low tomorrow morning 65
High today 85
High tomorrow 82
High yesterday 82

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Sunrise today 5:11 a.m.; sunset today 7:29 p.m.

More weather data on page 3A.

The Bomarc, the Air Force's anti-aircraft missile, suffered a reduction of more than a third in the \$47,300,000 requested. The committee voted to give the Army the full \$5 million dollars it asked for its competing Nike-Hercules anti-aircraft missile.

The committee report made public today said the Bomarc cut was made "in a further effort to focus attention upon the necessity for an early decision on the air defense missile controversy."

"Billions of taxpayers' dollars are involved," the report said. "It is time to re-examine what we are getting for our money."

It noted that the Bomarc, still not fully operational, already has cost \$1,900,000,000.

Show Goes On — So Does Fire



DOLORES GRAY

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FLAMES HIT CURTAIN

Flames curled up the curtain about 20 feet. Smoke began billowing about the Imperial Theater.

Loud noises came from backstage as fire extinguishers were rushed into action. A few persons in front rows got up to leave.

Miss Gray, who had been softly singing "Anyone Would Love You," belted out an encore.

Practically all the theatergoers remained in their seats.

Out front came Leonard Patrick, the stage manager. "There is a little fire," he said. "There is no danger. We'll resume the show in a few minutes if you'll just go outside and wait for us."

The audience trooped out to the lobby as though it was routine intermission. But it wasn't the end of the first act.

When they returned to their seats, they patiently

watched mopping up operations. Plenty of mops were needed, as the stage had been covered with two inches of water.

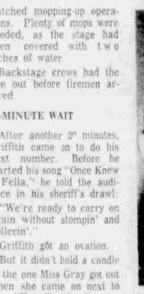
Backstage crews had the fire out before firemen arrived.

20-MINUTE WAIT

After another 20 minutes, Griffith came on to do his next number. Before he started his song "Once Knew a Fella," he said the audience in his sheriff's drawl:

"We're ready to carry on again without slompin' and hollerin'."

Griffith got an ovation. But it didn't hold a candle to the one Miss Gray got out when she came on next to sing "Fair Warning."



ANDY GRIFFITH

Monkeys Back Alive From Space Journey



One of several monkeys trained for space flight is placed in type of couch used in the nose cone of missile recovered from Atlantic in test today.

Nose Cone Recovered After 1,500-Mile Trip

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—Two monkeys returned alive today from a space ride in the nose cone of an army missile.

The Army announced that both monkeys were recovered alive from compartments in the nose cone of a Jupiter missile fired from Cape Canaveral. The rocket had climbed to an altitude of 300 miles and flown at speeds up to 10,000 m.p.h.

The little female monkeys, named Able and Baker, are the first living creatures known to have ridden into space and come back alive.

The feat represents a major breakthrough in the U.S. effort to put a man into orbital flight.

Scientists said instruments attached to the monkeys showed they suffered little ill effect from the stresses of blastoff and the weird experience of weightlessness.

Only the bare announcement that the monkeys survived was contained in the initial report received by the Army from a Navy ship which recovered the nose cone. This was near the island of Antigua 92 minutes after the Jupiter was fired.

MECHANICAL MAZE

Technicians explained that the delay was the result of the need to undo a mechanical maze in opening the passenger compartment.

It had been known previously through radio signals from the nose cone, that the monkeys were alive and well one minute before their landing in the water.

But for the last minute signals failed, an occurrence not at all unusual as a space rocket drops to the horizon.

"Both animals are alive and perfect with no injuries," the Army announced 6 hours after the launching.

One important scientific check failed because of telemetry difficulties.

Instruments did record and relay information on heartbeat and breathing rate.

The rescue operation was carried out by the fleet tug Kiowa, on which the target area with two destroyer escorts, the Snodden and the Brough, the nose cone was reported to have come down within 10 miles of the recovery ship in the selected area 20 to 60 miles north of Antigua.

Project directors said radio communications with the Kiowa was contributed to the delay in word that the monkeys had survived.

CONDITION "PERFECT"

The word of the monkeys' condition came in a cable from Maj. Gerald Champlin, a medical officer stationed on the recovery ship.

Able Baker perfect. No injuries or other difficulties," it said.

The message was addressed to Brig. Gen. John A. Barclay, commanding general of the Army Ordnance Missile Command who helped conduct today's Jupiter shot.

Barclay said the recovery ship had recovered the nose cone.

See MONKEYS on page 3A

British Lift Import Control

LONDON (AP)—Britain today types of imports ranging from swept away import controls on a wide range of dollar products.

For the first time in 20 years the British are free to "Buy American."

An announcement from the Treasury said 17 different categories of American goods now will be free from import control effective June 1.

They range from canned foods through radio sets and shoes to ships and surplusage engines.

Additionally, American manufacturers will for the first time get a share in the global quotas which the British impose on 14

types of imports ranging from fected, dollar imports will in future receive the same treatment as imports from Western Europe — that is, in most cases, freedom from control.

The relaxation is a follow-up to two other liberalization measures over the past year. Last September the British dropped all controls on dollar imports of machinery, newsprint and canned salmon.

In December they made the pound sterling a convertible currency for foreign holders — meaning an American who owns pounds can turn them into dollars or any other currency he likes.

"The effect of these measures will be a further substantial reduction in discrimination in the operation of our import controls against Canada, the United States and the rest of the dollar area."

Over the range of goods at hand, the strong down-draft in the chute is sending letters jumping off the conveyor belt, or in some cases bashing them.

He said the trouble had been diagnosed as "negative" air pressure. In the sub-basement of the new building, the architect's office is now trying to figure out a way to pump more air into the sub-basement to "equalize the pressure" with the rarified atmosphere of the Senators' offices and hallways on the upper floors.

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