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Death Of Woman, Illness Of Husband Puzzle Police

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Iron Curtain Romance

Thomas Joseph Hegarty of Boston, a Harvard University graduate exchange student at Leningrad University, strolls with his bride, the former Luisa Ivanova, through Decembrists' Square in Leningrad. Luisa is a student at the university. Both are 23. Hegarty is seeking a visa to take his bride to the United States.

Brilliant, Tough

Word For Our City Manager: 'A Professional'

By JULIAN SCHEER
News Staff Writer

What kind of man has the City Council hired to run Charlotte's vast and complex city government?

"A real professional, strictly a pro," says a Florida friend.

The News asked both Veeder's friends and his political enemies the question today. The answers all included the word "professional."

"We've disagreed," said one Ft. Lauderdale man, "but he is a pro. Bill can get the job done. He knows what he's about."

Veeder will meet with his city commission tomorrow and tell them he's ready to accept the Charlotte job. He will promise to stay there until mid-July and help in the preparation of the upcoming budget. He will most likely be offered a salary increase to stay, but it seems definite he will come here.

It is not hard to find out about Bill Veeder from people in Ft. Lauderdale. And most of them point out the same attributes:

He has an orderly, crisp, brilliant mind. He knows personnel. He has vision, drive, determination, dedication. He is a slave to good municipal administration.

OTHER SIDE

To those who have opposed him or disagreed with him, he appears to be hard-headed, inaccessible, too progressive.

He runs a city according to reports, like a large corporation. He is the leader, the chief. He makes the policy and he delegates duties to department heads. He does not waste time, his friends say, with petty things.

"Bill is going to work 24 hours a day for Charlotte, but he's not going to waste his time answering complaints about garbage collections," one said.

Department heads trust him, he trusts department heads.

"He is an organizer and he knows his personnel. Once he gets the right man for the job, he's satisfied. That man runs his department until Veeder sees a weakness. Then he'll go," another man said.

Too much, Ft. Lauderdale people say, has been made of Veeder's troubles in that city with some members of the local government.

WRONG CAMP

"It is simple: he picked the wrong people to support," a newspaper editor said. "He got into discussions in a political campaign because he wanted the people he considered best for the city on the City Commission. They lost. He had his hands slapped — and placed on 90-day probation. He learned a lot from that lesson."

One of those who did the slapping was Mayor John Russell.

How does he feel about Veeder? He answers:

"I have worked with him four years. I have personally worked with him longer than any other member of the government. He was hired as city manager under my administration. He has made a very competent chief administrator.

"I have been one of Veeder's

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Pilot Fined After Jet's Long Dive

NEW YORK (AP) — The pilot of the jet airplane that took a near-fatal 30,000 foot dive toward the Atlantic last February has been fined $1,000 by the Federal Aviation Agency for being out of the cockpit at the time.

Pan American Airways, the owner of the plane, was also fined $1,000 for failing to keep a flight-recording device in operation on the new 707 Boeing jet.

The copilot, who was at the controls when the plane suddenly dived from 35,000 feet, was notified of the government plans to suspend his captain's rating for six months. The reason for the suspension apparently was his failure to stop the dive immediately.

The jet, with 114 passengers, was flying from London to Gander, Nfld. Feb. 3, when it suddenly nosed down. The pilot, Capt. W. Waldo Lynch, was in the passenger compartment. Because of the tremendous speed and angle of dive he had to fight his way back to the cockpit.

He and the co-pilot, Capt. S. T. Peters, leveled the plane with difficulty a mile in distance but only a few seconds in time from almost certain death in the ocean.

Laundries Are Not Exempt

RALEIGH (AP) — Senators drew a tight defensive ring around the state's minimum wage law today and killed an attempt to amend it.

With only one dissenting vote, members of the Senate manufacturing, labor and commerce committee defeated a bill which would have exempted laundry workers until 1963. The minimum wage law, enacted several years ago, goes in effect next Jan. 1. It will require the workers covered by the act to receive at least 75 cents and hour.

The bill was introduced Monday night and explained today by Sen. Frank P. Cooke of Gaston.

"Laundries would have 2½ years to see if they can stay in business," he said.

Cooke, who voted for the wage bill setting a 75-cents per hour floor under the pay of about 55,000 workers, said today laundries are a distressed industry.

Sen. Claude Currie of Durham said, "I feel if we adopted this, hotels and others would want the same treatment and we'd wind up with no bill at all."

News Staff Photo—Martin

This Is The House In Which Davis Couple Was Found

Poison Feared As Cause

A Charlotte woman died mysteriously early today and her husband was in critical condition at Memorial Hospital early this afternoon.

Mrs. Edna Davis, 32, 909 N. Pine St., died shortly before 5 a.m. at Memorial Hospital.

Police said the cause of Mrs. Davis' death isn't immediately known, but they believe she died from some type of poisoning.

A physician told Detectives Cal Ramsey and Jack Fesperman that Walter Davis, the woman's husband, is in critical condition at the hospital.

The doctor said it looks like Davis is suffering from some type of poisoning.

Coroner Dr. W. M. Summerville was to perform an autopsy on Mrs. Davis' body some time this afternoon.

The Davis couple lived in an old two-story rooming house at 909 N. Pine St. The house is operated by Arthur Drake, 73.

Health Officers Tom Bevins and M. J. Dallas went to the rooming house this morning and took samples of the food in the kitchen to run tests on it.

TABLET FOUND

Bevins said a roach poison tablet was found on the kitchen table.

Ramsey said Mr. Davis' body is covered with blue marks that look like bruises. Doctors told police that this, sometimes, is a sign of poisoning.

Norman Long, who rooms in the house, said he heard Mrs. Davis scream out this morning around 4:30 o'clock.

"I went in to see what was wrong," Long said, "and she said she was sick and couldn't get her breath.

"She and her husband got it bad. They were both friends of mine. Good friends."

Mrs. Davis died shortly after a Hankins-Whittington ambulance got her to Memorial Hospital.

The ambulance driver told police he smelled a strong odor of alcohol in the Davis bedroom when he answered the call.

Mr. Davis became ill around 8:30 this morning, police said.

James Whittington was at the home to make the funeral arrangements for Mrs. Davis when Davis became sick.

Whittington took Davis to the hospital.

About six people live in the house, and none of them is employed at this time.

Drake told police all of the residents have access to the kitchen.

WINE DISCOVERED

Police found a glass of wine in the kitchen. There were very few groceries in the house.

A jar of honey was found in the kitchen cabinet.

"I make cough syrup out of that," Drake said, "by mixing it with paregoric."

Drake said Davis drank nearly a quart of milk and ate a pack of peanut butter crackers this morning.

"That's all I know he had to eat," he said.

The Davis couple had been living at the house for about three weeks.

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Davis are incomplete.

Mrs. Davis, the former Edna Culp, was the daughter of Mrs. Mamie Satterfield of Charlotte and Edward Culp of Rock Hill, S. C. She was born June 22, 1926, and was reared and educated in Charlotte.

Mrs. Davis is survived by her husband; her parents; a sister, Mrs. Don E. Hatley of Charlotte; and a number of half-sisters and half-brothers.

No Summit?

Collapse Of Talks Feared By West

GENEVA (AP)—Western foreign ministers were reported deeply concerned today over the possibility that their conference with the Russians may collapse in failure soon without agreement either on Berlin problems or a summit conference.

Secretary of State Christian A. Herter and French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville rate the danger of a breakdown greater than does Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd of Britain, highly placed authorities said.

All three still hope that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko will get instructions from Moscow in a few days enabling him to make last-minute concessions.

LESS HOPEFUL

But Herter particularly is now much less hopeful in this respect in view of statements made by Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev in an interview published in Hungary last weekend.

President Eisenhower said last week he would not go to a summit meeting under threat of a Soviet squeeze on West Berlin. The conflicting positions taken by the President and the Soviet Premier have left the range of maneuver for the foreign ministers very narrow.

In the last few days Gromyko is reported to have talked at length about the number of Western troops in Berlin and about alleged Western subversive activities there.

WEST CONFUSED

But the Western ministers are reported confused about what Gromyko would consider an acceptable number of troops in West Berlin. Britain, France and the United States now have about 10,000 men there.

Western governments feel they could be cut because their chief value is to symbolize Western military protection for the city.

Top American officials are convinced there would be serious trouble if the Russians turned over control of the West Berlin access routes to the East Germans and they then tried to stop Western traffic.

Lighter Side

The Light's Gleam Just Little Late

(From AP Reports)

Garland Chapman, 51, was just being helpful when he held a light for some visitors who came to see his Transylvania County still this week.

But the friends turned out to be federal alcohol and tobacco investigators. They wrecked the still, poured out liquor and mash and hauled Chapman to the U. S. commissioner.

Organized Bats

Another North Carolina story concerns the Sylva Methodist Church. They do not have bats in the belfry, they have them in the pipe organ.

Every time the organist hit a note Sunday it was echoed by some mighty mysterious squeaking. Now that the cause has been discovered, the Rev. Asmond Maxwell is seeking a way to cut short their harmony.

Costly Practice

Seems Edward France of Dudley, England, always wanted to be a lion tamer. His mistake was in practicing his ambition at the zoo.

He walked into the lair, kicked one on the nose, then beat a hasty retreat when one came at him. An unsympathetic court fined France $60.75 for bothering the beasts.

Rolling Dough

They swear in Oklahoma City that this happened last night. Gas station operator Roy Sewell just happened to be holding a roll of bills in his hand when robbers hollered "put em up." Sewell, startled, elevated his hands and the roll of bills soared through the air.

The two bandits couldn't find the money, and neither could Sewell after the pair had left. Police found it in a crevice in the concrete block wall, but it will take $150 to get it out. The wall - smashing will be worth it, Sewell claims, as he says $750 is in the roll.

UNHAPPY MEDIUM

WARWICK, R. I. (AP)— Fortune teller Madam Tina told police it was one thing she didn't foresee: Someone stole her crystal ball from Rocky Point Amusement Park Wednesday night.

Court Rulings Get Applause

WASHINGTON (AP)— The Supreme Court's newest decisions on state sedition laws and congressional investigations drew applause today from some past critics in Congress.

Sen. Strom Thurmond (D-SC) said he was pleased by what he called "the apparent change in the attitude of the court."

"I hope this trend continues and they return to respecting again the rights of the constitution, states and society," Thurmond told a reporter.

Chairman Francis E. Walter (D-Pa) of the House Committee on Un-American Activities commented that he had believed all along that past decisions of the court were being misconstrued.

In two 5-4 rulings yeterday, the court said state sedition laws may be invoked to protect the state, and that Congressional committees have a right to question educators as well as others about alleged Communist activity.

Whether these actually represent any alteration in the court's attitude — as Thurmond indicated he felt they did — is one for lawyers to debate.

Justice Clark, who wrote the majority opinion in the case touching on state sedition laws, went to some pains to say the court had not stripped the states of the right to protect themselves when it upset in 1956 the conviction of Steve Nelson, a Communist leader, under Pennsylvania sedition laws.

There was a widespread view after the 1956 decision that the court had pulled the teeth of state sedition laws. Clark was saying in effect that this was a misunderstanding.

WEATHER

Increasing cloudiness and continued warm today and tonight, with a chance of scattered showers tonight. Cloudy tomorrow and not quite so warm with afternoon showers and thundershowers.

High yesterday	90
High expected today	90
High expected tomorrow	83
Low this morning	63
Low expected tonight	70

Sunrise, 5:08 a.m.; sunset, 7:37 p.m.

More weather data on Page 2-A

Pickets Parade

All Remains Quiet Along Mill Front

Special To The News

HENDERSON—Air National Guardsmen from Charlotte pulled their first full day of strike duty Monday but they encountered no violence.

The shift change at the mills went without incident this morning.

The Guardsmen stood watch at the Harriet-Henderson Cotton Mills gates during changes at 7 a.m., 3 p.m. and 11 p.m.

They were back at the gates again at 7 a.m. today.

Eight pickets, the maximum number allowed under a court order, patroled the mills yesterday but the strike scene was orderly.

Guardsmen confined to the National Guard Armory here yesterday watched a caravan of about 20 automobiles circle the armory. The occupants of the cars waved American flags and blew car horns to celebrate the release of Luther Jackson from jail.

5-DAY TERM

Jackson had been in jail five days on charges growing out of strike violence here.

Meanwhile, Vance County Commissioners have agreed to reconsider their refusal to provide money for extra officers to relieve the Guardsmen pulling strike duty.

Gov. Hodges asked both the city and county two weeks ago to appropriate funds to hire additional officers to relieve at least part of the Guardsmen.

OUTSIDE CITY

The city says it feels the matter should be left up to the county commissioners, since the mills are located outside the city limits.

But the county refused to consider the governor's request.

Yesterday, however, J. Furman Satterwhite, chairman of the county board, notified the governor that the board will meet in special session Wednesday to consider the request.

The Air Guardsmen arrived here Sunday to set up temporary headquarters at the armory. They had no strike duty Sunday since the mills were closed for the weekend.

Ruling Upheld On Passports

WASHINGTON (AP)— The U. S. Court of Appeals today upheld the right of the State Department to deny passports to Americans to travel to Red China and other areas it regards as potential trouble spots.

The ruling was handed down in the case of Newsman William Worthy Jr.

Worthy visited Red China in 1956 and Hungary in 1957, and was denied renewal of his passport when he refused to agree to abide by restrictions against traveling to those countries again.

He brought suit for the passport.

UNANIMOUS DECISION

The court's unanimous decision —written by Chief Judge E. Barrett Prettyman, said the Secretary of State has the authority to set aside Communist-controlled areas in which Amerians are forbidden to travel.

Prettyman said the Worthy case in no wise resembles the cases in which the Supreme Court has said the State Department could not deny passport applications.

He wrote that in those cases the Supreme Court ruling was that the State Department could not refuse passports because of the beliefs and associations of the applicants.

In the Worthy case, Prettyman said, no beliefs, associations or personal characteristics are involved.

RETIRED JUSTICE

Retired Supreme Court Justice Harold H. Burton, sitting on the appeals bench as an extra judge, and Judge William K. Miller of the regular Appellate Bench, concurred in the Prettyman findings.

The opinion said the designation of certain areas of the world as forbidden to American travelers falls within the power of the President to conduct foreign affairs.

"We think that, if the Executive foresees that the presence of American citizens in a designated foreign area may, by reason of military or political conditions casion, evolve into, or be the occasin of a clash, diplmatic or military, with a foreign government, his power in respect to foreign affairs includes power to refuse to sanction the travel of American citizens in that area," Prettyman said.

GREAT NAME

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP)— Nikita S. Khrushchev made an excursion up the Danube today aboard a sidewheeler riverboat named Szabadsag, the Hungarian word for freedom.

—GARAGE CHIEF THINKS CONTROLS ADEQUATE—

Are County Car Privileges Being Abused?

By JERRY REECE
News Staff Writer

The county can't be sure county-owned cars aren't being driven on casual personal errands, but nobody could get by with taking a long trip in one.

That pretty well sums up the system the county government has for controlling personal use of county cars by county employes.

Hugh L. Farr, superintendent of the county garage, said today he does not think county employes are using county cars for personal use. Otherwise, he feels, he would know about it.

A private citizen told County Commissioners yesterday he had seen several county cars on the roads at night and on weekends when county employes normally are off duty.

ODD HOURS

The board expressed interest in the matter but explained many county employes are on duty at odd hours.

Mr. Farr confirmed this for The News today.

He said Mecklenburg owns and operates 114 vehicles not counting county police cars.

Of this number 30 cars are authorized for 24-hour-a-day duty—in other words they are taken home by county employes at night instead of being left at the garage.

These 30 cars are used by employes who must do part of or all of their work before or after county hours (8:15 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Monday through Friday).

But Mr. Farr doesn't think any of these cars are being used for anything except county business.

"When cars come in for maintenance we check the mileage on them and if we see the mileage out of line we find out why," he explains.

The garage does not own the cars but merely services them. Maintenance costs are charged to the various departments.

The garage is operating on a current budget of $24,104 and the county will spend an additional $50,000 on vehicles and vehicle maintenance during the next fiscal year.

Mr. Farr says county vehicles travel about 110,000 miles per month and average about 16 miles per gallon of gas.

He has headed the garage since it came into being 22 years ago and says during that time the garage has issued over 110,000 monthly maintenance tickets.

Most of the 30 cars which are authorized for 24 hour duty are charged to certain individuals but some of them have two or more drivers.

DRIVERS LISTED

The departments and persons which have the cars are:

Sheriff's Dept.: 11 cars signed out to deputies R. S. Knox, Cirt Aldred, John Ward, S. N.

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