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A Vision Of Death: Paradise

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Many of us know some individual whose life has been revitalized by a brush with death. We know others who have had a life eternal give them an inner radiance...

There are those who will tell you that it ranks with Keats and Shelley. Perhaps you have read John Galsworthy's "High Flight" which ends with that majestic line...

"My young brother was like that. At 17, he lay down with a long and ineradicable illness. I was sitting beside him, my hand on his pulse, waiting for the end. He seemed too weak ever to move again."

"Suddenly, he sat bolt upright, crying, 'Oh, isn't that beautiful! Isn't that the most glorious music you ever heard?'"

"THIS FACE was radiant as if he had been in my arms, dead. I, who would have expected the speculative proof of a theologian could not reject the fact that my young brother, in the moment of his passing, had seen and heard something incredibly beautiful... something I could neither see nor hear."

But most spectacular of all is the experience of Mrs. R. B. Catts of Memphis, Tenn., who met death, and who no longer fears it, because — as she told me — "while I was 'awake,' I had a glimpse of Paradise."

Let us should think she is some sort of crank. Let us be sure that she is one of the sanest, most intelligent and consistently hard-working individuals of my acquaintance. She supports her husband and her mother in the highly competitive business of real estate. Here is her story as she told it to me...

"I HAVE NO memory of the crash. My glasses were unbroken."

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'Heiress' Costuming Is Big Hit

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'Champagne Blonde' Bod Beauty Robs Las Vegas Bank, Is Soon Caught

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — A blond, teenage beauty, wrestled off a bus in the middle of the desert, has been charged with robbing a Las Vegas bank of \$1,761.

The FBI said 19-year-old Ida Belle Ingram, blonde and beautiful, is the youngest bank robber they've ever had to deal with. Certainly, she's the prettiest.

The girl, a former bank teller in Washington, D. C., drew a trail of admiring glances as she strolled into a downtown Las Vegas bank yesterday. So when teller Mary Herin, 21, announced moments later that she had been robbed, police had no more than a description to go by.

"A beautiful champagne blonde, really a knockout," was the way Miss Herin described the girl who had handled her a note denoting \$8,000 and told the teller she was covered by a gun.

"A gorgeous girl," said night-club singer Shirley Scott, a customer in the bank the time she was robbed. "White, American female, champagne blonde 5 feet 6, extremely good looking," said the police lieutenant who had been looking for an extremely pretty girl.

When he came to Miss Ingram, he didn't say a word. He took one look and slapped handcuffs on her.

The girl shrieked, swore and battled the deputy all the way as he dragged her out of the bus and put her in his patrol car. Olson opened her purse and said he found the \$1,761 with only \$2.20 in addition.

Miss Ingram, who wore a light gray suit and a full-length coat in the bank, had switched to turtleneck pants and a white fluff sweater by the time she was arrested. A handanna covered her blonde locks. But she still was beautiful.

She refused to answer questions. But the FBI said papers in her purse revealed she was from Hooles, Va., had been a bank teller in Washington, D. C., and had apparently flown to Las Vegas from the East last Thursday.

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One Shot Fells Ala. Fugitive

TRENTON, Ga. (AP) — Alabama desperado William E. Smothers was shot down and captured today as he tried to shoot it out with Georgia sheriff.

Police Chief H. H. Hutchings felled the craggy, cigar-smoking fugitive with a single shot from his .38-caliber pistol at Hooker Road and U. S. 11.

Dade County Sheriff Allison Blevins and Hutchings had surprised Smothers, 31, standing by the road near a railroad crossing the latter related.

"He threw his gun in the sheriff's face," Hutchings said. "I beat him to it."

The police chief said Smothers was identified by a gray coat, white shirt, blue trousers, and red cap which he wore in a desperate flight through Alabama and into nearby Tennessee.

The wounded criminal was taken to the Tru-County Hospital at Pine Bluff, Tenn., some 10 miles from the capture scene. Hutchings said his bullet shattered the wanted man's left shoulder but that he did not believe the wound was critical.

Lawmen from Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama combed this tri-state hill country for Smothers since he overpowered an Alabama patrolman Thursday and fled northeast with four hostages.

He released his captives unharmed in north Alabama and later abandoned his getaway car near South Pittsburgh, Tenn., about 15 miles from where he was caught.

Hutchings said he could have walked, hitchhiked or caught a ride on a freight train to the capture site.

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Desperado Captured After Ga. 'Shoot-Out'



Huge Snow Drifts Clog Highway Near Mason City, Iowa

Mass. Convicts Try Crash-Out, Grab Hostages

WALPOLE, Mass. — Six long-term prisoners failed in an escape attempt at the Massachusetts State Prison today and then holed up in the institution's inside wall but failed in efforts to scale the high outside wall.

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Storm Eases Up, Moving Northeast

A wild March snow storm tapered off and whipped through the Northeast today after leaving the upper Midwest straight-jacketed in the worst late winter weather pounding in a decade.

Numerous highways remained blocked in snow-choked sections of Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan as high winds whipped snowfall of up to 22 inches into 20-foot drifts.

Deaths blamed on the storm numbered 33-12 in Iowa, 10 in Indiana, 6 in Wisconsin, 2 in Michigan, 2 in New York and 1 in Pennsylvania. The pre-Spring dose of winter claimed its victims through snow shoving heart attacks, traffic accidents and asphyxiation.

Winds gusting up to 50 miles an hour swept the heavy snow area as the storm moved northward into Canada, and highway crews threw in the towel on efforts to keep Wisconsin and Michigan highways open during the night.

The Weather Bureau said fair skies and cool temperatures would prevail over most of the weekend.

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The girl's mother, Mrs. Elaine Rogers, a school teacher at nearby Mead, described Candice as shy by nature. She said the girl would never stay out after dark.

Police said the blonde, hooded girl, who weighs about 60 pounds, was dressed, warmly when she left her home.

Candice's father, who is divorced from Mrs. Rogers, joined the search after being summoned from his home at Walla Walla, Wash.

Man And Wife, 5 Children Found Slain

LANCASTER, Ohio — The bodies of a man and his wife and their five children were found at their rural home eight miles northeast of here today. Authorities said all the deaths were due to murder and suicide.

Sheriff Dale George said the deaths might have taken place as long ago as last Thursday night or early Friday.

Roland Speer, 28, was found dead at the wheel of his locked automobile, parked beside the family's home on the Lancaster-Pleasantville Rd. just north of the small community of Colfax.

In the car with him were the bodies of four of his stepchildren, Roxanne, 6, Vickie, 8, Bobby, 10, and Sharon Walls, 9. One child sat beside him in the front seat, another was on the floor of the rear seat, and two others on the rear seat. All had died from carbon monoxide fumes, the sheriff reported.

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10 Strikers Get Jail Sentences

HENDERSON, N. C. — Superior Court Judge William V. Bickett today sternly warned against further violence on the Harriet-Henderson Cotton Mill strike picket lines. He handed out sentences to 19 strikers on contempt of court charges.

Judge Bickett gave 10 of the 19 sentences ranging from 10 to 30 days. Others received jail sentences suspended on payment of fines and others were fined.

The stiffest sentences went to Ned Thomas and Calvin Fegram who received fines of \$250 each plus 30 days in jail.

Most of a reinforced contingent of 100 highway patrolmen pulled out of town over the weekend after the mills closed the week's operations Friday. They are expected to return Monday.

One patrol car was struck by a brick Friday afternoon when the firm's plant in North Henderson closed. After the mills closed the week's operations Friday, they are expected to return Monday.

It was the first time any picket line violence occurred since 100 additional troopers were rushed to the scene Monday night.

The 16-week strike flared into violence when the company reopened its plants Feb. 16. Nighttime explosions, rock throwing, car tipping and the beating of a union official have kept this small industrial city on edge since then.

Nothing's Right Some days, Richard Paulitsch of Oakland, Calif., decided, you just can't do anything right. Richard, you may remember, last week asked juvenile authorities to protect him from three Los Angeles teenagers who, he said, are "incorrigible hoodlums."

The boys, 13, 15 and 16, were taken to Juvenile Hall. The next day Richard's wife, Wilma, packed her bags and left home, taking the couple's three other children. Now she has filed suit for divorce, charging her husband with extreme cruelty

and asking custody of their six children.

Out Of Gas Several miles north of Greenup, Ill., Lolani Keller's car stopped running.

No gas. A truck driver picked up the stranded Mr. Keller and took him to a service station in Greenup.

Mr. Keller was plenty mad and quite embarrassed by having run out of gas. You see, he's the owner of approximately 50 service stations in a five-county area in southern Illinois.

Our Weather Mostly fair and colder, less windy today and tonight. Sunday fair and continued cold.

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Child Missing After Candy-Selling Tour

SPOKANE, Wash. — A frantic search was underway this morning in the rainy, pre-dawn darkness here for a slight, nine-year-old girl who disappeared while selling candy munts yesterday afternoon.

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