



A Flower Grows On Church St.

Hardy Hollyhock Is Our Sign Of Spring

By JULIAN SCHIER
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You look for your signs of spring. We've got ours. You take the birds, the bees, the hand-holders. We'll take a plain old hollyhock. But it is a rather distinguished hollyhock at that.

THIS IS THE BANK of Commerce's hollyhock. It grows out of a mound of sand and dirt whipped into a corner of the building's front by S. Church Street's lusty breezes. The hollyhock comes out each spring from behind a downspout. It is jammed between it and a granite cornerstone.

Every year this time it begins to peek out from behind the pipe. It is just four inches high now. You hardly notice it as you walk past on Church St.

But in another month it will be two feet higher and in June a corner of Church St.'s asphalt and concrete jungle will have a single bright blossom. Or two, perhaps. Some years the hollyhock is more prolific than others.

"I DON'T KNOW how long it has been growing there," says bank president G. Doug Aiken. "But we don't touch it."

Janitor George Curren kind of guards



Betty Pender Waters The Hollyhock

it. He doesn't really stand guard—but he doesn't like anyone to cut it or break it. And he's careful not to break the thick stem when he hoses and sweeps the front of the bank.

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Jukebox Warriors Testify

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate Rackets Committee hears today the experiences of a big Detroit and Ohio jukebox distributor firm against which Detroit gangsters allegedly waged bitter warfare.

The committee called as a witness, the firm's president, Joseph Nemes. His company, known as Music Systems, Inc., has offices in Cleveland and Detroit, and distributes Seeburg jukeboxes.

In two days of hearings on jukebox racketeering in Detroit, the committee has received testimony that Mafia mobsters in that city formed alliances with some labor union officials, and muscled in on the lucrative jukebox business.

Robert F. Kennedy, committee counsel, said he planned to quiz several business agents of the Detroit Teachers Union, whose international president James R. Hoffa has been named in testimony as receiving payoffs in connection with the jukebox war.

Kennedy said they will include Lawrence Welsh, of Teamster Jukebox Local 985, and Morris Coleman and Cecil Watts, of Local 337 which is headed by Hoffa's top Detroit aide, Bert Brennan. Brennan also has been named in the hearings as a receiver of payoffs.

The committee yesterday heard testimony that William Buffalo quit a jukebox business partnership with an alleged Mafia mobster and narcotics trafficker to take refuge in Chicago. The man was named as John (Poppy) Priola.

A parade of coin-operated machine operators and others swore they experienced violence and other intimidation after clashes with Buffalo or others in his union.

Eugene (Jimmy) James, former president of Local 985, refused to answer questions about his role in Detroit jukebox racketeering.

"This stuff is incriminating," he protested at some of the questions, and invoked the protection of the Fifth Amendment against self-incrimination.

After leaving the jukebox local, James became a power in the Laundry Workers Union in Chicago, and an international vice president of the union.

To The Public

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Skin Divers Congregate

Looking almost like Coney Island is this scene of skin divers near Fort Phoenix, Mass., near the New Bedford harbor entrance. Over 100 skin divers from 42 skin diving clubs in six states took part in a "treasure hunt."

The "treasure" was 1,000 small plates tossed in the water. Divers who found lucky plates were led to a "treasure chest."

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Joint Vote On Bonds, Consolidation Urged

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School consolidation and an \$8 million "crash" program to take care of city-county school needs could get a public decision as early as June.

City-County school officials tentatively agreed last night to seek an \$8 million bond issue to take care of desperate city-county school building needs in the next two years.

It was generally agreed, particularly by city school officials, that a vote on a proposed city-county school merger and the \$8 million bond issue should come in mid-June or late June.

"The consolidation and bond issue should be sold together," city board member G. Douglas Aiken said.

County school officials, however, said their school needs are "urgent" and asked for even speedier action.

At a meeting at Myers Park High School last night, the \$8 million bond figure was agreed upon by members of both the city and county school board members. No more than that amount could be asked, it was agreed, to prevent city-county school bond indebtedness.

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Connie's Trial Still Delayed

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Legal doubts over a new court clerk again delayed Connie B. (Connie) Nicholas' crucial testimony today about the way her wealthy, married lover was killed.

Although a new Marion County clerk had been appointed and sworn in to succeed the late Harry J. Ganser, a new legal question arose when the county commissioners refused to sign the bond for the new clerk, Edwin McClure.

The court remained at a standstill while the commissioners met, and Judge Thomas J. Faulconer said.

"If they sign McClure's bond, we'll go right ahead with the trial. But if they don't, then I will have to make the decision on whether to risk proceeding."

Mrs. Nicholas, dressed in a gray wool suit, waited in the courtroom to tell of the shooting of Forrest Teel, saying, "They're all days of tension now."

After Republican Gov. Harold W. Handley appointed McClure as clerk yesterday, the county commissioners claimed they had the authority to make the appointment, touching off a Republican factional fight.

Prosecutor Phillip L. Bayt, a Democrat, said: "We have a clerk now, and I think we have a perfect right to proceed. But I have no influence over Republican politicians."

The commissioners could throw a wrench into the judicial gears if they obtain a court order against the governor's filling the job.

Such a move would stall the trial until an emergency ruling was obtained from the Indiana Supreme Court, the judge said, adding: "We are not going ahead until we are absolutely sure we have proper authority."

The delay, coming just as Mrs. Nicholas was about to tell how Teel died in his car last July 31, all but killed chances of the case going to the all-Indiana jury by this week.

Judge Faulconer and attorneys for both sides feared a possible mistrial if it was found later that the deceased clerk's depositions did not have authority to certify trial documents.

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Is Another Korea Shaping In Iraq?

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
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A Communist attempt to seize control of Iraq by naked force has become a distinct possibility.

If that happens, something in the nature of another Korea also is possible.

The threat of a Communist coup in Baghdad becomes more real with persistent reports of an infusion of armed Kurds from the Soviet Union, plus an Iraqi declaration of a state of emergency.

Because Iraq has no borders with any Communist-ruled country, a forcible Red seizure of its government would be a departure from past practice. Up to now, armed communism has not leaped over land barriers. But the elements for such a leap are present. Also present are the makings of a situation not unlike that in Korea nine years ago.

Troops of Gamal Abdel Nasser's Arab Republic, according to Turkish reports, already have taken up positions in northern Syria near the Iraqi frontier. Shammar tribesmen, who supported the recent pro-Nasser revolt in north Iraq and as a result had to flee the country, are reported massed in an area roughly 50 miles from the Iraqi border.

The fierce cold war between Nasser's U.A.R. and the Iraqi republic of Premier Abdel Karim Kassem could easily turn into a hot war, even a Moslem "jihad," or holy war.

Ostensibly the organization is supposed to train for guerrilla warfare in the event the country is threatened from outside. Actually it is a handy weapon of political control through intimidation.

The arming of this group in Iraq came in response to strident demands of the increasingly powerful left, dominated by the Communists. With this weapon and the aided support of Soviet Kurds, the Communists could hope to seize Iraq and make the takeover stick, Czechoslovakia style.

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Blast Rocks Struck Mine

WHITESBURG, Ky. (AP)—Another dynamite blast rocked a coal-laden mine south of Lexington today and a group of striking United Mine Workers pickets reported shots fired at them.

The explosion hit H. C. Combs' ramp at Isom out of operation. Damage to machinery which separates coal was estimated at \$3,500 by county officials.

The blast was the third in two days in Letcher County, one of seven eastern Kentucky counties embroiled in a month-old strike by 7,000 UMW miners.

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Evening Prayer

Our Father, we thank Thee for the many good things Thou dost bestow upon us. Grant us hearts that rejoice in Thy salvation. May we never lose an opportunity of speaking for Thee. In the name of Christ, our Redeemer, we pray . . . Amen.

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