

Freedom Sought For Chloe Davis

LOS ANGELES, April 8.—(AP)—The freedom of 11-year-old Chloe Davis became a court issue today as police defended themselves against charges they were "relentless" in questioning her about the bloody deaths of her mother, two sisters and a brother.

The girl's father, grocery market manager, Harton Davis, was to receive a hearing on his demand for a writ of habeas corpus, to remove the girl from juvenile hall, where she has been held on suspicion of murder since the quadruple slayings last Thursday.

But Deputy Police Chief Homer Cross said the police department would file a petition this morning asking that she be made a juvenile court ward. Such a writ would delay a hearing on the writ, he added.

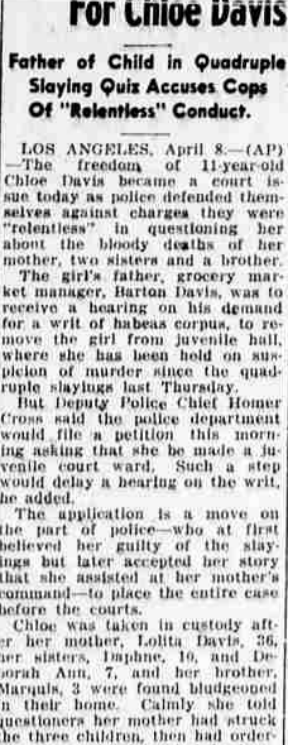
The application is a move on the part of police—who at first believed her guilty of the slayings but later accepted her story that she assisted at her mother's command—to place the entire case before the courts.

Chloe was taken in custody after her mother, Lolita Davis, 36, her sisters, Daphne, 10, and Deborah Ann, 7, and her brother, Marquis, 3, were found bludgeoned in their home. Calmly she told questioners her mother had struck the three children, then had ordered Chloe to hit her with the hammer.

The girl added that she struck Marquis, who was groaning, and gave her mother a razor to slash her wrists. Mrs. Davis died of loss of blood, the children of skull injuries. An inquest is set for tomorrow.

Davis' attorney, Mitchell Meidel, criticized police with the statement "The United States supreme court has held that relentless courts of questioning even on an adult constitute one form of third degree. To which the police replied: 'She was treated with utmost consideration. We never lost sight of the fact that she was a juvenile.'"

OUT OUR WAY



BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

RHS Craftsmen Win Many Honors

Future Craftsmen of Roseburg senior high school, won many honors at the Oregon Junior Safety Congress, held at Portland April 4, 5 and 6.

DAILY DEVOTIONS

The insufficiency of human strength is one of the most apparent facts of life. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall.

Boy Bandits Get No Booty, Bind and Gag Woman

PORTLAND, April 8.—(AP)—Two youths, one about 14 the other 15, gagged and bound a young Portland woman to bed posts Sunday after an unsuccessful attempt to rob her.

Local Trapshooters Turn in Perfect Score

The Roseburg Rod and Gun club was one of four clubs in the state turning in a perfect score Sunday in the state telegraphic trapshoot, S. J. Cooper, Jack Culver and Grant Smith each broke 25 birds to make up Roseburg's perfect score of 75.

Stan Lapham Loses His Father in Death Call

Word was received here today of the death Sunday at Marshfield of Stanton C. Lapham, 70, former Baptist minister, who succumbed to a heart ailment.

PATRIOTIC SONG WRITER

Grid for a patriotic song writer puzzle with clues like '1 Man who wrote "The Star Spangled Banner"', '11 Persian coin', '12 To merit', etc.

Barbs

This committee discovers link between Mexican and American communists. There's a rumor around that there's a link between him and eggs, too.

Life With Father

MACON, Ga.—A man parked his car in a storage garage for the night and left for his hotel. A little later he reappeared at the garage.

No Case

MORGANTOWN, N. C.—A rural school teacher was brought into court on a charge of paddling a 13-year-old pupil.

MRS. BRINER FUNERAL HELD

Funeral services were held at the Roseburg Undertaking company chapel at 10:30 a. m. today for Mrs. C. L. Briner, who died Friday at Portland.

Angling Season Opens April 13th

Anglers will come into their own Saturday, April 13, when the 1940 general angling season, long awaited by hook and line enthusiasts, opens to fishermen throughout Oregon.

License Fees

Fee for licenses for residents of Oregon are \$3 a year while non-residents may obtain licenses for \$5 a year.

What is Unlawful

All fishermen should remember that it is always unlawful: To angle at any time between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise; to fish by any means other than with hook and line; to use more than one line or line and rod held in the hand; to use more than two blades on a spinner for lures or stream fishing; to use more than three hooks on a line except on floating bass plugs; to sell, or offer for sale or exchange any fish taken with hook and line; to transport or ship game fish without a written permit; to fish without a license on person; to refuse to show license upon demand; to angle within 200 feet of any fishery to waste waterfowl game fish or allow others to do so; to angle on private lands without permission from the owners; to net, trap, spear, gaff, club or shoot fish; to resist or interfere with the duties of any officer enforcing the game laws; and to fail to make a report to the state game commission of all game fish taken during 1939 at the time of making application for the 1940 license.

Oakland Climbs To Coast League Top

By The Associated Press. Blanking the San Francisco Seals 3-0 in the first game and whipping them 5-2 in the seventh inning nightcap Sunday, Oakland climbed to the top of the Pacific Coast League today. Yesterday's double win gave the Oaks six games to one to win the series from the Seals.

Glendale Softballers Beat Canyonville, 10-4

GLENDALE, April 8.—The Glendale Pirates added another to their list of softball victories Friday afternoon by defeating Canyonville 10 to 4 in a conference game. The first inning was a big one for Glendale, as they made seven hits off Le Blanc, the Canyonville pitcher, for a total of six runs in that frame. Not a single Pirate struck out, while Jones, Glendale pitcher, fanned nine of the visitors.

Roseburg High Tennis Team Trims Grants Pass

Roseburg high school tennis team defeated Grants Pass here Saturday in the first round of the local playoffs. Roseburg won four out of five singles matches and both doubles matches.

Serial Story

VAL DOUGLAS—girl sports writer, shipped on a freighter to find excitement. EDDIE CAVALIER—a prize fighter headed for the title, has a score to settle with Val. CAPTAIN STEVE HANSEN—skipper of the Northern Belle. DUFFY KELSO—Cavalier's manager.

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