

Texan Kills Wife, 3 Children, Himself as Divorce Looms

By GARTH JONES
DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Mrs. Mary Calhoun, 33, who expected to be divorced Friday, and her three infant children were shot and stabbed to death Tuesday by an estranged husband who fatally wounded himself as officers cornered him.

"No one will ever know the fear Mary lived with," relatives said as they told a story of terror that gripped an entire family for the past year.

Burford V. Calhoun broke into the house through a window. Dead in the bloody 4:30 a. m.

massacre at the East Dallas home were:

Mrs. Calhoun, who married Calhoun after only two-weeks courtship in 1932; her son, Bobbie Lynn, 19 months, and her twin daughters, Pamela Sue and Patricia Lou, three months old.

Another Wounded
Bullets from Calhoun's pistol critically wounded still another person. He was John Warren, Mrs. Calhoun's 19-year-old son-in-law, who was hit in the back and chest as he fled from the Calhoun home.

Calhoun was a 32-year-old unemployed auto repairman with a prison and police record who only

last night bragged: "I'm just like a rattlesnake. I give a warning before I strike."

He fired the final bullet into his own head even as officers surrounded him while he stood in a telephone booth in a big neighborhood drug store.

Talking on Phone
Even as he pulled the trigger on his own life, he was talking on the phone with a Dallas police lieutenant.

The police lieutenant had successfully kept Calhoun on the phone while other officers traced the call and rushed to the drugstore.

When Calhoun fired his last bullet, police in the drugstore opened fire on the booth and approximately 30 terror-stricken customers in the store ran for cover as bullets whined.

Calhoun died eight hours later from the single wound in his right temple. Doctor said powder burns indicated he shot himself.

He had been talking on the phone for 30 minutes. In one conversation he had threatened his sister-in-law, Mrs. R. N. LaPrade and had told her how he killed his family. "I guess you know you're next," he sneered.

Police Enter
He was talking with police Lt. G. M. Doughty when police swarmed through the door. Doughty heard the shots and the sound of Calhoun's body crashing to the floor.

About 20 relatives of Mrs. Calhoun huddled under police guard until they heard Calhoun had been captured.

In Fort Worth, Mrs. Frank Tension, 27, Calhoun's former wife, was under police guard for several hours. Her three children, by Calhoun, were in children's home in Dallas. Mrs. Tension said she had released custody of the three children to Calhoun after he married the second time.

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Portland Man Wins Post in Joined Unions

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — An AFL organizer from Portland has been assigned as regional director for Idaho and Montana in the new combined CIO-AFL, secretary Elmer McIntire of the Idaho Federation of Labor said Tuesday.

McIntire said the official, Charles Smith, contemplated making his headquarters in Boise and would arrive Wednesday night to arrange for office space.

His assistant, McIntire said, will be Jim Leary, a CIO official from Missoula, Mont.

McIntire said Robert Lenaghan, president of the state federation, has called a meeting of the group's executive council for Jan. 13 in Boise and invited members of the state executive council of the CIO.

CONDITIONS WORSE
BONN, Germany (AP) — West German Socialists say conditions have worsened for 23,000 political prisoners in East German concentration camps. The Socialists, who have good contacts in the Soviet Zone, report hunger is prevalent because the prisoners have not been allowed to receive food parcels since August and that there has been an increase in diseases, particularly tuberculosis.

STAR GAZER
By CLAY R. POLLAN
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Bankrupt Man Once Millionaire

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The "for sale" sign was out Tuesday on many of the properties in the holdings of a bankrupt commodities speculator, L. V. Butler, once a multi-millionaire.

Authority to gather offers on the properties was given Monday by bankruptcy referee Carl Graves. He said the assets of three corporations owned by Butler may be disposed of by negotiated sales.

Five grain elevators, four cotton gins and an alfalfa meal processing plant are among the properties of the three firms—Black Gin Co., Butler-Foster Milling Co., and Butler-Foster Farms, Inc.

The Memphis speculator was forced into bankruptcy eight months ago by two large grain firms that accused him of selling them over four million dollars worth (1,800,000 bushels) of "non-existent" soybeans.

COURTHOUSE TO CLOSE
BAKER (AP) — The Baker County courthouse will be closed on Saturdays, beginning Dec. 24. The county court ordered the closure after a hearing in which no dissenters appeared. A number of counties have reached the same decision this year.

Moonshiner Frustrated

TACOMA (AP) — A 71-year-old Vader (Lewis County) man, who had pleaded guilty to federal moonshining charges, couldn't talk U.S. District Judge George H. Boldt into letting him go to jail Tuesday.

The defendant, Rufus Riddle, asked for a prison sentence rather than a fine. But Judge Boldt said he felt the fine would be best, in view of Riddle's age. Riddle didn't explain his request.

Boldt imposed a \$200 fine and a year's probation.

"Making some corn squeezings

Soviet Boss Praises Woolens of Kashmir

SRINAGAR (AP) — Kashmiris are mulling over a high but not new compliment from Soviet Communist party boss Nikita Khrushchev on his visit here. He told them their merchandise is very good and would sell well in Russia. He added that Moscow would send traders to dicker for it. The western world long has worn and admired Kashmir woolens.

for the holidays is one thing, but having 100 gallons on hand is another," the judge told Riddle.

Beaverton Firm Bids Low for Navigation Work

PORTLAND (AP) — United Builders, Inc. Beaverton, was the low bidder Tuesday at \$263,232 for building a navigation guide wall at Celilo.

The guide wall will be necessary in the pool to be created behind The Dalles Dam.

Army Engineers said the low bid was \$73,000 under the government estimate. There were 11 other bidders.

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