

Three Girls Go Astray, In Trouble

NEW YORK, (U.S.)—Roberta, Marilyn and Arlene are three little baby-sitters who were baby-sitting just a few nights ago back in Nahant, Mass.

But they wanted to dance and wanted to see the big city—and they happened to stumble on a fortune that wasn't theirs.

So they took the money and came to the city to shop on Fifth avenue, to see the night spots, and to be grown up.

Everything was fine until they met three city slickers and later the local police. Now they are in jail and the money is gone. Their fairy tale has become a fable, a fable they might tell their diary.

ADVENTURES

According to police, each girl might tell of her adventure this way:

Roberta McCauley, 15, of Nahant, "Dear diary, Wednesday night, I was baby sitting at Dr. Albert Covner's. Marilyn and Arlene came over. Decided to dress ourselves grown-up-like in Mrs. Covner's dresses. Found box packed with bills, maybe \$18,000 in all.

"Figured to get own clothes. Went to New York. We got hotel room. I bought lovely Christian Dior suit. Paid \$235 for it. Visited best bar Thursday night. Met three fellows. Told them we had \$15,000 in Grand Central locker.

"They disappeared. Later we found locker key and money gone. Met two other boys. Drinking and dancing. Went to hotel. I and one boy went to another hotel as man and wife.

CURIOUS

"On Friday, still shopping. Police caught us. Reporters awfully curious. Police charge me with juvenile delinquency. Nahant police come down to question me. But I don't want to go back. I can be good."

And Marilyn Curry, 16, of Lynn, Mass., might have added: "Dear diary, Thursday, in New York with Roberta and Arlene. We all got snazzy cigarette cases. Got strapless cocktail gown. Lots of nice jewelry. Friday, police caught us. etc."

And Arlene Jeffries, 17, also of Lynn, might say this: "Dear diary, Thursday in New York. Bought a swell cocktail dress for \$150. Dancing and drinking Thursday night. Friday at the police station, etc."

Police gave these accounts after the three girls were arrested yesterday along with Leo Cusson, 21, of Worcester, Mass., and Wayne Eckhardt, 24, of Grand Rapids, Mich.

The two men were picked up by the girls after they had been escorted to a few night clubs by three other men. But the trio disappeared, the girls said, along with \$15,000 that was in the locker.

Police quoted Roberta as saying they took \$18,000 in all from the doctor's house. They had \$40 between them when they were arrested.

But Dr. Covner said he missed \$24,000.

CHARGES

In addition to the juvenile delinquency charge against Roberta, Marilyn and Arlene were booked here as fugitives. Roberta and Marilyn face juvenile delinquency charges based on alleged larceny in Massachusetts; and Arlene, the oldest, is charged with larceny in Nahant.

Eckhardt was charged with impairing the morals of a minor. Cusson was booked on a rape charge.

Massachusetts police questioned the girls last night and planned to take them back. But all three said they didn't want to go home. Their reason:

"The boys wouldn't take us dancing—all they wanted to do was drive to a lonely place and park."

Truck Runs Over Youth

A 13-year-old boy was run over by a pickup truck while he was playing football on Pacific Terrace late yesterday afternoon.

Richard Norland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Norland, 1947 Portland, is said in good condition at Klamath Valley hospital today. Hospital attendants said it is thought the boy suffered no fractures.

No citation was made against Mrs. Rhoda S. Harnden, 836 Pacific Terrace, driver of the truck. Investigation showed the boy was standing on the park strip in the middle of Pacific Terrace and stepped in the path of the truck as it went by.

Young Norland was knocked down by the truck bumper. The left front wheel passing over his legs and right hip.

Kaler's ambulance took the boy to the hospital.

Mother Slain, Boy Confesses

DUNEDIN, Fla., (U.S.)—A youth taken into custody here confessed he shot, beat and knifed his foster mother to death in Minnesota, police Chief Eugene Sheets said last night.

The chief said Robert S. Pett, 16, signed a written confession he killed Mrs. Mary R. Pett, 52, because she nagged him and wanted him to go to church.

Pett and a companion, Reginald Frost, 16, were picked up by Patrolman Robert Clark. Chief Sheets said Frost had no knowledge of Pett's crime until the boys reached Dunedin.

Pett told officers he had been thinking of killing himself or his mother for two years.

PIL CROWD SLUMPS
PORTLAND, Ore.—Attendance at the Pacific International livestock exposition slumped to 108,022 this year. That was 18,000 fewer than saw the show last year.

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Clothes Taken From Car

A Eugene couple, enroute to California, lost a considerable amount of clothing from their car parked near Main on S. 6th yesterday afternoon, according to city police.

George Hunter told officers missing were a man's rain coat, two women's house dresses, suede sandals, bowling shoes, black slipper bag, brown oxfords and a light colored blouse.

The couple was eating supper in a Main street restaurant at time of the theft.

Underground wire cables often are wrapped in steel tape to prevent gophers from biting into them.

Meetings Held At Chiloquin

CHILOQUIN — The Methodist church was the setting for several important meetings recently. Friday night a sub-district meeting for the Methodist Youth Fellowship was held, with young folks from Klamath Falls, Lakeview, Paisley, Port Klamath and Chiloquin.

Following registration, supper

was served in the cafeteria of the grade school, a recreation session was conducted in the old gymnasium and the Klamath Falls young people led the worship session at the Methodist church. Charles Hale, MYP advisor, and Rev. Elery Echlin assisted the young people in the rally.

Last Sunday was the first ap-

pearance of the newly reorganized adult choir at the church. No permanent choir has been singing for several years and music has been prepared for occasions as they arose. During the past two years the boys' choir has appeared several times a year and are under the direction of Mrs. Earl Hall. Donna talent is leading the adult choir. Rehearsals are from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays the home of Mrs. Gerry Wolff.

Last Friday evening was the regular quarterly conference for the Fort Klamath and Chiloquin churches. The district superintendent, Dr. S. Raynor Smith met with representatives of the churches at the local church.

Many buoys used to mark obstructions at sea have had to be redesigned to make them more visible on radar screens.

WOMAN, 113, DIES

SCHICKSHINNY, Pa., (U.S.)—Pennsylvania's oldest resident, Mrs. Mary O'Neil, the cheerful little old lady of Stonecutter street, died at 113. The English-born woman came to America after the death of her husband some 70 years ago and settled in the heart of the state's anthracite region. She died yesterday at nearby Koonsville.

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