

### At Least 15 Others Tried To Cut Selves Into Ransom

TULSA, Okla. (AP)—At least 16 different persons represented themselves as the kidnapers of little Bobby Greenleaf and demanded ransom ranging from \$5,000 to \$500,000.

This was disclosed in an interview last night with Robert L. Lederman, Tulsa auto dealer and business associate of the 6-year-old murdered child's father, Robert C. Greenleaf, of Kansas City.

Still grieving over the tragedy and exhausted from 10 days of fruitless vigil, Lederman told the story after returning home for the first time since Sept. 28. That was the day his multimillionaire partner and friend issued a plea for help when Bobby was kidnaped from school.

It was a heartbreaking vigil, he said—10 days and nights of frustration, virtually without sleep.

Lederman said he arrived in Kansas City at 6 p.m. the day of the crime.

Thirty minutes later he said the family received a special delivery letter from Carl Austin Hall, who with Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady confessed the kidnaping, demanding \$500,000 ransom.

It stipulated that \$400,000 was to be in \$20 bills and \$200,000 in \$10 bills, the money to be obtained in equal portions from all 12 federal reserve banks.

"Fifteen other parties called demanding \$250,000," Lederman said. "Had Mr. Greenleaf complied with all of the demands, he would have paid 1 1/2 million dollars in ransom. But we knew which of the callers was the right one."

As it was, the \$500,000 was the largest ransom ever paid.

Complicated negotiations, he added, was a report from an underworld character that gangsters would intercept the money when it finally was delivered to the designated spot.

Lederman recounted dealings with Hall and Mrs. Heady through numerous letters hidden at various spots in Kansas City, and by telephone.

It was horrible, he said, for the kidnapers to be talking coldly, matter-of-factly, on procedure of delivering the money when even then Bobby lay dead in a grave, shot through the head.

"It's the most despicable crime ever committed," he asserted.



NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK became official in Merrill for Oct. 11-17 with the signing of a proclamation by Mayor Robert Walker, right, Mrs. Lillian Thomas, president of the Merrill Business and Professional Women's Club, accepted the proclamation.

### Demo Fills Taft's Seat In Senate

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)—Democrat Thomas A. Burke, 54-year-old four-time mayor of Cleveland, today holds the Senate post vacant since the death of Robert A. Taft July 31.

Gov. Frank J. Lausche of Ohio appointed Burke late yesterday. It was a surprise announcement by the Democratic governor, who called his private secretary from Cleveland and told her to release the news.

Lausche's selection of his close friend and long-time political ally gave the Democratic party a 43-41 edge in the Senate. The other senator is Independent Wayne Morse of Oregon. Vice President Nixon holds the deciding vote should the Senate deadlock. Morse was elected as a Republican but later bolted the party in a battle over policy.

The appointment of the jovial, good-humored Burke brought criticism from one Ohio congressman, Rep. George H. Bender, a Cleveland, called it "part of a snappy deal."

Bender said Burke "will not represent the majority of Ohio; he will substantially misrepresent us."

Bender said Lausche's action was "in keeping with his sorry record on national issues."

Sen. John W. Bricker, Ohio Republican, said he would have nothing to say on the appointment.

Burke accepted the appointment humbly. He borrowed a phrase from his favorite sport when he said:

"I feel somewhat in the position of Lou Gehrig following Babe Ruth to the plate."

Burke observed it is not easy to follow "a great senator, one of the greatest."

Burke, like Lausche, is popular at the polls. When Lausche resigned as Cleveland mayor in 1945 to become governor, he appointed Burke. Burke was then elected mayor in 1945, 1947, 1949 and 1951 by overwhelming majorities. Lausche was the only Democrat to gain high state office in the Republican landslide last November.

He is a Catholic and holds degrees from Holy Cross and Western Reserve universities. He is married, has two married daughters and several grandchildren.

### Polio Prevention Program To Grow

NEW YORK (AP)—The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis plans an additional polio prevention program costing an estimated 20 1/2 million dollars for 1954.

The foundation said yesterday the program centers around tests of a vaccine and further use of gamma globulin, a blood derivative giving temporary protection against crippling polio.

One third of all funds raised through the annual March of Dimes next January will go in the prevention program, the foundation said. The balance will go for research and emergency aid.

### Smog Shortening LA Folks' Lives

LOS ANGELES (AP)—There is evidence that smog is shortening the lives of people in Los Angeles, says the smog committee chairman of the Los Angeles County Medical Assn.

"No one can say this positively, but we suspect—we have reason to believe this," Dr. Francis M. Pottinger Jr. told the Pure Air Committee yesterday.

He raised Dr. John Barrow, a past president of the association, who recently listed smog as one of the causes of a patient's death. "Other doctors haven't had the intestinal fortitude to do so, although they believed smog was responsible to some degree," he said.

### Chinese Cook Admits Cutting Up Prostitute

NEW YORK (AP)—A diminutive Chinese cook has admitted slaying street walker Key Gibbons in a fit of jealousy and then carving her body to pieces with a steak knife.

The cook, James Lew, 34, was scheduled for arraignment today on a charge of homicide.

Meanwhile, police continued a search of the Columbia University section of Manhattan for the still missing head and three fingers of the slain woman, whose torso was found early Sunday.

Police Commissioner George P. Monaghan announced last night that Lew had admitted killing the 33-year-old convicted prostitute and dope addict.

Lew was quoted as saying he stabbed her to death early Saturday after she told him she planned to marry another man on Sunday—the day her torso was found in an expensive leather suitcase on a sidewalk.

The other man was identified as Murray Spivak.

Monaghan said Lew stated he and the woman quarreled in his room, she slapped his face and then he stabbed her eight or nine times. Almost 15 hours later, Lew was quoted as saying, he dismembered and disposed of the body after sleeping in the room with it.

Lew, who is just over 5 feet tall and weighs 120 pounds, said he came to this country 10 years ago from China. He said he met Miss Gibbons in a restaurant 18 months ago.

### Students On Forest Tour

Gilchrist, Newell Cory, Crescent District Ranger, and Don Garvick, Timber Management Assistant for Crescent District, guided the students of Gilchrist High School through the forest exchange area and the Royce Mountain timber sale area, Monday.

Cory explained to the students the meaning of a timber contract, scaling board feet, site quality, and cruising. He identified trees and underbrush for the students.

While at the timber sale area, which was to be marked for cutting, Garvick demonstrated to the students how he determined which trees were to be cut, how he marked them for cutting and how he determined the volume of board feet in a tree.

After a very busy and interesting morning, the students and speakers ate their lunch on the banks of Crescent Creek.

The students feel that these field trips are helping immensely in their preparation for the county contest in forest conservation, which ends November 1.

Dorothy Houston and R. C. Wilson, high school faculty members, accompanied the group. Ora Blay and Jim Field drove the buses.

### BURMA STRAFES

RANGOON, Burma (AP)—Burma's air force announced today that it had strafed and bombed Nationalist Chinese guerrilla jungle positions for half an hour 60 miles northeast of Loi Kaw, capital of Kayah state.

They left the Chinese base in flames.

## Pulse-Feelers Find Farmers Want High Price Supports

By OVID MARTIN  
WATERTOWN, S.D. (AP)—The touring House Agriculture Committee came to South Dakota Tuesday to hear more farmer pleas for strong government action to stabilize agricultural prices.

Local groups sponsoring the committee hearing here to give farmers an opportunity to say what kind of program they want reported that a majority would advocate continuation of controversial high price supports.

The committee opened a 10-day pulse-feeling trip through seven Midwestern states with a formal hearing at Minneapolis Monday. A majority of the 60 odd witnesses—farm organization leaders, individual farmers and elements of organized labor—urged that price floors be maintained at present levels or higher.

These levels have been criticized

by Secretary of Agriculture Benson as long-range measures for agriculture on the ground that they price crops out of market, create surpluses and bring on controls.

The present supports will expire at the end of the 1954 crop year unless extended by Congress.

They would be replaced by a system of flexible supports under which price guarantees would be high in times of shortages to encourage production and low in times of surpluses to discourage production.

Committee members agreed that a majority of their group favor extension of supports at present levels for major crops, with perhaps inclusion of some products not now covered.

Most of the committeemen were

obviously pleased with what they heard at Minneapolis.

Chairman Hope (R-Kansas) said his committee expects to start drafting new farm legislation by late February.

The nature of such legislation may have a strong influence on how Midwestern farmers vote in next year's congressional elections that could easily switch control of Congress from the Republicans to the Democrats.

At the Minneapolis hearing, several farmer-witnesses called for resignation of Secretary Benson. They were met with a mixture of applause and boos.

A majority of the Minneapolis witnesses said they were willing to accept production controls if guaranteed favorable prices.

### KUHS Newsnotes and Comments

By GINGER MARTZ

Returning from the game in Ashland were victorious Peigans and many Klamath rooters. Wet benches and wet turf didn't seem to dampen the spirits of anyone. It was a hard fought game.

A well-spoken president (a special birthday gift) and a truckload only two of the happenings on the Art Club hayride. Food was served on the spot when the motor-driven hay wagon balked. Every one had a good time, but I wonder, did they have to fetch old Dobbin to pull the truck out?

Heading the Art Club this year are Jim Pugh, Bonnie Poole, Carolyn Boyd, Pat Morris, Carl Stewart and Mrs. Zuelke, advisor.

Senior Tri Hi Y is meeting tonight at the "Y" to plan it's program and money making project for the year. Sylvia Gerber will preside, assisted by Deloris McFarland, Paula Horne, Carolyn Boyd, Maggie Schoefer, and Miss Romaine, advisor.

Oh my achin' back! Get set girls, "Pak Day" is coming. That's the day when every fair dame, in return for a five cent ticket, has to carry the books of some bouncing bruiser to his class. It's the only day of the year when every boy has enough books to start a book exchange—the only day he sees an empty locker, too. Pak Day is sponsored by Futac Home-makers of America.

Townpeople should be alerted for a twin "bust" when OTI students combine forces with those of KUHS for the biggest "pep" parade yet seen in our fair city.

OTI will be meeting Oregon College in a big game at Mosoc Pkic Saturday night, and Klamath meets Medford in their annual big game Friday night.

This will be OTI homecoming weekend and they will have a queen to lead their section of the parade.

KUHS will be out in all it's splendor: band, pep clubs, etc. It will be noisy but fun, so join us, won't you?

### NORWAY ELECTS

OSLO, Norway (AP)—Norwegians elected a new Parliament Monday under a new voting law which may prevent the 18-year-old labor government from getting the clear majority Prime Minister Oscar Torp says he must have to form a government. The new law also give the Communists a chance to win seats in the 150-member assembly after a four-year absence.

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