

Two-Year-Old Girl Drowns in Pool

Body Is Found After Mother Begins Search

Patricia O'Brien Is Young Victim; Just Had Birthday

Patricia Ann O'Brien, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard J. O'Brien, 116 South Twenty-second street, drowned Monday morning in a garden pool near her home.

The child's body was found by her mother who missed her from among a group of small children playing in the neighborhood.

She had fallen into a pool in the garden at the rear of the home of E. Earl Allen, 119 South Twenty-first street. Back yards of homes fronting on South Twenty-second street and South Twenty-first street are not separated by an alley.

Police who investigated said they were informed that the O'Brien child had been with a group of small children playing in the neighborhood. They said she apparently wandered away from the group into the Allen yard.

Mother Began Search

Mrs. O'Brien missed the child and began a search and found the body in the pool about half an hour later.

Pulling the child from the water, Mrs. O'Brien carried her to the O'Brien home, where artificial respiration was applied by police. A physician who was called administered heart stimulants without success.

Coroner Henry Unser said his findings concurred with the report made by police.

Survivors in addition to the parents include three brothers, Timothy, Thomas and Michael and two sisters, Joan and Mary Lou. Patricia Ann was a member of the St. Mary Catholic church.

The child had celebrated her second birthday only a week ago last Friday, Feb. 22. Mr. O'Brien is factory manager of the Richmond plant of the Johns-Manville corporation.

Red Cross Drive Opens



A civilian army of 1,500 volunteers began soliciting residential districts, business houses, and industries Monday throughout the city and county for the 1946 Red Cross Fund campaign. "Your Red Cross must carry on" is the slogan for this drive. The total

quota for the 13 divisions taking part is \$68,000.

Lloyd W. Ashby is serving as general chairman for the campaign. He is being assisted by the chairmen of the various divisions. They are O. M. Swihart, Rex Rench, L. F. Wahl, Lewis East, Carl Duning, Winfield Urban, Herschel Houston, Prof. Claude Stimmerford, Miss Jean Lemparter, Paul Mendenhall, Roland Cutter, Frank I. Braffett, and Mrs. Stanley Youngfish. The chairman for the area outside Richmond is Irving Lacy of Hagerstown.

Hope for Victory Friday

Mr. Ashby commented Monday it is hoped the goal that has been set will be reached by Friday, Mar. 15, which is the closing day of the drive.

Some divisions hope to complete the solicitation of the various districts in the next few days.

The sum contributed will be used for local, national, and international needs of the American Red Cross, which despite the end of the war still must be met. In fact, Red Cross officials point out, termination of the war has in some instances increased Red Cross duties on the home front.

Lending his support to the campaign, Mayor John R. Britten Monday afternoon issued a proclamation asking for the support of

Spies Had Orders From Moscow, King Charges

Says Soviet Wanted Information on Atom Bomb, Troop Moves

OTTAWA, Ont. (AP)—Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King made public Monday a report on the leakage of official secrets which declared "the evidence reveals that these operations were carried on by certain members of the staff of the Soviet embassy at Ottawa under direct instructions from Moscow."

Russian agents were instructed by Moscow in August, 1945, near the end of the war in the Pacific, to obtain "information as to the transfer of American troops from Europe to the United States and the Pacific," the two-man royal investigating commission declared in a report to King.

The location of headquarters of a score of United States army divisions or corps, and those of the U. S. Ninth army, were sought from Col. Nicoli Zabotin, military attache of the Soviet embassy in Ottawa, the announcement said.

The report declared that Colonel Zabotin had been instructed to get the following information:

1. Particulars as to the material of which the atomic bomb is composed; its technological process and drawings.

2. Details of "electronic shells used by the American navy."

3. "Samples of uranium-235 with details as to the plant where it was produced."

4. "Location of the Brazilian infantry division (which fought in Italy) and lists of the Canadian army divisions which had returned to Canada."

Moscow announced recently that Zabotin was recalled from Ottawa last December.

The Royal commission announcement named four persons "who have communicated directly or indirectly secret and confidential information to the U. S. S. R. in violation of the Official Secrets act."

Name Four

The four were named as: Mrs. Emma Wolkin, a cipher clerk in the External Affairs department who was accused of con-



State Police Capt. Robert A. O'Neal said Monday Joseph L. Woolridge (above) had signed a confession to killing Russell Koontz and Mrs. Phyllis Coleman.

Motorist Given 90-Day Term, Fined After Crash, Shooting

Bennett Drew, 105 1/2 North Fourth street, Monday was sentenced to serve 90 days at the Indiana State Penal farm on a charge of driving while intoxicated. Drew's case was one of several traffic cases heard in the Monday session of City court.

Drew, in addition to getting the 90-day term, was fined \$50 and costs on the driving charge and \$1 and costs for public intoxication.

Police took Drew into custody

Route 1, and June Sutphin, 35 South Eleventh street. Their cars collided at North West Fifth and K streets early Monday. No one was injured.

Edwin R. Groff, 1014 South A street, was fined \$1 and costs for operating an automobile with improper license plates and \$10 and costs for operating an automobile without a driver's license.

Kaltenbrunner Says He Tried To Get Peace

NUERNBERG, Germany. (AP)—Scar-faced Ernst Kaltenbrunner, No. 2 boss of Nazi police, portrayed himself Monday as a secret negotiator for peace who had been in contact with United States agents since 1943.

Kaltenbrunner claimed he had worked toward achieving peace through the headquarters of the American Office of Strategic Services in Switzerland.

The defendant, on trial with other erstwhile Nazi bigwigs before the international military tribunal here, alleged that Dr. Wilhelm Hoettl, deputy gruppenleiter in Heinrich Himmler's police headquarters and now confined in the Nuernberg jail, was his interme-

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