

Child Fails to Identify Man As Attacker

What Police Chief John Stroth of Torrance said was the "last effort authorities would make to revive the incident in the child's mind" was made yesterday morning when the five-year-old Lomita girl who was criminally attacked in Walteria Nov. 26, 1939 was asked to identify a suspect.

Altho she had indicated that Floyd Clinton Davis, 22, was the man who lured her into his car when shown his photos Tuesday, the child could not identify him as the fiend who assaulted her in the hills near Walteria.

"We hardly expected that the little girl would be able to remember her assailant's face after nearly three months," Stroth said, "but we made the last effort in hopes that perhaps she could remember something about the man and possibly link young Davis to the crime."

Case Still Open

Davis, who was convicted recently in Los Angeles of several morals offenses, was en route to the Mendocino state hospital where he will receive treatment for glandular disorder which is believed the cause of his actions. He denied he had ever seen the Lomita child or been in this vicinity.

He was brought to Torrance by Deputy Sheriff Bert Keenan and John Alder who worked with Chief Stroth on the child-assault case last November and had many talks with the little girl. But she failed to even remember them, Stroth said.

"The case is still open so far as the Torrance police and sheriff's office are concerned but we shall not make any further effort to encourage recollection of the terrible incident in the mind of the child," Stroth declared. "We believe, with her parents, that she should be allowed to forget the experience."

Filled for Reference

"The only thing that can revive the case for prosecution now is a voluntary confession by the criminal because the child's testimony would be valueless in court. However, the authorities are not dropping the case but are merely filing all details for future reference in event a suspect is picked up and is questioned."

Throughout the investigation the little victim was of little help to investigating officers because of her age. Accosted by a man wearing dark glasses, apparently a white man, riding in a tan or light brown sedan or coach-type automobile, the little girl, who resides in Torrance, was taken some place in or near the hills at Walteria, or Palos Verdes and there attacked.

The child was walking home on Narbonne avenue from the Lomita Elementary school where she attended kindergarten. She was lured into the stranger's car by the promise of "some gum." She was found wandering in Walteria and returned to her home.

Hauge Notifies Board of Refund Plan for Alondra

A request that the indebtedness of property owners in the Alondra Park District be refunded is scheduled to come before the Board of Supervisors soon, it is announced by Supervisor Oscar Hauge who stated that residents of the area are circulating petitions to bring this about.

Hauge pleaded with supervisors to be prepared to give the matter earnest consideration when it reaches them several weeks hence.

"This refunding would help more innocent and hard-up people than any action the board could take," Hauge declared. He asserted that the special assessment levy to acquire the park was incurred innocently by property owners and they were entitled to help from the county.

During the middle ages a choir boy was frequently elected "Boy Bishop" on St. Nicholas Day, December 6.

The term "Americanism" was said to have been first used by John Witherspoon, president of Princeton university, in 1781.

At present time there are from 30 to 40 fishermen's co-operatives in the United States.

Buttons covered with cloth were prohibited in England in 1721.

The Herald—3 months, 50 cents.



THEY DIAGNOSE MOTOR ILLS . . . Arlington streets with the Texaco service station. They are shown here operating their new motor diagnosis machine, the Texaco service station.

Old-Time Recipe Book Has Luscious Pages

In these days when women's magazines are jammed with culinary chatter there are few cookery secrets. Rare is the housewife who refuses to divulge the magic formula for her prize dishes.

But in the old days, recipes were family heirlooms, passed down from generation to generation, treasured for their luscious concoctions. Recently we discovered a housewife's hand-book kept by a man and wouldn't some women like to see it?

It is a recipe book, more than 60 years old, kept by the grandfather of George Dannenhauer of Lomita.

Cakes, Pickles and Wine

Beautifully written with all the flourishes of early Spencerian handwriting, Charles W. Dannenhauer kept this record. Old-time cake recipes like grand-mother used to make: pound cake, molasses spice cake, ribbles, most of them calling for cream of tartar and saleratus (and don't spare the eggs and butter).

But that isn't all. There are recipes for pickling fruit and vegetables, curing meat

and making currant wine and bread.

Soup, Remedies and Ribbles

They make their own soap in those days so there are recipes for soft soap, hard soap and Quaker soap.

And remedies, too! Remedies for a "Pain in the Stomach," "Ague," "Fever," "Rheumatism" and many more, including recipes for killing roaches and other pests.

The latter part of the book was kept by George's father, also a recipe hobbyist, but here we find many printed recipes, good but not as interesting as the recipes his father brought from Germany or found in his early married life in Pennsylvania.

Ribbles and drop cakes and cream doughnuts! We close the book with a sigh.

Proposed Laws Allow Owners to Bid Tax Sales

Two measures now before the present session of the State legislature will make it possible for a former owner of tax-deeded property to bid in that property at a tax sale, according to County Tax Collector Howard L. Byram. He has detailed the county's current efforts to restore to the tax rolls 98,000 parcels of tax-deeded lands eligible for tax sale.

"The restoration of tax-deeded property to the assessment roll is, in my mind, the most important problem confronting tax-collecting officials today," Byram asserted.

"The moratorium against tax sales was removed last August. During the period of the moratorium from 1933 to 1939 we deeded 129,000 parcels of tax sold property to the State. As of August 20, 1939, at which time the moratorium expired, there were 98,000 parcels of tax-deeded lands eligible for sale which had a current assessed value of more than \$20,000,000.

"I believe that the restoration of tax-deeded property to the assessment roll is more important than trying to get the last dollar of value from the property. Many are impressed by the fact that by not permitting the former owner to bid at a tax sale we are eliminating our best market. We are now developing a test case to seek judicial determination on this question. If our test case does not bring the desired result we propose to prepare and sponsor a measure before the State legislature to correct this situation."

Talkie equipment has been placed in 5000 churches in England.

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town. Started in 1926 as a Japanese castle by its owners, Death Valley Scotty, who in my opinion is the number one mystery man of the United States, and A. M. Johnson, his partner, it was later torn down and rebuilt along Spanish lines.

Lavish in its construction, furnishings and equipment, it is believed by many to be erected over the shaft of a fabulously rich mine that is the source of Scotty's wealth. In any event it is a sight to behold with its towers, pools and plazas. Twelve buildings, all connected by underground tunnels, 50 rooms, 14 fireplaces, a 287-foot swimming pool, not as yet completed, a \$75,000 organ, a gigantic tower wherein chimes toll the passing of each quarter hour. Truly a fantastic sight in a fantastic part of our country.

Unfortunately for me, both Scotty and Johnson were away during my visit, so I refused an invitation for luncheon in the castle and drove away. However, I'm still wondering . . . There might be a mine under that castle at that.

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Good Accommodations

Created by Presidential Proclamation on Feb. 11, 1933 and enlarged to its present dimensions on March 26, 1937, Death Valley National Monument now embraces an area of almost 2,000,000 acres. The valley itself is approximately 140 miles in length and from 4 to 16 miles in width. Until recently it held the world's record for high temperatures: 137 degrees in the shade has been recorded at Furnace Creek and in the deeper part of the valley it has probably been hotter still.

However, during the winter months, from late October until May, the climate is ideal, so plan your trip accordingly. Here also is the lowest dry land surface in the United States and the third lowest in the world, "Bad Water" 280 feet below sea-level. Nature, as though to compensate for this lowly trick, also gives you Telescope Peak, towering 11,325 feet above the valley floor.

The Monument is adequately taken care of by the National Park Service and is the second largest area in the United States so administered. To see its many points of interest requires from four to seven days. However, there are accommodations for every type of traveler, so that presents no obstacle.

Scotty's Castle

To me, the most outstanding sight of all was man made; a castle costing over \$3,000,000, built in a remote section of the valley, 60 miles from the nearest

People and what they are doing.

Otto A. Kresse, assistant general superintendent, and Axel A. Flink, works industrial engineer of the Columbia Steel plant, are in Birmingham, Ala., on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Parks are entertaining Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Burdick of Tonopah, Nevada. Dr. Burdick is president of the national association of postmasters of the state of Nevada.

Mrs. Henry Bulkley and her daughter Josephine of Seattle, Washington are house guests this week of Mrs. E. M. Merriam.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brannan and Mrs. J. M. Cooper were guests at the home of Mrs. Della Ferguson in Riverside this week.

Miss Caroline Delano, accompanied by Ed Stodel of Los Angeles, made a tour of the radio stations at Tia Juana Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Dilley have as their house guest, Mr. Dilley's employer, C. E. Olsen of Houston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Patterson and their daughter were guests Sunday of Patterson's parents at Ventura.

Mrs. Jennie Floring of Fort Wayne, Indiana will be the guests of Mrs. Joseph McKenna of Park Hotel for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gossiaux, Miss Mary Jane Smith and Vernon Cull attended the Loyola-L. A. A. C. hockey game at Westwood Tropical Ice Gardens Monday night.

Mrs. Ruth Saunders who has been ill with flu is recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barrington were pleasantly surprised when Mrs. Barrington's brother, Wade Chandler of Dallas, Texas, arrived last Wednesday. Chandler will remain in Torrance for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Barnes, accompanied by Miss Madeline Berry of Los Angeles, student at U. S. C., attended the showing of Ballet Russe in Los Angeles Saturday evening.

Miss Jean Burger was a weekend guest of her sister Miss Alice Burger at El Centro.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cormington of Fosston, Minn. are house guests of Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Fossum.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Cucel were guests Sunday of Mrs. Agnes Frye at Santa Monica. Mrs. Frye is head of speech correction department of Santa Monica school system.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Carr of 1752 Andree avenue have moved to Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Kneiseler, 1008 Anapala accompanied by Harry Pingel motored to Palm Springs Saturday.

Among those who attended "Gone With the Wind" at Los Angeles this week were Messdames G. A. Evans, E. W. Lock, E. A. Lock and her house guest Mrs. Charles Smith of Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Evans of 1024 Portola and Allen H. Paull left Torrance for San Diego this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith of Des Moines, Iowa, are wintering in California and are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lock at 1323 Portola avenue.

What those warring European armies would like to see is a scientifically developed cootie which would bother only enemy soldiers.

A new road surface being used in India consists of molasses, charcoal powder and slaked lime.

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