

# Murder Charge Pends In Trooper's Death

**BALLSTON SPA**—The disposition of the charge of murder against Mrs. Janet Paulin, 36, of Clifton Knolls, has not been made, though closed sessions have been held in County Court this week.

Mrs. Paulin is charged with the bludgeoning of her husband, Joseph A. Paulin, 55, a State Police sergeant, at their home last June 9.

She was arrested June 12 after the body of her husband was discovered in a bedroom closet at their home at 18 Barcelona Drive in Clifton Knolls.

She has been free on \$25,000 bail. This week's closed sessions were held upon request of Mrs. Paulin's attorney, E. Stewart Jones of Troy.

Although the pre-trial hearings are not mandatory, County Judge Edward T. Sullivan said the proceedings are a part of the court records but will not be made a part of the public record.

Mrs. Paulin has undergone examinations and has been declared capable of understanding the charges against her.

# Across the River

By Jack Pietro

## They'll Rally for Reilly . . .

A CAMPAIGN WAS BORN Tuesday night in a moderately smoke filled room during a meeting of the committee to publicize the upcoming referendum on Rensselaer's proposed new secondary school.

The "candidate" is not someone running for public office, but beleaguered school superintendent Joseph V. Reilly's need for a solid 60 per cent majority in the vote. That majority will mean likely approval from the State Board of Regents and the Department of Audit and Control for the school district to exceed the 5 per cent limitation on real property value in constructing the 900-student facility on the 24-acre, riverfront site.

With an estimated \$40 million of real property in the city, the district would ordinarily be limited to a \$2 million school. For comparison purposes, East Greenbush estimates the cost of an 1,800-student high school at \$7.6 million.

As part of the session, during which there was much talk of contacting everyone, holding coffee hours, and spreading the word, Edward Fregon was elected permanent chairman, Harold Mitchell, vice chairman, and Mrs. Joseph Grimaldi, secretary.

The group, in addition to meeting with as many Rensselaerites as possible, will assist Reilly and board of education president John J. Malone in the publication of a brochure to answer questions about the school.

The brochure, which will probably be published in mid-May, will precede public meetings on the question and the referendum.

Reilly and other school officials aren't speculating on what will happen if the required majority is not obtained, but Reilly, ever hopeful, remarked at one point in the meeting, "as (President) John F. Kennedy once said, 'Let us begin.'"

A reception for Daniel P. "Doc" Corr, New York State "Teacher of the Year" and science faculty chairman at East Greenbush's Columbia High School, Saturday at 5 p.m. will attract his friends and former students to Melvin Roads American Legion Post.

The reception will give "Doc" a proper sendoff as he travels to San Francisco to receive the James B. Conant Award in high school chemistry teaching from the American Chemical Society on April 1.

**HERE'S YOUR CHANCE** to do a good deed, and help area hospitals replace the badly depleted supply of blood now available for patients, according to the Albany Area Chapter of the Red Cross.

A bloodmobile will visit the Wynantskill American Legion Post, 111 Main Avenue, from noon to 6 p.m. No appointments are necessary, and your contribution will take just a few minutes to give.

**JOB AND FEDERAL TRAINING PROGRAMS** will be discussed at a meeting April 25 at 8 p.m. at Algonquin Junior High School, Averill Park, conducted by the Sand Lake Center's Community Action Council. . . . The same group will sponsor a meeting for all persons interested in a medical center on April 4 at 8 p.m. at Averill Park High School.

**EMPLOYMENT AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES** will be the topic of a "New Sources of Manpower" conference at Troy's Hudson Valley Community College April 10 at 8:30 a.m.

Seven government agencies and educational groups which train or provide training programs for the unemployed and underemployed will be represented. The conference is open to all Capitaland employers.

Registration must be made in advance with the Troy Chamber of Commerce.

Agencies in the program will be the State Labor Department's Division of Manpower and Apprentice Training Bureau; BOCES, Rensselaer County Sole Supervisory District; Vocational Education Program, Troy High School; Rensselaer County Neighborhood Youth Corps; Urban Center, State University of New York; and the Albany Board of Education's Manpower Development Center.

**AMATEUR THESPIANS** at Columbia High School will trod the boards April 5 and 8 p.m. in William Gibson's poignant study of Helen Keller's courage and Anne Sullivan's tenacity, "The Miracle Worker."

In the play, which is directed by English department chairman Miss Jean Tracy, Beverly Tierney will appear as Anne Sullivan and Ann Gibson appears as Helen Keller.

**A SPRING RUMMAGE SALE** will be conducted Tuesday and Wednesday at the Blooming Grove Church, Defreestville. Sales will be made from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday.

**THERE'LL BE MUCH ADO** about music at today's "Ladies Night" meeting of the Rensselaer Kiwanis Club at Jones' Restaurant, Second Avenue, at 8:30 p.m.

Kenneth Fitzmorris will conduct the Van Rensselaer High School Band in a pop concert.

**FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP DEPT.:** Spaghetti fanciers will have a chance at their favorite dish next Thursday starting at 5 p.m. at the First Methodist Church, 16 Washington Street, Rensselaer. The affair is sponsored by the Girls' Club, and tickets may be reserved by dialing 465-1875 or 463-7080.

The annual dinner of members of Boy Scout Troop 53 of Castleton and their parents will be Monday at 6:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Methodist Church. Scoutmaster Ronald Martin will award advancement citations and prizes to individuals in the troop's recent fund-raising drive.

Pancakes and sausages will be the fare at the third annual Wynantskill Kiwanis Club breakfast on April 28 at the American Legion Post, Main Avenue. Serving will be from 8:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Club advises tickets are good for all you can eat, so come hungry.

Chicken will be the featured dish at a dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, sponsored by St. Mary's Rosary Altar Society, Clifton Heights, in the school hall.

**NASSAU BRIEFS:** . . . Registration for youngsters interested in playing in the Nassau Baseball Association will be Saturday and March 30 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Village Hall.

The film, "Parent to Child About Sex," will be shown at the East Nassau P-TA meeting Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the school.

All clubs, groups and organizations in Rensselaer County are invited to send notices of their meetings and other activities to this writer in care of The Times-Union, 24 Sheridan Avenue, Albany, N.Y., as far in advance of the event as possible.

# Arterial Ramp Talks Asked, Superior Told

Rensselaer Common Council president Irwin Stewart told the Rev. Edgar Holden, superior of the city's Franciscan Mission House, Wednesday night that the City Planning Commission has returned petitions on the Washington Avenue arterial ramps to Mayor John H. Warden and recommended that a public hearing be called.

No announcement of a date for a public hearing was made during the discussion which followed the regular Common Council meeting.

Father Holden said he was told by a representative of District Engineer Frank Fuller of the State Department of Transportation that the state is ready to construct the ramps just west of Washington Avenue near 10th Street, if asked by the city.

Father Holden said he came to the meeting with hopes of clarifying the issue. Father Holden's statement also noted he had heard there was a possibility of Washington Avenue being widened.

The Department of Transportation spokesman, he said, told him the state had no plans to widen the roadway, nor did it plan to remove any other houses from the area adjacent to the arterial's path.

## 'Turn Key' Project

Mayor Warden will present the city's proposal for the 86-unit "turn key" project on Alken Avenue to officials of the U.S. Housing Authority March 26 in New York City.

He was also authorized to apply to the State Division of Youth for a Hometown Beautification project for the city by the council.

The council approved several fiscal measures in its regular session including bonds totaling \$50,325, as its share of an \$825,000 request to the Albany and Rensselaer Common Councils from the Albany Port District Commission to construct a terminal and warehouse for lease to the Railway Express Agency Inc.

Other fiscal measures approved included:

—\$21,800 bond issue to finance part of the purchase of 700 water meters for city homes. These will be added to the 800 purchased in 1963, and 1,000 city homes still remain without new water meters.

—A \$9,700 capital note issue to finance a part of the purchase of a new city fire alarm system.

The council authorized the city clerk to advertise for bids on the construction of a retaining wall and pipe installation for the city's new reservoir on Dunn's hill near St. John's Cemetery.

# Apartment Plan Draws Objections

Several residents in the Town of Bethlehem objected Wednesday night to a proposed four-family apartment building at 546 1/2 Kenwood Avenue.

Developer Walter Lotz of Delmar is seeking a special exception to construct the building in the A-residential zone on land cut by a ravine.

Lotz told the Zoning Board of Appeals that the only way he could get a financial return from the property is to fill in the ravine and construct the apartment house.

Neighbors objected that building on a filled in ravine is not "sound construction;" that the apartments would change the character of the neighborhood and that property values would drop.

The neighbors also indicated they felt that Lotz' lot is too small for a four-family apartment building. The board reserved decision.

# Dr. Bania Won't Seek Reelection

A member of the Cohoes board of education, Dr. Andrew J. Bania, has announced that he will not seek a second term this year.

The osteopath was first appointed in January, 1963, by former Cohoes Mayor Andrew H. Santspre to fill a vacancy. He said personal reasons dictated his decision not to run again.

## Bickal Quits Post

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — Robert R. Bickal said Wednesday he would resign his post as grants director for Rochester Institute of Technology to take a similar job at Alfred University in Alfred, N.Y.

# Water Search for Boy Pressed

Police, firemen and two teams of skin divers continued to drag the spring-swollen waters of Amsterdam's Chuctunanda Creek Wednesday in an effort to find the body of 5-year-old Daymond Serafin.

The body of Daymond's 11-year-old brother, Bruce, was pulled from the creek Tuesday morning. Officials speculated he may have drowned while attempting to save the younger boy.

Police said the intensified search for Daymond was being carried on amid fear his body may have been either swept into the Mohawk River or trapped by debris under water. The creek, which runs through Amsterdam, has been rushing over a series of small dams as a result of melting snow and two days of rain.

The two boys, sons of Mrs. and Mr. Alfred Serafin of 43 Crane Street, disappeared Monday afternoon while delivering Girl Scout cookies for their 10-year-old sister, Debra. Their father reported them missing when they failed to return for dinner.

A piece of paper containing the names of those who were to receive the cookies was found Tuesday by Ted F. Madej, scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop



**BRUCE** **DEBRA** **DAYMOND**

short time afterward. It was snagged on a log a few hundred yards downstream from the treble.

Mrs. Serafin and Madej agreed that Bruce had probably died in an attempt to save his brother.

"He was the type of boy that would go to his brother's assistance if he were in trouble," Madej said. He pointed out that Bruce had not had any life saving training yet and added that he didn't know how good a swimmer he was.

Mrs. Serafin said her sons had agreed to do the deliveries for Debra because she was still weak from a tonsillectomy last weekend. Debra had taken the orders for the cookies earlier, she said.

She added that her husband who had been released from the hospital only a short time ago, was readmitted after the discovery of Bruce's body.

# Dr. Vaughn Not School Candidate In Bethlehem

Bethlehem School Board member Dr. Thurmond Vaughn has announced that he will not seek reelection in the May 2 school board election.

Dr. Vaughn said he chose not to run so that the board may retain its sectional representation structure.

A member of the board since 1963, he was residing in Clarksville when elected, but since has moved to Glenmont. Board president Ralph Holmgren is also from Glenmont.



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