

# Woman Convicted in Slaying Of Husband Gets Life Sentence

Mineola—A 41-year-old mother, convicted of slaying her husband as he slept drugged on a couch, was sentenced yesterday to a mandatory term of life imprisonment.

Nassau County Court Judge Albert A. Oppido, who tried the case, imposed the sentence on Mrs. Marion G. Adams, mother of a 15-year-old daughter. Mrs. Adams, wearing a bright red suit and white high heels, stood impassively as Oppido imposed the life term.

Oppido, apparently referring to the fact that Mrs. Adams had graduated cum laude and sixth in her class at Barnard College, told her: "You have been particularly endowed with many wonderful traits and I hope that you will have an opportunity to put your exceptional intelligence to some worthwhile project during your incarceration." Mrs. Adams, who will serve her sentence in the New York State Prison for Women, Bedford Hills, N.Y., will be eligible for parole in 26 years when she will be 67 years old.

Before the sentencing, Mrs. Adams' attorneys, Eugene Lamb and Nathan Zablow, moved for a new trial by declaring that the district attorney's office never proved that Mrs. Adams was legally sane. The defense, during the month-long trial, had claimed that Mrs. Adams was temporarily insane when she murdered her husband, Harold, 47, March 20, 1965. Mrs. Adams was accused of putting sleeping pills in her husband's buttersotch pudding and then stabbed him 34 times with a kitchen knife and smashed in his skull with a hammer as he slept on a

couch in the basement of their home at 530 Links Dr. East Oceanside. Adams was a \$13,000-a-year accountant.

## Tug Captain Pleads In Cop's Wet Chase

Long Island City—A 38-year-old tugboat captain pleaded guilty yesterday to charges that he led police on a two-hour chase on Jamaica Bay when they tried to serve him with a summons.

Capt. Harvey Vogel, whose address was given as 128 Plitt Ave., South Farmingdale, had been served with two summonses for the nautical equivalent of illegal parking and a third summons for failing to identify himself to police last week. He can be fined up to \$10 per summons. Sentencing in Queens Traffic Court was postponed until May 11.

Police said that Vogel's 95-foot tugboat, the Twin, was spotted tying up a barge at a bulkhead at Rockaway Inlet and Beach 97th Street, a violation of the traffic law. But delivering the summonses was another matter. Police said that it took the efforts of a patrol car, two police launches and a helicopter to stop the Twin.

## SLA to Forbid Brand Holdouts

New York—The State Liquor Authority has ruled that wine and spirit wholesalers will no longer be allowed to retaliate against cut-rate package stores by withholding certain brands from their supplies.

Authority chairman Donald Hostetter confirmed yesterday that starting July 1 wholesalers will not be allowed to withhold any brands from retail outlets without special SLA approval. "And we won't be granting any approval for measures designed as price-cutting retaliation," he said. Specifically, he said, the SLA has amended its own Rule 16 of the liquor control law which allowed wholesalers to keep brands from their retail stores simply by furnishing the authority with a list of the excluded stores.

Hostetter confirmed that the SLA had received complaints from some retailers that their suppliers were withholding certain brands, and that still

others had threatened such action. Often such action was initiated by the distillers, he confirmed, to punish retailers who were cutting as much as \$1.50 from their liquor prices.

The chairman said that before the minimum consumer price law was repealed in 1964, there was no problem of cut-rate pricing and wholesale withholding. He noted that the distillers may still invoke the fair trade law to get injunctions against the cut-rate liquor stores that undersold their retail prices. The process, however, is slow, cumbersome, and costly.

Early next week, Hostetter said, the SLA will outline its plans for administering a recently upheld state law requiring distillers to certify that their New York prices are no higher than their lowest price charged elsewhere.

## Link Bartender to Bank Ring

Brooklyn—A former bartender at the Aqueduct Motor Inn, described by police as the meeting place for a nationwide bank robbery ring, was arrested by FBI agents yesterday and charged with shielding two ring members.

The former employe of the Queens inn was identified as John J. Campo Jr., 40, who gave his address as 115-10 Van Wyck Blvd., Queens. He was charged as an accessory to a holdup for allegedly aiding two recently convicted bank robbers by telling FBI questioners last September that he didn't know the whereabouts of the two men.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Gillen said Campo received \$100 apiece from Richard Paul Parks of Richmond Hill, Queens, and James J. Smith of Brooklyn, who have been convicted for a Queens bank robbery that took place last July and who were indicted April 12 as members of the robbery gang allegedly headed by Long Island Cosa

Nostra boss John (Sonny) Franzese. The money was given in return for Campo's denying he knew the whereabouts of Parks and Smith, Gillen said. Sentencing of Parks and Smith, as well as two other men convicted with them, Charles Zaher of Woodhaven, Queens, and John Cordero, who gave his address as 185 Atlantic Ave., Lynbrook, has been postponed indefinitely.

Campo, the 13th person arrested by the FBI in the last two weeks in connection with the robbery ring, is also charged by the FBI with making a false statement to agents by denying that he had warned Parks and Smith that law officials were looking for them. Campo, who has a previous conviction for forgery, was arraigned in Brooklyn Federal Court before U.S. Commissioner Max Schiffman. He was released in \$5,000 bail for a hearing May 6. If convicted, he faces a maximum sentence of five years in jail and \$5,000 in fines.

## Youth Sentenced in \$100 Theft

Mineola—Russell Pappalardo, 18, convicted in the assault of a Newsday reporter investigating youthful narcotics addiction, was given a one-year suspended jail term yesterday for the theft of \$100 from a gas station last Jan. 3.

Pappalardo, who has been convicted of assaulting Newsday reporter Bob Greene and is serving a three-year term in the Elmira Reception Center, had pleaded guilty Thursday to petty larceny, a misdemeanor, in satisfaction of an indictment charging him with second degree grand larceny and third-degree burglary. The sentence yesterday was imposed by County Court Judge Albert A. Oppido. Pappa-

lardo, who gave his address as 17 Roundhill Rd., Northampton, Mass., was charged with breaking into Edgewood Auto Service Inc., 160 Manetto Hill, Plainview, with two other youths and stealing \$100.

The other two youths, Robert Moore, 17, who gave his address as 95 Cherry Dr., Plainview, and Leonard A. Herbst, 19, who gave his address as 8 Vera Ave., Plainview, have pleaded innocent. No dates for their trials have been set. Herbst, who received a suspended sentence last January after being convicted with Pappalardo in the assault on Greene, is in the Nassau County Jail. Moore is in his mother's custody pending trial.

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