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since Tuesday afternoon when she left the home of her twin sister, Mrs. Lorene Terry, to return to her own residence in the Alzheimer plantation area.

The girl also had been struck over the left eye, apparently with an axe, her body tight bound with hay wire and a gunny sack wired around her head.

Dr. O. W. Clark and Dr. W. H. Simmons, Pine Bluff physicians who examined the body, gave strangulation as the cause of death and said the girl had been criminally assaulted. They said the head wound, which resulted in a skull fracture, probably would have caused death had Miss Taylor not been garroted first.

The body was lying in two and one-half feet of water, 15 feet from the bank. The feet were bound together with wire, the hands were wired together across her breast, and the gunny sack pulled down over her head and fastened with wire about the neck.

Pastened to the neck and feet were 10 pounds of scrap iron.

The body was discovered by a searching party headed by Deputy Constable Pink Booher of Alzheimer.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Data for 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today: Maximum temperature, 80. Minimum temperature, 47. Temperature at 7 a. m., 56. Direction of wind, east. State of weather, clear. Precipitation, none.

poisoned by eating food cooked with Swift's Jewel brand shortening. The land was alleged to have been purchased by one of the plaintiffs at a store in Cabot.

The suit had been pending in Faulkner courts for two years. A non-suit was taken the first time it was tried and last May the jury hearing the case was unable to agree.

Expert witnesses from Little Rock, Chicago and Memphis were brought here by Swift & Company. W. H. Strack of Chicago, chief attorney for the firm, attended the trial, but took no part in the proceedings. Jack Barron of Little Rock and William J. Clark of Conway represented the Swift firm and attorneys for the plaintiffs were L. A. Hardin of Little Rock, George F. Hartje and R. W. Robins of Conway.

The case occupied all of yesterday's session of the court and was not completed until 11:30 o'clock last night. The jury, however, did not begin deliberations until this morning.

More than 30 witnesses were called to testify.

This afternoon the court was occupied with another damage suit in which F. E. Cook seeks \$10,450 judgment and C. L. Nolen asks \$3,000 judgment against I. B. Anthony and A. L. Smith for injuries alleged sustained in an automobile truck crash in North Little Rock nearly two years ago. Cook and Nolen were occupants of Anthony's car, which figured in the collision.

Judge Waggoner said he expected to complete the present term late this afternoon or tonight.

The court said he had not yet sentenced James Wright, Mayflower farm youth, who submitted Tuesday and agreed to accept a five-year sentence in the boys' industrial school for alleged participation in the Pearson killing near Conway last fall.

Kelford Ethridge, who was convicted of Pearson's death in court here Monday and sentenced to life imprisonment in the Arkansas penitentiary, was removed to the penal farm Wednesday afternoon.

Appearing before Judge Waggoner for formal sentencing, Ethridge denied he killed Luther Walter Wandicks, Pulaski county negro in March, 1938, and also denied implication in hold-up cases in Faulkner and Pulaski counties during the early part of this year. He had made a written confession admitting killing the negro.

Young Ethridge answered "no" to the court's question whether his conscience hurt him when he recalled the killing of Pearson.

"Do you sleep good at night?" the court asked.

His answer to this question was "yes."

Additional proceedings: Mrs. Dora Rook vs. Mrs. Will Bearden, settled and dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Mrs. Coy Walthall Malone vs. Did Shaw, et al. Judgment by default in favor of plaintiff against all defendants for the possession of property in controversy.

ITALIAN ARMY BUDGET HIKED \$85,000,000

Rome, May 5. (AP)—The Italian government today announced an \$85,000,000 increase in army and air force estimates for the year beginning July 1 and declared that Italy wanted to make any war she fought a "quick war" with "certainty of victory." The war ministry budget intro-

It was understood that the projected alliance would provide that Britain, France and Russia undertake to go to the aid of each other if any of them should be attacked by a European power.

But it was authoritatively stated that such a pact would not apply in the far east, for instance if Russia were attacked by Japan.

This disclosure followed a meeting of the foreign affairs committee of the British cabinet. The committee approved a note to be dispatched probably tonight to Britain's ambassador at Moscow replying to Russian proposals for a security combination of the two powers.

Soviet Parliament Is Summoned

Moscow, May 5. (AP)—Russia's supreme soviet parliament was summoned today to meet May 25 in the midst of grave internal events centering immediately on Poland and in general on efforts of Britain and France to form a security alliance with the help of the Soviet Union.

The call for the session was issued soon after Polish Foreign Minister Col. Joseph Beck had replied firmly but pacifically to Adolf Hitler's demands for Danzig and the Polish corridor.

Although Soviet circles had not commented on Beck's speech the general impression among foreign observers seemed to be that it was a strong declaration, showing no signs of faltering under Nazi pressure.

PROPOSE CCC BUILDINGS FOR LAKE BENNETT

C. of C. and County Judge Seek Donation of Camp Halsey Structures

President Ted Hiegel of the Conway Chamber of Commerce said today the organization, working in cooperation with County Judge W. M. Harper, has written Robert W. Fechner, director of the civilian conservation corps at Washington, asking that buildings at abandoned Camp Halsey near Greengraber be turned over to Faulkner county for removal to Lake Bennett.

At Lake Bennett the buildings would be used for meetings and camps of Future Farmers of America, 4-H Club boys and girls, Boy and Girl Scouts and other similar organizations, Mr. Hiegel said.

Camp Halsey was abandoned May 1 and the enrollees moved to Camp Paron, near Benton.

Mr. Hiegel said if the county is given the buildings it is possible they can be moved without dismantling them. The Chamber of Commerce will underwrite the expense of moving them, he said. Camp Halsey is only a mile distance from Lake Bennett.

Property adjacent Lake Bennett is owned by the county and there would be no expense of obtaining a site for the CCC buildings.

Cecil B. Raleigh's Jersey Leads State In Milk Production

The registered Jersey cow U. T. Dandy Lady 1107583, owned by Cecil B. Raleigh of Conway, led the state of Arkansas in official test for the month of January, 1939, with the production of 1,006 pounds of milk and 58.19 pounds of fat, James H. Moore, county agent, announced today. This cow was purchased for Mr. Raleigh approximately a year ago by

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will be entirely rebuilt and others will be remodeled and modernized. The type of farm residence on the R. F. C. lands will be much better and more substantial than the average farm homes in this county. Composition instead of shingle roofs will be used, the houses will be neatly papered and painted and made comfortable and attractive. Not the least benefit, it is believed, will be the inspiration which the modernized farms, located in numerous communities, will give to near-by neighbors in improving their own homes. Probably the largest single expenditure will be about \$3,000 on a 600-acre farm located on Cadron creek four miles west of Wooster and known as the Shaw place, Mr. Duke said. A new house and barn will be built outright and four tenant houses will be remodeled and repaired on this farm, he said. In accordance with soil conservation services recommendations much of the acreage on these R. F. C. farms will be taken out of row crops and converted into pastures, with a considerable amount turned back into forests through tree planting, Mr. Duke said. Although virtually none of the farms were rented or occupied when the R. F. C. took them over, all of them are now occupied by tenants except a few not considered subject to cultivation, he said. All of the 15 residences the corporation owns in Conway are now rented with the exception of one which is still in process of repair, he said. Officials of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation have advised me," said Mr. Duke, "that in their opinion building better farm homes will create a better citizenship and probably be an incentive to owners of neighboring farms to improve their property also and to make their communities a better place in which to live."