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# Secret Agent Reduced To Plain Truck Mechanic

By ARTHUR EVERETT  
NEW YORK (AP)—Secret agent extraordinary Tom Romano was everything the fictional James Bond ever was, and then some—until fate stripped him of his attaché case and his masquerade. Today he is just plain Thomas Catzone, a Brooklyn truck mechanic, facing two years in federal prison.

It began in January, 1962, when Catzone, 35, a rugged six-foot-two and 220 pounds, met a brunette divorcee, Mrs. Laura Darris, 41, who oversaw a small restaurant near the garage where he worked. Catzone introduced himself as Tom Romano of the Central Intelligence Agency, leader of a five-man American espionage squad. He came complete with pistol and attaché case—the latter stuffed, he said, with treaties he was bringing back to Washington from South Vietnam.

Mrs. Darris was impressed no end by Catzone's tales of piloting a spy plane, similar to the U-2 shot down over Russia. She shivered in admiration over Catzone's hair-raising exploits with gun and attaché case in Algeria and Cyprus.

On their dates, there never was any dearth of conversation—from Catzone at least. Within two months, their friendship had blossomed to



THOMAS CATZONE

the point where Mrs. Darris who was killed in the explosion of Catzone's plane family of a young mechanic (Continued on page 5, col. 3)

# Yanks Watching Hanoi For Missile Shipments

## Site Reported In Preparation

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rail and sea approaches to the North Vietnamese capital of Hanoi are under close U.S. surveillance for the expected delivery of Soviet anti-aircraft missiles.

U.S. officials made this known Friday after the state department disclosed that a surface-to-air missile site appears to be in preparation near Hanoi.

Press Officer Robert J. McCloskey said there have been Russian personnel in North Vietnam for some time. But there is no direct evidence that they are working on the launching site, he said.

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The state department did not confirm the presence of Soviet surface-to-air missiles, but other sources noted that Moscow, Peking and Hanoi have trumpeted for months that such reinforcements should be made.

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The Soviet missile is a two-stage rocket that has an outward range of about 35 miles and can reach up to 100,000 feet. One is believed to have brought down at least two U-2 planes which have an operational ceiling higher than the fighter-bombers being used in the strikes against North Vietnam.

U.S. officials have found some indication that delivery of Soviet missiles is behind schedule and may have been held up by China. These sources said the 650-mile-long, single-track rail line from Canton to Hanoi provides the only direct link for delivery of the Soviet missiles.

The rail line would be vulnerable to U.S. bombing attacks but the weapons presumably could be airlifted in a pinch.

American officials are careful in weighing the significance of the missile development. The question is to what extent the Soviet Union will commit itself to the defence of North Vietnam.

Some U.S. experts link upon Soviet pledges of support to Hanoi as a competition with China for prestige, rather than as an indication of Communist solidarity.

The Russians are believed to have equipped China with the high-powered anti-aircraft missiles that shot down both U.S. and Chinese Nationalist U-2 planes.

Press reports in recent weeks have indicated that the Chinese Communists have held up Soviet supplies bound for Hanoi. Within the last fortnight, the trans-Siberian railway shipments and Soviet flights to Canton were reported to be on schedule again.

Soviet complaints from Moscow charged that Peking was deliberately holding up Soviet military supplies for Hanoi, in order to advance the Chinese bid for leadership of the Communist bloc.

The location of the missile site near Hanoi, which has not been a target for U.S. planes, was in line with Soviet policy to make a show of its military and economic aid.

U.S. officials declined to speculate on Soviet-manned MIG jets that also may be sent to North Vietnam.

## Wilson Is Making Bid For Peace In Viet Nam

LONDON (Reuters)—Prime Minister Wilson made it clear Friday on his return from talks with President Johnson that Britain soon will try to get some of the countries involved in the Viet Nam crisis to a conference table.

This will take the form of Britain sounding out Russia about an international conference on Cambodia that could allow private, East-West talks on ways to end the war in neighboring South Vietnam.

Wilson said one or two of the governments concerned had to be consulted on whether there was a way in which Britain could usefully follow up President Johnson's recent offer to enter Viet Nam peace talks without conditions.

In an airport statement on his arrival by chartered airliner from Washington, Wilson did not name the governments concerned, but it appeared certain that he already was sure of President Johnson's approval for the Cambodia conference plan.

PROPOSED MEETING  
Russia, earlier this month, proposed that the nine powers which attended the 1954 Geneva conference on Indochina should meet again to examine ways of reinforcing the neutrality and security of Cambodia.

In the past, China has supported a Cambodia conference but Washington officials have been doubtful Peking would attend one now.

## Six Bridges Destroyed In U.S., Viet Nam Raid

SAIGON (AP)—About 150 U.S. warplanes attacked six bridges in the central sector of North Viet Nam Friday and spokesmen said the strikes were a complete success.

"We got three and the air force got three," a navy officer said.

Disruption of Communist traffic is one aim of the American air raids, now in their third month. The over-all object, as proclaimed in Saigon and Washington, is to induce Hanoi's Communist regime to drop its support of the Viet Cong guerrillas in South Viet Nam.

## Negro Leaders Claim Campaign Of Insult

BOGALUSA, La. (AP)—Negro leaders accused police of failing to control a mounting campaign of insult and harassment against civil rights pickets Friday.

Negro pickets were pulled from midtown stores in late afternoon. They regrouped to return after a formal complaint was filed with city officials.

The increasing tension came after Negro leaders rejected Mayor Jesse H. Cutrer's plea that an Easter recess be called in the picketing.

White counter-pickets, who had started marching side by side with the Negro pickets, withdrew temporarily after the mayor's plea was broadcast. They returned when the Negro pickets returned.

Some counter-pickets carried Confederate flags. The Negroes started the picketing Wednesday to back demands for equal job opportunity in the stores.

TENSION EASES  
But the general situation appeared to have eased somewhat in this south-eastern Louisiana lumber mill city of 22,000 Negroes.

The FBI was investigating a report that a Molotov cocktail was thrown Thursday night at a Negro house that provided quarters for University of Kansas student civil rights volunteers last week.

Little damage was done. A Z. Young, 43, president of the Negro League, conferred privately with Mayor Cutrer at city hall.

Young said he complained that the city ordinance forbidding unnecessarily loud, offensive, insulting language was not enforced against the whites.

He said even some city policemen joined bystanders in jeering Negro pickets or making loud, contemptuous remarks. He said Cutrer told him in an investigation would be made.

Police Chief Claxton Knight said a full investigation of the Negro complaint against police showed all reports were negative.

"We had 30 officers along that one block throughout the day," he said, "in addition, there were some state police and the FBI was observing."

Although some city patrolmen plainly chafed under their responsibility, some were stern with potential trouble-makers.

Holdup Men Make Haul  
MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP)—Three holdup men invaded the posh Sterling Hotel early Friday, looted its safe deposit boxes in half an hour and escaped with a haul estimated at \$130,000 in cash and jewels.

Miami Beach police, questioning each of the guests in an effort to determine the loss and identify the holdup men, said the total could run much higher, but it would take days to pin down the figure.

## Scientists See New Danger To Manned Moon Landing

WASHINGTON (AP)—Scientists reported a possible added hazard to manned lunar research Friday: The moon's near surface may be lower than has been calculated.

This depressed nature of the front side of the moon probably caused the Ranger photographic spacecraft to impact slightly behind its split-second schedule, Fred Whipple of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, Cambridge, Mass., told a conference on the lunar surface.

"The data indicates Ranger VII and VIII, and maybe Ranger IX, landed one second late because the moon was one mile small," Whipple said.

"The moon's surface at the points of landing was lower by two kilometers (a mile and a quarter) than the average lunar radius."

Since astronauts will need to know precisely, for their advance planning, the altitude of their landing sites, the discrepancy between geometric calculations and the Ranger flight times was of some concern to the space scientists.

Red River. Homes on the street are not fully protected by a main diking system which protects the city to a level of 26.5 feet and can be built up if necessary. Mayor C. N. Kushner of West Kildonan called for volunteers to help with the sandbagging. A pump handles water leaking through the dika. (CP Wirephoto)



REV. HUGH LOWRY



REV. DONALD NICHOLSON

## Two Presbyterian Clergymen Leave For Ireland, Scotland

Rev. Donald Nicholson, pastor of St. John's Presbyterian Church at Belfast has been invited this week to preach in the Connor Presbyterian Church in a suburb of Belfast, Ireland on Easter Sunday.

Mr. Nicholson will fly to Glasgow, then to the Isle of Lewis. From there he will sail to the islands of Skye and Raasay, the homelands from whence his ancestors came to this country.

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## Johnson Stays Home, Discourages Visitors

JOHNSON CITY, Tex. (AP)—President Johnson decided Friday to forego any trips abroad and to curtail visits of foreign dignitaries to the United States.

A statement said: "In light of the congressional work load for the next two or three months and the situation in Viet Nam, the president is not planning any trips abroad and is keeping his schedule to a minimum."

The decision against presidential travel abroad at this time and a reduction in visits to the U.S. was announced by White House press secretary George E. Reedy at a press centre in Austin.

The immediate effect was to confirm what already had been disclosed in Rawalpindi and New Delhi—the postponement until fall of White House visits by President Mohammed Ayub Khan of Pakistan and Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri of India. Khan had been due April 25, Shastri June 2.

But Prime Minister Also Moro of Italy still will arrive in Washington Tuesday, as scheduled, and so will President Chung Hee Park of South Korea on May 12. White House officials indicated the presence of some South Korean forces in Viet Nam was a factor in keeping the date with Park.

Furthermore, Reedy did not rule out an eventual trip to Europe for Johnson or an exchange of visits with Soviet Premier Kosygin. These never had been scheduled formally, he said.

## Nfld. House Ends Session

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—The Newfoundland legislature ended an 11-week session late Thursday night, shortly after passage of a bill giving the government permission to back a bond issue for financing a new salt fish processing plant.

It was the third bill aiding industrial projects passed in the House during the 54-day session.

The issue will finance, in part, the new industry to be built here by Steers Limited, an import and wholesale firm at a cost of more than \$1,000,000.

The three guarantee bills were a complete success.

The first permits the government to back Newfoundland Power Commission bonds for \$40,000,000 to help finance the Bay d'Espoir hydro-electric power project.

The second guarantees a \$15,000,000 issue by the Newfoundland Pulp and Chemical Company to assist financing a pulp mill.

The CNR's main line between Halifax and Moncton was blocked Friday when 24 cars of an east-bound freight left the rails at nearby Upper Dorchester. There were no injuries.

The CNR said about 500 feet of track was torn up and several of the derailed cars were badly damaged. The freight train, No. 440, was en route to Halifax from Montreal.

## Mississippi Flood Waters Covering New Territory

CHICAGO (AP)—Raging waters of the flooding Mississippi River and tributary streams spread over new areas Friday, causing stepped-up evacuation of lowland residents and creating new destruction.

Along a 400-mile stretch of the rampaging Mississippi from Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn., to south of Hannibal, Mo., thousands of volunteers labored to bulwark dikes against the worst spring flooding on record.

The number of persons already driven from homes on the Red River of the north in North Dakota and on the Mississippi in Minnesota and Wisconsin was estimated at between 30,000 and 35,000, with hundreds of fresh evacuations occurring in Illinois, Iowa, and Missouri as the flood spread southward.

At least 12 deaths, 10 in Minnesota and two in Wisconsin, were attributed to the flood. Property damage from the

surging waters was estimated at well above \$20,000,000 in Minnesota alone. There was no estimate of dollar losses elsewhere.

In Minnesota, present centre of the flooding, waters of the Mississippi at record highs at Minneapolis and St. Paul was delayed until about Tuesday.

PEAKS FORECAST  
The U.S. weather bureau, which earlier had forecast peak levels would be reached Friday night or today, said freezing weather had halted temporarily the melting of snow and ice along the upper reaches of the Mississippi and feeder streams.

In St. Paul, the river's rolling water, choked with ice and debris, ripped a wooden bridge from its moorings in a lowland section.

Most of St. Paul's business establishments and homes are on high ground and regarded as safe from flooding. Some industries and a number of homes in lowland sections, however, are under five to six feet of water.

Reinforced and raised dikes in areas of St. Paul were reported leaking in scores of places.

Most of Minneapolis was considered safe.

Downstream, however, scores of Minnesota communities facing inundation fought the rising water with sandbagged levees.

LEFT THEIR HOMES  
Thousands of additional families in the path of the flood were reported leaving their homes in southern Minnesota and northern Wisconsin.

In Wisconsin, the Red Cross predicted more than 14,000 persons in 15 counties would have to be evacuated.

At La Crosse, Wis., the Mississippi crept past the 15.3-foot level, surpassing the previous flood-level record by more than two feet. Some flooding has occurred in La Crosse but city officials were hopeful its dikes would hold back most of the flood. A crest of 19 to 20 feet is expected early next week.

About 1,200 persons already have been evacuated from low areas around La Crosse. Evacuations also were occurring at Prairie du Chien, about 60 miles south of La Crosse.

In Illinois and Iowa, preparations to combat the approaching flood were stepped up as predicted crests of the Mississippi were revised a foot or more above earlier forecasts.

## Manitoba Area Is Bracing For Worst Flood Since '48

WINNIPEG (CP)—The United States weather bureau is taking a more optimistic view but Manitoba's predictions remain unchanged for a Red River flood about the size of that in 1948, Premier Duff Roblin said Friday.

The premier said a press conference that two provincial coordinators have been appointed for Emerson and Morris, and the

two southern Manitoba towns likely to bear the brunt of flooding.

By today a reception centre will be set up in a vacant supermarket to receive evacuees coming into Winnipeg, Mr. Roblin said.

Health engineers are keeping a close watch on water and sewer systems in the Red River. (Continued on page 6, col. 4)

## Good Friday Is Observed By Millions Of Christians

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
From the cobbled streets of ancient Jerusalem to Christendom's most majestic cathedrals, millions of Christians observed Good Friday.

Thousands of Christian pilgrims streamed into Rome and the Holy Land to spend the closing days of Holy Week and the lower mystery of Lent in these two hallowed places.

While worshippers in the Jordanian sector or Jerusalem thronged the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, traditionally held as the site of Christ's marble tomb, Jews in neighboring Israel and around the world ushered in at sundown the weeklong festival of Passover.

At family seder feasts they retold the story of the Israelite exodus from Egypt more than 3,000 years ago and consumed matzo, the traditional unleavened bread to symbolize the haste of the flight.

In Rome, Pope Paul removed his shoes and prostrated himself face down before a crucifix in a sunset service in the Basilica of St. Mary Major to lead the world's 500,000,000 Roman Catholics in services.

Sticklers from the Good Friday prayers at the Pope's request were references that Jewish and other non-Roman Catholics have considered hostile.

Pope Paul ended his six hours of worship on the Dies Amara—torture—the Day of Bitterness as Good Friday is sometimes called—by walking in a penitential torchlight way of the cross around the Coliseum.

Under the glow of a warm spring sky, some 2,000 Christians crossed the Israel-Jordan frontier to enter old Jerusalem. Most of the pilgrims were Christian Arabs.

On the Israeli side of the divided city, Good Friday services were held at the Dormition Church on Mount Zion, where Mary is said to have died.

For the first time in history, the nun of les Dames de Zion recited the Holy Easter mass in Hebrew, the language of the Bible.

The start of Passover and Good Friday coincides for the first time in several years.

In Moscow, the Soviet government relaxed restrictions on baking of matzo and more than 60 tons were distributed by Moscow's communal bakeries to the city's 500,000 Jews.

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