



POLICE ON HUNT FOR SCHWARTZ'S SUPPOSED PALS

Latest Evidence Points to Accomplices in Career of Crookedness.

DUAL LIFE EXPOSED

Silk Formula Lifted From Chemistry Book; Store Skeins Bait for Stock Buyers.

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 11.—Search for a man and woman, believed to have been confederates of Charles Henry Schwartz, at least to the extent of visiting him between the time he killed G. W. Barbe, ministerial wayfarer, and his suicide when arrest for his crime was imminent last Sunday, was enacting attention of "police today. That the author of the "too perfect" plot to defraud insurance companies of more than \$100,000 by cashing in on the body of a man he had murdered, received food and medical attention for an injured ankle, after he had fled from the Cellulose plant laboratory which he had fired to incinerate his victim's corpse, is the statement of Inspector Wallman of the Oakland department.

As the investigation continues the evidence being accumulated tends further and further to discredit the statements made by Schwartz in the farewell letter he penned to his wife regarding events leading up to the slaying and the character of the crime.

Instead of having slain a total stranger, who attacked him, as Schwartz wrote Mrs. Schwartz, the police believe that he had been acquainted with Barbe for four years. The identification of the victim as Barbe is regarded as virtually certain through the disclosure of witnesses who directed Barbe to the plant of the Cellulose company at Walnut Creek; through the statement of another person that Barbe had told he was going to Walnut Creek to visit his friend, Schwartz, and through evidence at hand that Schwartz and Barbe had written letters to each other numerous times.

L. G. Shoemaker, a former service man of Los Angeles, told the contrary story that Schwartz and Barbe met in his presence in Walnut Creek in 1921.

The pretensions of Schwartz to have been a chemist and the invention of a formula for artificial silk making that would revolutionize the industry, have suffered as the investigation is progressing.

His formula was copied verbatim from an old book on chemistry, said Professor E. O. Heinrich, criminologist of the University of California, and the supposed highly inflammable compound for the cutting of silk fibre was nothing but a harmless paste which by stirring incessantly whenever visitors were around, Professor Heinrich said.

Instead of being a captain in the French army, Schwartz was a private in the Red Cross service, police state, and the silk skeins which he is said to have exhibited as progress made by him when selling stock in his company, were purchased at a department store for \$8.50.

OREGON GRAIN O. K. SO IS FRUIT WITH EXCEPTION PRUNES

PORTLAND, Aug. 11.—P. L. Kent, crop statistician of the department of agriculture in his monthly report today says that in spite of some deterioration during July, the largely to very hot weather, Oregon's grain crops are still found to be larger than they were last year.

MONEY IS ALLOWED

An appropriation of \$200 has been made from the county fund to aid the Glide commission in their annual fair, to be held on the premises, the money being offered to the best community fairs in the county, and always have a fine program in connection with their exhibits.

BUCKSHOT FIRED INTO DISTURBERS OF KLAN MEETING

Shotgun Answers Volley of Stones—5 Injured and 15 Others Held for Trial.

FRAMINGHAM, Mass., Aug. 11.—Sixty of the seventy-five men taken into custody last night after a Ku Klux Klan meeting had been broken up in a shooting affray, in which five men were wounded, were released today. The other fifteen were held in \$200 bail for appearance August 19 on charge of assault with dangerous weapons.

Twenty-four of them were arraigned after the others had been dismissed without hearing. Nine others were dismissed for lack of evidence.

One of those held was Perley W. Libby, upon whose farm the Klan meeting was held. It was Libby's house that the Klansmen took shelter when they declared stones were thrown at them by watchers along the road. State troopers rounded up 45 men in the Libby house, 22 more in the barn and eight others in the bushes surrounding the buildings.

COW GORES WOMAN AT MILKING TIME

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 11.—Gored by a cow, and severely gashed about the body, Mrs. Don Hulbert, whose residence is about six miles south of Eugene, was brought to a local hospital yesterday.

SAM BAKER BEATS FLOYD JOHNSON

PORTLAND, Aug. 11.—In one of the hardest fought heavyweight bouts ever staged in the northwest, Sam Baker, Hollywood movie celebrity, won a 10-round decision from Floyd Johnson, one time contender for the heavyweight crown.

SPEC WOODS WINS HURRICANE BOUT

BEND, Ore., Aug. 11.—Spec Woods won a ten-round decision here last night from Submarine Dean, of this city, in what is termed the hardest fought fight ever seen here.

ADOPTION MARY SPAS ANNULLED IN N. Y. COURT

Clerella Girl Waives All Claim to Fortune of Her Ex-Foster Father.

NO EMOTION IS SHOWN

Dines With Browning Party at Farewell Feed After Proceedings, Then Returns Home.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—The adoption of Mary Louise Spas by Edward W. Browning, millionaire real estate operator, was annulled today by Surrogate Noble of Queens county, on the grounds that the girl had misrepresented her age.

The age issue was the only one presented by District Attorney Newcombe, who entered the motion for revocation.

Mary was present, as was also her foster father, when the surrogate's decision was announced. The girl showed little emotion.

Mary and her parents agreed to the annulment, the text of the agreement containing a provision that the girl was not to participate in any right as heir to the fortune of Mr. Browning.

Attempt to Enter Convent Fails. NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 11.—The Newark Star Eagle, in a copyright story today, will announce that Mary Louise Spas, the 21-year-old Bohemian girl, who unsuccessfully tried to become a nun, this morning in Newark in a vain effort to enter a convent and become a nun.

When the early morning attempt to arouse the inmates of the convent was unsuccessful, the girl consulted with her parents and told the driver to take her to a cheap hotel and call for her this morning.

ROSEBURG PRUNE GROWERS TO HOLD MEETING SATURDAY

The prune growers of the Roseburg district are to meet on Saturday afternoon, August 15, at 8 p. m., at the City Hall, for the purpose of perfecting the organization of the Roseburg Prune Growers Cooperative Association.

COOLIDGE NOT YET READY TO END HIS SUMMER VACATION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—The president of a carload of American apples in Scotland for four times the price brought by Portuguese apples and for a higher price than could be obtained for Australian and New Zealand apples was set forth today by the department of agriculture as a striking illustration of the possibilities of shipping American fruit abroad.

Divorce Case Congressman Scott Reveals Higher-Ups As Foremost "Scofflaws"

ALPENA, Mich., Aug. 11.—Fifty boxes of liquor taken aboard the steamer Cristobal at Panama in the spring of 1921 turned a congressional junkie into a raving drunk and gambling addict, Floren Dellaw, a Filipino, testified by deposition today at the divorce hearing of Congressman Frank D. Scott.

Dallaw, who was a waiter aboard the Cristobal, said that there was drinking all over the ship.

"Everywhere you can find glasses and liquor," Dallaw said. "When we got to Norfolk we cleaned the ship and found lots of wine bottles in congressmen's rooms. We found some times two, three, four bottles in each room. They all were empty."

When the Cristobal docked at Norfolk, Dallaw said, "the remaining boxes of liquor were loaded into an army truck and taken away."

AMERICAN APPLES TOP COMPETITORS IN PRICE ABROAD

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GABFESTS OF GAME BOARD EXPUNGED FROM THE RECORD

PORTLAND, Aug. 11.—After debating from 2 until 5:30 a. m. last night, the state game commission decided to erase from the minutes of its last meeting the long succession of charges and defense statements which surrounded the dismissal of Master Warden Burghiguff, Superintendent of Hatchesery Rykeman and Educational Director Jones.

DEDUCT 90 CTS. BOX FOR SHIPPING—WHAT'S LEFT?

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—Seven cars of pears from California, three from Oregon arrived today. Thirty-eight cars on track. Thirtysix broken. 12 cars sold, California Bartletts \$212 boxes sold at \$1.85 to \$2.85, mostly \$2.25 to \$2.50.

TWISTERS MEET IN TOWN; HAVOC IS THE RESULT

Only 2 Houses in Rockwood, California, Standing on Original Sites.

LOSS NEAR \$175,000

Populace Takes Refuge in Irrigation Ditches and Casualty List Only Totals Five.

ROCKWOOD, Cal., Aug. 11.—Mud, splinters and dead chickens were inabundant today as the half thousand inhabitants of this little imperial valley town, set themselves to the task of bringing order out of the chaos in the wake of Sunday's tornado.

The property damaged estimated at between \$125,000 and \$175,000, covered the destruction of a grain warehouse and cantaloupe sheds, damage to a grocery store that was whisked off its foundation and planted in the mud 200 yards away; destruction of a dozen homes, and the havoc wrought in corn and cotton fields and among telephone and telegraph lines serving the village.

Due to the destruction of telephone and telegraph communication, it was not until yesterday that word of Rockwood's plight reached the outside world and aid was sent from Brawley, El Centro and other nearby towns.

When relief workers arrived they learned that two funnel shaped clouds had swooped down on Rockwood late Sunday, and that the terror stricken residents these two funnels seemed to be racing pell mell toward a collision in the midst of the town.

BOOZE SHIP TAKEN WITH CAPTAIN; OWNER LEAPS INTO OCEAN

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—The coast guard cutter G-262 early today captured the Jessie M., a 40-foot craft, on the coast south of here with a cargo of 300 cases of liquor aboard.

The vessel was towed to San Francisco. As the coast guard vessel neared Molokai what were with it, the owner jumped overboard. He was not apprehended, nor was his name learned.

KIWANIS CLUB HOLDS PLEASING LUNCH PROGRAM

The Kiwanis luncheon program today was a very interesting one, being conducted by Napoleon Rice. A concert solo played by Mrs. Shockley, was greatly appreciated and she was forced to respond to an encore. Mrs. Shockley was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. K. L. P. Lintott.

OREGON MAN NAMED ON TAX APPEALS BOARD

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SWAMPSCOTT, Mass., Aug. 11.—C. Rogers Arundell, of Oregon, today was appointed a member of the board of tax appeals for a term expiring June 1, 1926.

FORMER DEPUTY SHERIFF DIES IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

Declares Innocence and Goes to Death Unflinchingly—Leaves \$500 to Son for Education.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 11.—Walter Ray Simmons, former Montana cowboy and deputy sheriff, was electrocuted at the state prison here today for the slaying of Frank Pahl, Spencer, Nebraska, garage man.

The current was sent into his body at 7:05 a. m., and turned off at 7:10 a. m.

Simmons was up at the regular time and had a breakfast of pineapple, oranges, coffee, bacon, toast, eggs and potatoes.

At six a. m. the death warrant was read to the condemned man by Warden Fenton of the prison.

A final statement was made by Simmons to his attorney for publication. It follows:

"It is but a few moments; that there is hereafter, and that if I were leaving the world with a lie on my tongue I would not have the chance I have if I tell the truth, and realizing that to be true, the only thing I can say is that I am innocent."

"I am dying without any prejudice against anyone—all is forgiveness by me and I ask forgiveness in place of it as much as possible."

A few minutes before the execution the former cowboy called reporters to his cell and thanked them for the courtesy he was shown. When asked how he felt, Simmons replied:

AUTO IN OREGON HAS NO. 200,000

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SALEM, Ore., Aug. 11.—For the first time an Oregon automobile is carrying license number 200,000. The distinction of having that number has fallen to C. W. Nelson of Bend. This, however, does not mean that the actual number of passenger automobiles has yet reached that number since the numbers from 80,000 to 99,999 have been reserved for trucks. The actual total licenses issued is 197,603, of which 182,303 have been issued for passenger cars and 15,300 for trucks.

FOREST FIRE SITUATION IS BETTER TODAY

Cool Night and High Humidity Aids in Gaining Control Over Fires.

SMOKE CLEARS AWAY

Lookouts Able to See Out From Stations for the First Time in Several Days.

The low temperature of last night, coupled with the high humidity resulted in a general relief in the fire situation. This morning reports received were to the effect that all fires in Douglas county were out, and that conditions were greatly improved. Visibility was reported to be much better, and for the first time in many days lookouts were able to get a glimpse of at least a portion of their territory.

This afternoon the Douglas county fire patrol received a report of a small fire on Olalla creek, southwest of Roseburg. Men were immediately dispatched to the scene. As the fire was just starting to show smoke, it is not believed to be of any great size or consequence.

Lane County Situation Better. EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 11.—With smoke cleared away and skies threatening rain, there was every indication that the forest fire threats of yesterday had abated here today.

Preparations were being made this morning for flights over the forested areas of Lane county by forest air patrol pilots stationed here.

Low hanging clouds today gave indication that the long-continued dry spell here might be broken within the near future. It was much cooler this morning than has been the custom within the past two months.

Yesterday's maximum temperature was but 81 degrees.

The wind shifted to the south today, giving added indications that the long-awaited rain might pay a visit.

Dry Spell Not Unusual

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 11.—F. A. Elliott, state forester, takes exception to newspaper statements that the present dry spell is a record breaker for length.

In 1917, says Elliott, citing official weather records, Portland was 69 days without rain, Tillamook 117 days, Roseburg, 94 days, Medford 115 days. Post Office, 165 days, Bend 129 days and Baker 102 days. In 1914 there was no rain in the timbered districts from June 23 to September 6, a total of 74 days.