

STRANGE LADY CONVEYS NEWS

AUTO FROM WHICH GAMBLER WAS SLAIN IS IDENTIFIED

MYSTERIOUS WOMAN BRINGS INFORMATION TO CHIEFS

Police Commissioners Deny That Police Department Is Grafting and That It Caused Death of Rosenthal Yesterday Morning—Admits Some of the Police May Be Guilty.

New York, July 17.—Louis Webber, held as a suspect in the Herman Rosenthal case, was arraigned today and charged with having knowledge of the murder. He was remanded for further hearing.

The police declare that Webber stated Rosenthal talked too much and if he kept on some one would "get" him. Webber was given the third degree today.

Police Commissioners Rhinelander and Waldo today wrote to District Attorney Whitman a letter disputing the charges that the New York police system was responsible for the Rosenthal murder. He said an investigation was necessary.

Waldo's letter ridiculed some of the charges against the police but did not deny that some members of the police department might be guilty.

A new feature developed in the Rosenthal murder today, when a mysterious woman informed the district attorney she had seen a touring car similar to that used by Rosenthal's slayers standing in front of the home of Police Lieutenant Becker from six to nine on the night before Rosenthal was killed. The woman then went to the coroner's office where she identified the car used by the murderers as the one she had seen in front of Becker's home.

Murderer's Body Found (?)

New York, July 17.—District Attorney Whitman was notified today of the presence in the morgue in Hoboken of a body answering the description of Nathan Swartz, the boy whose father declared he had confessed to the murder of 14-year-old Julia Connors, and which confession was made public yesterday.

The body was found in the Hudson river. Even the clothing was identified with that worn by the boy when last seen. District Attorney Whitman ordered a member of his staff to get Swartz' father to have him view the body.

The police are not sure the body is that of the alleged slayer. Swartz' brother-in-law said it was not, but the police are dissatisfied with the statements, and have asked the father to look at the corpse.

Taft Makes Nomination.

Washington, July 17.—President Taft today nominated Luther Conant, Jr., of New York, to succeed Herbert Knox Smith as commissioner of corporations. Conant was Smith's deputy. Taft also nominated Sherman Allen of Vermont to be assistant secretary of the treasury.

Potlatch King Arrives.

Seattle, July 17.—To the accompaniment of salutes from warships and other vessels, Hyas Golden of Potlatch, Tyee Potlatch king, arrived from the north on the gold ship Portland. He was received at Waterfront and escorted to the center of the city where he was given a key to Seattle.

Railroads Inspired Objection.

Washington, July 17.—Congressman Knowland of California today told President Taft that the American railroads, acting with the Canadian transcontinental lines, had instigated England's protest against the free tolls for American ships passing through the Panama canal.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Local Girl Delves Into Nature at Puget Sound Summer School.

Miss Naomi Williamson is attending summer school at "the Puget Sound marine station," at Friday harbor. The station is on a co-operative basis and practically all of the educational institutions of the northwest participate in the organization. Friday harbor is on an island in the group known as the San Juan archipelago, in the northern end of Puget Sound. It is reached by boat from Seattle. Miss Williamson writes that there are students attending from the universities of Oregon, Washington and Kansas, from Chicago and Philadelphia. She writes that she is enjoying the school very much, is taking a course in botany and ecology. One day the botany class explored for specimens, Lohr island, beautiful with clover blossoms, wild strawberries, blackberries, salmon berries along the roads; an inland lake, and fir woods with tall ferns and mosses. Another day they were to climb Mt. Constitution, a trip which would occupy a party three days. Another time the Ecology class went for an all-day cruise and dredged for animals. She says "the plenipotentiaries of the school, is especially plentiful in these regions." Again she says, "It is perfectly beautiful out on the water in the evenings. The sun does not set until after eight o'clock and it is not dark until nearly ten. The sunsets are like those one pictures in reading of the northland. Then when it finally gets dark the water is beautiful with phosphorus."

There are some very talented people camping there (they all camp) especially in musical lines, and in all, she is enjoying a restful, instructive, enjoyable vacation.

Miss Williamson intends to teach in McMinnville the coming school year.

SCOUT COUNCIL FORMED.

Officers of the New Council Chosen at Meeting Last Night.

Last night, assisted by the general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., a local council of the Boy Scout movement was chosen. Rev. E. P. Borden who has taken such an active part in this work during the past year presided as temporary chairman. Robt. S. Eakin was elected president, H. C. Finack, vice president, E. R. Humphrey secretary and Albert Christensen treasurer. The council will consist of a representative body of business men in the city. Because of his office as Y. M. C. A. secretary John H. Rudd was chosen as Scout commissioner subject to the approval of the national council which has its headquarters in New York city. E. R. Humphrey was selected as Scout master for troupe 1 which will include the Scouts in the south part of town. Mr. Borden continues as Scout master for troupe 2. Troop 3 when organized will have headquarters in North La Grande. In about two weeks expansion will begin, in which boys from troupe 2, which is now active, will be used as a nucleus for the other troops. The Y. M. C. A. office will be general headquarters though each troop will have its own troop quarters.

Social Is Big Success.

The warm spell of the past few days is all that was needed to assure the success of the lawn festival to be held this afternoon and evening. The various societies of St. Mary's church will be in charge and a friendly rivalry exists among them in regard to the net proceeds of the various booths. The Sodality will conduct an apron auction while the Altar society will serve ice cream and cake. The Holy Home society and the Knights of Columbus will have charge of the auto schedule. A special program of athletic sports has been arranged for the children in the afternoon.

Girl Meets Death.

Seattle, July 17.—Miss Hazel Shipley, aged 21, fell from a third story window in a downtown hotel today and was killed. A pillow was found in her window seat and it is believed the girl lay down by a low window on account of the heat and fell out while sleeping.

HOUSE PASSES LABOR MEASURE

BILL CREATES SECRETARY OF LABOR FOR CABINET

MEASURE PET SCHEME OF GOMPERS AND OTHERS

Sweeping Changes in Method of Handling Labor Problems Involved in Bill That House Unanimously Adopts Today—Federal Intervention to Be Made Easier.

Washington, July 17.—A bill fathered by Congressman Sulzer of New York providing for the creation of a new department, labor, was unanimously passed by the house today. The measure creates the position of a secretary of labor who shall be a member of the president's cabinet. Samuel Gompers and other labor leaders fought hard for the bill. It provides for the transfer of the bureau of labor to the new executive department and authorizes the sweeping discretion to the secretary of labor to offer federal intervention in labor disputes.

CANADIANS URGE SUBSIDY

Construction of Bridge for Harbor Improvement Is Urged.

Vanconver, B. C., July 17.—Hon. F. W. Cochran, the Canadian minister of railways, announced today that he would recommend an additional government subsidy to complete the second Narrows bridge here. This is one of the most important harbor improvements in progress here in preparation for the completion of the Panama canal.

WORKS GIVEN REBUFF.

California Senator Told to Get Out if He Is Dissatisfied.

Los Angeles, July 17.—Angered by the statement issued in Washington by Senator John D. Works, unfavorable to a third party, a number of Los Angeles progressive republicans telegraphed the senator today advising his immediate resignation if he "feels out of harmony with the progressive sentiment of California."

Young People in Session.

Pittsburg, July 17.—Delegates from all parts of the United States attended the first day's session of the 21st annual convention of the Young People's Christian union of the United Presbyterian church are here today. The convention lasts four days.

HANFORD ORDER CAUSED LOSSES

CREDITORS OF SEATTLE FIRM LOSE THROUGH HIM

SUBSTANTIAL OFFERS FOR BANKRUPT STOCK REFUSED

Offers That Would Have Netted 70 Cents on the Dollar Turned Down and 10 Cents Finally Realized—Receiver Baxter Takes Witness Stand Admitting These Facts.

Seattle, July 17.—That \$65,000 was offered to Receiver Sutcliffe Baxter for the stock of the bankrupt McCarthy Dry Goods company, but that Judge Hanford turned down the offer, and that subsequently, after Hanford's receiver, Baxter, had run the store for a year, the creditors got barely 10 cents on the dollar was the admission made by Baxter today on the witness stand in the Hanford inquiry. If the \$65,000 offer had been accepted the creditors would have got 70 cents on the dollar.

The bankrupt stock had been inventoried at \$90,000 and creditors were eager to accept the \$65,000 offer. Baxter admitted today that he had had eight receiverships from Judge Hanford instead of seven as he previously stated.

E. G. Anderson, president of the Merchant and Credit Men's association, was a witness today. He said a motion was passed by the association providing for the appointment of a committee to take up with federal judges the question of obtaining better results in receiving receivers and bankruptcy matters from a standpoint of credit. Anderson said that at a meeting of the committee James Goldsmith appeared and said it was unjust to take this matter up without first bringing it to the attention of the judge himself, and he said that Goldsmith stated that Judge Hanford usually went to excess in drinking liquor to keep himself in physical condition for the work.

JOHN D.'S ENEMY COMES.

Invades Oregon by Installing Oil Distributing Plants.

Medford, Ore., July 17.—Invasion of Oregon by the Standard Oil company's great competitor, the Indian Refining company of California, controlled by the Rothschilds and handling oil products of Borneo, Sumatra and other foreign oil fields, was announced today by the purchase of a site for a distributing plant at Medford and letting contracts for the erection of tanks. Similar plants will be erected at Eugene and Salem.

Young People's Christian Union.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 17.—Members of the Young People's Christian Union are here from every section of the country for their 21st annual convention, which assembled today for a four-days' session. The union is affiliated with the United Presbyterian church in North America, and some of the best known preachers and missionaries of the denomination are here to speak at the convention.

Textile Manufacturers Meet.

Louisville, Ky., July 17.—The Middle States Textile Manufacturers' association held its third annual convention today at the Louisville country club. Among the speakers and their topics were the following: Lee Rodman, on "Freight Rates and Overcharges;" Philip S. Tuley of Louisville, on "Costs Systems," and Captain Paul J. Mars of Henderson, Ky., on "Experiences in the Purchase of Cotton."

Hearing on Interchange Question.

Washington, D. C., July 17.—A question of general interest and importance to shippers and carriers throughout the country is involved in the suit of the Illinois Traction system against the Peoria and Pekin Union railway, which was given its initial hearing before the interstate commerce commission today. The suit was instituted because the railway company declined to permit the interchange of traffic, which action, according to the complaint in the case, has resulted in an injury to shippers.

Hampton Negro Conference.

Hampton, Va., July 17.—Many social workers of prominence were present today at the opening of the 16th annual Hampton Negro conference, held under the auspices of the Hampton institute. The conference program extends over two days and calls for reports from county school supervisors on the progress of negro educational work and the discussion of problems relating to health, agricultural and religious life, the work of negro school administration, recreation and amusement in rural communities, and community work problems.

Convention of Sealers.

Columbus, O., July 17.—The standarding of weights and measures and federal and state legislation to prevent fraud will be discussed from every angle at the third annual conference of state, county and city sealers, which met in this city today for a three days' session. Prominent among those on the program for addresses are L. A. Fisher, chief of the division of weights and measures of the bureau of standards at Washington; D. C. Palmer, commissioner of weights and measures of Massachusetts; F. A. Reichmann, superintendent of weights and measures of New York and W. W. Ketchner, city sealer of Toledo.

Stationary Engineers' Meeting.

Winona, Minn., July 17.—The annual convention of the Minnesota association of Stationary Engineers began in this city today and will continue until the end of the week. All the principal cities of the state are represented and the members expect the meeting to be the most successful in the history of the association. The organization is not a union and is nonpartisan in character and devoted purely to the advancement of the interests of the engineer by educational methods.

Wisconsin Labor Federation

Sheboygan, Wis., July 17.—Sheboygan is entertaining during the remainder of this week the annual convention of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor. The attendance includes representatives of labor bodies throughout the state. In addition to transacting considerable routine business the convention will discuss a wide range of topics affecting the interests of organized labor.

ANOTHER RIVERS-WOLGAST GO

Los Angeles, July 17.—Joe Levy, on August 1st leaving for Los Angeles, centered Promoter Tom McCarey's terms for a return lightweight championship battle between Rivers and Wolgast at Vernon on Labor day.

DEFENSE WILL CALL FRANKLIN

STAR STATE WITNESS MUST TALK FOR THE DEFENSE

AGO ATTORNEY WILL ALSO BE PUT ON STAND

Clarence Darrow Defense Spring Surprise by Ordering State's Star Witness in Bribery Scandal Called to the Witness Stand Tomorrow—Nature of Question Is Unknown.

Los Angeles, July 17.—Ber. H. Franklin, the confessed jury briber, and star state witness, and John R. Harrington of Chicago, also a state witness will be called to the witness stand by the defense in the Darrow trial tomorrow.

This was admitted today by the defendant when he reposed a court order to the men to report tomorrow to testify.

The nature of their probable testimony was not divulged but it is believed they will be asked to corroborate statements made by defense witnesses who were called with the object of impeaching the testimony given by Franklin when he appeared for the state.

Fremont Older, editor of a San Francisco daily newspaper, was called to the stand by the defense today. He testified he furnished bail money for John R. Harrington when Harrington was jailed in San Francisco for refusing to answer questions proposed to him when he was before the Los Angeles county grand jury. Harrington, following his release from jail, told Older there was no corruption in the McNamara trial and that Darrow explicitly forswore the action by any person connected with the defense that would be a violation of the laws.

HITCHCOCK TESTIFIES

Explains Where Taft Got His Campaign Expenses From in 1908.

Washington, July 17.—Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman of the republican national committee in 1908, testified today before the senate investigating committee that \$1,655,518 was contributed to Taft's campaign.

Of this total, he said, was distributed to the states and the rest used nationally. The largest contributors, Hitchcock said, were Charles P. Taft, \$50,000; William Nelson Cromwell, \$25,000; Lars Anderson, \$25,000; Andrew Carnegie \$20,000, and William Smith Cochran \$15,000. Hitchcock delivered to the committee the records showing what money was received and how it was distributed. He said General Dupont of Delaware wished to contribute \$20,000 but it was declined. No corporations contributed anything.

McNeill Prisoners Escape.

Tacoma, July 17.—Several convicts tried to escape from the federal prison at McNeill's Island. One, Lehmann is still at large today. A cordon of guards has him surrounded.

FINLAND SAILS.

Many Athletes Stay on Continent and in Europe for Visits.

Stockholm, July 17.—Leaving behind many of the victorious American athletes, the steamer *Walden* which carried 150 members of the American Olympic team from New York to the scene of their triumph over that of the world, sailed from here today. Many of the Americans plan to pass a few weeks on the continent while others intend to participate in various European athletic events, scheduled for the near future.

GENERAL CAMPAIGN FOR \$5000 NEEDED TO COMPLETE COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS IS COMENCED

Appointment of committees to interest farmers and fruit growers in a financial campaign to liquidate the remaining \$5,000 of the funds needed to complete the fair grounds "plant" resulted from an enthusiastic meeting of the stockholders of the Union County Fair association last night. The stockholders went on record as well satisfied with the manner in which the first ten thousand, approximately, had been expended but the sense of the meeting was that the necessary \$5,000 should be subscribed before further work was done. Committees will, today, tomorrow and the next day, cover a large area of the county along this campaign.

Special Prizes Offered.

The meeting recorded the first of what is believed to be a rapidly growing list of special prizes for the farmers, to be given in addition to those outlined in the premium list soon to be off the printers' hands and ready for distribution. The Grande Ronde Meat company offered a \$50 prize for the best four finished hogs. It is believed that others will be hung up.

Advertisement of the fair will be the principal issue before the management after the needed buildings are insured—but the proposition hangs on the subscription of the remaining stock for there will be no debts incurred without guarantee in sight. Prime movers in the fair propaganda are confident that the needed money will be subscribed when the situation is put up to the county at large, and the appointment of the committees to see the farmers will result in a goodly portion being subscribed this week, it is believed.