### PLUMBER IS HELD. IN DENTON MURDER

Boarding Room Where Body Was Found Admitted.

MRS. PEETE IS INVOLVED

Clothing Identified and Found in Suspect's Room Declared Gift From Woman

LOS ANGELES, Cal. Sept. 24—
James C. Crowhurst, a plumber living at 1821 South Herbert street, admitting that he had nailed shut the
door to the death closet in the cellar
et 575 South Catalina street, where
the body of Joseph C Denton, wealthy
mining man, was found Thursday,
yesterday made a sworn statement
to Detectives Lyon and Box, which
contained sensational developments
in the murder mystery.
Crowhurst was taken in custody
for investigation after it was learned,
detectives said, that he had listed for
sale with locad real estate, men, the
Denton house, that he had in his possession a dress suit belonging to LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 24 .-

session a dress suit belonging to Denton, that he had sold some of Denton's clothing and that he had in his possession the coat and vest which matched the trousers in which Denton's body was clothed when it was stuffed into the closet.

Room in Cellar Is Seen.

Points to which detectives attach significance were made in his state-ment, briefly, as follows: ment, briefly, as follows:

Trowburst met a woman who he said was Mrs. R. C. Peete. He did plumbing work for he;

On his first visit to the cellar of the Denton home, early in June, he noticed the room in which the body was found. Fresh earth was there then, Only ene nail had been driven to keep the door shut. Mrs. Peete told him, he said, that the room "is some effair of Mr. Denton's" and not to dis-

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"Later on" he noticed on his second visit to the cellar that three or four nails had been driven into the door

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He listed the property for sale, he asserted at the request of Mrs. Peete, who said the figure of \$25,000 given was set by Mr. Denton.

Crowhurst is an ex-convict, detective Lyon said, having been convicted in 1916. It was with difficulty that the detectives found him because at the business address which his cards give, no one knew much about him. saring he was little knowfs. An overcoat said to have been Denton's property, was found at a gasoline station at Ninth street and Vermont avenue, where it was declared Crowhurst had sold it.

Other clothing was traced to local second-hand stores, the detectives said.

Fear by Mrs. Peete Reported.

A haunting fear of remaining alone in the big Catalina street house was nursed for many days by Mrs. Peete, according to a statement issued yearer according to

for a house, and asked my assistance. Later she came in my shop and happly told me she had found a place. Quite often she visited me, as she said she had grown fond of me. "I had met her only in a business way until on July 2 she called me on the telephone and abruptly asked me if my hussand drove a car. I told her my friend, Mrs. Woods, was coming over and that Mrs. Woods would lend her any assistance with the car. lend her any assistance with the car. Her explanation was that Mr. Denton, whom I have never seen, had gone away and had left the car for her to use. Mrs. Peete could drive it, but to use. Airs Feete could drive it, but could not back it out of the garage. In answer to her questions I informed her that Mrs. Woods was all right, and so Mrs. Woods and my husband any myself went to her house.

Stay at House Is Related. "That evening she asked us it we would not remain in the house with her during the night. She said Mrs. Gregory had sone back east and that she and her little girl were alone and that she feared to remain alone in the big house. We stayed that night and remained with her the following the which was Sunday.

2100 Acres of Land.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 24.—(Special.) — By deed flied today the Crown-the big house. We stayed that night and remained with her the following the land in Clatson county from H. E. Nobie of Portland, the consideration being \$213,500. The tract is a

and remained with her the following day, which was Sunday.

"After a drive in the afternoon she asked us to remain again that night in the house with her, which we did. During our stay with her she told us that Denton, whom she said she rented the house from, seemed to be in some kind of trouble.

"She also told us of the quarrel between Denton and the Spanish woman and the wound which he had evidently received in a quarrel. At no time had

start for Los Angeles tomorrow, to lell the authorities all she knows about Denton and the house. She said she rented the house May 24 and remained there until August 17, when she came to this city, where her husband and little daughter were staying.

ine 6. Mrs. Peete said, she re-

June 6, Mrs. Peete said, she received a mysterious telephone warning to remain out of the cellar. She
raid that she saw little of Denton
while living in his house.
"He occupied a room in the house
but seldom was there. On June 2 he
agreed to give me power of attorney
to sell his house. He falled to appear on that day, but I received a
message saying he had been injured
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"Four days later I saw him in an automobile with four other men. His arm was bandaged. A few days later I saw a man enter the house whom I thought was Denton. He had a patch ver his eye and another on his left

over his eye and another on his left cheek.

"When he did not return I inetituted a search for him. We found his will, which left most of the property to his daughter, who lives in Phoenix, Ariz. Then I got the mysterious telephone call. I believe that it was in a little room off the basement that Denton's body was found. That room was never opened while I was in the house," Mrs. Peete said today.

Mrs. Peete said Denton was friendly with a Spanish woman who called at

with a Spanish woman who called at the house twice while she was there. It was the voice of this woman, Mrs. Peete declared she was confident, who gave her warning over the tele-phone to stay out of the basement.

COURT HEARING DRAFT EVA-SION CASE ADJOURNS.

Youth Now Serving Term in Federal Prison Tells of Flight to Escape Service.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 24 .- All tesimony was in today when court adourned until Monday in the trial o Mrs. Emma Bergdoll, Charles A Braun, her son; James E. Romig, former magistrate; Albert S. Mitchell, automobile salesman, and Harry Schuh, charged with conspiracy to ald Grover and Erwin Bergdoli to evade the draft. At that time counsel will make their final pleas to the jury. Erwin Bergdoli, who is serving a four-year sentence in Fort Leavenworth, took the stand today in an effort to secure the acquittal of the defendants.

Angeles District Attorney.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sep. 24.—William Barrett, for whose arrest a warrant was reported to have been issued in London in connection with the theft of a necklace from Mrs. John Spreckels Jr., visited the district attorney's office here Wednesday and vesteday.

visit to the cellar that three or four nails had been driven into the door instead of one.

Water Henier Repairs Asked.

On this occasion, he declared, Mrs. Peete wanted him to fix a water heater that she said made a noise that sounded as though a graveyard were asked as the company with one occasion, he declared, Mrs. Peete told Crowhurst, he said, that she was in touch regularly with Denton and knew of his whereahouts, but at his request his prelatives were kept in ignorance of this.

"She then described those relatives as a rough and euligar lot who might attempt some official of the Goodycar Rubber & Tire sompany and that Denton wanted someone to be intrusted with his affairs while "he went off on what may be termed a clandestine trip."

Clothing Declared Given him to be intrusted with his affairs while "he went off on what may have had received word from Denton saying that Denton was married again, but that Mrs. Peete thought he was in company with one woman but not married.

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IN SEATTLE PRICE.

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and the wound which he had evidently received in a quarrel. At no time had she told me she had seen Denton with his right arm missing.

"She also told us of trouble that had existed between Denton and certain relatives of his and on the morning of July 4, two women came to the house inquiring for Mr. Denton."

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 24.—Mrs. R. C. Peets, who occupied for two months the Los Angeles house where the body of Jacob Charles Denton was found jesterday, said today she would to improper care given the sidewalk.

Inn Owner Seeks Damages.

Water dropping through the sidewalk office of \$2 a barrel for fuel oil. "in order to prevent the seizure of our plants," was made by the executive office of the Shell Oil company here to the cafe, as his cause for a damage suit of \$7000 against John P. Risley, Alice government." Robert A. Lewin, vice-president and general manager of the company, said.

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# FOR BARRETT ASKED

Spreckels' Solicitors Issue Instructions.

NEW YORK TRIP GIVEN UP

Warrant Charging Theft of Necklace Valued at \$16,500 Issued September 17.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Solicitors representing Mrs. John Spreckels Jr., of California have instructed the police to inaugurate extradition proceedings for William Barrett, an American, who is reported to be under surveillance of the police of Los Angeles. A warrant charging Barrett with the theft of a pearl necklace valued at \$16,500 was issued on the applica-tion of Mrs. Spreckels in the Mariorough police court September 17.
Mrs. Spreckels has canceled her bassage for New York and will twalf the return of her husband from Norway.

Norway.

Her secretary said today Mrs.
Spreckels had known Barrett for several years and she met him some months ago at the Sandown race course and that he offered to introduce her to his friends. The secretary declared Mrs. Spreckels gave Barrett her necklace to take to her jeweler to be cleaned and re-strung. Barrett subsequently avoided discussion of the necklace and eventually left London. Later Mrs. Spreckels inaugurated proceedings which resulted in the issuance of the police court warrant.

BARRET DECLARES INNOCENCE

Accused Man Calls at Office of Los Angeles District Attorney.

cials and diplomatic representatives of foreign nations. Bishop Shahan, rector of the Cath-olic university, and Bishop John P. McNicholas of Duluth delivered the

Bishop Shahan announced that Pope Benedict XV had sent the papal benediction to all those participating in the service today, and that the pope was making a gift, the first of its kind ever to come to America, of a life-size Mosaic copy of Murillo's "Immaculate Conception," which will placed when the shrine is com-

meeting between committees representing the United Dairy association and the Seattle retail milk dealers association had resulted in the breaking off of peace negotiations that had been in progress for several days.

The price committee of the dairy three weeks, and in view of the storms

result in a resumption of peace negotiations.

The United Dairy association's proposed new price is \$4.17 per 100 pounds for milk delivered in the city. The present price is \$3.65. The price increase, milk distributors were notified, will become effective October 1.

BIG SPRUCE TRACT SOLD

campers.

Mr. and Mrs. Tuck, is was learned, left Sisters with five horses for Grizzly basin, 20 miles away, shortly after the first of the month, making no mention, as far as has been learned, of the length of time they intended to remain. Nothing was thought of their iong absence until Indians reported that they had reason to believe that the horses had been lost.

MANAGER ADMITS HE CANNOT FIGHT GOVERNMENT.

Announcement Follows Reported Seizures by Naval Authorities at Martinez, Cal., Plant.

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Jesse Tuck and Mate Not Heard

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BEND, Or., Sept. 24.—(Special.)—
Fear that Mr. and Mrs. Jessie E. Tuck of Remond may be lost, without provisions, in the Grizzly basin country at the foot of Mount Jefferson, prompted the fear and y department saids that the foot of Mount Jefferson, prompted the departure of a large.

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The navy department said that no effort had been made to seize any plant of the Shell company, but Lewin said he feared that if the coattovers continued the said that if the coattovers continued the said that no The price committee of the dairy association will hold a meeting in Seattle tomorrow to discuss the situation, Mr. Detrick said, but he held out no hope that the meeting would result in a resumption of peace negotiations.

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county organization, and plan for the campaign for the general election to be held November 2.

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