

WOMAN IN DENTON MURDER DISAPPEARS

Warrant for Arrest Issued, Report in Los Angeles.

MAYOR IS THREATENED

Writer of Mystery Letter Says Other Well-Known Families Are Marked for Death.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—While it was reported in Los Angeles that a secret warrant had been issued against her, Mrs. R. C. Peete, the "enigma woman" of the Jacob Denton murder mystery, disappeared today from her residence in Denver, Colo., possibly having started for this city of her own volition.

Dispatches from Denver stated that Mrs. Peete had either gone into hiding or started for Los Angeles to meet the officials investigating the murder here.

Mrs. Ida Gregory of Denver, with whom Mrs. Peete had been stopping, was quoted as having given two explanations of Mrs. Peete's disappearance, one that she went to live at the Carline apartments and the other that she had left for Los Angeles. The apartment house stated that Mrs. Peete had not appeared there.

Mayor Snyder Threatened. Reports that a secret warrant had been issued; the receipt of a letter by Mayor M. P. Snyder threatening him with death; a disclosure that Mrs. Peete was twice in conference with a deputy district attorney after Denton's disappearance and Mrs. Peete's reported disappearance were the outstanding developments in the case today.

Two new theories, that Denton was killed by a hired slayer and that he put up a terrific fight before he was slain, advanced today, appeared without material substance.

That a secret warrant had been issued and that Detective Charles Jones of the district attorney's office, who was out of the city today, was assigned to make the arrest of Mrs. Peete was the statement of a person associated with the official investigators.

Writer Says There Are Others. The threatening letter received by Mayor Snyder reportedly said: "I am only one who killed Denton last June. Nobody knows me except my wife. We are going to kill another well known family in a short time. Maybe you are next. Don't be scared. She counts on offering \$100,000 to be given to whom arrest the slayer. If this is true I will kill all of them. Very easy for me to do so. Do not hunt Denton slayer any more. That means you are wasting your valuable time and also to the other party. It is nice to live with sufficient money. Goodbye to all."

The letter was signed in an apparently meaningless code of dots, dashes and figures. It was turned over to detectives for investigation.

New Lights on Case. The disclosure that Mrs. Peete conferred with a deputy district attorney after Denton's disappearance threw new light on the puzzling case. When Superior Judge Avery, administrator of Denton's estate, was asked to investigate Denton's disappearance he is said to have consulted the deputy, who called in Mrs. Jones.

Jones is said to have interviewed Mrs. Peete and to have given her a note of introduction to the deputy district attorney written in the name of one of his personal cards. Mrs. Peete met the deputy and told her story of Denton's disappearance to him.

Y. W. C. A. WANTS \$3800 Prizes Will Be Given in Schools to Create Interest in Drive.

YACONOVER, Wash., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—To create interest in the coming drive to secure \$3800 to pay the operating expenses of the local Young Women's Christian association, two prizes of \$5 each have been offered by Mrs. Charles W. Hays, five dollars will be given in the high school for the ten best reasons why the Young Women's Christian association should be supported, and a similar prize will be given for the five best reasons given in the junior high school.

The drive is to begin October 4 and will last a week. It is expected that the quota of \$3800 will be raised in this time. There are now almost 600 members of the local branch of the organization.

CALL MADE TO VETERANS Meeting Is at Seattle Saturday to Form Republican Club.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 29.—Captain Edwin D. Colvin, president of the Veterans Republican club, has issued a call for delegates to attend a meeting to be held at the veterans' hall here next Saturday, to organize a state veterans' republican club. Delegates are expected from King, Snohomish, Skagit, Whatcom, Grays Harbor, Pacific and Walla Walla counties.

HEBERD WILL GUIDE WASHINGTON PARTY

Harmony Now Prevails in Republican Ranks.

FOES SWING INTO LINE

Kellogg, Who Made Great Fight for King County Organization, First to Congratulate.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Charles Heberd of Spokane was elected chairman of the republican state central committee by acclamation at the organization meeting held in the Butler hotel Wednesday afternoon. No other name was presented.

Heberd was immediately notified of his election and escorted to the banquet where the committee met. He spoke earnestly for party harmony, and within 15 minutes after the meeting he met Governor Hart, W. J. Coyle, candidate for lieutenant-governor; C. L. Babcock, candidate for state treasurer; John P. Miller, candidate for congress in the 1st district, and J. Stanley Webster, candidate for congress in the 5th district, at a conference at the New Washington hotel.

Some Spots Healed. The meeting was marked by enthusiasm and good feeling. There were no sore spots visible after the historic differences had been ironed out, and Kellogg, having made a fight for his own organization, the King county republican committee, was the first to congratulate Heberd and tender his services.

J. Stanley Webster, representative, made a stirring appeal for harmony and good fellowship, and undoubtedly had a salutary influence on the meeting.

The question of proxies was debated in plain English and the decision was not susceptible of more than one construction. The committee voted to recognize all proxies which might be presented at any subsequent meeting of the committee.

Heberd's Selection Conceded. The selection of Heberd had been generally conceded for several days. In fact, from the time that the republican nominee for state and congressional offices formally endorsed him at the primaries. In the primary campaign he supported Governor Hart for re-election, although Spokane, his home city, had a candidate.

Sam A. Walker, the retiring chairman, had maintained the outward appearance of being a candidate to succeed himself, with the understanding that certain members of the committee would vote for him if he insisted. Harry E. Gilham also was mentioned as a possible candidate and was considered a factor in the fight. Heberd was brought out by his eastern Washington friends.

Victory Won in Week. Heberd spent a week in Seattle the early part of the month and his friends took charge of his interests in all hotels, lodging houses and apartments, the city council by unanimous vote instructed the city attorney to prepare an ordinance in conformity with a report submitted by him to the council.

This report recommends that the ordinance already drawn be changed so as to permit the owner of any building coming under its provisions to choose the manner in which he shall provide safety appliances.

The present draft contains several alternatives and the ordinance which the city attorney was instructed to draw will provide that the owner must use one of these, the owner designating the style and not the building inspector. In all other respects the ordinance will be the same as the present draft.

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For state senator, C. H. Moran, president of the Farmers' Labor Labor council; for representatives, J. L. Davies and Edward Hamilton; for auditor, E. J. O'Connell, secretary of the Farm Loan association of this county; for sheriff, C. S. Osmund; for treasurer, J. M. Harvey; for assessor, C. B. Bush; for commissioners, A. B. Rounds and Wilfred Davey; and L. E. Wernon for justice of the peace at Winemah.

REIGN OF TERROR FEARED

Portland Bomb Plot Rumor Comes From Tacoma.

Representative Johnson Bares Alleged Plan of Radicals to Wreck Northwest.

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 29.—A well-organized plan of the industrial workers of the world to inaugurate a period of terrorism in the northwest within 20 days is charged by Albert Johnson, representative of the 3d Washington district, in a statement today commenting on anonymous letters received today by the Seattle police and federal authorities bearing the warning that radicals are planning to blow up financial institutions and big buildings in Tacoma, Portland and Seattle. Federal secret service operatives were attempting tonight to trace the source of the letters.

The W. W. organization is taking a referendum vote of its membership as to whether legal defense shall hereafter be provided for those of its members arrested for sabotage, murder, arson and other crimes. Mr. Johnson's statement asserts that agitators are urging the rank and file to vote against further legal defense. The votes are to be counted in Seattle, October 15, and after that date reprisals, threats and other acts of terrorism are likely to be authorized secretly, he declares.

Mr. Johnson's warning calls attention to the threats sent to several citizens of Centralia on the day of the election, and to the threat of assassination on or about October 15. In the event of the referendum, which it is alleged is being employed by the L. W. W. in casting the referendum called for by a general conference of the reds of the northwest in Seattle August 15, 11 and 12.

SAFETY LAW IS ORDERED COUNCIL DISREGARDS HOTEL MEN'S OBJECTIONS.

City Attorney Instructed to Prepare Ordinance in Conformity With His Report.

Despite the objections of representatives of the Hotel Men's association to the proposed ordinance requiring enclosed stairways and fire escapes in all hotels, lodging houses and apartments, the city council by unanimous vote instructed the city attorney to prepare an ordinance in conformity with a report submitted by him to the council.

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ACHESON has been on a vacation in California and Texas for two months; he will open up a clothing store in Portland in about eight or ten days.—Adv.

California Tickets to Go on Sale. Effective October 6 the Southern Pacific company will put on sale round-trip tickets to southern California points to be sold daily until March 31. The rate will be 90 per cent of the regular round-trip fares, which will make the rates as follows: Los Angeles, \$7.25, Santa Barbara \$10.00, and San Diego, \$18.00. Tickets have final return limit of April 30 and will be honored for passage by diverse routes south of Sacramento with stop-over privileges in either direction.

CHAMBER DIRECTORS BROADEN ACTIVITIES

Trade and Commerce Bureau Becomes Department.

CO-OPERATION IS ASKED New Foreign Trade Department Authorized With Frank Ira White Chosen as Manager.

Announcement was made yesterday of the decision of the directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce to expand the organization the better to serve the community in the growing demands of trade and commerce. The present bureau which has been handling all phases of trade and commerce affairs, is to be enlarged and will be designated as the "domestic trade and commerce department." E. N. Weinbaum, heretofore secretary of that section, will be manager of this department, giving it his entire attention.

To co-ordinate activities of the community in development of off-shore shipping and commerce with other countries, the creation of a new committee, the foreign trade department, authorized, Frank Ira White, railroad and financial editor of The Oregonian, was appointed manager of the department. The selection was recommended by the foreign trade committee.

Committee Do Direct Work. Work of the department will be developed under direction of the committee, and will specialize on foreign trade activities, working with the various bureaus of the Port of Portland and Commission of Public Docks, to unify efforts of the various organizations. Members of the committee and the directors of the chamber said they have realized for some time that it is necessary that such a department be created, with a manager to devote his entire attention to the work and adjustments in the organization were acted upon yesterday.

The return of Manager Dodson from Washington, D. C. He has been detained many weeks in efforts to secure recognition of Portland's rights before the shipping board. On the recommendation of President Van Duser and with the approval of General Manager Dodson, the proposed change was made effective immediately. Mr. Dodson as general manager of the office management has been entirely under the direction of Mr. Hetherington.

Secretaries Are Made Managers. In order that there may be conformity of designations in the organization the directors Wednesday decided to make all department heads managers instead of secretaries, as the duties of their positions are in fact managerial in character. Under the organization of the bureau activities and managers will be as follows:

Industries department, W. H. Crawford; publicly department, Sidney R. Hetherington; foreign trade department, Frank Ira White; domestic trade and commerce, E. N. Weinbaum; foreign trade secretary, J. H. Hetherington.

The foreign trade committee of the chamber is composed of Peter Kerr, president of the chamber, and J. D. Hunt, Nathan Strauss and I. D. Hunt. With the growing volume of foreign trade entering here, the number of problems which the committee is called upon to consider has made it evident for some time that a separate department would be essential to handling the work. The committee recently assumed the initiative in bringing the plan to realization. It is the desire to secure co-operation and support of those engaged in offshore shipping and foreign trade.

Buyers' Week Causes Work. D. T. Honeyman, chairman of the domestic trade and commerce committee, with Nathan Strauss, H. J. Frank and A. J. Hale, members, has been called upon to handle the annual buyers' week activities which have occupied several months strenuous work in preparation and a vast volume of detail with its conclusion. The success that has attended these annual excursions of the merchants of Portland to the territory tributary to the port has been a source of pride and interest to the chamber.

There are three avenues by which Portland can grow. Commercial importance is that President Van Duser in discussing the changes made by the directors, "by expansion of foreign trade, larger domestic trade or increased production of manufactured goods, agricultural and horticultural crops of the territory tributary. For these reasons the directors were impressed with the necessity of establishing a foreign trade department, enlarging and expanding the activities of the domestic commerce bureau, and taking steps to better the efforts of the entire organization. The selection of Frank Ira White as manager of the foreign trade department was

Telephone Operator Takes Poison. Mrs. Jeanette DeForest, 25, telephone operator, swallowed bicarbonate of mercury last night in her room at the Vernon hotel. She was taken to Good Samaritan hospital by the Army ambulance. She is recovering, but she swallowed the drug, but hospital authorities believe she took it deliberately.

\$3750 Drive Plans Laid. CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Plans for a campaign in Centralia and vicinity to raise \$3750 for the Salvation Army were laid Monday night at a meeting of the local advisory board at St. Joseph's hospital. Mr. Albert Smith was elected chairman of the drive, and George L. Barner treasurer. The campaign will be conducted from October 7 to 14.

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RIVER ADVOCATE ARRIVES

Shackelford Tells of Success of Inland Streams.

National Field Secretary Will Study Local Situation Remainder of Week.

Marshall Shackelford of Demopolis, Ala., field secretary of the national river conservation league, arrived in Portland next Monday and Tuesday. This is his fourth visit to Portland and he will continue to remain here this week in studying local transportation conditions. His official address is Washington, D. C., but at his Alabama home he is engaged in a culture in what is regarded as one of the finest peach-growing districts in the south.

Self-proposed barges have superseded the old steamboat in handling river traffic in the Alabama river. The office of the state chamber of commerce, where he called to confer with Secretary Quattlebaum, has no doubt in his mind that the time has come for making use of the available rivers for the transportation of products. On the Tombigbee river the use of the barges has supplanted the rail movement of coal from the Alabama river to the Gulf of Mexico. The equal to three trainloads an ordinarily handled over the railway that is in eastern Washington. When he returned to Spokane he had enough pledges to assure his election.

Expressing his deep appreciation of the "kindness and confidence" made manifest by the members in his election, Heberd said: "This position carries a burden and a responsibility and if it did not do so I would have no interest in the office. My only desire is to have the opportunity to work with all the energy and strength and mentality I possess to insure success for the entire republican ticket on November 2."

2 ARE HURT AT THEATER Pantages Fire Escape Falls and Eshers Receive Injuries.

Two ushers at the Pantages theater were injured last night by the falling of the iron steps which form the lower part of the fire escape on the east side of the building. The injured were Chester Poindexter, 16, of 816 Marquette street, and George Hahn, 14, of 515 Market street, forehead cut, and hand injured.

The two boys were lowering the steps to the ground when the accident happened. Patrolman Forken, who investigated the affair, said the accident was due to the breaking of a link in the iron chain which supports the steps. The heavy iron stairway fell directly on the boys, striking Poindexter's chest and pinning him to the ground.

Both boys were taken to the Emergency hospital. Mayor Baker arrived a few minutes after to see that the accident was investigated fully. Hahn went home after receiving first aid treatment, but Poindexter was taken to St. Vincent's hospital.

William Proebstel Dead. YACONOVER, Wash., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—William W. Proebstel, aged 62, died at St. Joseph's hospital. Mr. Proebstel was born and lived most of his life in Yaconover. He erected the building at Main, near Fourth street, which bears his name. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow from the Knapp chapel, and interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

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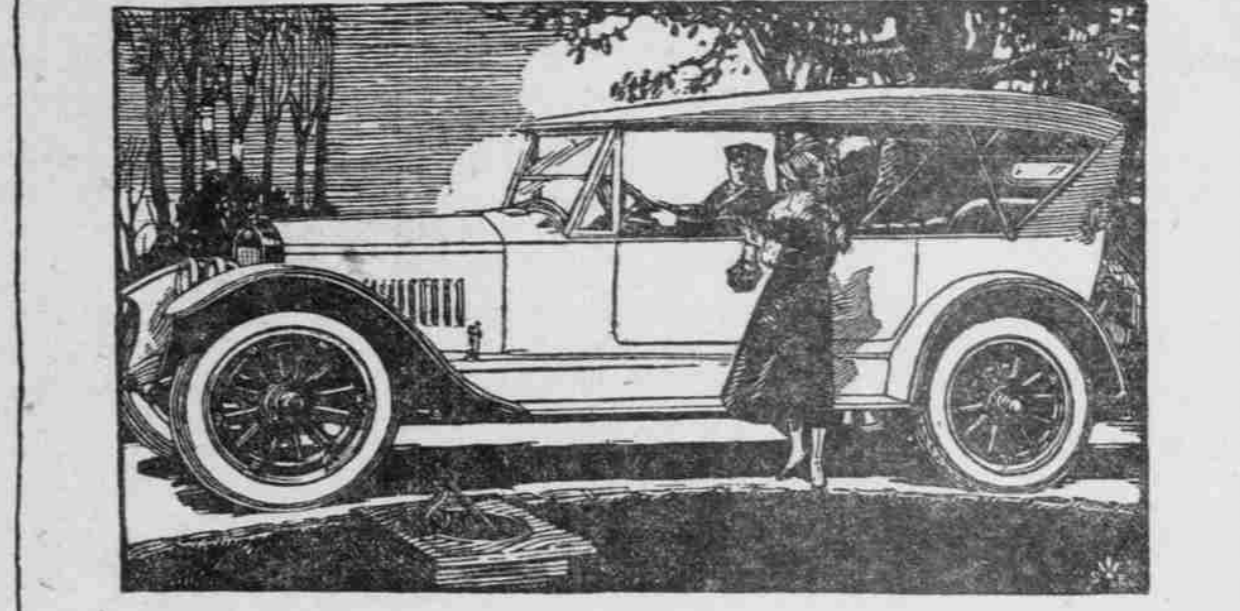
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result of conferences with those prominently identified with foreign trade and shipping development, and we believe that under his management the department will prove an effective factor in co-ordinating the diversified interests of the general benefit of the community.

Municipal Orchestra Here Sunday. The Minneapolis symphony orchestra, touring the western states, is scheduled to arrive in Portland next Sunday morning at 7 o'clock over the Northern Pacific, occupying a special train of three private cars and one baggage car, with a company of 75 people. The Southern Pacific will receive the cars at the union station and run as a part of regular train No. 23 to Salem, thence as a special from Salem to Monmouth, where the orchestra will play a matinee performance at the auditorium of the Oregon State Normal school. The special will return to Portland in the afternoon, leaving Monmouth at 4 o'clock.

Highway Bonds Delivered. SALEM, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Joseph Richardson, deputy state treasurer, today delivered to the First National bank of Portland state highway bonds aggregating \$2,000,000. These bonds were sold by the state highway commission yesterday to Ralph Schenckel & Co. of Portland, acting in behalf of an eastern syndicate. Prompt delivery of the bonds means that the money derived from their sale will be available within the next few days.

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Advertisement for "Ruth of the Rockies" featuring a woman's portrait and promotional text.

Advertisement for Hippodrome Theater featuring "A Great Pathé Serial" and showtimes.

Advertisement for Dr. Wheat's eye medicine, "Do Your Eyes Need Attention?"

Advertisement for Puritan Cafeteria, "Now Open Under New Management" with menu and location details.