

POLICE SEEK CRIME CARS IN EAST RIVER

Dredgers Expect to Find 40 Autos at Bottom.

SECRETS NEAR EXPOSURE

Motor Vehicles Used by Murderers and Holdup Men Believed to Be Buried in Water.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—There are not less than 40 automobiles in 25 to 40 feet of water in the East river off the foot of Tiffany street, the Bronx. The police boat John F. Hyland hooked at least that many, but her winch and davit tackle were not strong enough to bring them to the surface. She pulled up one in shoal water. Its number was kept secret pending an interview with the holder of that license.

Two Dredges at Work. Murder cars, holdup cars and cars deliberately run overboard by owners or their agents, who sought to collect insurance on them, compose the occupants of this submarine graveyard. In the opinion of the police, two dredges with steam winches and strong derrick arms have been ordered to go to work. Captain Wins, head of the Bronx branch of the detective bureau, and Lieutenant Herman Myer of the Simpson-street station directed the kind of motor vehicles that were to be recovered. This followed discovery of a Brown and White taxicab which had been run overboard, but had been caught in the woodwork of the pier and was only half submerged.

Lieutenant Myer, a noted diver and swimmer, has figured in cases in which much work of grappling for the bodies of drowned persons. He said that about three months ago he had grappled all over the water area covered by the John F. Hyland and had not hooked anything except old bed springs and similar discarded material which would naturally gravitate to a street-cleaning department dock as the end of the Tiffany street is.

Spot Ideal for Purpose. No spot could be better fitted for disposal of automobiles carrying evidence of their association with crime than this one. The dock was built up at the end of a long roadway erected over salt marshes. The pier is well out from the land and the adjacent section is not built up. One or two shanties, sometimes used by pickpockets, are the only buildings in sight. It is lonesome and would be regarded as dangerous at night to any automobilist or pedestrian.

The water at the end of the pier is 35 feet deep at low tide and rapidly deepens. The region is known as Hunts point. There is a police booth ten blocks away, but across the marshes and filled ground, over which there is no direct approach to this pier. The policemen were eager to hurry the dredging for the sunken automobiles. They have long desired the heavy lists of automobiles reported missing are largely due to the indifference of owners of insured automobiles to their recovery. They say owners often will not even appear in court to prosecute thieves when the latter are caught and arraigned.

Murder Cars Expected. "I feel pretty certain that we are going to find here some cars whose license numbers figured in the reports of murders and hold ups," Captain Wins said. "It is an ideal place and way for murderers and robbers to get rid of such evidence as the automobiles they used might furnish. An automobile could be driven down here at night and never noticed and no one would know except those responsible if it were run overboard. If all the heavy objects we hooked from the John F. Hyland and could not pull up with her winch and davit are automobiles, it will not be necessary to delay police action until they are all pulled out. We have arranged to have divers here who can speed up the work of pulling up the cars and prevent any waste of time. The car pulled out from the shallow water off the end of this pier was taken by the John F. Hyland to the latter's station dock at Pier A. An immense number of automobiles drove to this pier. Not one a week has gone there in the past. The policemen busy in searching, openly suspected that among the visitors might be some who were afraid their own "spurious verenski" cars might be brought up.

OFFICIALS AT ROUND-UP

Capital Moves Temporarily to Umatilla County Seat.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—More than 12 state officials have left Salem during the last few days following announcements that they had been summoned to various towns and cities in eastern Oregon on important missions. Investigation, however, indicated that with one or two exceptions the officials are at Pendleton, where they are attending the annual roundup.

Among the officials at Pendleton are Governor Olcott, Sam A. Koser, secretary of state; O. P. Hoff, state treasurer; Frank Bramwell, state superintendent of banks; C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner; A. C. Barber, state insurance commissioner; H. E. Corey, public service commissioner; R. B. Goodin, secretary of the state board of control, and Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the state hospital.

PROSECUTOR TO BE TRIED

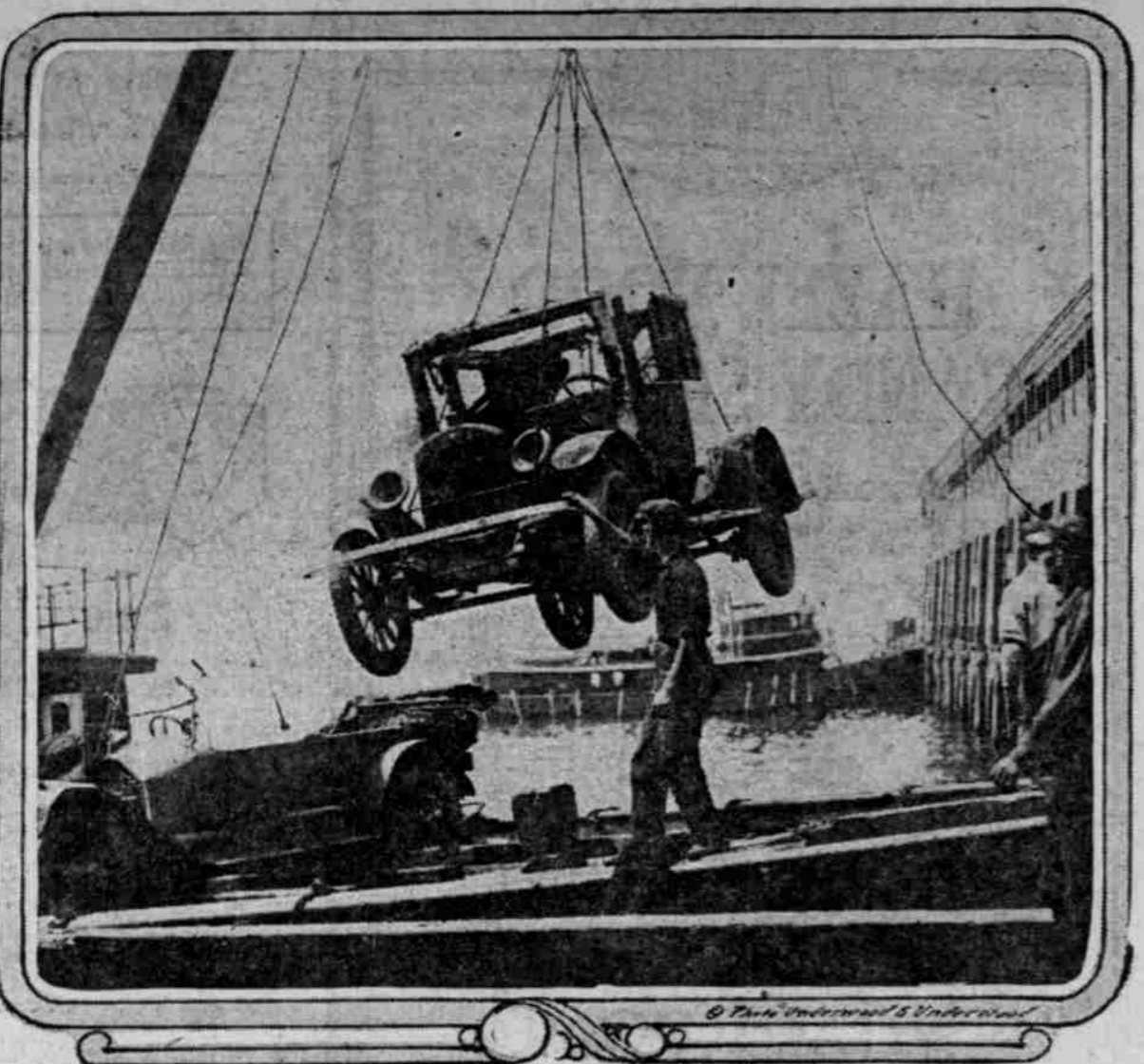
Committee to Hold Inquiry on Charges Against Lawyer.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The special committee named by Prosecuting Attorney Benson to investigate charges against his office has set Monday night as the time for a public hearing. Any charges against Mr. Benson will be made at this time, it was stated by the committee, which consists of S. B. L. Perouse, Rev. M. E. Bollen and John W. Lawson. The charges which have been made are the outgrowth of the recent convicting at the penitentiary of two convicts, Benson being charged with being tardy in his investigations. The charges were made by a local paper. Benson denies the charges and invited the committee to investigate his office.

Cardinal Dubourg Dies.

RENNES, France, Sept. 23.—Cardinal Dubourg, 79, archbishop of Rennes since August 23, 1908, is dead. He was created a cardinal on December 4, 1916.

HERE IS PORT OF MISSING MOTOR CARS.



NEW YORK POLICE "FISHING" FOR STOLEN MOTOR CARS. —Photo from Underwood.

\$10,000 BUS BOND, AIMS CITY COMMISSIONER MANN PROPOSES INCREASE.

Four Members of Council Favor Additional Protection for Stage Passengers.

In an effort to control the movements of interurban automobile stages that operate into and out of Portland and provide protection for persons who utilize such buses, City Commissioner Mann, in charge of the department of public utilities, has drafted an ordinance providing for a liability bond of \$10,000 or cash in the same amount to be posted with the city treasurer.

The proposed ordinance has the approval of the special traffic committee of the city council, composed of four members and as a result it is expected that the measure will be adopted with little delay.

A separate license is provided for automobile stages under the proposed ordinance. Under the present laws the automobile stages procure a for-hire car license, deposit a bond of \$1000 either as a personal or surety bond or cash, and proceed to function in the same manner as a for-hire car. The difficulty with this plan, according to Commissioner Mann, is the fact that the bond issued for the for-hire car does not give protection after a machine leaves the city of Portland, and that, further, \$1000 is not sufficient protection for the people who utilize a stage that carries from five to 15 passengers.

It is pointed out that Washington and California require a \$10,000 liability bond for automobile stages and that a number of these stages operate into Portland, having obtained the \$1000 bond to cover the Portland operations.

A large number of the stages now operating into and out of Portland already have \$10,000 liability bonds covering their vehicles as a means of self-protection. The new ordinance will affect only such stages and buses as are now covered by the \$1000 bond.

The ordinance also provides that any person who desires to operate a stage into and out of Portland must file an application for a license, submitting rates and schedules that must obtain during the life of the license, unless changed with the consent of the city council.

The owners of the buses are required under the provisions of the ordinance to make reports to the department of public utilities of all accidents that occur either in or out of the city.

Automobile stages operating under license issued by the city of Portland, if the ordinance is approved, will be required to carry fire extinguishers, extra tires and such other equipment as will make the car as safe as is possible.

The proposed ordinance provides that drivers of buses must be more than 21 years of age and must be American citizens.

City Commissioner Mann stated yesterday that the ordinance would probably be presented to the city council next Wednesday.

Obituary.

Walter A. Massingill. HOQUIAM, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Military rites will be given the body of Walter A. Massingill next Sunday at 2 o'clock in Montezano, Massingill entered service June 24, 1914, and was killed in the Argonne September 29, 1918, while a member of company K, 304th infantry, 77th division. He was born in Rome, Tenn., but had made his home in Montezano six years preceding his enlistment. Surviving him are Mrs. James Crass, Montezano; Mrs. Taylor Phillips, Olympia; Mrs. Dalie Borum, Tennessee; sisters; and three brothers in Tennessee.

Mrs. W. H. Gilbreth. BOARDMAN, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Word has been received of the death of Mrs. W. H. Gilbreth at The Dalles, where she had gone to under the care of her mother. She was a native of Oregon, her father and mother being Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Calbreth of The Dalles, who with three brothers, her widower and eight children survive her. She was also a cousin of T. E. Broyles of Boardman. The funeral will be held at The Dalles.

Albert Lincoln Harlow. The body of Albert Lincoln Harlow who lost his life while serving overseas with the 15th company 6th Marines overseas, will be laid to rest at the Mount Scott cemetery today. The services will be in charge of the American Legion. He was killed in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. The services will be held at 2 o'clock at Holman's chapel. Pallbearers will be

DISPUTED FILM BOOKED

PEOPLES TO SHOW "THE FOUR HORSEMEN."

Picture, Center of Controversy Between Theater Men and Producers, Starts October 8.

"The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," the motion picture production which was the center of controversy between the Jensen & Von Herberg theater interests and representatives of the Metro Film company, has been booked for an engagement at the Peoples theater, starting October 8, according to an announcement yesterday made by Joseph Brad, manager of the Peoples.

The picture was scheduled for a showing at the municipal auditorium October 25 to November 4, and a contract for the use of the auditorium was drawn up between Melvin G. Winstock and Carl Stern, representing the Metro company, producers of the film, and Hal M. White, manager of the auditorium. Winstock made a complaint to the city council asserting that the Jensen & Von Herberg interests had "fixed things" so that use of the auditorium would be denied the picture.

The matter was taken up at a hearing before the council at which the representatives of Metro and those of the big theater firm were present. The council backed the charge of Dan J. Malarky, attorney for the theater owners, that the auditorium had been used as a club by Metro interests to force an exorbitant bargain with Jensen & Von Herberg, and ruled that "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" might be shown at the auditorium but not under the auspices of Winstock or Stern.

Interests represented by William T. Pangle, manager of the Hilling theater, made an offer for the picture, as did other Portland theater men. News that Jensen & Von Herberg had secured the picture was announced yesterday in a telegram from C. S. Jensen in Seattle to Manager Brad of the Peoples theater.

COUNTY LEVY ANNOUNCED

Washington Totals Fixed by Equalizers Made Public.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 23.—Total tax to be paid by each county for state purposes was announced yesterday afternoon by the equalization committee in session here. The figures follow: Adams, \$286,706; Asotin, \$81,850; Benton, \$220,640; Chelan, \$304,406; Clallam, \$215,128; Clarke, \$318,636; Columbia, \$174,554; Cowlitz, \$182,254; Douglas, \$219,252; Ferry, \$59,834; Franklin, \$174,464; Garfield, \$119,274; Grant, \$242,730; Grays Harbor, \$69,287; Island, \$113,195; Jefferson, \$190,140; King, \$2,954,586; Kitsap, \$142,134; Kittitas, \$370,109; Klickitat, \$246,499; Lewis, \$43,685; Lincoln, \$473,210; Mason, \$84,844; Okanogan, \$179,007; Pacific, \$225,747; Pend d'Oreille, \$161,940; Pierce, \$1,347,446; San Juan, \$26,862; Skagit, \$298,825; Skamania, \$15,774; Spohnish, \$461,407; Spokane, \$1,824,456; Stevens, \$223,086; Thurston, \$242,225; Wahkiakum, \$3,485; Walla Walla, \$622,554; Whatcom, \$518,049; Whitman, \$214,955; Yakima, \$702,753. Total, \$17,293,605.

The figures represent the amounts each county will pay based on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property, including steam railroads, electric railways and telegraph lines as equalized by the committee.

Father Returns With Son.

CENTRALIA, WASH., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—C. W. Stevens, O-W-R, & N. brakeman, returned to Centralia from Reno, Nev., Wednesday, with his 18-year-old son, who, Stevens alleges, was kidnapped by his mother in July. When the parents were divorced in Seattle two years ago, they were given joint custody of the son, but the wife, Stevens says, agreed to let the boy stay with his grandparents in Centralia. Last July, Stevens declares, Mrs. Stevens visited here and disappeared with the boy. They were traced to Reno.

Lacamas Postmaster Chosen.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Clifton Wright has recently been appointed as postmaster at Lacamas, at the terminus of the Cowitz, Chehalis & Cascade railroad line, 13 miles southeast of Chehalis. Mr. Wright is one of the firm of Wright Brothers, who recently bought the Bailey store at Lacamas. The new firm is developing a big shipping business from that point, running an auto truck into the upper Cowitz valley for all kinds of produce, which finds its way out over the railroad line.

Special Tax Voted.

JEFFERSON, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—At a special meeting held recently the taxpayers of this school district voted on the yearly budget and passed the same, calling for a special district tax of \$4880.22. The high school offers a college preparatory course, with Latin the foreign language; also commercial courses, with bookkeeping, typewriting and shorthand.

Phone us for prices on your winter coal. Diamond Coal Co., Edwy. —Advt.

OTHER WOMAN IS BLAMED

WEDDED BLISS LASTED ONLY 40 DAYS, SAYS WIFE.

Mae L. Cocking Asks Divorce From Fred L. Cocking and Asks Alimony of \$25 Month.

Forty days after the marriage of Fred F. Cocking, he met an old sweetheart who revived the smoldering flames of love and caused him to desert his bride, charged Mae L. Cocking in a suit for divorce filed in the circuit court yesterday.

The Cockings were married in Vancouver, Wash., July 31, 1921. On September 18 he met a woman to whom he had been engaged before his marriage, said Mrs. Cocking. The old flame was Mrs. Anna Campbell, and to her Cocking transferred his affection, complained the wife, to such an extent that on September 17 he bid his wife good-bye, saying that he expected to marry his one-time sweetheart.

Cocking earns \$300 a month working for the Warren Construction company, it was claimed, and \$25 a month alimony was demanded. Sam Morgan was a negro and his wife, Lola Morgan, was fair of skin. But his wedded bliss was short-lived. He was married April 21 last at Vancouver, and only a few days after the wedding Mrs. Morgan disappeared. Her husband later learned that she had been confined in the Cochara. She had returned to the home he had furnished for a few brief days when she was arrested on the charge of being a drug addict.

Going down to the city jail on September 2 to help his wife, if possible, Morgan met a white man in the corridor. "What do you mean by hanging around my wife?" demanded the white man. "Your wife? Why, that gal's mah wife," was the response. An altercation which almost ended

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Direction of Jensen and Von Herberg

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"THE GIFT SUPREME"

with the Star of

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ELKS AT YAKIMA FAIR

Seattle Also Has Day at Washington State Show.

YAKIMA, Wash., Sept. 23.—This was Seattle and Elks' day at the 25th Washington state fair and a large delegation from Seattle joined the fraternity boosters in "making it snappy."

Spokane county was awarded first place in the county display contest; its score was 867. The ranking of other counties was as follows: Benton 857 1/2; Walla Walla 84 1/2; Skagit 82 1/2; Pierce 82 1/2; Lewis 81 1/2; Grays Harbor 75 1/2; Jefferson 67 1/2; Clallam 66 1/2; and Kittitas 65 1/2.

BURNARD DURNING

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The story of Boggs Court—in the slum district of a big city—a beehive of crooks, vice dens, barrel houses and crowded tenements—where crimes are committed daily but never made known.

The story of frame-ups, crooked attorneys and political graft.

The story of a beautiful girl of the slums, who loved a rich adventurer from the city.

EX-POLICEMAN PLEADS

Federal Prisoner Admits Guilt to Pave Way for Parole.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 23.—Ed Hagen, former Seattle policeman, serving a term in the federal prison at McNeil's island on a charge of conspiracy to steal government liquor, today appeared in federal court here and pleaded guilty to an additional pending complaint, accusing him of transporting liquor.

School Elections Called.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—October 3 has been set as the date for a special election in school district No. 11, Ford's Prairie, adjoining Centralia on the west, to authorize the levy of a special 5-mill tax. The proceeds of the tax will be used in employing another teacher for the school and arranging for transportation of high school pupils to Centralia. A similar election will be held in district No. 18, Vader, to authorize a special 10-mill levy.

Meat Dealers Deny Profiteering.

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 23.—Spokane retail meat dealers and members of the Stockmen's club will meet tomorrow to discuss charges made by the stockmen recently that the retailers were making excessive profits on meat. The retailers have issued a statement denying the charges and welcoming an investigation.

29th Anniversary

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