

WARD'S ALLEGED BLACKMAIL PLOT BECOMES DEEPER

Slaying by Millionaire Baker's
Son Takes On More Mystery;
Inquest to Be Held on Monday.

(By Universal Service)
White Plains, N. Y., May 27.—Coinciding with the release late today of Walter S. Ward, confessed slayer of Clarence Peters, on \$50,000 bail, new developments tended to make the circumstances surrounding the alleged blackmail plot more enigmatic than ever. Latest features in the case are:

1. Statement by William J. Fallon, attorney for the family of the slain man, that he defended a "Charlie Ross" in a blackmailing case a year ago, Ward claiming "Charlie Ross" had cooperated with Peters in blackmailing him.

2. A statement by District Attorney Weeks: "We are beginning to think that if the corpse had not been identified, we would never have heard from Ward."

3. Proof that the playing card found on the lawn of the Ward home did not correspond with the pack of cards taken from Peters' clothing following the slaying.

4. Indication by Coroner Fitzgerald that he would in all probability hold the inquest Monday.

CASH BAIL GIVEN
Supreme Court Justice Seeger at Newburgh, before granting Ward's release, asked whether the defendant could put up \$50,000 bail in cash or Liberty Bonds and when the reply was given in the affirmative, the court said:

"This case is considered a mystery and the question of whether guilty of a crime or whether it is a case of murder or manslaughter is impossible to determine at this time. This is because the only witness is the defendant, and his testimony is entitled to be considered with care before it is accepted in full. Under the circumstances the bail should be in substantial amount. At the time the bail of \$10,000 was named there was not much doubt as to the truth of Ward's statement, but now that some doubt is held by the district attorney, I think the bail should be much higher than the nominal \$10,000."

Shortly after the court's decision, Elwood Rabinold, chief counsel for Ward, appeared at the office of Sheriff Worner and announced himself as ready to furnish bail. The sheriff quickly made out the receipt and accepted \$9,000 bills and two \$500 bills, tendered by the attorney.

Ward, who had been brought over from the Westchester county jail, where he spent the night, to the sheriff's office, was told that he was at liberty to depart.

HURRIES HIM AWAY
A man who is said to be the slayer's brother stepped up to Ward just as he was leaving the courthouse. After talking for several minutes they walked down the steps, jumped into a high powered automobile and drove away in the direction of New Rochelle, Ward's home.

The attention of the authorities is now directed to completing a check of the story told by Ward of the alleged blackmail plot against him, that resulted in the death of Peters. The indications are that the coroner will start his inquiry to establish the cause of Peters' death on Monday.

The playing card found on the lawn of Ward's home was examined today by Lieutenant Roberts of the state police and Trooper Green.

Green, who is an expert on cards, said that it did not come from the pack which Peters carried. This fact was considered important in that it upheld Ward's story that he shot Peters in a roadside duel several miles from the Ward home. Investigators are working on the theory that Peters might have been slain in the vicinity of the Ward home.

Later the card, with many pieces of glass found on the rear driveway of the Ward home, was turned over to Sheriff Worner. Examination of the cards found on Peters revealed that the ace, kings, queens and jacks were marked.

NAVY RECORD SHOWS WARD'S
STORY TO BE INCONSISTENT
(By Universal Service)
Charleston, S. C., May 27.—During at least two weeks of the time Walter S. Ward claimed, when he confessed killing Clarence Peters, that he had been meeting the latter in New York for discus-

IS HE MURDERER, OR DID HE DEFEND SELF?



Walter S. Ward, who says he slew Clarence Peters to halt blackmail plot.

sion of an alleged blackmailing plot. Peters was at Paris Island, S. C., marine training station waiting for enlistment. The record of the post adjutant shows that "Clarence M. Peters accepted at a Boston recruiting station, arrived at Paris Island alone April 28 and was rejected because of a dishonorable discharge from the navy department. Transportation furnished to Philadelphia May 12."

No one is known to have visited Peters during his stay at the post and because of the surveillance under which recruits are held prior to acceptance, officers state that it would have been impossible for any stranger at the post to have seen Peters during his two weeks on the island without their knowledge.

Captain Talmadge Taylor, commanding officer of the marine receiving barracks, remembered having "kicked" Peters out when he learned of his navy record during the customary "lecture" he gives recruits before accepting them. It was during his lecture that Peters "tripped himself up" regarding a record of bad conduct in the navy.

A check of the hotel records here shows that neither Peters nor Ward was ever registered here.

President Goes On Cruise; He May See Army, Navy Game

(By Universal Service)
Washington, May 27.—The president and Mrs. Harding, accompanied by a party of officials, left late today for a week-end cruise on the presidential yacht Mayflower.

They will proceed slowly down the Potomac river and on Sunday cruise about the bay. It is not planned to go outside the capes, but on Monday the party may go up the Severn river to Annapolis. The annual baseball game between the army and navy schools is to take place and as the president often expressed a wish to witness one of these contests it is possible he will stop off.

The president will return to Washington Tuesday morning in time for the president to take part in the exercises for the dedication of the Lincoln memorial.

WIVES SEEK DIVORCES
Montesano, Wash., May 27.—Divorce suits were filed here yesterday by Josephine Leiken against John Leiken, and Gena Johnson against John Johnson of Aberdeen.

DILL OF SPOKANE HITS POINDEXTER'S POLITICAL RECORD

Democratic Aspirant for Senatorial
Office Visits Southwestern
Washington on Campaign Tour

Vancouver, May 27.—C. C. Dill of Spokane, candidate for the Democratic nomination for United States senator from Washington, against Miles Poindexter, was entertained here today by a group of Democrats at luncheon at the Y. W. C. A. Among those present were Frank Schaefer, Democratic chairman of Clarke County; W. S. Wood, Dr. R. D. Wiswall, Edgar M. Swan and R. C. Suggs. Dill informally discussed his candidacy and issues pertaining thereto.

C. C. Dill of Spokane, for two terms a member of congress from the fifth district of Washington, was a Portland and Vancouver visitor Saturday. He came to Portland Friday evening to stay over the night and visit with friends here during Saturday forenoon. He came to Vancouver Saturday morning on the invitation of Southwestern Washington leaders who wanted to hear him tell why he is seeking the Democratic nomination for United States senator and what he expects to do if Miles Poindexter should win the nomination, when he starts out on his campaign for election.

Dill is out after the political scalp and senatorial toga of Mr. Poindexter. He says he believes, the nomination won, he stands a good chance to take both of those coveted positions from the present senator. He intends, he says, to show the voters of Washington just what a stalwart progressive Poindexter has been these last few years, a tale, he believes, will open their eyes more than a little bit.

Dill came to Spokane from Cleveland, Ohio, years ago as a newspaper man, from the Cleveland Press and the Plain Dealer, to the Spokane Spokesman-Review. He left newspaper work to take up teaching that he might have more time to study law. Admitted to the bar, he served as deputy district attorney of Spokane county, was private secretary to Governor Lister in 1912, was elected to congress in 1914, again in 1916, and was defeated in 1918.

Sing Sing Prison Is
Full to Limit With
Rush of 'Boarders'

Ossining, N. Y., May 27.—For the first time in years famous old Sing Sing has not sufficient accommodation for its inmates. The recent crime wave sent so many new boarders to Sing Sing that Warden Lawes has had to appeal to the state superintendent of prisons for relief. Sing Sing has accommodations for 1800 prisoners. They have been arriving at the rate of 10 a day for several weeks and there were 1216 in the famous prison.

Hope of Defeating
Poindexter Is Seen

Aberdeen, Wash., May 27.—Former Congressman C. C. Dill, candidate on the Democratic ticket for the seat of United States Senator Miles Poindexter, has been here for several days, sizing up the situation. Dill asserts Republican disaffection throughout the state, due to the failure of the national administration to carry out its promises is considerable. This, with the opposition to Poindexter because of his support of Senator Newberry of Michigan, leads him to consider the outlook for the Democratic candidate to be good. Dill added materially to his list of friends while here.

Spokane Detective Gives Up to Face Tampering Charge

Spokane, Wash., May 27.—Indicted by the special grand jury on a charge of tampering with a witness wanted to give testimony in the grand jury investigation of the Maurice P. Codd murder trial, J. L. Cook, a private detective, surrendered himself to Sheriff C. E. Long today. Bond of \$5000 was approved and Cook was released to be arraigned before Judge Lindley, Monday morning. When Cook surrendered he was accompanied by his attorney, A. G. Gray, and by W. E. Stauffer of the Spokane Merchants' police.

Cook is charged in the warrant with having assisted Mrs. Beatrice Sant, a defense witness in the Codd trial, in avoiding service of a subpoena to testify before the grand jury. Cook is the third to be arrested on indictments returned by the grand jury. Mrs. Rose Fagan was the first, being charged with perjury at the trial, while Fred Boots was arrested on a charge similar to the Cook charge.

PREMIER TACKLES IRISH QUESTION

London Conference Held While
Reports of Arson and Terror
Come From Ireland.

London, May 27.—(U. P.)—Lloyd George tackled the Irish crisis tonight while reports of murder, arson and terrorism reached London from all parts of Ireland.

The premier's conference was held at 10 Downing street and lasted for an hour and a half. It was attended by Lloyd George, Austen Chamberlain, Lord Birkenhead, Winston Churchill, Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Sir Esmar Greenwood, Arthur Griffith, Michael Collins and other provisional Free State leaders.

Reports from Dublin told of an outbreak of terrorism in the south. Forman Constable Greer was killed and his son wounded at Cootshall by a party of Irish men believed to have been Irish mutineers.

Southern Ireland has been quiet since the Collins-DeValera agreement. In Belfast war between Sinn Feiners and Protestants brought the week's death toll to 32. Arson squads carried on their operations in broad daylight, while snipers were firing from houses.

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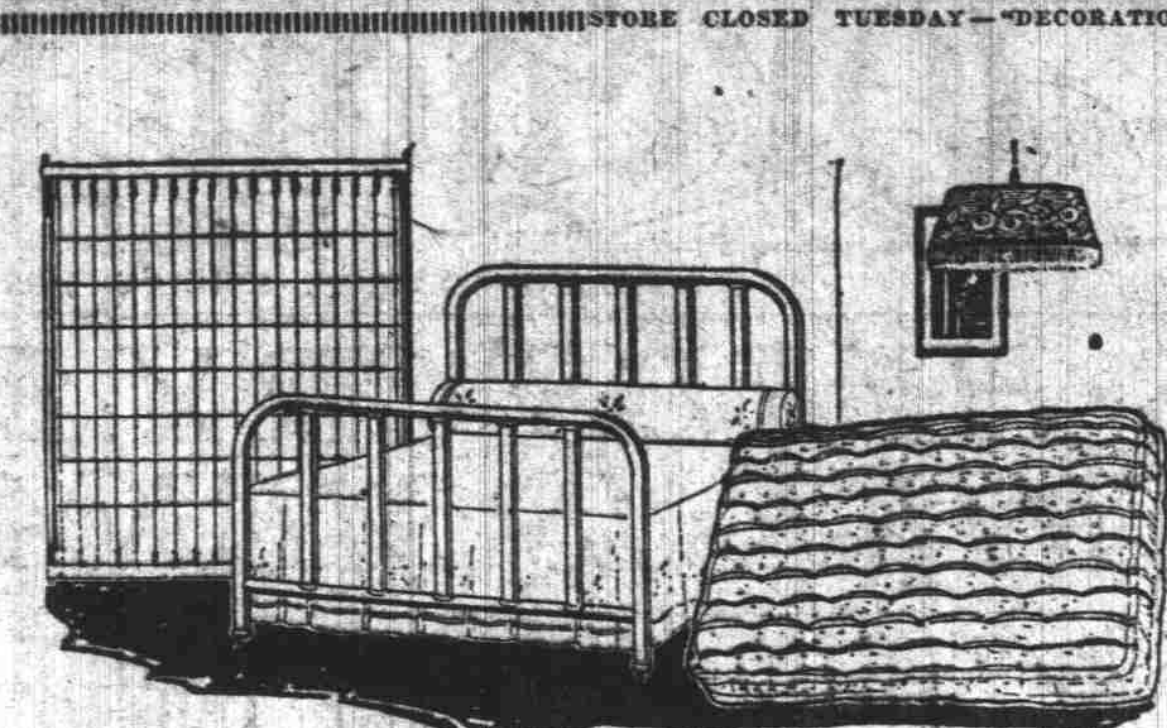
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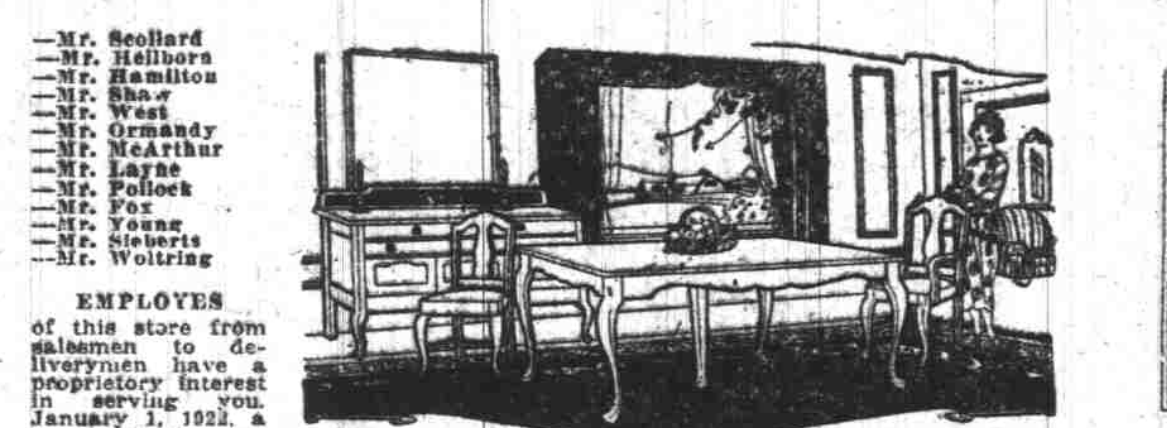
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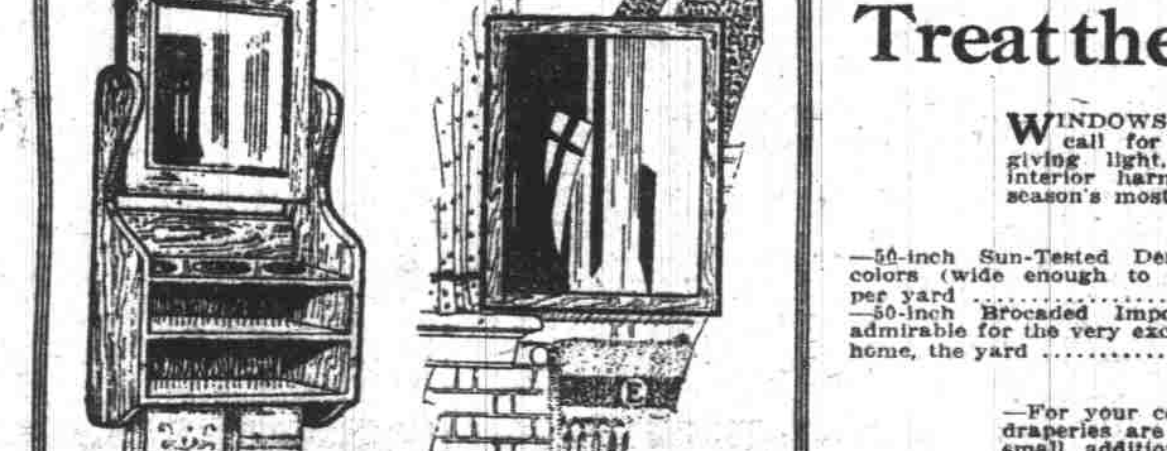
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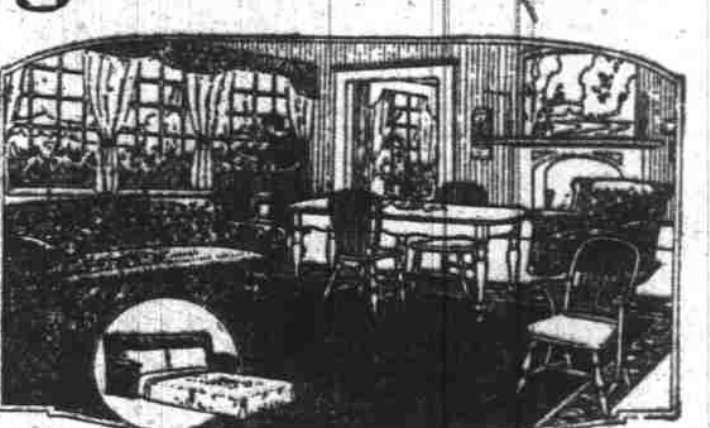
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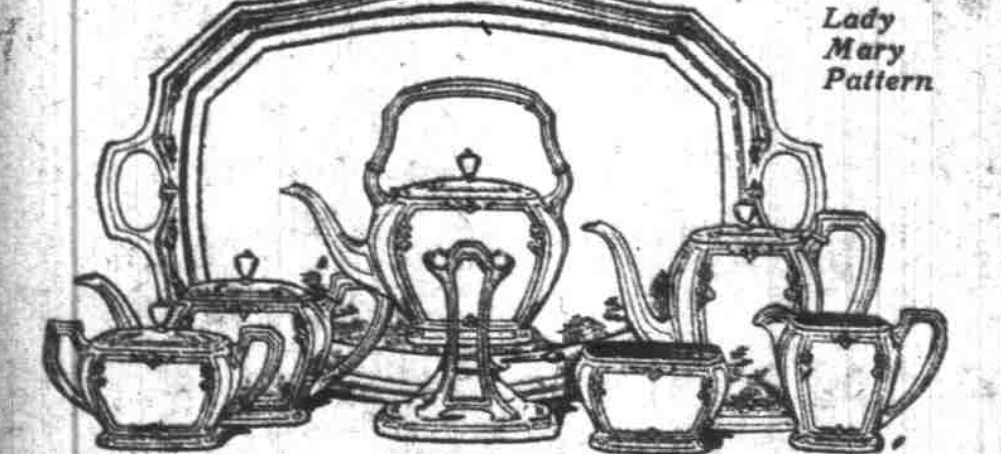
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