

## SEEK 3 WOMEN MURDER CASE

Grand Jury Inquiry Ordered  
For This Morning in  
L. A. Episode

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 7.—(AP)—A search for three women, two of whom had not been connected previously by the police with the fatal love affair of Leo Kelly, handsome butler boy, and Mrs. Frank Mellus, society matron who he is charged with murdering on Sunday, was started today following an order for the opening tomorrow morning of a grand jury investigation of the crime and its preceding events.

The three women, one of whom was revealed as Mrs. Mae Switzer, wife of the owner of a small department store, were described as being close acquaintances of the amorous society woman, and having attended many lively parties at the Mellus home during the absence of Frank Mellus, wealthy husband of the slain woman. The police insisted that no suspicion was attached to the three hunted women, but expressed the belief that questioning them might reveal events of Kelly's five-year-old affair with Mrs. Mellus, and clarify those of its fatal climax. The latter came on Sunday, returning from a fishing trip, of his wife's nude and mutilated body, and the later cornering of Kelly in a closet in the Mellus home.

One of the women, Mrs. Switzer, of the city either Saturday or Sunday on a motor trip with relatives, according to her husband, A. O. Switzer. He declared, before he also left the city hurriedly this morning, that he did not know his wife's whereabouts, but that he expected her to be in San Francisco the end of this week.

He said they had police detection which indicated that Mrs. Switzer had returned to Los Angeles and was remaining in hiding to avoid questioning.

Switzer told his store manager this morning: "Don't expect me until you see me again," as he swooped some cash from the till and departed. He had declared that he knew nothing of the Kelly-Mellus affair and that he would not know anything until he had seen his wife.

## PIG INNOCENT BRUNT OF MAN'S ACCIDENT

NORTH, SANTIAM, Aug. 7.—(Special).—A refractory pig, a cow, a horse and Robert Young, an employee on the Scofield ranch, participated in a peculiar accident Sunday. Robert, on the horse, attempted to drive the pig back to the place from which it had lately escaped.

The cow, alarmed by the noise, rushed out of the brush, directly in the path of the oncoming pig; consequently the cow, the pig and Robert were precipitated in a struggling heap to the ground, resulting in a crushed foot for Robert, the seriousness of which could not be determined until the injured foot had been X-rayed by Dr. Brewer, disclosing a broken bone in the ankle.

Mrs. Clyde Witcraft went to Salem Sunday, to undergo a serious operation, which was performed Monday at the Willamette sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McLaughlin went to Portland Saturday to attend the funeral of Grandfather Maple. Mrs. Roy Maple and children, Stanley and Ona, accompanied them home and returned to Portland Sunday.

Roy Cobb, who has been doing ranch work at Tye, Douglas county, the past eight months, spent the week end with the home folks here. He, with Miss Elma Powell, who has been visiting relatives here the past week, returned to Tye Monday.

James Ewell of Vancouver bar racks, visited a few days the past week at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Wiley Angel.

## Democrats Get Busy Rocky Mountains Drumming Up Votes

DENVER, Aug. 7.—(AP)—Immediate organization of the eight states of the Rocky mountain region, under the jurisdiction of Fred W. Johnson, Rock Springs, Wyo., regional director for the democratic national committee, will be started, Johnson announced here today.

Headquarters for the regional campaign will be opened in Salt Lake City some time next week, and shortly thereafter the chairman of the eight states in the district will be called to that place for a conference to outline plans for the pushing of a vigorous Smith-Robinson campaign.

"A campaign the like of which never has been waged in the Rocky mountain territory in behalf of a democratic national ticket, will be launched," Mr. Johnson declared.

The states over which Mr. Johnson will have control as western regional manager are Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana and Idaho.

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## BRIDES IN KNICKERS

Oklahoma Pastor Refuses to Perform Ceremony for Girl  
in Knickers Unless She Consents to Adorning  
Herself With Dress

DURANT, Okla., Aug. 7.—(NKA)—If a bride wants to get married in knickers instead of the traditional bridal costume, that's nobody's business but hers.

So thinks Mrs. Teresa Hudson of Durant, anyway.

Mrs. Hudson not long ago was Miss Teresa Jones. She and Jack Hudson, about to be married, were planning on a honeymoon camping trip to Texas, and when they went to the minister the bride was arrayed in trim knickers.

But the minister, the Rev. A. A. McReynolds, a Baptist, was horrified.

"A woman must dress like a woman if she wants me to perform a marriage ceremony for her," he announced. "Breeches are all right for men and inhabitants of tourist parks, but when it comes to the solemn and important ceremony of marriage a woman should appear in the habiliments of her own sex."

The couple's pleas were vain.

"If you will go and put on a dress, I will perform the ceremony," told Miss Jones.

But Miss Jones wouldn't. Instead she and Hudson sought out H. M. Young, Durant's 69-year-old justice of the peace, who performed the ceremony without demur, remarking that he would have married them if they had been dressed in bathing suits.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson got back from their honeymoon the other day. The bride is still a little bit vexed over the minister's attitude.

"Hasn't a girl a right to choose her own wedding garb?" she asked. "Hasn't she the right to wear knickers if she wants to? I don't see why a girl wouldn't follow the trend of modern times and throw off the shackles of convention. Brides who follow old custom and dress up in elaborate costumes are usually adorned by parties and dress-makers before the ceremony ever happens."

And Hudson added:

"It suited me, and if I was satisfied I don't see why it should have made any difference to the minister."

The case attracted a good deal of attention in this part of the



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country, and newspapers sought the views of other pastors. One well-known minister, the Rev. Burris A. Jenkins of Linwood Boulevard Church of Kansas City, expressed unqualified approval of knickers as a wedding garb. He predicted a life of happiness for Mr. and Mrs. Hudson because "of their ability to be sensible."

## Tourists Report Light Season in Many Camps

The registration at the city auto camp got back up to normal last night with a total of 37. This was the average number per night for the month of July. People coming in from all points of the Pacific coast report auto camps owners everywhere are complaining of a light season this year. People either aren't on the road, or are not patronizing the camps.

Among the visitors last night was J. M. Allen who sells a cleaning preparation for rugs. He visits hotels, theatres and undertaking parlors from the Mexican border to Canada, and from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic. He has a large territory to cover. He is making the Salem camp his headquarters for a few days.

As G. E. Wright and Mrs. Wright drove into the camp last night, he was heard to say, "Well, the same fellows are running it. Mr. and Mrs. Wright feel at home in the camp, as this is the third successive summer that they have stopped here. They

## Washington Farm Man Says He Favors Smith And Opposes Hoover

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 7.—(AP)—A. D. Fairbairn of Washington, member of the farm committee of 22 from the northwestern states which fostered the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill in congress, announced here today he will support Governor Smith of New York in the presidential race.

Mr. Fairbairn, a republican and a dry, declared he believed the democratic party will equalize the economic situation.

"The farm interests," Mr. Fairbairn said, "want just two things—farm relief and decent government. I am convinced the House platform on which Governor Smith stands will give them both. I am against Hoover because he is against the farmers and has been for 10 years."

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## CAL YET ASKS FOR ECONOMY

President Still Determined to  
Put Up Fight Against  
Extravagance

SUPERIOR, Wis., Aug. 7.—(AP)—President Coolidge is determined to fight for economy more strenuously than ever at the coming session of congress, excluding his veto prerogative and appearing on all appropriation bills which shall appear to him superfluous.

Mr. Coolidge is mindful of the appropriations which have already been made by congress for the current fiscal year. He also believes that the tax cut passed at the last session will not result, as was the case with previous reductions, in larger government revenues. The result of these two factors was shown him by Brigadier General H. M. Lord, director of the budget, to point to a possible deficit of about \$100,000,000.

For this reason President Coolidge will hold down further expenditures to a minimum. He believes, however, that business conditions in the country are good and that since taxation is now apportioned in a manner to respond directly to the general prosperity of the nation, treasury receipts will be sufficient to wipe out any possible deficit.

President Coolidge feels that the recent tax reduction will not cause larger treasury receipts because it did not affect in its main provisions those taxes whose removal would vitally stimulate business and commerce. Corporation tax earnings, he believes, will be virtually unchanged and will only be influenced indirectly by the reduction of corporation tax.

The tax cut, further, left unchanged taxes dealing with capital increases or transfers and therefore will not greatly stimulate more business, Mr. Coolidge believes. Increases or decreases in revenues will be practically entirely dependent, he thinks, on the degree of the country's prosperity.

Indications that President Coolidge would not leave his summer residence until at least the second week in September were seen in arrangements now being tentatively made to keep the summer executive offices in operation until after the date scheduled for the opening of the high school in which they are located.

The school is supposed to open again immediately after Labor Day. White House attaches have been consulting with the school authorities as to whether the opening date could be postponed for a week or two. It is believed here that the chief executive is planning to stay at Cedar Island lodge until about September 11, or 12, thus returning to Washington about September 15.

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To Silverton—7:00, 10:35 a.m.; 5 p.m.  
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## 2 Polish Aviators Plan Journey Back to Paris

LISBON, Portugal, Aug. 7.—(AP)—The Polish aviators Major Kazimir Kubala and Major Louis Idzikowski, rested and refreshed after their long flight above the Atlantic which ended so abruptly Saturday, last night were making plans for their return to Paris.

Mechanics were already enroute from Paris to Oporto where they were already talking of making the steamship which was brought to port by the same steamship which rescued its crew. A cursory examination had shown that the chief damage was to the wings and the airman tonight was already talking of making another attempt to span the Atlantic by air. This apparently hinged on whether the big seaplane could be conditioned before summer weather ends.

Major Kubala, whose arm was cut when he fell on the deck of the steamship, which was brought to port by the same steamship which rescued its crew, was so far recovered today from the injury that he was able to rejoin his companion at an Oporto hotel and even made short

## TWO WOMEN ARGUE LAW ENFORCEMENT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—(AP)—The relative merits of the law enforcement plank in the democratic and republican platforms were debated over the radio today by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, head of Governor Smith's advisory committee for women, and Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, assistant attorney-general in charge of prohibition cases and a Hoover supporter.

Speaking first on the "voters' service" program of the National League of Women Voters and the National Broadcasting company, Mrs. Roosevelt declared that the democratic law enforcement plank from her viewpoint, as a dry, seemed "much more specific" than the republican plank and that Governor Smith, while favoring modification of the Volstead act, "would be the first to agree that in changing the law he is powerless unless congress agrees with him."

Mrs. Willebrandt, taking the side for Hoover, declared the democratic law enforcement plank did not go as far as the republican, charged that Governor Smith had "scrapped" his party's pledge by his message to the Houston convention and asserted Herbert Hoover "has a private life and habits of temperance which square with the party's pledge."

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## STUDEBAKER FIRM BROADENING OUT

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 7.—(AP)—Two of the oldest manufacturers of vehicles in America became associated today when stockholders of the Pierce-Arrow Motor Car company approved a reorganization of the company in which Studebaker corporation will have an interest.

Although plans for the reorganization, which already had been approved by the board of directors, do not call for a merger, the Studebaker corporation with its selling organization will back the new company as well as furnish certain rough parts for the manufacture of Pierce-Arrow parts. All interests of the two companies will have total assets approximating \$200,000,000, making it the fourth largest manufacturing group in the motor industry.

The Studebaker corporation, president A. R. Erskine said, is "preparing to go ahead with the Pierce-Arrow plans as soon as the organization of the consolidated companies and all necessary details are completed to its satisfaction." Mr. Erskine will be chairman of the reorganized company and Myron E. Forbes will retain his present position as president.

Studebaker will invest \$2,000,000 in the new company. Pierce-Arrow directors said, in return it will receive all or 250,125 shares of the class "B" stock to be issued. If production of the Pierce-Arrow plant can be increased to 15,000 units a year, as officials of the company expect, they feel that the reorganized company will be able to show a much better net profit annually.

## Wet Wins Re-election At Polls in Colorado

DENVER, Aug. 7.—(AP)—S. Harrison White, democrat, elected congressman from the first congressional district of Denver county last December on a platform calling for a modification of the Volstead law, was renominated by the democratic congressional convention to succeed himself today.

## SIR CHAMBERLAIN TAKES LONG REST

LONDON, Aug. 7.—(AP)—Sir J. Austen Chamberlain, British secretary for foreign affairs, has been ordered to take a complete rest in order that he may recover completely from the attack of bronchial pneumonia under which he has been suffering.

This became known today when an official communique was issued designating Lord Cusheuden as acting foreign secretary. Lord Cusheuden will represent Great Britain at the September meeting of the council and of the assembly of the League of Nations. The signing of the Kellogg pact in Paris late this month was not mentioned in the communique but it is thought certain that Cusheuden's signature will appear on that document.

Lord Cusheuden was financial secretary to the treasury from November 1925 to October 1927 when he was made chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. He was raised to the peerage when he took over the latter office. As Ronald John McNeill, he was editor of St. James Gazette and an assistant editor of the encyclopedia Britannica. He was one of the signers of a motion passed in the House of Lords putting that body on record as favoring acceptance by Great Britain of the Kellogg treaties.

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