

Gangland Trio to Die for Murder of Crippled Woman

By BILL BECKER
LOS ANGELES — Barbara Graham and her two gangster friends, John A. Santo and Emmett Perkins, were convicted Tuesday of the murder of an elderly crippled woman, and foredoomed to die in the San Quentin gas chamber.
A jury found the trio guilty of first degree murder in the brutal slaying last March 9 of Mrs. Mabel Monahan, 62, in her Burbank home. There was no recommendation for mercy, and under California law the death penalty is mandatory. The court set Friday for sentencing but a defense counsel motion for a new trial could delay it.

Mrs. Graham, 30, Santo, 48, and Perkins, 45, were indicted by a grand jury and arrested last May after a two-month search. The state contended the Santo gang was after \$100,000 believed hidden in Mrs. Monahan's home by her former son-in-law, Las Vegas gambler Luther Scherer.
Mrs. Graham will become the third woman to go to San Quentin's death chamber unless there is a stay of Judge Clement D. Nye's sentence.

"As long as they've found me guilty, I'd rather have the death penalty than life imprisonment," Mrs. Graham whispered to her attorney after the verdict was read.
Tears filled her eyes as the verdict was returned after 5 1/2 hours of deliberation. No emotion was shown by Santo and Perkins, who also have been linked by officers to the Chester, Calif., slaying of grocer Guard Young and three small children last October.

Mrs. Graham, a tinted titan blonde, and the two men were arrested four months ago in a hide-out in suburban Lynwood.
Four times married and the mother of three children, Mrs. Graham at 30 has a record extending back to a reform school commitment when she was 13. She has been arrested previously on charges of prostitution, perjury, narcotics possession and passing bad checks.
Both Santo, reputed leader of a state-wide gang, and Perkins, an ex-convict with felony records stretching back to 1924. Mrs. Graham was sentenced to one year for perjury in 1949.

Pistol-Whipped
John L. True, member of the gang who became the state's key witness, testified Mrs. Graham pistol-whipped the widow brutally.
"Mrs. Graham had her by the hair," True told the jury. "Mrs. Monahan was bleeding. I saw Barbara strike her several times. Then Mrs. Monahan fainted and I ran."

Zahedi Exiles Prisoners

TEHRAN, Iran — Premier Fazlollah Zahedi Monday exiled 150 prisoners, charged as Communist foes of his new regime, to the sunbaked wastes of western Iran.
The prisoners began their grim journey before dawn in heavily-guarded army trucks.
Under emergency regulations, "persons who cause unrest and disturb the public security" are subject to exile without trial.
Police estimated that nearly 3,000 Communists already have been rounded up. Authorities said another 100 accused Reds will start for the fortress Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the newspaper Poste said the jailed ex-premier Mohammed Mossadegh has signed a series of accusations made against him by army prosecutors. It said one charge related to his disobeying Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi's decree ousting him.

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Salem Obituaries

ARMSTRONG
James Armstrong, in this city Sept. 13. Late resident of Newport. Grave-side services will be held Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 10:30 a.m. at Newport. Under direction of the W. T. Rigdon Company.

CONNER
Ellen Conner, Sept. 20, at residence, Salem Route 3. Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Conner. Surviving are the parents, grandparents, F. E. Hyde, Grants Pass, Ore., and Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Fletcher, Canas, Wash. Services at the Virgil T. Golden Chapel Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 1:15 p.m. with the Rev. Lloyd T. Anderson officiating. Interment at Belcrest Memorial Park.

DUNNE
David Dennis Dunn, in this city Sept. 21, 1903, at the age of 50 years. Survived by wife, Mary Jane Dunne, Dublin, Ireland. Announcement of services later by the W. T. Rigdon Co.

EMMERTON
Mrs. Amy Amelia Emmerton, at the family residence, 933 Tamarack St., Sept. 21. Survived by son, Russell E. Emmerton, Salem; grandchildren, Mrs. Marjorie E. Kingsley, Miss Norma J. Emmerton and Miss Linda A. Emmerton, all of Salem. Shipment has been made to Ontario, Calif., by the Clough-Barrick Co. for services.

GALLAGHER
Earl W. Gallagher, at the residence, 110 Highland Ave., Sept. 21, at the age of 65 years. Survived by widow, Mrs. Alvida Gallagher, Salem; son, W. W. Gallagher, Salem; Kenneth A. Gallagher, Oswego, Ore.; also six grandchildren. Services at the Virgil T. Golden Chapel Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clough-Barrick Chapel.

IRWIN
Guy E. Irwin, at a local hospital, Sept. 19. Late resident of 745 S. Commercial St. Survived by wife, Ida E. Irwin, Salem; two sisters, Mrs. Zoa Van Winkle, Washington, D. C., and Mrs. O. A. Jaeger, Vancouver, B. C.; also several nieces and nephews. Services will be held Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 2:30 p.m. in the Virgil T. Golden Chapel with the Rev. Omar Barth officiating. Interment at Belcrest Memorial Park.

SUDMEYER
Mrs. Bertha Sudmeyer, at a local hospital, Sept. 21. Late resident of 425 River Crest Dr. Survived by two daughters, Mrs. William Joyner and Mrs. Leo H. Johnson, both of Salem; three sons, Herbert Reimer, Detroit, Mich.; Alfred Reimer and Frank Reimer, both of Indianapolis, Ind.; sister, Mrs. Ida West, Indianapolis, Ind.; 14 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. Services will be held in the Virgil T. Golden Chapel Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 10:30 a.m. with the Rev. G. G. Green officiating. Interment at Belcrest Memorial Park.

TOMLIN
Baby Roy Tomlin, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Tomlin in this city Sept. 21. Survived by parents, sister, Florine; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Roby, Ashton, Md. Grave services will be held on Thursday, Sept. 24 at 3 p.m. with the Rev. George Swift officiating. Interment at Belcrest Memorial Park under the direction of the Howell-Edwards Co.

BLADES DUE
PARIS (INS)—The Hungarian daily newspaper, "Esti Budapest" recently noted that "in three months there will be razor blades on the market." The newspaper said local industries are trying to satisfy consumer demands. It declared the Nagy government's new program permits manufacturing of articles lacking until now.

College Youth Kills Pregnant Sweetheart

UPPER SANDUSKY, Ohio (U)— A slender, 19-year-old college sophomore, who planned to be a minister, confessed Tuesday he strangled and stabbed to death his pregnant sweetheart.
Roy Roger Schinagle Jr. of Mayfield Heights, near Cleveland, admitted the brutal slaying of pretty Cynthia Pfeil, 19, of White Plains, N. Y., Sheriff Dean McAllister said.

Her mutilated body was found last Friday in a lonely woods near this Central Ohio town. Clad only in red slippers and a flannel nightgown, the body bore signs of a beating. The girl's face was pierced beyond recognition by more than 20 stab wounds.
The dark-haired victim, who met Schinagle last year while both were freshmen at Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, was pregnant and had been criminally attacked, an autopsy revealed.

Long Confession
Schinagle, who just turned 19, sobbed out a lengthy confession a few hours after he was arrested on the college campus, some 40 miles south of Upper Sandusky. The girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pfeil of White Plains, said she left home Aug. 24. They said they did not know whether she planned to visit a brother in Columbus, Ohio, or re-enter Ohio Wesleyan.

From New York City
The parents heard from their daughter only once—a letter postmarked the next day from New York City.
Schinagle, described by his high school teachers as a "nice boy," told Police Capt. Justin Cornelley of Marion the girl had come to his home to see him. Officers said Schinagle did not remember the exact date of her arrival in Mayfield Heights.

Schinagle said he then went to Delaware to enroll at college. A few days later, Miss Pfeil came to Delaware to be near him. On one occasion, she stayed overnight in a "shack" on the school's athletic field, the boy related.

Sketchy Account
Schinagle's account of the murder and the incidents that preceded it was sketchy.
He told Capt. Cornelley they argued last Thursday; after she told him another man had "annoyed" her. During the argument,

Miss Benson's Funeral Set For Friday

Statestman News Service
SILVERTON—Funeral services for Miss Elsie Benson, 61, will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Memorial Chapel of the Ekman Funeral Home with the Rev. Frank S. Harder, Salem, officiating. Interment will be in Bethany Cemetery.

Miss Benson died Sunday of a heart attack. She was born in Marion County Jan. 14, 1892, and had lived all her life in the Silverton area.
Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Albert Eggman, Silverton Route 2.

Renovation of Apartment House Planned

A complete \$5,000 refurbishing of an apartment house at 274 N. Cottage St., was given an okeh Tuesday by the city engineer's office in an alteration permit issued to Jean M. Grabenhorst.
The alteration involves building a brick front, conversion from a two to a four-room apartment and off-street parking.

Other permits issued Tuesday went to the California Packing Company, wreck a warehouse, 285 S. 12th St., \$50; Don Brown, alter store, 1540 Fairgrounds Rd., \$200; O. F. Franklin, alter dwelling, 2397 Center St., \$200, and F. H. Mingle, alter dwelling, 2235 Broadway, \$500.

Schinagle related, the girl swung at him. After that, the youth said, he lost his head and strangled her, and put her in the back seat of his car and started driving. He said he could remember nothing after that.
Asked why he beat his victim, Schinagle replied:
"I beat her because she was dead."
Wyandot County Coroner B. H. Hathaway said death was caused by strangulation.
The youth, while in high school, was vice president of his senior class, captain of the high school baseball team two years and edited the class year book. His father is an electrical engineer.

Drive to Aid Burned-Out Family Starts

A move is underway in the Salem community to aid the Benard Elgin family who lost almost all their possessions in a fire which destroyed their home on the Silverton road, one mile east of Middle Grove School Monday afternoon.
The seven-room home burned to the ground and nothing was saved from the house, according to the Marion County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Lost in the fire were 358 quarts of fruit which the family had canned this summer and the purse of Mrs. Elgin which contained about \$15, she said.
Employees of the Salem Water Department, where Elgin works, Tuesday contributed \$55 to help the family, according to H. A. Siefert, department service manager.

The Women's Association of the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints is planning an aid program for the Elgin family today and Thursday. The church, located at 17th and Chemeketa Streets, will be open to receive contributions of clothing, food or money, Mrs. George W. Speed, Women's Association president, said.

Mrs. Elgin is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Peterson, 435 S. 15th St., and Elgin, his five children and one grandchild are staying at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Joe Apiado, Brooks Route 1.

Defective wiring in the attic was given as the possible cause of the fire by the Four Corners Fire Department which answered the alarm. The Elgin family carried no insurance.
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Police Chief 'Cools Off' Speed Happy Drivers

VERSAILLES, Ky. (AP)—Police Chief Robert Brown has a defferent approach to keep motorists within the 25-mile-an-hour speed limit on Lexington Street—U.S. 60.
The chief stops cars and gives drivers five minutes to cool off before sending them on their way. Only one of 38 stopped recently was given a citation and then only after he protested he wasn't going over 60.

New City Manager At Oregon City

OREGON CITY (AP)—Robert Clute was sworn in Monday as the new city manager here. He replaces Robert Finlayson, who became city manager at Eugene.
Clute came here from South Dakota. He took his oath of office at a specific meeting of the Oregon City commission.
The population of Italy is about 47 million.

Notice of Public Hearing On New Salem Zone Code

NOTICE HEREBY IS GIVEN to all persons particularly interested, and to the general public, that a hearing will be held before the Common Council of the city of Salem, Oregon, at the city hall, on the 28th day of September, 1953, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, on the final report of the Salem Planning and Zoning Commission filed with the city recorder September 2, 1953, recommending and containing a new and comprehensive planning and zoning code for the city of Salem.
The report recommends the division of the city into various districts or zones for the purpose of segregating and restricting the locations of industries, the different kinds of businesses, trades, or callings, the location of apartment houses, dwellings, and other buildings, and defines the boundaries of the various districts. The report regulates and restricts the use which may be made of property, the type, height, size, and bulk of buildings, and the use to which they may be put in the various districts. The code requires front yards, side yards, and rear yards in connection with most businesses and all dwellings; requires that buildings set back from the street line in the case of most arterial streets and in all cases in residential areas; requires that offstreet parking space be provided for automobiles in connection with most uses and locations; requires offstreet loading space in connection with most businesses; prescribes minimum lot areas for buildings; provides for vision clearance at street corners; provides procedure for adjustments, variances, and zone changes; prescribes regulations for subdivisions and requires platting of premises which are to be subdivided; and, generally, provides a complete planning and zoning code for the city.
At the time of the hearing, and at any time prior thereto, a copy of the report and the accompanying map may be examined at the office of the city recorder, city hall, in Salem, Oregon; and that report shall be considered a part of this notice to the same extent as if herein fully set forth.
This report affects all property within the city of Salem, the use that may be made thereof, and the type, size, height, and bulk of buildings that may be erected. If enacted into ordinance, it will replace the existing planning and zoning code of the city.
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