

Police Continue Hunt For Killer Of 'Black Dahlia'

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 21 (AP)—Police made a complete about-face today in their efforts to find the torturer-murderer of pretty Elizabeth Short, and began an intensive search for a woman, rather than a man, as the mutilator of the "Black Dahlia."

Former roommates of the strikingly beautiful 22-year-old girl were placed first on the list of those to be questioned. The decision to change all previous tactics of the week-long search came after a meeting of the city's top-ranking police officials which began last night and lasted well into the morning hours.

Prime suspect in the new drive is a girl roommate who disappeared Jan. 15, the day Miss Short's tortured and mutilated body, hacked in two, was found in a lovers' lane.

Carried No Luggage
Adding to their belief that the girl's slayer may have been a woman were two factors. First, the fact that she was known to be in Los Angeles Jan. 9 without any luggage which would indicate she spent the week before she was killed with some woman who could provide extra clothing and makeup. Second, police officials said they believed the killing followed a pattern of other horror-murders by women.

Her presence in Los Angeles on Jan. 9 was sworn to by Robert (Red) Manley, 25, who was cleared of suspicion yesterday after a long grilling by police and two lie detector tests. Manley suggested another possible suspect, a swarthy, stocky "blind date" who jealously scratched Miss Short's arms until they bled. The man was insanely jealous of the girl, he said.

Scratches Seen
"I saw some scratches on her arms when I had a date with her," Manley said. "She told me a blind date had been arranged for her in San Diego with this dark, swarthy man. This Italian or Portuguese thought another man got too friendly with her and she with him. He got insanely jealous. That's when he slapped and scratched her."
Manley saw the girl, whose coal-black hair and fondness for sheer, black clothing gave her the "Black Dahlia" nickname, on Jan. 9 when, he told police, he let

Boiler Blast Restores Sight For Veteran

Chicago, Jan. 21 (AP)—Richard Hebert, 22, who was blinded in a combat explosion in Germany, said Monday that another explosion Saturday night restored the sight of his left eye.

Hebert, who regained the sight of his right eye through medical treatment, said he was firing the basement boiler in his father's tavern when a gas accumulation caused a ball of fire to shoot from the boiler door.

"The blast burned my left eye lid and arm," he said. "When I got back upstairs I placed my hand over my right eye. I discovered I could see again with my left."

Physicians said Hebert's blindness was caused by shock rather than physical wounds.

Valley Authority Plan Under Fire

Portland, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP)—James A. Ford, managing secretary of the Spokane, Wash., chamber of commerce, yesterday fired a salvo at the proposed Columbia valley authority.

Addressing the Portland chamber of commerce forum, Ford labeled a CVA a "collectivism" and put in the same category as "planned economy."
"The inter-agency committee is doing a wonderful job developing the northwest," Ford asserted. "We don't need any authority."

her out of his automobile at a Los Angeles hotel.

The police department's homicide squad, figuratively starting from scratch, was augmented by 100 additional policemen and began a widespread search for new clues to the girl's murderer.

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Injured Boy Dies Following Crash

Bakersfield, Calif., Jan. 21 (AP)—An eighth grade boy has been added to the list of persons killed in the derailment of the Southern Pacific Owl near here last week-end.

Two-year-old Joe L. Jackson, Doyline, La., whose right leg was torn off in the crash, died early Sunday of his injuries. The child was traveling with his father, John D. Jackson, and his aunt, Marian Jackson.

The last unidentified victims of the early morning wreck were identified as Miss Lula Hardiman, about 32, Memphis, Tenn., and Joseph Harrell, about 30, of New Orleans.

Dad, Experienced, Cuts In On Baby-Sitting Racket

Madison, Wis. (AP)—Teen-age "baby sitters" may find it tough to get a job if any more fellows like Jim Girard turn up.

Girard, 24-year-old law student at the University of Wisconsin, placed the following advertisement in a Madison newspaper: "Baby sitter. Responsible father, law student, experienced diaper changer and bubbler. References furnished."

Madison's housing shortage forced Girard to leave his wife and baby daughter at home in Freeport, Ill., when he came here to attend school. He decided to capitalize on his experiences as a parent to earn money for more trips home.

Airport News

John Lane, Harold Smith and Earl Rose made solo flights the past week under the GI training program. Dick Chester made his solo cross country flight, stopping at The Dalles and Prineville and Lloyd and Leroy Fasset made their dual cross country trips with the same stops.

The Tilse-Bowman Air Service has received approval for advanced flight training for veterans in addition to the primary training now being given for private pilot licenses. Courses now offered to eligible veterans include primary and commercial flight courses and instructor and instrument rating courses.

E. L. Judy and Leon W. Shupe completed training for private pilots' licenses the last week.

Robert Fox, Jr., of the Bend Flying club, flew to Portland Sunday. Larry Lermo, another club member, flew to Klamath Falls and back Saturday on business.

A newly-licensed BT-29 Fairchild 200-horsepower trainer is now available at the airport for instruction and rental to pilots. The ship is a converted Canadian primary trainer and is fully instrumented for blind flying.

Don Feser, mechanic at the airport, has taken up flying and made his solo flight last week.

Refinery Blaze Causes Big Loss

Portland, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP)—One man was burned seriously when a \$100,000 fire swept the Refinery Industries, Inc., plant here Monday and ambulances and fire equipment were marshalled as a 25,000-gallon tank of oil or gasoline threatened to explode.

John Adams, 57, a workman, was reported seriously burned. There were eight workmen in the building when the fire started in the distilling room, witnesses said. Traffic was re-routed as firemen and police sought to segregate the area in the event the 25,000-gallon tank should explode.

SPRINGS TRANSFER SOUGHT
Salem, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP)—Transfer of control of Soudaville Mitteral springs, Linn county, from the state board of control to the highway commission is asked in a resolution now before the Oregon house of representatives.

MALTA STATUS CONSIDERED
London, Jan. 21 (AP)—A British "white paper" said today the government did not consider the transfer of Malta from colonial to dominion status "appropriate" at the present time.

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Q. What about family allowances?
A. For men enlisting or reenlisting now, family allowances will continue until six months after the war is officially ended.

Q. What are my chances of going overseas?
A. If you enlist for 3 years, you may select to serve in any overseas theater which has openings, especially Japan or Korea.

Q. Can I still choose the branch of service I want to serve in?
A. Yes. You can pick any branch which has quotas to be filled, if you enlist for 3 years.

Q. Is there any way I can reenlist in my old grade?
A. Yes, you can, if you reenlist for a 3-year term within 20 days after your honorable discharge.

Q. Is there any other way I can reenlist in grade?
A. Yes, if you held one of certain military occupational specialties, and were discharged on or after May 12, 1945, you can reenlist in a grade depending on the length of time you held the desired M. O. S.

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