

Watson Admits Murder of Nine Women He Wed

Los Angeles, Cal., May 11. — The confessed bigamist murderer sentenced here to life imprisonment under the name of James P. Watson Monday afternoon, according to District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine, told that official of the murder of a tenth woman victim and stated his true name was Dan Holden and that he was a native of Arkansas.

The fifth alleged murder was that of Eleanor Franzer, who, according to the district attorney Holden admitted he had drowned in the Spokane river, above the falls, near the city of Spokane.

Holden had intimated before his sentence that nothing more of his history or alleged crimes would be obtained from him until he was assured he would be given a life sentence and not sent to the gallows.

Like the original "bluebeard" Holden took one wife too many.

She was Miss Kathryn Wombacher formerly of Tacoma, Wash., whom he married last November in Seattle under the name of Walter Andrew. He brought her here and they began housekeeping in Hollywood.

Shortly after their arrival Holden told her he had to go away on business. She said he used what was understood to be his favorite excuse, that he was an agent of the United States government, operating against diamond smugglers.

Mrs. Wombacher's suspicions were aroused by his second trip. Holden had a black hand grip she had found herself unable to open. She told her suspicions to a detective agency. The dates of some of his absences from home corresponded with those of safe robberies in and near Los Angeles and she believed he was connected with them.

The detectives asked assistance of the sheriff's office and two officers watched Holden obtain the black grip from a saleswoman at a candy counter. They rode to Hollywood on the same car with Holden and the grip and watched his house all night. When he left they searched the grip. In it they found bonds, savings stamps, marriage licenses, letters from women, scores of telegrams and storage house receipts, and they arrested Holden April 9.

Holden fought but the officers subdued him. He told the officers he was a government agent and said if taken to San Diego he could show them his credentials.

On the way Holden drew a pen knife and slashed his throat. He turned his coat collar up and hid the wound until San Diego was reached. He had bled nearly to death. He was taken to a hospital and the next day while a patient there, again tried suicide by slashing his wrists.

The officers began sifting out the documents found in his possession. Lists of women, postal cards bearing various feminine signatures, typewritten letters signed by many women, matrimonial "form" letters, checks, women's clothes and wedding rings were found in his possession.

Telegrams were sent to various parts of the country and evidence soon came in. In storage in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Vancouver, Seattle and Sacramento they found belongings of missing women.

Inquiries came from relatives of missing women.

Finally the night of April 29 he was said to have confessed to the murders of four of his "wives." One of them was Nina Lee Deloney, to whose murder he later pleaded guilty and whose body he revealed to the authorities in Imperial county.

C. W. Boeschen To Be Laid To Rest Here Wednesday

The funeral of Conrad William Boeschen, age 78, who died at a local hospital yesterday after a long illness, will be held at the chapel of the Rigdon & Son company 252 North High street, at 2:30 p. m., Wednesday. Rev. E. Sherwood will have charge of the services. Burial will be in City View cemetery and will be private.

Mr. Boeschen was born in Germany in 1842, and came to the United States at the age of 17 years. Part of his life was spent in California, but the most of it was in Oregon, at Portland and Salem. In 1876 he married Miss Voelkel Wikidal.

Mr. Boeschen was a charter member of the Centenary Methodist church at Portland and a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church of this city, and has been an active church worker most of his life.

Besides his widow, Mr. Boeschen is survived by one grandchild.

Timberworkers' Are Liberal Givers To Salvation Army

Leading the way among laboring unions in the city the timberworkers' union, composed mostly of men working in the Chas. K. Spaulding Logging company's mill here, have contributed generously to the aid of the Salvation army, it was announced at campaign headquarters in the Commercial club today. While the exact figure in the receipts in the campaign could not be learned this afternoon.

Action By Board Asks Courts To Decide On Levy

Mandamus proceedings instituted Monday by school district No. 24 against W. M. Smith as superintendent of county schools, questions the right of the county officers to designate the common school and high school funds as the items to be forced to bear the burden of action directed against excesses of the six percent limitation.

Salem Hoover Club And Friends Plan Meeting Thursday

Mrs. F. A. Elliott, vice president of the Salem Hoover Republican club, has received a telegram Tuesday noon from O. C. Leiter, secretary of the Hoover Republican club of Oregon, advising members of the local club that Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, will be in this city Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Kemp's portrayals of Hoover in regard to his accomplishments as relief administrator have been very popular wherever she has appeared in Oregon, according to Mr. Leiter. Her topic Thursday will be "Why I am coming home to vote for Hoover."

The officers of the Salem club are planning a "Telephone your neighbor campaign" in order to reach the largest number of Salem residents in the brief time allowed for making arrangements for the address. Wednesday evening, Mrs. Kemp will attend a meeting of the Hoover Republican club at Corvallis.

Arrangements for the Salem meeting are being perfected and announcements as to the hour and place of meeting will be published Wednesday.

Excesses Attacked

In making the 1919 levy, the county court designated a special levy of approximately \$48,000, embodying three budget items, \$25,000 for the common school funds; \$12,000 for fund requirements under the high school tuition law and \$11,000 as the county's share in building the new Silverton armory. The first two items were in excess of the 6 percent limitation act. These items were segregated by the county court as a solution to the problem of putting over the regular budget without making it subject to contest in its entirety.

The court's fears were later realized, a successful injunction suit being instituted against the special levy, Chairman Winslow and other members of the Salem school board have filed the present action because of the fact that the levy apportionment and subsequent injunction will seriously affect the district's financial purposes for the current year and also for 1921.

At the special meeting of the Salem school board where decision was made to institute action, members expressed their belief that rather than place the burden on funds for school purposes, the court could have pro-

Mute School Kiddies

A special treat for every pupil in attendance at the Oregon school for the deaf has been arranged by Manager Frank Blight of Ye Liberty theater, for Thursday afternoon.

"Old Kentucky," the beloved melodrama, will be the feature provided for the benefit of the boys and girls of the school. There will also be a "Mutt and Jeff" comedy to please the youngsters.

Superintendent Tillinghast has accepted the invitation extended by the manager of the "movie" house and the entire school community will make its journey to Salem. "Old Kentucky" has graced the boards of American playhouses for over 40 years, and the screen portrayal by the First National Exhibitors' production is considered to be the most successful interpretation of the play's original lines. An agreeable addition to the Ye Liberty is the newly installed evening orchestra.

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