

# DARK STRANGER NOW SOUGHT BY SCOTLAND YARD

London (AP)—Credulous villagers of Wenhamton, near Southwold in Suffolk, are gazing ruefully at depleted bank accounts, and Scotland Yard is searching for the perpetrator of the most fantastic swindle of recent years.

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# County Jail Prisoner Figured Prominently In Thrilling Murder

In the Marion county jail, under indictment for automobile theft and awaiting trial, is Andrew Baker, who, in the winter of 1932 figured prominently in one of the most thrilling murder cases that ever stirred Monterey county, California.

Baker, however, was on the right side of the law. His picture appears in the November, 1933, issue of True Detective Mysteries in a story of the crime under the title "Love Murder on Mustang Ridge."

It was a little drinking bout that got Baker into trouble in Salem, though he and trouble have crossed paths many times in past years. On the night of February 23, this year, Baker and one Leonard Ashman, ex-convict, got drunk and stole three automobiles in Salem.

The first was that of Mrs. Loren T. Mathis, 904 Norway street. After abandoning this car they took one belonging to A. W. Gardner of the Cherry City Baking company. They soon abandoned it and grabbed another belonging to Chester Polver, 2180 North Fifth street, and this car they wrecked when they ran it into a woodpile. Both were immediately caught by the city police and Baker lost the sight of one eye in the accident. Ashman immedi-

ately went before the court and was sent to the state penitentiary. Getting back to the California murder case—Baker, Edward Estes and Wesley Hickey, three trappers, were marooned by snow in a narrow canyon on Mustang Ridge. In the same canyon lived two natives of the place, Alec Garcia, and Gertrude, his girl wife who was not more than half his age.

Intimacy sprang up between Gertrude and Estes. Then the girl dropped her attentions to Estes and favored Hickey, who was the youngest man of the group. She and Hickey quarreled and she considered he had double-crossed her.

Anyway the girl went to Estes and told him he was being double-crossed by Hickey and Baker. She made her story strong, and Estes became enraged. He returned to his cabin where Hickey and Baker were, but held his temper until after the three began drinking. Then he broached the subject of the girl, and the quarrel began.

Hickey taunted Estes into a frenzy, and Estes grabbed up one of the rifles in the cabin. Then Baker, who had never taken any interest in the girl and not much in the love affair of his partners, leaped for Estes and wrested the rifle from him. Estes grabbed up another, and Baker tried to get it, but was handicapped by keeping his hold on the first one. Estes raised the gun and shot Hickey three times, killing him. Then he attempted to shoot Baker, but Baker got out of the cabin safely.

He remained out in the cold during the night and as daybreak stole back to the cabin, and, working inside, made sure that Hickey was dead. Then he started out afoot for San Lucas where he could telephone the sheriff at Salinas. He did this, and didn't know that Estes, spurred on by the girl, trailed him with the intention of killing him.

Baker got his message to the sheriff without revealing his identity at the time. The sheriff, Carl H. Abbott, who tells the story in the magazine, expected trouble in arresting Estes and was prepared with his deputies for a gun fight. To his surprise, when he forced his way into the cabin on Mustang Ridge, Estes surrendered without resistance and told his story. He is now in San Quentin on a one-to-15 year sentence. The jury failed to agree in the first trial, but in the second brought in a verdict for second degree murder.

Checking Baker's record through the federal department of justice fingerprint system, local authorities have found the following: June 17, 1920, arrested in Seattle for vagrancy. Held to be a drug addict. Disposition of case not given.

In 1921, arrested in King county, Wash., under the name of Andrew Deakay for manufacturing and selling opium. Sentenced to six months in the county jail.

In 1926, arrested in San Francisco for violation of state poison law. March 11, 1927, in Seattle convicted of grand larceny and given six months in the county jail.

In 1928, under the name of Roy Jackson, received at the Nevada state prison at Carson City for violation of the Harrison narcotic act. In the Mustang Ridge murder case he was held by the authorities as a material witness.

Dr. Dan Poling of New York, who is making a hurried trip to Salem to participate in the 50th anniversary of the Christian Endeavor at Oregon, will occupy the pulpit of the First Evangelical church Sunday morning. Several other visiting ministers who are here in connection with the G.E. convention will preach to local congregations Sunday morning. The early morning session of the convention will adjourn in time to permit the delegates to attend churches of their own choosing. Ministers who will occupy pulpits during the Sunday morning services in addition to Dr. Poling include Dr. Paul G. Brown of Los Angeles, First Presbyterian; Dr. Walter L. Myers of Eugene, First Christian; Rev. Earl L. Soward, Knight Memorial; Rev. Len E. Fishback, Tillamook, Court Street Christian; Rev. R. L. Dunn, South Salem Friends; Rev. W. L. Killian, Leslie Methodist; Rev. Claude Neely, Portland, Chemawa Indian school; Rev. T. M. White, First United Brethren.

**Long Lost Name Tag Finally Returned**  
Criswold, Iowa (AP)—In the summer of 1918, just before he went overseas as a member of the A. E. F., Malcolm Reynolds, oil station attendant, lost the identification tag from his wrist while changing a tire. Fifteen years and two months later, in the autumn of 1933, a friend found the tag about a mile and a half from the spot where it was originally lost.

**ENDANGERS FISH**  
Harrisburg, Pa. (AP)—Resumption of operations in small anthracite collieries is endangering the fish in Pennsylvania streams, which draw fishermen from all parts of the country. The State Fish commission is planning steps to abate the condition.

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**DANCE BAN LIFTED**  
New Concord, O. (AP)—Dances and bridge parties are now ready for resumption, college students here. The institution's board of trustees has voted to lift an all-time ban on the two diversions, barred during the nearly 100 years existence of the school.

**Hubbard—A. L. Kromling of Applegate is making a visit at the home of his brother, M. B. Kromling. He expects to stay about two weeks. Allan Kromling is now working in Salem. He was formerly employed as clerk by the Hubbard Drug Co.**

**Chenawa—Residents of the campus were pleased to see some of their former neighbors, Mrs. T. L. Rose, Mrs. Henry Boyce, Mrs. D. B. Kiehege and Miss Shirley Boyce on the grounds during the week.**

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# AND NOW THE STREAMLINE BOB!



Attractive, isn't it? It's the "streamline wave," a new style of hair bob for 1934, and it won Jean du Plessis of Chicago the gold trophy, with which she is shown, in the Century of Progress bob contest. The contest was part of the annual convention of the Hairdressers' Association. (Associated Press Photo)

# COPPER REGION FEELING BETTER

Phoenix, Ariz. (AP)—The copper mining industry is talking in terms of twelve cent metal, despite the fact that prices are holding around eight cents.

The great copper mining camps, which during the past 18 months have dwindled to almost ghost cities, are talking of better times in the offing and of the higher prices.

Considerable optimism is surrounding the possibility of limited resumption of production at the New Cornelia Mine in Ajo, scheduled for July. This is one of the biggest producers of the Phelps Dodge Corporation, and between 500 and 800 men are expected to go back on the payrolls there.

It is agreed that prices must rise before employment figures will show any decided increase as compared to the more prosperous periods of the past. Only two or three of the major mines of this section can operate on eight-cent metal, it is said.

It is generally agreed that many producers could go on regular schedule with a 12-cent copper market.

In the hopes of boosting prices, Arizona, which produces more than 40 per cent of all the copper in the United States, has appealed to the government and NRA administration to purchase all surplus stock and place a prohibitive embargo on foreign copper.

**WINS 6TH FIRE PRIZE**  
Lakewood, O. (AP)—This Cleveland suburb for the sixth consecutive year has been awarded first prize for fire prevention among cities in the 60,000 and 100,000 population class. At the same time, the city for the second time was awarded first among all cities in the country. Awards are made annually by the National chamber of commerce. The city's fire loss last year was only \$8,904.50.

# NEWS SHEETS BACKED VETO

New York (AP)—No event in 1933 aroused such universal editorial discussion throughout the United States as the recent congressional veto of the soldiers' bonus.

A detailed survey of the nation's newspapers shows that 99 per cent discussed the event editorially. In the majority of papers the editorials have been unusually long and detailed.

The survey revealed that the attitude of the papers largely has been independent of party lines. The president has been supported by a large number of Republican papers, and condemned by many Democratic papers. Although widely different opinions have been expressed, the discussion has been unusually temperate.

A classification of the editorials shows that 79 per cent of the editorials supported the president outright in vetoing the bonus bill. Of the remaining papers, 15 per cent defended Congress for over-riding the president. In other words, the press of the country supported the president five to one. The remaining 15 per cent was neutral. The survey was made by the Romeike Press Clippings Bureau.

# The Stamp Corner

Conducted by Al. Van Dahl

**MOTHER'S DAY STAMP**  
Philatelic reports from Washington, D. C., give the information that the Mother's Day stamp which was scheduled for appearance on May 1, will be issued at Washington the 2nd, and will be available at all postoffices the next day.

The color has finally been decided upon as purple and the stamp will be about twice the size of an ordinary stamp, or that of the current special delivery stamp. The stamps will begin to be printed the coming week and will be produced on the rotary press, which will mean that there will be no so-called straight edges, but that all stamps on a sheet will be perforated all around.

The motif for the stamp, which is of the 3-cent denomination, will be the famous painting of Whistler's, "Portrait of My Mother." The American War Mothers will sponsor a cachet for first day at Washington, D. C., at a moderate cost, all revenue from same to be used for the funds for homes for American War Mothers. It is predicted that this stamp will be one of the most popular ever issued by the U. S. postoffice department, and the first printing will be in excess of 200,000,000, with the likelihood that this issue will be materially increased.

**FURTHER NEW ISSUE POSSIBILITIES**  
Rumors of several new stamps have been coming thick and fast of late in the philatelic press, the most recent being the issuance of a special stamp in honor of LaFayette on May 20, this being the date of his death. The postoffice department, however, emphatically denies any possibility of such a stamp.

Other talk in the national stamp circles was of a series of 12 regular postage stamps, depicting national parks, said to be contemplated in the middle of July. The post office department refuses to confirm this report, however, and says "there is nothing to it," while no decision has as yet been reached in regard to the tercentenary commemoratives for the states of Wisconsin and Connecticut, which were also supposed to appear presently.

All in all it seems as if the postoffice department prefers to spring each new issue as a surprise, as was done with Mother's Day stamp. For this reason it can be safely said that almost anyone of the separate requests, which by the way number over a score, may receive recognition, this including also the Jason Lee stamp and not to forget the much agitated stamp in commemoration of Old Ironsides, for which there has been done a great deal "petitioning" to both members of congress and the postoffice department.

It is sure that since the postoffice department receives a worth while income from sales to philatelists no opportunity will be overlooked to present one or more stamps which will "go over big" with collectors as well as the public in general, and announcements of this or that new stamp may be looked for momentarily.

**BYRD IMPERF. SHEET RE-PLATED**  
When the Bureau of Engraving and Printing put the Byrd Imperforate stamp, issued in February this year, into the hands of the public, it was stated that the work was so "perfect" and uniform that it would be impossible for philatelists to re-plate a sheet of the stamps. With re-plating it means that a full sheet or "pane" of the stamps, each stamp a separate unit, is gathered together so as to represent the exact position of each stamp of a full sheet.

This "re-plating" is possible only if there are small defects, scratches and irregularities, characteristic of each stamp, which are discernible only through a strong magnifying glass, by which to distinguish the relative position in the sheet of each stamp. Particular care was made to put forth such a product that such re-plating would be impossible. The writer made a statement at the time this "challenge" was made that the Bureau of Engraving would probably be disappointed in its boast, for there would be many philatelists who would take up the "impossible" and make a showing.

Such is now the case for philatelic publications report that a complete re-plating of the 3c Byrd Imperf. has been done and it didn't seem to take very long time to do it either.

Re-plating is an interesting sideline of the hobby, requiring a lot of minute work under magnifying glass, the result being more or less similar to a jigsaw puzzle, although it is quite possible that dyed-in-the-wool variety specialists would take exception to the comparison.

**MUCH EXPECTED OF COLLEGE WOMEN**  
Philadelphia (AP)—Sophisticated co-eds will lead the way out of a "meazy civilization," in the opinion of Ruth Dorsey, dean of women at Drexel Institute.

"The modern girl is faced with a rotten world, presented to her by her ancestors," Dean Dorsey said. "She will have a big part in making it a better world for her children."

"The present girl is afraid of nothing, competing in all work and play. She isn't afraid of men and has no illusions of masculine superiority. She has met men on her own terms, and found them no better and no worse than she herself."

"The college girl of today is a credit to her parents, her sex, and herself."

# NANKING CIVIL GRADUATES AID IN PUBLIC WORK

Nanking (AP)—Established seven years ago to bring honesty and efficiency into the Chinese civil service and raise the standards of legal and political practice, the Central Political Institute of Nanking today regards with considerable pride its 300 and more graduates who are making good in the public service of the nation.

Founded by the National Government on a plan similar to that of L'Ecole Science Politique at Paris, but broader in scope, the Central Political Institute has set for itself the task of effecting civil service administration reforms by concentrating upon the education and training of selected young men and women.

To inculcate these disciplinary principles in its students, the Institute is run on a military basis. All male students spend half an hour each day and two hours twice a week in military drills, and on Saturdays they are required to take part in supervised fatigue marches.

The rules and organization of the Institute are those of a military school, but it is in no sense a part of the army school system. Having observed that graduates of ordinary law schools learned much of academic legal and political principles, but little of practical politics, or public administration, the Institute developed a curriculum in which the practical and the theoretical are combined.

Unlike less fortunate graduates of ordinary institutions of higher learning in China, holders of Central Political Institute certificates are assured by the government of positions requiring the specialized training and knowledge which has been offered them during their four-year course.

**Farmers Warned of Chicken Diseases**  
Washington, D. C. (AP)—Farmers are warned not to rely on medicines to cure chicks sick with coccidiosis, serious chicken disease. Dr. H. E. Moseley of the Federal Food and Drug Administration warns that no drug or medicine has been considered a cure for the disease. He says that cleanliness in food, soil and water and dependence upon natural recovery are about the only assistance which can be given.

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