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## SEVEN SECRET INDICTMENTS RETURNED BY GRAND JURY

### Sixteen Others Are Filed Against Fictitious John Doe and Richard Roe For Future Identification

SEVERAL ARE NAMED IN EACH OF THE SEVEN SECRET INDICTMENTS

Grand Jury In Its Report Suggests Further Investigation, There Being Sufficient Evidence to Connect But Not Indict Others Concerned.

JACKSONVILLE, Aug. 3.—Shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon, the special grand jury which was convened to investigate the alleged outrages perpetrated last March in this county, in which several people were taken out and man-handled by night raiders, filed into the circuit court, where Judge Calkins presided, and handed up a batch of indictments—23 in all. Seven of these were in the nature of what is known as secret indictments, in which individuals are named, but whose identity it is deemed advisable to conceal until they have been placed under arrest. It is said that these indictments are brought under the statute applying to mob violence—a felony. Sixteen other bills were found covering as many individuals, but in each case, it has been left to the police to establish the identification, the indictments being brought against the fictitious John Does and Richard Roes. The members of the grand jury were:

Marie Benedict, of the Applegate district, who was foreman; Charles Linnsay, of Ashland; Delbert A. Lyons, of Medford; J. W. Smylie, of Medford; Frank Silva, of the Little Applegate district; Lester Layton, of the Applegate district, and Paul E. Pearce, of Jacksonville. The jury in handing up the indictments also submitted the following report:

We, the grand jury for the special term called in 1922, in regard to the present investigation concerning certain alleged outrages committed in Jackson county, Oregon, in the spring of the year, desire especially to express our appreciation of the efforts of the United States department of justice in ferreting out these crimes. This work has been of inestimable value in this investigation.

We have examined many witnesses in each of the alleged crimes submitted to us by the state attorney general, and by the district attorney, and as a result of the investigation, we have returned numerous indictments, the main ones of which and the persons involved, being for the present more or less secret.

The evidence tends to connect others, who are not yet indicted, with some or all of these crimes, and the matter may be the subject of further investigation in the future, if it be found advisable, as additional information is undoubtedly obtainable.

The grand jury, therefore, respectfully suggests that at the present, it may be permitted to adjourn.

### YOUTH PINNED UNDER OVERTURNED TRUCK

RED BLUFF, Calif., Aug. 3.—Fifteen men had all they could do to lift a state highway commission truck off Harry S. Woodall Jr., 19 years old, when he was pinned underneath and received injuries from which probably it will be some time before he recovers. With his father the young man was driving the truck and had turned out for another day, when one wheel of the truck sank into soft ground. A moment later the truck capsized, catching young Woodall underneath. Fifteen workmen rushed to his assistance, and it required their combined efforts to lift the truck from the boy's body.

### TRIAL SEPARATIONS CURE FOR DIVORCE, SAYS JUDGE

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 3.—Trial separations as a cure for the "so-called divorce evil" were advocated from the bench by Judge John W. Summerfield, of the Los Angeles superior court. "Couples contemplating divorce would save themselves a great deal of sorrow by living apart for six months before filing divorce actions," he said.

### MURDERER AND POLICE IN FATAL GUN BATTLE

#### WALTER CASTOR WANTED FOR KILLING MRS. WILKINS, SHOTS OFFICER

Surprised at Home of Mother, He Opens Fire on Police, Kills His Sister-in-Law and a Detective, Wounds Another and Suicides.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.—Surprised at the home of his mother, Walter Castor, wanted for the murder of Mrs. Henry Wilkins, gave battle to the police with the result that three people are dead, and an officer is seriously wounded.

Mrs. Robert Castor, his sister-in-law, and Detective Tim Bailey were killed during a gun battle, following which Castor suicided. Detective Gable was shot through the eye. Castor has been sought for six weeks, following the confession of his brother, that Walter Castor had engineered the hold-up in which Mrs. Wilkins was killed. The woman's husband is now held for murder on the charge that he hired the Castor brothers to end his wife's life.

A tip to the police that Castor had returned to the city, and was at his mother's home, resulted in a squad of detectives going there. Castor opened fire when the officers surrounded the house, and Bailey fell dead. The detectives rushed the house, in the revolver duel, Gable was seriously wounded. Castor is reported to have encountered his sister-in-law in his retreat through the house, and to have cursed her and shot her down, and then ended his own life.

### BASEBALL RESULTS TODAY

National League  
At Brooklyn 4; Cincinnati 0.  
At New York 5; Chicago 0.  
At Philadelphia 1; St. Louis 7.  
At Boston 1; Pittsburgh 5.  
American League  
At Cleveland 9; New York 10.  
At Chicago 0; Washington 2.  
At Detroit 7; Boston 0.  
Pacific Coast League  
(Yesterday's Games)  
At Portland 3; Oakland 8.  
At Los Angeles 2; Salt Lake 4.  
At San Francisco 4; Sacramento 3.  
At Seattle 2; Vernon 3.

### FORD PLANT MAY HAVE TO SHUT DOWN FOR FUEL

#### DODGE, CHEVROLET AND STUDEBAKER PLANTS ARE ALSO INVOLVED

Fuel Commission Is Informed That Army of Workers Will Be Thrown Out of Employment Within Two Weeks Unless Ford Gets Coal.

LANSING, Mich., Aug. 3.—The entire army of the Ford Motor company employees may be thrown out of work unless Ford obtains new coal shipments within the next two weeks, his representatives today told the fuel committee here.

In addition to the Ford plant, with its vast number of workers, the Dodge, Chevrolet and Studebaker plants would be tied up through the loss of their gas, which, Ford supplies.

### LOUIS JACOBS GIVES BOOST TO KLAMATH

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 3.—That Klamath Falls and the surrounding territory is developing rapidly is the statement made by Louis Jacobs, merchant and pioneer resident of the Oregon city. Jacobs has been visiting in Sacramento for a few days. Klamath Falls boasts a \$300,000 payroll as the result of her box shock industry, Jacob states, and much of this shock is used by California fruit growers.

### BAND CONCERT TO BE GIVEN IN PARK EVERY THURSDAY

Arrangements have been made by which the Ashland concert band will play each Thursday night during the balance of the summer, in the band stand in Lithia park. The concert tonight will begin at 8 o'clock, and the following program will be presented:

1. March—"The Hunters" King
2. Fox Trot—"You Won't Be Sorry" Burnett
3. Overture—"Triumphal" Rockwell
4. Serenade—"A Night in June"—Baritone Solo—Mr. Carson King
5. Fox Trot—"Tucky Home" Young
6. Selection from "H. M. S. Pinafore" Sullivan
7. Popular Waltz—"When Shall We Meet Again" Whiting
8. March—"Scoutmaster" Jewell
9. "Star Spangled Banner"

### WILL SHIP BIG DREDGER TO TIN MINES IN ORIENT

REDDING, Calif., Aug. 3.—The all-steel dredger of the Pacific Gold Dredging company, a Guggenheim corporation, at Carrville, Trinity county, which cost \$500,000 in 1916, is to be torn down and shipped to the Malay Peninsula, on the other side of the world, where it will be set to work dredging for tin instead of for gold.

A want ad will sell it.

### SPARK OF FORGE STARTS A BLAZE OVER 4000 ACRES

#### RANCHES SAVED BUT MILES OF FENCES DESTROYED BY FIRE

Murphy and Vroman Ranches Are Threatened, But Heroic Work Confined Sweep of Flames to Grass, Brush and Fences.

A spark from a blacksmith forge set fire to the dry grass on the J. J. Murphy place east of the city yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock, and before anyone could reach the blaze, it had spread beyond control into the surrounding fields. It spread in all directions from the starting point, and before it was brought under control early this morning, it had burned over some 4000 acres of dry grass and underbrush, destroying several miles of rail fences.

Neighbors in the vicinity of the Murphy place, rallied to fight the flames, and others were called to help. Only after strenuous hours of effort were several large stacks of hay on the ranches in the path of the fire saved. A house on the Barren place was ditched trying to save it, and the ranch buildings on the Tucker place, which were directly in line of the fire, were only saved by several hours work on the part of a number of men.

The Vroman ranch suffered the loss of considerable fence, but the buildings were so located that the fire did not approach them.

The McAllister and Chapman ranches were burned over, as well as other places the owners of which could not be ascertained.

### W. A. COOPER HOME BURNED TO GROUND IS COMPLETE LOSS

The W. A. Cooper home, located just north of the overhead crossing on the Pacific highway east of the city, was burned to the ground yesterday afternoon, together with a store room located just to the rear of the house.

Upon discovering the fire, Mr. Cooper went to the roof in an effort to try and put it out and stayed there so long that he was compelled to jump to the ground from the roof. He alighted on his feet with such force that he broke one of the small bones in his foot. The fracture was set by Dr. Mattie Shaw.

The fire is supposed to have caught from a defective flue, and had gained such headway when first discovered that very few of the personal effects of the family were saved. No insurance was carried on the place.

### RING LOST THREE YEARS FOUND IN CROP OF HEN

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 3.—When Mrs. A. A. Carpenter was a bride three years ago, she went to East Mill Plain with her husband, and while on the visit, lost her new wedding ring. A few days ago Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter went back to East Mill Plain to visit the same relatives. A large hen was killed for the festival board, and in its gizzard the missing ring was found. The gold band was considerably worn, having been almost eaten through in one place by acid.

### BABE FALLS IN WELL, SAVED BY MOTHER'S GRIT

THE DALLES, Or., Aug. 3.—The life of two-year-old Arthur Roberts was miraculously saved by the heroic efforts of Mrs. Loren Roberts, his mother, who, when the child fell into a 20-foot well on the Roberts place near here, climbed down a rope and held him with her teeth while neighbors ran for assistance.

Mrs. A. S. Roberts, grandmother of the child, who also saw the accident, jumped into the well, too. Unable to assist her daughter or the child, she screamed for help and brought John Scholtz, a farm hand, to the scene. Scholtz, too, plunged into the well and found himself helpless.

Mrs. Elliot Roberts was finally attracted by the shouts and was sent to obtain help from harvesters, who pulled the quartet to safety. Neither the two women, man nor the child suffered any ill effects from the experience.

Astoria to improve several streets.

### ENGLAND TO SPEND TEN MILLION ON AIR DEFENSE

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Great Britain has decided to provide for home defense, an air force of 500 airplanes, Lloyd George announced in the house of commons today. It has been decided to further spend an additional ten millions annually to protect England from air attacks.

The premier said, however, that the increased sums to be expended on British air defenses during the next year would not prevent the government from reducing the war budget.

### SIX INJURED IN TRAIN AND AUTO BUS COLLISION

SEATTLE, Aug. 3.—L. B. Hullin was probably fatally injured and five others hurt, when a Northern Pacific passenger train crashed into the rear end of an auto stage on a crossing at Kent.

### PLAN FEDERAL RECEIVERSHIP FOR RAILROADS

#### IF DEADLOCK IS NOT BROKEN GOVERNMENT MAY TAKE THIS STEP

White House Regard Acceptance of Labor Board Rulings as Final and Binding on Both Sides, As a Great "Moral Victory."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—A ray of light penetrated the gloom in which the administration was first plunged upon receipt of the news that the railroad executives had turned down the proposals of the president. It has been learned that the rejection applied only to that portion which provided for the restoration of seniority rights to the strikers, and that the executives were prepared to abide by what the administration considered the backbone of the proposals—the agreement to accept the findings of the labor board as final and binding. The shopmen accepted the president's proposal in its entirety.

While the government is sitting tight and awaiting developments in the railroad strike, it became known today that the plan for a federal receivership for those roads which were unable to fulfill their duty to the public, was steadily gaining favor in high administration quarters. This plan was to be adopted, however, the administration spokesmen said, only in the event of a complete breakdown of all efforts to compose the differences between the railroads and their erstwhile employees.

Notwithstanding that both the railroads and their striking shopmen are definitely on record as pledging future adherence to decisions of the railway labor board, President Harding and his cabinet advisers faced today a critical industrial situation, hopefully, if not confidently. While the administration leaders admitted that the settlement of the strike was nearly as far distant as ever, they, nevertheless, regard the replies of both the railroads and the unions to the White House peace proposals, as constituting a "moral victory" of considerable magnitude.

### RAILROAD FROM KLAMATH DAIRY NEARS COMPLETION

PORTLAND, Aug. 3.—Robert E. Strahorn, president of the Oregon, California and Eastern railroad, who was here today, en route from his home in Spokane to Klamath Falls, field headquarters for his line, reported that he is starting track laying on another link extending north from Klamath Falls to Dairy, where six miles of roadway is graded. The placing of steel will complete the lines 28 miles north from Klamath Falls. Following this, there is a four-mile section which has not yet been graded, which will connect the system with a six mile section already in, and make the completed line run 38 miles.

### LOCATE SIX QUARTZ CLAIMS IN STAR CITY DISTRICT

REDDING, Calif., Aug. 3.—H. E. Schoonover, F. C. Walker, George B. Schoonover, Charles P. Heaney, Geo. O. Skook and B. A. Purcell, all living in McCloud, have located six quartz mines in the old Star City district in Shasta county. The claims are put together and called the "Star City group."

### HOLLYWOOD MAN TAKES LEASE ON MINING PROPERTY

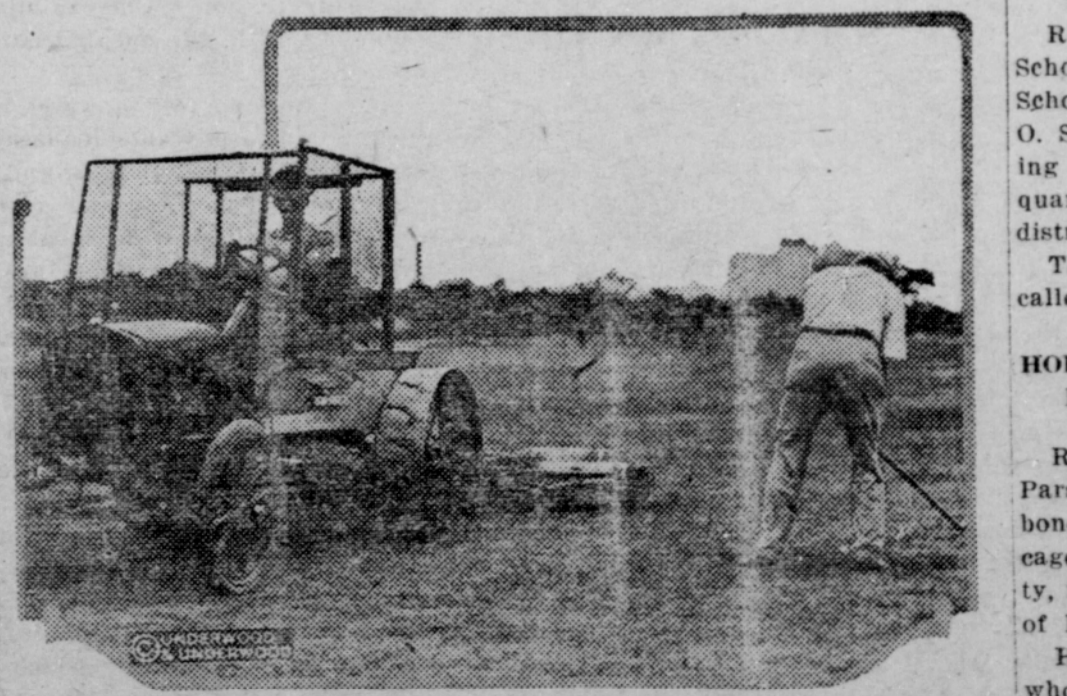
REDDING, Calif., Aug. 3.—W. M. Parsons, of Hollywood, has taken a bond and a lease on the famous Chicago silver mine near Igo, this county, from the owner, Dr. F. M. Archer of Redding. He is putting on a crew of 25 men who will work in two shifts. Dr. Archer has done a good deal of preliminary work and the mine is now ready to begin shipping ore to the smelter.

### Ruined in the Fighting in Dublin



This is all that is left of the Gresham hotel in Sackville street, Dublin, after it had been shelled by the Free State troops to drive out the irregulars, who had their headquarters there.

### He Laughs at Wild Drivers Now



After two horses had been killed by golf balls on the Lincoln park golf course in Chicago, the park authorities decided to install a tractor to draw the lawn mower. The second day the driver sustained a blow in the head that put him out of business for a while, and now the authorities have enclosed the driver in a wire net.