

# MRS. MERRICK HOUNDS TRACK TELLER HISTORY MURDERER OF NATATORIUM GIRL TEACHER

### Hearing of Enyart Plea for Fourth Interest in Property Reveals Early Financing.

The hearing in equity of the suit of J. E. Enyart against Mrs. Stella J. Merrick, widow of F. E. Merrick, Mrs. Grace D. Brown, widow of W. H. Brown, and H. C. Kentner, founders of the Natatorium in this city, for a property interest and share of rentals and property sales, continued today in circuit court before Judge H. D. Norton. All concerned were active and well-known during the "210 room" here.

Enyart, former Medford banker, of recent years a resident of Los Angeles, seeks a one-fourth interest in the Natatorium property and the action hinges largely about a \$15,000 loan to the Natatorium by Col. Gordon Vorheis, with 495 shares of capital stock as security. The plaintiff introduced evidence to show that Enyart placed about \$25,000 in the company, W. H. Brown about \$10,000 and F. E. Merrick \$1000. John S. Orth of this city was also an investor in the concern but sold out to the other four stockholders in 1911.

**Note Taken Up**  
F. E. Merrick took up the \$15,000 note held by Colonel Vorheis, making two payments of \$7500, and took possession of the 495 shares of capital stock. Enyart claims the stock was held in trusteeship and the company as a whole, not Merrick, was the owner.

Later, F. E. Merrick "dissolved the corporation" and retained possession of the property. Enyart holds that he received nothing in exchange for his investment.

Mrs. Stella J. Merrick, widow of F. E. Merrick, was a witness at the morning session. She testified they sold their home on East Main street in 1919 and moved into the Natatorium, where the Merrick family strove to place the property on a paying basis. She testified a residence had been established there, and that aside from a year's residence in Sulberlin, Ore., where F. E. Merrick was interested in an oil well, and a short trip to California in the winter, she had lived there continuously.

**Sons Aided**  
She testified that her son, Emerson, was active in the management and that her other son, Walter, had been in charge when the institution was remodelled into a motor-hotel. Mrs. Merrick denied that Seely V. Hall had any interest except that he was employed on a salary for several months.

A record of transactions and directors' meetings has been introduced in evidence.

The defense will be largely based upon the allegation that Enyart was "guilty of laches" and was indifferent to its future until it loomed as a valuable property and that for many years the Merricks by their efforts continued the place and made improvements requiring considerable financial investments.

### Body Found in Country School House—Victim of Degenerate—Fingerprint Clues Found.

MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Aroused by the mysterious murder of 19-year-old Velma Colter in the country schoolhouse where she was a teacher, a posse of citizens using bloodhounds sought her unknown assailant today.

The nude body of the girl, beaten about the head, was discovered at dusk by T. H. Thompson, at whose home she resided. He said he went to the schoolhouse when the girl failed to arrive home at the accustomed time.

The young teacher's bloodstained clothing was heaped beside her body. Dr. C. D. Hubbard, coroner, said she had been attacked. The coroner said he had discovered fingerprints which he was investigating.

Sheriff Harvey England was informed by school children Miss Colter had remained alone in the building to read examination papers after dismissal of school at 4 o'clock.

**PHOENIX**  
PHOENIX, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Sp.)—The Girls' league will give a Christmas tea for their mothers December 23 at the school rooms. All mothers of girls belonging to the league are invited. An enjoyable time is being planned by the committee for the afternoon and is eagerly looked forward to by both women and girls.

Junior class of the high school will entertain the school with a short Christmas playlet December 22. At the same time a Christmas tree will be enjoyed by all the students of the high school.

Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday night was led by Harold Fish. Attendance of young people was very gratifying to the leader and the president. Next Sunday evening's meeting will be led by Miss Grace DeVries. The topic is "Joy to the World." All young people in the community are invited to come. A special Christmas meeting is being planned.

On Christmas eve the Girls' Glee club and the Senior Christian Endeavor society are planning to go caroling and visit the homes of the sick.

Mrs. Nellie Baker of Yamhill, Ore., has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Vail, here.

### Sale of Apples By Jobless Vets Brought \$9,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Apples, 200,000 of them, sold on Chicago streets by unemployed world war veterans since December 5, might not have kept that many dollars away, but they did keep the wolf away from the doors of a goodly number of men, the American Legion Cook county council announced today. Net profits totalled \$9,000.

### MEDFORD PUPILS AT O.S.C. NAMED ON STATE GROUP

CORVALLIS, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Sp.)—Seven Medford students at Oregon State college have been announced as representatives of their town on the Greater Oregon State committee by Neville Huffman of Portland, general chairman.

Those appointed are Barton Medford, junior in commerce; Fredericka Brommer, sophomore in home economics; Amy Frederick, junior in commerce; Pauline Roberts, sophomore in commerce; Elizabeth Swigart, sophomore in commerce; George Winne, freshman in engineering; and Ben Day, freshman in commerce.

This committee will represent the institution in Medford and will have charge of all local functions and activities of Oregon State students in that city.

### RELATIVES WANT BOWLES CHILDREN

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Steps to gain custody of the two small daughters of Mrs. Leone Bowles, society matron, stabbed to death here November 12, will be taken at once by the family of the dead woman, Karl Herbering, who was attorney for Mrs. Bowles, made the announcement today.

In the meantime the grand jury continued investigation of her death which resulted in the filing of first degree murder charges against Nelson C. Bowles, her millionaire husband and Irma Loucks Paris, for three years his secretary.

### FARM PRODUCE VALUE DECREASED FOR YEAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The value of the nation's principal farm crops this year was placed today by the agricultural department at \$6,274,724,000 compared with \$8,675,420,000 last year.

### JANET GAYNOR WILL UNDERGO OPERATION

HONOLULU, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Janet Gaynor, motion picture actress, said she would be operated on tomorrow for appendicitis at the Queen's hospital here. She said she would go to the hospital tonight.

### NEW PRESIDENT OF GUATEMALA SOON UNHORSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Ministera Reinos of Guatemala was notified by message from his country today that the government of President Palma had been overthrown.

The message received was signed by Rodriguez Beteta, secretary general of the military junta described as now in control of the government.

The message said General Mauro de Leon, former minister of war, was killed in the fighting yesterday, and that tranquility prevailed there today.

General Manuel Orellana, a well known military leader, has been designated as provisional president of the republic.

### DAHACK SLAYING QUIZ DISCUSSED

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—District Attorney George A. Codding and Sheriff Ralph G. Jennings of Jackson county were here today in conference with Governor Norblad relative to a petition received by the governor, requesting him to appoint a special prosecutor to investigate the killing of Everett V. Dahack. Dahack was killed by officers during a raid on a still. The governor has not yet announced his decision.

### WILL SEEK INCREASE COUNTY CLERK'S FEES

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 17.—(AP)—U. G. Boyer, Marion county clerk and member of the legislative committee of the Oregon county clerks and recorders' association, says a bill will be introduced in the legislature to increase clerks' fees so the offices may be made self-sustaining.

### PENDLETON JOBLESS GET WORK ON ROAD

PENDLETON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Forty men went to work today on road near Pendleton, in line with the unemployment plans outlined by state highway officials. The work is near Pendleton, so the men can return home at night.

### FIRST SNOW FALLING GRANTS PASS TODAY

GRANTS PASS, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The first snow of the season started falling here early today.

### DEFER ACTION IN SENATE ON WORLD COURT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The senate foreign relations committee today voted to defer consideration of the world court until next December. The vote was ten to nine.

Senator Reed, republican, Pennsylvania, made the motion to postpone consideration. Republicans, including friend and foe of the court, joined him almost solidly.

Chairman Borah of the committee, an opponent of the court, and Senator Gillett of Massachusetts, an advocate, were the only republicans to vote against deferment.

By this move, the republicans forestalled any chance of the court issue becoming involved in this short session. They feared its discussion might lead to an extra session. It was agreed there was no opportunity to vote on the court at this session, which ends March 4th.

### HALF MILLION ON STRIKE IN SPAIN

MADRID, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Half a million men are on strike throughout Spain and there was intermittent fighting in several cities today, but the government held to the belief that the revolution against the crown had been definitely crushed.

### TIED WHEN SHE GOT UP

St. Paul, Minn.—"I used to be as tired when I got up in the morning as when I went to bed. I had fainting spells and palpitation. Of course it was my age. I read a Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound three times a day. I am now a well woman. Three of my neighbors know what it did for me so they are taking it too. I will write to any woman if Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help her as it did me. I feel like a young woman now and I thank you."—Mrs. H. C. HENRY, 280 Fuller Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota.

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