

HUNT IS SPURRED FOR LIEUTENANTS NUMBER 1 BANDIT

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Justice agents that for a time some believed a holdup was planned. Dillinger, his hair dyed a darker hue, tall-tala scars on his cheeks lifted by plastic surgery, gold-rimmed spectacles framing his shifty eyes, his nose straightened, a carefully groomed black moustache adorning his leering lip, and the whorls of his fingertips obliterated by acid, strode through the lobby and sauntered down the street.

He passed, apparently without recognition, Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the Chicago bureau of the department of justice. Purvis, seated in a parked car moved his right arm in a casual signal. Several agents leaped forward, their pistols glistening in the garish light.

Reached for Gun.

Suddenly the mask of insolence dropped from the phantom freebooter's countenance. He darted into an alley, reaching for a pistol for a duel to the death. As he did so, a five-shot fusillade cut him down. Three of the bullets struck him. Two missed their mark and whizzed into the terrified throngs gathered near the theater, striking the legs of two fleeing women.

The infamous fugitive sprawled on the pavement in a crumpled heap. There was a tense silence, then the acres of horrified witnesses, the agents, two Chicago detectives and five officers from East Chicago, Indiana, rushed forward.

A cordon was thrown about the body. The curious were herded away, despite their efforts to crowd closer for a glance at the broken gangster. Eerie rays of the blinking marquee lamps flickered over his gray visage. Dark splashes spread over the broad expanse of his silk shirt and natty tie and soiled his flannel trousers and white sport shoes.

Placed in Patrol Car.

Sirens shrieked and alarm bells clanged as a patrol wagon, an ambulance and a number of police squad cars raced up. Mrs. Etta Natalsky and Miss Theresa Paulus, both wounded in the leg, were carried to the ambulance. Dillinger, still breathing, was placed in the patrol car.

Automobiles and pedestrians, attracted by the furor, swarmed up by hundreds. Burly policemen opened narrow avenues through the throngs and the snarled traffic to get the injured to the nearest infirmaries.

The vehicle transporting the wounded Dillinger made for the Alexian Brothers hospital. He died without word or motion, before medical aid could be administered, at a street crossing en route to the hospital.

The body was laid on the green lawn of the hospital. Four government operatives stood guard. A deputy coroner arrived, and the dead outlaw was borne to the country morgue. Stripped, cold and colorless as marble, the body was put on a slab. A small group gathered. A surgeon spoke. The slug which ended an amazing crime career, had struck in the neck and coursed up to emerge beneath the right eye. The others had pierced the left breast, one cleaving the tip of the heart, the third striking two inches further down.

Shots From One Gun.

One federal man, Purvis said, had fired the five shots. He declined to reveal his identity. Officials searched through the clothing. In one of Dillinger's pockets—into which the lion's share of the estimated thousands of loot he and his big game had gathered in daring raids was reputed to have gone—was found just \$7.80. The back of his watch contained the picture of alluring Evelyn Prechette, an Indian girl who obviously ranked first among the desperado's many women friends.

The coup which brought about Dillinger's end was executed without a flaw. Commendation poured in even during the post-midnight hours. "Gratifying as well as reassuring," Attorney General Cummings declared at Washington.

Knew Trail Hot.

Department of justice agents had known for several days that Dillinger was on the north side. Purvis learned he planned to attend the Biograph theater. He selected 15 crack shots—by a grim coincidence one for each victim of murders attributed to the Dillinger marauders. The source of the information was unrevealed.

They arrived in time to watch him purchase a ticket and go in to see "Manhattan Melodrama." It was a gunman's holiday for America's number one gunman. The film concerned a mythical "Blackie Gallagher" a New York gangster who carried his murder missions even into Madison Square Garden.

Captain Tim O'Neale of the East Chicago, Indiana, police department who participated in a gun battle against Dillinger and John Hamilton during an attempted bank robbery there last January, also brought four of his men to the showhouse. The slaying of Sergeant William O'Malley in that east Chicago skirmish furnished the only murder charge against Dillinger.

Men Surround Theater.

Two Chicago detectives swelled the force. The federal men were assigned to stations and assumed the nonchalant air of so many idlers.

Purvis gave this official version: "I made arrangements to surround the theater with picked men from among my investigators. They were armed only with pistols. No shotguns or machine guns were used for I wished no general firing that might endanger passersby.

I stationed myself in my own automobile, parked two doors south of the theater. My men were stationed in doorways. It was shortly before 9 o'clock when I first noticed Dillinger. He was careless, but wore a hat and gold-rimmed spectacles. He had passed my car before I saw him, but I have studied every available photograph of him so carefully that I recognized the back of his head immediately.

Saw Him Enter.

"As he bought a ticket, I got a profile and front view of him and I knew I was not mistaken. I went into the theater twice in an attempt to spot Dillinger, but it was so dark I couldn't pick him out. Those two hours and four minutes that he spent in the theater were the longest I ever spent.

"By the time he left the show, my men were covering the neighborhood so thoroughly that a cat couldn't have gotten through.

"When Dillinger left the show, he started south and again passed my car without noticing me. As soon as he had gotten a step past the car, I thrust my right arm out and dropped my hand and closed it, the prearranged signal for closing in. Instantly my men appeared from all sides.

"Dillinger gave one hunted look about him and attempted to run up an alley, where several of my men were waiting. As he ran, he drew an automatic pistol. As his hand came up with the gun, several shots were fired by my men before he could fire. He dropped, fatally wounded. I had hoped to take him alive, but I was afraid that he would resist to the last.

Glad It's Over.

"I'm glad it's over."

The government he had mocked had squared the score.

The \$10,000 placed on Dillinger's head by the government and the \$5000 offered by the state of Indiana cannot be accepted by the federal men, Purvis said. He added that he doubted any of the Indiana patrolmen would share in the rewards either.

John Dillinger was 32. For 31 of those years, passed uneventfully in boyhood pursuits and in prison, he was a virtual nonentity. In the 14 blazing months since his parole from the Indiana penitentiary he became one of the most widely known of all the world's outlaws.

Free Methodists for Ban on Wars

PORTLAND, Ore., July 23.—(AP)—

Instructions to delegates to vote favorably on any anti-war legislation at the general gathering of the church next June were given by Free Methodists of Oregon in their annual assembly at camp grounds near Beaverton late Saturday.

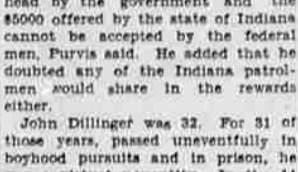
A. M. Rainey of Ashland was among those received into the conference on trial.

Among conference assignments made were: Hillsboro, B. J. Yates; Newberg, J. E. McDonald; Seaside, Bay City, Sanford Wagg; Redmond, W. E. Winn, supply; Carlson, McMinnville, J. N. Walker; Willamina, to be supplied.

Rogue River District—J. R. Stewart, district elder; Medford, E. M. Long; Anna Long, supply; Roseburg, Nathalia Koerber; Calapolla, Millwood, Roland R. Thompson; Klamath Falls, Tracey Zellmer; Grants Pass, Rosella Douglas.

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Held For Murder



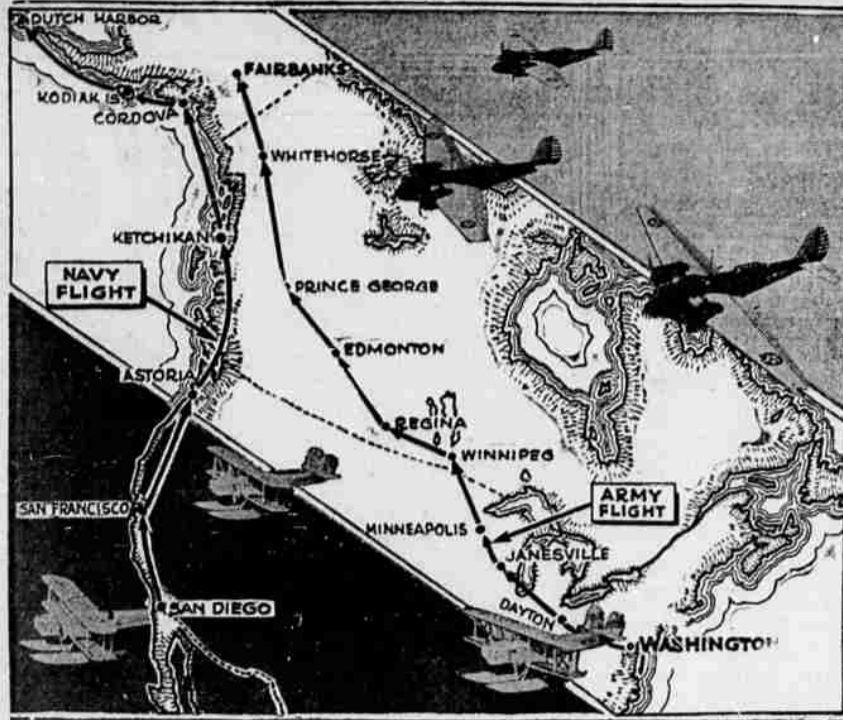
Frank Martin (above), Arkansas convict guard, was held on a charge of murder for shooting Helen Spence Eaton, girl convict who was slain after her escape from a women's prison farm at Jacksonville, Ark. (Associated Press Photo)

He Gets His Man



Elsie Parker (above), super-sleuth of Burlington county, N. J., got her man again, this time after a two year pursuit over two continents—without getting up from his chair. He trailed Thomas Goumas, 40, a California slaying suspect, via the mails to Greece, and caught him there. (Associated Press Photo)

ROUTES OF ARMY AND NAVY FLIGHTS TO ALASKA



The map above shows the routes of the army and navy flights to Alaska. The twelve army bombing planes will take off from Washington between July 20 and 25, while the navy flight will get under way from San Diego a few days earlier. The planes shown are the types that will make the hops. The purpose of the army flight is to survey Alaska and the Aleutian islands. The flight of the 12 navy patrol planes is for training purposes. (Associated Press Photos)

ATTEMPT TO FAN TURMOIL EMBERS FLAYED BY COURT

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district attorney's office, the subsidized press, "the Medford Gang", and the power trust, engaged in a gigantic plot to railroad prominent and innocent citizens to the penitentiary, who were only trying to clean out the filth in the district attorney's office."

Said County Held Up

The criminal libel was based upon the paragraph, which read: "Jackson county has been held up to the tune of \$65,000 in the ballot theft trials, which money was largely used in the bribing of witnesses and jurists, and the handling of the court."

The court described the pamphlet as "a gross libel upon every witness, every juror, and the court. It is nauseating in its nastiness and in line with the flood of ridiculous, nonsensical, and silly lying propaganda, that swept this county for months." The court said Jackson county had "paid too high a price to quell this turmoil, to permit any recurrence."

"How anybody with a grain of intelligence or self-respect could seek a return of those unhappy conditions, is incomprehensible," the court said. "The pamphlet is a studied and malicious attempt to stir up trouble, and grovelly false in every particular."

"Mrs. Fehl states that her husband assumes the full responsibility for the pamphlet. That does not absolve her. She had them printed and brought them here. She then induced the others to distribute them. I have always given Mrs. Fehl credit for having common intelligence, but developments in this case indicate differently."

The court also said, "The district attorney's office is marvelously kind in agreeing to a suspended sentence. The court feels a more severe sentence should be given, but is inclined to follow the recommendations. I will delay a decision until I see how they behave in the meantime."

"The court has accurately diagnosed the situation," Attorney Kelly said. "No one with the slightest mentality would believe the pamphlet. It served only to rouse public opinion against such nonsense."

"That is true," replied the court. "But unfortunately there are people who let others do their thinking, and repeat false rumors throughout the county."

Fehl Was Author

It was determined that Fehl had written the pamphlet in his cell at Salem and in a manner unknown had smuggled it out.

"The remarks of the court made a profound impression upon the defendants," said Attorney Kelly. "They are beginning to see the light and there will be no more monkey-business."

Al Poston of Pinhurst, indicted for assault with a dangerous weapon, entered a plea of guilty to simple assault and his sentence was also deferred until September. Poston was indicted, a year ago, following a road side argument with a state trooper over game law violations. Poston allegedly threatened the officer with a gun.

BYRD'S TRAIL LOST TO RESCUE GROUP IN POLAR STORMS

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sen and Bernard Flemming, observers, Peterzen and Flemming were to be left at the advance weather base to continue the work of meteorological observations begun by Byrd.

The winter night still has a month to run. The temperature was 50 degrees below zero when the little party left on its dangerous trip.

Equipment included 1800 pounds of stores, most of it food stowed in canvas tanks. It had been planned to start the journey at 4 a. m. Friday, but a blizzard, blowing at 35 miles an hour, caused a postponement until late in the day.

The tractor carried 25 gallons of gasoline in the standard tank and 145 gallons in an aviation tank installed under its cabin. Other supplies included sleeping bag, stove, tents, skis and an emergency radio set.

Admiral Byrd's main radio set has been out of commission several days, and he was forced to use a set cranked up by hand in his recent communications with Little America, during which arrangements were made for the tractor journey.

On July 20, the admiral told Dr. Poulter he had a "bad arm," but did not give any details as to whether it was the result of an injury.

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THE Mail Tribune is delivered to practically all homes of potential buyers in the Rogue River Valley as well as many in Northern California. In addition to this, the weekly "Merchant's Edition" gives added coverage in excess of 5000, including weekly coverage of the city of Grants Pass. The prestige of a newspaper, earned through years of constructive public service, has much to do with the pulling power of advertising... that is why the largest portion of advertising in this territory appears in the columns of the Mail Tribune and is the reason the public depends upon this medium for shopping news as well as general news and features... the same care is maintained in the handling of advertising copy, large and small, as is put forth in assembling and publishing of news.

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