

# WOMAN FIGURES AGAIN IN DEATH DILLINGER AIDE

(Baby Face) Nelson, public enemy No. 1 since Dillinger's demise, were in St. Paul.

Reported in the city with them was John Hamilton, another of the gang, whom Dillinger had declared dead when he was arrested in Tucson, Ariz., a few months ago. Police had always doubted Dillinger's story.

Trap Well Laid.

The trap was well laid, the de-nouement well executed. Van Meter was given his chance to surrender and turned it down, firing two shots from an automatic pistol instead. A few seconds later he was writing face down in the alley, blood streaming from his entire body. He died almost immediately.

In the belief that sooner or later he would come to the corner of Marion street and University avenue the policemen awaited him in the show window of an automobile display room. Chief Cullen and former Chief Thomas Brown carried away the body. Detectives Thomas McMahon and Jack Dietrich carried machine guns.

Van Meter appeared as they expected, striding along University avenue, the main connecting artery between the twin cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis. The spot is but a block from the state capitol.

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of federal agents in Chicago while the "woman in red" watched the blazing guns, and now Van Meter is dead, his whereabouts believed tipped off by reason of his association with a woman here.

ST. PAUL, Aug. 24.—(UP)—Homer Van Meter, one of John Dillinger's principal lieutenants, was slain in a police ambush last night, much as federal agents trapped his bandit chieftain a month ago.

Three score machine gun and shotgun slugs ripped into Van Meter as he vainly sought refuge in an alley.

Four St. Paul policemen, led by Chief Frank Cullen, had been seeking him on a tip that he and George

## Ordered to Halt.

The policemen stepped from the showroom and ordered the gangster to halt. Instead, he ran across the street toward a vacant lot which led to an alley in which he hoped to find temporary refuge. A woman, crossing in front of the police prevented them from firing.

Van Meter, already well across the street, turned and fired two shots from his automatic. He was at the entrance to the alley when his pursuers were able to shoot. They let go five volleys with deadly effect.

His death ended the career of Dillinger's third most important Henchman. Ranking next to Dillinger was Baby Face Nelson. Van Meter was reported a better man with a machine gun than his chief and some considered him even cooler in a crisis.

Death Cripples Gang.

The slaying of Van Meter, even with Nelson at large, has left the remnants of the Dillinger gang crippled. Harry Pierpont, Charles Makiny and Russell Clark are in prison in Ohio. John Hamilton is reported dead, on Dillinger's word, but if he should be alive authorities are convinced he will do little damage without the nucleus of the gang to work with.

There remains but the capture of Nelson to make the work of law and order forces, in their suddenly successful drive on the underworld, thoroughly efficient.

## Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FRANK M. COMPTON, of Roseburg, is doorkeeper to the United States senate.

And, as such, he is private and confidential doorkeeper to Vice-President Jack Garner, who is president of the senate. A confidential doorkeeper decides pretty largely who shall see and who shall not see the man whose door is kept.

It is quite a responsible position, you see.

VICE-PRESIDENT GARNER, Mr. Compton says, is a regular fellow.

He is a westerner—a Texan—and in his early days he rode the range as a cowboy. He likes the people he likes, and his friends like him and have all the confidence in the world in him.

That's a pretty good recommendation.

(Mr. Compton, who is doorkeeper to the senate and as such confidential doorkeeper to the vice-president of the United States, is a REPUBLICAN. Strange things do happen, don't they? He must enjoy the confidence of his associates to an unusual extent.)

SENATOR McNARY, of Oregon, according to Mr. Compton, is not only one of the big men of the senate, but one of the big men of the United States. It is by no means impossible that he might be the Re-

publican party's candidate for president in 1934.

The East regards him as safe and reasonable, and among the party leaders he is regarded as being exceedingly strong in the West.

He is neither too conservative nor too liberal. It is probable that a man of that sort is the only man who can be nominated by the Republicans, with any hope of success, in 1934.

Hence Senator McNary's strength.

A LITTLE while back, he relates, Senator McNary succeeded in lining up all the Republicans in the senate—the stand-patters of such states as Pennsylvania, and progressive states such as Nebraska, and Borah, of Idaho.

That, as you might imagine, takes some managing.

MR. COMPTON tells a good one on Senator Borah—perpetrated, he says, by the Washington Star.

According to the Star's story, Senator Borah went out riding one day in Rock Creek park, which is the hotly-totey park of Washington. It was a lovely morning—sun shining, birds singing, grass green, the world at peace.

Everything seemed just about perfect to Senator Borah, when all of a sudden he discovered that he and the horse were both going in the same direction.

That spoiled the day for him.

SENATOR STEWIER, also of Oregon, Mr. Compton thinks, is one of the rising young men of the senate, and is looked upon with increasing respect.

All in all, he reports, Oregon has a mighty good delegation.

"SENATORS," Mr. Compton says, "work exceedingly hard. They get down to their offices early in the morning, for they have a vast quantity of mail to go through, and a lot of it requires their personal attention."

"By the time they get through their mail they have to rush to committee meetings, and from committee meetings they dash to the opening of the senate—called by a warning bell that rings in the committee rooms."

"After answering the rollcall, they usually go back to the work of their committees, unless something is going on on the floor that requires their presence."

"Their hours are long, and their responsibility is great."

MANY of the senators from populous states receive an average of 2,000 to 3,000 letters a day.

Senator Shepherd, of Texas, which is admittedly a very large and very populous state, keeps five clerks busy with his mail, and yet at one time last spring, when Mr. Compton dropped in on him, he was 2,500 letters behind.

Just try taking care of 2,500 letters a day if you want to realize what a big job is.

AN IDEA of what is in most of the letters may be gained from Senator Shepherd's remark when he looked up from his voluminous mail.

"There's one man in Texas," he said, "who hasn't written to me to demand a job. He has a broken arm."

A Poor Marksman.

GLENDALE, Cal.—(UP)—A champion of poor marksmen is Nathan Starr, 47. Despondent over finances, according to police, Starr fired a pla-

istol pointblank at himself four times. One of the bullets went wild, two others were deflected by a thick wallet he carried over his heart, and the fourth creased his scalp. He recovered.

Workers Hit Check Fee.

SANDUSKY, O.—(UP)—Because banks here charge a 10-cent fee for cashing relief checks, FEWA workers have demanded cash on pay days, claiming they cannot afford to lose the deductions. Sandusky banks re-

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**NEFF WILL GIVE DETAILS OF TRIP**

Attorney Porter J. Neff, who went to Washington, D. C., on behalf of federal loans for the Medford and Talent irrigation districts, returned Tuesday. The object of the trip was to speed the final details of the financing of the two districts. Attorney Neff reported "favorable progress." He said that he was preparing a full statement on the situation and the results of his trip, and the same would be made public in a few days.

It is now thought all red tape in connection with the loans has been cleared away. The loans were originally sought under the Reconstruction Finance corporation act and were transferred later to the FWA.

**PIPES ANSWERS DAMAGE CLAIM**

Attorneys for A. W. Pipes, owner of the Liberty building, filed a answer yesterday to the suit of Bertha W. Sawyer, for damages for a fall down the rear stairs of the building. Plaintiff alleges that as a result of the fall she sustained injuries to her foot, and seeks approximately \$2000.

Pipes in the answer charges that defendant, in the use of the stairs, failed to exercise "due care and caution," failed to grasp the hand-rail, failed to watch where she was going, and proceeded hurriedly.

It is further claimed that the usual safeguards were on the stairs, and that plaintiff with the exercise of the caution and care, could have avoided the mishap.

The defendant asks that the case be dismissed, and that the costs be attached to the plaintiff.

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	Hair Removing Pads . . . . . 10c
	50c Wendy Hair Dress . . . . . 29c
	25c Johnson's Talcum . . . . . 19c
	60c Italian Balm . . . . . 44c
	60c Djer-Kiss Powder . . . . . 40c
	25c Djer-Kiss Perfume . . . . . 19c
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