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# DIES ACCUSES MADAME PERKINS

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**MONOPOLY INQUIRY FACES FIRST REAL TEST**  
**WOULD PRESENT PICTURE NATION'S ECONOMIC LIFE**  
**MUST AVOID HUNT FOR HEADLINES**  
**SHAKE-UP IN PROBE PERSONNEL CONSIDERED**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The big monopoly investigation has passed through three preliminary stages. In the first, business men eagerly lined the capacious pockets of local lobbyists and chiselers. In the foolish hope of "fixing" the investigators. In the second, the business men's lawyers descended on the capital, to see what they could do by polite obstruction. And in the third, the lawyers having reported the investigators meant business, the business men themselves have volunteered their full cooperation.

Thus, while the politicians bellow at the hustings, something less noisy but equally significant is happening here. The monopoly investigation, intended by its sponsors to change the course of American economic thinking, is now facing its first real test.

The investigators have every facility at their disposal. The question is, can they paint a real and convincing picture of the country's economic life? Or will the investigation degenerate into a sporadic headline hunt, in which unrepresentative business situations will be jocularly explored without sharpening a detail or clarifying a line in the general picture we now have? As the New Dealers in charge of the investigation are honestly anxious to do a good job, they are really disquieted by the magnitude of the technical problem.

In some ways, the signs are good. Hearings are expected to begin in November, and, after an introductory discussion, patents will probably be the first subject to be tackled. Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold and his henchmen have collected much material illustrating the use of patents as an instrument of economic power. The glassware industry will be used as the most convenient object lesson, but the material covers all sorts of manufacture. If it is as good as Arnold hoped, it should form an adequate foundation for new treatment of the patent laws.

But there are disturbing signs also. Whether the power derives from patent ownership, interlocking stock controls, banking influence or raw material monopoly, the broad extent and effects of all kinds of concentrated economic power is the really important question to be settled. This focal point of the investigation is being handled by the securities and exchange commission. And the commission investigators have run into a peck of trouble.

Progress has been so slow that, this week, on the initiative of Chairman William O. Douglas and Commissioner James N. Frank, a radical shake-up has been considered. At the start, Douglas wanted to put his college classmate and friend, Joseph Anthony Panich, in charge of the SEC's investigating division. Panich is an odd figure—by birth a member of the Emperor Franz Josef's Austrian official class, but by education a hard-driving, energetic and decidedly colorful New York lawyer. At one time he was the American attorney of the Amertg Trading Corporation, and at another of the German state railways. Panich's association with Douglas to change his mind.

Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., a mild-mannered young economist, and Thomas J. Lynch, a New Deal lawyer, were appointed director and chief counsel of the SEC monopoly inquiry. The difficulty in obtaining personnel, the complexity of the problem and other factors made slow work all but inevitable. But now it is felt that some dynamic force must be injected into the work. Panich has been chosen as the force, and, unless the plans are changed, he will soon be

## EXPOSE PROMISED OF CODDLING OF COAST AGITATOR

**New Deal Opposition to Un-American Inquiry Hinted—Fiery Texan On Air Monday Night.**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Chairman Dies (D. Tex.) of the house committee investigating un-American activities, accused Secretary Perkins today of trying to protect, rather than to deport Harry Bridges, west coast labor leader.

The militant Texan, whose committee was criticized by President Roosevelt recently for its handling of testimony against Governor Frank Murphy of Michigan, charged that the labor department chief and her assistants had selected a weak case for a test in the supreme court that would control the Bridges deportation proceedings.

Dies wrote Solicitor General Robert H. Jackson that "as head of the labor department, Madame Frances Perkins is endeavoring to throw the Strucker case, in order to save Harry Bridges, a communist and alien labor leader, in violation of the laws of the United States, the decision of our federal courts, and her oath of office."

**Madame Delays**  
 Secretary Perkins has delayed the deportation proceedings against Harry Bridges, a C. I. O. leader who is a native of Australia, until the supreme court decides upon the case of Joseph W. Strucker. That case involves the question of whether an alien may be deported for joining the communist party.

Dies' letter replied, he said, to an invitation from Solicitor General Jackson that the representative participate in presenting the Strucker case to the high court.

The Texan also announced he would make public letters of President Roosevelt and other administration leaders in an effort to show "that they have refused to cooperate in the committee's investigation of communism and fascism."

Dies said he would answer President Roosevelt's criticism of the committee in a radio broadcast Monday night at 8:15 o'clock (PST) over the mutual system.

Dies wrote Solicitor General Jackson that government lawyers apparently were "not acquainted with many important facts in this important case which clearly demonstrate that Madame Perkins, secretary of labor, is endeavoring to use you and the department of justice to 'pull her chestnuts out of the fire.'"

**Wisdom Questioned**  
 He charged that the secretary of labor had "misrepresented the effect which the decision in the Strucker case had upon the deportation proceedings against Harry Bridges."

The chairman said that R. B. Bonham, immigration official at Seattle, Wash., regarded the supreme court test as "very weak" compared with evidence against Bridges.

"Madame Frances Perkins' experience and judgment on immigration and naturalization matters are of no value as against the experience and judgment of District Director Bonham, who has developed many years exclusively to immigration and naturalization matters," Dies asserted.

Referring again to the Bridges case, Dies said "months and years have transpired since the first complaints were filed against him," while the ordinary alien was quickly arrested, jailed, and given a prompt hearing.

## BORAH'S OPINION OF MUNICH PACT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Senator Borah (Idaho) said today that the real issue in present relations among nations was the "irreconcilable difference between governments which would destroy liberty and governments which would preserve it."

Commenting on President Roosevelt's recent speech warning that there could be no peace extracted by force, Borah said he interpreted this as serving notice that the United States did not consider itself responsible for the terms and conditions of the Munich pact. The president's speech was broadcast last Wednesday night.

## Doomed Murderer Advises Youth



John Deering (above), who asked to die before a Utah State Prison firing squad for a murder he confessed, has offered advice for youths which he hopes will keep them from a fate like his. Deering also had jokes to make about those who claim "life begins at 40," remarking he would prove them "cockeyed liars."

PORTLAND, Oct. 29.—(AP)—John W. Deering, 40, convicted murderer who will face a firing squad at Salt Lake City, Utah, on Monday, once shot it out with two Portland detectives. Detective Captain J. J. Keegan was notified today.

Keegan said Detectives M. A. McMeekin and R. F. Thompson were shot and wounded in a drug store holdup May 29, 1937. He added that Deering confessed shooting the men but refused to name his companion. Deering, also wounded, hid in the hills and cared for his own injury, he told officials.

Deering was convicted of murder for the holdup-slaying of Oliver R. Meredith, Jr., at Salt Lake City last May 9.

## MARSEILLE FIRE CLAIMS 100 DEAD, LOSS IS MILLION

MARSEILLE, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Marseille officials believed tonight that more than 100 persons perished in a fire which ravaged the business section.

While firemen from Marseille and 11 nearby municipalities still poured water into the ruins, police headquarters received reports on missing persons, most of them said to have worked in the Nouvelles Galeries de Paris, department store where the fire started.

The store was burned to the ground and firemen said they found bodies heaped at the bottom of a stairway which had collapsed. The ruins of the store and 10 other buildings were searched for other bodies.

Thirty-five persons, many seriously burned, were in hospitals. Preliminary survey of the property damage caused authorities to estimate the loss at 60,000,000 francs (about \$1,620,000).

So far as could be determined the fire started in wooden scaffolding on the first floor of the department store where workmen had been remodeling.

There were reports that a workman, using a blowtorch, had accidentally ignited a can of gasoline.

The radical-socialist congress, in session at the time of the fire, donated 100,000 francs (\$2,500) for relief of families of the victims.

## PREDICT SHOWERS FOR COMING WEEK

Northern California: Fair Sunday, but showers over mountains and rain late Sunday on extreme north coast; slightly warmer in interior of north portion Sunday; moderate southwest and west wind off coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Weather outlook October 31-November 5, inclusive, far western states:

Occasional rains Pacific northwest; otherwise fair, except rain in northern California first of week; temperatures normal or somewhat above normal.

## RAILROADS URGED TO DROP DEMAND FOR WAGE SLASH

**Fact Finding Board Reports to President—Monday Conference Seeks Solution.**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's fact-finding board recommended today that the railroads abandon their proposal to reduce wages of approximately 1,000,000 employees on December 1.

The railroad managements gave no immediate indication as to whether they would comply. Still up to the president, in the words of one board member, was the problem of averting the nation-wide strike which the rail workers have voted if the proposed 15 per cent reduction is put into effect.

The White House disclosed that Mr. Roosevelt would pursue this problem Monday at a conference with George M. Harrison, head of the railway labor executives' association, and John J. Pelley, president of the association of American railroads.

Presumably, the possibilities of other proposed solutions of the railroads' financial plight will be discussed at this conference. The administration's ideas on government aid and legislation at the next session of congress are expected generally to be canvassed. Pelley declared at recent hearings before the fact-finding board, however, that the wage cut offered the only adequate solution.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Presidents of two major railroad brotherhoods with headquarters here predicted tonight American railroads would comply with the federal fact-finding board's recommendation against a proposed 15 per cent wage cut.

## HOOD RIVER JAIL ESCAPE ARRESTED

Leella Weygant, 35, one of four prisoners who escaped from the Hood River city jail October 18, was arrested yesterday by state police and sheriff's deputies in Jacksonville, and is being held in the county jail to await the arrival of Hood River County Sheriff J. H. Sheldrake, who will return him to the Columbia river city.

Weygant was apprehended on a Jacksonville street after local authorities were informed of his whereabouts. He submitted to arrest peacefully, state police said.

With Weygant when he escaped from jail by sawing off the hinges of a steel gate, were John Quint, Ed Ray and Paul Mahaffey. All but the latter have been apprehended. Weygant was awaiting trial on several larceny counts.

## ATTEMPT MADE TO ROB SCHOOL SAFE

Burglars some time Friday night entered the principal's office of Central Point high school and attempted to "crack" the school safe, but were apparently unsuccessful, state police reported yesterday.

The lock on the inner door of the safe, a small office, was knocked off, police said, and now the door can't be opened to determine whether or not the burglars saw the inside. However, it is believed the inner door was not opened. When the lock was punched off the mechanism of the door was jammed, making it impossible to open. Amount of money in the safe is not definitely known.

Entrance to the office was gained after removing a pane of glass from the front door, police stated, and added that several clues were discovered.

## SECRET MEXICAN WEDDING DENIED BY TORCH SINGER

**Ruth Etting, Radio Queen in Love Theft-Shooting Springs Surprise.**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Springing a surprise, blonde Ruth Etting, one of the original "torch" singers, denied under oath today that she and 30-year-old Myrl Alderman, radio music arranger, are married.

At the time her divorced husband, "Colonel" Martin Snyder, shot and slightly wounded Alderman in her presence recently, Miss Etting and Alderman said they were married secretly at Tijuana, Mexico, last July.

Miss Etting testified today at a deposition hearing as defendant in the \$150,000 love theft suit filed soon after the shooting by Alderman's former wife, Alma. Mrs. Alderman, whose divorce decree does not become final until December, listened as Miss Etting testified.

Miss Etting said she and Alderman never had any marital relationships. The house where the shooting occurred, she testified, is "as far as I know, Mr. Alderman's." She said she had been helping him furnish it for his mother. She denied she had given him an \$80 black velvet bathrobe, bought him a phonograph or automobile or paid anything on the house. Alderman paid his own hospital bills resulting from the shooting, she testified.

Snyder, whom Miss Etting divorced in Chicago last fall, is awaiting trial on charges of kidnaping and attempting to murder Alderman. She was asked by Mrs. Alderman's lawyer, S. S. Hahn, whether she loved Alderman, Miss Etting said:

"Love is a hard thing to define." She declined to say whether she ever had written saying, "I love you very much."

## NAZI EXPULSION OF POLES HALTED

BERLIN, Oct. 29.—(AP)—German authorities called a halt tonight to the mass expulsion of Polish Jews pending the opening of negotiations regarding the status of all Polish citizens in Germany.

The action was taken simultaneously with an announcement in Warsaw that Poland had abandoned plans for retaliatory measures against Germans residing there.

More than 20,000 Polish Jews had been herded on both sides of the border by Germany in a counter move to a new Polish citizenship law which Berlin authorities feared would leave thousands of these citizens stranded in the Reich without passports.

The eleventh hour decision to halt the movement of Polish Jews toward the border came after Polish representatives told German authorities they had misinterpreted the new citizenship regulations of the neighboring republic.

Deportation trains which had carried thousands to the frontier since the sudden roundup started yesterday were directed to return.

## AGREEMENT NEAR IN STORE STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Mayor Angelo J. Rossi's committee of ten announced late today that a "basis of settlement" of the 53-day old strike at 35 leading department stores had been arrived at by negotiators and would be submitted to store operators and union members early next week.

Spokesman indicated acceptance of the agreement by both sides would be forthcoming upon recommendation of the negotiating committees.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed, and spokesmen said they were particularly anxious they be kept entirely secret until the individual members of the two groups have heard and voted upon them.

Some 3,000 workers were estimated to have been involved in the strike, which curtailed business at the stores and cost many thousands of dollars to those thrown out of work.

## ASHURST SEES NO MAHONEY VICTORY

PORTLAND, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Circuit Judge Edward B. Ashurst declared today that it was very doubtful if Willis Mahoney, Democratic senatorial nominee, would carry Klamath county "by more than a slender majority, if at all."

Judge Ashurst, Klamath Falls, was here campaigning for Rufus Holman, Republican candidate, against his fellow townsman.

## PAT CROWE, ONCE CRIME 'BIG SHOT,' DIES PENNILESS

**Notorious for Kidnaping of Cudahy Heir—Last Years Spent As Reformer.**

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Pat Crowe, reformed "enemy of society" who preached to sidewalk crowds that "crime never pays" died today penniless and alone—a testimonial to his preachments.

A man of many aliases, Crowe was one of the most colorful figures in American criminal history. He was a tired, but proud old man of 70 when he was taken from his shabby furnished room to a hospital last Wednesday; but 40 years ago Pat Crowe was the object of a sensational, nationwide manhunt with a price of \$50,000 on his rocky head.

One-time kidnaper, train robber and burglar, extraordinary Crowe served time in many midwest "big houses" before he decided to mend his errant ways and spread the gospel of honest living.

He was known to police of a dozen cities long before he sprang into notoriety in the kidnaping of Edward J. Cudahy, Jr., 16-year old heir to meat packing fortunes in Omaha late in the '90's.

Screaming posters offered the then almost unheard of reward of \$50,000 for the kidnaper. Despite the intensity of the search the wily Crowe eluded the police, but finally surrendered in Butte, Mont.

Although Crowe admitted the kidnaping and although he had his confederate Jim Callahan, said they collected \$25,000 ransom for the safe return of the packing heir, Crowe was acquitted.

Five years before, he had served time in the Missouri prison for train robbery. He first appeared on police records under the name of Frank Roberts in Chicago, July 8, 1890, when he was sentenced to eight years in Joliet prison for robbery.

It was in 1904, after Crowe had been acquitted of a robbery charge, that he decided to give up his life of crime. He had dubbed himself "an enemy of society" and he set out to make retribution.

His only income was an old-age pension. His only connection with a lurid past was a pack of newspaper clippings, yellow with age, found in his room, clippings reciting his adventures.

When they approached the location of their good-chopping operation, Benedict left him. Jones told the authorities, to go in search of some better wood, while he (Jones) continued on toward their regular supply. At about 1:30, Jones told police, he heard the two shots. A few minutes later Parker arrived, and he and Jones worked until it began to rain. Jones stated to police, Jones returned to the Applegate, and when Benedict failed to show up as darkness began to settle, he went back into the hills to search for him and made the discovery, he told police. Jones found the body about 3:30, hollered to Parker, who was still cutting wood, and Parker notified sheriff's office.

Besides Jones and Parker, Ed Kublin, Walter Miller, Carl Herrriott, George Herrriott and Abe Kromling helped carry the body to the road, where it was placed in the Marie wagon.

Besides his wife, Marie, Mr. Benedict is survived by two daughters, Carolyn 11, and Georgia, 9; and two sisters, Anna Mansfield of Long Beach, Cal. and Jennie Badgley of DeKalb, Ill., and three nieces.

He was born at Applegate May 31, 1868. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Benedict, were early settlers in the Applegate district. He was united in marriage to Marie Winetrot in 1909. A quiet and unassuming man, he was well-liked by all who knew him, and his death will come as a distinct shock to his many friends in the valley.

Funeral services, in charge of the Perl funeral home, will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday.

## WORKERS PERTLED

BEND, Oct. 29.—(AP)—One man was killed and another injured yesterday when high winds blew over a dead tree into the midst of 20 road workers who were eating lunch.

FARMERS REJOICE  
 ASTORIA, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Farmers celebrated the lifting of flood threats yesterday when the \$200,000 Brownsville dike project along the Columbia river was completed. The region previously was flooded annually.

## A Woman Protests

PORTLAND, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Portland's streetcleaners got a lambasting today when Mrs. J. C. Woodman's letter to the city council was read.

"If a woman did her work the reckless way these street cleaning men do, she'd never get done, nor would her house be clean and sanitary," she declared.

She advocated appointment of a woman—"a real housekeeper"—as superintendent of street cleaning work.

## FRED R. BENEDICT, ILL AND WORRIED, DIES OF WOUNDS

The lifeless body of Fred R. Benedict, a native of Jackson county and a resident of Applegate, all his life, was discovered Friday afternoon in the hills about one-half mile from his home, two bullet wounds from his 25-20 Savage rifle in his chest. He was found by a friend, John R. Jones, about 58 and also of Applegate.

Dependent over financial matters and in ill health, Benedict is believed by authorities to have committed suicide. Mrs. Benedict and Applegate residents told state police and the sheriff's office that he had been worrying about money and his health lately, and that he had suffered a nervous breakdown a short time ago. County Coroner Frank Perl stated that there would be no inquest.

When discovered, Benedict was lying on his stomach in a doubled-up position, both hands clutching the rifle under him. His left hand was on the barrel and his right hand was near the trigger, making it appear as if he had set the gun on the ground, muzzle up, and leaned over on it, pulling the trigger with his right hand. Deputy Sheriff Bill Grenbamer stated, One bullet ripped across the left side of his chest, scraping the ribs and lodging in his left arm, and the other slug traveled straight through his left lung, the county coroner said.

Jones told investigating officers that he had heard the two shots, but didn't become alarmed because he knew Benedict had his gun with him and believed he was shooting at rabbits. Jones told authorities that he and Benedict walked up the hill south of Applegate to their wood claim shortly before one o'clock Friday afternoon, after they had cut wood all morning with Lester E. Parker and his son and returned home for lunch.

When they approached the location of their good-chopping operation, Benedict left him. Jones told the authorities, to go in search of some better wood, while he (Jones) continued on toward their regular supply. At about 1:30, Jones told police, he heard the two shots. A few minutes later Parker arrived, and he and Jones worked until it began to rain. Jones stated to police, Jones returned to the Applegate, and when Benedict failed to show up as darkness began to settle, he went back into the hills to search for him and made the discovery, he told police. Jones found the body about 3:30, hollered to Parker, who was still cutting wood, and Parker notified sheriff's office.

## PARTY CHIEFTAINS EXCHANGE VERBAL BLOWS ON STUMP

**Cummings Defends New Deal, Sen. Vandenberg Flays Trend—Farley Predicts Victory.**

(By the Associated Press)  
 Campaign orators for both major parties told the nation last night that election of their candidates to congress on November 8 was the best way to preserve democracy.

Attorney General Homer Cummings declared "no more heartening message could go forth to the lovers of democracy, at home and abroad, than a verdict in November that the American people propose to uphold the hands of their great president."

But Republican Senator Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan took the view that in the forthcoming elections "the people must decide either we go on to glory in the spiritual and material freedoms of a representative republic or we bog down in the morasses of a controlled and collective state."

In an address prepared for delivery at York, Pa., Cummings defended the policies of the Roosevelt administration with the contention that:

"Dictatorship, revolution, bureaucracy, these have been the cries, the constant and invariable answers to every effort to eliminate injustices and restore some measure of equal opportunity to the people of this country."

Senator Vandenberg said "we are not automatically immune to all the forces of destruction which are reducing democracy to a shambles elsewhere in the world."

If a third-term president ever is elected, the senator argued, "you can eventually bid goodbye to democracy in America—precisely as it disappeared almost everywhere else on earth when attacked by concentrated central power."

"And that's the great, fundamental thing about this election is first about it," Vandenberg spoke on a national radio network (CBS) from Columbus, Ohio.

The chairman of the Democratic national committee, James A. Farley, predicted in a speech at New York that the people would "vote their confidence in the Roosevelt administration and send to congress the men and women who are prepared to carry on these policies."

In his address, which was broadcast by NBC, he said also that his party was "intensely satisfied" that Republicans had "chosen to make the popularity of the president of the United States" the prime question in this congressional election.

## STATE RELIEFERS FOR THIRD TERM

PORTLAND, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Election of new deal candidates was listed as one of the objectives of the Oregon Workers' Alliance today at the fourth state convocation of the relief workers.

The relievers also asked reorganization of work relief on a permanent basis with a 20 per cent increase in pay to compensate for increased living costs; enactment of a sound old-age pension program; unity in the labor movement; a third term for President Roosevelt.

## Radio Highlights

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Sunday additions for WABC-CBS: Emil Ludwig, author, from Paris, 1:30 p. m. on "France Looks To America"; W. R. Willis' description from occupied Hankow, China, at 10:15, postponed from Friday.

Time for next Friday night's broadcast by President Roosevelt as a "Voter of New York State," to go all networks, has been advanced two hours to 7:30.

Sunday nights: WEAP-NBC—12:30 p. m. roundtable, "Problems of Taxation"; 5:00 Uncle Ezra; 7:00 Jack Benny; 8:00 Charlie McCarthy.

WABC-CBS—3:00 N. Y. Philharmonic; 7:00 People's Platform, Sec. Wallace and Gen. Johnson on substitutes; 9:00 Sunday evening hour.

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