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MARTIN DURKIN WILL BE TRIED EARLY IN MARCH

Dapper Police Slayer Makes Last Desperate Effort to Escape Police

COMPLETE STORY TOLD

Account of his Wanderings Since Murder Reads Like a Fancied Romance

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Martin J. Durkin, dapper police slayer, captured in St. Louis with his 18 year old bride, was in the hands of his prosecutors today.

Federal officers have trailed him virtually from coast to coast, sometimes only 24 hours behind him since he killed Edward S. Shanahan, government agent, October 11, and shot his way out of a police trap, killing Sergeant Harry Gray, two weeks later.

And today the government had joined with the state authorities to bring him to trial as soon as possible, probably March 1, with the gallows the objective of the prosecution.

Tries Getaway Durkin made one last desperate effort yesterday to escape the captors who hemmed him enroute from St. Louis to Chicago. Despite the shackles on wrists and ankles, he reached around his wife and sought to grab a guard's pistol. But an operative seized his wrist and the attempt failed.

After that he manifested slight concern. His first query on his arrival was for his lawyer. His relatives were reported making an effort to obtain Clarence Darrow, noted criminal lawyer, to defend him.

Through the night prosecutors questioned him, his wife Irma, the daughter of Bert Sullivan, village blacksmith of Cornell, Ill., his cousin, Harriet Gallo of Brooklyn, and Betty Werner, Durkin's former sweetheart, for whose baby's clothing Durkin dared the police trap set at her uncle's house. From their answers, the state's attorney pieced together the story of his flight.

Dressed as Flapper Miss Gallo related how Durkin, after killing Gray, dressed himself in feminine attire in New York and calmly powdered his nose in the presence of policemen who were questioning him.

FEDERAL AGENT WILL NOT CLOSE CHICAGO HOTEL

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—E. C. Yellow, prohibition administrator here, has no intention, and never had any, of closing the \$10,000,000 Morrison hotel by federal padlock proceedings because "under cover" agents were able to purchase liquor from employees.

"They're making a mountain out of a mole hill," the enforcement chief said. "There are no investigators there now and there have been no secret conferences with a view to padlocking the doors." The statement came after prohibition agents working under Yellow had declared sufficient evidence had been obtained to close the hotel and said the government's plans had been spoiled by premature publicity.

Meets Former Sweetheart

Martin Durkin and Betty Warner Face Each Other in Chicago Office "Sheik Bandit" Is Bitter

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Martin Durkin, "sheik bandit," who faces two murder indictments and Betty Warner, his former sweetheart, for the comfort of whose baby boy Durkin walked into a police trap which cost two lives, faced each other in the state's attorney's office today.

Excuses and explanations sprang from each, while Durkin's 18-year old bride looked on, out of earshot. Yesterday Durkin said Miss Warner had helped "frame" him. Previously Betty was quoted as having said she was "through" with him.

Dead Body Of San Francisco Girl Is Found

London Police Solve Disappearance Mystery

LONDON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—The body of a woman with clothing and jewelry corresponding to that worn by Miss Victoria May Edwards, missing San Francisco girl, was found today in the woods near Fernborough. Nearby was an empty bottle supposed to have contained poison.

Miss Edwards disappeared on December 19 from her aunt's home in Beckenham, leaving supposedly to call on friends nearby. She came to England last June to recover from an illness and at times seemed depressed. She had planned to return to California in February and shortly before the disappearance arranged passport matters so that she would be able to depart at that time.

Mrs. F. K. B. Edwards, her mother, who makes her home in London, said her daughter had never threatened suicide. Scotland Yard detectives had been working on the case. All the hospitals in and near London were searched and Kelsey Park Lake, in the Beckenham district, was dragged.

Miss Edwards was 33 years of age.

Miss Stanfield Married Today

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Calvin Coolidge headed the list of invited guests for the wedding this afternoon of Miss Inez Barbara Stanfield, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Stanfield, of Oregon, and Henry Teasdale Damm, of Jacksonville, Fla.

Members of the cabinet and many representatives, senators, diplomats and other officials were on the guest list. The scene of the wedding was St. John's church, and Rev. Robert Johnson, rector, was chosen to officiate. A large choir of boys, singing "Father of Love," was assigned to lead the bridal procession, with Senator Stanfield walking to the altar with the bride.

The maid of honor selected was Miss Elizabeth Hamlin, of New York. Bridesmaids were Misses Elsie Bristol, Portland, Marjorie Dunn, Jacksonville, Anne Covington and Beatrice McLean, Washington.

Klamath Court to Reach Settlement on Road Controversy

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—The Klamath county court and the bureau of public roads will soon reach a settlement in the matter of \$24,235 said to be due the federal government in a highway construction agreement. This was announced today by C. H. Purcell, district engineer for the bureau. Klamath officials declared yesterday before the state highway commission that they had received no bill from the government for work done.

In a conference last evening representatives of the bureau of public roads told the county court that bills had been mailed regularly.

MAY START NEW OIL WELL NEAR DAIRY SECTION

Geologist Offers to go in With West Coast Co. Stockholders 50-50

FAVOR PROPOSITION

Claim Abandoned Well was on Poor Structure; Wants Rigging for New Well

Another oil well will soon be in process of drilling if stockholders of West Coast Oil & Gas company approve a proposition submitted to them by J. E. Loreman, geologist. The proposition was outlined last night by Mr. Loreman to 45 stockholders at a special meeting at the chamber of commerce.

Mr. Loreman offered to raise \$15,000 if stockholders of the West Coast would raise a similar amount and turn over to him the rigging of the abandoned well near Dairy. His idea was to dig a well which would tell for good and all whether or not there is oil in Klamath county. The West Coast well, which was abandoned last August after having been drilled to a depth of 1550 feet, is not correctly located, he emphasized. It would be necessary to pierce to a depth of 6000 feet before oil would be struck.

He proposed to start drilling at a more favorable location and drill down to a depth which will definitely disclose whether oil is in Klamath or whether it is not.

No False Hopes Mr. Loreman, in his address to the stockholders, did not raise false hopes. He explained that the surface conditions were greatly similar to those of proven oil fields that had been examined, but that that fact alone would not guarantee oil. It merely increases the chances for oil.

Owing to the fact that but 45 of the stockholders, owning approximately 1000 shares, out of the 280 stockholders, were present at the meeting, no action could be taken. However, the opinion expressed by the stockholders present was decidedly favorable. It was pointed out that to finance this project, each stockholder would need to buy one more share of stock.

Meeting January 27 A meeting was called for the evening of January 27 in the basement of the chamber of commerce, at which some decision on the matter will be made, if a majority of the stockholders are present.

Mr. Loreman graphically described the oil situation, drawing a cross section of the oil structure in the vicinity of Dairy, on a blackboard. By means of the picture, he explained to the apparent satisfaction of those stockholders present that the West Coast well was off the structure and that in another location, in the same general vicinity, better results might be expected.

Man Believed Murder Victim

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—The coroner's office has decided that the man whose body yesterday rose to the surface of Columbia slough had been killed and his body tossed into the river.

They based their decision on total absence of water in his lungs and the fact that his skull had been broken over the left temple with a sharp instrument.

The next step is identification. The man's upper lip bears what might be a hairlip or a prominent scar.

Bees Break Up Farmer's Home Near Grenada

Jo Azzary Wants \$500 Damage And Tries To Sell Land

(Special to The Herald) YREKA, Calif., Jan. 21.—Bees, great swarms of them, aggravating, pestiferous and annoying, have made life miserable for Joseph Azzary, rancher who owns 124 acres of land one mile north of Grenada.

Adjoining Azzary's land is a one acre tract, on which T. E. Hadfield and J. H. Horsey are raising bees. So annoyed has Azzary become that he has brought suit for \$500 damage against Hadfield and Horsey and has advertised his ranch for sale "exceptionally cheap," in the Siskiyou County News.

The bees "were in great multitudes, were troublesome and pestiferous to plaintiff and his hired help," the damage complaint states. "They have caused great annoyance, trouble and inconvenience."

STEALER OF HAMS IS BANK ROBBER

John "Blackie" Ryan, Yreka Prisoner, Is Caught in Sacramento, Calif.

(Special to The Herald) YREKA, Calif., Jan. 21.—G. W. McTravish, the robber of hams from a Yreka butcher shop and John "Blackie" Ryan, desperate bandit who robbed the bank at Roseville recently, are one and the same, according to word received here today. Ryan was picked up in Sacramento and a check on his past actions, revealed that he had served time in Yreka.

Caught in the act of stealing hams, Ryan alias McTravish, was brought before a magistrate and sent to jail for 60 days. He proved a "tough hombre" and a diet of bread and water was necessary for several days before he was sufficiently cowed to take to the rock pile.

Tax Bill Vote To Come First

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Supporters of the world court today agreed to a proposal of the opposition to permit action on the tax reduction bill before a vote of the court.

Senator Curtis, the republican leader, said he believed an agreement would be reached before the end of the day.

MAN WOULD SELL YOUNG DAUGHTER

DUBUQUE, Iowa, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Dubuque officers were waiting at the station platform at Galena, Ill., yesterday afternoon and frustrated alleged plans for the "sale" for \$100 of a 13-year-old girl by her father to a man 49 years old.

The father, Lem Tuttle, 45, entered into an agreement with Joe Parr, aged 49, to allow him to marry his daughter Bertha, upon payment of the sum of \$100. Tuttle's relatives charge. This was said to be agreeable to Parr and the trio departed for Galena to have the marriage performed to consummate the deal.

Parr and Tuttle, who is a divorced man and had the custody of the child, were arraigned in municipal court today.

KILL MESSENGER AND STEAL CASH

HACKENSACK, N. J., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Four gunmen today held up the offices of the American Railway Express company, shot Frank Brennan, a messenger, and escaped in an automobile with \$5,909 in cash. Brennan received three bullet wounds and died half an hour later.

ASHLAND CHURCH ROW IS SETTLED IN OPEN COURT

Baptists Settle Bitter Controversy and Join in Friendly Prayer

SACRIFICE IS MADE

Rev. Miller Concedes Property and Name to Plaintiffs and Drops Out

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 21.—(P)—In prayer and humility, the suit of the Ashland Baptist church, adherents of the established Baptist faith against the First Baptist church, Inc., for settlement of church property rights, dramatically terminated late Wednesday afternoon when the Rev. B. C. Miller, leader of the "Aimee McPherson Four-Square Gospel" forces withdrew.

The court, with Judge Walter H. Evans on the bench, recessed when Rev. Miller, at the conclusion of his direct testimony asked permission to make a statement. Legal formalities attendant upon the dismissal of the action, the first of its kind in the history of Oregon jurisprudence, it is claimed, will be completed, and the issue formally closed next Monday.

Reach Agreement Rev. Miller said he was prompted in his action after talking to the Rev. W. B. Hinson of Portland, Tuesday, and a meeting of members of his flock, in which the conclusion had been reached "that we lose it we win, and our Lord suffereth the most."

"You may have the house upon the hill, the parsonage, and the name of Baptist," Rev. Miller said. "I have made my sacrifice. I have lost my Baptist standing and many Baptist friends." The plaintiffs accepted the terms. No costs will be assessed against any side.

Join in Prayer As Rev. Miller retired from the witness stand, Judge Evans called upon the Rev. W. B. Hinson of Portland to pray. The audience, some in tears, bowed and stood while the noted divine beseeched heavenly blessings. At the conclusion of his supplications he shook hands with Rev. Miller. In a short talk he urged all to forget and forgive. "In this unhappy circumstance,"

Judge Evans, acting in no legal capacity, praised both sides for the spirit of Christianity and consideration for each other they had displayed. Addresses were also made by Attorney W. O. Sims, head counsel for the plaintiffs, and by Gus Newbury, chief counsel for the defense.

The suit was the outgrowth of a series of revival meetings held in Ashland in 1922, when the Baptist congregation split over the question of divine healing.

Senator Reed Scores Dawes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Vice President Dawes and his campaign for revision of senate rules were put on the gridiron today from the senate floor.

Within a few minutes after the vice president had taken his place in the chair of the presiding officer, Senator Reed, democrat, Missouri, punctuated with this observation, a discussion of "propaganda" in Washington:

"If this senate is to buckle to propaganda, it will become so contemptible that it would not be worth while for the vice president to continue his criticisms."

There was laughter in the galleries and General Dawes smiled broadly while the ushers scurried about restoring order.

Marines Grab Half Million Liquor Cargo

Ocean Going Tug Captured off Sandy Hook

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Marine police early today seized the ocean going tug Rescue with a cargo of liquor said to be worth more than a half million dollars after a chase off Sandy Hook in which half a dozen shots from a one pounder were fired.

The Rescue is valued at about \$250,000. The present owner is unknown to the police.

A coast guard launch first observed the Rescue and fired a shot across her bow. The tug put on speed. A police launch bearing the shots joined the chase and fired several hundred rounds from a machine gun but the tug was not struck.

Meantime the Rescue extinguished its running lights and boldly entered the harbor and went to a slip at Jefferson street. Before the blue coats could reach her the Rescue's sea-cocks had been opened and most of the crew had fled. The four men who remained on board surrendered. Policemen dived into the water in the hold and closed the sea-cocks.

Coast guard officials said the craft had on board over 25,000 cases of assorted wines and liquors.

Coast guard officers said they received a tip three weeks ago that the tug was bound for New York with a million dollar cargo.

Farmer Killed In Auto Crash

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Walter S. Barnett 64, prominent farmer, was instantly killed last night about four miles west of Walla Walla, when the automobile in which he was riding alone skidded in the soft dirt alongside of the pavement and went into the ditch.

E. G. Young, of Oakland, Oregon, who was on his way to Walla Walla to visit his wife's relatives, found the car in the ditch and extricated the body from the wreckage. The remains were brought to the city in another passing car. When Young arrived here he learned that the dead man was his second cousin.

Barnett was born in Oakland, Oregon, November 4, 1861. He has resided in the Walla Walla valley more than 40 years.

Suspects Arrested in Communist Plot

BELGRADE, Jugo. Slavia, Jan. 21.—(AP)—More than 200 suspects have been arrested and raids are being carried on throughout the country, following discovery of an alleged communist plot to overthrow the government. Hundreds of houses are being searched for evidence.

Hagenbarth Named By Wool Growers

BOISE, Ida., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Frank J. Hagenbarth, Spencer, Ida., 13 years in charge of destinies of the National Wool Growers' association, was re-elected president at the closing session of the annual convention yesterday, and Butte, Mont., was awarded the next convention.

Coal Bootleggers Thrive Fuel Delivered At Night

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Anthracite bootlegging, a new industry, which sprung up as a result of the hard coal strike, is growing rapidly.

RESORT CLOSING BY MIDNIGHT IS SHERIFFS' PLAN

Oregon Officers Favor Drastic Law Against Road House Dances

WANT GAS TAX RISE

County Judges and Commissioners Favor an Additional One Cent

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—A state law that would close road houses at midnight, a standard of salaries making them the same in counties of like population, and acceptance by county commissioners of state compensation for peace officers were urged in resolutions by the State Sheriff's association today.

The resolutions were adopted just prior to the opening of the joint session of the sheriffs with the district attorney's association and the Association of county judges and commissioners.

The sheriffs also adopted resolutions of sympathy to the families of E. P. Ellington, sheriff of Coos county, who was killed in a wreck, and S. N. Warfield, sheriff of Benton county, who died of heart disease just following the sheriffs convention here last year.

Would Close Taverns The proposed law directed against road houses would place the same regulation against the dancing and amusement features of "road houses, inns and taverns" as would hold against dance halls.

The county judges' and commissioners' association late yesterday favored legislation that would require auto owners to pay an additional 10 cents a gallon on gasoline for county road purposes. It was pointed out that the present gasoline tax of 3 cents a gallon reverts to the state, and that the counties, as such, receive direct benefit.

Want Tax Refund Following an extended discussion, the association passed motion to refer the question to the committee on roads for recommendation.

C. P. Barnard, county judge of Lane county, started the discussion when he reviewed the circumstances of increasing wear and tear on county roads as a result of steadily growing auto traffic, particularly freight cars and passenger busses.

The association also adopted unanimously a resolution favoring congressional reimbursement of Oregon California land grant counties for taxes lost during the last ten years because of grant land withdrawals.

Track Walker Is Instantly Killed

BEND, Ore., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Mike Makabus, track walker for the Shervin-Hixon company was instantly killed late yesterday when hit by the branches of a falling tree near the company's logging camp south of Bend.

TRACK COACH NAMED

OAKLAND, Calif., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Forest Smithson, former Oregon Agricultural College track star and high hurdles champion in the 1905 Olympic games, was appointed track coach of St. Mary's college at a meeting here today. The appointment takes effect at once.

Coal Bootleggers Thrive Fuel Delivered At Night Anthracite Strike Brings to Light New Kind of Law Evasion