

Two Rum Rings Nipped by Samardick

Guards at All Bridges for Slayer

Auto Similar to One Sought in Girl's Death Believed Crossed River at Blair.

Victim Was Strangled

By JEROME TOWSLEE, Staff Correspondent The Omaha Bee. Bedford, Ia., Aug. 16.—Inquest into the death of Lillian McKinney, Herick, S. D., girl who was found dead near here, was adjourned until next Wednesday, following the sorrowful testimony of the girl's father, Elmer H. McKinney.

The father's testimony was taken Saturday to enable him to leave tonight for Herick with his daughter's body. New evidence, part of which will result from an examination of the girl's stomach and heart, will be introduced Wednesday, it was stated.

In the meantime an official net is being drawn in the hope of capturing Carl Hough, who is suspected in connection with the girl's death. A report reaching Bedford late Saturday indicated that Hough had driven across the Missouri river bridge at Blair, Neb., westbound, before bridge officials had been notified to be on the lookout for him.

In Low Spirits. The father's testimony regarding the disappearance of his daughter from Herick indicated that she was in low spirits before leaving for a ride with Hough.

"Lillian had been working for a restaurant woman in Herick," said McKinney, who is a rancher near that town. "The evening of August 5 she came home, and when I spoke to her she gave me a short answer. She said she was going to a party, and that this caller would be Carl Hough. Finally Hough drove up, but didn't come in the house. Lillian went out and talked to him, then came back for her coat and a blue dress.

"I was worried about her all that night and I couldn't sleep, but I supposed when she didn't return that she was staying in town with the woman who employed her. The next morning I went into town and found that she was missing. When I saw the newspaper description of the dead girl I feared for the worst.

Talked to Father. "I talked to Hough's father, and he told me that he couldn't get along with his son and that he was through with him. Lillian's older sister had known Hough quite well, and she and Lillian and Bernard Dawson, an other Herick man, had often gone driving together. Lillian had no troubles at home."

H Long, Iowa state agent at Bedford, testified that he had visited Hough's mother near Oakland, Ia., and that she had told him Hough and Lillian had been driving together on Sunday morning, declaring they were going back to Herick. He introduced Lillian to the mother as his wife, Long said.

Due to Strangulation. Long's investigations showed that Hough had returned to Oakland Wednesday afternoon. He talked to Frank Rutt and Claude Brock, and told them a story of how he had been poisoned by bootleg whiskey. He borrowed \$2 before leaving Oakland Wednesday night, according to Long.

It was on Wednesday morning that the girl's body was found under the bridge near Bedford. A post-mortem examination preceding the beginning of the inquest, revealed that the girl's knuckles were bruised, indicating that she had engaged in combat before her death. It was concluded that her death was due to strangulation. In addition to her heart and stomach, the girl's liver and intestines will be taken to Iowa City for examination, and it is believed the findings will have some bearing in determining how she met her death.

In the search for Hough an effort is being made to locate some of his former associates in the Iowa state reformatory at Anamosa, in the hope that he may be found in hiding with them. Hough served two years in the reformatory for an auto theft at Carroll, Ia., and was on parole when he left Herick with the McKinney girl.

Lyle Schreck and Milton Mick, 14-year-old Bedford boys who discovered the girl's body while they were swimming, also testified during the inquest. Joe Journey, stockman, was another witness. He was having cattle past when the boys discovered the body and called him to the scene.

Post-mortem examination of the body Saturday afternoon, practically established strangulation as the cause of death. Sheriff William Parrish will take the girl's stomach to Iowa City tonight or tomorrow, where a chemical analysis will be made at the state laboratory.

A Buick car bearing the Nebraska license 23765, thought to be the car used by the girl's slayer, crossed the Missouri river at Blair Friday morning and headed west. Sheriff Parrish learned today. According to the dispatch, Blair authorities did not know that the car was being sought in connection with the Bedford slaying.

Bridges Guarded. Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa and South

"Kid" McCoy and 10th Sweetheart Who Was Slain



Mrs. Theresa Mons and Kid McCoy

Mrs. Theresa Mons, wealthy antique collector, and "Kid" McCoy (Norman Selby) who was exonerated of her mysterious death by a coroner's jury in Los Angeles. Mrs. Mons, divorced but a few days before she was found shot to death with a picture of McCoy clasped to her bosom, was about to become the ex-prize fighter's 10th wife, according to friends of the couple.

Three bridges are now being guarded. Dakota witnesses were called by the county attorney this morning to view the scars and bruises in case the slayer is apprehended.

County Attorney J. R. Locke announced after a conference with McKinney that there was no doubt of the girl's identity. Identification is based on description, scar below knee, a scar from a wire cut above the knee inside the left leg, the clothing, and a tiger eye pin found on the body.

McKinney motored to Bedford from Herick, arriving late Friday night. "I hope they get that man," he said as he stood with bowed head by the body.

Hiram Long, Iowa state agent, will arrive in Bedford today to make a check of the case. An inquest will be held this afternoon at 2:30.

Met Hough in Restaurant. McKinney told authorities how his daughter met Carl Hough, now sought by police in three states in connection with the slaying, in a Herick restaurant, where she was employed as a waitress. They eloped August 5, telling McKinney that they were going for a drive. They had known each other about a month, the father said.

McKinney asserted that Myron Hough, father of Carl Hough, who lives in Herick, told him that Carl had served time at the Anamosa reformatory for car theft at Carroll, Ia., and that he had been in trouble over bad checks at Burke, S. D.

Graduated in June. Lillian McKinney was graduated from Herick High school this June. A high school pin and ring had been removed from the girl's person when the body was found.

McKinney identified the blue crepe de chine dress in the suitcase pawned by the stranger sought by police for gasoline as belonging to his daughter. The former slept last night for the first time in two days.

McKinney is the father of 10 children, six girls and four boys. Lillian was his second child.

While McKinney was identifying the body officers were bending every effort to locate Hough. It was definitely learned yesterday that he had been at Oakland, Ia., where his mother lives, on Wednesday and again on Thursday.

Despite denials by Hough's mother, who lives on a farm five miles from Oakland, that her son has been at the farmhouse since he stopped there last Sunday with a bobbed hair girl, whom he introduced to her as his wife, four persons living in or near Oakland have declared that Hough was driving east on the White Pole road Thursday afternoon.

From Will Chambers, farmer, living not far from the Hough farm, I learned that Hough is armed with a rifle lent him by Chambers. The man said he wanted the rifle to shoot wolves, Chambers said.

Frank Rutt, manager of an Oakland battery station, and Milton Purdy, at an Oakland filling station, both say, without hesitation, that Hough, or, as he is also known, Carroll Lewis, was in Oakland Wednesday afternoon.

L. L. Ellinger, farmer living on the White Pole road, is authority for the statement that Hough was driving on the road Thursday afternoon between 2 and 3.

Norfolk, Neb., Aug. 16.—An automobile, stolen from M. V. Avery of Norfolk the latter part of July, has been practically identified as the car driven by Carl Hough, wanted in connection with the alleged slaying of Lillian McKinney at Bedford, Ia., according to police here.

Alleged Brick-Thrower Held. M. Potts, 5231 South Thirty-second street, was arrested, charged with malicious destruction of property Friday on complaint of Pete Peches, Thirtieth and R streets, who claims that Potts threw a brick through the window of his soft drink parlor.

Helpless Babes Must Be Given Chance to Live Hungry Mouths Must Be Fed Through Rest of Summer; No Other Help Available.

Men, how about it? These helpless "littlies" are on our hands for the rest of the summer. And the money in the fund is just about all gone.

What are we going to do? Tell the poor mothers of these infants that they have done all we can and then withdraw the milk supply?

There's no other place where those hungry little mouths can be fed. No, we can't abandon them. We've got to keep the money in the fund, somehow.

So dig down in the old pocket or write a check. What do you say? Let's go. Address letters to "Free Milk and Ice fund, care of The Omaha Bee." Make checks out the same way. Thanks.

ARSON CHARGE IS DISMISSED

Charges of arson against David and John Gard arising out of the burning of their home were dismissed by County Attorney Beal Saturday for want of sufficient evidence.

WHERE TO FIND THE Big Features of THE SUNDAY BEE

PART ONE Page 1. Two largest rum rings in Omaha broken up by arrests Saturday. Reparation conference signs agreement. Suspects arrested in slaying of George Jefferis at Ogallala. Body bruises on body of girl found near Bedford, Ia., point to violence. Four corporations in one family. W. J. Connelly dies suddenly at Atlantic City, N. J. The Perfect Daughter. Nebraska syndicate to meet here September 21. Nebraska and Iowa editors frolic here this week. Edmondson, veteran printer, dies in hospital. Mother cooks for big reunion. Few Omahans leave big estates. Week's radio programs. Mobilization program, with maps. Nebraska Side up. Part Two. Races, automobile and other sports. Automobile section. Happily for Little Folks. Grain, livestock and financial markets. Pages 7, 8 and 9. Classified advertising. Also Martin on "Speeding." "Once an Evening Always a Late Sleeper" by O. G. McIntire. Part Three. Omaha society news and gossip. Council Bluffs, Benson and Fremont society. Features on stage and screen in Omaha. Percy Hammond's New York letter. Editorials. "Sunny Side up" by Will M. Mannin. "There Are No Naps to the Napoleon." "The Little House" by H. G. Wells. "Lulu" government wins in sheep's clothing" by O. G. McIntire. Part Four. Practical Cookery Magazine for August, eight pages. Four pages of most popular comics. Part Five. SECTION

Skating Rink, Built in 1884 for \$8,300, Is Sold on Block for \$475

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 16.—The I. N. L. barn built in 1884 at Fifth and Market streets by Miller & Watson as the largest skating rink in the west at a cost of \$8,300 was sold at public auction today to M. H. Elchman for \$475.

In the early 80s the landmark was headquarters for thousands of skaters and dancers, polo teams, trick bicyclists.

For the last 36 years the building has been used by a feed and sale barn by J. Q. Reed.

Hall Shy in His Expense List, Claim State Finance Secretary Left \$700,000 From Expenditure Record, Accountant Charges.

Lincoln, Aug. 16.—State Accountant Sommer, who for several days has been trying to straighten out Finance Secretary Hall's accounts, issued a statement today charging Hall with leaving out of the record of state expenditures more than \$700,000, either "deliberately" or because he is "muddled."

Sommer's statement does not mince matters and Finance Secretary Hall is facing a situation where he will be called on to explain.

Sommer sets out the figures in detail. If Hall admits he is "muddled" he places himself in a tight position. If he doesn't, he will be faced with the position of admitting that for political purposes he left out the huge sum "deliberately."

3 Funds Cited. Hall has been pleading that the difference between his figures and those of Sommer is accounted for in the temporary school fund, the forest reforestation fund and the hall insurance fund. The first two of these are covered in appropriations. The last is made up of premiums paid by farmers.

Sommer charges that this is an evasion, that he has not included these items, that leaving them out Hall is still \$700,000 short in his figures.

Sommer Gives Figures. "The figures I quoted several days ago," said Sommer, "should have straightened out Hall, but since he was unable to see the point, I thought the figures from a different angle."

Temporary school fund, \$1,107,544.41; Forest reserve, \$4,223.94; Hall shows only \$1,103,320.47. Leaves expenditures of state \$1,014,484.74; Hall shows only \$1,214,483.52.

Hall left out: Legislative expenses, \$1,500,000.00; Judiciary expenses, \$1,500,000.00; State department, \$1,500,000.00; Roads and bridges, \$1,500,000.00; Sundry departments, \$1,500,000.00; State government, \$1,500,000.00; Educational institutions, \$1,500,000.00; Revolving funds, \$1,500,000.00.

Total as above, \$10,923,222. My criticism is perfectly fair and proper. The people of the state are entitled to know the truth about the state's expenditures.

Asks Pertinent Questions. "I would ask Mr. Hall against what period he would charge this \$10,000,000 expenditure during the fiscal year? Would he add it in the previous fiscal year? How long has he been in office? Would he be able to show a 'saving' of two times \$7,000,000, or a total of \$14,000,000?"

This reminds me that when the governor's report was made to the legislature, in making the appropriation, raised to the state, to show why he left out the \$10,000,000 he had under his hand to back up the governor's statement. He should have shown that the legislature had approved his charges here in over \$14,000,000 and would have represented quite a saving.

The governor with his many duties cannot be expected to work out detail figures. He naturally has to rely on his finance department, but Hall ought to know better. As secretary of the finance department, he should have the facts about appropriations and expenditures at his finger tips.

If the figures given out by the finance department cannot be relied upon, what is the use of having a finance department?

"BOTTLE A DAY" TO DRIVE GLOOM AWAY

St. Johns, N. F., Aug. 16.—Newfoundland's new bill governing the sale of alcoholic beverages is ready for the governor's signature, it is signed, the bill will replace the prohibition act which has been in effect since 1915. The legislative council gave the bill final passage last night.

The act allows the purchase of a bottle of spirits a day by any one person and given to hotels the right to supply guests with beer and wines. The restrictive measures are drastic.

Mills Picnic Postponed. Glenwood, Ia., Aug. 16.—The annual picnic of the Mills county farm bureau, is postponed until Tuesday. Bad weather made postponement necessary. The picnic will be held in the grove, a short distance east of Glenwood.

BANK HOLDUP IS FOILED BY TELLER

By International News Service. Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 16.—"Give me \$20,000, quick!" Wearing a false mustache and armed with a revolver with a home-made silencer, George Harwood, 36, shot this today at W. Wiley, payroll teller at the Citizens Savings bank.

Wiley pushed the man \$500, sounded an alarm and five minutes later Harwood was in jail.

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Under Blanket Mortgage. Under the Dawes plan Germany is virtually placed under a blanket mortgage for payment of her indemnity debt. Allied and American supervisors will conduct German business along hard-headed American lines to get the greatest possible revenue.

It was a historic scene at the foreign secretary's office this evening when the various delegates, many of them wearing silk hats and frock coats, gathered for the ceremony of signing. An exception was Ramsay MacDonald, the laborite premier of England, who wore a baggy, wrinkled gray suit. He was prepared for a vacation in the country and saved time by wearing the suit he intended to travel in.

Shortly after 6 the meeting was called to order. All the delegates were in a cheerful mood, happy over the successful termination of their labors.

The laborers had been greatly flattered by the American observers, headed by Frank Kellogg, the United States ambassador, and Col. J. A. Logan, American representatives on the inter-allied reparations commission.

Germany Downcast. The Germans, headed by Chancellor Marx and Foreign Secretary Stresemann, appeared to be downcast and not at all happy over the Ruhr evacuation terms.

However, they were in a better frame of mind than during the last few days of the conference. They evidently believed that the French verbal promises regarding Ruhr evacuation were more than they had expected yesterday.

The huge effort was illuminated with dim lights which left part of the room in shadow. Many an international crisis had been discussed within the walls of this big room, and some of them had not had the happy ending that marked the conclusion of the reparations negotiations tonight.

Premier MacDonald, Premier Herriot and the other allied chiefs were obviously well pleased with their work. They predicted that Europe would soon be definitely on the way to recovery. It was a notable circumstance that the two chief leaders on the allied side are socialists—Premier MacDonald and Premier Herriot.

Six letters, three from the French, two from the Germans and one from the British, were included in the official agreements regarding Ruhr evacuation.

One Year Time Limit. The first French letter stated that the maximum time for evacuation is one year, but this date does not prevent an earlier withdrawal of troops if such a course is decided upon. This period dates from today—August 16.

The second French letter states that "as visible proof of the new spirit which prevails," the French agree upon the day after the formal signing of the London pact, which is scheduled for August 30, to evacuate the Dortmund district, including the city of Dortmund and the towns of Hoesden, Lünen and also four Rhensish towns—Mannheim, Carlsruhe, Ofenburgh and Wesel. These towns are outside the Ruhr, but have been garrisoned by the French ever since the Ruhr was occupied.

The third French letter promises that the German towns of Düsseldorf, Duisburg and Ruhrort, which were occupied previous to the Ruhr, will be included in the evacuation scheme.

Premier MacDonald's letter promises that the allies would see that the towns mentioned in the above letters would be evacuated "as soon as possible."

Chancellor Marx's first letter merely acknowledged the French demands and promises without accepting or rejecting them.

Man Marries Woman; Was Shot at Her Door

Milton A. Maas, millionaire, who was shot at door of bungalow of Mrs. Ida M. Leslie at Sound Beach, Conn., last year has taken her as his bride, it was revealed recently. The shooting of Maas has never been explained.

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SHENANDOAH OFF FOR MANEUVERS

Lake Hurst, N. J., Aug. 15.—Shenandoah, the dirigible Shenandoah after spending the afternoon off the New Jersey coast, late today headed out to sea on her trip to the scene of the maneuvers of the Atlantic squadron of the United States navy fleet off New England, Saturday and Sunday. Leaving its mooring mast at 11:55 a. m. the cruiser sailed over Atlantic City and at 5 p. m., when sending the message that it was putting out to sea, was over Barnegat bay.

PERSHING VISITS TRAINING CAMP

By International News Service. Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 16.—Gen. John J. Pershing, commander of the American army in the world war, arrived in Des Moines today to inspect soldiers in the citizens' training camps at Fort Des Moines and Fort Dodge. He was met at the station by officers of the two camps and a citizens' reception committee and escorted to Fort Des Moines.

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ITALIAN FLYER ON HEELS OF YANKS

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