

SPEED UP MELLETT CASE, GRAND JURY TOLD BY JUDGE

Wholesale Return of Indictments Envolving High Officials Expected.

By Times Special
CANTON, Ohio, Aug. 16.—The Stark County grand jury expected to return indictments in connection with the murder of Don R. Mellett, publisher of the Canton Daily News, and former Indianapolis man, was charged by Judge A. W. Agler to lose no time in considering evidence in the case when it convened today.

Decision by the jury is expected before the end of the week.

Protect Innocent

In his 3,000 word charge Judge Agler stressed the importance of protecting the innocent as well as punishing the guilty. Investigators predict a wholesale return of indictments involving several high officials.

Prosecutor C. B. McClintock has requested Attorney General C. C. Crabbé to appoint a special prosecutor to assist him in the jury investigation. It became known as the jury convened.

Appointment of Joseph Roach as his assistant, suggested by the group of Canton citizens, who brought the criminal investigator here, was impossible, because Roach is not a resident of the State, McClintock explained.

Two Summoned

Carl Studer and Louis Maser, reputed underworld leaders, questioned here in connection with the Mellett murder, were summoned to appear before United States District Attorney A. E. Bernstein in Cleveland, where evidence is being gathered for a Federal grand jury.

Judge Agler told the grand jury that Federal officers would take any evidence of liquor conspiracy, leaving for the jury only the murder case. It is in connection with the Federal case, Maser and Studer will be questioned. It is believed any indictments returned by the county grand jury will charge first degree murder. Judge Agler advised the jurors there is no Ohio law covering accessories before and after the fact.

Mellett was murdered more than a month ago, following a newspaper campaign against liquor traffic and vice conditions.

Investigators freely express the

Old Fashioned? No, Just Picnicking



These women are not old fashioned because they are riding in a wagon. Just a group of courthouse employees starting on a ride at the Marion County and city hall picnic, Friday, at Broad Ripple Park. —They are (left to right) Francis Sheehan, Irene Cavanader, Cora La Breck, Miriam Hillman, Lillie Mather and Jane Danner.

opinion that he was murdered at the instigation of bootleg interests that were feeling the effects of his crusade.

DETECTIVE QUESTIONED

By United Press
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 16.—Joseph Metzger, Canton police detective, denied knowledge of the murder of Don R. Mellett, Canton publisher, when questioned by Federal authorities here today in connection with a liquor case.

"Ever since the murder effort has been made to link my name and that of Ben Clark with the slaying," Metzger said. Clark is a police captain.

"Clark is supposed to have given me a certain type of pistol just before the murder. That is all. I didn't even know Mellett," the detective told his questioners.

Another witness, whose identity has not been divulged, told authorities his life has been threatened since making a statement that he overheard a Canton man say Mellett was to be murdered.

On the theory that bootleggers whom Mellett was attacking through the columns of his newspaper, played a prominent part in the murder, United States District Attorney A. E. Bernstein is gathering evidence to be presented to a Federal grand jury here next month.

SPEEDWAY CITY ANNEXING TO BE RUSHED THROUGH

Passage of Ordinance Is Expected — Budget to Be Presented to Council.

Suspension of rules and immediate passage of the ordinance to annex Speedway City to Indianapolis is expected at city council meeting to-night.

The action is designed to forestall completion of an incorporation project which would take place with the election of town officers in Speedway City, Wednesday.

An annexation of Beech Grove and Ben Davis will be postponed for a time, according to Councilman Otis E. Bartholomew, who, with Councilman Walter R. Dorsett, is sponsoring the annexation movement.

Passage of appropriation ordinances awarding \$81,605 to the city engineer's department for street repairs and \$27,575 to the streets department for bridge repairs also is deemed certain. The funds comprise the city's share of the State automobile tax. The street repair award, made at a special meeting Aug. 7, was rendered invalid through a technical mistake.

Councilmen plan to hold a special meeting Wednesday to consider the 1927 budget. Boynton J. Moore, president, today indicated the city legislators would undertake some pruning with special emphasis on city officials drawing salaries from more than one fund.

Ohio Man Then Tries to Take Own Life.

By United Press
MARTINS FERRY, Ohio, Aug. 16.—Mrs. Eli Escott was killed, one son and her husband seriously wounded and another son was slightly wounded at the aftermath of a family reconciliation conference here.

Mrs. Escott was shot three times when she refused to return to her husband from whom she has been separated three times. She died as her son Frank Davidson, 24, Ellwood City, Pa., bent over her to treat her wounds. Davidson was shot and seriously wounded and fell unconscious across his mother's body.

Ralph Davidson, 20, rushed from the house to call police and was shot in the arm. Mrs. Helen Fix, a daughter, was fired on as she ran from the house, but the bullet missed.

Eli Escott, who police say did the shooting, then shot himself. He and Frank Davidson are here in a serious condition.

PETERS REPEATS FINANCE DEMAND

What Is State Treasury Balance Now, He Asks.

By Times Special

FRANKFORT, Ind., Aug. 16.—Reiterating his demand that Governor Jackson, State Chairman Clyde Walb and Senators James E. Watson and Arthur R. Robinson tell the people of Indiana the entire truth about State finances, Democratic State Chairman R. Earl Peters addressed a meeting here this afternoon.

"A few weeks ago Governor Jackson issued a statement to the people of this State," Peters said. "In that statement he declared that there remained in the current funds of the State a balance of more than \$16,000,000 on June 30.

"What was the balance in the State treasury on July 31? Was there on that date an accumulation of \$16,000,000 in the State treasury?"

Peters said that the present administration in Indiana is collecting a total of nearly \$53,000,000 in taxes in a single year. He compared this with the \$8,000,000 collected during the last year of the administration of the late Samuel M. Ralston as Governor of Indiana.

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League Council Would Retain Prohibition.

Retain prohibition, but modify or repeal the Volstead Act.

This is the view of a majority of the National Economic League's council members, announced today after a nation-wide poll on the question. The council has as its purpose creating of an "informed and disinterested leadership for public opinion." A number of Indiana members voted in the pool. Former Senator Albert J. Beveridge is an officer of the league.

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RESERVES IN CAMP

A large group of Indiana Reserve officers had reported today at Ft. Benjamin Harrison for a fifteen-day period of active duty. The largest group was made up of Indiana men in the 335th Infantry, 84th Division, commanded by Col. Philip W. McLean of Muncie.

ROSES DONER DEAD

By United Press
NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Miss Roses Doner, 20, dancer, died at the Polyclinic Hospital Sunday after an operation for appendicitis. Miss Doner appeared in vaudeville with her sister, Kitty, and brother, Ted.

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Business & Industrial NEWS

HABIG COMPANY HAS BIG TRADE IN SEAT COVERS

Valued From Standpoint of Cleanliness and Protection.

Automobile seat covers are being sold in large quantities by the Habig Manufacturing Company, 1035 N. Meridian St., makers of all types of seat coverings, and one of the most progressive automobile accessories concerns in the city.

Owners of automobiles are becoming more readily the utility of seat covers from the standpoint of cleanliness and economical protection on the initial investment in the firm, according to officials of the firm.

First for Cleanliness

Seat covers first were thought of in the days of the open car, when all upholstering was of leather and in the form of diamond-shaped "biscuits," held in shape by buttons, forming deep, dirt-collecting pockets or wells. Covers that were worn to a matter of cleanliness only.

Later, motorists recognized the advantages of seat covers, and by the time leather substitutes were being used, seat-covers gained a much wider popularity, not so much on account of cleanliness, as a means of protecting and preserving the leather substitute trimmings.

In Closed Cars

Closed cars of today, trimmed in expensive broadcloths and motor velvets, as well as the cheaper cloths are encouraging the use of seat-covers even more than ever, both from the point of protection to clothing and the upholstery of the car.

The Habig Manufacturing Company makes and handles a high-grade line of seat-covers made of yarn-dyed materials which previously have been shrunk, will not fade

or stretch.

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