

GOVERNMENT'S VESTRIS PROBE NEARS CLOSE

Testimony to Place Blame
for Sea Tragedy Due
to End Today.

BY HARRY FERGUSON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Satisfied that he has "perpetuated the record" of the sinking of the *Vestrus*, Charles H. Tuttle, federal district attorney, will close his investigation today into the disaster which claimed 111 lives. The hearing, which started a day after the survivors from the *Lamport & Holt* liner landed in New York, has been in progress eleven days. Forty-four witnesses have been examined, and two or three more probably will take the stand today.

Interest now centers on the report which Francis O'Neill, United States commissioner, will submit. That report will determine whether there is any basis for criminal indictments. It will be supplemented by a finding by Captain P. Jessop, U. S. N. retired, who is the nautical expert representing the United States government.

Jessop may make his report today if the testimony is concluded in time.

Tuttle made it clear the inquiry was started for the sole purpose of making the testimony available for any legal or criminal proceedings which might arise.

The second inquiry into the *Vestrus* sinking also may close today. That is the one being conducted by the steamboat inspection service of the department of commerce.

Dickerson N. Hoover, assistant secretary of commerce, who is in charge of the investigation, said he expected to summon several witnesses today.

His inquiry is concerned only with whether the *Vestrus* was adequately inspected by federal agents before she sailed. Hoover also will submit a report.

**CONGRESSMAN HOWARD
MAY RUN FOR SENATE**

Expected to Be Candidate for Seat
of Pine of Oklahoma.

By Times Special
WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Representative E. B. Howard, Tulsa, Okla., may be a candidate for United States Senator against Senator Pine in 1930, it was disclosed here today.

Howard has not definitely made up his mind but says he is being urged by Democrats in his state to make the race. An announcement may be forthcoming soon, he said.

Howard has run for congress six times, being elected to the house three times and being defeated the other three. He wins in the off years and loses when there is a presidential election.

In the recent election Howard lost by slightly more than 5,000 votes while his district went to Herbert Hoover by more than 70,000.

Hunter Dies by Accident

By United Press
ANDERSON, Ind., Nov. 30.—Jesse Durham, 29, Anderson, was killed accidentally while on a hunting trip near here. Witnesses said a gun was discharged when he attempted to climb a fence.

Boyer Hunter Fatally Shot

LOGANSFORT, Ind., Nov. 30.—Elmer Harding, 13, accidentally shot and killed himself near here while hunting. The entire charge of a shotgun struck the boy in the chest.

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MEXICO'S NEW CHIEF TO TAKE OFFICE TODAY

Crowds Throng Capital for
Inauguration at Noon
of Portes Gil.

By United Press
MEXICO CITY, Nov. 30.—Mexico's capital was in gala attire today as crowds surged toward the congress building where Emilio Portes Gil was to be inaugurated as provisional president of the Mexican republic at noon.

A simple ceremony was planned to mark the installation of Portes Gil as chief executive and it was planned also as an occasion to launch a campaign for the election of the constitutional president, who

will take office at the end of the provisional term in February, 1930.

Forty thousand persons will witness the inaugural, and high officials representing the army, governors of states and diplomats of various nations will attend.

The act announcing the election of Portes Gil will be read to a joint session of congress opening at noon.

Portes Gil, elected to replace the assassinated President-elect General Alvaro Obregon, then will take the oath of office and address the congress with his first executive message. Labor forces are confident he will push forward the cause of workmen in Mexico, because he has furthered the proposed labor code improving the status of laborers.

A two-day holiday will be observed throughout the country and tribute will be paid in the city to the retiring President Calles by labor, political and civic organizations.

Portes Gil has been assured of full support of military leaders throughout Mexico and there was an official statement issued by the military forces that assured him of their loyalty.

Friends of Frank Stubbs, above, apple shipper of Yakima, Wash., told him he looked like Herbert Hoover, but he regarded their statements skeptically until he made a trip to the east recently. He drew a crowd everywhere. He even wears the Hoover collar.

TWO IN AUTO KILLED

Seven Others Figured in Return
From Holiday Visit.

By United Press
GOSHEN, Ind., Nov. 30.—Two persons, Forrest McConnell, 15, Goshen, and Betty Clark, 5, LaGrange, were killed instantly here when the automobile in which they were riding overturned ten miles east of here. Seven other occupants of the machine were uninjured.

The Clark family had been Thanksgiving guests of the parents of the McConnell boy and were returning home when the accident occurred.

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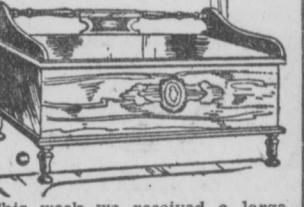
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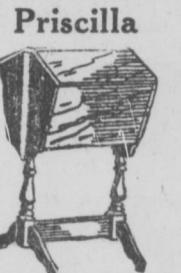
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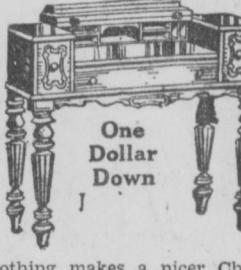
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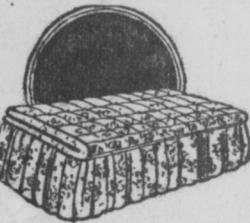
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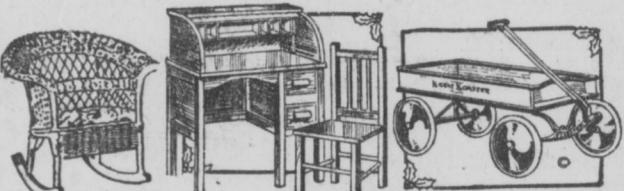
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