

BOOTS ROGERS REAL PUZZLE IN THE CASE

Police Renew Efforts to Find "Al" Smith as Trial Draws Near

(N. E. A. Staff Special.)
Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—As the day nears for the trial of the girl and two men held in the murder of Henry T. Pierce, rich Philadelphia business man, it becomes apparent that the outcome of the case will hinge largely on:

Whether Marie "Boots" Rogers, 21, ballet girl prisoner will turn state's evidence and betray her companions as police charge she betrayed Pierce into their hands on the night he was killed?

Whether a nation-wide search for "Al" Smith, charged by all three of the prisoners with being the man who actually murdered Pierce, will be successful?

After the arrest of the girl, Ross A. Rogers, a young sailor in the merchant marine, caught at headquarters and said he had married "Boots" in 1909. He is urging her to turn state's evidence.

Trial of the case is tentatively set for early in March.

Pierce was found dead on the morning of Nov. 22, in a small room adjoining his office in a downtown building. His head had been battered in with a wrench. His pockets were turned inside out and his money and jewelry were missing.

Midnight Revel.
Detectives learned of a boisterous party in the room the night before, and some time later arrested the Rogers girl and Peter "Treadway," a former boxer, in Wheeling, and Joseph A. Moss, a mechanic, in Pittsburg.

Moss says Smith had disappeared from the Pittsburg hotel where both were staying a short time before detectives appeared.

The four were traced through Pierce's racing car, in which they had fled.

Murder indictments have been returned against the three and also against the missing Smith.

Indictments also charge the Rogers girl and Moss with being accessories after the fact. Officials may use the girl as a witness for the prosecution.

Theatricals on Train.
While en route from Wheeling with Treadway, in custody of detectives, "Boots" insisted on staging an impromptu theatrical entertainment, enlisting the aid of officers and outsiders. She danced gladly about the car as she sang "Lead Me to the Land of Jazz."

She has worn a smile ever since her arrest. She sings popular songs to the prisoners and laughs and jokes with her jailers.

No member of her family has been to the jail to visit her, and she does not possess funds with which to hire a lawyer. The judge has appointed an attorney to defend her.

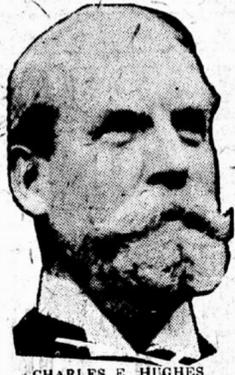
Keeps 'Em Guessing.
But underneath the girl's surface gaiety there is a keen brain that keeps the jailers guessing. While in a cell at city hall awaiting a hearing with Treadway she spent much of her time reading magazines. One day she asked a turnkey to hand one of the magazines to Treadway, that he might have something with which to pass the time.

It was by the merest chance that the turnkey opened the magazine. Across two of the pages the girl had written, using her lip stick as a pencil:

"Stick to your story."
On another page she had heavily underscored with the same lip-stick an advertisement that reads:

"Dead Men Tell No Tales."
Claims She's Wife.
According to this story told police by the girl, she is the wife of Treadway. The two met Pierce Saturday

Men Who Will Sit in Harding's Cabinet



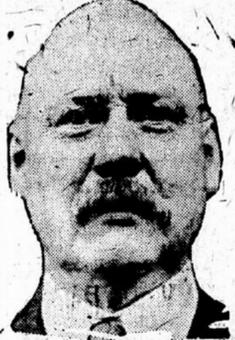
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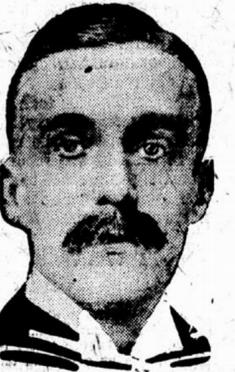
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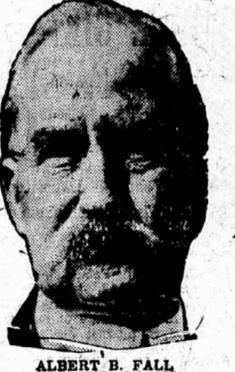
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night, Nov. 20, and he invited them to his office, saying he had some whisky there. Shortly after midnight, she said, there came a rap at

the door and two men entered. Police say these were Moss and Smith. All three prisoners say that Smith ordered Pierce to put his hands up and that before he had time to com-

ply Smith struck him over the head with the wrench.

The girl says she and Treadway then fled to their apartment, and that Moss and Smith, who were known to them, arrived there a short time later. The four took Pierce's automobile and fled to Wheeling.

Police investigation has shown that Marie Rogers was born in New York City and grew up there. After she left school her fondness for singing and dancing led her to the stage. For some time she was in the pony ballet of a popular show.

Pierce, the murdered man, was the father of five children.

DULUTH HOPES TO WIN A GAME OUT OF SERIES

St. Paul and Cleveland Too Much for Great Lakes Hockey Team

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 22.—Duluth's American Legion hockey team will have its last chance Monday and Tuesday to win its first game in this year's schedule of Group Two, United States hockey league.

To date the local sextet has been defeated six times out of as many starts. Four of the defeats were at the hands of the champion Cleveland six. The other two are credited to St. Paul.

Since the St. Paul series, early in the season, the Zenith City team visited Cleveland, took a pair of losses there, then returned home and accepted the low end of scores in another two-game series. In two of the four games played with the champions the scores were close, but as was the case with Cleveland and St. Paul, the Minnesota team was not able to fathom the sensational offensive rushes staged by the Ohioans.

At St. Paul, Duluth lost in both instances, by close scores. Many weeks of intensive training have been applied by the locals since they met the Saintly City six and local critics are willing to predict that at least a split will be gained in the coming series.

With a team composed entirely of amateur material, the Duluthians face a combination, which has in its lineup four stars of Olympic game fame.

WILL CLASH FOR GOLF CUPS LATE IN JULY

Championship Matches to Be Held at Washington Coun- try Club

Washington, Feb. 23.—Leading professional and amateur golfers will play for the open championship of the United States on the links of the Columbia Country Club here July 18-21, inclusive.

The United States Golf Association has received assurances from the Royal and Ancient Association of Great Britain that the United Kingdom's leading professionals plan to play in the event.

Ted Ray of Ohey, England, who won the American open at Toledo last year will come to defend his title. He will be accompanied by George Duncan, present holder of the British open championship, Abe Mitchell, known to golfers generally as one of the game's longest drivers and by several other well known British and Scottish professionals.

For United States the "big three" of the American professional golf, Hagen, Barnes and Hutchinson, and scores of lesser lights will play and

attempt to wrest the crown of American professional golf from Ted Ray.

The course over which the open is to be played has been described by Vardon and Ray as the "leading course of America." As it will be played during the championship it will be 6,600 yards in length and has been arranged so that accuracy is at a very high premium. All the holes are said by experts to be of the highest class. Added interest is said to attach to the bringing of the open championship to Washington, by the fact the President-elect Harding, an interested golfer, may watch the professionals during the coming event.

WILL HOLD EXHIBIT

Eveleth, Minn., Feb. 22.—An Americanization handicraft exhibit will be given by the Eveleth Women's club on April 1. At the exhibit, pieces of handicraft made by residents of foreign origin will be featured. It will be the first event of its kind held here. The object is to promote the handicraft in all homes of Eveleth. The committee in charge reports much interest is being manifested in the exhibit.

DULUTH HOPES TO CREATE NEW BALL LEAGUE

Northern League Vanishes When Winnipeg Withdraws From Organization

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 22.—With all hopes of getting a North Dakota-Minnesota league or of reviving the old Northern league circuit vanished, Duluth fans now are hopeful of seeing established the Northern Minnesota and range wheel, which has been the center of much gossip in sport circles of late.

Hopes for resumption of play in the old Northern league were blasted when Winnipeg, the seasoned financial standby of that circuit, hopped into a berth in the Western Canada league. The proposed North Dakota-Minnesota circuit shortly was forgotten for another year.

The proposed Northern league and the North Dakota-Minnesota would have been composed of such towns as Duluth, Superior, Grand Forks, Fargo, Virginia and Winnipeg.

A three-game-a-week wheel to include Duluth, Superior, Crosby, Brainerd, Eveleth, Virginia and Hibbing is looked upon in local circles as about the only possible solution of the problem now being considered.

MILWAUKEE REPORT SHOWS INCREASE IN EARNINGS

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 23.—The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company increased their gross earnings in the state more than \$2,000,000

during the six months' period ending Dec. 31, last, as compared with the earnings during the same period a year ago, according to tax reports filed with the Minnesota tax commission.

Gross earnings for that period were reported as \$12,870,700.11, for which a tax of \$643,525.81 is collectable. The gross earnings for the previous six months were \$10,941,564.23 for which a tax of \$532,078.21 was paid.

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PLENTY OF BREATHING SPACE AT CENTER OF POPULATION



You might expect the new U. S. center of population to be overcrowded, but it isn't. There's plenty of room. It's on J. E. Herrin's farm, near Spencer, Owen county, Ind. Above are Herrin, his wife and two sons, Joe and Walter. The location of the "hub" with reference to the Herrin house is being pointed out by the girl sitting in the yard and (on the left) Miss Frances Heap, who was born in the now famous Owen county, is standing where Herrin will erect a marker. Below is Main street, in the town of Spencer. It has about 2,500 people.

The Morning After The Big Night

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