

HOYNE EXPECTS TO HAVE MAX ANNENBERG INDICTED BY GRAND JURY BEFORE NIGHT

The evidence in the attempt of Max Annenberg, the Tribune's boss gunman and circulation manager, to kill Alexander Belford on the morning of July 13, was presented to the grand jury by State's Attorney Maclay Hoyne late this afternoon.

Louis Sallin, chum and roommate of Belford; Abraham Reisler, a friend of Annenberg's, who recognized the gunman in the Tribune death car, saw Annenberg point the revolver at Belford and saw Belford fall, and fifteen other witnesses were taken before the grand jury by Hoyne.

Hoyne said that he is confident he will be able to prove that Annenberg stood up in the death car, drew his revolver and fired the bullet into Belford without the slightest provocation.

The state's attorney also expects to prove that the only other shots fired at the time and scene of the shooting were those fired by Policeman Weisbaum, when the death car's chauffeur refused to stop after the shooting of Belford.

Hoyne says that contrary to his usual custom he will take personal charge of the case against Annenberg and carry it through to the end.

"I expect," he said, "that Annenberg will be indicted for assault to murder before night and expect he will be convicted before many weeks pass.

"This is going to be the end of the newspaper gunmen in Chicago. I am determined to do away with them, and I shall allow neither newspapers nor politicians to stop me.

"The gunmen must go, and the sooner they realize that the better for themselves.

"I expect to see Annenberg convicted, and after he is convicted I expect to see the Witt murderers convicted.

"It will not be long before the case

of the Barrett gunmen is decided. They will go to trial in September. The evidence in my hands is strong; I expect to convict them."

A strange thing happened last night that may or may not have had some connection with the Annenberg shooting.

At 1:45 o'clock this morning, a powerful touring car drew up in front of the Tribune office.

Garfield McEdwards, a Tribune reporter, and four other men who were not identified stole out of the Tribune building and into the auto.

The automobile went south on Dearborn street to Jackson boulevard, turned west there and continued to Halsted street, turned south again and went to Maxwell street, where it once more turned west.

The Tribune automobile was followed all the way by another in which was a Day Book reporter.

At Newberry avenue and Maxwell street, a few doors past Larman's pool hall and five more past where Annenberg shot Belford, the Tribune car stopped.

It was kept standing for about three minutes; no one got out of it; none of the passengers made a move of any sort.

Possibly those in the Tribune car had sensed the following automobile.

At any rate, at the end of the three minutes the powerful car was started once more, driven north on Newberry to Taylor street, and there headed directly east. It returned to the Tribune.

What the object of the early morning trip of the loaded automobile to the scene of the Annenberg shooting was, or if it had any object, is hard to determine.

Probably only McEdwards, the four men who were with him in the car, and the official or officials of the Tribune who gave them their orders know.