



## Baby Face Nelson Found Dead, His Body Riddled With Bullets, Following Chicago Gun Battle

### DESPERATE KILLER DIES OF WOUNDS RECEIVED IN FIGHT

### Pursuit of Outlaw After He Slew 2 U. S. Agents Ends Dramatically

### Unclad Remains Found in Ditch Near Chicago by Police Posse

CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—(P)—George "Baby Face" Nelson, killer of three federal officers, was found shot to death today, his body perforated by seventeen government bullets.

#### FOUND IN DITCH

In a ditch near suburban Niles Center, fifteen miles northwest of Chicago's "Loop," agents of the government discovered the unclad body of this arch-murderer who once was companion in arms to the notorious John Dillinger.

Although seventeen federal bullets had ripped through his legs and body only one leaden slug touched a vital spot.

Police of Niles Center were summoned at 9:50 a. m., to the corner of Howard and Railroad streets to pick up a body. When they reached there it was gone. Hours later came the announcement from the department of justice that Nelson had been found, the victim of the two federal officers, whom he and two fugitive companions, one presumably Nelson's wife had killed in a vicious machine gun engagement last night.

#### CAR IS FOUND

The government car in which the trio had fled after the battle at Barrington, Ill., yesterday was found on a street in Winnetka this morning. Its front seat saturated with blood—manifestly that of the dying Nelson, Winnetka, a lakeside suburb, home of wealthy Chicagoans, is a few miles northeast of Niles Center.

H. H. Clegg, assistant to the chief of the bureau of investigation at Washington, arrived here by plane and train this morning and immediately assumed direction of the hunt for Nelson and his fugitive accomplices. When the killer's body was found Clegg kept the fact a secret for hours, even from Chicago detectives and suburban police who in mid-afternoon still had no word officially of the gruesome discovery.

Meanwhile coroner's juries at Elgin and Chicago had returned verdicts of murder in the deaths of Federal Agents Samuel P. Cowley and Herman E. Hollis, and recommended that the government and other authorities seek the killers—presumably Nelson and his companions.

#### KILLED THREE AGENTS

To Nelson had been attributed the murder of three operatives of the department of justice: Hollis, Cowley and W. Carter Baum, the latter shot down at close range in the sensational nocturnal break from a trap set around the Little Bohemia resort in Wisconsin last spring.

As Cowley lay dying in an Elgin hospital last night Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the Chicago division, had turned away grimly and said: "It's the last thing I do, I'll get Nelson."

But he had no need. The bullets of the slain officers themselves had achieved partial revenge.

#### BODY IS NUDE

It was evident the other man and woman, still unidentified, had stripped off Nelson's outer garments to probe the gangster's wounds, then dumped the body out and tossed the clothes aside.

The body was nude, save for a blanket wrapped about it. There was evidence that Nelson himself had helped remove his clothing. A cotton strip torn from a sheet was held to the gaping wound in his abdomen.

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## SOCIETY GIRLS ARE KIDNAPED

MOBILE, Ala., Nov. 28.—(P)—Kidnaped on a downtown street by two masked bandits last night, three Mobile society girls were forced to drive their captors to a spot near Jackson, Ala., sixty-five miles distant, before being released today.

The automobile as it approached a toll bridge across the Tombigbee river at Jackson, and then turned off a side road and disappeared.

## Killed



BABY FACE NELSON

## ARREST OF RENO MAN EXPECTED IN NELSON CASE

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28.—(P)—E. P. Guinane, chief of the department of justice, division of investigation here, announced today that he expects to arrest about ten persons soon on charges that they harbored George "Baby Face" Nelson, desperado who was shot to death by government agents.

#### RENO MAN WANTED

The persons accused of harboring the fugitive, Guinane said, resided in California and Nevada. One, residing in Reno, is expected to be taken into custody shortly, Guinane added.

The agent said his men at one time had been only four days behind the arch criminal, nearly trapping him at Alvarado in Sonoma county, near Boyes Springs.

Nelson came to California July 30, Guinane said, going to Hawthorne, Nev., three weeks later, then returning to Chicago. He re-traced his trail to Nevada, leaving Reno only three weeks ago.

For the last three months, Guinane said, he had three agents seeking the criminal in Nevada, aided by two agents from Washington.

#### HERE FOR SHORT TIME

He did not remain long, however, as a special plane loaded with department of justice agents arrived here late one night and Nelson, together with two or three companions departed suddenly, so it is said.

Later it was reported that his automobile was followed through Yerington and Hawthorne by federal agents and the hunt for the bandit was concentrated in the vicinity of Reno and Carson City for several days.

The sedan Nelson was driving carried Indiana license plates and all local officers and the sheriff's offices in Yerington, Hawthorne, Carson and other points were notified by the department of justice agents to be on the lookout for the machines.

#### HERE IN 1928

According to persons who knew Nelson when he was operating the liquor running car here, he came to Nevada

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## Journalism Students Walk Out Of Classes as Protest Move

BATON ROUGE, La., Nov. 28.—(P)—Students of the school of journalism in Louisiana State University today remained away from their classes in protest against the suspension of twenty-six of their members by Dr. James M. Smith, president of the university.

The twenty-six students were suspended last night for "gross disrespect" for their action in issuing a petition calling upon the university heads to reinstate editors of the "Reveille" college campus paper, who resigned and closed shop because Huey Long clamped down a censorship to prevent the paper from publishing material critical of his campus leadership.

## FAIRBANKS TO PAY DIVORCE COSTS OF BRITISH LORD

COURT GRANTS DECREE TODAY TO PEER WHOSE WIFE WAS FRIEND OF AMERICAN

ACTION REQUIRES BUT EIGHT MINUTES; NO DEFENSE WAS ENTERED BY WOMAN

LONDON, Nov. 28.—(P)—Lord Ashley was granted a divorce decree nisi today from Lady Ashley and costs of the action were assessed against Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., named as co-respondent.

#### BRIEF HEARING

The decree, which gives the young nobleman a final divorce after six months if contrary cause is not shown, was handed down shortly after the case came before Sir Boyd Merriam. The suit was not defended and services of a jury were not required.

Lady Ashley is the former Sylvia Hawkes, musical comedy actress.

The court action today required exactly eight minutes time. Neither Lady Ashley nor Fairbanks was in court but Lord Ashley was there, smartly attired in a grey suit.

Ashley gave evidence supporting his petition and called as a witness a "Mr. Edwards" who he said had acted as private secretary to Fairbanks from September, 1932.

The nobleman testified he and his wife had lived together in comparative happiness after their marriage, February 3, 1927, until Lady Ashley went to America in January, 1928, contrary to his wishes, and they had not lived together since.

#### CHARGES MISCONDUCT

Subsequently, Lord Ashley continued, he received information of Lady Ashley's association with Fairbanks. He charged misconduct at the Hyde hotel and a house known as "North Mimms Park" which Fairbanks had taken in the country.

Fairbanks' wife, Mary Pickford, also an American screen star, filed suit for divorce last December.

Sir Patrick Hastings, appearing for the petitioner, said there were many allegations but that he did not propose to open all of them and he referred only to certain alleged incidents at the Dorchester hotel.

Edwards, a youthful sandy-haired man who spoke with a definite American accent, testified he had lived in Fairbanks' suite at the Dorchester and that Lady Ashley was living in the hotel at the same time.

Lawyers said it would require several days to fix the costs of the case, which Fairbanks is to pay, but estimated the figure probably would be about £2000 (\$10,000).

#### FREQUENT VISITOR

During the hearing Sir Patrick asked Edwards if Lady Ashley was a frequent visitor.

"Yes," replied Edwards. "I often received instructions not to disturb them. She was frequently there."

In further questioning concerning the Hyde Park hotel Hastings asked:

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## STRIKE PEACE BEING SOUGHT

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 28.—(P)—With local negotiations at a standstill, the federal government today stepped in, seeking to arbitrate the Los Angeles street car strike, which in five days has resulted in more than two scores of injuries.

P. A. Donoghue, West Coast regional supervisor for the labor relations board was expected to reach here by airplane tonight from Seattle on orders from Washington.

Car service continued with only two fresh acts of violence during the morning hours. In outlying districts a bus was stoned, and the windows of a street car were broken. In miles last night another bus was fired, and at a busy intersection a street car was overturned, tying up traffic.

## LINK ESTABLISHED BETWEEN DEATHS OF GIRLS AND COUPLE

FIVE PERSONS WHO STAYED AT TOURIST CAMP SAID TO BE THOSE FOUND SLAIN

NAMES OF VICTIMS REMAINS UNKNOWN AS POLICE PRESS THEIR INQUIRY

CARLISLE, Pa., Nov. 28.—(P)—Police today established a "reasonable certain" link between five persons who stayed at a tourist camp near Philadelphia and the five bodies found in the Pennsylvania mountains Saturday.

#### IDENTITIES WOMAN

Mrs. Anna Dill, of South Langhorne, the camp proprietress, saw a picture of a woman found slain along with a man at Duncansville and said "That's the woman" who stayed at her place a week ago with a man and three children. She said they traveled in a blue car with California license plates. Three little girls were found dead near here on the same day the couple were found.

Coupled with this was the discovery today of an abandoned blue automobile at McVeytown, about fifty miles east of Duncansville. No license plates were on the car and the engine number had been defaced.

As a result of Mrs. Dill's information, Major C. M. Wilhelm, deputy superintendent of state police said, "I think there is a definite connection between these people who were traveling over Pennsylvania, the children found on the Carlisle mountainside, and the couple found dead near Duncansville."

#### SEEK IDENTITY

Mrs. Dill's comment was that she is "reasonably certain" that the five persons stayed at her camp on November 19 to 23.

"The most important thing is to find out now who they are and that may be the hardest job of all," said Wilhelm.

State police made known that they are working on a theory that the man found dead at Duncansville may have been J. C. Reich, an itinerant vaudeville performer reported to have lived in Ocean Park, Cal., and that the three dead children were his daughters and the woman was his second wife or companion.

Today Harry L. McElroy, chief of state police detectives, said "The mass of clues and details is steadily linking the Duncansville and Carlisle crimes into one."

#### TRAIL BROADENS

McElroy has sifted dozens of leads, and though many were discarded after long and wearisome tracing, he announced, "We have a chain of circumstances that you can't jump over."

Trails have led to New England, California, and South to Baltimore.

On the strength of leads from places within a radius of one hundred miles of Carlisle, the people are concentrating major attention within Pennsylvania boundaries. The trail appears to run from South Langhorne, east of Philadelphia, west to Duncansville.

An adult couple and three children stopped at several places along that route, police have learned, but it has not been definitely established that they were the same five described at each point, or that they were the five whose bodies were found.

A theory that the girls died of suffocation was advanced by an examining pathologist but no official verdict has been given by the coroner. "Murder and suicide" was the police verdict in the deaths of the man and woman.

## HOUSING PLAN WINS SUPPORT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—(P)—The relief administration's plan to build low-cost homes and rural industrial communities for the destitute unemployed went ahead at full pace today, freed of fear it might be blocked by J. E. McCarroll, the comptroller general.

Officials disclosed that McCarroll had released more than \$100,000,000 to meet December relief grants to states without questioning funds destined to go into housing and relief communities.

## GERMAN PLANE WARNING VOICED

LONDON, Nov. 28.—(P)—Winston Churchill, Conservative party leader, declared in the house of commons today that Germany already has a military air force rapidly approaching equality with that of Great Britain and that the present defense forces of Great Britain are entirely inadequate.

## LANDS WITHDRAWN FROM ENTRY IN STATES OF WEST

ORDER ISSUED BY PRESIDENT HALTS SETTLEMENT OF U. S. PUBLIC DOMAIN

ACTION TAKEN AS MOVE TO INAUGURATE NEW SYSTEM OF GRAZING

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—(P)—All vacant, unreserved and unappropriated public lands in twelve Western states were temporarily withdrawn from settlement, location, sale or entry by an executive order issued today by President Roosevelt.

#### TO PRESERVE RANGES

In announcing the order, Secretary Ickes said he expected the withdrawal would not be necessary for more than six months.

He explained its purpose "is to effectuate the principal aims" of the Taylor grazing act to conserve grazing lands of the West.

The public lands affected are in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oregon, Utah and Wyoming.

The Taylor act is intended to prevent injury to the public domain through over-grazing and soil deterioration and to provide for the orderly use, improvement and development of the land for stabilization of the livestock industry dependent for forage upon the public range.

Under the Taylor act only 80,000,000 acres of a total of 178,000,000 acres of public lands are placed under the jurisdiction of the interior department.

#### STABILIZE INDUSTRY

The executive order signed by the president was seen as the first step toward asking congress to give the department regulatory powers over all unappropriated public land.

Ickes said the intention of congress in passing the Taylor act was to stabilize the livestock industry which is thus tied to the land and its proper use in connection with the livestock business.

"To discharge this duty requires a stupendous task of land classification," said Ickes.

Public lands withdrawn will be classified according to land use and their withdrawal from entry may mean the end of homesteading as it is now since officials of the general land office have said that little public lands remain which are suitable for homesteading.

#### PROTESTS VOICED

The issuance of the executive order was not unexpected since such action has been considered a logical part of the program of conservation of the public domain ever since the Taylor bill was introduced in congress last year.

The possibility of withdrawal of public lands by executive order raised some protest at that time and there was some question as to the authority of the president to issue such an order.

In announcing the withdrawal order today Ickes said authority was granted the president to order such withdrawals in the first section of the withdrawal act of June 25, 1910. That section provides:

"That the president may, at any time in his discretion, temporarily withdraw from settlement, location, sale or entry any of the public land of the United States, including the District of Alaska, and reserve the same for water power sites, irrigation, classification of lands, or other public purposes to be specified in the orders of withdrawals, and such withdrawals or reservations shall remain in force until revoked by him or by an act of congress."

#### LIMIT SEEN

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## SLAYER OF TWO NAMED BY JURY

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—(P)—Two indictments charging first degree murder and a third indictment alleging illegal possession of a pistol were filed in general sessions court today against Joseph Steinmetz, twenty-year-old bride and a Catholic priest.

## NEW TELESCOPE TO BE POURED

CORNING, N. Y., Nov. 28.—(P)—The pouring date of a second giant 200-inch telescope mirror of molten glass, a substitute for the great "eye" cast here last March, was announced today for next Sunday, December 2.

## Lad Is Fatally Wounded, Another May Not Survive After Shooting in Reno

### CHEERING CROWDS GREET PRINCESS ON EVE OF HER WEDDING

### Car in Which Royal Pair Were Riding Is Halted By Huge Throng

### Final Preparations Made For Nuptials to be Held Tomorrow in London

LONDON, Nov. 28.—(P)—Cheering crowds swept across the mall in front of Buckingham Palace this afternoon, surrounded the automobile in which the Duke of Kent and Princess Marina, whom he will marry tomorrow, were riding, and forced it to stop almost five minutes before police could clear the way for its passage.

#### BOTH SMILE

The couple was on the way to a lunch with the Duke and Duchess of York.

Neither the duke nor the princess appeared upset under the avalanche of the crowd. Both sat back smilingly in the automobile and waved their hands as members of the throng climbed up on the runningboard of the duke's sport car, offering their congratulations and good wishes for the forthcoming marriage.

Both sides of the mall are lined with parks. The crowd swarmed across the grass and their cheers sounded into the far recesses of the palace as they whooped with delight at the close glimpse of the young pair.

London's sturdy bobbies, who have been practicing rigidly for days to learn how they will handle the crowds tomorrow, were taken by surprise at the hearty demonstration.

#### QUEEN ALSO CHEERED

Later, Queen Mary herself, out driving with Marina's mother, the Princess Nicholas of Greece to an afternoon reception at St. James Palace, was held up by another cheering crowd in the dense traffic jam which packed the mall.

A dense fog did nothing to expedite the moving of traffic and mounted police were forced to clear the way for the royal car.

The king and queen of Denmark, riding behind Queen Mary in a second automobile, were also delayed by the enthusiastic spectators.

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The gold ingot was brought to the ship's pier last night in an armored car. It was to have been placed in the purser's safe, but no one knew the combination and it was deposited in the post office safe of the liner.

The thieves worked silently and with no interruption in an office adjoining the room of Anthony Chappellen, the purser.

## 900 Liquor Agents Dismissed; Bootlegging Growth Predicted

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—(P)—Dismissal of nine hundred treasury enforcement agents may make it easier for the bootlegger to peddle his wares during the next few months.

## BRITISH SAILORS WILL GET EXTRA DRINK THURSDAY

LONDON, Nov. 28.—(P)—Jack taps on British battleships from Portsmouth to far off China stations will have an extra drop to drink tomorrow. It will be a toast to a former far, the Duke of Kent, and his marriage to Princess Marina.

George, whose full name is George Edward Alexander Edmund, the fourth and youngest son of King George and Queen Mary, is the sailor lad of the royal family.

It was the wish of his father so George entered the royal naval training college at Dartmouth a few months before his fourteenth birthday in 1916.

He was graduated as a midshipman in 1920 and then spent eight years as an officer. Like any officer of the British navy he roamed the seven seas, serving in the Mediterranean, the Atlantic, in the China squadron and at the American and West Indies stations.

His health compelled him to relinquish his naval career. He entered the foreign office as a third secretary in the Western department and thus became the first civil servant in the present royal family but his health interfered again and the prince left the foreign office in 1929 on an indefinite leave of absence.

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## RULING ISSUED ON TVA PROJECT

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 28.—(P)—Judge W. I. Grubb in U. S. district court here today overruled a motion of the Tennessee Valley Authority to dismiss a suit attacking its constitutionality and the legality of certain administrative policies of the TVA.

The suit was filed by fourteen preferred stockholders of the Alabama Power Company and would prevent the transfer of approximately \$2,200,000 worth of the power company's property in north Alabama to the TVA.

Nowhere in the judge's opinion was the act held to be unconstitutional or its administration invalid, a hearing of these charges on their merits having been set for December 10.

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However, the treasury expects to add five hundred agents by the middle of December, and later more men will be taken on until the force reaches 1800. The nine hundred agents dismissed failed to pass a "horse sense" civil service examination.

## BOLAND BOY DIES WHILE HOPE FOR TOMMY HILL IS SLIGHT

### HERBERT JOHNSON ACCUSED OF SHOOTING DURING GAME BUT HE MAKES DENIAL

### Tragedy Occurs in Basement Of Reno Apartment House Last Night

A game of "robbers and police" came to a tragic end last night when twelve-year-old Raymond Boland was fatally injured and Tommy Hill, thirteen, was shot through the abdomen, and probably will not recover. Young Boland died this morning.

#### ACCUSE JOHNSON

Herbert Johnson, twenty-five years old, whom the police say "has the mind of a ten-year-old child" is in the city jail, accused of the double shooting, and District Attorney Melvin E. Jepson said today that he would be charged with robbery.

The shooting occurred in a basement play room at the Sunnyside apartments, 230 First street, managed by Johnson's mother, Mrs. Mabel M. Johnson. Both of the boys told the district attorney that Johnson had shot them. Johnson denied this, claiming that he was not in the room at the time and asserted that the Boland boy had shot himself and that he knew nothing of the Hill boy's injuries.

First news of the tragedy came to the police when a telephone call came from 321 Ridge street, just around the corner from the apartment house, saying that a boy had been shot. In a few minutes there came a second call for an ambulance from the Sunnyside apartments and this was followed by a third call.

#### BOY SHOT IN BACK

At first the police did not know that two boys had been wounded although the police radio cars arrived before the ambulance. The Boland boy was taken to St. Mary's hospital, while young Hill was taken to the Washoe general hospital. As soon as one of the boys said that Johnson had shot him, the order for Johnson's arrest was flashed and he was immediately taken to the city jail and booked "for investigation."

The Boland boy was shot in the back, the bullet passing through his body. Before he was taken to the operating room he told the district attorney that "Herbert Johnson shot me." The boy retained consciousness all night long and the attending physicians said that his last question this morning was: "How is Tommy?" The boy died at 8:30 a. m.

Hill was struck in the abdomen by the rifle bullet, and it penetrated to his back. Although he underwent an operation, the bullet was not removed. This morning attendants reported his condition was slightly improved, but gave little chance for recovery.

#### HILL TELLS STORY

Hill's story to the prosecutor was that he and the Boland boy were playing "robbers and police" in the basement when Johnson joined the game. One of the boys had a .21 caliber rifle, but it was not loaded, the police said. Soon Johnson went to his room in the basement, according to Hill, and returned with a .25-20 repeating carbine. The first time Johnson snatched the trigger the gun did not go off, young Hill claimed. Again Johnson snatched the gun, and this time the cartridge exploded and Tommy was struck.

An incoherent account was related by Johnson to the district attorney. At the time, he said, he was stoking the furnace in the basement when he heard a shot. Going into the next room he found the Boland boy lying wounded, and thought that the boy had found the gun and shot himself. He carried the injured boy upstairs and telephoned for a doctor and ambulance. How the other boy was injured, he told Jepson, he did not know.

#### ORDERED BOYS OUT

Johnson admitted that the rifle was in his room last night. A friend who went to San Francisco yesterday left the weapon with him, he said, and during the afternoon, he said, he went rabbit hunting. After his return, he placed the gun in his room, and did not see it again until the shooting, he claimed.

Johnson's mother related that she had ordered the two boys to leave the apartment, as they had been injured, he told Jepson, he did not know.

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