

WOMAN SUSPECT ELUDES PURSUERS

Supposed Slayer of Oklahoma
Politician Evades Police of
Many Cities

TRACED TO TEXAS TOWN

By the Associated Press
Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 3.—With police officials of many cities on the lookout, Ardmore authorities today awaited word of the arrest of Miss Clara Smith, of Ringling, Okla., sought in connection with the fatal shooting of Jake L. Hamon, Democratic national committeeman of Oklahoma.

Miss Smith, for whom there is a warrant charging assault with intent to kill, disappeared immediately after the shooting two weeks ago, and, although trace of her has been found in several Texas cities, the authorities have been unable to apprehend her.

Interest in the case was divided here today between the search for Miss Smith and the purpose of a visit to Texas by Frank L. Ketch, business manager of Hamon. Dispatches from Fort Worth said Ketch had registered at a hotel there last night, but could not be located later. At the time of the shooting Ketch issued a statement saying Hamon had been injured by the accidental discharge of a revolver he was cleaning.

No further announcement of plans in connection with the handling of the case, should Miss Smith be arrested, was forthcoming early today from Russell G. Brown, county prosecutor. It was known that Mr. Brown had under contemplation the changing of the charge against Miss Smith to murder as a result of Hamon's death. In some quarters it was said he was considering the sworn statement of E. W. Sallis, of Dallas, Tex., a chauffeur,

four, would play in the case. Sallis, in his statement made at Dallas Wednesday, declared he drove a young woman answering Miss Smith's description from there to Cisco, Tex., and that the woman told him she had shot a man in a hotel at Ardmore. She did not, according to the statement, give her own name or that of the man she had shot.

The prosecutor, it was said, also was attempting to verify reports that Miss Smith had visited Hamon at the sanatorium to which he was taken after being wounded. Mr. Brown said he had information leading him to believe that such was the case.

BERLIN THIEVES TAKE BUST

Historic Polish Marshal's Baton
Among Loot Discovered
Berlin, Dec. 2.—Thieves, whose operations have given concern to police authorities in this city for some time, extended their efforts to the office of the finance ministry last night. Three men broke into the office and demolished walls and destroyed furniture in the search of treasure. What was secured is not known, but newspapers say that it is probable the thieves got nothing valuable for their trouble.

Other miscreants carried off a bronze bust of Werner von Siemens, a German industrial pioneer. This bust weighed 400 pounds. Police officers, searching for weapons, discovered in one house a silver mounted marshal's baton, which was used by John Sobieski, who ruled Poland from 1674 to 1696. On the head of the baton was a bullet bearing a picture of that king.

TO EAT BREADLESS BREAD

Strike of Mexican Bakers Forces
Americans to Buy "Tortillas"
Mexico City, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—American excursionists here for the inaugural ceremonies will have an opportunity to test the availability of the "tortillas," the Mexican nation's food staple, as a substitute for bread. All the bakers in the capital declared a strike, which will leave the city without bread today. The strike vote was taken Wednesday and the bakeries closed down at noon yesterday.

LE OSTILITA' TRA FIUME E L'ITALIA

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Sono Gli Attacchi Verbalii
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Trieste, 3 dicembre.—Lo stato di guerra tra l'Italia e la Reggenza del Quarnero a Fiume e' incominciato alla mezzanotte, ma fino a pochi momenti prima di detta ora non vi era alcuna evidenza di possibili ostilita' in corso. Il blocco continua ed il solo indizio di conflitto sono ancora i feroci attacchi verbali di D'Annunzio contro il Generale Caviglia e le truppe regolari, le quali circondano la citta'.

Le comunicazioni tra Fiume e le isole di Arbe e Veglia sono state tagliate dalle pattuglie regolari italiane ed i viveri non possono giungere ad esse dalla citta' di Fiume. Le forze del poeta che occupano dette isole sono perciò isolate. Il traffico ferroviario funzionava fino a tarda ora ieri sera, ma le usuali restrizioni furono rinforsate sulla linea di demarcazione. Il passaggio dei legionarii di D'Annunzio attraverso detta linea e' proibito.

Emisarii di D'Annunzio sarebbero in procinto di spiegare liberamente i punti di vista del poeta, ma poco prima della mezzanotte non vi erano str-

ordinari segni che la minacciata guerra prendesse una piu' concreta forma.

Il Generale Caviglia e' stato capace di prendere disposizioni tali sotto le quali le forze di D'Annunzio sono costrette a rimanere in Fiume e tutte le navi al comando del poeta rimangono nel porto senza avventurarsi di muoversi.

Ieri Fiume sembrava tranquilla con l'eccezione di un'importante incursione di caccia sottomarina. Nessun percettibile movimento vi fu da parte della popolazione la quale mantiene una indifferente attitudine verso i legionarii che aumentano i lavori di difesa.

Un membro dello Stato Maggiore di D'Annunzio, parlando ad un corrispondente dell'Associated Press ha dichiarato che il comandante qualora il Parlamento Italiano avesse riconosciuto i suoi servizi per l'occupazione di Fiume, sarebbe divenuto conciliativo nell'attuale evento.

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