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AGED CHICAGO MAN BUTCHERED FOR VENGEANCE

POLICE THINK FATHER TAKES REVENGE ON THE WRONG MAN.

REVENGE ADMITTED CAUSE

Aged Chicago Ladies' Tailor Killed in His Flat by Someone Who Carefully Prepared a Statement of the Causes and Left Them on Dead Man's Face—Wife Prostrated.

Chicago, April 14.—"This is a fit fate for a beast who ruined a young girl. He will ruin no more." This note was found beside George Dietz, 59, a rich ladies' tailor, the only clue to one of the bloodiest murders Chicago has known in years.

Dietz was found by his wife when she arose. Beaten to a pulp, the body had been pounded with a hammer until it was a mass of bruises and broken bones. The rear door of Dietz' apartment was unlocked and stood ajar when the police arrived. Dietz was wealthy.

When Mrs. Dietz partially recovered from the shock, she gave the following statement to the police: "My husband and I up until 11:30 were playing cards with members of the Jyrch family, old friends of ours. We occupy separate rooms, and retired at the same time. At seven this morning I awoke and stepped to the rear of the flat to get a bottle of milk. After getting this, I stepped to the door of my husband's bedroom and spoke to him. I received no answer, so reached down and touched his head. When I withdrew my hand it was covered with blood, and I swooned."

Probably killed by an infuriated father, the police think the slayer may have picked the wrong man. Dietz was old, a cripple, and lived happily with his wife.

A big sheet of paper bearing stenciled and disjointed sentence, and the charge, "This man ruined my daughter," is the only clue left by the slayer. The assassin partly covered Dietz' face with the written statement. Each letter on the sheet was printed with peculiar stencil, commonly used in Greek restaurants for bills of fare. The letter was most painstaking and it is estimated must have taken the slayer eight hours to complete the story.

CORONER BEFORE JUDGES

Wage Investigators Hear Data on the Nature of Hospital Deaths.

Chicago, April 14.—Statistics showing the number of girls dying in the Chicago hospitals from criminal operations or suicide, were read by Coroner Hoffman before the vice probe committee today. Hoffman recommended a state or county home for wayward girls about to become mothers.

Testifying in the hearing, Police Sergeant Boller, referring to the case of Roy Jones, whose case was condemned as a dive and closed up by the mayor Saturday, said, "Poverty is the prime cause of prostitution. I have seen women soliciting on the streets, their husbands following a half block behind, ready to collect the money from them after their illicit transaction."

"Grandpa" Kelly Dead.

After a long lingering illness, Kelly died late this afternoon at the Savoy hotel where he has been ill for weeks.

COVE BOY FALLS ON SPIKE THAT GOUGES THE HEART

Cove, April 14.—(Special) — His heart gouged by a 16in. spike upon which he fell, Ray Shores, aged 11, died Saturday evening after he had walked several paces toward his home from the scene of the accident. With some other boys he had been jumping from a barn window sill, some five feet from the ground, and when it came the Shores boy's turn, his foot slipped and he fell heavily to

the ground striking on a spike protruding through a board lying on the ground. The spike penetrated the chest and slashed the heart. Rising and staggering, the lad started for his mother but got only a portion of the way when he fell, dead. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shores, and the body was laid to rest yesterday afternoon. The entire community of Cove is sympathizing with the bereaved parents.

THUG CHOKES MRS. ROSKAMP

ATTEMPTED HOUSE ROBBERY ENDS IN INJURY.

Two Holdups Saturday Night—Woman Fights With Robber.

One outright holdup, one attempt and one attempted house robbery, the last named marked with sensational boldness and some bodily injury to a La Grande lady, is the list of crimes and near crimes that were perpetrated in La Grande Saturday night. The most serious was the attempted house burglary in which Mrs. H. E. Roskamp, occupying a suite of rooms in the Tatman rooming house, corner of Ninth street and O avenue, was seized by the throat with a greasy, powerful hand, and but for her powerful struggling to free herself would have been dragged from the window of the bedroom by the thug. Her mother, Mrs. J. E. Bell of Enterprise, witnessed the scuffle and assisted her daughter in attracting the attention of others in the building, and finally, with deliberate insolence, the thug walked away, leaving a string of curses as he went.

Mrs. Roskamp had gone to the Joseph train to meet her mother and while ordering the hack at the depot noticed that a rough looking individual stood near by. It is believed that this fellow followed the hack and thus located the home. In the meantime the train arrived and Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Roskamp went to their rooms and there Mr. Roskamp joined them. About 3:30 Mr. Roskamp went to a local hotel and about 11, Mrs. Roskamp was ready to retire first, but in order to stop a severe draft through the room, raised the lower window to close the upper one. It was while about to do this that she noticed some one standing in the moonlight. Startled, she at first thought it was her husband playing a practical joke and was about to speak to him when the fellow shot one hand through the window, seized her by the throat and choked her unmercifully. Frightened and unable to utter but the first scream of fright on account of the hand at her throat, Mrs. Roskamp fought herself to freedom, but not until her neck had been badly bruised and twisted. Even when his hold had been broken, the thug stayed at the window, cursing the woman bitterly. As the approach of other roomers, the fellow moved slowly away. Mrs. Roskamp plainly enough saw the man and could identify him, she believes.

Fingerprints on the wall of the building indicate the man might be a laborer, as his prints show evident signs of grease, rather than ordinary dirt.

It is believed that the thug followed the hack to the rooming house and when Mr. Roskamp left for the night, a fact indicated by conversation which the family held on the porch about 11 o'clock which could readily have been heard by one in hiding near by, prepared to make a bold house robbery but was caught in the

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WILSON LIKES TARIFF BILLS

COMMENDATION OVER RUN CRITICISM, HE SAYS.

Thinks Some Factories Would Close as a Result and Reopen.

Washington, April 14.—President Wilson is immensely pleased over the reception the proposed tariff bill is meeting throughout the country. Although he has received hundreds of letters protesting, those commending the bill exceeded the others four to one. At a weekly conference with newspaper correspondents the president made it clear that no one is authorized to declare his position on the exemption of labor and co-operative organizations from operations of the Sherman law. His attention has been called to declarations of certain senators and representatives that the president would sign the sundry civil appropriation bill vetoed by Taft if it carries the exemption clause.

President Wilson is satisfied that so far as the sugar schedule of the

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PONTIFF, WHO IT IS FEARED, WILL DIE DURING THE COMING NIGHT.



POPE PIUS X. ON THE THRONE.

POPE SINKING RAPIDLY; END APPEARS NEAR

HIGH FEVER THIS EVENING IS CAUSING GENERAL ALARM THROUGHOUT ROME.

COUGHING TEARS PATIENT

Intimate Friends Leaving Vatican Late Tonight Admit the Pontiff Is Dying—Fever Mounting Higher—Bloody Expectoration Prevails When Coughing Occurs—Storm Is Detriment.

Rome, April 14.—Despite assurance of physicians, intimate friends of Pope Pius leaving the vatican tonight predicted death would come within a few hours. The pontiff's fever has returned and vatican doctors admit they are alarmed. A rop in temperature and a terrific rainfall has made a raw atmosphere that is bad for the patient. It develops coughing. The city of Rome is greatly alarmed tonight.

The patient slept but little last night and when he awoke this morning the doctors said all traces of kidney trouble had disappeared.

Symptoms of hardening arteries have developed and the crisis is expected tonight. If he lives the night, through he may recover.

The physicians are differing in the case, and it is said they quarreled this afternoon over the matter. Some claim it is pneumonia and the great complication apparent, has added to the likelihood that the pope is on his death bed.

It is rumored tonight that Marchiava has said the pope is suffering from hemorrhage.

Sign Posts On Road Destroyed

PUT UP FRIDAY AND TORN DOWN BY SUNDAY.

BIG REWARD OFFERED

Campaign to Network Valley with Signs Meets Severe Jolt.

AUTO CLUB OFFERS REWARD. The Union County Automobile association will pay \$50 reward for the conviction of the parties tearing down the milepost signs on the foothill road between La Grande and Hot Lake. A. V. ANDREWS, Sec.

Set up Friday, torn down by Sunday! Such is the fate of milepost signs erected along the foothill road by the Union County Automobile association. Last Friday Secretary A. V. Andrews erected the sign posts which told how far it was to La Grande and in what direction, and yesterday the signs were shot down. Trouble is brewing for the amateur vandals who destroyed the property. A general mile-post campaign is about to be instituted, by the automobile fraternity, if the citizens will let the guides alone. The club will not permit reckless and wanton destruction without ferreting down and punishing the ones who destroy the signs, said officials of the club today. To cross valley tourists and cross-state tourists the sign post is a friend in need, and the whole valley will be thus sign posted in due time if the posts will be allowed to stand when once erected.

MORGAN'S BODY IS LAID AWAY

PRIVATE SERVICES MARK BURIAL OF MONEY KING

Body Taken to St. George's and From There to Hartford for Burial.

New York, April 14.—Morgan's funeral services were held this morning. The casket was taken in an ordinary hearse to St. George's Episcopal church. Members of the Morgan family accompanied the hearse in horse-drawn carriages. Employees of the undertakers carried the casket to the hearse. The party reached the church at 10 o'clock when the doors closed and the services were private. A vested choir preceded the casket up the aisle and services were conducted by Bishops Geer of New York, Brewster of Connecticut, Lawrence of Boston, assisted by four ministers. At the close of the services the casket was taken to the Grand Central station and placed on a special train for Hartford. Services at Hartford were private too and interment was in the Cedar Hill cemetery.

After the casket was removed to the hearse from the Morgan library the bus on traffic near the Morgan mansion was lifted, but for three blocks about St. George's church it was closed.

As the casket was carried to the church the 39th and 90th psalms were chanted. The hymns, "Lord, Let Me Know My End and Number My Days" and "Asleep in Jesus" followed. Reading of the scriptures, the creed and prayers, followed the hymns, after which Harry Burleigh sang "Cavary."

BROAD-GAUGE TO SMITH MT. NOW ASSURED

PALMER LUMBER COMPANY TO BUILD INTO WALLOWA TIMBER BELT.

ENGINEERS ON THE GROUND

First Project to Extend Back About 12 Miles and Grade and Route Are Both Feasible—To save Branch Line Now Far From Rondowa—Means Preparation for the Future Timber Supply.

Construction of a broad-gauge railroad to tap vast timber areas in Wallowa county and that might possibly in the future become a common carrier in and out of a territory that is now sparsely settled but is so productive and rich that readily enough become densely populated, the road to branch off from the O.W. branch line not far from Rondowa and strike off north, will be commenced immediately by the George Palmer Lumber company. With three lines previously extended, the company has chosen the most feasible route, and has picked Howard creek as the water-grade course to follow. Engineers are on the ground now and construction is to be hurried just as rapidly as possible. It is a move that has been contemplated for some time, being prompted by the gradual depletion of the company's holdings at Palmer Junction on the Looking Glass. By the time the new road is ready for service, there will still be timber in the Looking Glass area and it is with an eye on the future that the company is building the new line. It will branch off the main branch line 200 feet west of mile post 40 or about two miles beyond Rondowa. That is at the mouth of Howard creek. The water grade will be followed much of the way, starting out on an easy grade, then striking a short distance of 3.5 per cent grade and again hitting an easier pitch, so that the descent on and behind Smith mountain will be reached with no great engineering feat required. The road will strike company timber in less than ten miles but the first camp will be established at a point between 12 and 15 miles from the junction. This road will be built over company land entirely and therefore cannot be forced into the common carrier class, unless in the future the company should find it expedient and wise to proceed voluntarily as a common carrier.

"We have had this road in mind for some time," said George Palmer, president of the company, in an interview. "We are preparing for the day when the Looking Glass holdings will be slashings and as we own ample timber in Wallowa county, we are now tapping it and preparing to log off that heavily timbered belt."

"Several engineers have run tentative lines, and the one we have chosen is very feasible. The construction will begin at once, using 60 pound steel."

North Wallowa county residents have cause to be elated. While the Palmer Lumber company is taking the step that can very easily be made steel connection with the outside world in the future, another ribbon of steel is to be aimed at the same general isolated area of Wallowa county, though from another direction and not in close proximity as to miles—

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