

HUTCHINSON DID NOT USE HIS RIGHT

Dead Hand Still Held Pamphlet in Grip.

POLICE HAVE SLIGHT CLEWS

Two Thugs Are Supposed to Have Engaged in Hold-Up.

CORONER GIVEN A VERDICT

Jury Decides That the Secretary of Spokane Y. M. C. A. Met Death From Gunshot Wound Inflicted by Persons Unknown.

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 16.—(Special.)—Search for the man who assassinated Reno Hutchinson seems useless as long as the Spokane police have such slender clues as are now presented. They know he was shot with a revolver loaded with cartridges carrying steel-tipped bullets, and they are of opinion that two men attacked the young athlete, and there their knowledge rests.

All attempts to run down the two men seen on the car which carried Reno Hutchinson home earlier in the evening have yielded nothing. The coroner's jury this evening returned a verdict that Hutchinson came to his death from a gunshot wound inflicted by a person unknown.

The witnesses examined, with two exceptions, were residents of the neighborhood where the tragedy was enacted and the police. The other witnesses were a car inspector and a reporter. The neighbors added little to what was told in the Oregonian yesterday morning, and that little was unimportant. The shot, the fleeing of the assassin, the groans of the wounded man and his discovery were told again in detail.

Pamphlet in His Right Hand.

Coroner Witter told the jury that Hutchinson was right-handed and that he carried a pamphlet and newspaper and the pamphlet and newspaper were in his right hand when he was found. Witter remarked that if Hutchinson had resisted his assailant it was strange that he had not used his right hand and had not dropped the parcel he was carrying.

O. A. Sweeney, Car Inspector of the Washington Water Power Company, Identified the Remains.

He said Mr. Hutchinson and a man heavily built, perhaps 5 feet 3 inches tall, of dark complexion and wearing a light hat and light-colored overcoat, got on a street-car in the 1800 block on Boone avenue at 7:40 o'clock. The car was bound for town.

Suspect Went Inside Car.

Mr. Hutchinson stood on the rear platform and the other man went inside the car. Sweeney left the car at Riverside avenue and Howard street, and did not notice what became of the two men. He said this car would reach Fourth avenue and Howard street, where Mr. Hutchinson left the car, at about 7:57. The short, chunky man was probably 22 or 23 years of age.

Coroner Witter expressed regret that Dr. A. L. Marks, oculist, was not at the inquest.

Dr. Marks said to a reporter today: "I probably saw a second man who had been implicated in the murder of Mr. Hutchinson. About 4 o'clock I turned into Seventh avenue from Stevens street. A man who apparently had been hiding in the shadow of the high wall, facing the grounds on the south side of the avenue, suddenly dashed out and ran across the street and down Stevens street. At the time I thought the man's actions queer, but had not heard the pistol shot, and did not know until later a murder had been committed."

Acted in a Strange Manner.

Although J. C. Barline attached no special significance to the actions of a strange man who made inquiries for Mr. Hutchinson Monday, other people commented on the man's actions. This man telephoned to Mr. Barline from Masonic Temple and made inquiries regarding Mr. Hutchinson, and is believed to be the man who acted queerly in the Golden Gate building where Mr. Hutchinson's office was located.

May C. Desome, secretary of the Master Printers' Association, who noticed the man in the Golden Gate building, said:

"The man came here about 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Our office is room 15, at the end of a corridor, and Mr. Hutchinson's office is room 14, and adjoined us. When I noticed the man I asked him what he wanted. He said he was searching for Mr. Hutchinson. I told him Mr. Hutchinson's office was next door and he had come past it."

About 5:30 o'clock I noticed a man wandering in the corridor again, and I asked what he was looking for, and saw it was the same man. He said: 'Do you know where Mr. Hutchinson goes to dinner?' I told him Mr. Hutchinson had no regular hours."

This strange man was about 23 years of age and was about 5 feet 11 inches tall.

He probably weighed 160 or 170 pounds. He wore a gray suit. I never saw the man before and have not seen him since."

Inquiries Are Often Made.

J. C. Barline said: "I place no significance to this man who inquired for Mr. Hutchinson. Similar inquiries are being made constantly and I answer many calls regarding the Y. M. C. A. The Association office location is not generally known and there is nothing remarkable in people making inquiries."

Chief of Police Waller said he had no theory to give out, but that the department is still working on the supposition that Mr. Hutchinson was assassinated by an enemy instead of being held up by a robber. The police are attaching credence to a report that Mrs. Hutchinson asked if a lame man had been implicated in the crime, but the department had no clew to a lame man being implicated, and some expressed the belief that Mrs. Hutchinson referred to her husband, who was lame.

Working on the Enemy Theory.

The police department sent a man to Portland tonight to work on the case in conjunction with the Portland police. It was intimated that the department thought if the assassination theory is borne out, trace of some enemy may be found in the Oregon city. In view of the short residence of Mr. Hutchinson in Spokane, it was contended that he could not have made an enemy in Spokane without the Y. M. C. A. workers knowing of the fact and none of them admitted such a condition to a conference with the Mayor and police department. The entire police department is working on the case. Mayor Dargatz will ask the Council to offer a reward for the arrest and conviction of the murderer or murderers, the amount of the reward to be determined by the Council.

Robbery Theory Generally Held.

Independent of the police, there is still a strong feeling that the murder was not the result of jealousy or personal enmity and that the crime was committed by hold-up men. Those holding to the robbery theory contend that Mr. Hutchinson resisted the robbers, saw the flash of the revolver barrel in the rays of the electric light and fled, when he was shot. This would explain why the bullet entered the left side about midway between the top of the hip and the armpit and ranged upward. If he had been standing erect and the bullet was fired from behind, it is contended that the bullet would not have ranged upward.

The body goes to Portland tomorrow afternoon on the 4:20 train.

BODY TO BE BROUGHT HERE

Public Funeral Is Proposed for the Murdered Y. M. C. A. Worker.

Mrs. Virginia Spencer Hutchinson, widow of the murdered Reno Hutchinson, reached Portland last night at 10:10 from Spokane, with her 6-months-old daughter. She was met at the depot by her father and mother, Captain and Mrs. Spencer, by Mr. Hutchinson's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hutchinson, and by H. W. Stone, general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A. All bore the tragedy with Christian fortitude. They were driven at once to the Spencer home at 1215 North Spokane a few hours after the tragedy. She had arrived in Spokane only a few days before and had not yet completed the furnishing of her home. The tragedy was broken to her by members of the association, who advised her to leave at once for home. Rev. N. V. Hindley was delegated to accompany her.

Mr. Hindley is at a loss to understand the tragedy, although he is inclined to believe it was the result of a blow in Spokane before the investigation into the murder was well under way.

The body will be brought to Portland for interment. E. MacNaughton, who is to accompany the remains to Portland. Services will be held in Spokane tomorrow and the body should reach this city by tonight. A public funeral is being planned.

TRIBUTE PAID BY A FRIEND

Reno Hutchinson a High Type of Christian Gentleman.

The murder of Reno Hutchinson, of Spokane, was as a blow to every one who knew him here in Portland. The expression that it must be foul play seems preposterous to those who knew his noble disposition so free from stirring up antagonism with anyone, even those entirely differing with him in their life and motives. From the days when he first stepped into college in the University of California he was noted for his fairness, his high moral disposition, his high regard for anyone always taking the part in an inoffensive way, of the mistreated or criticized, present or absent. In the closing year of his course he took the college athletics management and wiped out a debt of \$5000.

He was always called upon to umpire football games, for the men he both teams knew that they would get a square deal. He was always a Christian gentleman, whether playing football himself, as he did for a few years on his college team, refereeing a game, or in a mix-up on the college campus. To know his life only slightly even was to love him, so high were his standards, so noble his heart, so fair and just his opinions; always making allowances for other men's environment, their conditions and training. He was built on a broad-swinged order, large physically and just as large in his noble Christian nature. He knew nothing narrow, nor did he try to press men into his way of thinking, though he helped many a man to find himself in life and give himself to the important things of it. In his work he planned well and thoroughly.

Always genial, always the same, always earnest, men were attached to him and always enjoyed working with him. Many men whose lives have been lifted higher by his contact with him will remember the things that he has given them added power and will think with sadness and bitterness of the way he had to go at the hand of a wretch who takes the life of a truly great man, for whom hanging would be too good.

W. E. V.

Call for Drastic Measures.

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 16.—In view of the murder last night of Reno Hutchinson, formerly of Portland, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the Y. M. C. A. of Spokane call for drastic measures to be taken by the city and state to protect the lives of its members."

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PRESIDENCY THE PRIZE OF VICTORY

Hughes or Hearst Will be Candidate.

ROOSEVELT KEEN SPECTATOR

May Take Part in Campaign if Need Arises.

EACH MAN HAS HANDICAP

Support of Corporation Men Drives Votes From Hughes—Murphy a Heavy Load for Hearst, Who Has Other Troubles.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU. Washington, Oct. 16.—The man who is elected Governor of New York at the close of the present campaign is certain to be reckoned a Presidential possibility in 1908, and may be the nominee of the party with which he is identified. If Hearst sweeps the state it is more than likely that he will outshine Bryan at the next Democratic National convention and carry off the nomination in a walk. On the other hand, if Hughes is elected Governor West will stamp him as a man of the hour and one with whom the party at large must reckon. Hughes is strong in New York and, if his strength is sufficient to overcome the Hearst wave that is sweeping the Empire State, it may be set down as a fact that he will be a strong man to head the National ticket.

Hearst May Pose as Martyr.

In the event that Hughes is defeated there is little likelihood that his name will be brought before the Republican National convention in 1908. If Hearst is defeated it is still possible that he might be nominated at the head of the next Democratic National ticket or, if not that, at the head of a ticket put in the field by the Independent party that he is today attempting to organize in New York and other states. Hearst in defeat would pose as a martyr; a victim of Charles E. Murphy, the corruptionist, and a victim of the corporations. He would charge Murphy and the corporations with his downfall and would make capital out of the result. On the other hand, if he is elected he will give one of the credit to Murphy, whose support alone made possible his nomination this year on the Democratic ticket, but will swell up with pride and attribute his election to the President, whereas Hughes and the President Roosevelt is deeply concerned over the campaign now on in his own state and he is every bit as anxious as Hughes for the success of the Republican ticket. The President regards Hughes as an ideal man for Governor and has on far mentioned as a possible nominee for 1908. He would come nearer carrying on the reforms that Roosevelt has begun than any other "possibility." Taft stands next to Hughes, but Taft has some ideas that do not coincide with those of the President, whereas Hughes and the President are virtually of one mind, and Hughes in the White House would continue almost without change the good work that Roosevelt has started. But whatever the President thinks

of Hughes as a possible candidate for the Presidency, he is at present concerned particularly in his election as Governor. No man sees more danger in Hearst's election than Roosevelt. To his mind the success of the yellow editor would be a terrific calamity and an unpardonable disgrace. The President holds Hearst in contempt. And it is not stretching the truth to say that the influence of the administration is being used to prevent the election of the Democratic ticket in New York this year. Ordinarily the President would keep hands off, but the situation is of such gravity that he is keeping in close touch with the Republican leaders, and is aiding them and advising them at every turn and is not attempting to conceal his interest in the fight.

President May Take Hand.

The statement has been made that the President may later take the stump in New York, if it appears that Hearst is gaining strength and has a fair chance of election. For the present, however, he will take no open part in the contest. The manner in which Hughes has entered upon his active



Charles E. Hughes, who may be Candidate for President in 1908.

campaign, the character of his speeches and the boldness of his attacks upon Hearst, have met with the approval of the President, and, if the Republican nominee, by continuing his present course, can arouse the voters to a realization of the true conditions and can make them appreciate the real character of the Democratic candidate and comprehend the consequences of his election, it is more than likely the President will have nothing to say during the campaign, though he may go so far as to write an open letter for the purpose of arousing the voters just before the ballots are cast. It seems to be understood, however, that, if the President is convinced that his interference is necessary to insure the success of the Republican ticket, he will take whatever steps he can without going beyond the bounds of propriety.

Hughes believes, and the President agrees with him, that the campaign can be won by impressing the voters with the fact that Republican success will mean clean government, whereas the election of Hearst will mean a continuation of boss rule and corruption. In impressing these facts upon his audience, Hughes does not forget the dignity of his own position, he does not

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EXPORTERS AGREE TO ARBITRATE

Settlement of Dock Strike in Sight.

MAYOR'S PLAN IS ADOPTED

Action Meets With Approval of Union Grainhandlers.

HOLD CONFERENCE TODAY

Arbitrators to Be Chosen at Meeting and Every Effort Made to Hasten Peace—Sympathetic Strike on Water Front.

W. J. BURNS, publicity agent for the exporters—We have written to the Mayor agreeing to arbitrate the question of wages paid the grainhandlers.

OSCAR MELBY, business agent for the strikers—We are willing to submit our cause to a board of arbitration as this is in line with the policy of our union.

MAYOR LANE, who acts as pacificator—I am very glad indeed that both sides have agreed to arbitration and sincerely hope that the dispute will be amicably settled. The city hall is at the disposal of the arbitrators for a meeting place.

Arbitration is to settle the waterfront strike. This has been agreed to by both the warring interests and committees will be named to meet, probably today, and choose a board of referees to adjust the differences. Such a settlement of the trouble seems satisfactory to all interested. The strikers may be expected to be back to work before the week ends. At a meeting yesterday afternoon, which was attended by the representatives of all the exporting firms, the question of arbitration, as proposed by Mayor Lane, was discussed. After a lengthy argument during which both sides of the question were thoroughly discussed, the Exporters' Association unanimously agreed to submit the question of an increase in wages to an arbitration board, according to the plan proposed by the Mayor.

Saturday afternoon a delegation from the Grainhandlers' Union, headed by Business Agent Oscar Melby, visited Mayor Lane and proposed to submit their side of the question to a board of arbitration. The Mayor thought highly of their plan and Monday afternoon sent a letter indorsing it to the representatives of the different exporting firms. This letter was brought up at the meeting yes-

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HARRIMAN WILL TRY TO DUST FISH

Battle to Control Illinois Central.

PROXIES INSTEAD OF BULLETS

Union Pacific Magnate Has Gathered Forces.

FISH WORKS INTO NIGHT

While General of Defending Forces Plans Defense, Harriman Is Rushing to Chicago to Make a Grand Assault.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—President Stuyvesant Fish of the Illinois Central Railroad, was in his private office at Park Row Depot until long after midnight tonight. Cloistered with him were J. B. Gill of New York, his attorney, and officials of the road connected with the auditing department. Mr. Fish, according to the Tribune, was laying his plans for a battle royal which will be fought this morning at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad.

Harriman's Forces Marshaled.

On the Twentieth Century Limited train of the Lake Shore road, which will arrive in Chicago at 8:30 this morning, are E. H. Harriman and a party of his financial friends. They are coming to make the fight against Mr. Fish for control of the Illinois Central Railroad. For a year it has been known that Mr. Harriman and his allies have been seeking control of this property.

There are 999,000 shares of stock representing a capitalization of \$65,000,000 entitled to vote at this meeting. The side which controls 45,000 shares will win. It has been assumed that Mr. Harriman controls only one-fifth of the total, but information brought to Chicago yesterday was that he has had the banking firm of Kuhn, Leeb & Co. working for and with him for some time and every share of stock and proxy that could be bought or borrowed has been secured.

Fish Remains Confident.

Mr. Fish last night was confident that the Harriman plan would fail and the meeting show a good majority of stockholders in favor of continuing the present management.

Mr. Fish was served last night with notice that suit had been brought against the Illinois Central by the Illinois State audit committee. This suit was started last week in Justice Martin's court and the hearing is set for 11 o'clock this morning. Subpoenas have also been issued for E. B. Harriman, John J. Astor and Cornelius Vanderbilt, who, it is understood are on the train with Mr. Harriman. The suit brought in behalf of a half dozen stockholders, who allege that the Illinois Central overcharged them on freight bills and thus discriminated against them.

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THE OHIO SUBSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE



JUDGE BANKER'S RULING.

FINDLAY, O., Oct. 15.—The end of the trial of the Standard Oil Company of Ohio for alleged conspiracy against trade came suddenly in sight at the conclusion of the session of the court today. The State was precluded by a ruling of Judge Banker from offering a line of evidence intended to show that the Standard Oil Company gave secret rebates to retail dealers in oil. The disputed evidence was intended to show that an agent of the Standard had offered and paid a rebate to a local grocer for handling its oil in the retail. It was excluded on the ground that nothing was offered to show that the agent got such authority from the Standard Oil Company, but must have acted upon his own initiative.