

SLAYER OF HERMIT SHOWS NO REMORSE

Youth Declares Intent to Plead Self-Defense.

ROBBERY MOTIVE DENIED

Francis Vanderzanden, 17, Practices Shooting From Hip to Win Fame in Movies.

YOUTH TELLS OF FLIGHT AFTER KILLING "MILLIONAIRE OF HAYWARD."



Youth Armed With Club.

In addition to two revolvers, the youth armed himself with a heavy club before approaching the cabin of the man he killed, despite the fact that he said he intended to ask for nothing but a meal and a little money to help him carry out his plan to run away from home.

The boy showed little remorse as he told in minute detail of his experience from the hour he left his farm home until he "broke" under questioning by Sheriff Alexander yesterday and in the parlance of the underworld which he has glimpsed through lurid fiction admitted "you've got the dope on me."

Robbery Motive Denied. The boy slayer is not the typical shy 17-year-old farm lad, his speech, punctuated with profanity, is the parlance of the city "street kid."

He steadfastly denied that he killed Dahenden in an attempt to rob the hermit. "I only intended to ask him for something to eat and a little money," he declared.

Recluse Points Gun. "When he came to the door I asked him for something to eat. He had a shotgun in his hand, but held it back of the door. I could see the butt of it at his feet. He told me to get out. Then I asked him for some money. He said he had none and told me to get out or he would shoot. I started to back away, and then he pointed the gun at me. I thought he was going to shoot, but he fired from the hip. The first shot must have hit him in the shoulder, because I saw his right arm jerk. Then I shot again, but I couldn't tell whether I had hit him or not, because he slammed the door in my face. The third shot I fired through the door. I guess that was the one that killed him. I would have emptied the gun of all eight shots if my finger hadn't slipped off the trigger."

The youth denied that he had asked the aged hermit for money, with the view of discovering the hiding place of the hoard of gold which, according to tales told throughout the countryside, the "millionaire of Hayward" had secreted in his dilapidated shack.

Slayer Flees Into Brush. After his finger slipped from the trigger of the smoking revolver, the boy said, he became frightened and fled headlong into the heavy brush which skirted the hermit's small clearing. Reaching Wheeler after two days and nights of walking he worked the day before Thanksgiving in a lumber mill, where he met a youth of about his own age, who gave the name of William Alexander.

The next day the two met in a poolroom, where young Vanderzanden was regaled with tales of adventure by Alexander.

Job Obtained in Mill. At the target practice the next day young Vanderzanden said he defeated the "dead shot" of Boston Blackie's gang, but the latter said he "wasn't feelin' well." They "shot from the hip" at a bottle, the boy said.

He sold one of his revolvers for a dollar the next day. Vanderzanden said, and the other was taken away from him by Deputy Sheriff.

He asked me where I was from and I told him my name and how I had run away from home, young Vanderzanden said. "He said that I didn't need to be afraid of telling him anything because he had run away from home himself when he was a boy. He told me about Dahenden being killed, but I didn't say anything."

The following day the youth secured a job in a shingle mill, where he worked five days. At noon on the fifth day he quit, he said, but his employer refused to pay him until two days later.

Boy Grows Angry. "I got mad and told him I'd have him arrested if he didn't pay me. I'd have fixed him, if he hadn't paid me. Then he hit me a couple of

HINDU IS INDICTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Shooting of Boy Declared Without Malice.

BAIL IS FIXED AT \$3000

Not-True Bill Returned for George Velbeck, Accused of Murder in St. Johns Affray.

An indictment for manslaughter was returned by the county grand jury yesterday against Partab Hari, Hindu popcorn vendor, for the shooting of Norman Conrad Repp, 11, on November 12. The report of the jurors held that the shooting was without malice, growing out of the "pointing of a loaded weapon" at the group of boys, of which young Repp was a member.

Hari had his popcorn wagon stationed near East Twelfth and East 10th streets, where he was selling popcorn during the progress of a football game. Investigation that followed the shooting indicated that a gang of small boys had pestered Hari, with whom he was living, had promised them popcorn after the game if they would go away and quit bothering him. It seemed that Hari had agreed to keep his promise and the lads attempted a raid upon his wagon. He picked up an ancient pistol he had in the wagon and pointed it at the group. The weapon was discharged and young Repp was fatally shot.

Hari's Bond Fixed at \$3000. Hari is in the county jail but may have an opportunity to gain his liberty now by putting up \$3000 bond, this being set by the grand jury.

A not-true bill was returned by the jury for George Velbeck, who was accused of the murder of Marko, or "Mike" Piplie in a general fracas and stabbing affray in St. Johns on November 26. Evidence garnered by officers of the law after the fatality showed that Velbeck had been an employee of Pete Miller, with whom he was living, and it indicated that Miller owed the accused man money and was attempting to make things so unpleasant that he would leave. When Velbeck came to the Miller place the evening of November 26 he was set upon and badly beaten by Miller, Piplie and one cabin. Before the affray ended Velbeck fatally stabbed Piplie. The jurors considered there was ample evidence of self-defense to exonerate Velbeck.

Alleged Forger Indicted. Fred Smith, alias Carl Baker, was indicted on two counts charging forgery. He was captured September 16 by H. J. Blasing when he attempted to pass a worthless check at Blasing's marble works. Virgil Huffman was indicted for receiving stolen property. He is said to have received the hood and radiator taken from an automobile

FRAUD PLAN IS NIPPED

Walter Lands in Jail After Attempt to Trick Man's Father.

An attempt to play on a father's love for a wandering son landed John L. Kemble, waiter, in the hands of the United States authorities yesterday on a charge of using the mails to defraud. Kemble is alleged to have posted a letter to L. Reed, at Muncie, Ind., telling him that his son, Robert Reed, was in dire need and wanted money to return home. Kemble was sent to the county jail.

Kemble was employed in a restaurant at which young Reed was in the habit of taking his meals. Reed was temporarily out of work and told Kemble.

According to Mr. Maguire, Kemble conceived the scheme of writing to Reed's father and securing money. The father telegraphed to the Portland police. An investigation followed and Kemble was arrested.

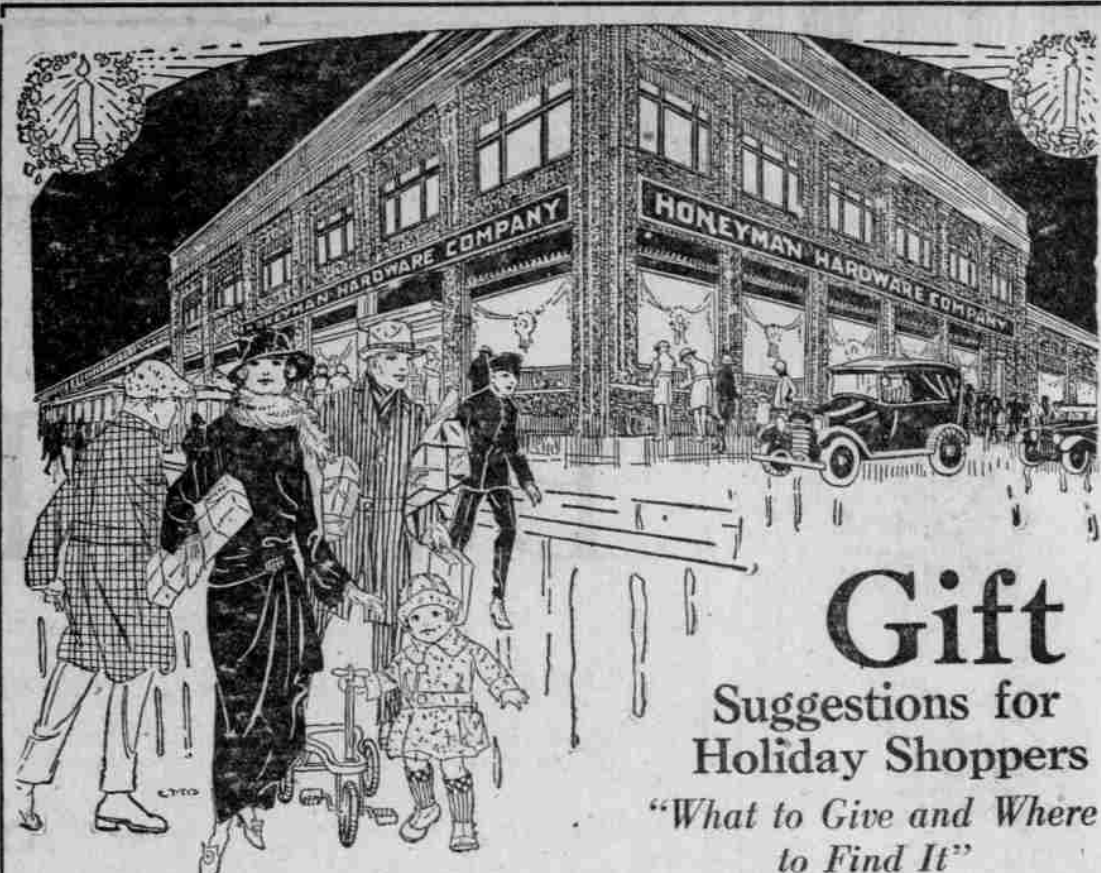
OFFER OF JOB RUMORED

Mr. Olcott to Have Place With Reserve Bank, Is Report.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—It was reported here today that Governor Olcott, at the expiration of his term January 8, will receive a responsible position with the federal reserve bank in San Francisco. Close friends of the governor scouted this report, however, and expressed the opinion that he will engage in business in Oregon.

Pastor Assigned to Gold Hill. GOLD HILL, Or., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Dr. M. M. Reid, recently of Portland, has been assigned by the Oregon conference to the pastorage of the Methodist Episcopal church at Gold Hill. The doctor has been in the ministry for the last three years. He is a practicing physician and chiropractor. A feature of his pastoral work is a weekly lecture in the church on health, featuring the physical, mental and spiritual plane of man.

Vancouver Oddfellows to Frolic. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Vancouver lodge No. 1, Oddfellows, will have a homecoming jollification next Tuesday night and its officers are urging every member within reach to be present. The team from Washougal will exemplify the third degree on a class of candidates. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. No one is to remain in the lodge residence or near Portland, and these are especially asked to attend.



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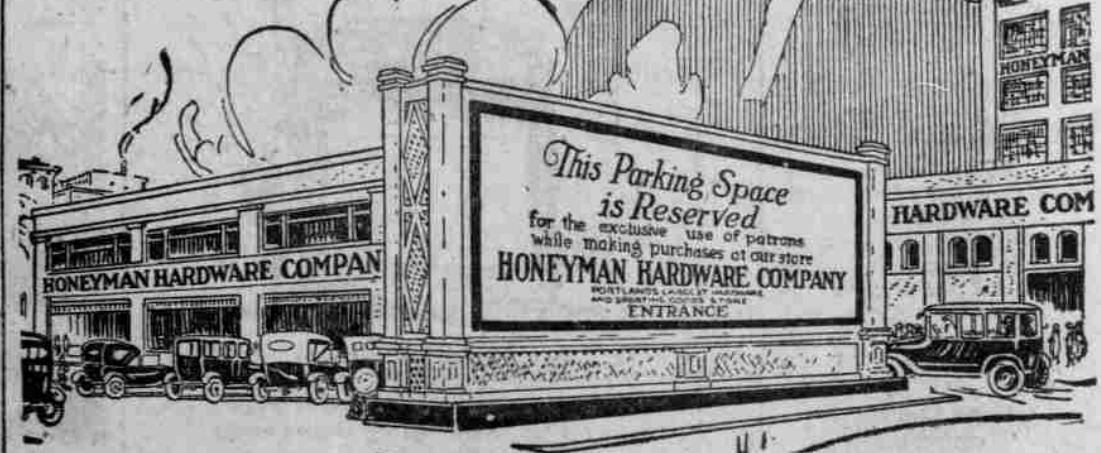
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