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THINK HUTCHINSON MURDERED BY WIFE'S FORMER SUITOR

SPokane Officers Seek Man Who Vowed Revenge For Woman's Rejection

Widow of Slain Man Refuses to Affirm or Deny Story Which Is Theory of Police

Police Would Force Suspected Man to Prove Alibi and Explain Whereabouts—He Cannot Be Found, Though Search Is Being Made.

In their efforts to solve the mystery surrounding the murder of Reno Hutchinson at Spokane Monday night officers are advancing the theory that the crime was done by a former suitor of Mrs. Hutchinson, one who had vowed that she would never wed another.

So firmly convinced of the ultimate success in running down the murderer are those who are advancing the theory that Spokane officers are being urged to locate the suspected woe and ask him to give an account of his doings on the night of the tragedy.

The theory is said to have arisen as a result of an inquiry by Mrs. Hutchinson as to the whereabouts of the man at the time of the murder. Other developments are said by those interested to point directly toward the man who means affirm nor deny his belief in the complicity of her former admirer.

"I have nothing at all to say with

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LEAVES PULPIT SO THAT HE MAY TALK SOCIALISM

Rev. Robert Whitaker of Oakland Resigns Pastorate Because of Convictions That His Duties Are of Nature Not to Be Bound by Any Creed.

San Francisco, Oct. 17.—Because sectarian bias prevented him from exercising power in the field of letters relative to socialist ideas, Rev. Robert Whitaker of Oakland has resigned his position as pastor of the Twenty-third Avenue Baptist church, the pastor states further that the cause of his resignation is the fact that his convictions of Christian duties are of a nature that no creed could bind, and while he by no means intends to sever his connection with the Baptist church, he could no longer be true to his conscience as a pastor.

The resignation of Rev. Whitaker, which will take effect on December 31 of this year, comes as a great surprise to the members of the congregation, with whom the pastor has been most popular.

Rev. Mr. Whitaker has preached socialism from the pulpit and public platform for a number of years in Oakland and elsewhere in the state. He is a member of the Ruskin club, an organization that includes in its membership Jack London, George Sterling and Herman Whitaker. Whitaker is a man of deep convictions and, despite the fact that John D. Rockefeller is the richest contributor to charities and religious work of the Baptist church in this world, the clergyman never hesitated to denounce the methods of the man from the pulpit, and in the columns of the press.

The Rev. Mr. Whitaker characterized Rockefeller as a dangerous man to the people in America and held him up as an example of everything that a God-fearing and patriotic citizen should not be.

When Rockefeller offered millions to the cause of foreign missions Rev. Mr. Whitaker was the leader of the movement that sought to compel the church to reject the "baited money." He wrote a lengthy statement of the case of the people against Rockefeller to the board of missions and from his pulpit in East Oakland denounced the great trust baron.



Mrs. Reno Hutchinson.

LIGHTNING RODS AS EARTHQUAKE CURE PROPOSED

San Francisco Man Advances Theory That Terrible Upheavals Are Caused by Electricity and Lightning Rods Driven into Ground Will Prevent Them.

That the destruction of San Francisco was caused primarily by "underground lightning" is the opinion of Thomas A. Keogh, a prominent attorney of that city, who was here yesterday.

Mr. Keogh has given the subject thought and investigation from the viewpoint of a layman, and he says the time is not far off when applied science will eliminate the earthquake peril in civilized quarters of the globe by simply putting down subterranean lightning rods.

"What is the force that causes the tremendous lateral movements of the earth and breaks its crust? It is electricity," said Mr. Keogh. "There can be no other logical conclusion in the mind of anyone who has experienced and observed the earthquake phenomena. For weeks we had an earthquake for breakfast, another for luncheon and a third for dinner—whenever there was any dinner—at San Francisco. These singular quakes were not caused by heat or steam, for there was no steam or smoke visible. They were not the result of releasing gases from the bowels of the earth, for there was no odor apparent. There was nothing that could be detected by any of man's five senses except the sense of feeling. You could feel the earth move, and hear it grinding, and you could also hear the angry ocean roar. I was told by a ship captain that on the night of the great quake he never before faced such a sea. It was like a mad levathan, and for hours threatened destruction of the vessel, while the decks were swept by wave after wave, and the sailors worked waist deep in water."

Explains His Theory. Mr. Keogh's theory is that there are in the earth, as in the air, the positive and negative currents of electricity. They move here and there, wherever exist the peculiar powers of attraction that cause electrical activity. In the so-called earthquake zones of southern California the mineral formation is such that these current are powerfully agitated, and must come together. When the contact occurs the earthquake follows, as thunder follows lightning in the sky. He believes that artificial means will be found to relieve the subterranean depths of their electrical currents, and that when this is done there will be no more earthquakes.

"The world will take off its hat to the people of San Francisco," he said, "for their heroic loyalty and faith in their city. The city will rise greater than ever, the business district will remain in its old place. The people are rapidly accomplishing the work preliminary to this end. The splendid spirit and courage of these people have ruined cities. There never was so much money held out ready for every purpose."

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THERE IS A REAL ESTATE AD ON Page 12 THAT MAY BE PROFITABLE TO YOU

HARRIMAN DEFEATED BY S. FISH

Effort of Magnate to Secure Control of Illinois Central Is Doomed to Failure

Executive Makes a Sensational Speech Charging His Enemies With Seeking to Elect Directors for Stock Jobbing Purposes—Is Supported by Astor.

(Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Oct. 17.—The fight for control of the Illinois Central railroad at the stockholders' annual meeting today resulted in a victory for the forces headed by Stuyvesant Fish and the overwhelming defeat of E. H. Harriman, who had announced his intention of wresting control of the road from the present management.

Fish was in full control. The vote revealed that he controlled 59,470 shares out of the 950,000 shares of stock representing a capitalization of \$98,000,000.

Fish's Accusations. Fish refused to vote for De Forest as successor to Director Drinaneh and in a sensational speech said that he had discovered, after making a half promise to do so that De Forest was being forced in an effort by certain parties to gain control for stock jobbing purposes.

Harriman was not present, but William Nelson Cromwell, his personal attorney, directed the fight against Fish, who marshaled all his forces to retain control. John Jacob Astor and Cornelius Vanderbilt were in the fight on the side of Fish. All of them, with other strong supporters, arrived this morning. The leaders will confer all morning.

Fish's sensational speech was passionately answered by Cromwell, who accused Fish of making the charge to escape his promise.

Fish Ticket Blasted. Fish's nominee, James W. Cuttin, was elected director and all other directors were re-elected. Scores of holders of the company's shares were present at the annual meeting today from points as far south as New Orleans and from many parts of the east and west. The business of the meeting was of a routine character, the stockholders listening to the annual reports and being called upon to approve the acts of the directors. The reports, previously made public, showed the net earnings of the company for the year ended June 30 to be \$5,125,405, and the net earnings and income from investments and miscellaneous sources to be \$18,455,524, an increase for the year of \$770,257.

TOWN DESTROYED BY INFURIATED NEGROES (Journal Special Service.) Greensborough, N. C., Oct. 17.—The town of Greensborough was destroyed this morning by fire, which was set by negroes as revenge for dynamiting the negro college recently. The loss is \$150,000.

STRIKERS WILLING BUT DOUBTFUL

SENATOR ELKINS IS URGING THIRD TERM FOR TEDDY West Virginian Thinks President Should Heed the Call of the People.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Oct. 17.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia is the latest to urge a third term for President Roosevelt. Senator Elkins, who passed through here on his way from New York, said the people of West Virginia favored a third term for the president, and that the call of the people of the republic should be stronger than the will of any man. He thought that there was no doubt of the strength of the demand of the country over that the president take a third term, and that Roosevelt would bow to the demand.

NEW YORK-CUBAN BANKER RUINED BY ABSCONDING AGENT.



Juan Manuel Ceballos, head of the New York-Cuban banking firm, which has failed for \$4,000,000 owing to the flight from Havana of its agent, Manuel Salveira, with \$1,000,000 in gold.

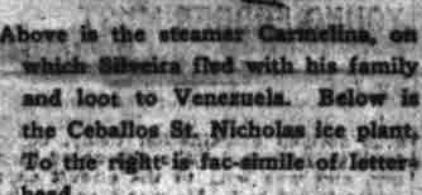
UNKNOWN MAN TAKES LIFE AT FERRY LANDING

Shoots Himself With Revolver and Dead Body Is Found by Bridge Laborer—Mystery Surrounds Identity of Victim and Cause for Deed.

The body of an unknown man, who committed suicide by shooting some time last night, was found this morning about 100 yards from the Vancouver ferry landing on the Oregon side of the river.

The dead man was 28 or 30 years of age, moderately well dressed and presumably a workman. He carried a stick with one of the broad-axes kept on ship board, when the tool slipped and severed the finger. Other sailors say they saw him raise the axe and let it come down good and hard on the hand, with the evident intention of maiming himself so as to be unable to perform the work required on a wind-jammer.

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Above is the steamer Carmelina, on which Salveira fled with his family and loot to Venezuela. Below is the Ceballos St. Nicholas ice plant. To the right is fac-simile of letter-head.



The Geneva Molinos lies idle at Davidge's dock awaiting to discharge the remainder of her cargo, brought here from Antwerp. She is the vessel that furnished the first chapter in the longshoremen's strike, by having her crew work the cargo until enough had been taken on board to stiffen her sufficiently to permit of her shifting from one dock to another.

CUT FINGER OFF TO ESCAPE

French Sailor Deliberately Maims Himself in Order to Get His Release From Ship Genevieve Molinos

Olivier Schoquer, a sailor on the French bark Genevieve Molinos, cut off the index finger of his left hand yesterday afternoon in order to secure his release from the vessel. The officers, as well as his shipmates, say the man is slightly demented, and attributes his act to a fit of insanity. He was taken to the hospital and will be kept there until well, or when the ship is ready for the sea.

Schoquer says he cut his finger off by accident, and denies having done it to get away. He says he was trimming a stick with one of the broad-axes kept on ship board, when the tool slipped and severed the finger. Other sailors say they saw him raise the axe and let it come down good and hard on the hand, with the evident intention of maiming himself so as to be unable to perform the work required on a wind-jammer.

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JAILBREAK PREVENTED BY SHERIFF

Plot of County Prisoners to Murder Officers and Make Escape Is Disclosed

Corridors and Cells Searched and Steel Saws Found—Plans for Break for Liberty Had Been Well Arranged When the Plot Was Discovered.

Positive information concerning a plan for breaking out of the county jail that included the killing of Sheriff Stevens and Jailor Mitchell has been received by the sheriff, and a thorough search of the prisoners' quarters is being made. Close watch on the actions of the prisoners is being kept.

Deputy Sheriffs Archie Leonard and H. Bulger searched corridor No. 2 this forenoon and found a quantity of steel wire and a steel knife with half the blades notched into a saw, concealed over cell 3. Sheriff Stevens says he knows of other implements yet concealed in the jail and that the search will be continued until they are found. The sheriff would not say what the things are that are still hid in the cells, but stated that they are more in the nature of weapons than any of the things yet found.

"We absolutely know that the prisoners intended to kill both Jailor Mitchell and myself if necessary in order to get away," said Sheriff Stevens this morning. "The corridors are guarded by double doors, with a small space between the doors. We have definite information that the inner door of one of the corridors was opened by the prisoners on three different nights after it was locked by the jailer. The first plans were laid while

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CHINA'S ARMY IS BEING INCREASED AT A RAPID RATE

Conditions in Celestial Empire Really Much Worse Than Before Boycott and Anti-Foreign Feeling Stronger Than Ever—Tang Shao-Yi in Command.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Oct. 17.—Conditions in China, which are generally supposed to have improved since the cessation of the boycott on American goods and the consequent agitation, are really much worse, and the anti-foreign feeling is greater than it ever was. Information of absolutely trustworthy character has reached Washington to this effect.

The Chinese army, under the guiding hand of Yuan Shuo Kai, who is considered by those who know China to be the greatest man in the country, is being increased at a tremendous rate and the government is putting a great deal of money into the main fighting force, Yuan is viceroy of the province of Chihli, in which Peking is situated. He has very great influence and his main policy now seems to be to increase the army. This fact, coupled with a show of foreign hatred, which is becoming more and more apparent, makes the situation serious.

Tang Shao-Yi is rapidly becoming one of the most powerful men in China. He is getting a salary of \$150,000 a year. Not only is he vice-president of the Foreign Affairs Commission, but he is director-general of the railway from Hankow to Peking and holds the same position with regard to the railroad from Peking to Newchwang. He was recently made superintendent of customs, and in this capacity he is increasing revenue, most of which is being spent on the army. A few years ago Tang was a person of merely nominal importance.

To just what the present conditions will lead was scarcely to be predicted. Since the ending of the Russian-Japanese war, Russia, to a considerable extent, has been removed to a center of the situation. Before the war it was Russia and Japan, but now it is the Russian-Japanese war and the Russian-Japanese war. The Japanese have been made superintendent of customs, and in this capacity he is increasing revenue, most of which is being spent on the army. A few years ago Tang was a person of merely nominal importance.

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WIDOWSON ARRESTED FOR MURDER OF MOODY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Baker City, Or., Oct. 17.—Alvin Widows, proprietor of a saloon at Pine, has been arrested charged with the brutal murder of Willard Moody, which occurred three weeks ago.

Moody was found dead in the brush about 100 yards back of the store at Pine with a bullet hole in his head and his face beaten to a pulp. There was absolutely no clue to the crime at the time it was discovered, but the people of Pine worked diligently on the case and finally asked for the arrest of Widows.

Pine is 10 miles across the country from Baker and the sheriff will be two days getting in with his prisoner.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY TO ERADICATE PEST

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Grants Pass, Or., Oct. 17.—That the pest-vicious and diseased orchards of Josephine county may be eradicated the local Fruit Growers' union and the county court have united in a campaign for better and cleaner fruit for Josephine through the strict enforcement of the law regulating the spraying of infested trees. That the law may be enforced and all tardy and negligent orchardists properly punished, Herbert J. Paul, Commissioner of Oregon and County Judge Joseph Paul have secured the appointment of a county fruit inspector. Charles Musgrave has been given the appointment and will enter upon his duties at once.

HOW WORKMEN ARE GRAFTED BY INSURANCE CONCERNS

Watering Takes Place in Companies to Extent of Two Hundred Per Cent Yearly.

(Journal Special Service.) Boston, Oct. 17.—Louis A. Brandeis, a lawyer and well-known student of economics, said in an address here last night:

"The history of industrial insurance methods is a terrible record. In Massachusetts in 15 years the wage-earners have paid into industrial insurance companies doing business here \$5,000,000, and they have got out of insurance companies \$10,000,000. Watering takes place in these insurance companies to the extent of 200 per cent per annum.

One company in 1904 had 146 lapsed policies to one death. A man who lets his policy lapse loses everything, but the man who keeps on paying in worse off, for he never gets through losing."

AGREE TO ARBITRATION PLAN OF THE MAYOR, BUT AT SAME TIME PREPARE TO EXTEND THE STRIKE AND TIE UP THE BUSINESS OF THE EXPORTERS.

The acceptance of the mayor's proposition for arbitration by both parties to the grainhandlers' strike was the only thing which prevented a general walkout of the waterfront Federation today. As it was, the central body was in session several hours before the decision to postpone the general strike and await the result of the arbitration move was reached. In spite of this decision, however, the boycott of Longshoremen's Union No. 265 was extended to include all the members of the Exporters' association, as well as any and all exporting businesses.

The action of the waterfront Federation last night cuts out the exporters entirely from the labor of the longshoremen, even though the former sever their connection with Brogan & McCabe as employing stevedores. In accordance with the decision to tie up all other exporting businesses also the union longshoremen who went to work Monday noon to load the trans-shipment Wyneric refused to continue that work this morning.

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