

SUSPECTED POISONER AND TWO MEN SHE IS CHARGED WITH HAVING MURDERED



From left to right are Richard T. Smith, Mrs. Louise Vermilya and Arthur Blinnette. Mrs. Vermilya has been arrested by the Chicago police on a warrant charging her with the death of Smith, and Blinnette, the latter a Chicago policeman, by giving them arsenic. Besides being accused of the death of the two specified on the police warrant, Mrs. Vermilya is suspected of killing eight others by the same method. While under arrest, the accused woman took a quantity of arsenic in an attempt to commit suicide, but quick action on the part of physicians saved her life.

Chicago, Nov. 11.—With the death of people associated with Mrs. Louise Vermilya, in jail here on a charge of the murder of Policeman Arthur Blinnette, directly traced to arsenical poisoning, Coroner Hoffman is today conducting the examination of bodies of others associated with the woman who swam off in a mysterious manner. Ten deaths in all are laid at Mrs. Vermilya's door in the chain of the poison. The further examinations were decided upon when, closely following the discovery of arsenic in the stomach of Blinnette, Walter L. Malin, a toxicologist, announced to Hoffman the discovery of arsenic in the stomach of bodies of Conductor Richard T. Smith, who died at Mrs. Vermilya's home, and of Frank Brinkamp, her son, who died at the time of his death that his father had not died from natural causes and that he had been going the same way father did. It is said that another arrest in connection with the alleged wholesale poisoning is promised by the officers and physicians investigating.

Mrs. Vermilya, who has been seriously ill with valvular heart trouble, in the jail hospital, and whose death was expected yesterday, is greatly improved today and has regained her composure. "It is just as surprising to me as to anybody else that she should be found in the bed of Conductor Smith and of my son," declared the woman.

THOUSANDS FEEL MAGIC SPELL OF GIPSY EVANGELIST (Continued from Page One.)

clear tenor heard above all. A wave of his hand and the song came softly from the right, then from the center and from the left and with a great crescendo from choir and orchestra and audience. The gypsy had captured his hearers.

There was not a person, thereafter during an hour, that did not feel the evangelist was speaking personally to him or her. "You can all go home tonight thinking the gypsy means me," he said and the impression was deepened. His voice, a tenor of penetrating sweetness, was heard easily in every quarter of the room, because of the marvelous clear enunciation and because the people were silent.

Many Miss for Prayers.

"God is going to do a great work in your city," said the evangelist and his was the prophet's voice of authority.

"Shall I pray for you when I go from this meeting tonight—you who will rise just now?" he questioned a little later and his voice was of a vibrant sympathy that brought responses by hundreds.

It was the voice quality more than the pathetic incidents the evangelist told, or the humorous anecdotes he related, that brought the tears and the smiles alternating. With a power unusual he made all the listeners part of his own mind and the spirit of his thought, so that, though he swayed them there was no consciousness of the intended orators to whom the pictures were so utterly unconscious of self.

"Don't give me the credit. I've no right to it," he exclaimed, speaking of the great audience. "This mission belongs to the pastors to whom the final outcome will be as you put it in during these days love and sacrificial oil.

Must Bear the Burden.

"If the moral and spiritual life of Portland is low, at an hour, you Christian people made it—if robust and healthy you, Christian people made it.

"Listen to me—bear the burden. If you people measure up to your opportunity, this city will be shaken from center to circumference."

Words that drop the personality of Gipsy Smith and fall to reproduce the color tones of his vibrant voice or the gripping power of his flashing, changeable eyes, or the authority of his pronounced, fall likewise to give an adequate idea of his address. He addressed himself to the choir, saying:

"Next to the preaching the gospel I think is the power to sing it. I do not believe though in vocal gymnastics—I believe in singing. I am something of a singer myself, but I learned my music from God's choir in feathers—the nightingale, the linnet and the thrush. They sing from the heart and God's gladness. So we should sing. I am sure you will help me, will pray for me, will make me feel your sympathy, that you will not whisper or giggle behind me."

Great Chorus of Voices.

The choir of the Gipsy Smith meetings is distinctive. It has a thousand trained voices recruited from the churches of the city. Directed by Professor Wilder the music of its singing, accompanied by orchestra and piano, was of a quality that brought applause from the audience and repeated exclamations, "Good, good!" from the evangelist.

He spoke to the ushers telling them to use their heads as well as their feet, to keep silence and not to let late comers disturb the meetings by marching clear down to the front. He humorously ridiculed the idea that taking a collection hurts the spirit of a religious gathering.

"I've never known a healthy religious service to be hurt by a collection," he averred. "I can speak to you plainly because none of the money you give goes into my pockets. Lots of people think the evangelist comes around for what he can find—especially if he is a gypsy," he concluded hesitatingly and with a smile that brought down the house.

Give a Hand.

"No one," he added, "ever hurt themselves giving to the Lord."

The evangelist said he had learned, too, that religious crowds can be cantankerous—not in Portland, but Seattle," he explained hurriedly.

Gipsy Smith told the personal work-

Elks to Dedicate Handsome Temple (Special to The Journal.)

The Dallas, Or., Nov. 11.—Yesterday and today have been Elks' days in The Dalles, the occasion of the dedication of the splendid new temple of The Elks Lodge No. 302. Yesterday afternoon the women friends of the Elks held an informal reception in the parlors of the new home, which was attended by a large number of lodge members and families and invited guests. In the evening a hall was given in the lodge hall. Today the ceremonies and tonight the formal dedication exercises will be held behind closed doors. Several hundred Elks from Portland and other cities of the state are attending the dedicatory services.

Englishman Hopelessly Inane. (Special to The Journal.)

The Dalles, Or., Nov. 11.—Robert Howe was adjudged insane yesterday by a board of examining physicians before County Judge Lake. Howe is an employe of the government at Big Eddy, and is probably an Englishman by birth, but was an utterly inane that he could not give any account of his past life or the names of any relatives or friends. He will be taken to the asylum at Salem today.

Record for Cold Weather Broken; 24 Degrees Mark (Continued from Page One.)

the entire month, as in a number of years the temperature has been much lower during the latter part of the month. The lowest recorded for the month was on November 23, 1896, when it was 21 degrees above. In 1896, when the nearest approach to the present temperature for the beginning of the month there was a period of five days extending from the first to the tenth when the temperatures were below freezing, when it ranged from 27 to 30 degrees.

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GEORGE AND QUEEN MARY START FOR DURBAR AT DELHI

Their Majesties Leave England for India, Where, With Elaborate Ceremony, They Will Be Crowned Rulers.

London, Nov. 11.—After several months of strenuous work, accompanied by a tremendous expenditure of money and energy the preparations for the voyage of King George and Queen Mary to the coronation Durbar at Delhi, their majesties, accompanied by a large suite, sailed this afternoon on the Peninsula & Oriental liner Medina, which has been especially chartered for this purpose and, for the time of the journey, converted into an auxiliary of the British navy.

Young Grain Is Protected. (Special to The Journal.)

The Dalles, Or., Nov. 11.—During the past two days snow has been falling in occasional showers, but has melted in the low country about as fast as it has fallen, while on the high land it covers the ground to a depth of several inches. The snow is welcomed by the farmers, as they are generally through with their fall seeding, and the snow is beneficial to the young grain.

Earliest Snowstorm Since 1896. (Special to The Journal.)

Chehalis, Wash., Nov. 11.—City Treasurer F. J. Allen, who has kept a book of weather data for years, reports that the present six inch fall here is earlier than any like storm since 1892. Part of yesterday the storm resembled an eastern blizzard, excepting that it was not very cold.

Hard Winter Is Predicted. (Special to The Journal.)

Amity, Or., Nov. 11.—A light snow fell throughout this section and winter is apparently on. The old residents say this is the earliest snow in this section for more than 15 years, and predict a hard winter.

Freezing at Dayton, Or. (Special to The Journal.)

Dayton, Or., Nov. 11.—About one inch of snow has fallen here, the first of the season. The temperature has been hovering close around the freezing point for two days.

5 Above Zero at North Yakima. (Special to The Journal.)

North Yakima, Wash., Nov. 11.—Nearly one inch of snow fell yesterday afternoon and the coldest in North Yakima records for this date.

City's Streets Run Blood; Helpless Ones Not Spared (Continued from Page One.)

butcher's sword will change to Chinese hands, Manchus will be the victims. News of the massacre is causing thousands to join the rebel army.

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Send Delegates to Convention. (United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Nov. 11.—Revolutionists in 13 of the 19 provinces of China have decided to immediately send delegates to a constitutional convention to be held in Shanghai, say cables from that city to the Chinese Free Press here today. The convention will at once proceed to the framing of a constitution for the new Chinese republic.

Magazine and Woman's Section for Tomorrow

Attention is called to the following illustrated features in THE SUNDAY JOURNAL for November 12

THE GREAT MONTANOR CASE—By Alice M. Ditch—First installment of continued story, page 2.

HALF ACRE HOLE IN HEART OF PORTLAND—Showing labor and expense involved in big building—Page 3.

THE WOMAN WITH THE CRIMINAL HEART—Article replete with human interest—Page 6.

DEATH BY STARVATION—What winter does for elk in Wyoming—Page 3.

HEALTH AND EFFICIENCY, by Lora C. Little; STEEL POINTS, comment by William Gladstone Steel; MEN I HAVE SKETCHED, by Homer Davenport.

SPECIAL WOMEN'S PAGES

HOME PAGE, edited by Marion Harland; HINTS ON HEALTH AND BEAUTY, by Mrs. Henry Symes; NEEDLEWORK PAGE, by Adelaide Byrd; FASHION PAGE, in color; POLLY EVANS' STORY PAGE for boys and girls.

WORK ON ALBANY LINE PROGRESSES RAPIDLY

At the rate progress is now being made in grading for the Oregon Electric between Salem and Albany, track laying will be possible shortly after the first of the year, according to Chief Engineer L. R. Wickham. If wet and cold weather does not delay grading, it will be quite possible to have the tracks down and ballasted by April 1. Building of the large steel bridge across the Santiam river is well under way and it is expected to have it ready some time in January. Equipment is distributed over the entire distance of 24 miles. Grading south of Albany in the direction of Eugene has also been started.

PLAGUE CONDITIONS WILL GREET GEORGE V IN INDIA

London, Nov. 11.—Reports from Bombay today tell of terrible plague conditions which will greet King George and Queen Mary when they arrive in India for the Durbar. The latest weekly report shows that 6667 died of the plague throughout India, and that 6799 of these perished in the presidency of Bombay alone.

A Mail Carrier's Load

San Bernardino, Cal., Nov. 11.—Blind for seven years, Henry Penniman, a Perris valley farmer, is today rejoicing over the sudden restoration of his sight as the result of being dragged by a runaway horse. Yesterday evening he heard his child scream and impulsively rushed in the direction of the sound. He collided with a table and fell. As he arose he clasped his arms to his head and screamed: "My God! I see, Clara! I see, Clara!"

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