

MURDER MYSTERY OFFERS PUZZLING ARRAY OF DETAILS

Trial of New York Attorney, Accused of Killing Countess Szabo, Will Go to Jury on Monday.



Photographs by the International News Service.

Burton, Gibson, New York lawyer, who is to be brought to trial this week on the charge of having murdered Countess Szabo, whose photograph is shown below.

Goshen, N. Y., Nov. 23.—The case of Barton W. Gibson, New York lawyer, accused of having murdered Mrs. Rosa Szabo, a client, was expected to go to the jury Monday. Both the defendant and his wife are confident today that the jury will return a verdict of acquittal.

Both sides expressed themselves as confident of a successful outcome of the case.

Attorney in Limelight Before. Gibson has been before the public on many other occasions during his legal career. On the first occasion he was mentioned in connection with the murder of Mrs. Alice Kinnan.

This woman was living in the Bronx with her mother, Mrs. Louis Stanton. The latter had an estate of \$100,000 and she was hopelessly insane. Gibson had succeeded, it is alleged, in inducing her to deed over much of this property to him. On the night of June 8, 1908, Mrs. Kinnan and Gibson quarreled violently over these deeds. The next night Mrs. Kinnan was found murdered on the steps of her home.

Gibson was arrested, charged with the murder on the strength of what is supposed to have been the dying woman's statement. "The lawyer hit me," Michael Shippo, the only witness to the quarrel between Gibson and Mrs. Kinnan, was himself found dead in Pelham creek on December 15, 1909.

Gibson was released on a writ of habeas corpus and was never again brought to trial.

George Ide Malcolm, a nephew of Mrs. Stanton, soon after the death of the late instituted suit against Gibson to recover his aunt's property.

He defeated the lawyer in the latter's attempt to file a lost will and secured the appointment as administrator of the estate, with authority to sue Gibson for an accounting.

Man's Body Found. In October, 1910, Malcolm disappeared and on the tenth of that month his body was found floating in Long Island sound. He was supposed to have committed suicide by jumping off the Fall River boat Priscilla.

The next link in the chain of dark circumstances that surrounded the lawyer's relations with his clients was the mysterious disappearance of John Rice O'Neal. O'Neal had come into \$10,000 through a suit against a railroad for the

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loss of a leg. He later met Gibson who is alleged to have told him that he could invest his small fortune for him to great advantage.

On the morning of May 19, 1911, the boy left his boarding house to go to Gibson's office. He has not been heard of since. Gibson was closely questioned in the matter and admitted that the boy had been in his office on the 19th, but stated that he knew nothing of his movements after that.

The murder of Mrs. Ritter, as Gibson called her, or the Countess Szabo, as she was known to a few intimates, followed this chain of mysterious deaths and led to the lawyer's arrest.

Accused Held Letters. Gibson held letters of administration for the countess's estate and also a waiver of citation purporting to have been signed by the mother of the countess.

These letters, together with the waiver, Gibson filed with the Surrogate's court in New York a day or two after the death of the woman.

No comment, up to that time was made. Everything appeared to be regular. No suspicion had been voiced.

The lawyer had been picked up in the lake clinging for his life to the overturned boat. The body of his companion had been recovered and buried. She was thought to be the victim of an accident—no one was to blame. The lawyer was safe.

But the countess had five brothers and three sisters in Austria. They wrote to the Austro-Hungarian consul, Dr. Fritz Fischerbauer, asking for particulars of their sister's death, accompanied with a claim on her estate.

The consul replied that the countess had been drowned, while boating with a lawyer, who possessed letters of administration together with a waiver of citation signed by their mother.

They replied that their mother had been dead for two years.

Body Is Examined. With this as a basis to work on Dr. Fischerbauer employed an attorney. He examined the body of the countess to be exhumed and another examination made. The result was that Dr. Otto H. Schultze found that the woman had not been drowned, but had choked to death as the result of what he thought was a severe blow dealt across the throat.

Gibson's success in this fight for his life will depend upon his ability to prove that the woman who was drowned in the Greenwood lake is not the same woman who is claimed as a sister by the five men and three women living in Austria.

A brother of the Countess Szabo came to America at the time her body was exhumed. After a careful examination he declared the body to be that of his sister.

Gibson has been discharged as administrator of the countess's estate, \$7000 of which he is said to have disposed of already.

If he is acquitted of the murder of the Countess Szabo he will, in all probability have to stand trial for perjury.

NEWSPAPER MEN TO BE LED OVER ICE TRAIL

Fred W. Graham, western industrial and immigration agent of the Great Northern railway, received a message last night from H. A. Noble, general passenger agent of the Great Northern, stating that this evening Chicago Grotto No. 13 of the Elevated Order of Gladiators will be established at a meeting to be held at the Sherman hotel. He is requested to notify all Pacific northwest members of the order.

L. W. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern, and guardian of the glaciers, the highest office of the order, will direct the trail to be led over a trail of ice, preceded by a band of eight genuine Blackfoot tribe Indians from the reservation in Montana, headed by Fred Big Top, one of the tallest and handsomest braves of the tribe, and a direct descendant of one of the chiefs who some years back ruled over the domain that is now being developed into a mecca for tourists, as a result of Mr. Hill's progressiveness.

The glacier is prepared, going in good," says the message, concluding with the Glacial yell, "Glide, Slide, Slip."

The Glacials is an organization of newspaper men from all parts of the United States. It was organized at McDermott camp, Glacier park, Mont., last September, by a party of western and eastern newspaper men who toured the park as guests of Mr. Hill. The principal purpose of the organization is to spread the "See America First" propaganda.

LAND SHOW ALREADY SENDS 40 LAND BUYERS

A special car carrying 40 prospective land buyers will arrive here over the Great Northern from St. Paul today to go to Sutherlin valley to look over land. They are being brought out by the Luse Land company which has large holdings at Sutherlin.

A telegram from General Passenger Agent H. A. Noble to Western Industrial agent Fred W. Graham states that this excursion of landseekers is directly due to the Oregon exhibit at the Minneapolis Land show. The Luse Land company, the Great Northern official telegraphs, had a convincing exhibit at the show and through it the people became interested.

Mr. Noble also states that indications are that a large number of home seekers, of the class that Oregon is seeking, will start from the middle states in the spring.

CECELIA FARLEY IS ACQUITTED OF MURDER

Columbus, Wis.—Winner in one of the hardest battles ever fought by a woman of 27 years, Cecelia Farley, tonight, fished when asked to comment on the struggle she had made in court for her life and said, simply: "I'm glad. That is all I have to say."

Late this afternoon, the woman was acquitted of the murder of Alvin E. Zollinger, the man whom, it is said, ravished her and was attempting to prevent her making a happy marriage.

Zollinger, a married man, was killed in the presence of Miss Farley and James Quigley, a hotel clerk, who was engaged to marry the girl he knew Zollinger had wronged. The jury held that the state had not proved its circumstantial case beyond doubt.

Father of Sarah E. Walker Dead. Mrs. Sarah E. Walker is wanted by Chief of Police Slover. He has word from Mrs. M. J. Gordon of Seattle to locate the woman, as her father died November 13, and the family is desirous of settling up the estate. Mrs. Walker came to Portland several months ago, and is supposed to be working in or near the city. One report was that she worked for a family near Oswego, but the chief has been unable to locate her there.

PLAN NEW ROADS IN NATIONAL PARK

Beautiful Scenic Points in Mount Rainier Will Be Opened.

(Special to The Journal.)

Washington, Nov. 23.—That a detailed survey be made with the object of extending the present roads around the east and north sides of Mount Rainier is one of the recommendations made by the superintendent of the Mount Rainier National Park in his annual report, which has just been made public by the department of the interior.

"When the survey is completed," says Superintendent Hall, "work may be commenced in the northwestern part of the park, thereby opening up the beautiful mountain parks on the north side of the mountain, and in the southeastern part to make connection with the road system of Yakima county. The park being surrounded on all sides by the Rainier national forest, it will be necessary to survey and construct roads through the forest reserve before park roads can be connected with county roads outside of this reservation. The road in the park should be constructed at the lowest practicable elevation, and if all points of interest can not be reached in this way branch roads should be built to them."

"A complete system of trails is very necessary and should be given immediate consideration. A wire fence similar to the one being built in Paradise valley should be built in Indian Henry's hunting ground to form a pasture for loose stock in order that it may be kept from destroying the flora in this mountain park."

"The validity of all mining locations in the park should be ascertained and those not held in good faith canceled. The main tram line at Longmire Springs should be extended and a branch line be constructed to the camp grounds, so that all sewage from this and intermediate points may enter the main line."

"A sewer line should also be constructed at Paradise valley. A shelter street should be constructed of rock at Camp Muir, to be used by persons attempting the ascent of Mount Rainier. Telephone lines should be constructed to connect the various ranger stations and road camps on the south side of the mountain with the superintendent's office. In order that the federal government may control all lands within the confines of the park a sufficient sum should be appropriated by congress to purchase the 18.2 acres of patented land at Longmire Springs."

"It is further recommended that congressional action be taken to protect the park by proper legislation from game trespass and to provide a fine for the violation of the regulations in this respect promulgated by the secretary of the interior."

"Help! Who needs help?" asked the fleeing thief.

"Help, help!" shouted T. L. Emory, a longlegged advertising solicitor, as he was being outdistanced by two automobile thieves whom he was chasing down

"Say, pal," yelled back one of the fleeing men, "we don't need any help. We're beating you a mile as it is."

Coming from his apartment at the Norton, at Twelfth and Morrison streets, Mr. Emory saw one fellow cranking his automobile belonging to James Carney of the Goodyear Rubber company. The machine was standing against the curbing. The man's pal was sitting in the machine.

Mr. Emory concluded in his own mind that Carney was about to be appropriated for a "hot ride," and he accordingly decided that it would be the thing for him to do to frustrate the proceeding and make a capture, if possible.

The men at the machine anticipated him, however, and lost no time in making a get-away. Mr. Emory ran two blocks down Yamhill after them, but they had too much of a start, and es-

aped. Mr. Emory says both were young men.

DESCRIBES WORK OF PROVIDING PLAYGROUNDS

H. I. Sabin, member of the board of education, was the principal speaker at a gathering of Portland Heights residents in the Portland Heights club Friday night. One purpose of the meeting was to discuss the new Almsworth school building on the heights.

Mr. Sabin in his address told of the work the board of education has done in providing playgrounds for the children at various schools, and discussed the general playground policy of the

board. A great deal has been accomplished in the last few years, he said, toward providing playgrounds for the children of all the schools.

Miss Wood, of the Portland library, told of the part the library is taking in working with the public schools in providing the right kind of reading for the youngsters.

Other notes on the program included those by Mrs. Fletcher Linn, and recitations by Miss Helen Thurey. A reception followed the formal program. F. I. Fuller presided at the meeting.

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OWNERS COMPLY WITH "TIN PLATE" ORDINANCE

All owners of apartment buildings coming under the "tin plate" ordinance are being notified by the police to comply with the newly passed measure. So far, no owner has refused to do so.

Each patrolman is directed by the captain of police to take the work upon his own shoulders of giving this first notice.

After all such owners, lessors and managers of buildings have been given the first notice, a second order for inspection will be given the patrolman to see if the plates conform to the ordinance. After this, the patrolmen will

be instructed to file complaints against persons violating the measure. Owners and managers of such buildings are also being instructed to comply with the ordinance requiring all outside doors to swing outward. Several of the churches and public halls are in violation of this code, but no one has refused to adjust the doors.

Thieves Use Skeleton Key. While away from home Friday night, thieves broke into the place of Mrs. L. Saver, 411 Russell street, taking articles of jewelry valued at \$20. Entrance was gained by using a skeleton key on the front door. Several pieces of silverware also were taken.

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