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GREAT STORM RAGES AND LOSS OF LIFE FEARED

MAN BEATEN TO DEATH BY FOOTPADS WHO HAVE TERRORIZED FRISCO

After Crushing His Skull, Thugs Strip Him and Take His Belongings to Points Some Distance from Where Crime is Committed—Employe of Ice Company is Fired Upon by One of the Thugs—Many Other Highway Robberies and Burglaries—Holdup Men Slug Victims in Many Cases.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—A man was beaten to death by footpads here about 2:30 a. m. today. To his identity there were but three clues. His suit of dark material was sold by Springs Inc., San Jose. His light green fedora had the mark of Whalander, Sacramento. His cuff links bore the initials "I. J. or "C. J."—the design made it impossible to tell certainly which. The victim was about 35 years old, smooth shaved, weighed 170 pounds and was five feet, five inches tall. After crushing his skull the thugs stripped him, one took his hat, coat, shoes and umbrella about 100 feet away in one direction, and another one moved

about 25 feet in another with his trousers. As they were going through the pockets, August M. Peters, employed by the National Ice company, approached the spot, a lonely one at Tenth and Division streets, on his way from work. The man with the trousers saw him first, and, apparently taking him for a policeman, fired at him. At the shot Peters ran one way and the highwaymen another. The weapon's crack awakened residents in the vicinity, and the police were summoned by telephone. Many other highway robberies and burglaries were reported. In several instances the holdup men slugged their victims. Pickpockets were busy also.

DEWEY URGES COUNTRY TO AVOID WAR BY BEING READY

Washington, Dec. 26.—Seventy-six years old today, Admiral Dewey gave this message to the world through the United Press: "I see no signs of war in the future. I don't feel, however, that the nation should be off its guard. You can say for me that my views of peace and our navy's future were expressed in a few words by General Keifer, who represented Ohio in congress. "In time of peace," he said, "prepare to maintain it." "That's the way I feel about the navy. It seems to me that it is well for the nation to have a four-battleship program, so as to replace obsolete vessels, and prepare to maintain peace." An informal reception was given in honor of the admiral's anniversary.

CARDINAL'S WILL MISSING AND ROOMS SEALED UP

Rome, Italy, Dec. 26.—The apartments occupied by the late Cardinal Rampolla have been sealed up in consequence of a request made by Monsignor Rosigno, administrator of St. Peter's. This step was urged by Cardinal Merry del Val, papal secretary of state, to guarantee the safety of documents of great interest to the church, the loss of which is suggested by persistent reports regarding the disappearance of Cardinal Rampolla's last will. That a will was executed by Cardinal Rampolla, bearing a later date than the will found, is considered almost certain because the cardinal left a key with a tag attached on which was inscribed in his own handwriting the statement that the key opened a box containing the will. Those close to the cardinal think it incredible that he would not alter his testament of 1889, explaining that his estate had grown fourfold since then. There is no evidence that it has been stolen, and no claims have been set up by anyone that he had sustained any damage by the loss of the will.

TORN LOOSE BY SWELLS

Long Beach, Cal., Dec. 26.—A dozen planks in the flooring of the Pine avenue pier were torn loose by the big swells this morning, when the tide was more than seven feet high. No other local damage was reported, though the tides crashed with great force against the bulkheads along the beach.

WILSON MAKES ATTACK ON INTERLOCKING DIRECTORIES

Washington, Dec. 26.—An attack on interlocking directories of big corporations, it was generally agreed among congressmen and senators today, would be the feature of President Wilson's forthcoming special address to congress on the subject of trusts, to be delivered shortly after the law-makers reconvene following the holiday recess. To prepare this next step in the administrative program was believed to have been one of the reasons for the three weeks vacation which the president is now spending at Pass Christian, Miss. The president's attitude, it was stated, probably would be based on the views expressed by him in his Jackson day speech last year. The indications were strong that he proposed to end the gigantic power resulting from the joint ownership of stock in several big corporations and from the same men acting as directors of more than one concern. He will confer soon with Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, who believes that a cure for the money trust evil consists in a constructive attack on such interlocking directories. Members of the house and senate said they did not expect the president to propose any drastic measures, basing this belief on the recent actions of several corporations involuntarily dissolving. The "personal guilt" portion of the Sherman anti-trust law, it is expected, will be emphasized in the president's address to congress. His program probably will seek to foster a wider competition between "big business" units and to eliminate illegal practices which heretofore have given combinations control of prices and stifled free competition.

CRY OF FIRE DID NOT COME FROM DRUNKEN MAN

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Miss Grace McCarron, a stenographer of Calumet, Mich., on her way to Lansing, Mich., said here today that the panic in a motion picture theatre Christmas eve, which cost the lives of 70 or more persons, was caused by a small blaze in a Christmas tree, and not by a false alarm of fire by some intoxicated person. "I attended the show," said Miss McCarron, "and saw the panic almost the minute it started. A little flame puffed up on the tree, and some one cried 'fire' in a low tone. It was not a bearded man who gave the cry. That story is purely imaginative."

NO FEDERAL INQUIRY INTO PANIC RESULTING IN DEATH OF SEVENTY

Secretary of Labor Wilson Decides It Does Not Involve Strike.

AN EFFORT TO SETTLE

Solicitor Densmore Is Sent From Labor Department in an Endeavor to End Dispute at Calumet.

Washington, Dec. 26.—No federal inquiry will be made into the panic at Calumet, Mich., which resulted in more than 70 deaths, according to a telegram sent today to Secretary of Labor Wilson to President Moyer, of the Western Federation of Miners, at Calumet. The message stated that the panic was in no way connected with the copper miners' strike. Solicitor Densmore, of the labor department, will go to Calumet this afternoon, Secretary Wilson said, in an endeavor to settle the dispute between the miners and the copper owners. Message to Moyer. Secretary Wilson's message to Moyer read: "I am shocked by your telegram and the press accounts of the disaster at Calumet. My sympathies go out to the families of the men, women and children whose lives were sacrificed in the crush. It is almost inconceivable that anyone could be so inhuman as to plan such a catastrophe, but whether it was planned or the result of malicious mischief, I hope the facts will be promptly brought to light. From the meagre information in my possession, it would appear to be only a statutory crime, solely within the jurisdiction of the police powers of the state and not in any way connected with the strike situation there. I cannot conceive of any such connection existing. However, I am sending Solicitor Densmore of this department to Calumet for the purpose of rendering any assistance possible in clearing up the situation."

Relatives Claim Bodies.

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 26.—Relatives today had claimed the bodies of 72 of the victims of the Christmas eve panic, resulting from a false fire alarm shouted by an unidentified man into the hall, where many striking miners' families had gathered for a holiday celebration. Most of the corpses were those of children. Three unidentified bodies remain unclaimed in the morgue. The total number of victims of the disaster was 75. Funerals will be held Sunday afternoon under the direction of the Western Federation of Miners. (Continued on page 8.)

Late News Bulletins

Washington, Dec. 26.—News that Mexican rebels had destroyed a federal convoy train near San Luis Potosi and killed 34 federalists was received at the state department today. Traffic was suspended.

Bingham, Utah, Dec. 26.—Sheriff Smith said today he would open the Utah-Apex mine January 1 to look again for the body of Ralph Lopez, the murderer, who, refusing to surrender, has been sealed up in the workings for nearly a month. He said he was confident Lopez had not escaped and felt sure he had starved to death.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 26.—While celebrating Christmas, a lamp was overturned in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Newhouse early today starting a fire which caused the woman's death. Firemen rescued Newhouse, who had been overcome by smoke.

SCHMIDT CONFUSED AS TO WHO ORDERED HIM TO KILL GIRL

New York, Dec. 26.—Thomas McDonald, alienist facing the prosecution, was the first witness called today in Schmidt's trial. He testified that he and another alienist examined Schmidt in the Tombs September 24, shortly after Miss Aumuller's dismembered body was taken from the river. Schmidt, the witness said, declared he had been told by God's voice to slay Anna. The voice, he insisted, was that of a male. When questioned about a previous statement that he had been ordered by St. Elizabeth to slay the girl, Schmidt, according to the witness, said God's and St. Elizabeth's voices were all one to him. McDonald testified that when he told Schmidt he lied, the prisoner flew into a great rage. At this point Schmidt's counsel interrupted, declaring that anyone would become enraged if called a liar.

The Weather

The Dickey Bird says: Oregon: Generally fair tonight and Saturday, easterly winds. THANKS FOR THE LOBSTER!

STARVATION SPECIALIST GOES UNATTENDED TO WALLA WALLA PRISON

Dr. Linda Hazzard Who Murdered Claire Williamson in at Last.

PUT UP STRONG BLUFF

Says She Does Not Look Upon Event as Departure in Disgrace, But Rather Triumphant Progress.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 26.—Dr. Linda Burfield Hazzard, the fasting specialist will leave Seattle for Walla Walla, without a guard, at 3:30 this afternoon to commence her sentence of from two to twenty years in the state penitentiary. She will be accompanied to the very gates of the state prison by her friends, Miss Marion E. Dunbar and Mrs. Mary Edwards. "I will be the first woman in the world, so I am told," said Dr. Hazzard this morning, "ever to go to prison unguarded. Only two men have ever gone to Walla Walla without an armed escort. Still Has Some Friends. "A number of my friends, though unable to make the journey, will be at the station to see me off. Neither they nor I look upon this event as a departure in disgrace, but rather than as a triumphant progress."

Dr. Hazzard stands convicted of manslaughter for starving to death a patient, Claire Williamson, an English woman. She claims she is a victim of prejudice, fostered by orthodox medical men, and legal technicality. Plotted to Kill Both. The state's evidence showed that she plotted to kill Miss Williamson's sister also, in order to secure their money. The sister was rescued in a very weak condition and aided in convicting the starvation doctor. It was shown that Dr. Hazzard had secured title to everything belonging to Claire Williamson she could persuade her to turn over. To Claire's sister she suggested suicide a number of times. The Williamson sisters, who had considerable wealth, were making a tour of the world when they fell into Dr. Hazzard's clutches. She promised to improve their health.

MRS STEVENSON DIES. Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Ailal Stevenson, wife of the former vice-president, died last night. She had been ill several months. She was 70 years old and is survived by her husband and three children. Mrs. Stevenson was elected president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution four times.

MANY VESSELS WRECKED AND MEN MAY DIE

Damage So Far Is Estimated at \$1,000,000 and at least 150 Persons Are Rendered Homeless—Crew of Vessel Frantically Send Up Distress Signals—Man Seen Clinging to Rigging of Barge From It Sinks—Many Fishermen on New Jersey Shore Driven From Homes—New York Hard Hit.

New York, Dec. 26.—A severe storm, which caused damage estimated at more than \$1,000,000, and rendered homeless at least 150 persons along the Jersey coast last night, struck New York this morning, menacing shipping and causing great damage. So far as known no vessels were lost, but the crews of several vessels were reported in grave danger and it was feared loss of life would result before the storm abated. All the way from Long Branch to Highland Beach, on the New Jersey shore, houses were overturned, summer houses of wealthy residents were inundated and many fishermen were driven from their homes. Seabright suffered the most serious damage. Its lighting plant was put out of commission. The sea-going tug Lee King was

driven on the beach and wrecked. The crew made its way ashore in safety. Life savers at Forked River, N. J., reported today that two barges sank off shore here. One man was seen clinging to the rigging before the craft sank from view. An unidentified bark went aground at Seaside Beach, and it was feared that the vessel would break up before its crew, who were frantically sending out distress signals, could be taken off. The revenue cutter Seneca was sent to aid the disabled bark. The bodies of two men, Peter Maney, of Brooklinville, N. J., and John Walsh, of Trenton Junction, were found today. They had died of exposure during the night. It is presumed they started to walk home, lost their way, and succumbed to the intense cold.

With many candidates mentioned for some of the places, the new city council and the mayor will hold a caucus early next week to decide who shall be named for city attorney, health officer, fire chief, engineer, sanitary inspector and street commissioner. It was said today that there were ten attorneys willing to succeed City Attorney Page, among the number frequently mentioned being W. H. Trindle. Mayor Steeves is said to be one of the most active in the preliminary skirmishes. The mayor, it is known, has political ambitions and, it is said, would even be willing to leave the Cherry City as successor to Congressman Hawley. With appointive officers satisfactory to him named, he would have a better chance to land political favors, he is said to believe. It is known that some of the councilmen will strenuously object to any program aimed at merely satisfying the political ambitions of the mayor. State, as well as local politics is entering into the situation and the caucus next week will be a warm affair, unless some sort of an adjustment is reached before that time. Outside of Street Commissioner Cornelius, the present officers are hopeful of re-appointment. Cornelius intimated some time ago that he would be through the first of the year. However, some of his friends are working for him. Dr. Van Winkle is one of the active candidates to succeed Dr. O. B. Miles as city health officer. The new city council takes office January 1.

WARM FIGHT IS NOW ON FOR PLACES TO BE FILLED BY CITY

What they had received at the institute, where they were being fed, was inedible, they declared—the bread sour, the beans and potatoes rotten and the coffee dishwater. Officials of the institute approved the supervisors' decision, saying they had feared trouble. They were also severe in their criticisms of the Y. M. C. A., church federation and social crusade members, because, they said, the latter had not helped to feed the men. Serious trouble was narrowly averted Christmas night, when 500 idle men prepared to march to Mayor Rolph's house to show him samples of the food they were receiving. They were finally dissuaded, however. The supervisors took steps to learn if discarded army blankets from the Presidio were not available for the unemployed through the use in the lodgings the city provided for them. MUST DO ALL DRINKING BEFORE 2 A. M. RULING (UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.) San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 26.—Anticipating an advertised plan of saloonmen to keep their places open after 2 o'clock to allow the drinking of liquor purchased before that hour, Chief of Police White issued today an order instructing policemen to see that all saloons keep their doors closed after 2 a. m., and permit no one to remain within for any purpose. It has been alleged that the new state law closing saloons from 2 to 6 a. m. daily referred only to the "purchase" of liquor. Talk about big business! Consider that done by Santa Claus.

WILL LET UNEMPLOYED PREPARE THEIR OWN FOOD HEREAFTER

Colvig Gets S. P. Job. Medford, Or., Dec. 26.—Judge W. M. Colvig, famous Medford booster, received as a Christmas present from the Southern Pacific the appointment of tax attorney and right of way agent, succeeding the late Col. Eddy. His headquarters will be in Portland. The office carries a salary of \$6000 a year and traveling expenses.

Police Chief Rails Because of Escape of Drunken Young Woman

There is a hot row on at the city hall because of the escape of a drunken woman yesterday. Chief Shedeck blames the officers and promises an investigation.

Officers Woolery and White figured early yesterday morning in the arrest of the young woman, who gave her name to the night sergeant as Kate Frohnmador. When arrested she was arousing the residents on East Mill streets with her cries for help, succor, etc., while she was in the act of wiping up the mud and filth in the gutters in an attempt to carry an overload of booze. As the result of the two policemen's exertions, the girl was taken to the Salem hospital and, when she sobered up sufficiently, she ducked out of the back door of the institution and neither the police nor the hospital authorities know where she is today. According to Chief of Police Shedeck today, his two night men made a gallant run to 915 Mill street yesterday morning and found the young woman in a beastly state of intoxication. They assisted her to the police station, but being unable to bring her out from under the load she was carrying in the form of fire water, they sent her to the Salem hospital. City Physician Miles administered treatment and the woman was soon in fine shape. After getting on her feet again, the girl fled from the hospital, via a rear door, and she has not been heard from since. Chief of Police Shedeck stated today that the young woman should have been placed in jail and compelled to remain there notwithstanding she was drunk. He declared that it was a case for the officers to take care of and that a more thorough investigation should have been made before allowing the girl to be

taken to the hospital. The girl gave her address at 2013 North Front street. If this address be correct, she was a long way from home and the chief of police believes that there is more to the story she told yesterday. She claimed first that she secured her ample jug in West Woodburn and then she declared that a man gave her some whiskey. It is the general belief that the girl had been celebrating with male company and that the pair had gone east instead of west when they attempted to go home and that the man, becoming frightened upon having a drunken girl on his hands, fled and left his guest lying in the gutter. The chief is trying today to get some definite information concerning the affair but, owing to the slight report made by the arresting officers yesterday, he is unable to work very intelligently on the case.