

TUCCI GIRL SOBS AT SUMMING UP IN MURDER TRIAL

Counsel for Defense Assails Testimony of Daughter of Slain Woman.

WITNESS IS EXCITED.

Man Named as Indirect Cause of Shooting Demands "Vindication."

The taking of testimony in the case of Maria Tucci, charged with the murder of her sister, Angelina Conti, in their home, No. 99 West Houston Street last March, ended this morning and shortly after 11 o'clock Judge D'Alota, of counsel for the accused girl, began summing up for the defense.

The last witness was Michael Mongrovi, who is alleged to have been the indirect cause of Angelina's death. The defense claims Maria's refusal to accept the attentions of Mongrovi led to the quarrel in which the sister was shot.

After finishing his testimony under cross-examination, in which he again denied wrongdoing with Angelina, Mongrovi declared his honor had been assailed, and he demanded "vindication." He was in such a state of excitement that it was with difficulty he was led from the witness stand.

When Judge D'Alota began his summing up, Maria rested her elbows on the table before her and cupped her face in her hands. Throughout his address to the jury Maria continued to sob, her face hidden.

The chief point in the early part of his summing up was in calling the attention of the jury to the unlikelihood of Maria having told the Muscally boys, Santo and Luigi, that she had shot her sister, judging by their subsequent actions.

Judge D'Alota also laid stress upon the testimony of Concettina Conti. He said all the evidence pointed to the fact that she was asleep when the shots which killed her mother were fired.

"She has testified that she heard the second shot, and said to Maria 'You are killing my mamma.' Is it likely that this child would have remained ten minutes in that bed beside her dead mother? She would not have remained ten seconds, though she has stated that she remained there while Maria was upstairs.

"Concettina did not see the killing of her mother, because on the way to the train that morning she said to Maria 'Where is my mother?' Mr. D'Alota pleaded with the jury for the acquittal of his client. He displayed the blood stained pillow case, bearing powder marks, to bear out his claim that the shooting occurred during a struggle. He declared the fact that the revolver shots were not heard by any occupants of the crowded tenement house, supported the story of his client.

"The revolver was fired during a struggle between the two women, and the State has adduced no testimony to disprove there was such a struggle," Mr. D'Alota said. "This powder-marked pillow case gives its mute evidence in corroboration of the testimony of the defendant. The prosecution has failed to show any reason of cupidity or jealousy, any reason at all, for this shooting. Maria Tucci's conduct for several weeks prior to the shooting and the 'No' to her sister's suggestions have absolved her in the eyes of a divine law superior to the law of this court."

WANTED—GOLIATH TO FILL OUT COP'S TARDY UNIFORM. Failing That, Freeport May Use It as Tents to Solve Housing Problem.

FREEPORT, L. I., May 25. THE serious question before the Village Board of Trustees at their meeting this afternoon is what to do with Police Sgt. Frank Grossman's new uniform. Frank turned in his resignation this morning and after three years of police work is going back to carpentering.

How Chicago Is Solving Housing Problem; \$4,500 Homes, 15 Years to Pay for Them



WHOLE BLOCK OF FOUNDATIONS DUG AT ONCE BY STEAMSHOVEL

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Slightly "Garden Homes" Are Erected, Congestion of Crowded Sections Is Relieved and Reconstruction of Old Tenement Districts Is Made Possible.

New System Includes Safeguarding of Both the Wage Earning House Owner and the Capitalist Who Puts up the Money.

(Special to The Evening World.) CHICAGO, May 25.—With 175 model homes for workmen and their families nearing completion Chicago, it is believed, has found the solution of the housing problem.

That solution consists in a gigantic housing association, directed and financed by men of national reputation, encouraging small wage earners to acquire and own their homes, and providing a carefully worked out plan for enabling them to do so.

Forty acres of land have been devoted to the erection of specially designed houses by the Chicago Housing Association. The tract is known as "Garden Homes." A great many of the houses now nearing completion have already been distributed among the applicants who appear daily at the association's headquarters. There are many other home-seekers who have arranged to purchase houses on lots as yet untouched by building operations.

An effective plan of model housing has been adopted. A new principle for such enterprises has been adopted—that of devoting the profits from the sale of business frontage to helping buyers of inside frontage pay for their property.

Purchase of property in "Garden Homes" is restricted to small wage earners with families and unit housing conditions. The cost of each house, on its 162 1/2 x 30 foot lot, is from \$4,000 to \$4,500. The housing plan calls for a 10 per cent. payment down, the balance payable in 180 monthly installments lasting through a period of fifteen years.

As a part of the consideration for the property buyers agree not to resell without the consent of the housing association, which has first option on the property, being "privileged" to return the money paid and resell to another party preventing speculation in the realty contained within the boundaries of the new sub-division.

LIFE INSURANCE FOR HOME BUYERS A PART OF THE PLAN. To make sure that each family shall have a home in event of death of the bread-winner, a low-cost decreasing premium life insurance policy is to be taken out for each buyer. Part of each monthly payment made on the home will be diverted by the association to apply on the insurance premium, and in event of death a deed will be given immediately to the heirs of the home buyer. The face value of the policy, covering the amount due on the new home, is to be assigned to the association.

When it was decided to develop the forty acres, the plan of the entire property was placed in the hands of Charles S. Frost, an architect, who produced the several designs of homes adopted by the association. There are seven different architectural designs, all, however, based upon the same floor plans, but so arranged as to exterior, interior and decorative effects as to preclude any liability of sameness in appearance. The houses contain five rooms, mostly detached, covering 22 1/2 feet of ground.

Mr. Frost also completed in conjunction with a number of landscape experts a working plan for landscape improvement designed to make the property as a whole, and each individual home an attractive in exterior as possible. There are to be two road ways of 100-foot width. Every avenue is to be planted with decorative shrubs and trees.

"Our experience so far," said James P. Baigier, general manager of the association, "seems to have proved that in large scale work such as this, it is better to trust operating skill to established and skilled men rather than to attempt building up an organization to do the work."

All the work of developing "Garden Homes" is being done by day labor directed by the appointed contractors in charge, except the plumbing, sewerage, electrical work, glazing and plastering. Labor is represented upon the Board of Directors of the association by Simon O'Donnell, President of the Building Trades Council here.

Among the interesting methods employed was that of excavating for basements with a steam shovel. The shovel excavated an entire block of basements at an operation, digging a huge trench in which the concrete foundations were poured in prepared forms, which are used over and over as the building is advanced. It is cheaper and faster to dig the trenches thus, and later fill in between the houses by steam shovel, than to excavate manually or with teams.

Great economies and means of speed were worked out in the system of building employed. As fast as the steam shovel dug and leveled the trenches for basements, and dug the taplines for water and sewer, the concrete crews followed in with their basements. Cement mixers were put in operation at the crews' street junctions. From these a steady stream of barrowmen took concrete to the basement forms. As fast as the foundations hardened, the brick and the layers succeeded the foundation men. And as these artisans finished their work the carpenters came on to joist and roof the structure, in turn making room for the various craftsmen to finish and decorate the houses. Thus a force of from 350 to 400 men has been steadily employed.

During the good building weather now prevailing much faster progress is being made on the Garden Homes development than at any time since ground was broken last November. The cost of the houses to be completed will be ready in a few weeks, and will be allotted at once to the applicants. Applications have been approved for all houses now nearly completed, and before the project is completed it is expected there will be a long waiting list. The housing association aims, eventually, it is said, to construct between 8,000 and 10,000 houses, providing model modern housing for workers' families in various localities.

Officers of the Chicago Housing Association: President, H. H. Huttler; Vice-President, William Grace; Treasurer, M. E. Greenecum; Secretary, A. Volney; General Counsel, Isaac S. Rothchild; J. Ogden Armour and Thomas E. Wilson, the big packers, are directors. Harry A. Wheeler, vice-president of the Union Trust Company and former President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and of the Chicago Association of Commerce, and Harry H. Merrick, President of the Great Lakes Trust Company represent the banking interests on the directors.

A social service committee, which acts only as advisory in choosing among applicants for homes, is headed by Harriet E. Vittum and includes E. D. Bradshaw, Miss R. P. Brockton, Miss M. E. Low, Miss Mary McDowell, Graham Taylor and Charles W. Wrigley.

"Chicago's experience has amply proved that housing evils can be corrected in only one way," said Mr. Baigier, "and that is by providing modern housing on new areas. The economic difficulties of remarking old and crowded areas are insurmountable."

IDENTIFIED BY TWO IN MURDER MYSTERY Mrs. Hodgson Says Del Franco Was in Auto in Which Fitzpatrick Slayed Fled.

Mrs. J. H. Hodgson of No. 48 West 55th Street to-day picked Francis Del Franco of No. 256 West 39th Street out of fourteen men at Yorkville Court and said he was one of the men who was in the automobile in which the murderer of Detective Sergeant Fitzpatrick escaped last Thursday night after shooting him in front of the home of Dr. McCall Anderson, at No. 50 West 5th Street.

Mrs. Hodgson was at the door of her own home when Fitzpatrick caught the men stealing Dr. Anderson's automobile and herded them to the sidewalk. She saw the shooting. James Harbros, an elevator operator of an apartment at No. 15 West 55th Street, had previously identified Del Franco as a man who was on the running board of the stolen automobile when it passed the apartment house.

Others arraigned for inspection were Louis Galgano, arrested in Little Italy near where the abandoned automobile was found, and Dennis Reynolds and Isador Hellman Hellman has been pointed out by H. Poe of No. 48 West 55th Street as "having the appearance from behind" of one of the murder hand. Both he and Reynolds admit having served prison sentences, but deny having a wounded man in their company recently. Galgano was discharged.

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LEVI P. MORTON LEFT \$10,000,000; NONE TO PUBLIC

Bulk of Estate Goes to Daughters and Small Annuities to Relatives.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—An estate estimated at \$10,000,000 is disposed of in the will of Levi P. Morton, former Vice President of the United States, which was filed in the Federal District Court here to-day for probate. The document was executed June 29, 1910, and was modified by codicils of March 30, 1911, June 4, 1911, and June 24, 1911. Mr. Morton died recently at his home near Poughkeepsie at the age of ninety-six years.

Charles H. Allen of Lowell, Mass.; Morton Minot of Rockport, N. Y., and Bronson Winthrop of New York City are named as executors and they, with the American Surety and Trust Company of this city, will act as trustees of the estate.

Mrs. Martha Morton Hartigence of Philadelphia, a sister of the testator, is given a life annuity of \$2,000 and \$1,200 annually is to be paid to Mrs. Caroline Lay, a sister-in-law of Mr. Morton. A life annuity of \$100 is to be paid to Mr. Morton's butler and cash bequests to other servants. Mr. Morton's personal effects and furniture are to be distributed among his children.

Morton Corcoran Eustis, a grandson, is given the silver writing set and candlesticks presented to Mr. Morton by resolution of the Senate on the expiration of his term of Vice President, and to his "eldest grandson" is left the testimonial set of silver presented by the banking institutions of New York in 1888.

The remaining estate is bequeathed to the trustees, one share to be held in trust for each of the surviving daughters, Mrs. William C. Eustis, Mrs. Helen Morton and Miss Mary Morton, and one share to be distributed among children of Mrs. Winthrop Rutherford, a deceased daughter.

GET SUGAR AT 20 CENTS. Guaranty Trust and Equitable Sell to Employees at Wholesale Cost.

Armin W. Riley, Chief of the U. S. Flying Squadron, to-day continued his conference with the sugar brokers and distributing representatives in an effort to check the rising price of sugar. The Lusk Committee resumes the sugar inquiry this afternoon.

Meanwhile the price is varying around twenty-five cents a pound at retail. The Guaranty Trust Company and the Equitable Building announce that they are buying sugar in quantity and selling it wholesale—twenty cents a pound—to their 2,300 employees in ten-pound lots.

MISS THOMPSON TO BE BRIDE OF ADOLPHE WENZEL



Miss ZILLAH T. THOMPSON. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson Will Wed Harvard Man.

The engagement of Miss Zillah Townsend Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson, of No. 161 East 61st Street, to Adolphe Wenzel, a graduate of Harvard University, class of 1917, he served as Lieutenant with the United States forces on the Mexican border.

Miss Thompson is an active member of the younger set and has taken part in many of the entertainments given for charity during the last winter.

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Wants \$250,000 to Seek New Motor Fuel. WASHINGTON, May 25.—An appropriation of \$250,000 to enable the Department of Agriculture to conduct experiments looking toward discovery of a new automobile engine fuel is provided in a bill introduced in the House to-day by Representative Knutson, Minnesota.

LAMBS' TIP LANDS SUSPECTED HOTEL BURGLAR IN CELL

Club Guests See Man Bring Apparel from Woodstock and Pack it on Fire Escape.

Detective Manning of the West 47th Street station exhibited at Police Headquarters to-day James Harrison of Syracuse, charged with being a hotel thief.

It was explained that members of the Lambs Club telephoned to the station last night that they had been watching a burglar bringing wearing apparel and other lot from a room in the Hotel Woodstock on West 48th Street to the fire escape, where he was packing it in jocular fashion in a suit case.

Harrison was coming down the fire escape when Manning arrived. He told Manning he was a guest of the hotel and was leaving by the fire escape because he lacked means to pay his bill and leave in an orderly manner by the front entrance.

The suit case was marked "E. J. W. B." At the hotel desk Manning learned that E. J. W. Baldwin of Buffalo, representing the Pierce Motor Car Company of Buffalo, had a room on the fifth floor. A visit to the room showed it had been thoroughly robbed. The missing articles were found in the suitcase.

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Advertisement for 'The Tailored Woman' INC. Includes text: 'The Tailored Woman INC. A Shop of Tailor-mades WILL CLOSE OUT Regardless of Cost 15 Tailored Suits at 25.00 41 Tailored Suits at 55.00 53 Topcoats at 39.00 51 Topcoats at 55.00 BY consistently carrying out our policy to eliminate the extreme or the unworthy in style, fabric or tailoring—assurance is given that the tailormades in this sale are the finest procurable. No Exchanges or Credits 622 Fifth Avenue at 50th Street'

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