

MONTAINEAN SWINDLED OF \$2,200

Says 'Sure Thing' Game Played on Contractor by His Friend

AVERS BET NOT MADE

Pretended Tip on Certain-to-Win Horse Alleged to Have Been Given

TRICKERY SUSPECTED

Cousin of Marcus A. Daly Claims He Gave Sum to Be Wagered

CHARLES F. DALY, a cousin of the late Marcus Daly and a prominent contractor of Butte, Mont., who arrived at Los Angeles several weeks ago for the purpose of submitting bids for constructing a section of the Owens river aqueduct, was swindled Saturday afternoon out of \$2,200 by the old time certain-to-win tip on a horse race.

Daly and Garland became acquainted shortly after Daly's arrival. Garland roomed at Hotel Afton, 539 1/2 South Spring street, where Daly also stayed. The men became good friends, and both are enthusiastic race followers and visited the track several times.

Saturday morning Garland sought Daly and, according to what the police say, confided to him that he had a tip on a sure winner, and asked Daly to go in with him on the deal. He is said to have explained to the contractor that the horse on which the money was to be placed would enter the race at a price of 5 to 1.

The police continue to assert that and that if Daly would put up enough money he could make a small sized fortune. To convince him Garland is said to have represented to the contractor that \$25,000 had been telegraphed to outside bookmakers to be placed on the horse, and there absolutely was no possibility of the animal failing to come in winning.

Daly, although a capable and shrewd business man, finally yielded to the smooth talk of the man and it is said gave him \$2,200 to put on the horse.

Garland is said to have left the hotel and to have boarded a car for the race track. Daly began to fret over the matter and decided to follow his newly found friend to see if he placed the money as agreed. He had no trouble in finding Garland and the latter was not reluctant to take the money and to have sent \$100 to his wife in Oklahoma City, Okla. He never returned to his apartments and Daly was unable to find him.

The matter was reported to the police and Detective Chapman was detailed on the case. He visited the Hotel Afton and learned that Garland had not relinquished his room and his belongings were still there. The place was watched and shortly after 5 o'clock Garland entered the hotel, secured his effects and was taken to the arcade station when placed under arrest.

He was taken to the police station and questioned by the detectives. According to the officers Garland is said to have admitted taking the money and treated the matter in the light of a joke. The detectives say he had no fear of being prosecuted and that he seemed to think the law could not touch him. He is alleged to have laughingly remarked that Daly was an easy mark and that the game was so easy he was going to take the money "made to order" for his benefit.

MISSIONARIES AIDED BY HAIRCUTS TO GET FOOTHOLD IN JAPAN

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Hair cuts helped Christianity to maintain a comfortable foothold in Japan. Where, previous to the Japanese-Russian war it had been hardly worked by the Y. M. C. A. that the Japanese changed their opinion of the Christian religion to a marked degree, according to C. Y. Hibbard, in charge of the Y. M. C. A. work with the Japanese army.

FATALLY SHOT BY A FOOTPAD

D. Minano, a young Japanese student living on Turner street, was shot in the neck and probably fatally wounded by a masked highwayman this morning about 2 o'clock, while walking in Marchessault street.

Ten Men Meet Death

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 28.—Ten men were killed and several injured by a cave-in at the furnace plant at Ensley tonight. But two bodies have been recovered since the morning of the explosion from the furnace makes rescue work difficult.

THE NEWS SUMMARY

FORECAST For Los Angeles and vicinity: Fair Tuesday; light northeast wind. Maximum temperature yesterday, 67 degrees; minimum, 43 degrees.

LOCAL Municipal league writes letter to Mayor Harper urging his executive to select teachers in place of chief of police for board of public works.

Charge is dismissed. Checks given by Herald to its Christmas day sales are presented at stores in exchange for substantial articles.

No heir to woman who died intestate and left \$100,000 in found so court appoints public administrator to care for estate.

Increased number of tramps in city causes authorities much anxiety. Young man with gun causes consternation among neighbors.

Chicagoan will come to Los Angeles bringing his bride and his father-in-law. Auditor of board of education advocates changes in the system of auditing accounts of the schools.

Merchants of Reno win fight for reduction in rates on sugar from San Francisco. Robert Emmet Fisk, noted editor of Montana, dies in Berkeley.

Indian congress meets in Madras to establish peace and put down incipient revolutions. Brother of Castro flees from Venezuela to Colombia; American warships arrive safely at Williamsport.

Factor in North Dakota commits suicide with razor while congregation waits in church for him to begin services.

HOODUP MEN CRUELY BEAT THEIR VICTIM

SALESMAN ROBBED OF CASH AND GOLD WATCH

HIGHWAYMEN TRY VAINLY TO STIFLE HIS CRIES

Attempt to Conceal Property Makes Desperadoes Furious, and Blow After Blow is Rained on Luckless Prey

W. L. CLEVELAND, 52 years old, a machinery salesman living at 320 North Soto street, was held up by four men shortly before 8 o'clock last night, robbed of \$50 and a gold watch valued at \$100, and beaten brutally.

The robbery occurred within a block of Cleveland's home. He was walking south on Soto street, having just alighted from a trolley on avenue car. As he approached Michigan avenue he saw four men cross the street and walk toward him. As they came up the men separated, two walking on each side of him. Then one of them wheeled and faced the victim, showing a revolver in his face with the remark: "Throw up your hands you scoundrel."

The men appeared careless in their search and Cleveland thought he could save his watch. He lowered his right hand and attempted to draw his watch from his vest pocket and throw it to a place of safety. This move was detected by the man with a gun, who cursed the victim and struck him a heavy blow in the mouth with the revolver.

As soon as he was struck Cleveland began to yell for help. This seemed to anger the robbers, and they began to beat him on the head, evidently trying to render him unconscious and hush the noise.

The men had made a thorough search of Cleveland's pockets by this time, and finding they were unable to knock him out, fled across the street. There they separated, two going toward Brooklyn avenue and the others continuing down Soto street.

Although Cleveland continued to cry for help no one came to his aid, and he hurried home and telephoned the police station. Motorcycle Patrolmen Humphrey and Cox were sent to investigate. They made the trip from the station to the scene of the holdup in record time, but when they reached there could find no trace of the men.

Cleveland boarded a car and went to the receiving hospital where Police Surgeon Quint sewed three lacerations in his head and a cut on his finger. Cleveland told his story to the detectives and gave them a good description of the man who held the revolver.

"I do not mind losing the money so much as I do my watch," said Cleveland. "It was given to me by my father, who is now dead. It was presented to him many years ago by employees of the Central City Railway at Peoria, Ill., and was highly prized by him. The robbers even took a pocket knife that had been given to me by my son for a Christmas present."

PASTOR CUTS HIS THROAT WHILE WORSHIPERS WAIT

Congregation Discovers Minister Dead with Razor in Hand—Left a Rambling Note—Was Despondent

FARGO, N. D., Dec. 28.—Falling to arrive at the church where his congregation had assembled for Sunday worship, a searching party was formed to locate Rev. Robert Dougherty, pastor of the Congregational church at Buchanan, N. D., and on visiting his apartments the minister was found lying in a pool of his own blood. He had committed suicide.

A razor, with which he killed himself, was gripped in the hand of the victim, while a rambling note was found on a table. His actions had been watched for some time by the people of Buchanan, who were not satisfied that he was in his right mind.

Rev. Dougherty was the son of Rev. James G. Dougherty of Kansas City, Mo. Members of his family today said they believed the young preacher had taken his life following a mental breakdown due to ill health and overstudy.

Ethel Roosevelt and Some of Her Friends Who Attended 'Coming Out' Ball in Capital



MEET IN MADRAS TO QUELL RIOTS

INDIAN INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS IN SESSION

Leader Whose Candidacy for Election as President Caused Fight Discusses Present Situation There

(By Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Dec. 28.—The first session of the Indian International congress today was entirely harmonious and the meeting this year promises to clear the air and put a damper on the activities of the agitators who recently caused much anxiety.

At the last meeting of the congress, just a year ago, opposition to the election of Dr. Behari Ghosh as president resulted in a free fight and caused the congress to be indefinitely postponed.

Referring to the Morley returns, Dr. Ghosh declared today that they had broken up the sinister clouds that had hung over India for the last twelve months, and he said they would give India something like a constitutional government instead of the unpopular autocratic regime.

Continuing, Dr. Ghosh criticized all repressive legislation. He said British sovereignty could not be shaken by "a few flasks of picric acid, or a few pounds of gunpowder," and he hoped that the legislative councils discussion of the Indians with the British government would lead to the obtaining of colonial self government.

The reform proposals referred to in the foregoing dispatch, unfolded by Lord Morley, secretary of state for India, in the house of lords on December 17, are, briefly, as follows:

- 1. To increase the membership of both the judicial and the viceregal councils by nomination and election, giving the different classes of the community each its representative.
2. To repeal the prohibition against the legislative councils discussing matters of general importance.
3. To increase the executive councils of Bombay and Madras from two to four members each.
4. To give the lieutenant governor an executive council of two members.
5. To adopt a device to secure an official majority.

BLAZING CURTAIN SETS FIRE TO CHILD'S COFFIN

Corpse Barely Saved from Cremation, Mother May Die from Shock of Horror—Candle Caused the Blaze

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A blazing curtain, wind-tossed into a candle flame, in a Williamsburg flat, set fire to a white coffin yesterday in which lay the body of 5-year-old Mary O'Conner.

In an adjoining room Mrs. O'Conner, the dead child's mother, saw the coffin ablaze, but being an invalid, was unable to leave her bed. She screamed in terror, then lost consciousness.

Edward O'Conner, the husband, assisted by his brother-in-law, finally put out the fire after being summoned from a nearby barber shop by neighbors. The child's body was saved from cremation and the invalid mother carried from the apartments.

ETHEL ROOSEVELT MAKES HER DEBUT AT WHITE HOUSE

YOUNG'T DAUGHTER OF THE PRESIDENT MEETS 400

East Room Presents Attractive Picture—Debutante Wears White Satin Trimmed with Crystals

(Special to The Herald.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—President Roosevelt's youngest daughter, Ethel, tonight made her formal bow to society, preceding the dancing in the east room of the White House, which began at 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Roosevelt received the guests in the blue room. Miss Roosevelt's gown was of white satin trimmed with crystals, while that of her mother was a dark blue satin.

Seldom has the east room presented a more attractive picture. The invited guests numbered about 400, only unmarried members of the younger set participating in the dancing.

Among those present were: Mrs. William S. Cowles and Mrs. Douglas Robinson, the president's two sisters; Mrs. J. E. Roosevelt, Mrs. Simpkins, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bacon, Mrs. Charles A. Munn, Mrs. Richard Wayne Parker and Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth.

At midnight, the music ceased, and the guests partook of a supper which was served at small tables arranged along the lower corridor.

Maidens Who Were Present

Among the prominent young women who were in attendance were Miss Cornelia Lauden of New York, at whose debut Miss Roosevelt assisted early in the fall; Miss Fredrica Morgan, Miss Ethel's chum; Miss Elizabeth Mattie, another debutante; Miss Clara Wright, Miss Gatewood, Miss Carrie Louise Munn, Miss Martha Bacon and Miss Janet Alexander. Frau von Livonius, the charming young wife of the military attaché to the German embassy, one of the most beautiful women in Washington society, also was one of the chief figures at the ball.

Preceding the ball, Miss Roosevelt was the guest of honor at a dinner given by Assistant Secretary and Mrs. Bacon. Covers were laid for sixty, the whole party going later to the White House party.

Mrs. and Miss Roosevelt are entertaining a house party for the dance. The party includes Miss Josephine Osborne, Miss Ellen Rogers, Miss Cornelia Lauden, Miss Madeline Borland, Miss Janet Alexander, Miss Virginia Murray, Suydam Curren, Harry Holt, Jr., Barclay Saur, Randall Clifford, H. Fairchild Osborne, Jr., Stephen L. Lander, Edmund Rogers, Munroe Robinson, Robert Potter, Charles Emory and Norman Armour. They arrived at the White House shortly after luncheon.

NIGHT RIDERS' TRIAL IS DELAYED BY AN ILLNESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Running almost noiselessly and without lights, a black taxicab whizzed by Policeman John Holland at Sixtieth street and West End avenue last night while Holland shouted in vain for the chauffeur to stop and explain why he had no lights.

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HUNDREDS PERISH BY TREMBLORS

3 Provinces of Italy Laid Waste by Terrific Seismic Force

SHIPS SUNK BY WAVES

Thousands of Homes Destroyed and Whole Cities in Ruins

FLOODS TAKE BODIES

Appalling Extent of Disaster Prevents Complete Details

ROME, Dec. 28.—The three provinces of Cosensia, Catansaro, and Reggio di Calabria, comprising the department of Calabria, which forms the southwestern extremity of Italy, of the "Toe of the Boot," were devastated today by the earthquake, the far-reaching effects of which were felt at most every point throughout the country.

The town of Messina, in Sicily, was partly destroyed and Catania was inundated. In Messina hundreds of houses have fallen and many persons have been killed.

Owing, however, to the fact that telegraphic and telephonic communications were almost completely destroyed, it is impossible to obtain even an approximate idea of the vast damage done.

Havoc Appalling

The fate of the entire regions within the zone of the earthquake is unknown, but reports received here up to a late hour tonight indicate the havoc has been great and the destruction to life and property more terrible than Italy has experienced in many years.

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Tidal Wave Sinks Ships

The tidal wave which followed the earth shocks on the eastern coast of Sicily sank vessels and inundated the lower part of Catania.

It is known that a number of persons were killed at that place, but the scaling of waves which obstructed everything before them and caused such an indescribable confusion that it will be impossible for some time to estimate the damage and the lives lost.

For a period the town of Messina and the whole province of Reggio were completely isolated through interruption of the telegraph and telephone wires. Absolutely nothing was heard from Reggio throughout the day, while the first news from Messina came in the form of a dispatch that a torpedo from a ship at full speed along the coast of the peninsula, carried from point to point, always finding the way down until it reached Nicotri, where the telegraph lines were found to be intact.

Situation Desperate

From this point the dispatch was sent. It briefly stated that the situation was desperate and after summarizing the immensity of the catastrophe and the announcement that Capt. Passino, commander of the six torpedo boats, was buried under the debris after having with other officials performed heroic work in trying to save others.

The Italian government proceeded energetically to relieve the widespread distress, concentrating at the points of greatest need troops and engineers. Members of the Red Cross were dispatched to various places and camps with provisions were immediately prepared, all available railway lines and workshops being used for their transport.

The city of Messina has suffered probably more than any other place, the latest information coming directly from that quarter stating that two-thirds of the town was destroyed and several thousand persons killed.

STEAMERS CARRY INJURED

The steamers Washington and Montebello, which were in that harbor, later proceeded to Catania, loaded with injured persons who were transported to that city, where they were reported to have been cared for.

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Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.