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YOUNG MATRON
SEEKS DEATH

TRIES TO END LIFE WITH REVOLVER SHOT

SAID TO BE DESPONDENT OVER FINANCIAL REVERSES

Chambermaid in Apartment House Finds Pretty 21-Year-Old Woman Unconscious from Self-Inflicted Wound

Despondency due to the fact that her husband's fortune was swept away as the result of unprofitable mining investments at Goldfield and that she is separated from him and compelled to earn her own living, is thought to have prompted Mrs. R. B. Cradlepaugh, a pretty woman 21 years old, to attempt suicide early yesterday morning by sending a bullet through her right breast at her apartments at 893 South Figueroa street.

The young woman was found in a semi-conscious condition in the hall just outside the entrance to her room shortly before 6 o'clock yesterday morning. She was bleeding from a bullet hole in her body, and the revolver, a small one, was lying on the floor near her.

Her room was searched while she was being taken to the receiving hospital and several notes in scrawling handwriting were found on her dresser. The notes were rambling and incoherent and were to the effect that she was nervous and was afraid the bullet might not enter a vital spot. One of the notes mentioned "daddy," and he loved no one but "daddy," and he was asked to forgive her.

The attendants at the apartment house say the young woman was in a cheerful mood Sunday night and that she gave them no intimation that she contemplated suicide. None of the occupants of the place heard her mother and the fact that she shot herself was not known until her groans were heard by a chambermaid on the lower stairway.

Little is known of the young woman. She engaged rooms at the apartment house February 1 and occupied a suite of elegantly furnished rooms with a Mrs. Louis Kennedy. About a week later Mrs. Kennedy left and Mrs. Z. M. Fischer went to live with Mrs. Cradlepaugh.

According to the proprietor of the apartment house they paid their bills promptly and acted in a decorous manner. To the landlady the woman said her husband was out of the city. Mrs. Cradlepaugh is said to have remarked that she received a check each month from her former husband.

Return Not Noticed

Sunday night the women left their apartments. Mrs. Fischer, it is understood, went to the home of her mother, who lives at 2906 West Twenty-seventh street, and Mrs. Cradlepaugh went to visit a friend. Mrs. Fischer, it seems, did not return to the rooms that night, but remained at the home of her mother. None of the occupants at the rooming house saw Mrs. Cradlepaugh when she returned.

Mrs. Fischer learned of the affair when she appeared at the apartment house yesterday morning. She hurried to the receiving hospital and after learning that the wounded woman was in a serious condition left the place and had her friend removed to the Hospital of the Good Samaritan.

All efforts to learn the past history of Mrs. Cradlepaugh were futile, as Mrs. Fischer, who is the most intimate acquaintance of the unfortunate woman, declined to discuss the case. Later it was learned that Mrs. Cradlepaugh married when she was 17 years old. Her husband at that time owned valuable mining property in Nevada and in the northwest. Unprofitable investments at Goldfield, it is said, wiped away his fortune and he and his wife separated.

Cradlepaugh, it is understood, went to London, where he is supposed to be at the present time, and Mrs. Cradlepaugh since that time has been earning her living by working as a stenographer.

The couple, it is said, quarreled and Mrs. Cradlepaugh began divorce proceedings. So far as can be ascertained the suit was not filed in Los Angeles county.

Late last night attendants at the Good Samaritan hospital stated Mrs. Cradlepaugh was resting easily and that she has a fair chance for recovery.

CLUB SEEKS TO HAVE MINES BILL PASSED

President Montgomery and Secretary Norman of Sierra Madre Go to Washington to Help

President Bob Montgomery and Secretary Norman of the Sierra Madre club, local affiliate of the American Mining Congress, leave for Washington this morning to take part in an effort to induce western senators to support the bureau of mines bill, which has already passed the house by a large majority and which is now being considered by the mines and mining committee of the senate. On Thursday they will meet President E. R. Buckley of the American Mining Congress, and the members of the executive committee for a consultation regarding the plan of campaign at Washington and to discuss details of the forthcoming convention in this city. They are armed with personal letters of introduction to all western senators, and it is expected that the concerted effort now being made will result in the early passage of the measure.

The Sierra Madre club is the first mining organization in the west to send special representatives to the capital. Mr. Montgomery expects to return direct to Los Angeles within the next three weeks, while Mr. Norman will return via the northern route, stopping off at Spokane, Seattle and other points to arouse interest in the convention. Western railroads are considering the establishment of special one-way rates from all points from which delegates are expected, and it is now confidently anticipated that favorable action will result in bringing together the greatest attendance in the history of the congress.

G. Alfred Mayland, member of the local club and also director of the chamber of mines, has been delegated by President Montgomery to meet the latter organization next Friday and arrange for its hearty co-operation in the work of the convention. It is expected that the local chamber will make a leading feature of the mining exposition to be prepared for convention week.

Woman Who Shot Herself, Photographed While in Alaska



MRS. R. B. CRADLEPAUGH AND HER HUSBAND

MINISTERS BAR PASSION PLAY; STOERMER DEFENDS PRODUCTION

THE attack on the "Passion Play" by Rev. Charles Edward Locke of the First Methodist church and Rev. J. W. Brougher of Temple Baptist church, and resolution passed by the Ministerial union, objecting to the religious drama, have resulted in replies from William Stoermer, under whose direction the spectacle is being prepared.

"I believe that these gentlemen are laboring under the greatest of misapprehension," said Mr. Stoermer yesterday. "In the first place we are not giving a theatrical performance. It surpasses anything of that character. It is a religious presentation intended to inspire and uplift every observer. It is a sacred story written by a man of God, Rev. Josephat Kraus, a friar of the Franciscan order, living in San Francisco."

"The participants and members of the great choir are selected for their piety as well as ability to present this drama which has provided the principle theme for men of the cloth for ages. It is the same presentation which has drawn divines, great writers, Christians of every land and worshippers of every country to Oberammergau to witness the sacred tragedy as portrayed there. And, in all the years, no voice has risen in criticism."

"The financial connection of our production also is misunderstood, revealing clearly that the critics have not investigated the matter or read the notices which have provided the principle theme for men of the cloth for ages. Personally, I object to a church presenting a moving picture show of a 'Passion Play' posed for the purpose of raising money for the support of the church. Such a production is theatrical only, and fails, by far, to perform any religious duty."

"I note with satisfaction that the sentiment regarding our production, at the Ministerial union, was not unanimous. Some did not favor the resolution passed. One wisely advised that the matter of attending the 'Passion Play' properly should be left to the conscience of each person. Another pastor advocated the propriety of the great spectacle, declared that it was serving a special mission and stated that he would attend. I am not concerned as manager regarding these attacks, but wish the truth to be given the public in justice to the Franciscan Fathers, under whose auspices this great drama is to be given."

"The rehearsal of the sumptuous stage last evening and will run throughout the entire twenty-one acts, additional tableaux, accompanied by the grand choir and solo music arranged for the Passion Play. Miss Miriam Meredith and her brother, Master Ronald will not take part in the Passion play, as they expect to leave in the near future for Europe, where they will remain until July. They will return to fill engagements in the east next season."

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION IS GRAND JURY SUBJECT

Road Foreman, Supervisor Manning and Others Acquainted with Subject Called by Inquisitors

That the grand jury is making an extensive inquiry into the construction of good roads and highways and "other things" is apparent by the fact that all the witnesses subpoenaed yesterday were those closely connected with the matter supposed to be under investigation. S. T. Eldridge of the "solid road" road foreman of Alhambra, E. Loder, chief engineer of the county highway commission; E. A. DeCamp, right of way agent for the highway commission; Z. P. Olmstead, road foreman of Glendora; C. E. Focht, road foreman of Fruitland, who was recently discharged by supervisor Nellis; C. E. Richardson, road foreman of Alhambra, and Supervisor Charles D. Manning were called. The entire morning session was taken up with the examination of three witnesses.

ELEVEN JURORS IN BOX

The suit of Robert A. Stewart to recover \$7500 from C. M. Gay, which amount is alleged to be due on an option for a patent process for aging wines and liquors, was given to the jury yesterday in Judge Bordwell's court. Only eleven jurors were present, the twelfth juror, W. H. Turner of Pasadena, being excused by the consent of the court and attorneys to be with his wife, who was to have an operation performed.

DAM SO BUILT IT CAN BE WRECKED

ENGINEER LEADS REPLIES TO ARIZONA COMPLAINTS

DANGERS AGAINST FLOOD STAGE PROVIDED FOR

Structure Necessary to Provide for Development of Imperial Valley Agricultural Districts

That the building of a temporary dam, below the intake of the California Development company's canal, from the Colorado river, near Yuma, to the Imperial valley, may cause the farm lands on the Arizona side to become inundated when the river again reaches flood stage, is the burden of complaints pouring in from Arizona to the office of United States Engineer Leeds, 723 Central building.

Residents of the Imperial valley are taking the strenuous in their opposition to the building of a temporary dam, it is said, but apparently do not understand the plans of the engineer's office.

This dam is necessary, it is declared, to raise the water of the Colorado river so the canal will take in enough to provide for the Imperial valley agricultural district, as at present the Colorado river is so low the canal gets but little of the water. The land on the Arizona side is rather low, and it is feared if the temporary dam is built at the intake it will throw the water at flood stage into the lowlands and result in inestimable damage. Lieutenant Leedes yesterday he had permitted only the building of a superficial structure which, when the river is at flood stage, can be kept dynamited, so the water will pursue its natural course, and neither the intake nor the lowlands on the opposite side will be affected.

"The construction engineer in charge of the temporary dam," said Lieutenant Leedes, "has promised me to erect a small house close to the dam, where day and night a man will be kept with sufficient dynamite at hand to wreck the dam at a moment's notice. The nature of the dam it is proposed to build is such that it is strong enough merely to divert the waters to the canal intake, and can easily be wrecked if necessary."

Elsewhere, among those interested in the Imperial valley, who say the temporary dam is absolutely necessary to avert a heavy agricultural loss in the region affected, it is claimed the opposition comes from real estate interests. "Mexican Pete" Everett, the prize fighter, who believes they see a chance, it is said, to retard the development of the Imperial country if they can prevent the construction of the dam.

ARDENT YOUNG WAITER FINED FOR DISTURBANCE

Efforts at Love Making on Broadway Cost M. Abeytia \$15 in Police Court

The efforts of Martin Abeytia, a waiter formerly employed at the Imperial cafe, to make love to pretty Violet Bullock, a 12-year-old girl, while the latter was walking at Seventh street and Broadway yesterday, was rudely interrupted by Patrolman McFadden, who arrested the ardent young man and booked him at the central police station on a charge of disturbing the peace.

When Abeytia was arraigned in police court he did not deny having annoyed the girl, but declared he only bumped into her because of the crowds at the street corner. The girl testified Abeytia grabbed her around the waist, whispered words of the utmost affection into her ears and tried to persuade her to accompany him to an ice cream parlor. The story of the girl was corroborated by Mrs. Minnie Everett, wife of "Mexican Pete" Everett, the prize fighter, with whom the complaining witness lives.

After satisfying himself Abeytia was arraigned in police court on a charge of disturbing the peace. The girl, Police Judge Frederickson adjudged him guilty and imposed a sentence of \$15 or the alternative of fifteen days in the city jail.

CHAIN GANG TO ASSIST ON ALISO STREET FILL

Supervisors Have Animated Discussion When Subject of Work for Crew Comes Up

Considerable discussion arose at the meeting of the board of supervisors yesterday at the advisability of the chain gang working in the heart of the city or in its suburbs. It is at present employed near the beach in Chairman Nellis' district. A decision arose from a request made by Supervisor Manning to the effect that the "undesirables" be put to work filling in under the new arch bridge just completed in Aliso street, just east of the city. Nellis curtly remarked that the chain gang was occupied now.

"Seems to me they should be kept nearer the city where they can be worked to better advantage," retorted Manning. Prospects for the call of the roll became imminent, which would have resulted in a tie, but McCabe and Pridham interceded. The gang will be taken from the suburbs long enough to make the Aliso street fill and will then be returned to Nellis' district which will occupy two months of their time.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS ANNEXED

The school difficulties brought about through the annexation of Hollywood through the action of the board of supervisors yesterday in annexing three more school districts, La Rel, Lanker-shim and Hollywood. The Los Angeles school district now reaches west to Sawtelle and far into the San Fernando valley. The action was taken on the presentation of the board yesterday morning of a petition from all three districts, asking that they be annexed to Los Angeles.

CHARLES WELSH DIES

Charles Welsh, a well known contractor of Los Angeles, died yesterday at his home, 1831 South Hoover street. Mr. Welsh, who was 53 years old, was a native of Scotland and had resided in California the past thirty years. He had resided for the past twenty-one years at the residence where he died. He is survived by his widow and one daughter. No arrangements have been made for the funeral.

It will pay land investors to consider the proposition of Davison, Smith & Mizener, room 219 P. E. building, which appears on page 15 of this issue.

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What an Opportunity

These Lingerie Dresses, Trimmed with Imitation Irish Crochet Laces \$4.50

The illustration, with all its beauty, cannot flatter these dainty dresses of sheer lingerie cloth, nevertheless it is possible for us to price them Tuesday at \$4.50.

Even with this exceptional price there is a choice of blue, lavender, pink, lemon and white. You can imagine how elaborately trimmed these are with imitation Irish Crochet lace in yoke, waist and skirt. Yoke is also trimmed with medallions set in. Right on the threshold of the season buy these pretty garments at \$4.50.

Petticoats Low Priced \$1.25 Silk Waists, Another Lot \$3.95

These are made of splendid black sateen, cut full and roomy; some with deep flare flounce, with self stitched band. Others have embroidered edge. Several styles of washable gingham. Priced \$1.25.

Only a short time out of their boxes—new silk waists of pin-striped taffeta, as well as striped and solid colors, in tan, blue, brown, ashes of roses, black and white, and beautiful changeables. All sizes, \$3.95.

Cloth Suits and Silk Dresses in Important Sale Today at only \$15

Practically no reason why such suits and dresses as these should sell at \$15, but it is, nevertheless, a fact. The suits are made of cream serges and chiffon panamas, broadcloth, shepherd checks, prunellas all wide widths. The silk dresses are made of plain and striped taffetas in the clever Tunic effects. Braided down the front with silk braid. Choice of this remarkable collection at \$15.

Broadway One Dollar Handbags

In the illustration three of the most favored styles of our famous \$1.00 line are shown, that you might gather some idea of the importance of these values. The bags are bought in gross quantities, where the cost price is at the minimum.

These include fancy oxidized frames and leather covered frames. Some of the popular swaggar styles. Others with shields for engraving. Either double strap or Vienna handle. Nearly every one fitted with coin purse and pocket. Such a line adds fame to the Broadway—price \$1.

Souvenir Jewelry

We especially feature Avalon shell jewelry, including Beauty Pins, Vell Pins, Scarf Pins, Jabot Pins, Cuff Links, etc., priced from 19c to \$2.50. —Aisle 3.

5000 Yards Fancy Printed Scrims 15c at, Yard

A manufacturer, upon whom we depend for many of our strongest lines of drapery materials, recently wrote us a letter offering an excellent line of seconds of fine printed scrim at a remarkable price concession. We knew the importance of the bargain, and couldn't wire him fast enough the acceptance of the offer.

The shipment has just arrived, and although it might seem far-fetched, yet there are fully 100 different styles or colorings at this exceptional price of 15c yard. Moreover, these come in the most desirable loaded glass and bungalow effects for overdrapes, dining room and library curtains. Good will with this manufacturer brought this exceptional opportunity to us, and we price these splendid fancy printed curtain scrims, though seconds, at, yard 15c.

Babies' Cribs—Blue or White, Tuesday \$4.50

These are not only attractive little cribs, but they are well made, making them exceptional values at \$4.50.

Substantial Iron Beds, Only \$5

Either full or 3/4 sizes, in white, green, cream or blue. Compare them with \$6 lines. Broadway price \$5.

Cotton Felt Mattresses, Full Size—Tuesday at \$5

These are the full 30-pound weight, and are covered with fancy art ticking, which is a little unusual at the price. Full size \$5; 3/4 size \$4.25.

INSIST ON IMMUNITY IN SUGAR FRAUD CASE

Attorneys for Heike, Who is Indicted, Demand Nation Stands by Its Pledge

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Protesting against the breaking of the "nation's" pledged word of honor to its citizens," John B. Stanchfield, George S. Graham and John C. Spooner today filed their printed reply in the supreme court of the department of justice that the writ of error granted by Justice Lurton in the prosecution of Charles R. Heike, former secretary of the American Sugar Refining company, be vacated.

Heike is under indictment in New York for alleged sugar frauds. He claims immunity on account of testimony given before a jury. This was denied him by the trial court, but before he could be tried he appealed to the supreme court.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., March 7.—Tom Hartley, a plumber of Douglas, was struck on the head with a billiard cue by an unidentified young man last night and is lying here in a serious condition. The stranger entered the Pullman bar and asked Hartley for a drink. On being refused he picked up the cue and struck the plumber, rushing out in the darkness immediately after. He was pursued by twenty men, but evaded capture. Hartley is expected to die.

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