

MURDER MYSTERY IS STILL UNSOLVED POLICE ARE BUSY

Death of Young Philadelphia Woman May Involve Some Prominent Men.

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—The mystery surrounding the murder of Miss Marina Colburn, who was shot in the back of the head by a woman, was being investigated today. A man and a woman are being watched and arrested are expected before the day is over. The victim had many admirers who were mentioned in her apartment and much evidence in the shape of letters, photographs and clothing has been found. According to the detective, a man and a woman are under surveillance, the man as the "best friend" who is believed to have something about the crime.

Captain of Detectives Tark said today. The mystery requires a process of elimination, starting out of all of the good women's friends. He was acquainted with many women who were mentioned in her apartment and much evidence in the shape of letters, photographs and clothing has been found. According to the detective, a man and a woman are under surveillance, the man as the "best friend" who is believed to have something about the crime.

SCHOOLS REOPEN IN FULL NUMBERS

Public Schools Have 8,000 Attendance and the Parochials 4,000.

Practically every pupil of the public schools of the city and the parochial schools reported for duty when the bells tolled this morning after the Christmas holidays. Twelve thousand students were recorded on the rolls in all schools of the city. The public schools showed an attendance of 8,000 in each morning, and the parochial schools an attendance of 4,000. There was no fatality about the re-organization of the schools.

One of the principal items of interest in the local schools at the re-organization following the Christmas vacation, was the announcement of the high school that games would be played tonight and tomorrow night between the different classes in the schools for basketball.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE BOARD ARE ANNOUNCED

Miss Laughlin Selected Librarian, Dr. McCarthy as Health Officer.

The board of county commissioners this afternoon appointed Miss Margaret Laughlin, law librarian, to serve for a term of two years. Miss Laughlin was formerly county superintendent of schools and at one time was county address of the local mountain, now the Daily Post. Miss Laughlin is well qualified for the position. Dr. P. H. McCarthy, secretary of the county board, to succeed himself. During the past two years under Dr. McCarthy's administration the health of the county has never been better and this has been due to the strict manner in which he has enforced the health laws of the county.

STROMME IS PRESENTED WITH BEAUTIFUL RING

Gus J. Stromme, the retiring county commissioner and the man who had charge of the road work of the county for the past few years, was waited on this morning by the road employes and presented with a handsome gold ring. It contains a Masonic emblem and is set with diamonds. Mr. Stromme heartily thanked the employes for the beautiful gift. During the past few years Mr. Stromme has taken great interest in the roads of the county and to the fine condition they are in much credit is due him.

DOES NOT HOLD COURT.

Judge McClellan, although about the courthouse today to attend to any matters in chambers, did not hold court, as his room is in the hands of cleaners and painters. He will hold his first law and motion calendar tomorrow morning.

HERBERT STEWARD DEAD.

Herbert Steward, a laborer of Butte, died this morning at a local hospital. He was 34 years old and had lived here for several years. He is survived by his father, who is in Iowa. The body was removed to Walsh's parlors. The arrangements for the funeral have not been completed.

STATE LAWMAKERS HEAR GOV. STEWART

Both Senators and Representatives Speak Well of Biennial Message.

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until a 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. At the session of the house, William Wagon, who was chief clerk of the last session, and a confidante for the session, presented a memorial which it was said that he would do all the clerical work of the house during the next 48 days at a salary of 40 per cent over the cost of the service at the last session. The offer was referred to the committee on personnel named by the speaker as follows: Chairman, Senator Ben S. Johnson; members, Senator Lewis and Clark. The members of this committee are sympathetic. Among members of the house it is considered probable that they will recommend the acceptance of the Wagon offer.

To Appropriate Message

The house adjourned at 11:30 a. m. today. Tomorrow at 10 o'clock the house will be in session for the first time of the year. The governor's message will be read in a committee that will appropriate it to the national standard committee.

An Interesting Session

Despite the fact that the governor in his message today declared that the session would be devoted to routine and the legislative assembly will not be successful. Indeed, some of the old Republicans as far as to declare that the session will be one of the most uninteresting of years. There is nothing especially to be said in favor of the session today. It was a very quiet session when Governor Stewart began to read the message in the joint session. The reading of the message took up about 10 minutes. It was followed by adjournment.

Question of Revenue

All kinds of legislative proposals are being prepared and if the advance party on their part, these will be introduced right early in the session. Many of them contemplate a change of the way of the state treasury which is already so depleted. The state will have a hard time to make ends meet during the next two years. It is expected that the legislature will have to make some changes in the ordinary operations of government.

Talk of Prohibition

It is the plan of the prohibitionists to carry out the legislature will be much larger. There are rumors that an attempt will be made to put through a prohibition bill during the session at the end of 1917. Many persons who are in favor of the bill are opposed to shortening the time, but even though such a bill fails, the prohibitionists will resort to county action. The first contest will take place in Sheridan county, the supreme court having directed that the election proceed. If other counties the revenues of the state will be further decreased. liquor licenses at present yielding about \$1,000,000 a year to the state.

The Fourteenth's Record

Every succeeding legislature has been more costly to the taxpayers, not alone in the amount of money appropriated, but in the amount spent during the session. The Fourteenth assembly set a new record in expenditures for junketing trips and abundant clerk hire accounting for the increase. Among other important matters that will be considered this session are the legislative programs of the farmers' societies; the program of the school men; the most important measure of which would give a special levy for the maintenance of the higher institutions of learning in the state and for state aid to high schools and elementary schools; the revision of the game laws; division of the state into congressional districts, and the reorganization of membership in the house.

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NEW OVERSHIRTS

With Military or Plain Collar. Brown, Gray, Etc. REGULAR \$1.00 VALUE. NOW \$1.00. Made with high shawl collar. Others made in V neck style. Two pockets. Oxford gray color. Size 36 to 44. Value \$2.00. On sale at ONE FIFTY EACH.

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For Men. Heavy Knitted Wool Garments. All New. REGULAR \$1.50 VALUE. NOW \$1.50. Made with high shawl collar. Others made in V neck style. Two pockets. Oxford gray color. Size 36 to 44. Value \$2.00. On sale at ONE FIFTY EACH.

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- FUR SCARFS of genuine blended white and beige fox, fashioned in the latest annual shape; well regulated at \$20. \$27.50
- BLACK PLUSH MUFFS in the new barrel shape and lined with satin; ruffie trimmed. \$12.50 value. on sale at Symons at \$2.75
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- NATURAL RABBITON FUR MUFFS in the newest barrel shape; satin lined; ruffie trimmed. \$12.50 value. on sale at Symons at \$8.75
- HUDSON SEAL FUR SET comprising pillow muffs and fancy neck-piece; ermine tail trimmed. \$15 value. on sale at Symons at \$9.75
- BLACK SKUNK OPPOSITE MUFFS the most desirable barrel shape; lined with satin. \$12.50 value; on sale at Symons at \$12.75

- MINK FUR SET—Genuine by piece; set comprises pillow muffs and shawl collar; ornament trimmed; on sale at Symons \$11.50
- FINEST CROSS FOX FUR SET, consisting of full animal open scarf and animal muffs; 498 value; on sale at Symons \$61.00
- FINEST POINT FOX SET, comprising full animal open scarf and animal barrel muffs; on sale at Symons at \$72.50
- AUTO COAT of black calf pony; 58 inches long; full box back and quilted lined; fashioned with muskrat fur storm collars; 849 value. \$93.75
- GENUINE MUSKRAT FUR COAT for women. Fashioned 45 inches long; full box back model; lined with Skinner satin; 880 value at \$58.00
- WOMEN'S HUDSON SEAL COATS, full 36 inches long and made in the box back model with belt; very handsome; \$190 value \$75.00
- WOMEN'S HUDSON SEAL COATS, 36 inches long; full ripple back; genuine lynx collar, cuffs and wide border; full \$145 value at \$100.00
- WOMEN'S HUDSON SEAL COATS, 36 inches long; half-belted style; storm collar, cuffs and border of genuine northern beaver; on sale at \$128.00
- WOMEN'S HUDSON SEAL COATS 45 inches long; full ripple model, with cape collar, cuffs and 10-inch border of skunk; \$350 value. \$275.00
- WOMEN'S HUDSON SEAL COATS 45 inches long; full ripple with cape storm collar; wide cuffs, 10-inch border of skunk; \$400 value. \$300.00

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temporary officers for the joint session this afternoon. The oath was administered to the members of the senate and the house members. President Justice Gates administered the oath in the name of Peter Norbeck and the other new state officials. The governor urged the immediate passage of a law putting into force the prohibitory amendment adopted by the people in the last election.

GOVERNOR WILL NOT ATTEND HIS OWN BALL

Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 2.—Rulney J. Catta was inaugurated today as governor of Florida and in his address recommended a law for police inspection of parochial schools, convents and nurseries. He recommended drainage of the Everglades and touched on prohibition, saying the issue would rise until the people of the state and nation "found what was best for them." Governor Catta will not attend the inaugural ball tonight because he is opposed to dancing.

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and eagerness of a child with a new toy and then drops it to take another hobby.

Throughout her interview in the Butte this morning she spoke of "Bob" and inferred that to get him back in the family fold is her one ambition beyond that of preaching. She speaks of her conversion as the greatest thing in her life and has shown her devotion by founding four homes on the Pacific coast, joining the International White Cross society, an organization to run down men engaged in the white slave trade, and has a long string of victorious prosecutions of white slavers.

Her special mission is aiding and rescuing young women from the clutches of designing men. She has a home known as the Cottage of Rest, where 22 young women who have been wronged are being cared for. Most of these girls came from the Barbary Coast in San Francisco.

In the Pizga home in San Francisco she has 22 babies who had no homes until she took care of them. In another home in Los Angeles 120 men are being helped. Most of them are ex-convicts.

"These men are from penitentiaries, not from colleges," Mrs. Fitzsimmons said. She told how these men are taken in, given good clothes, a clean place to stay and are given work for which they are best fitted.

She also has a home for actors in Los Angeles. In speaking of this phase of her work she said:

"It is not the actors who are bad, but it is the Christian people who go to shows and who lead actors and actresses to become bad." At this point she again referred to her trouble with her husband and said:

"My conversion cost me everything, my work on the stage, my beautiful jewels, my clothes and even Bob. As a Christian I forgive Bob, but I am a woman and cannot forget. The world does not think much of me because I am the wife of a prize fighter, but he is a good man and I am of royal blood."

About Herself.

Mrs. Fitzsimmons said that she was the descendant of one of the oldest families in France. Before her marriage she was known as the Countess Zellen and her grandfather was governor of one of the French provinces. Since she has been converted she has dropped the title and is known as Mrs. "Bob" Fitzsimmons.

In referring to her rescue work for

actors, she said that she aided Goodwin in Los Angeles, and he saw him, the man who has been tried seven times, he did not have cents to his pocket.

"I never handle any money, own people support me and so I get around and some of my men are self-supporting. Of course I not refuse subscriptions, but I do handle them. They go straight to homes and do good there. I have started a military and school for girls, and by many of inmates in my homes working independent and do not have to any society for help."

Mrs. Fitzsimmons speaks in languages fluently and understands. She has traveled widely and has probed vice conditions in many cities. She will speak at the union meeting in the Lowell Avenue church in Butte at 7:30 o'clock this evening in the First Presbyterian church tomorrow evening. Her dates Thursday and Friday evening Butte have not been arranged.

The Rev. Charles A. Cook, pastor of the First Baptist church here, instrumental in bringing Mrs. Fitzsimmons to Butte.

In comparing Bob with other prize fighters and those of today Mrs. Fitzsimmons declared:

"Bob could have made a million. He fought like Jess Willard. Short, ready jumps on a wagon and takes a crowd he is a prize fighter. Many have earned their titles."

DWYER PERFORMS FIRST MARRIAGE

Judge John V. Dwyer, who formerly took office this morning, today performed his first official marriage ceremony. He united William King and Miss Nelson, both of Helena.

RESUMES HEARING

Judge Lynch resumed the hearing on the damage suit of Joseph J. Loecker acting as the department clerk and Luke Noonan being in attendance as bailiff. The case was expected to take all of today and tomorrow.

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