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## ANARCHIST SHOT BY POLICE CHIEF HE WOULD KILL

### Shippy, Head of Chicago Force, Foils Assassin's Attempt With Fatal Bullet

### Wife, Daughter and Son of Intended Victim Join Melee and Lad Is Wounded

### Attack Believed to Be Part of Plot and Raids on "Reds" Are Inaugurated

CHICAGO, March 2.—Chief of Police George M. Shippy, his son, Harry, and his driver, James Foley, were wounded by Lazarus Averbuch, an anarchist, who attempted to assassinate the police officer in the hall of the latter's residence shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. A desperate struggle, in which Mrs. Shippy and her daughter, Georgetta, joined, was terminated when the chief drew his own revolver and killed his assailant. The attack is believed to have been the result of a widespread conspiracy to harm officials who have been active in suppressing manifestations of anarchy in this community.

### CHOSEN BY LOT

Four city officials are said to have been threatened and a police spy who recognized the corpse of Averbuch as one who regularly attended anarchistic meetings asserted that the man was chosen by lot to do away with not only the chief of police, but Mayor Busse as well. The ramifications of the plot are said to have extended to other cities and to be closely connected with the killing of the Rev. Leo Heinrichs, the priest who was shot down at the altar of his church in Denver.

Harry Shippy is the most severely hurt of those injured in today's affray. Although the bullet from the assassin's revolver passed completely through his body just above his heart, it was said tonight that his chances for recovery were favorable. His father was stabbed in the arm and Foley received a bullet in the wrist. Mrs. Shippy was kicked by the desperado, but her hurts are slight.

Following the attack squads of police were sent into the Italian and Chinese districts of the city. Places known as headquarters of secret societies suspected of anarchistic tendencies were raided and before midnight a score or more arrests had been made. A coroner's inquest over the body of the anarchist was also started.

### JURY TO PROBE

State's Attorney Healy has announced that the March grand jury of Cook county, which was convened today, will be given an opportunity to investigate anarchistic organizations in an attempt to fasten responsibility for the attack upon its instigators.

It was also reported that Mayor Busse intends to issue an order forbidding all street meetings, the allegation being made that such gatherings, whether of a political or religious nature, are often made the occasion for vicious attacks upon the social order.

That the attempt to kill Chief Shippy resulted in failure was due largely to the policeman's quickness in anticipating the purpose of his visitor's presence. Averbuch had twice called at the house and asked for the chief—first yesterday, when he was told that Shippy was at work, and again early this morning, when a servant informed him that the chief could not be seen before 9 o'clock. When he rang the door bell at the latter hour the chief himself answered the call.

"As I opened the door," said Shippy later, describing the attack, "the man raised his hat and I allowed him to step into the hallway. He handed me an envelope. I glanced at it, and then the thought struck me that the man was up to some wrong. He looked like an anarchist. I grabbed his arms and called to my wife, who was in another room. When she ran into the hallway I said: 'Mother, see if this man has a revolver.'

"She felt one of his back pockets and said that he had. I tried to hold him with one hand and draw my revolver with the other, but he jerked away and fell against the door. I caught him again, and while he was struggling my son, who was upstairs, started to my aid. He was only a few steps from the bottom of the stairs when the man freed one hand, drew his revolver and fired two shots at Larry. Then Foley, who had been summoned by my daughter, stepped into the hallway and the man shot him. The anarchist kicked my wife to one side, and by this time I had secured my own revolver and both Foley and I opened fire. At my first shot, which struck him in the head, he fell. But I fired three more, one in his head and two in his body. Two of Foley's shots also struck the assassin."

Policemen from all sections of the

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### Register NOW, Republicans

If you don't want Herrin to rule you, get on the register before April 15.

Old registration has all expired—you must register again before April 15 or you can't vote at the May primaries.

Registration closes April 15.

Last day on which registered voter can move to another precinct and not lose his primary vote, April 6.

Registrar's office in the old city hall open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

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### BISHOP W. W. DUNCAN DIES IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Noted Prelate of Methodist Church Passes Away at Spartanburg

SPARTANBURG, S. C., March 2.—Bishop W. W. Duncan of the southern Methodist Episcopal church died here today.

Bishop Duncan was born at Randolph-Macon college in Virginia, December 27, 1832. He succeeded his brother as president of Randolph-Macon college and it was from that position he became a bishop of the church.

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## "GIVE ME BACK MY JAIL RENT," REQUESTS RUEF

### Curly Boss Sues Graft Prosecution for Amount He Spent on Private Prison

### Attorneys Say It Is Matter of Principle, Others Say Why Not of Interest?

### "Ruef Will Have His Little Joke," Is Comment of Men He Sues

Abe Ruef not only wants immunity, but he wants his money back. His attorneys say that it is a matter of principle. The prosecution agrees, but says that it should be spelled "principal." Their only surprise is that Ruef did not ask for interest as well. In a suit filed yesterday afternoon Ruef asks that he be recompensed with \$4,659.95, the amount he was obliged to spend for the maintenance of his prison quarters at Pacific avenue and Fillmore street. He names as defendants Judge Frank H. Dunne, Rudolph Spreckels, William H. Langdon, William J. Burns, Francis J. Heney and William J. Biggy and asks the court to order these men to pay him the amount stated.

A statement from Ruef's camp contained the announcement that the real purpose of the suit was not to obtain the money, but to show that until January 8, 1908, the prosecution had acted as though it regarded the immunity contract as still in force. It was added that should the court award the \$4,659.95 to Ruef, he would donate it to charity. The prosecution is inclined to regard this as another little joke on charity.

In his complaint Ruef reviews the history of his incarceration from the memorable days in the St. Francis annex. He goes once more into the details of the immunity contract and his imprisonment in the old Schmitz home at Fillmore and Green streets.

### TELLS OF BIGGY'S GUARDS

Ruef then states that, September 23, 1907, William J. Biggy, who was serving as special elisor, was appointed chief of police. The complaint sets forth that at that time Biggy conferred with Judge Dunne and then continues: "Biggy did state and say to this plaintiff that unless this plaintiff would pay the salary of the guards employed by said Biggy to watch over this plaintiff and all the expenses of maintaining this plaintiff in custody, that this plaintiff would be forthwith imprisoned in the city prison."

### TO SAVE HIM FROM JAIL

"The said money was paid by this plaintiff upon the express promise that he never should be taken to a public prison, but should be permitted to withdraw his plea and that all other indictments returned against him should be dismissed."

Between the dates of September 23, 1907, and January 5, 1908, Ruef was imprisoned at Fillmore street and Pacific avenue and paid the expenses of the establishment out of his own pocket. This is the money he seeks to recover, alleging that he was defrauded out of the entire amount.

Ruef argues that he paid it under an agreement that he was not to be taken to the county jail. In his complaint he refers to his own characterization of the jail as "unfit for human habitation."

"Ruef will have his little joke," was the only comment that came from the prosecution.

### RUEF CASE CONTINUED

### Trial of Boodler Set for Wednesday Morning

Ruef's case, now on the calendar for trial in Judge Lawlor's department of the superior court, was continued yesterday morning until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at the request of Assistant District Attorney O'Gara, who stated that the affidavits being prepared by the prosecution relative to Ruef's motion to have his arraignment set aside were not completed.

The case will be resumed in Judge Lawlor's new courtroom in the criminal courts building at the northwest corner of McAllister and Hyde streets instead of in the Temple Israel, where Judge Lawlor has held his court since the fire. The usual objections were made yesterday in behalf of Ruef and the United Railroads defendants to a continuance of the other trolley bribery cases, similar to that on which Ruef is now on trial.

### BURGLARS LOOT SALOON

NAPA, March 2.—Burglars broke into the saloon of Ed Griffith in this city this morning and ransacked the place. They entered the place by cutting out a window and made their exit by the same means. The burglars secured little plunder and it is believed that they were frightened away soon after entering the building. The officers are searching for the marauders.

## MRS. MARTIN IS INDICTED FOR DYNAMITE PLOT

### Bond Fixed at \$50,000 by Judge Wells of Contra Costa, Who Presides

### Trinity County Prosecutor Says Oakland Evidence Will Convict Woman

### Baby John Tells of Diabolical Plot to Blow Up Dingee Residence

OAKLAND, March 2.—Mrs. Isabella J. Martin was indicted by the grand jury today on a charge of having dynamited the residence of Superior Judge Brank B. Ogden in March, 1907. Bail was fixed at \$50,000. Detective Hodgkins will leave soon for Weaverville to return with the woman, who is confined in the Trinity county jail in default of \$40,000 on a charge of arson. District Attorney E. J. Hall of Weaverville consented to have Mrs. Martin brought here for trial, saying that the Ogden case against her was unquestionably a strong one and would mean conviction when presented before a trial jury.



Judge William S. Wells of Contra Costa county sat in the hearing today, as all of the judges of Alameda county felt disqualified to receive the indictment or to take any judicial part in the proceedings.

With the proceedings today before the grand jury there was disclosed by Captain of Detectives Walter J. Peterson of the Oakland police department a story by "Baby John" Martin of his reputed mother's desperate plotting to destroy the former residence in San Francisco of William J. Dingee, one time president of the Contra Costa water company of this city.

The boy unfolded in detail how he and Mrs. Martin had gone with an infernal machine on several occasions to the Dingee residence and how they had failed to place the dreadful apparatus, once because of the accidental appearance of a policeman near the house, which was in Pacific avenue and one of the show places of the Western addition.

The motive given in this regard by "Baby John" is that Mrs. Martin desired vengeance because the collectors for the water company frequently rang her doorbell in endeavors to obtain payment of her bills. In the end Dingee had ordered, to secure success from her visits and threats, that the bills be allowed to go unpaid. And in the face of this special privilege, Mrs. Martin, according to "Baby John," planned to blow up the water company magnate and his family, just as she tried to wipe out the family of Judge Ogden.

### ON ERRAND OF TERROR

The dynamite fuse and hydrochloric acid found in De Fremery park is said by "Baby" John to have been meant for Dingee. Three trips were made to San Francisco and to the home of Dingee by the woman and the boy. Each time a japanned tin box filled with 30 sticks of dynamite, 20 feet of fuse, and hydrochloric acid to use if the fuse seemed inadequate, was carried.

On two of these trips Mrs. Martin accompanied "Baby" John to the Dingee home. At that time John wore his hair in long brown curls, which gave his face the appearance of a girl's countenance. And because of this long hair the boy on each of the two first

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"Baby" John Martin, who told of Mrs. Isabella Martin's alleged dynamite plot. Below, to right, is William J. Dingee, millionaire, to whose home "Baby" John testified he was sent three times with an infernal machine, and District Attorney Hall of Trinity county, who is willing that Mrs. Martin shall be tried first in Oakland.



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## Rawhide's Richest Mine Refuse to Extend Time of Nine Hour Law

### Sold for \$600,000

### Nat. C. Goodwin, E. W. King and Eugene Grutt Buy Property From 20 Locators

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL  
RENO, Nev., March 2.—One of the biggest deals since the early history of Goldfield in a mining way took place in Reno today, when the property of the Rawhide coalition company at Rawhide passed into the control of E. W. King of Montana, Nat. C. Goodwin & Co. and Eugene Grutt, after whom the famous Grutt hill of Rawhide is named. The purchase price was first given out as \$1,000,000, but late tonight King authorized the announcement that the price paid was \$600,000. The purchase was made from about 20 men, the original locators of the land, which is believed to be the richest in the district if not the entire state.

King is one of the best known capitalists of Montana. He was formerly speaker of the house of representatives of Montana and owns banks at Bozeman and Helena. The Nat. C. Goodwin company is headed by the veteran actor, who gave up the stage a year or so ago to engage in mining and who has met with much success in Rawhide and other Nevada deals of late. The new owners are well able financially to carry on the extensive development work already laid out, and it is understood active operations on a large scale will begin immediately.

## PRESIDENT NOT BLIND TO HERRIN

### Effort of Machine to Discredit the Lincoln-Roosevelt League Falls Flat at White House

### California Considered Solid for Taft Without Assistance of Harriman Forces

### Pardee Bugaboo Denied on Highest Authority and Futile Trick Denounced

### All State Congressmen Who Have Declared Themselves Rally to War Secretary

### By Ira E. Bennett

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## Committee on Proxies Delays Fight on Fish

### Illinois Central Meeting Adjourned as Soon as It Is Convened

CHICAGO, March 2.—No business was transacted at today's session of the annual meeting of the Illinois Central railroad stock holders. Fifteen minutes after J. T. Harahan, president of the corporation, had called the meeting to order it was adjourned until 3 o'clock tomorrow. Inability of the proxy committee to present a complete report caused this action.

## Impertinent Question No. 40

### Which Sex is the Vainer—and Why?

For the most original or wittiest answer to this question—and the briefer the better—The Call will pay FIVE DOLLARS. For the next five answers The Call will pay ONE DOLLAR each. Prize winning answers will be printed next Wednesday and checks mailed to the winners at once. Make your answer short and address it to IMPERTINENT QUESTIONS, THE CALL.