

SWOBODA SOLDIER OF FORTUNE, SAYS PARISIAN PAPER

Purported Life Story of Mysterious French Prisoner, Shows That Suspected Spy Is in Reality American.

PARIS, May 6.—What purports to be the life story of Raymond Swoboda, the mysterious prisoner, who claims to be an American citizen but whom the French authorities declare to be a German spy, is published today by the Petit Parisian. It shows that Swoboda is in reality an American and that he has lived the life of a soldier of fortune.

"Swoboda," the account states, "was born in San Francisco. Five years after the mother quarrelled with her husband and fled, taking the child with her. In Switzerland she met and fell in love with a man named Schwind. Under the name of Schwind she attended schools in Switzerland and England, finishing his education at Heidelberg university in Germany, in 1897. Together with other students Swoboda joined a German expedition which was sent against the Chinese brigands and was present at the taking of Tchi-an-Su. Swoboda was ranked as a cadet and served 10 months in the military service after which he returned to civilian life. He was employed in Hong Kong, Canton, Tien Tsin and Shanghai.

"At Tien Tsin Swoboda was employed by American interests to investigate local conditions with a view to opening up an oil field in that region. He joined the Russo-Chinese bank in 1909. Swoboda again served under the German flag, taking part in the operations against the Boxers. He had been successful in passing an examination to be a reserve officer, but when the uprising was put down Swoboda again left the service and returned to Europe.

"The following year again found Swoboda in the Orient, this time in the employ of the Russo-Chinese bank at Shanghai. He was arrested there charged with embezzlement and sent to prison, but escaped. Recaptured he was sentenced to a long term in a German fortress. Good behavior reduced his sentence and he was released in 1914, when he came to Paris. "Swoboda lived in Paris about 10 years, making big sums of money as a stock broker. When the war broke out Swoboda, seeing a chance to make money, took up negotiations for the sale of army equipment."

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NEWS OF INTEREST TO POLISH CITIZENS

SOCIAL EVENTS.

Mrs. Clara Rozplochowska, 449 S. Walnut st., was delightfully surprised Wednesday evening by a number of ladies. The party assembled at her home and spent a pleasant social evening. At the close of the evening a delicious luncheon was served.

Mrs. Rozplochowska was presented with a number of pretty gifts. Those present were: Mrs. E. Skarupinska, Mrs. A. Kowalska, Mrs. M. Walczewska, Mrs. Cieslik, Mrs. N. Nitka, Mrs. A. Lewinska, Mrs. J. Splitt, Mrs. C. Ruzzkowska, Mrs. E. Otoliska, Mrs. H. Bejma, Mrs. B. Deka, Mrs. N. Stasinska, Mrs. H. Stasinska, Mrs. K. Wegienka, Mrs. K. Grzywienska, Mrs. M. Pietrzak, Mrs. M. Starzcowska, Mrs. F. Szczapinska, Mrs. L. Ruzzkowska, M. Ruzzkowska and Mrs. Pulaski.

PERSONALS.

Walter Ciszczyszak has left for his home in Detroit after a brief visit here.

Mrs. John Smogor, 456 S. Walnut st., is ill.

Fred Sobazak has returned to his home in Michigan City following a week's visit with friends here.

Anthony Czenciak, S. Pulaski st., has returned from a visit with relatives in Gary.

Alex Karpinski of Flint, Mich., is in the city on business.

Genevieve, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Radlicki, 1031 W. Division st., who has been critically ill, is now somewhat improved.

Stanley Grzeskiewicz, 434 S. Carlisle st., and Charles Willard, Monroe st., spent a pleasant day at Saginaw lake.

Mr. and Mrs. John Obretkowski, who have been here for a week visiting with friends, returned to their home in Chicago Wednesday.

Miss Helen Biegunowicz, Prairie av., left this morning for Detroit to spend two weeks with relatives and friends.

Frank Stempczak has returned to West Hammond after a short visit with friends.

Stephen Burzowski arrived here from East Chicago to spend a few days with friends.

Walter Goranski has returned to his home in Grand Rapids after a brief visit with friends here.

John Sporzewski of Chicago left this morning for Toledo after a business visit here.

Leo Andrews, who was here on business, left this afternoon for LaPorte and East Chicago.

Miss Rose Antosiak, W. Division st., returned Wednesday from Whiting, where she has been for a few days visiting with friends.

There is said to be in Kentucky a tree bearing each year a crop of walnuts and a crop of mulberries; and the curious phenomenon is accounted for by the supposition that a mulberry seed fell where a walnut lay in the ground, and the young shoots came up side by side and united their forces into one solid trunk.

MEN CAUGHT ON FREIGHT WOUND TWO TRAINMEN

Tramps Told to Get on Top of Car When One Opens Fire—H. C. Ritter and F. L. Gingerich Are the Victims.

H. C. Ritter and F. L. Gingerich, brakemen on the Lake Shore railroad, were shot and painfully wounded by one of two hoboes on an east bound freight train near the Winkler-Grimm wagon works, Linden av., at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

The hoboes boarded the train near the Lake Shore depot when it left South Bend about 3:20 o'clock. They were riding between a box car and a coal car when first discovered by Ritter and Gingerich. The brakemen ordered the men to get up on top of the car, as an accident to the coupling over which they were standing would have resulted in their death.

As the hobo climbed over the top of the car, one of them pulled a gun from his pocket and shot both of the brakemen. Another brakeman, who was riding on the car ahead, and who heard the shots, stopped the train, but the hoboes had made good their escape, and at 2:30 o'clock this morning they had not yet been captured.

Ritter Hit in Thigh. Ritter, who lives in Elkhardt, was shot through the left thigh, the bullet going in to the front and being embedded in the muscle. He was more seriously hurt of the two. He was brought to South Bend on the east bound passenger train No. 16, which was stopped at the scene of the accident.

The second bullet struck Gingerich through the fleshy part of the right thigh, coming out in the back part of the leg. He with Ritter was taken to Elkhardt on train No. 14. It was reported last night that both men are expected to recover.

Ten minutes after the shooting occurred, a search for the two hoboes was started by the South Bend police department. Twenty members of the detective and police force were rushed to the scene in automobiles, and the surrounding country was scoured for evidence of the two men.

An incomplete description was furnished by Ritter and Gingerich, who described the man who did the shooting as a heavy set man weighing about 175 pounds, wearing thick lens glasses, a derby hat, and a blue serge suit. The other hobo was a small man wearing a cap and a blue serge suit. The local department and

the police departments of neighboring cities are now looking for men who answer the description.

Two Men Were Seen.

The neighborhood near the Lake Shore tracks about two miles west of the city on the Palmer road was gone over carefully by detectives soon after the shooting. They were tracked for a short distance by means of information furnished by a farmer's wife on the Palmer road, who saw the two men go by the house. At that time they were going west, and it is believed that they are in hiding near Crumstown.

One theory as to the cause of the shooting is that the men were some who had been put off from the freight train by Ritter and Gingerich some time in the past. No words were exchanged at the time of the shooting, as the brakemen did not order the men off from the train, but merely told them to ride on top instead of between the cars.

As the first hobo climbed over the top of the car he shouted that he would "get" the brakemen, and shot when he was about four feet away. Due to the fact that his aim was spoiled by the jerking of the train, the bullets failed to find a vital spot.

The search was continued today all over northern Indiana. Descriptions of the men were phoned to all of the cities of the vicinity, and it is probable that the men will be found before they can get out of the state.

NOTE THREATENS BIGGEST MURDER

New York Police, Fearing Retribution of "Ripper Slaying" on East Side, Seek Woman Involved in Case.

NEW YORK, May 6.—A woman suspected by the police of being either an accomplice or the real slayer in the recent "Ripper" murders on the east side, is being sought by detectives. Acting upon a clue mysteriously received detectives confined their activities today in searching for this woman.

The police are confident that she at least knows something of the brutal murders of Leonore Cohn and four-year-old Charles Murray and is probably aware of the hiding place of the maniacal murderer.

The dread of another child murder caused Police Inspector Fauro to double the number of uniformed men in the district around the Murray home and to assign many plain clothes men to the neighborhood.

Pathetic and tragic scenes attended the funeral of the Murray boy. It required police reserves to handle the enormous crowd of morbidly curious persons that surged into First av. in the vicinity of the Murray home.

The United States authorities have been drawn into the case by the receipt of letters by the mother of the little Cohn girl from a person who claims to be the murderer. One of these letters, dated April 30, and signed "H. E. Richmond, 'Jack the Ripper'" predicted "one of the biggest murders ever committed in New York. Postal inspectors are trying to trace these letters and find the writer. They are cooperating with the police.

PUPILS' EXHIBIT ATTRACTS

Paintings on Display in Windows of Makliski Art Shop.

An exhibit of paintings in the window of the Makliski art shop on N. Main st., has been attracting attention during the past week. It represents the work of five young men of the city who have been studying painting under Leon A. Makliski, and includes both landscapes and portraits. The largest of the pictures is a portrait executed by Ben Birdsall Roth, who has also one or two landscapes. The other exhibitors are Ben Doktor, Robert Roberts, George Chamberlain and Bradley Boss. Most of the landscapes are familiar scenes about the city, along the banks of the river or at Notre Dame university.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

NEW YORK, May 6.—No sailings today. Steamers due to arrive today: Potsdam from Rotterdam; Hellig Olaf from Copenhagen; La Flandre from Rotterdam; Ardmore from Genoa; Atherton from Bordeaux; African Monarch from Penarth; Pollentia from Liverpool; Kansas City from Liverpool; Tynes from London; St. Andrew from Liverpool; Petrolene from Algiers; Windsor Hall from Gibraltar.

CASH GROCERY advertisement with list of goods and prices. Includes items like 10c Sack Table Salt, 10 lbs. of SUGAR, 10c Bottle Mustard, etc.

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DRAWERS For children; of good muslin; tucked or with lace edge, all sizes; per pair .9c

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DRESS GOODS Diagonals and whipcords, in sand, gray, blue, red and checks, per yard .39c

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BED SHEETS Of good, durable muslin; size 72x90-inch; hemmed; each .49c

TUSSAH CREPE Lustrous 75c grade silk and cotton dress fabric; 36 inches wide; in black, navy, tan, gray, brown and Copenhagen, per yard .39c

EMBROIDERIES 2 to 5-inch edgings and insertions; regular 10c quality, per yard .5c

WHITE DIMITY Good quality, in stripes, bars and checks, yard .9c

TIE APRONS Standard check gingham, 9 to 11 a. m. only .17c

BEAR LUSTRE For all kinds white needlework, all numbers—4 skeins for 5c

W. B. CORSETS These are the famous W. B. "Nuform" Corsets which are never offered regularly at less than \$1.00. A special concession by the maker enables us to offer you choice of two splendid models, which meet the requirements of most figures, at .79c

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PETTICOATS Soft sateen, in sand, Belgian blue, gray and green, accordion plaited flounce with double ruffle .69c

CHEESE CLOTH High grade bleached surgeon's cloth, 36-inch .4c

RIBBONS 5-inch; good quality hair-bow taffeta, in all shades, per yard .18c

BATH TOWELS 17x34-inch bleached Turkish, each .6c

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PILLOW CASES 42 or 45x36-inch .8c

OLD DUTCH CLEANSER 7c CAN

FAMILY SCALES Weigh up to 24 lbs., by ounces, each .79c

TIN CUPS Pint size .4 for 5c

MIRRORS Size 9x12 inches, 1 1/2-inch oak frame .19c

MIXING BOWLS Yellow, 10-inch .15c

TABLE SPOONS White metal .6 for 10c

DIAPER CLOTH Red Star Brand, 18 inches wide, bolt of 10 yards for .52c

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