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COP WHO SHOT CITIZEN PUT BACK ON FORCE; GUNMAN WOUNDED IN STREET FIGHT

*Thug Had Record as Long as Your Arm and Once Was
Arrested for Murder, But Always Was Pro-
tected—Cop Was (?) Lucky.*

Robert Lynch, gunman and thug, was found lying on the sidewalk at Twenty-first and State streets, suffering from a bullet wound in his stomach.

Detective Michael Burke, of the First precinct, who shot and killed Joseph Harasek after a petty quarrel, December 22 last, has been reinstated on the force.

These two items from the local news of the day are two of the best explanations in the world of the prevalence of crime, of thuggery and robbery and murder, in Chicago.

Robert Lynch has been known to the police as a gunman of the worst sort for years. He has a record as long as your arm, and he has been arrested time and again—once for murder.

But Lynch was and is a protected thug, and no matter how often policemen who wanted to do their duty arrested him, he always managed to keep from being put behind bars.

The shooting of Joseph Harasek by Detective Burke was cold-blooded in the extreme. There was no excuse for it. After it was over, Burke admitted that he had used his gun rather than drop the three dozen eggs he was carrying and grapple with Harasek. In which case, Burke thought a few eggs worth more than a man's life. And that is Burke's side of it. Harasek never was able to give his.

But the case against Burke for that shooting was presented to the grand jury by Assistant State's Attorney Mike Sullivan, former attorney for the United Police and appointee of Andrew