

THE BUSINESS MEN OF ALBUQUERQUE HAVE SUBSCRIBED \$20,000 FOR THE BIG TERRITORIAL FAIR. ALBUQUERQUE HAS HAD TWENTY-SIX FAIRS AND EACH ONE BIGGER THAN THE ONE BEFORE. THE TWENTY-SEVENTH WILL BE A WHOOPER.

ALBUQUERQUE CITIZEN

"WE GET THE NEWS FIRST"

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 31, 1907.

WEATHER FORECAST

Denver, Colo., July 31--Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday with occasional showers.

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TERRIBLE THREATS TO USE AGED WOMAN TO SHOOT TO KILL

Mrs. Peralta Says Young Man Told Her That He Would Harm Her Daughter if He Had to Tear Down the Walls of Her Home to Accomplish Design.

REPEATED ANNOYANCES FROM HIM AND OTHERS HAD ALMOST UNBALANCED HER MENTALLY

When She Shot Young Jesus Padilla, She Believed That He Was the Person Who Had Threatened Her and Her Daughter, Because She Found Him Knocking at Her Windows--Prominent Citizens Offer Bond.

SUMMARY.

Mrs. Louis Peralta shot and fatally wounded Jesus Padilla Sunday night at her home in San Antonio, because he knocked at the window of her daughter's bed chamber.

She was arrested and taken to the county jail at Socorro.

Padilla died at 1 o'clock this morning without making an explanation.

Mrs. Peralta is nearly 70 years old. She said the shot in defense of her daughter's honor and her home.

Mrs. Padilla further stated that she did not kill the man she intended to kill but thought she was doing so at the time she shot Padilla.

She says the man she intended to kill told her that he would ruin her daughter if he had to tear down the walls of the house.

Prominent business men of Socorro county have petitioned to have Mrs. Peralta admitted to bail and say they will sign her bond for any amount.

She will probably be set at liberty tomorrow if a coroner's jury does not vindicate her in the interim.

Her husband, Louis Peralta, was not at home Sunday night, and she said there was none but herself to defend the home.

Should she come to trial the "unwritten law" will probably be the plea.

tear down the four walls of the house. I shot in defense of my daughter and my home. There were four men in the yard, I think, when I went out with the gun. They all ran as I fired and Padilla was shot.

Then Mrs. Peralta began to weep.

Nearly Seventy Years Old.

The case is one of the most unusual and pitiful in the annals of this country. Mrs. Peralta is between sixty and seventy years of age. She does not speak English well but she talked with a Citizen correspondent at the jail today.

As nearly as could be learned from her statement, several young men have been annoying her daughter--a girl about sixteen years of age.

The first that Mrs. Peralta learned of the affair, was when her daughter complained to her about the actions of the young men. Then the young men began coming to the girl's window at night and trying to speak with her. Mrs. Peralta said that she repeatedly warned them that they would get hurt if they continued to annoy her daughter. It was then, she says, that one young man by the name of Gonzales, made the terrible statement given above.

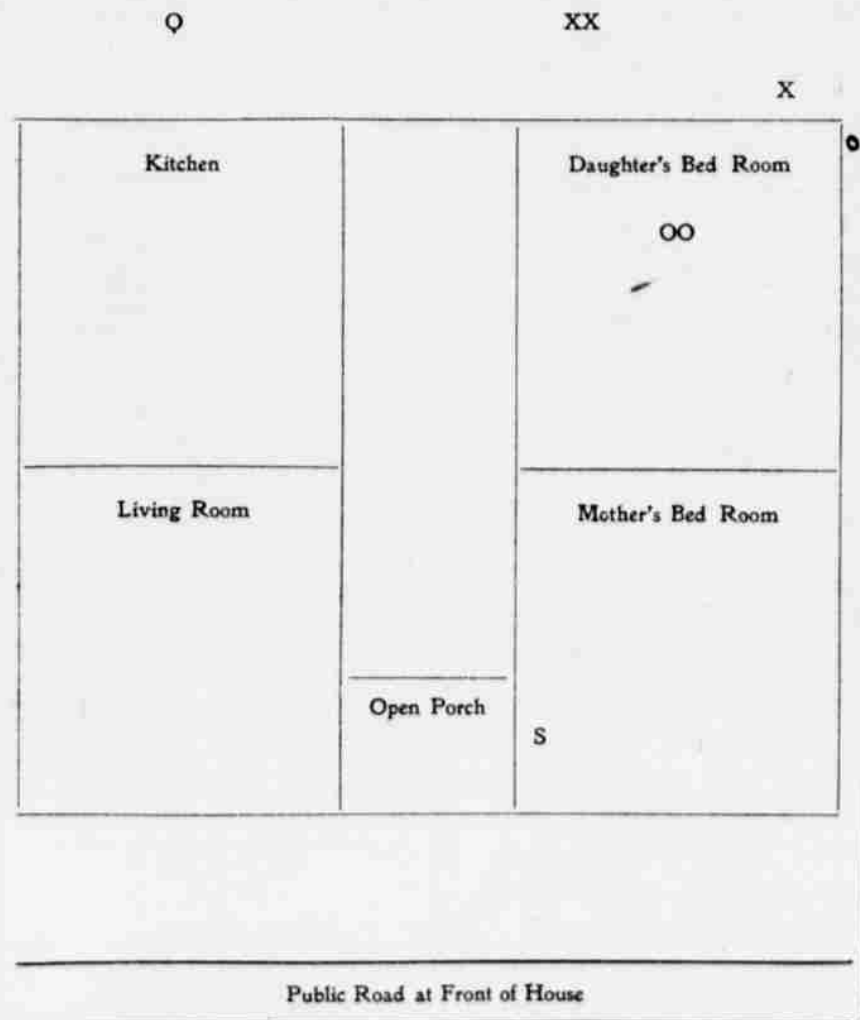
Mrs. Peralta finding that warnings were ineffective, prepared to protect her home and placed a loaded shot gun within easy reach. The shooting was the result.

Sentiment Favors Mrs. Peralta.

A number of the most prominent citizens of Socorro county have taken the matter up in favor of the aged little woman, who sobs and weeps in the county jail.

Max Montoya, A. H. Hilton, of the

Irrigation Ditch at Rear of House



Public Road at Front of House

X window at which tapping was heard; OO where Mrs. Peralta stood when she heard the shot; O where the shot was fired; S front entrance to house. X cow lot toward which boy was running when shot. From O, the spot where Mrs. Peralta stood when she fired the shot, to XX, where the boy fell, is fifteen feet.

Socorro, N. M., July 31.—(Special.)—Jesus Padilla, the young man who was shot Sunday night by Mrs. Louis Peralta for annoying her daughter by knocking at the window of the girl's bed chamber at the Peralta home in San Antonio, died at 1 o'clock this morning.

Mrs. Peralta is confined in the county jail here. She wept when told that the boy was dead.

"He was with the others in the yard but the one I intended to kill was Gonzales. He told me that he would ruin my daughter if he had to

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PREFERS DEATH RATHER THAN TO GIVE EVIDENCE

Amos Rumbaugh Died Today as Result of Attempt on His Own Life.

DID HE MURDER LAURA MATTHEWS?

Inquest Over Young Woman's Body Causes His Suicide and Discloses Fact That He Has Wife in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Colorado Springs, Colo., July 31.—Amos R. Rumbaugh, who shot himself here late yesterday rather than testify at the inquest over the body of Miss Laura Matthews, his friend, died early this morning at St. Francis hospital.

Rumbaugh's suicide was discovered by officers who went to his room yesterday afternoon to ascertain why he had not appeared in answer to a subpoena ordering him to give testimony at the inquest over Miss Matthews. When the officers tried to enter his room, the door was found to be locked, and when one of them peered through the transom, Rumbaugh's body was seen lying on the bed with a bullet hole in his head.

Left Two Letters.

Late rumors are to the effect that Rumbaugh is responsible for the death of the young woman; that he accompanied her on the horseback ride which terminated in her death, and that when she was shot he reached her shot her. His attempt on his own life together with his evasion of the authorities when sought as a witness at the inquest, linked with his statement for the girl, lend color to this suspicion.

Two brief notes are all that explain the act of the young man. One note addressed "to whom it may concern," read as follows:

"Ship my body to Mrs. J. H. Rumbaugh, Mount Pleasant, Pa., Westmoreland county. Notify the Travelers' Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn., and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of Scottsdale, Pa. (Signed), 'AMOS RICHARD RUMBAUGH'."

The second note, addressed to his mother, Mrs. J. H. Rumbaugh, at the above address, Rumbaugh wrote: Dear mother—

"There is nothing for me to say why I did this awful deed. I have my body away to rest. I have about \$350 on my person. You and Charlie settle things up. Your son, 'AMOS R. RUMBAUGH.'"

She Feared Rumbaugh.

Today it was learned through a guest of the Arcadia hotel, where the young woman was registered, that Miss Matthews feared young Rumbaugh. She is said to have told acquaintances that she was afraid to go back late at night to the hotel for fear her admirer would blow her brains out as she passed North Park.

Miss Tillie Green, who came here with Mrs. Matthews and who has acted in the capacity of nurse, is under police surveillance pending the findings of the inquest held over the remains of the young woman. It is still believed by the authorities that she knows far more about the circumstances surrounding the tragic death of her charge than she has yet admitted. Miss Green says that she knows nothing of Coey's relations with Miss Matthews, but intimated that all was not right. With regard to Rumbaugh's suicide Miss Green had the following to say:

"In Love With Her."

"Rumbaugh was desperately in love with Laura. He had previously told me that he was engaged to marry her, that they would go east on their honeymoon. He did not know Coey but seemed to have a boyish delight in describing how he would go to Chicago and parade his bride in front of the millionaire manufacturer. When I told Rumbaugh that Laura had committed suicide, he seemed like one possessed. He swore that he would go to Chicago and kill Coey, and his entire motive from that time until his suicide seemed to be that of revenge on Coey. He killed himself through love of the girl."

Telegram to Coey.

The telegram sent by Rumbaugh to Coey Monday morning, taken in the light of his suicide, has more meaning than before. It was as follows:

"Laura committed suicide on account of you. Letters left behind. Send \$300 at once for expenses."

It shows that Rumbaugh knew Coey well enough to speak to him of "Laura" and to threaten him. It now the officers want to know if it was a threat or simply a bluff.

Had Wife in Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 31.—The suicide of Amos R. Rumbaugh at Colorado Springs yesterday has cleared up the mystery of his disappearance from his home at Mount Pleasant, Pa., two weeks ago. Rumbaugh was married and one of the most prominent citizens of Mount Pleasant. He left home without informing his wife or relatives where he was going or why.

Yesterday his wife, despairing of his return, prepared to leave for the home of her father, A. C. Huff, at Loudenville, Ohio.

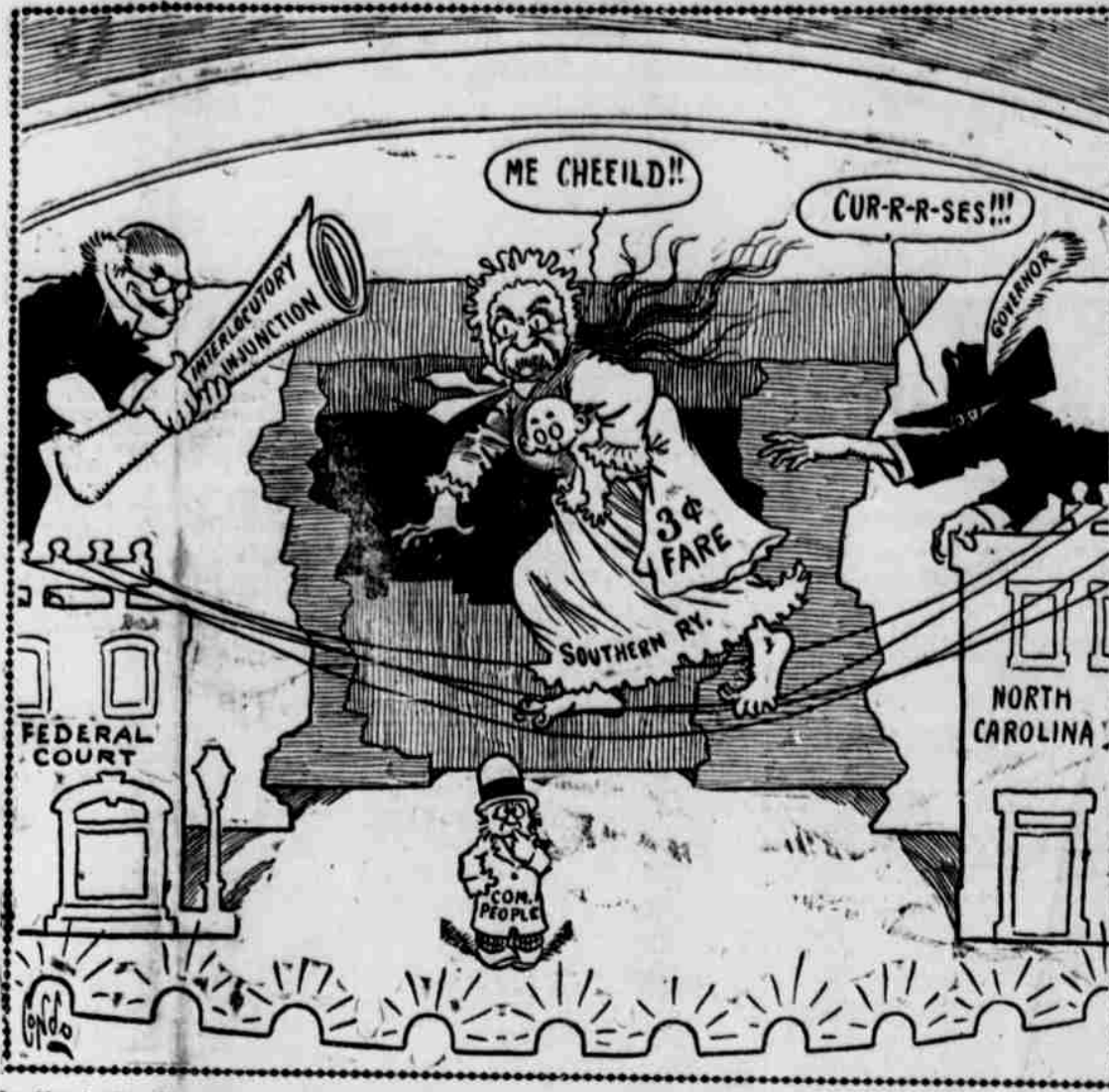
His relatives say they never heard of Laura Matthews or C. B. Coey.

Telegram From Coey.

The coroner's inquest, which took

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A BIT OF MELODRAMA



In North Carolina the state is attempting to put into effect a 2 1/2-cent per mile railroad fare. The Southern railway, by getting an interlocutory injunction in the federal court, expects to operate under the old 3-cent rate but is in effect pending the litigation, and the state is clashing with the federal authority.—News Item

CURRY TELLS JUST WHERE HE STANDS

Will be Governor and Will Not be Dictated to by Disturbing Factions After Office.

RODEY'S DEFEAT STILL RANKLES IN BREAST

Oyster Bay, July 31.—Governor Curry, who arrived in the United States a few days ago from his post as governor of the island of Samar, to assume the duties of governor of New Mexico, consulted with President Roosevelt for two hours today.

Federal Judge B. S. Rodey, of Port Jervis, formerly a delegate in congress from New Mexico, arrived at Oyster Bay with Governor Curry.

He remarked that in his opinion the situation in New Mexico was the worst, from a standpoint of discord and intrigue and crookedness, that could be found in any of the dependencies or territories of the United States, and that the president could not have found a better man than Curry to straighten out the tangle.

Has No Favorites.

Oyster Bay, July 31.—On leaving Sagamore Hill, Governor Curry said he had gone over the New Mexico situation in a general way with the president. He will spend one day in Washington and then will proceed to Santa Fe.

"You know," he remarked, "I have always been a democrat, but I am a Roosevelt man now, and next to that a Taft man. The president wants me to take hold of the administration in New Mexico with but one object in view—clean government."

Free From Alliances.

"Political and factional wrangles in the territory have grown to be very acute, and the president has honored me with the appointment as governor, a place I was not all anxious to take, evidently because I have been out of the territory for the past eight years and am entirely free from all such alliances."

On learning of Judge Rodey's presence at Oyster Bay, President Roosevelt summoned him to luncheon and he accompanied Chief Justice Keut, of Arizona, to Sagamore Hill.

STRENUOUS CAMPAIGN.

Jackson, Miss., July 31.—Primary to elect a United States senator, state and county officials will be held tomorrow. Interest centers in the senatorial race between John Sharp Williams and Governor Vardaman.

St. Louis Wool Market.

St. Louis, July 31.—Wool steady; unchanged.

J. P. MORGAN BUYS ALL SANTA FE BOND ISSUE

Financier Takes Balance of Recently Authorized Railroad Securities.

ABOUT \$15,000,000 INVOLVED IN DEAL

New York, July 31.—The A. T. & S. F. Railroad company has sold to J. P. Morgan & Co., that portion of the twenty-six million dollars convertible five per cent bonds recently issued, which were not taken by the road's stockholders.

Morgan Made Best Bid.

These bonds were issued for the purpose of refunding, and also for future improvements which will be made along the entire system. It was agreed in authorizing the issue, that the stockholders should be given the first opportunity to buy the bonds, and a period set for that purpose.

Morgan's bid was the best announced, but the figures are not given though it is admitted that he paid slightly more than par for the issue. The bonds are now being signed and will be turned over at once in order that the money may be forthcoming tomorrow.

FAIR AT SOCORRO ON SEPT. 28-30

Socorro, N. M., July 31.—(Special.)—The Socorro county fair, on September 28, 29 and 30, promises to be one of the big events of the year in New Mexico. The committee on arrangements is preparing a program which will be unequalled and this fair will be over before the beginning of the territorial fair.

BEVERIDGE WILL WED IN GERMANY

Berlin, July 31.—It was definitely settled today that the wedding of Miss Katherine Eddy, of Chicago, sister of Spencer Eddy, first secretary of the American embassy here, and Albert J. Beveridge, United States senator from Indiana, is to take place on August 7th at the residence of Ambassador and Mrs. Tower.

DRAWING CABLE BREAKS KILLING TWO MINERS

Three Others are Injured. One Fatally at Metcalfe, Ariz.

ORE CAR RAN AWAY ON HEAVY DOWN GRADE

El Paso, Texas, July 31.—A cable drawing an ore car on an incline leading up to the Shannon mine at Metcalfe, Ariz., broke yesterday afternoon while five men were being hauled up in the car. Two jumped and two were killed, while the other is so badly injured that he will die.

When the car hit the ore bin at the bottom of the incline, Jesus Lopez was hurled four hundred feet through the air, his body going over his own house.

Wife Finds Body.

The cable was inspected as usual before the car started on its trip yesterday and pronounced in good condition, hence the cause of the accident is not known. It is probable that there was a broken thread in the wire which did not appear on the surface and the heavy pull as the car reached the top of the incline caused the accident.

The ore car rushed downward with frightful velocity. Lopez was thrown out near the bottom and his body rushed through the aid with the velocity of a cannon ball, his own wife picking it up over her home. She found the body lying on the opposite side of the street five minutes later.

JEROME INVESTIGATING MURDER PLOT OF ARMENIANS

District Attorney Takes Personal Charge of Blackmail Affair.

New York, July 31.—District Attorney Jerome has taken personal charge of the investigation into the plots of the Armenian blackmailers, which led to the assassination of H. S. Tavshanjian.

A trunk is reported to have been found in Lowell, Mass., where Bedro Hamparzoumian, slayer of Tavshanjian, lived, which is said to contain letters revealing the plots of the blackmailers.

Blackmailing letters demanding sums ranging from \$10,000 to \$25,000 were found in the trunk.

PROSECUTION FAILS TO PROVE MURDER CHARGE

Grand Jury, However, Is Still Probing Case Against Magill and Wife.

DEFENDANTS MAY SHOW INNOCENCE

Evidence Introduced to Show That Dead Woman Bought Poisonous Drugs at Various Times and Was of Morbid Nature.

Clinton, Ill., July 31.—It looks brighter for Fred and Fay Magill, witnesses were examined today by the special grand jury, which opened its session in the Dewitt county court house this morning, but comparatively little progress was made. Not a single witness offered evidence which could be submitted in court as legal proof that a crime had been committed.

Moreover neither of the Magills, man nor wife, was brought into the case seriously. State's Attorney Miller today explained the situation by saying that he called the unimportant witnesses today, and would begin on the more convincing evidence tomorrow.

Just what evidence the prosecution possesses, no one seems to know. Meanwhile, the five lawyers for the defense were sitting in their offices chucking. They declare that the evidence will be so weak that not even a true bill will be voted.

The special jury is made up of men of good standing, hard headed fellows. They will require fairly good proof before indicting either of the accused.

All the druggists of Clinton have been summoned. Several testified today and informed the grand jury that Mrs. Fay Magill, like most of the other Clinton housewives, had bought various drugs at their stores.

"Women buy poisonous drugs to clean clothes, to kill rats and vermin and for other reasons," one pharmacist told the jury.

"I do not know that Mrs. Magill bought drugs of this kind any oftener than her neighbors."

The defense was favored somewhat by Judge Cochrane's instructions to the grand jury this morning. The judge emphasized two points.

"Before you vote a true bill," he said, "you first must find that the evidence shows that a crime has been committed and that the accused probably committed it."

Above all, you must determine that a crime has been committed. This has been the stumbling block in the Magill case, say observers, from the first, to show that Mrs. Magill really was committed. Judge Cochrane's emphatic hint, therefore, was heard with pleasure by the lawyers for the defense.

There is talk of the grand jury summoning Marguerite, daughter of Magill, and calling for the Pet Magill "suicide letters." The defense will refuse to produce Marguerite and the letters.

Chloroform Caused Death.

The report of the medical experts who made an analysis of the contents of the stomach of Mrs. Fay Magill were received here today and States Attorney Miller announced that the report is to the effect that Mrs. Magill died of chloroform poisoning. A trace of arsenic was also found. The belief is growing here that Mrs. Magill did commit suicide.

JUDGE LEAVES BENCH IN POWERS' CASE

Georgetown, Ky., July 31.—Special Judge Robbins vacated the bench today in the Caleb Powers murder trial, following the filing of an affidavit alleging prejudice. The action of Judge Robbins was unexpected by the prosecution and a surprise to the defense.

The judge took up each allegation of Powers and denied specifically that they were true and then said it was too late to mar his record as a judge by sitting in a case when accused of unfairness.

The governor was notified and an effort will be made to agree on another judge.

GREAT PARADE AT "OLD HOME WEEK"

Boston, Mass., July 31.—Ten thousand men marched through Boston's streets this morning in a civic and trades procession, which was part of the "New England day" celebration of "Old Home Week."

RAILROADS MAY START RATE WAR

Chicago, Ill., July 31.—A rate war among the railroads between Chicago and New York is threatened owing to a reduction of one dollar in party rates made by the Michigan Central and Grand Trunk roads.