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GIRL IS SLAIN BY A PRIEST

New York Murder Mystery Solved by Confession of Assistant Pastor.

VICTIM OF A MOCK CEREMONY

Domestic Spy in Flat with Slave as His Wife—Came from Germany, Where He Had Been Suspended by Bishop.

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Faurot, in charge of the detective bureau. The priest was dressed in full clerical garb when the detective entered his rooms in the parish house of his church in West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. The inspector had produced a photograph of Miss Annuler and asked Schmidt if he knew the girl.

The priest, after a moment of hesitation, inquired whether his visitors were police officers. His actions indicated that he was expecting arrest. He then asked permission to change his clothes and it was when he left the room that Inspector Faurot declared he attempted to cut his throat with a small safety razor blade.

Confesses to Murder.

Early today, according to parishioners of the church, Schmidt said to the Rev. Father Huntmann, rector of St. Joseph's church, that he would hear no more confessions and when asked for his reason said "I have something of importance to tell you." With his superior, Schmidt then retired to the study, where the latter told all that had transpired in the Bradhurst avenue flat where his alleged confession to the police says he murdered the girl. Father Huntmann conferred with his other assistants and it was agreed that the authorities should be notified. The police, however, were then on Schmidt's trail and his arrest followed shortly. Schmidt was taken to the Tombs. According to the police, he made a full confession, after which he was taken before Coroner Weinberg, who committed him to the Tombs until the inquest is held. The confession, which the police say Schmidt signed, follows:

The Confession.

"I met Anna Annuler two years ago at the parish house of St. Boniface church. She was employed as a servant there. I was attracted by her beauty. I became infatuated with her. I loved her. I killed her because I loved her so much. She was so beautiful, so good, so kind. I could not let her live without me. I had made up my mind that she and I could not live together. I was a priest and must remain with my church. I could not let her go away from me. So I opened the door of the flat. I awakened her. I told her I had come to fulfill my threat. Then I drew the knife across her throat.

"I cut the body into six pieces. I made trips to the Fort Lee ferry, each time with a part of her precious body in a bundle. When the ferry boat reached the middle of the stream I would throw a piece into the water, and when the boat reached the other side of the river I would return and go back to the flat.

"After I had disposed of the body I wanted to destroy all evidence of the crime. I took the mattress on which I had slain her and carried it to a vacant lot and there I burned it.

"I am guilty; that is all I can say. I must pay the penalty. There is nothing else for me to do. But I loved Anna Annuler.

"She wanted me to marry her and I procured a marriage license. She trusted me.

"I am a priest and ordained to perform the marriage ceremony, so when she insisted upon a ceremony I married myself to her. There was no need of any other priest doing it. It was just as absolute as if I had called in another person with

authority to perform a marriage ceremony. She was my wife."

Schmidt, after being assigned to a cell in the Tombs, went to sleep.

Born in Germany.

The priest, according to his story, was born in Aschaffenburg, Germany, in 1881. He attended college and at the age of 18 enrolled in St. Augustine's Seminary in Mainz, and on December 23, 1904, was ordained. He held several charges in Germany and then came to America because of poor health. After remaining in New York City a short time he was assigned to a church at Louisville, Ky. In 1909 he went to Trenton, N. J., and in December, 1910, he became assistant to Father Braun, rector of St. Boniface's church, where he met the girl.

In November, 1912, Schmidt left St. Boniface to become assistant rector of St. Joseph's church, the assignment he held at the time of his arrest today.

Little is known of the history of Anna Annuler before she took employment in the St. Boniface parish house the week before Christmas, 1910. According to the statement issued tonight by Father Braun, she left his parish house in the summer of 1911, returning on Thanksgiving day, 1912, and left the second time August 30, last.

A Faithful Worker.

At this time she said she was about to be married and go to Ohio to live. Father Braun said that he and his sister, who is his housekeeper, had become attached to the girl because she was very pleasant and a faithful worker.

Despite her statement to another maid employed in the rectory that she was leaving to be married, Father Braun said tonight that he was forced to discharge her two weeks ago "because her mode of living was unsatisfactory."

The girl, as nearly as could be learned, was 21 years old.

Inspector Faurot had assigned Detectives J. O'Neill, Frank Cassano and Richard McKenna to locate the house or flat where the murder was committed. They made a house to house search in the vicinity of the store of George Sachs, in Eleventh avenue, where was purchased the pillow slip in which parts of the body were wrapped. In this same locality the tar paper found with parts of the torso was purchased, it was learned.

Each record reveals that the only pillow slip of the description, not previously recorded, had been sent to a purchaser at the Bradhurst address. On Saturday the detectives learned that the third floor apartment had been rented recently, but the occupants had not been seen for several days. An inspection of the flat showed blood stains and articles of wearing apparel and baggage.

Letters in Flat.

In the flat were letters that connected Miss Annuler with the rector of the St. Boniface church.

From Father Braun, rector of the church, the detectives learned that Miss Annuler left his employ two weeks ago and that Father Schmidt, while an assistant rector there, had shown unusual interest in the girl.

With the three detectives and his secretary, Inspector Faurot went to the rectory of St. Joseph's church this morning. The arrest of Schmidt followed a few moments later.

While not denying that Rev. Hans Schmidt had been ordained and had been permitted to officiate at services in this city, an authoritative statement issued today after his arrest from the head of the New York diocese characterized him as a "wanderer" and not a priest of the diocese and was not being so recognized, although he was assigned to assist the rector of his churches.

Quizzed by Sleuths.

After his arrest and while en route to the Tombs, Schmidt was questioned by the detectives. They asked him what he had done with the mattress and he told them, they said, Inspector Faurot stopped the machine at the vacant lot and the charred remains of the mattress were found. Then Schmidt was asked where he bought the knife and the saw with which the body of Miss Annuler was cut up. He indicated a shop as they passed it. The car was stopped and Schmidt pointed to a knife with a ten-inch blade in the window as practically identical with the one he used. This shop is not far from the Tombs. Further up the street, Schmidt, the police say, pointed to two butchers' shops in a shop window.

"I bought one of those," he said laconically.

SCHMIDT IS UNDER SUSPENSION

German Bishop Says He Had No Right to Exercise Office.

MAINE, Sept. 15.—The Journal today says that Johannes Schmidt, belonging to the Maine diocese, has been long under suspension by the bishop. He disappeared from Maine and later arrived in Munich, where he was arrested on a charge of committing a number of frauds, according to the news-

papers. After he had been acquitted by the court on the ground of weak mindedness, he emigrated to New York. The Maine episcopate was not aware that he was exercising the functions of a priest in New York.

Schmidt studied at the Maine classical high school. He was ordained a priest in 1897, afterwards occupying curacies at Dyrnstadt, Seligenstadt, Gonsenheim and Buerger, near Offenbach, whence he disappeared in 1909 because, according to the local papers, he was found in possession of false papers and had obtained this position by means of fabricated testimonials. He had escaped prosecution at the time by disappearing.

RECORD IN NEW JERSEY BAD

Schmidt Ordered to Leave Diocese by Bishop McPaul.

TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 15.—Right Rev. James A. McPaul, bishop of the diocese of Trenton, today made public a letter written by him to Hans Schmidt in 1910, while the latter was serving at St. Francis church in this city during the illness of Rev. Dr. Rathner. In his letter Bishop McPaul said:

"You are hereby notified that you must leave this diocese immediately. It is evident to me that you are lacking in common sense, and, therefore, I don't desire to have anything to do with you.

Bishop McPaul said Schmidt was banished from his charge in this city because he disobeyed the rules of the church in performing a marriage ceremony without a proper dispensation, and also because of complaints made by parishioners of St. Francis church concerning his conduct. Hans Schmidt was not connected with the Trenton diocese, but came here from New York to serve temporarily.

HUNDRED THOUSAND TO BRING AMERICANS HOME FROM MEXICO

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tion. This is based on a telegram from John R. Silliman, United States vice consul at Saitillo, stating that they had passed Parra, half way to Saitillo, in safety.

From Parra it is said the refugees intended to take a route to the northeast toward Reata, doubtless in order to escape the rebel hands along the direct route and possibly enchain at Reata for Monterey.

Customs Officials Acquitted.

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 15.—T. F. Johan and Thomas Heltrin of the United States customs and immigration service, were acquitted today in the district court of the charge of having murdered Captain F. Acosta of the Juarez garrison on September 4. Johan testified that the Mexican crossed the international bridge, firing at the two officers and that they killed him in self-defense. Judge Jackson, then instructed the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty.

Smugglers Charged with Murder.

CARLEZZO SPRINGS, Tex., Sept. 15.—Evidence that some of the fourteen ammunition smugglers under arrest here after a fight with United States troops Saturday, were connected with the Industrial Workers-of-the-World was unearthed today.

From the body of Pantilo Vasquez, a slain smuggler, were taken papers indicating membership in the Industrial Workers of the World. He also bore "pronouncements" from the Los Angeles branch of the Mexican revolutionists. A red flag captured with the band bears the inscription "Tierra y Libertad."

Literally meaning land and freedom. All fourteen were indicted today in the county court here, charged with murder for killing Candelario Ortiz. Trial was set for Thursday.

Bartey Cline, the American arrested with the thirteen Mexicans, has offered to turn state's evidence. Cline claimed there is an underground railway, for what he calls "gun running" from San Antonio through Knippa and Carrizo Springs, Tex., to the Mexican border. Federal officers have begun investigation of his revelations, which implicates several Americans. Two merchants here are in jail charged with smuggling.

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CARRIES WOUNDED BOY TWO MILES THROUGH WOODS

ELY, Minn., Sept. 15.—Accidentally shot while hunting, Theodore Makiel, 19 years old, was carried nearly two miles by Dewey Knutson, aged 17, to a hospital here, where he died last yesterday. Makiel's gun caught on a bush, and as he turned to discharge it, was discharged, the bullet passing through his left side near the heart.

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Eight Killed by Explosion.

COBURG, Germany, Sept. 15.—Eight persons were killed, seven others are believed to have been injured, in the village of Coburg, when a large quantity of dynamite exploded here, early today, as the result of a gas explosion.

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ARMY IS IN FINE CONDITION

Secretary Garrison Finishes Two Months' Inspection Tour.

FAVORS SHORTER ENLISTMENT

He Would Create Reserve, Into Which Men Would Be Transferred as Soon as They Were Discharged.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—"I don't believe the army was ever in better condition than it is now," said Secretary Garrison, who returned to his desk at the War department today, after an absence of two months visiting all the important military posts outside of New England and some of the stations in the middle states.

"If we are going to attract the men we want and raise the efficiency of the army we must have a shorter term of enlistment," said he. "I am in favor of a three-year term, with the privilege of discharge into the reserve, as soon as the enlisted man proves his efficiency. I have not decided what the shortest period of service with the colors should be. That will depend entirely on the individual. I am in favor of discharging men as soon as they can earn discharge as a reward for their hard work."

Favors Vocational Training.

Secretary Garrison said he had not yet decided what period a discharged soldier should serve in reserve. "And to make the army more attractive to the best class of men," said he, "I favor vocational training for the army, so that in addition to the military training and discipline which a man would acquire through service, he would leave with some trade when he goes again into civil life. Wherever I went I found universal approval of this plan."

Mr. Garrison said he does not favor, nor would he recommend, a large standing army. He thinks that a shorter enlistment, to be followed by a term in the reserve, would go a long way in building up the army, without increasing it numerically. The secretary declined to discuss the plans for the concentration of the army in a few strategic centers, rather than have it distributed through 137 posts in unimportant locations.

Will Not Discuss Concentration.

"My views on that subject will be made known in orders from time to time," he added. "But I expect the fullest cooperation of congress in carrying my plan into effect."

The secretary of war does not need the co-operation of congress in moving troops from one post to another because that is a question solely under direction of the president as commander-in-chief. But he would need congressional action to enlarge or rehabilitate a post selected as an important military center.

Lane May Go to Honolulu.

BERKELEY, Cal., Sept. 15.—Secretary Lane of the Department of the Interior is considering a voyage to Honolulu and back before he returns to his work.

It is now six days since the secretary collapsed while reviewing a parade, and although he continues to gain in strength and was up and about today, his physicians insist that he must have at least a fortnight's full rest before he can think of taking up his duties again.

The trip to Honolulu is only one of half a dozen paths to rest and fresh air suggested. Which suggestion should prevail has not been decided today.

FORT DODGE WOMAN IS ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD

FORT DODGE, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Mrs. Winnifred C. Jenkins was 100 years old Sunday. Because she is a Fort Dodge pioneer and because of the unique birthday, a larger per cent of the city than ordinarily recognizes one private citizen's birthday, remembered it yesterday. At the First Methodist church of which she is a member, the sermon was appropriate to the observance of her birthday. In the afternoon a great host of pioneers and other friends of the delightful old lady gathered at her home and surprised her with the presentation of a round 100 in token of their friendship. She held an informal reception all day and cut a mammoth birthday cake bearing 100 lighted candles. Mrs. Jenkins was born six miles from Trenton, N. J., in 1813, and from her grandmother, who was likewise a centenarian, she brings down first hand to the present day tales of the revolution.

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THAW AWAITS FEDERAL WRIT

Possibility that Court May Release Him Tuesday.

MAY MEAN A PHYSICAL FIGHT

Each Side Has Several Private Detectives on Guard and There May Be Battle for Possession of Prisoner.

COLEBROOK, N. H., Sept. 15.—Harry Kendall Thaw, awaited anxiously today the arrival of United States Marshal E. H. Nute, hearing notice to Sheriff Drew of Coos county that the fugitive must be produced on a writ of habeas corpus before Judge Aldrich in the United States district court at Littleton, tomorrow morning. Thaw will then be under the protection of the United States pending disposition of the writ, and this guaranty of safety in the face of so many kidnapping rumors was a source of relief to him.

Nute did not arrive on the morning train and Thaw's custodian, Sheriff Holman Drew, said he did not expect him until this afternoon. "We probably will not take Thaw to Littleton until tomorrow morning," he said.

Physical Fight Probable.

William Travis James, New York's special deputy in the litigation, planned to accompany Thaw to Littleton, as did Franklin Kennedy, deputy attorney general, and Sheriff Hornbeck of Dutchess county. The Thaw lawyers desired to have argument continued in order that the writ may be available at a later date should it be found necessary to block extradition. If Judge Aldrich should insist on a physical fight tomorrow, it might result in the freeing of their client at once, prior to the extradition hearing, which Governor Felker has set for Wednesday.

With Thaw free again, serious complications are possible. His lawyers would be acting within their rights if they attempted to rush him from the state. James and his forces would, of course, seek to hold him. A physical struggle between the factions is not out of the question and both sides will have a lot of private detectives on hand. Thaw retired early last night after a Sunday spent entirely within doors. Most of the day he conferred with a representative of former Governor Stone of Pennsylvania.

Regulation Papers Filed.

CONCORD, N. H., Sept. 15.—The official request of the state of New York for the extradition of Harry K. Thaw from the state office of Governor Felker today in the state house by Bernard Jacobs, a lawyer of Lancaster, N. H., who was acting for the New York authorities.

Governor Felker's desk was piled with letters and telegrams relating to the Thaw case. Most of these messages appeared to be the result of a movement originating in Kansas to create sentiment favorable to Thaw.

The governor was not expected at the state house today.

MONTREAL, Sept. 15.—Harry K. Thaw's lawyers have not given up hope of bringing him back to the Dominion. N. K. La Flamme, one of them, announced in court today that he and his associates still expected to ask the appeal court of Quebec for a decision on the constitutionality of the immigration act invoked when Thaw was deported. If they succeeded in having the law declared invalid, they would make a formal demand through the proper channels, La Flamme said, for Thaw's return to Canada.

Six of Thaw's legal staff appeared today before the appeal court to see what Chief Justice Archambault and his associates would do to the immigration act for disobeying the court's writ of habeas corpus, when Thaw was suddenly deported. To their disappointment, the

METHODISTS MEET TODAY

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present districts and the superintendents are the old Nebraska conference, central district, Rev. N. A. Martin, D. D., University Place; east district, Rev. J. W. Embree, Nebraska City; south district, Rev. R. N. Orrill, Fairbury; and west district, Rev. B. W. Marsh, York. The North Nebraska conference, Grand Island district, Rev. J. M. Bothwell; Neligh district, Rev. E. T. George; Norfolk district, Rev. E. E. Hosman, and Omaha district, Rev. Edward Hislop, D. D. The West Nebraska has three districts, Holdrege, Rev. J. W. Morris; Kearney, Rev. R. P. Hammond, and North Platte, Rev. E. F. Galtier.

Three Superintendents Retire.

The great question among the preachers is, whom will the bishop take off from the three districts and place in the pastorate. It is understood that Rev. R. N. Orrill's time expires, as a superintendent can only serve six years on the same district. Dr. N. A. Martin was superintendent of the York district for five years and then placed on the central district, which he has served for two years, giving him seven years in this office. The next man with the highest number of years on a district is Rev. E. T. George. It is thought that these men will be the men taken off the district work.

There are four leading churches without pastors, First church, University Place, which is considered one of the strongest churches in the conference, must have a pastor appointed this year. Rev. Milton Bryant Williams of Omaha, Rev. U. G. Brown of Centenary church, Beatrice, and Rev. Edward Hislop, superintendent of the Omaha district, are being considered for this church. Other churches without pastors are Wayne, Superior and Weeping Water. It is expected that there will be changes made in Holdrege, First church of Grand Island and Columbus.

University Pastor.

There will be a "university pastor" appointed this year, whose duty it will be to care for the Methodist students in the University of Nebraska in this city. He will not be in charge of any church, but interested in all, looking after the spiritual welfare of the students. It is not known as yet who will be appointed to this office.

On account of the consolidation of these three conferences there will be some very important changes in officers. Each conference has its secretary, statistical secretary and treasurer. Wednesday morning the election for these offices as one conference will take place.

Session May Be Prolonged.

The conference is supposed to close some time Monday, September 22, so that Bishop Bristol can go to Tipton, Ia., to preside over the Upper Iowa conference. The members of the conference are afraid that it cannot be done, as many changes will be necessary in all lines of societies, caused by the consolidation.

According to the action of the last general conference in regard to the consolidation four counties—Scott's Bluff, Banner, Morrill and Garden, now in the West Nebraska conference, will be placed in the Northwest Nebraska conference.

Rev. J. F. Boyce, pastor of Grace church, and his committee are making great plans for the conference. Ministers will begin to arrive by Monday night to be there in time for the Tuesday morning session of the old Nebraska conference.

Baby Killed by Lightning.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—While playing in the runway of a corn crib, the 5-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sinnott, living near Pioneer,

GOLD STOLEN FROM MASON CITY DENTAL OFFICES

MASON CITY, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Wholesale thefts of gold from six and perhaps more dentists' offices, last estimated at a loss of from \$800 to \$1,000, have been discovered. Alleged fake salesman, who made the rounds of offices Saturday, are believed to be guilty and officers are on their trail.

A man giving his name as Schultz now under arrest at Charles City, Ia., is believed to be the man wanted here for robbing dentists' offices. He is wanted in Cedar Rapids and other cities for similar offenses.

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"I tried many remedies for most of the eighteen years with no effect. Last summer when my ankle had been sore for over a year and much worse than ever before I sent for some Cuticura Soap and Ointment. It would itch and burn, besides a great hurting that I think tongue could never explain. The very first time I used Cuticura Soap and Ointment I gained relief; they relieved the pain right then. It was three months from the time I commenced using Cuticura Soap and Ointment until the sores were entirely healed. I have not been troubled since." (Signed) Mrs. Charles E. Brooks, Oct. 23, 1912.

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