# DRAMATIC CRITIC IS A VICTIM OF POISON

Barrett Eastman, Well Known Chicago Newspaper Man, Probably a Suicide.

Chicago, Jan. 18.-Identification of the body of a man found dead in the Breslow hotel at Biloxi. Miss., Tuesday was made here today by Colonel F. A. Eastman, city statistician, as that of his son, Barrett Eastman, for years known to Chicagoans as a dramatic

Barrett Eastman was well known in newspaper and literary circles, and in addition to extensive work for Chicago newspapers was a contributor of prose and verse to magazines. As a special writer he attracted attention and as dramatic critic ocupied a prominent position in the newspaper world.

Several years ago he married Sophonisba Harrison, a sister of Carter H. Harrison II, former mayor of Chicago. His marital life was unhappy and a divorce followed. Later he married a wealthy women.

ried a wealthy woman and made his home in California. Returning from the west he again took up newspaper work in Chicago.

According to Colonel Eastman, the father, the young man had suffered for two years from a blood clot over one of his temples. Colonel Eastman, declared his temples. his temples. Colonel Eastman declared that this preyed upon his son's mind and had caused him to be often despondent. The young man recently bought a ranch near Los Angeles, and had planned to go there with his wife to recuperate.

"My son had been ailing for about two years," said Colonel Eastman, "and there is no doubt in my mind that he killed himself on this account.

### MORSE'S FRIENDS URGE TAFT TO PARDON HIM

Washington, Jan. 18 .- Numerous letwashington, Jan. 18.—Numerous let-ters have been received in Washington from persons Interested in Charles W. Morse, the New York financier, now serving a term of imprisonment in the Atlanta penitentiary. Most of them urge that executive elemency be exer-cised in behalf or Morse, while others cised in behalf or Morse, while others, though few in number, take the oppo-site view and argue that the convicted

man got his deserts.
So far as known no petition for pardon has yet reached the White House.
Mrs. Morse in her published interviews has indicated that such a step will be taken in due time.

# DENVER NEWSPAPERS FORCED TO SUSPEND

Strike of Pressmen Causes Publishers of Dailies to Cease Temporarily.

Denver, Jan. 18 .- Probably for the first time in its history Denver break-fasted today without its usual morn-ing paper. The cause was the difficulty between the publishers and the local organization of the International Pressmen's union, which reached a climax yesterday Although yesterday's confer-ence was continued until long after midnight, no basis for agreement could be reached, and publishers of the two morning papers decided not to make any attempt to publish this morning.

The demands of the local union orig inally were for a seven-hour instead of an eight-hour day and an increase of \$1 a day, the changes to date from March 1, last. These conditions were agreed to, bu' before the final adjustment could be made the pressmen demanded that they be granted time and a half for the extra hour they had worked un-der the new scale from last March. This the publishers refused and the lockout followed. Negotiations will be resumed today.

The increase of \$1 a day and time

The increase of \$1 a day and time and a half for the extra hour since last March will aggregate between \$15,000 and \$20,000 for the four local dailies. If an adjustment is not reached speedily the trouble may involve papers in other cities of the state.

# VIRGINIA HARNED TO SEEK DIVORCE AGAIN

Well Known Actress Will Ask Nevada Courts for Relief Once More.

New York, Jan. 18 .- Virginia Harned. wife of E. H. Sothern, the Shakespeare-an actor, is seeking divorce. She left for Reno, Nev., the divorce mecca, the

for Reno, Nev., the divorce mecca, the other day to establish a residence pre-paratory to bringing suit. With Miss Harned went her intimate friend, Margaret Gordon, who was for years associated with Maude Adams. They will make their home in the western city six months, that being the term of residence necessary before a

divorce can be secured.

Before her departure Miss Harned gave it out that she was starting on a vaudeville tour, but the real truth was learned from intimate friends of hers.

Miss Harned made an effort a year to secure a divorce in Bene but her

ago to secure a divorce in Reno, but her application was refused on the ground that she was not a resident of the state. The basis of the suit at that time was desertion and failure to sup-No mention was made of a respondent. Miss Harned denied that her divorce suit was prompted by jeal-ousy or that she and Sothern both had

planned to marry again as soon as the decree was granted. In regard to this report Miss Harned said:
"That is not true. There is no question of anyone else with us. The differences did not grow out of jealousy, but from opposing ideas about our but from opposing ideas about our Sothern made no opposition at the

time the last suit was filed.

LEMARS, IA.—Miss Mary Coffey and Charles A. Sauer were married here and will live at North Yakima, Wash.

## BISHOP PROMOTED.

Rome, Jan. 18.—The vatican announced today the promotion of the Right Rev. Neil McNell, bishop of St. Georges. Newfoundland, to the office of such bishop of Vancouver. archbishop of Vancouver.

FORT DODGE, IA.—This city is said to be in line to regain the Great Western division point which was moved to Clarion several years ago.

GREGORY, S. D.—The little son of John Bender, local agent of the Stand-ard Oil company, who left home without the knowledge of his parents some for another days ago, has been located in Kansas. contention.

# LONSDALE LATEST TO LOSE FAITH IN COOK

Private Secretary of Bogus 'Explorer' Now Thinks He Is a Fraud.

Copenhagen, Jan. 18 .- Walter Lonsdale is the most recent of the former associates and employes of Dr. Frederick A. Cook to admit a distrust of the man whose claim to the discovery of the north pole was rejected by the University of Copenhagen.

Lonsdale was private secretary to United States Minister Egan up to the time of the arrival here of Dr. Cook,

with whom he then associated himself in a smilar confidential capacity.

He accompanied the explorer to the United States, made the typewritten duplicate of the polar records, and brought the data here for the examination of the university committee. He has remained loyal to his employer until now, when he says he is beginning

to doubt him.

Lonsdale states that he received a letter from Cook under date of December 24 and mailed from a city in southern Spain. According to this letter Cook was on the sea from December 14 to December 24, accordingly was not acquainted with the decision of the examining committee when the letter was amining committee when the letter was written. Since the receipt of this letter Lonsdale says he has heard nothing from Cook though he has addressed several telegrams to him at a point where he thought the explorer could be reached.

Lonsdale estimates that Cook cleared \$50,000 from the explortation of arctic reputation.

# DUEL OF FOUR HOURS HAS A FATAL ENDING

Enemies Chase Each Other Nearly All Night Before One Is Killed.

New York, Jan. 18.—A duel of four hours duration engaged in by two night hours duration engaged in by two night watchmen in Park & Tilford's store on Broadway resulted today in the death of one of the participants from a bullet in the head. After finally running down and shooting his companion, the survivor wrote a letter to the police telling them all about it, and then finished up his night work by cleaning up and putting the store in order. and putting the store in order.

John Ferris, who has worked for the firm for 25 years, is under arrest charged with the shooting. The victim of the duel was John Woods. There had been bad feeling between them and during the night they renewed their quarrel. Ferris told the police that Woods slapped him in the face and that for hours they chased each other around the store up stairs and down. Several shots were exchanged, but none took effect until Ferris finally caught Woods in the engine room and shot him

## ANGRY GOVERNOR WOULD RECALL DALTON PARDON

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 18.—Governor Stubbs yesterday requested Attorney General Jackson to examine the pardon General Jackson to examine the pardon papers of Emmet Dalton, the only surviving member of the famous Dalton gang, to see if the pardon can be revoked. Dalton was pardoned by Governor Hoch, November 2, 1907. Since then he has started a "wild west" show and has exhibited moving pictures showing a reproduction of the robbery of the Coffeyville bank on December 5, 1893, at which the Dalton gang was broken up and for which Emmet was sentenced to prison.

Governor Stubbs has received complaints about Dalton's moving picture show, and is highly displeased with Dalton's actions since he was pardoned

# ASKS DAGGER THRUST IN HEART AT DEATH

Pittsburg Woman, Supposed to Be Pauper, Leaves \$100,000 to Charity.

iPttsburg, Pa., Jan. 18.—"Thrust a dagger through my heart three times to make sure I am dead. Let my body lie 10 days, cremate it then and bury the ashes in Allegheny cemetery," were the written instructions found with the dead body of Laura White, single, aged 65 years, a supposed pauper, living alone, who was discovered today in a room with five locks wron the door here. room with five locks upon the door, her body half eaten by rats.

Police found bank books and a will

disposing of \$100,000 to local charitable institutions in a trunk in the poorly furnished home. Cancelled checks found ranged in amounts from 17 cents to \$1,000. Real estate held by the woman is located in Indiana, Montana and California.

and California.

The will found by the police makes special request that "competent medical authorities examine her body for 10 days" to ascertain to a certainty that death has occurred, leaving \$50 for this service. The doctor stabbing her heart three times is to receive \$20. Detectives are searching for possible relatives. and California.

## GRIFFITH WILL HAVE SOBER BASEBALL CLUB

Cincinnati Ohio, Jan. 18.—There will be no tired, lifeless ball players upon the Cincinnati team next year if Manager Clark Griffith has his way. "We have to have a sober club," he said last night, "for the reason that the public demands sober men. I want a championship team. We can only have this by keeping the men in good condition. And if 4,000 private detectives are necessary for this, we'll have the sleuths and the sober players." Cincinnati Ohio, Jan. 18 .- There will

## NOTED KANSAN DEAD.

Kansas City, Jan. 18.—Jno. W. Bried-enthal, former state bank commissioner of Kansas, chairman of the fusion party in three campaigns, died at his home Kansas City, Kan., this morning. Briedenthal was 53 years old. Death resulted from blood poisoning, which followed an injury to his left foot. Three operations were performed in efforts to save his life.

DES MOINES, IA .- The Iowa State Traveling Men's association will convene here tomorrow. Deets holds over for another year and there will be no

# ALDRICH YIELDS TO THE SOCIETY LURE

For 32 Years Indifferent to Fashion's Call, He Has Become a Lion.

Washington, Jan. 18 .- One of the conspicuous features of this brilliant season the gayest Washington has known for seven years, is the social activity of Nelson W. Aldrich, senior senator from son W. Aldrich, senior senator from Rhode Island. In his 32 years of public service Senator Aldrich had never identi-fied himself with clubs or ballrooms, taken active part in the midwinter ball, the assembly or private dinner parties.

He dined at the White House, of course, and occasionally graced the board of the vice president of some cabinet officer "to meet the president," quite regardless of who the president might be, for the Providence statesman has seen presidents come and go. He has always been a person whose presence was desired by discriminating hostesses, but was seldom secured unless for official reasons. For ears he made his Washington home at

In the present season Senator and Mrs. Aldrich have a home of their own in the Dupont Circle district, where Mrs. Al-drich welcomes a long line of distinguished visitors every Thursday afternoon and no fashionable company is considered complete without at least one member of the Aldrich family. At an embassy din-ner party, a White House reception-and under the present regime a White House reception is in fact as well as in name a real social function—at a debuntante ball or the Bachelor's cotilion, the Senate leader is not merely "among those pres-ent," but coming to be hamed in the first line following "the distinguished com-pany included."

As a dinner partner he is becoming a leading favorite with the titled ladies of the diplomatic circle, whose familiar acquaintances with members of the Senate dualitances with members of the Senate has heretofore been largely confined to Mr. Aldrich's colleagues, Mr. Wetmore, Senator Depew. Senator Hale, Senator Newlands and Senator du Pont, all recognized as leadings lights in the dinner party contingent of the upper house of

To Miss Elsie Aldrich, the youngest of his three daughters, and the only one of them to care for society, their intimate friends attribute the great change in the head of the family. With much the same quality of intelligence as her distinguished father, and a very charming personality of her own, Miss Aldrich first pressed him into service for escort duty and finally convinced him that balls and dances, din-ner parties and receptions are the best form of relaxation from his senatorial la-

## WHITELAW REID, IN GREAT STORM, HAS A NARROW ESCAPE

New York, Jan. 18.—The American line steamer St. Louis, which has been anchored off Sandy Hook since Thursday night, reached her dock today after much difficulty. She was closely followed by the Cunarder Lusitania, which arrived off the book leat sight. which arrived off the hook last night.
Whitelaw Reid, American ambassador to Great Britain, who rushed across the ocean in the hope of attending the funeral yesterday morning of D. O. Mills, his fatherinlaw, was a passenger

on the St. Louis.

Passengers on the St. Louis, which was three days overdue, report that Ambassador Reid narrowly escaped injury when a huge wave, swept by a tremendows see source, by the second of remendous sea, mounted the vessel last

Wednesday evening.

Mr. Reid was in a steamer chair on the promenade deck with his secretary, Miss Rogers, when the wave struck the ship. Carrying a large section of the port rail with it, the wave washed back and carried most of the passengers inand carried most of the passengers, in-cluding Mr. Reid and his secretary, quite a distance down the deck. They were drenched.

were drenched.

The Lusitania reported being struck by a giant wave last Tuesday which did much damage. Some of the crew declare that the wave was 60 feet high. It smashed through the bridge and broke in a part of the wheel house. The two quartermasters operating the steering and engine room apparatus were knocked from their posts, but were not hurt. were not hurt.

The wave seriously deranged the steering gear of the wheel house. The ship was compelled to reduce its speed until the storm had subsided and the damage had been repaired.

Indications of clearing weather were welcomed today. welcomed today.

## **BIG PRIZE FIGHT** INTERESTS TEDDY

Buffelo. N. Y. Jan. 18.—Theodore Roosevelt's consideration of old friends and love of a fighter and a good fight haven't been changed any by his Afri-can trip, as a letter from him received "Tony" Gavin, former "rough rider,"

Gavin frequently corresponded with Colonel Roosevelt when the latter was president. Some months ago he wrote o him in Africa. He has received the

following reply:
"Africa, on Safari—Here is the flower
for Alberta. I wish I could have sent
it, with many returns, on her birthday. was good to hear from you. That nust have been a rattling good fight etween Ketchel and Johnson. Johnson is unquestionably a first class fighter. I wonder if Jim Jeffries can get back into form; if he can it will be a tremendous battle when they meet."

## PRICE OF SHOES IS UNDER DISCUSSION

Boston, Jan. 18.—In the entire shoe and leather trade of the United States, more than 200 men representative of the entire scope of the great industry gathered here today from all sections of the country. The convention, which was under the auspices of the National Shoe Wholesalers' association, is to consider whether the trade is really confronted with a radical advance in leather and shoe prices, and whether the buying public will demand shoes at a fixed price or shoes of an established quality at the market price.

## DUBUQUE TEAMSTER IS KILLED INSTANTLY

Furburque In., Jan. 18—Fred Schubert, aged 62 years, teamster, was run down by a switch engine on the Great Western at noon today and killed instantic.

MANSON MAN DIES. Manson, Ia., Jan. 18.—News is rescived here of the death of Moses Arnold, of Jessup. Ia., formerly of Manson. His death was due to consump-He was but 25 years old.

# SPANISH PRINCE IS JAILED FOR PLOT: ARMY IN TURMOIL

Riots in Front of Newspaper Offices and Other Usual Features of Discord.

EIGHTY ARMY MEN ARE ARRESTED IN A CLUB AT MADRID.

Paris, Jan. 17.—A news dispatch received here from Madrid says that the building occupied by the military club was surrounded by the police today, and that 80 army officers who were in the building were arrested.

Madrid, Jan. 17 .- Pringe Pignatelli, a hotel more famous in political than so-cial history, where he would be joined for a part of the winter by Mrs. Aldrich and occasionally by their elder daughters, one of whom is Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, government, was arrested today.

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The liberal press strongly approves the energetic action taken by the government. The Liberal says the meas ures were severe, but indispensable. El Pais says the plot was designed to force the resignation of Minister of War Luque, and thus precipitate the fall of Premier Morety Prendergast and his

Army Officers in Turmoil. Army Officers in Turmoil.

The articles in the Correspondencia
Militar, which revealed the plot were
written by Senor Llorens, a Carlist
deputy and officer, who used a pseudonym. This issue of the paper was
suppressed, whereupon the demonstration of army officers was made in front
of the newspaper offices.

The police raided the office and on

The police raided the office, and on the evidence found the cabinet was hurriedly assembled under the presidency of King Alfonso, who sanctioned the removal of Count De Villar as captain general of Madrid and the arrest of the officers implicated.

### Plot Was Widespread.

That the affair had widespread rami-That the affair had widespread ramifications was indicated by the subsequent removal last night of the captains general of Valencia, Valladolid and Coronna. General Linares, ex-minister of war, was the first to congratulate Minister of War Luque on the prompt action taken.

late Minister of War Luque on the prompt action taken.

The award of honors to the officers of the Melilla expedition, which was celebrated by the Correspondencia Militar, was in accordance with the distribution recommended by General Marina, governor of Melilla. The affair has created little popular excitement as the government has acted before the existence of the conspiracy became generally known.

## ARTIST CHRISTY IN ROLE OF BRUTE

Zanesville, Ohio, Jan. 17.—There was considerable diversion in the life of Howard Chandler Christy, the artist, according to the testimony of Charles F. Hall, a former Christy model, today,

in the habeas corpus proceedings of Mrs. Christy to obtain possession of their 12-year-old daughter, Natalie. Mrs. Hall also testified.

The conduct of Mr. Christy, she said. In the presence of Natalia, was at times most unbecoming of a father. She told of how the artist struck his wife, knocking her down, causing her nose to bleed and "sitting upon her."

bleed and "sitting upon her."

Mr. Hall told of incidents in the studio in which various models played a conspicuous part. Hall mentioned the names of a few women models with when Chalter and the studies of the studi whom Christy was upon quite familiar terms.

He said prospective models were compelled to disrobe immediately that he might judge of their figures for artistic purposes. There was much freedom between Christy and the girls, he said, and that hugging and kissing was a common pasting. At other times a common pastime. At other times, Hall said, he would hold and caress a model and call her his "baby doll." Christy's trip to a Keeley cure was

# **COHEN SEEMS LIKELY** TO GO ENTIRELY FREE

Philadelphia Police Confirm Story That Waiter Didn't Harm Heiress.

Philadelphia, Jan. 17-There is a pos-

sibility that Frederick Cohen will go unpunished for the part he took in the escapade with Miss Roberta De Janon, the young heiress.

The police today made the emphatic statement that Cohen did not harm the

statement that Cohen did not harm the girl, basing this statement upon a report of the police surgeon, and the young runaway still adheres to her story that she alone was responsible for the affair. After an interview with the waiter in his cell, his lawyer told reporters that Cohen, under the law, committed no crime.

The girl is in a private apartment of a hospital under the care of a nerve

a hospital under the care of a nerve specialist. It is quite likely she will be kept there for some days. Mrs. Julia Cohen, the deserted wife, who was taken to a hospital last night in a state of nervous collapse, was bet-

a state of hervous contages, was better today.

After a brief hearing this afternoon,
Cohen was committed to the county
prison without ball for further hearing weeks from today on a charge of kidnaping.

WASHINGTON. D. C.—Associate Justice Harlan, of the supreme court of the United States: Attorney General Wickersham, Senator Borah, Senator Burkett and General George B. Davis, spoke last night at the annual meeting of the Alexander Hamilton Memorial association in commemoration of the 153d anniversary of Hamilton's birth. ton's birth.

LEMARS, IA.—A number of head of stock belonging to William Madden, in the west part of town, were found starved to death when health officers went to the premises. Madden is a fa-miliar figure in police court.

DUBUQUE, IA.—Mrs. Lucy Nance, charged with poisoning her husband, escaped indictment by the grand jury and was given her freedom.

PIERRE, S. D.-C. J. Jorgenson, of Sisseton, has formally announced his candidacy for attorney general. Royal Johnson, of Highmore, is also said to a candidate.

# WIFE OF NEGRO KILLS SPOUSE WITH PISTOL

Husband Attempts Murder and She Gets Back With Shot Through the Head.

Council Bluffs, Ia., Jan. 17.-Gene Collins, a negro dining car waiter on the Union Pacific, was shot and instantly killed by his wife, Mrs. Grace Dell Collins, here shortly after 8 o'clock this morning, after he had fired three ineffectual shots at her.

Yesterday Mrs. Collins filed suit for a divorce, left her home and went to the home of her mother, Mrs. Amanali Powell, When Collins arrived last night and falled to find his wife he started in search of her. This morning he located her at her mother's house. He managed to gain an entrance found his managed to gain an entrance, found his wife and began shooting at her. Rela-tives of the woman managed to stop him for a minute and his wife rushed upstairs secured a revolver and locked herself in a room. Directly Collins pur-sued her, smashed in the door of the troom and as he entered his wife fired, the bullet hitting him in the head killing him instantly. Mrs. Collins and her mother were taken to the central police station where they are being held. Collins and his wife were married here June 23, 1909.

## ABANDON TRAINS TO SUPPLY COAL

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 17.—The state railroad commission received notice from Manager Earling of the Milwaukee road that several local passenger trains in northern Iowa have been abandoned in accordance with a suggestion of the commission so that coal gestion of the commission so that coal trains may be handled to relieve dis-tress. Governor Carroll received word from the mannager of the Minneapolis from the mannager of the Minneapolis road that it is expected that today coal will be delivered at several places where there is distress. At Gilmore the stores and all business was closed and many of the residences to save coal. The board of control received word that at Cherokee a foot of snow fell and that the situation is more serious than heretofore. Trains in southern Iowa are not hindered as only a little snow fell. The state railroad commission has received strong protest from representatives of private car lines doing business in Iowa against the adoption of the proposed demurrage rules in Iowa and elsewhere. It is claimed there will be great injury to private car lines.

## DECISIONS OF THE SUREME COURT

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 17.—The fol-lowing decisions were handed down today by the supreme court: State of Iowa vs. Neubauer, appel-lant, Linn county; affirmed.

lant, Linn county; affirmed.

Daniels vs. Daniels, appellant, Dubuque county; affirmed.

Dillow & Co., appellant, vs City of Monticello, Jones county; affirmed.

Jefferies vs. Chicago & Northwestern Railway company, appellant, Pottawattamie county; affirmed.

Davis vs. Mohn, appellant, Linn county; affirmed.

Hamilton vs. Chicago, Burlington &

Hamilton vs. Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway company, appellant, Dubuque county; affirmed.

## GOVERNOR CALLS ROAD CONVENTION

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 17 .- Governor B. F. Carroll today called the first state good roads convention ever held in Iowa. The dates are March 8 and 9. The object is to devise legislation which will be sought at the next general assembly.

# BELLE PLAINE EDITOR

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 17.—C. A. Nobel, editor of the Union at Belie Plaine, died today of typhoid fever, aged 35.

# **WALSH'S AFFAIRS ARE NEAR TO SETTLEMENT**

Former Banker About to Dis. appear as Factor in Chicago Business World.

Chicago, Jan. 17.-John R. Walsh today attached his signature to the agree-ment of settlement of his financial troubles, and sent it to the First Trust and Savings bank, to be held until the guaranteers of the note sign their part

of the agreement. The signature gives to the associated banks of Chicago, which backed the ad-justment of Walsh's financial affairs after his banks were suspended in 1905, the \$14,039,000 in securities he put up to cover a note for \$7,121,887.12 in return

for the canceled note. In addition the banks will get \$600,000 from the guaranteers of the big note, who are then to be given the \$949,000 in securities they put up as recurity.

When the guaranteers sign their part of the agreement the financial affairs of the former banker and railroad own-er will be practically closed.

## CHICAGO RAILROADS SUFFERING BLOCKADE

Chicago, Jan. 17.—One of the most serious train blockades in the history of Chicago was reported by the railroads running into this city today. The tieup is so complete that shipments of milk and coal are stalled miles from

The telegraph companies are in bad The telegraph companies are in bad condition, especially to the north and south of here. There is only one wire working between here and Minneapolis and St. Paul, according to the telegraph officials. The wires to the south and east are working poorly. Most of the trouble south is said to be within a radius of 50 miles form here.

LIMA. PERU—Congress yesterday approved the treaty recently negotiated with Brazil defining the boundary line between these two countries in the Amazon. Each country retains its actual possessions in the disputed terri-

MUSCATINE, IA.—The grand jury finds itself without a criminal investi-gation on its hands for the first time in

# SECRET BARED BY RAY LAMPHERE AT DEATH'S APPROACH

He Himself Caused Murderess' Death by Accidentally Burning House.

REV. MR. SCHELL MAKES NO COMMENT ON STORY

Mount Pleasant, Ia., Jan. 15.—
Rev. E. A. Schell, president of
Wesleyan university, who heard
the confession of Ray Lamphere
before his death, refused to discuss the alleged confession of
Lamphere after his arrest.
Shortly before the death of
the Gunness suspect it was declared he had confessed his participation in the crimes committed at the "Murder farm" near
La Porte, Ind.

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St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 15.—Ray Lamphere, who died recently in the Indiana penitentiary at Michigan City, while serving a life term for complicity in the murders on the farm of Mrs. Bella Gunness, near Laport, Ind., did not carry the secrets of the Gunness charnal farm to the tomb with him, according to a copyrighted story in the Post-Dispatch today. When he believed death was near he confessed.

The confession was made to Rev. Dr. E. A. Schell, formerly pastor of the La. Porte Methodist church, now president of Iowa Wesleyan university at Mount Pleasant, Ia., and held by him inviolate as a secret of the confessional. The Post-Dispatch says the Rev. Mr. Schell would verify, if he would consent to break his silence, the confession it publishes. The Post-Dispatch, however, says the confession it publishes was made to a man of unassallable character.

Knew of Three Murders.

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Lamphere, according to the confession, had a guilty knowledge of the murder of three men in the Gunness home during the time he lived there, about eight months in 1907, and he assisted Mrs. Gunness in disposing of the bodies of the three men.

He said he thought he had not received as much of the profits of the transactions as he considered himself entitled to and that he went to the farm house at night with a woman and chloroformed Mrs. Gunness, her three children and Jennie Olson. He and the woman then searched the house, finding between \$60 and \$70.

The light they used was a candle and they left the house without knowing they had left behind a spark that soor burst into flames.

Cut Off Victims' Heads.

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Mrs. Gunness' method of killing her victims, Lamphere said, was first to chloroform them as they slept, and then if the drug did not of itself kill, she severed the heads with an ax. Each time a man was to be murdered, according to Lamphere, she sent him to purchase chloroform. Lamphere said he saw one of the men killed, and aided in burying all three. These men were Andrew Helgelein and probably Ole Budsberg and Tonnes Peterson Lien.

Lien, Lamphere thought, was the third husband of Mrs. Gunness. At the time of the Lamphere trial it was thought Jennie Olson had been killed by Mrs. Gunness. Lamphere, however, details how Mrs. Gunness had secreted her in the house after she returned from a visit, and she was chloroformed by Lamphere and his accomplice.

Details Are Cold-Blooded.

The confession says Mrs. Gunness in-Cut Off Victims' Heads.

The confession says Mrs. Gunness in-formed Lamphere of the coming of her cousins. The first man to be killed was from Minnesota. He never awoke from his sleep in the Gunness house. In the darkness Lamphere was ordered by Mrs. Gunness to dump a gunny sack and its contents in a hole that had DIES OF PNEUMONIA been made by another farm hand for rubbish.

Mrs. Gunness never told him what become of the man, but Lamphere re-ceived money from Mrs. Gunness.

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Within a month another man arrived. He wanted to know his rights before paying off the mortgage on the Gunness farm, and Mrs. Gunness took him to St. Joseph, Mich., Lamphere thought, where they were married. A few nights after they came back there was another burying. Lamphere received money once more from Mrs. Gunness, and he said he became the trusted ally of Mrs. Gunness.

South Dakota Victim.

Then Andrew Helgelein came from South Dakota with a check for \$2,893.20. This was cashed and Helgelein was given to understand he was nothing more than a farm hand. Lamphere was sent on an errand to Michigan City to remain all night. He returned to the Gunness home, and through a hole in the floor heard Helgelein groan in distress. He was begging Mrs. Gunness to send for a doctor.

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It was chloral she had given Helgelein, according to Lamphere. Presently Helgelein fell to the floor and Lamphere said he saw Mrs. Gunness strike the prostrate form and end the life.

life.

Lamphere, the following night, buried this body, with Mrs. Gunness' assistance. Shortly after Mrs. Gunness and Lamphere quarreled over money and he was ordered off the farm. She put her money in the bank the afternoon before Lamphere, seeking money, chioroformed all in the house, robbed and set fire to the place.

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Lamphere said he was drunk the night he visited the place. He thought he would find \$1,500.

Lamphere said the chloroform he used was a part of the quantities he bought for Mrs. Gunness.

Didn't Intend Murder.

Lamphere did not desire the death of the Gunness children and Jennie Olson

the Gunness children and Jennie Olson. His first question when he was ar-rested on suspicion of having set fire

rested on suspicion of having set fire to the house was whether the children had escaped. He did not even intend to kill Mrs. Gunness.

Although he confessed to greater crimes, he did not admit that he intentionally started the fire in which Mrs. Gunness and the children perished. Once he was willing to enter a formal court plea of guilty to that charge in the hope of leniency, but when he learned that in the confession of arson would be involved a confession of murdering the family, he refused.

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Washington, Jan. 15.—Representa tives of the Switchmen's Union of North America and of the railroads operating out of Chicago, engaged again today in threshing out their differences before the Erdman act mediators, Chairman Knapp and Dr. Nelli. It is stated there is no immediate prospect of an adjustment of the difficulty.

LOGAN, IA.—Henry and Guy Mar-ley have been indicted on a charge of murder and will have their trial dur-ing the present term of court.

DEADWOOD, S. D. — Freeman Knowles, ex-congressman and newspa-per man, has been arrested on a charge of criminal libel on complaint of Cham-bers Kellar, who recently horsewhipped him. DEADWOOD, S. D. - Freeman