

Slain Youth's Rich Father Gets Threats

Police Guard Surrounds Millionaire's Home When Letter Is Received; Strange Phone Calls.

Chicago, May 24.—A police guard was hurriedly thrown about the home of Jacob Franks, father of the slain 13-year-old victim of kidnapers, Robert Franks, today, after new threats of violence had been reported to State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe by members of the family.

Boy, 13, Son of Millionaire, Kidnaped and Slain; Chicago Culvert Where Body of Victim Was Found



Beneath this culvert at One Hundred Twenty-first street and the Pennsylvania tracks, Chicago, was found the body of Robert Franks, 13-year-old son of Jacob Franks, millionaire. The kidnapers had demanded \$10,000 ransom.

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Story of Girl Bares Ring of Vice in Omaha

County Attorney Joins Police in City-Wide Investigation; School Books Lead Sleuths to Arrest.

Vice in its most hideous men was uncovered by police Saturday with the story of Edna Stewart, 17, who came here from Atlantic, Ia., a year ago when her mother died.

Rigid Query Ordered The detectives questioned her and then took her to the station for further questioning. She told her story.

Then a man who gave his name as Leland Daniels was arrested and charged with aiding and abetting delinquency.

After hearing her story, Inspector Pisanowski ordered the police department to make a rigid investigation of smaller hotels of the city.

"With all our knowledge of vice conditions we didn't know there was such an evidently organized machine," he said.

He consulted with County Attorney Beal.

A serious charge, carrying a sentence of one to ten years, was filed by County Attorney Beal Saturday morning against Jacob Freer, proprietor of the Capitol hotel, after the story of the girl had been learned.

Daniels and another man, Dewey Spencer, were charged with aiding and abetting delinquency.

"This is the third case of the kind that has come to my attention recently," said Mr. Beal. "It indicates to my mind a terrible condition among some of these hotels. One of the other cases was that of a married woman of 15 who came here to see her husband, did not find him and finally rented a room at a hotel. When she could not pay, the proprietor told her she would have to earn enough to pay her bill. She declined to go through with the proposition, however."

Favors Grand Jury "If conditions are what he informs me, I shall demand that a grand jury be summoned," said Mr. Beal. "The details are terrible and revolting."

Edna is a little girl, with blond bobbed hair and blue eyes. She wept as she told her story. When she first came to Omaha she went to live with her sister, Mame McDowell, 1539 North Eighteenth street. When a dispute arose between them she resolved to make her own living while studying to be a stenographer and

Men Who Are Making Omaha



Herbert H. Fish is the man who gets started early in his life's work, and doubly fortunate if he selects a work that turns out to be play.

It was not mere "happenstance" or luck that directed the early footsteps of Herbert H. Fish, president of the Western Newspaper union, into the paths of the art preservative.

While a school boy in his teens "Bert" Fish took a lively interest in the newspaper and printing business, and it was only natural that he should adopt it as his life work.

He hung out his shingle, announcing to the world where real and regular "job printing" could be executed, while yet in his teens, at Neenah, Wis.

The job printing establishment consisted of nothing more than a little hand press and a font or two of bookkeeper. She was unable to find any employment until she learned of a job as waitress in the Overland hotel, Thirtieth and Howard streets.

There she met Daniels, who gained her confidence, she said. Later he took her to the Capitol hotel.

The Stewart girl declared her abhorrence of the life she says she has been forced into. Among her possessions are things cherished by girls of culture, such as a little "autograph album" containing the names of 78 school friends.

She has been placed in the care of juvenile authorities while police continue their investigation.

Frost Reported in Parts of City

Killing Frost Out-State Said to Have Done Much Damage.

Frost Friday night was reported from most Nebraska weather bureau stations. Lowest temperature in the state was 28, at Broken Bow. Beatrice reported 32. In Omaha 36 was registered at 7 Saturday. Frost was reported in many places in and around the city with some damage to fruit trees and early garden produce. Indications are for clear and somewhat warmer tonight and Sunday.

By Associated Press. Norfolk, Neb., May 24.—Killing frost did great damage in north Nebraska last night, when a temperature of 29 above zero was recorded. Acreage of tomatoes were killed and old tender vegetation was damaged. Water was frozen. It is not definitely known yet, however, how badly the fruit crops were damaged. May 24, 1897 and May 27, 1907 were the other May days in which a killing frost occurred in this section of the state.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Columbus, Neb., May 24.—Latest killing frost in 61 years was recorded here during the night, when temperature dropped to 30 degrees, doing untold damage to vegetables, fruits, berries, clover and potatoes, while trees today began showing autumn shades of yellow. May 19, 1894, is the last late frost date beaten by last night's record and equalled only in 1863 when frost was recorded every month during the summer.

The one thing certain about the prince of Wales is his title to the "throne"—Lafayette Journal and Courier.

ADVERTISEMENT.

Lemon Juice Whitens Skin



The only harmless way to bleach the skin white is to mix the juice of two lemons with three ounces of Orchard White, which any druggist will supply for a few cents. Shake well in a bottle, and you have a whole quart—drop-point of the most wonderful skin whitener, softener and beautifier. Massage this sweetly fragrant lemon-bleach into the face, neck, arms and hands. It cannot irritate. Famous stage beauties use it to bring that clear, youthful skin and rosy-white complexion; also as a freckle, sunburn and tan bleach. You must mix this remarkable bleach yourself. It cannot be bought ready to use because it acts best immediately after it is prepared.

Father to Spend Million. Coroner Oscar Wolff announced the boy was a victim of suffocation after his chemists had found no external cause of death, no metallic poisons in the vital organs, and concluded that a hand or cloth pressed over the lad's mouth brought death.

The spectacles, narrow from temple to temple, with comparatively straight bows, such as are usually worn by a woman, concave lenses intended for street wear by a farsighted person, were made to order from prescription, a Chicago optician declared.

Mrs. Franks collapsed while being consulted about arrangements for the boy's funeral, which has not been definitely fixed.

Having determined to their own satisfaction that young Franks' kidnaper, or one of them at least, was a polished, cultured, soft-spoken individual, Chief of Detectives Hughes was more than surprised, when an oculist whose identity being kept secret told him he recently had fitted glasses to a man answering that description, and whose name peculiarly enough, was Johnson, the name that was signed to the letter demanding \$10,000 from the elder Franks.

The tortoise-shell glasses found near the body was another thing that puzzled the authorities. That they had not belonged to the boy was known, yet when they first saw the body the glasses were on the boy's face. This feature was cleared up when the undertaker said that he had put them on him, believing them his and that they would aid in his identification.

On the other hand, the glasses were not large enough to have fitted the features of any man except an exceedingly thin-faced one. They are more of a feminine style and the police are investigating the possibility that a woman may have been mixed up in the affair.

Bit by bit as they trace the boy's steps from the time he left the schoolyard, where he had umpired a baseball game, the detectives are piecing together what they say probably is the correct story. It has developed that at the precise moment that the boy left the school a man who had been sitting on the curb in front arose and waved his arm as if in accordance to the story told by a schoolmate, that the boy was seen to enter a large touring car, apparently willingly. From that moment all trace of him was lost until his nude body was found under a culvert near the Pennsylvania railroad tracks.

Two Instructors Held. Detectives, returning to the place where the body was discovered, early today found a note reading as follows: "Dear officers: Find me quick. Am in danger. Robert Franks."

Fearing that it might be the work of jokers, or perhaps a "blind," the detectives planned to submit the note to Franks' parents for identification.

Although they have insisted repeatedly that no suspicion is attached to instructors of the exclusive Harvard school which the boy attended, the police were holding two of them in custody at outlying stations today. One is Walter Wilson, mathematics instructor, and the other Fred Alwood, a teacher of chemistry.

Man Killed, Brother Hurt by Kansas City Street Car. Kansas City, May 23.—W. E. Hendricks, 70, Hanford, Cal., was killed and his brother, Dr. H. T. Hendricks, 65, also of Hanford, was injured here late yesterday when struck by a street car as they were crossing a street.

The brothers came here two weeks ago to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. May Evans. They had remained with a niece to be here for the Shrine convention.

Husband Slays Mate. Portland, Ore., May 24.—George Lesenick, 40, a machinist, shot and killed his wife, Patricia, as she lay asleep early today, and disregarding the plaintive cries of his three children ended his life with a bullet through his head.

Jap Bill to Coolidge. Washington, May 24.—The new immigration restriction bill, carrying the Japanese exclusion provision, was returned to President Coolidge today by Secretary of State Hughes.

HAVELOCK YOUTH KILLED BY TRAIN

Central City, Neb., May 24.—Positive identification was made early Saturday that Kenneth Earl Meeks of Havelock was the youth instantly killed when struck by Union Pacific train No. 1 in the vicinity of Chapman, a few days ago. The lad had first been identified as a Council Bluffs boy, who was later discovered as very much alive at the home of an uncle at Fremont.

Partial deafness is attributed as probable cause of the boy's tragic death when he stepped in front of the train. A recent surgical operation at Havelock had impaired his hearing, according to a brother who identified him. The boy was the son of Mrs. Blanche Meeks, a widow residing at Havelock.

COOLIDGE STUDIES NEW TAX CUT BILL

Washington, May 24.—Whether discussion of the tax reduction bill is finally agreed to by congress is an improvement over the present revenue law, which is capable of creating an annual \$200,000,000 surplus for the government, has been made the issue by President Coolidge in deciding whether he will sign or veto it.

The conference report on the compromise bill, carrying the Simmons-Longworth income tax rates, was expected to be called up in the senate today and adopted with brief debate, if any. The report then goes to the house, where prompt action likewise is expected.

If Coolidge vetoes the bill, leaders of both parties believe that there will be ample votes in both houses to pass it over that veto.

Japanese Army and Navy Officers Freed by Reds

Tokio, May 24.—Captain Matsui of the Japanese general staff and Commander Minotsuma of the navy, who have been held as prisoners of the soviet government at Vladivostok for the last two months, have been released, according to Japanese foreign office.

The release of the two officers, with promises of the early release of other Japanese still in jail at Vladivostok, really eases the Russo-Japanese situation, which has recently caused the foreign office some apprehension.

King Alfonso to Receive Mary Pickford and Doug Fairbanks

Madrid, May 23.—Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks will be presented to King Alfonso and Queen Victoria tomorrow on their return to Madrid from a visit to Andalusia, Toledo and other places of historical interest in Spain.

A series of entertainments has been arranged in honor of the American movie couple, among them a dinner at the American embassy, to take place before their presentation to the king and queen.

The night has a thousand eyes, but thank goodness, the window shades still are opaque.—Little Rock Democrat.

Oser Baby Is Christened "Annetta"

Basel, Switzerland, May 24.—The baby girl recently born to Mrs. Max Oser, the former Mathilda McCormick, at Chamberg, near Geneva, has been named Annetta, says a message received here. Mother and child are progressing satisfactorily.

MOTHER, 3 SONS BURN TO DEATH

Pocatello, Idaho, May 24.—Mrs. Isaac Kovene and her three sons, aged 4, 6 and 8, were burned to death early today when the Kovene home at Georgetown, Idaho, near Montpellier, was destroyed by fire.

An infant girl was found by neighbors some distance from the burned home and it is believed Mrs. Kovene carried the baby to safety and then was trapped when she entered the burning home to rescue her sons.

FOUR BURIED AS STRUCTURE FALLS

New York, May 24.—Four men were buried in the debris, two were believed killed and 10 others were injured when the shoring of a building under reconstruction in West Forty-sixth street collapsed today.

PYORRHEA OFTEN DESTROYS HEALTH

Unless pyorrhea is promptly checked, it will certainly cause extreme pain and discomfort and probably will ruin your health.

Be especially careful to avoid quick "cures," which give a false feeling of security but which cannot heal the sore gums or kill the hidden germs.

For sure, certain help use "Pyros" the mouth medicine which has the power to PENETRATE to the tooth sockets where the germs are at work. "Pyros," though a strong antiseptic, contains nothing harmful. It will keep the teeth clean and the breath sweet and, if directions are followed, it will stop the worst case of pyorrhea.

Ask your druggist for "Pyros." If he does not have it send this Ad and 25 cents in stamps to the Rhea Chemical Co., 1271 Curtis St., Denver, Colo., for a large trial size.

BEFORE BABIES WERE BORN

Mrs. Oswald benefited by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Girardville, Pa.—"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound before my last two babies came. It keeps me in perfect health and I am on my feet getting meals and doing all my housework until an hour before the baby is born. A friend told me to take it and I have used ten bottles since I heard about it. I recommend the Vegetable Compound whenever I can. Just yesterday a friend was telling me how miserable she felt, and I said, 'If you start taking Lydia E. Pinkham's you will feel fine.' Now she is taking it."

Mrs. Nicola Paluzzi Says

Mishawaka, Indiana.—"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for weakness before my babies were born. I was weak and tired out all the time and it helped me. When I had inward inflammation the doctor treated me, but did not help me, so I tried Lydia E. Pinkham's Sanative Wash and it helped me at once."

Mrs. Nicola Paluzzi, 415 E. Broadway, Mishawaka, Indiana.



Advertisement for Pinkham's Compound, describing its benefits for women's health.

Large advertisement for Hudson and Essex cars, featuring images of two different car models and text describing their features and prices. The text includes 'Closed Car Comforts at Open Car Cost', 'Advantages Exclusive to the Coach', and 'Hudson and Essex Are of One Quality'. Prices listed are \$975 for the Essex Six Coach and \$1550 for the Hudson Super-Six Coach. The advertisement also mentions 'Some Territory Open for Responsible Dealers' and provides contact information for Killy Motor Co. at 2064 Farnam.