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GREEK KILLS TO SAVE SELF

John Masuredis Tries to Excuse Murder of Policeman.

OFFICER ED LOWERY VICTIM

Police Had Been Watching the Man, Who, with Wife in Greece, Persisted in Attention to Young Woman.

John Masuredis, who killed Officer Edward Lowery of South Omaha Friday night was identified in the county jail Saturday morning by N. J. Mandannis, a contractor for the Union Pacific, who has known the prisoner several years. Mandannis was the only man to whom Masuredis would talk.

"I took the revolver out of my pocket and was going to throw it away," declared Masuredis. "I did not want to be fined for carrying concealed weapons. The policeman thought I was going to shoot at him and he fired at me, hitting me in the breast. Then I fired at him to save myself. He then shot at me again, hitting me in the leg."

"I did not intend to kill him." The South Omaha police had kept their eyes on Masuredis ever since he returned to Omaha from Kansas City two weeks ago. He was identified in the company of the girl, Lilli Breece, who was arrested some time ago. It is said, and it is declared she is not 18 years old, but 17. Masuredis repeated to his friend Mandannis his story that he went to see the girl to learn English and asserted that he had a primer in his pocket as well as the revolver. Masuredis has been in America three and one-half years, coming here from Messenia, Greece, where he has a wife and one son about 5 years old. He first went to Sunrise, Wyo., where his brother Gust was at the time. Later the two came to South Omaha and opened a confectionery and grocery. This was sold some months ago and Gust Masuredis went to Alexandria, Egypt, where he now is. The man who shot the policeman went to Kansas City.

No one could get a word out of the prisoner, whose wounds are not serious, save his fellow countryman. To jail officials, the sheriff and newspaper men he refused to answer, although he kept his English a little and must have understood the questions addressed him. He submitted to being photographed without protest.

Story of the Murder. Officer Lowery was shot and instantly killed by Masuredis at five minutes before 12 o'clock Friday night at the corner of Twenty-fourth and N streets. Lowery had gone up to the room where the girl, Lilli Breece lived to arrest Masuredis for vagrancy. He found him and the girl there and brought them downstairs and out on the street. It was then that Masuredis drew his gun and fired at the policeman. He shot twice, the bullets striking Lowery in the right leg and left side. The bullet in the side severed the mesenteric artery and the policeman bled to death in less than five minutes in Schaefer's drug store, whether he was carried.

Masuredis ran around a street car and the other to the station and up again to the girl's room. Here Officer Lowery found him hiding under the bed. Harder dragged him out and then the Greek showed fight and reached for his gun. The officer lost no time in applying his club, knocking the man out the first blow. The chief of police and four other officers were called from the drug store to a large crowd of angry men back who shouted, "Hang him! Hang him!" Further than these shouts there was no disorder, except that the men crowded around the prisoner yelling all the way to the jail. There Dr. Koening, who had attended Officer Lowery during his dying moments, examined the Greek and discovered his wounds.

Lowery had arrived at the drug store within a few minutes after the shooting, but not in time to bid farewell to one of the bravest, kindest officers on the force. Her grief was most pitiful and the effect on the immense crowd was maddening.

Girl Tells Story. The girl who was accused of carrying the Greek made an effort to escape and was making her way sobbing toward her room when she was detained and taken to the police station. There she told the first story of the shooting.

She said: "I was teaching the man to speak English. He came to my rooms every evening to learn what he could. Mrs. Haynes called the officer and when he came in the prisoner was seated on the edge of the bed and we were talking. The officer said, 'Aha, I want you,' to the Greek. Then he told me to get ready to go to the station. I went, for the officer told me I could come along with me. When we got opposite the car used for a shop I was ahead. I heard the officer say, 'None of that now,' and then heard two shots. I don't know who shot first. Both were shooting. The man dove under the car and the officer fired one shot after him, and then sank to his knees. The Greek then got up and walked away."

The woman is small, of dark complexion, sharp-witted and apparently frank in her story. The police will not hold her except as a witness. She was placed in a cell for the night.

Mob Threatens Revenge. There was much trouble before Masuredis was safely lodged in the Douglas county jail. From the South Omaha lockup he was taken a little past midnight to the Douglas county hospital. Five hundred men howling for the Greek's blood had surrounded the jail, but made no overt effort to get him when he was hustled into an ambulance guarded by the chief of police and as many men as that official could muster.

The mob was told that Masuredis had been taken to the Douglas county hospital. They were small. This had for a time a mollifying effect, but while he was in the hospital the news of the murder was spread over South Omaha as fast as only a tale of murder can travel. The officers had word of the spirit of mob vengeance now surging higher and higher. The Greek was being held in the Douglas county hospital.

They then determined to bring Masuredis to Omaha. He was replaced in the ambulance and the drive begun. A roundabout way was pursued in order to deceive any pursuers.

Officer Lowery had been on the force for a number of years. His residence was at Twenty-fourth and K streets. He is survived by a wife and three children. The oldest is Miss Katherine Lowery, a student at the State university. A son of 17 named Vance is well known in South Omaha, a hustling, manly fellow. There is a younger child. No arrangements could be made for anything last night.

FOUND DEAD IN BATH ROOM. W. D. Smith of Chicago Expires from Heart Failure or Apoplexy.

W. D. Smith, an Adams Express messenger, running between here and Chicago, was found dead in the bath tub at the residence of Joe Walsh, his boarding house, 303 South Tenth street, about 8 o'clock last night.

Smith made his home in Chicago. He arrived here about 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon and went to his room at 7:30 o'clock. He remained there until 11 o'clock, when he went to the bath tub. He was found dead in the tub at 8 o'clock last night.

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BOSS DOUGH MIXERS LINK UP. Twenty-Three Owners of Bakeries Sign a Charter List. TO BE STATE-WIDE IN SCOPE. Organized Work Considered Necessary to Protect and Further the Growing Interests of the Baking Industry.

SUNDRY CIVIL BILL TAKEN UP

Measure Contains Number of Items Which Are of Interest to the West.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—(Special Telegram.) The house committee on appropriations today reported the sundry civil bill, the big money bill of congress, indicating that every effort will be made to pass it before the middle of next week.

But two or three other money bills remain for consideration on the part of the house, the general deficiency bill being now under consideration by the committee on appropriations and it is understood will be reported next week.

There was a feeling some weeks ago that President Roosevelt might veto the sundry civil bill should it fail to make provision for the secret service of the treasury department, but that feeling has been dispelled and it is now generally thought that the sundry civil bill, which carries nearly \$140,000,000, closing up especially necessary things for the continuation of the governmental departments, will be passed as early as possible and get to the president long before the rush of bills during the final days of congress begins.

Iowa and Nebraska Items. The bill reported today provides for continuing the work on a large number of new public buildings in Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota and Wyoming, the following for temporary quarters at Cedar Rapids, Ia., \$4,500; Columbus, Neb., for completion of building, \$45,000; Council Bluffs, Neb., for site and completion of building, \$35,000; Beatrice, Neb., for the completion of the extension, remodeling or improvement of a building, \$30,000; Cedar Rapids, Ia., for additional land for enlargement, \$10,000; for rent of temporary quarters at Cedar Rapids, Ia., \$4,500; Columbus, Neb., for completion of building, \$45,000; Council Bluffs, Neb., for additional land and to continue enlargement, \$40,000; Davenport, Ia., for additional land, \$45,000; Decorah, Ia., for completion of building, \$35,000; Eastern Iowa, for completion of building, \$45,000; Fairbury, Neb., for site and completion, \$35,000; Fort Dodge, Ia., for completion and enlargement, \$105,000; Fremont, Neb., for completion and enlargement, \$35,000; Grand Island, Neb., for completion of building, \$45,000; Holdrege, Neb., for site and continuation of building under present limits, \$50,000; Kearney, Neb., for site and continuation, \$45,000; Lander, Wyo., for continuation under present limits, \$50,000; Lead, S. D., for site and continuation, \$30,000; Mason City, Ia., for site and completion, \$50,000; Mitchell, S. D., for site and completion of building, \$35,000; North Platte, Neb., for site, etc., \$50,000; Ottumwa, Ia., for continuation of building, \$35,000; Plattsmouth, Neb., for completion of building, \$35,000; Shenandoah, Ia., for completion of building, \$50,000; Sioux Falls, S. D., for completion of enlargement and remodeling of building, \$80,000; Watertown, S. D., for site and completion, \$25,000; York, Neb., for completion of building, \$35,000; for building reservoir on timber reservation of Fort Meade, S. D., for improving water and for construction of a pipe line to bring water down by gravity to the post main, \$100,000; Battle Mountain sanitarium, Hot Springs, S. D., for nursery cottage, \$15,000.

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WOOLDRIDGE AGAIN ON CARPET. Humane Officer Gives Exhibition of Inhuman Treatment of Helpless Prisoner at Jail.

Humane Officer H. L. Wooldridge of the Omaha Police department will be on the carpet again before the police board on charges reported by Police Captain Mostry. This time the humane officer was up for abusing an intoxicated prisoner whom he was searching at the police station. Wooldridge was temporarily detailed for duty at the police station Friday to take the place of one of the regular officers on duty with the patrol wagon.

Lurching and pushing away from the officer as any drunken man would do, the man who was being searched by Wooldridge after just being arrested and before being locked up, was deliberately struck a severe blow on the head by that officer. The helpless prisoner fell to the floor rendered unconscious for about twenty minutes.

Captain Mostry immediately relieved Wooldridge from his special assignment and with a terse reprimand sent the officer away to attend to his other duties.

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direction of Prof. Chambers is also exciting considerable notice.

REAL THING IN SNOWSTORM

Recollections of an English Blizzard that Fat Forty Feet of Snow on Highways.

The mogul engines which were stalled in the recent blizzard out west do not appear to be worthy successors of a certain Hercules engine which cut a noble figure in the English blizzard of 1892.

To appreciate the role played by the Hercules some idea must be given of the effect of the storm on other methods of travel. Fourteen mail coaches were abandoned on as many roads. Another was dug out of drifts five times between Exeter and London.

Another was buried so deep that it took 300 men, principally sappers and miners, several hours to make a passage to the coach and rescue the mails and passengers, while near Chatham the snow lay to a depth of thirty or forty feet, the military being turned out to the number of 600 to clear the way.

In London the drifts were ten feet deep and hundreds of men and carts were employed hauling the snow out to the fields in the suburbs. The markets were in a bad way. One day only four stall holders were able to reach a main market. Greens, which a few days before the storm were being sold for 3 pence a bunch at market, now fetched from 10d to 1s, turnips, carrots and celery becoming equally dear; while 10 handfuls of parsley realized 2s 6d, and the happy possessor of a bunch which he had previously purchased for 3d realized for his prize no less a sum than 23 2s 3d.

Amid all this confusion the pioneer railways covered themselves with glory by running trains almost without interruption. There was a deep cutting on one line where the snow had drifted badly and, according to the Queen, great numbers of people turned out to see how the Hercules engine would get along. They imagined, of course, that it would be stopped, but to their astonishment the engine dashed right into the drift, "clearing its way right through apparently without the slightest difficulty, the snow at the same time flying over the top of the engine chimney like foam from the broken waves of a violent sea, and notwithstanding obstacles the train came down from Greenhead (twenty miles) in one hour and a quarter."—New York Sun.

CHANCE FOR THE BALDHEADS

Someone Has Given a Fifty Dollar Wig for the Elks' Fair.

A 50 man's wig or toupe is one of the prizes which will be given at the Elks' fair and army McClure is already preparing to win the prize, as are also some of the other bald-pates who belong to the lodge. An effort will also be made to secure some of the hunting outfits which President Roosevelt is to take with him to the wilds of Africa when he goes after March 4. The club has been disappointed in several matters of late, one being the failure to secure the gasticus from the city hall, and the other was the decision of Patrick eafey not to run for mayor. The fact that the Cinderella ball, in all its grandeur, will be reproduced under the

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NO APPENDIX AT THE FEAST

Unique Compliment to a Surgeon by the Fellows He Cut Into.

One hundred and twenty-five professional gentlemen, the flower of Philadelphia, each of them relieved of his verminiform appendix through the skill of a brother surgeon are to give a dinner in his honor, some thirty or forty appendixless residents of outlying provinces are to join the professionals in celebrating their immunity from stomach-ache and in toasting their deliverer. It is not known that this genus of the knife is himself minus an appendix, but presumably he is; at any rate, with such a string of appendices to his credit he will be in congenial company.

What a delightful exchange of wit, pleasant and serious information is made possible by this gathering. What mutual recollections will be reviewed; what similarities of symptoms will be discussed, what cherished memories of happy hospital days will arise. Who knows but that this dinner may bring together such a concentration of ideas on a single subject as to lead to new discoveries relating to the verminiform appendix? Already it is evident that the idea of appendix dinners will spread. Every community will have one; and if appendix dinners, why not others? The possibilities of scientific discussion are limited.—Washington Post.

Too Cold for Zeke to Work.

"Zeke" drew the old farmer, as he tharred out his whickers, "I want yeour to go down to the woodpile and chop up some kindling."

"Be'r," he exclaimed Zeke, as he blew his fingers, "It's too cold."

"Well, then, go over to the barnyard and get the corn."

"Can't," he howled, "I'm freezing."

"If'm," said about cleaning the snow off the porch."

"You'll have to excuse me, pap; my fingers are just like icicles."

The old farmer was thoughtful.

"Well, all right, son," he said slowly. It shan't be said that I allowed any of my children to get frost-bitten by working in freezing weather. What be yeou going to do now? Sit by the kitchen fire and warm yeour hands?"

Zeke grinned sheepishly.

"No, pap, I'm going down to the lake and the pickered through the ice."—Chicago News.

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RECEPTION TO NEIDLINGER

Many Omaha Musicians Assemble to Greet the Noted Composer.

A reception was given Friday evening at the Hotel Loyal in honor of W. H. Neidlinger, the noted song writer of New York, by his old friend, E. E. Sunderland. The affair was in the nature of a stag social and smoker, the guests comprising some thirty or more of the leading music teachers of Omaha.

Mr. Neidlinger was a number of years ago the leader of the Mozart quartet of Omaha, of which E. E. Sunderland and Fred J. Adams, who were present at Friday evening's reception are the only members now in the city.

Mr. Neidlinger now devotes about half his time to song composition and the other half his voice culture school in New York.

He returned to his home in New York Friday evening after the close of the reception.

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BANQUET PYTHIAN VETERANS

Forty of the Old-Timers of the Order Meet in Annual Affair at Hotel Loyal.

About forty veterans of the Pythian order participated in the twelfth annual banquet of the Pythian Veteran association in the main dining hall of the Hotel Loyal Friday evening, the occasion being also the forty-first anniversary of the founding of the order of the Knights of Pythias.

The Pythian Veteran association is a state organization with a membership from all parts of the state of men who have been members of the Knights of Pythias in good standing for over twenty years.

John Q. Goss, of Bellevue, who has been a member of the order since its foundation in 1861 is president. E. E. French, secretary, and Mel H. Hoerner, treasurer.

The veteran John Q. Goss, now in his 81th year, was toastmaster. After a disposal of the substantial features of the feast the evening was given over to a pow wow under the program notation "Flow Talk," by the veteran warriors of the shrine of "Man-Affraid-of-His-Tongue." President Goss delivered his annual address and called upon various members for responses to Pythian sentiments. Grand

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