

MURDER OF GIRL ON RIDGE ROAD MAY BE SOLVED

Authorities Confine Their Efforts to Running Down Clue That Body Is That of Waitress.

With all but one clue having been run down by the authorities in their efforts to discover the identity of the mystery woman, whose body was found in a ravine 14 miles north of Omaha November 20, detectives working on the case yesterday declared their single hope of solving the problem, which has attracted the attention of the entire middle west and baffled the police of a half dozen cities for more than a week, lies in the probability that the dead woman may have been Miss Alice Masette, a waitress, who formerly worked in Omaha and Des Moines restaurants, and whose parents are said to live in Colfax, Ia.

The body was identified at the Gentleman undertaking establishment several days ago by two women, who told the police they were sure the body was that of Miss Masette, their former chum and roommate.

Miss Masette was seen a few days before her disappearance in Louie Ahko's chop suey restaurant, Fifteenth and Harney streets, by waiters who claim to have known the girl, in the company of a former employer of the restaurant.

Say Man Disappeared. The woman's escort is said to have disappeared the day following the discovery of the body.

The man is said to have been her former common-law husband, and, according to friends of the girl, avoided her company after marrying another woman. The jilted woman also is said to have been extremely active in her efforts to cause her former sweetheart grief and embarrassment. Friends of the girl told the police they heard the man threaten to kill her a half dozen times, if she did not let him alone.

Detectives have been unable to find any one who has seen either the man or woman alive since they dined in the chop suey restaurant together.

This fact, together with the statement of the coroner's physician at the inquest that there was chicken and chop suey in the dead woman's stomach, which had been eaten less than an hour before she was killed, is taken to indicate that the couple left the restaurant immediately upon finishing their meal and the woman was murdered a short while afterwards. It is believed all marks of identification were destroyed on the clothing, or perhaps the body was given a complete change of clothing, and later taken in an automobile out on the ridge road, hurled over the embankment into the ravine and the man returned to Omaha.

Can't Locate Family. All efforts of the local authorities to reach members of the dead girl's family in Colfax have proven of no avail. Messages sent by the Omaha police to the departments in Lincoln, Des Moines, Chicago and Chicago seeking the apprehension of the fugitive waiter have remained unanswered, according to Detective Chief John T. Dunn.

The man is said to have had a large amount of money when he hurriedly left Omaha without notifying any of his friends. His wife is believed to be living in Kansas City.

Miss Masette is known to have worked in the Douglas cafe, 1816 Douglas street, a few months ago. At one time, it is said, she was employed in the Harney street restaurant. Recently, according to her friends in this city, she went to Des Moines and for awhile was employed there. She is said to have returned to Omaha and renewed her efforts to embarrass her former lover and his wife. The waiter's wife was visiting in Kansas City when the girl returned to this city, and he was seen several times recently with Miss Masette. They are said to have quarreled a great deal.

Advances New Theory. John A. Gentleman, at whose undertaking parlors, 3411 Farnam street, the body has been lying for the past week, advanced a new theory yesterday morning for the police to work on in the event Miss Masette's identity is not established. Mr. Gentleman declared he recently buried the child of a woman named Mattie Gore, who had been living in Council Bluffs, and who also formerly lived in Colfax, Ia. He declared the father of the baby lived in Council Bluffs also and had refused to marry the girl he wronged.

Miss Gore is said to have made repeated efforts to prevail on the man to marry her, and when the child died she appealed to him to assume the responsibility for its burial. This he also refused to do, it was said.

Mr. Gentleman declared a girl named Johnson of Council Bluffs or Omaha was a friend of the woman and he would attempt to locate her in the belief that she will be able to throw some light on the whereabouts of Miss Gore.

Memory Expert Guest of Kiwanis Club at Luncheon. Fifty-two members of the Kiwanis club were present at the weekly meeting of the organization at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday. A feature of the meeting was entertainment furnished by Dr. J. C. York City.

Current memory expert of New York City. Dr. Curren was told the names of the members at 12:15, just before luncheon was served, and at 1:30 he picked out each man, calling him by name.

Charles McDonald, county commissioner, delivered a short address on county affairs.

Father Seeks Children. David Fowler, seeking to get the custody of his five children from his former wife, testified before District Judge Wakeley that she has not been true to him. Mr. Fowler sued his wife for a divorce two years ago in the local divorce court. She filed a cross-petition and Judge Day awarded her a divorce and custody of the children.

Mildew proofing processes for tent canvas can be thoroughly tested for effectiveness in from three weeks to a month by a recently invented method.

Attention of Judge Redick Is Called By Editor of Bee, to Other Contemptuous Newspaper Publications, As He Suggested

At the opening of court yesterday morning Judge Redick was presented the following communication to Judge W. A. Redick:

Ogaha, Nov. 28, 1919.—To Hon. orable W. A. Redick, Judge of the District Court of Douglas County: On behalf of myself and the Bee Publishing company, and also on behalf of the public and all who believe in "equality before the law" and that justice should be administered to all alike impartially and without favor, I respectfully call your attention to four newspaper publications, which according to the recent ruling of your honor are clearly "contempt of court" and should be dealt with as such.

The publications referred to are as follows: A World-Herald publication of November 7; a publication in the Daily News of the same date, and a publication by John W. Towle, foreman of the late grand jury, November 17, in both the Daily News and World-Herald.

Publications Attached. For the information of the court, I attach said publications, marked respectively, Exhibits 1, 2, 3 and 4.

As will be observed, the World-Herald publication of November 7, which was two days before the alleged contemptuous publication in The Bee, makes direct reference to the then pending case of the State against J. Harry Moore, who it charges had been active in the city administration and had been indicted on the charge of conspiracy to commit arson. It proceeds to state what was set forth in the indictment and also the evidence which it claimed was given before the grand jury upon which the indictment was based, as follows:

"It was alleged further that Moore assisted in carrying the cans full of gasoline back to the court house. The article then proceeded to state that Thorpe and Morris, who were serving 90-day sentences in the county jail, when confronted by Moore in the grand jury room, identified him, and declared they could not be mistaken in their identification."

Then follows this most prejudicial statement: "Moore was the author of many of a series of sensational articles attacking the city administration and particularly Police Commissioner Ringer, which have appeared in The Bee from time to time. Numerous spreads' with various dark innuendoes, with crude plots and vicious charges veiled in them, have been credited to him."

It will further be observed that these publications in the World-Herald and Daily News not only were two days in advance of The Bee publication, but were a direct attack on The Bee as well as its reporter, which prompted and justified the publication of The Bee article. Is it possible that The Bee and its reporter charged with crime must remain silent for weeks, months and perhaps for years while unbridled license is allowed to other newspapers to publish anything and everything prejudicial to The Bee and its accused reporter?

I submit to the court whether it is any less an offense or less an interference with the proceedings in a pending cause for a newspaper to publish statements imputing the liberty of a person accused of crime than it would be to make publication of a "frame-up" by the police department of the city of Omaha.

Is it an offense to make publication of the truth in behalf of an accused person and not an offense to destroy and take away in advance the defense of the accused and regardless of the truth create a prejudice against him which would bring about his conviction without regard to his guilt or innocence? Would this be holding the scales of justice at an even balance?

Would this be "equality before the law"? Your honor stated from the bench in The Bee contempt case that this article had escaped your notice, and suggested that a proper way to bring it before the court would be by making charge of contempt and filing it with you. Acting on your suggestion, I now avail myself of the right to do so.

EXHIBIT 2. Exhibit 2 is the article published November 7, by the Daily News, similar to the one published in the World-Herald of the same date. What has been said with reference to the World-Herald also applies to the article of the Daily News.

EXHIBITS 3 AND 4. Of all the palpable efforts to secure by improper influence the conviction of an accused man, who at least should be presumed innocent until proven guilty, the doings and publication of John W. Towle, foreman of the late grand jury, are the most execrable and extreme.

In the first place, by his own admission, he goes to the home of Mrs. Warner and Mrs. Chase, the mother and grandmother of the boy Harold Thorpe, with the manifest and deliberate purpose of influencing them to induce the boy to stand by the testimony given before the grand jury.

In his attempted explanation as published in the World-Herald and Daily News of November 17, he declares that his action in that behalf was two days before the article in The Bee was published, which he refers to as showing the falseness of the statement that he had attempted to induce the influence of the boys through the mother of one of them to, stick to the "original story."

He fails to state, however, that his attempt to influence the boys to stick to their original story, as against their subsequent affidavits, was before they were called before the grand jury to testify which of the two statements were true.

Peculiar Coincidences. To say the least, it is a peculiar coincidence that the foreman of the grand jury should appear at the home of the mother of the boy, Thorpe, at this particular time. And it is remarkable that at this particular time he turned over to the old grandmother a sum of \$80 merely as an act of charity. Then, after doing this, as shown by his statement, he reports the whole incident to your honor, which I respectfully submit was an unjustifiable attempt to influence your honor and create in your honor's mind a prejudice against The Bee and its editor and reporters, which in a measure he succeeded in doing, as shown by the statement of your honor on the bench during the trial of the contempt case against The Bee, that you were impressed by what had occurred during the trial in The Bee was a contempt of court at the time you ordered the county attorney to file the information for contempt.

I respectfully submit that this action on the part of John W. Towle was contempt of court that should not be unnoticed.

Honor that the published statements of John W. Towle in the World-Herald and Daily News had direct reference to the case of the State against J. Harry Moore, then pending in court, and was of a character naturally to create a strong public prejudice against the defendant, Moore, and prevent him from securing a fair and impartial trial.

In demonstration of the correctness of this contention that this action by John W. Towle was an attempt to thwart, hinder and obstruct justice and the proceedings of the court in the case of the State against Moore, permit me to call the attention of your honor specifically to some of these statements.

Mr. Towle stated, among other things, in both of his publications in the World-Herald and Daily News, that he also visited at the home of the mother of Harold Thorpe was "merely another attempt to cloud the issue as to the guilt of Mr. Moore, The Bee reporter."

Is it not, under your ruling, contempt of court to assume and publish to the world the charge of guilt of a defendant in a pending criminal action?

Accused Reporter. Then Mr. Towle, to give emphasis to the alleged guilt of Mr. Moore, making reference to those charging him with wrongful attempting to influence the boys Thorpe and Morris, stated as follows:

"They induced the Thorpe and Morris boys to repudiate their original statement as to the guilt and identity of Mr. Moore and to accuse Captain Haze of having framed with them to testify falsely before the grand jury."

It was further stated by Mr. Towle, as shown by his statements furnished by him to the World-Herald and Daily News, as follows:

"It was very apparent after hearing the conversation of the grandmother, Mrs. Chase, that a deliberate attempt was being made to have these boys pardoned and immediately enlisted in the navy, thus removing from the jurisdiction of the court the state's witnesses against Moore."

Is it possible that this statement, which has a natural tendency to create a strong public sentiment against Mr. Moore and his defense, is not contempt of court and a willful attempt to thwart justice and obstruct the proceedings in the criminal case against Moore which was then pending?

Not only is the defendant, Moore, branded a guilty by Mr. Towle, foreman of the late grand jury, but it is charged that a deliberate attempt was being made to have these boys pardoned and immediately enlisted in the navy so they could not testify against him.

Can any fair-minded person doubt or question that this is a founded charge against Mr. Moore, if believed, would result in his certain conviction?

The Towle Articles. Mr. Towle in his articles for his own vindication and to pose before the public as a most just and generous man, says he "regrets that his wife has been brought into this affair." No one regrets more than I do that Mr. Towle, whom I believe to be worthy and a most kindly disposed woman, should her beautiful daughter should be brought into this affair, but who brought them in? I did not. Mr. Moore did not. By John W. Towle's statements, he was the one that brought them into this affair.

Mr. Towle's wife, who was the suggestion of his daughter over to the home of the mother of Harold Thorpe; she went up a dark stairway and disappeared; he then became uneasy about her and followed and became interested in what he directly characterizes as an attempt to thwart justice.

I submit to your honor that Mr. Towle should be answerable for his own doings and sayings, and should not be permitted to cover himself behind some one else.

I do not wish to make any charge against Mrs. Towle, notwithstanding her participation in this matter as shown by her published statement in the Daily News, as I attribute both her participation and published statement as inspired by her husband.

Neither do I wish to make any charge against Mr. Hitchcock, editor-in-chief of the World-Herald, notwithstanding the fact that I have been fined \$1,000 as editor-in-chief of The Omaha Bee for the publication of an article that was admitted by your honor I never wrote or had any knowledge of its publication until after it was printed. For I know Senator Hitchcock was in Washington at the time of the World-Herald publications, and I do not believe in what your honor on the bench termed "vicious punishment."

Insists on Action. I do submit and insist, however, that your honor should take such action, both in regard to the doings and publications of John W. Towle and also the World-Herald and Daily News in making such publications, as will protect a defendant charged with a criminal offense. Respectfully submitted, VICTOR ROSEWATER.

Twice Married Woman Asks Divorce, Charging Cruelty. Lucile Clark was married twice to Fred Clark, but she sued him for a divorce yesterday in district court, alleging that he frequently struck her and threatened to kill her.

She says he married her October 26, 1906, giving his name as Fred Reed. Several years later she says she discovered that his real name was Clark and they were remarried under that name on the 11th anniversary of their first wedding, October 26, 1917.

She asked the court for an order restraining him from drawing \$2,050 out of the Union State bank, this amount being their joint savings, she says. They live at 419 North Fifteenth street.

Actors Advertise Benefit To Audience at Exchange. Members of the theatrical profession representing the various entertainment organizations playing in Omaha this week, entertained a large audience in the Exchange building at the stock yards during the lunch hour, Friday.

Songs, vaudeville acts and other selections were given by performers from the Brandeis, Boyd, Gayety and Orpheum theaters, which were greatly enjoyed by representatives of the live stock interests.

The cause of the free entertainment was to advertise the actors' fund benefit to be held at the Boyd and Brandeis theaters, Friday afternoon, December 5. Several hundred tickets worth of tickets were sold during the entertainment.

13 Nations to Meet Monday To Form League of Nations. Brussels, Nov. 28.—(By The Associated Press.)—Representatives of France, England, Italy, Belgium, Switzerland, Holland, Sweden, Norway, Portugal, Greece, Poland, China and Japan will meet here on December 1 to discuss the adoption of measures and suggestions for the establishment and functioning of the league of nations.

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Lady Astor Defeats Closest Opponent in British Election With Majority of 5,000.

Plymouth, Nov. 28.—Lady Astor, American-born wife of Viscount Astor, was elected to Parliament from the Sutton division of Plymouth in the balloting of November 15. The result was announced after a count of the ballots here this afternoon.

The vote stood: Lady Astor, unionist, 14,495. W. T. Gay, labor, 9,292. Isaac Foot, liberal, 4,139. Count Began Early.

The ceremony attending the counting of the ballots began in the historic Plymouth Guild hall at 9:30 o'clock. Lady Astor's philanthropic endeavors here during the last 10 years brought her considerable support, as well as her espousal of anti-liquor legislation, which won her a large vote among the women. She drove about the constituency on a speech-making tour afternoon and evening.

The campaign attracted wide attention, due in large measure to Lady Astor's nationality, her unconventional election methods and her barbed and witty replies to questioners. Mrs. Lloyd George and other prominent political personages spoke in her behalf.

Succeeds Her Husband. Lady Astor became a candidate after the death of Viscount Astor of Hever Hall and left her husband heir to the title and necessitated his retirement from the lower house of Parliament.

Miss Namie Langhorne of Virginia, who is the mother of six children, a fact of which she boasted on one occasion during her canvass.

First Woman in House. Lady Astor will be the first woman to take a seat in the House of Commons. Countess Markievicz was elected a member from St. Patrick's division of Dublin in the general election of 1918, but with the other Sinn Fein members elected in Ireland, has never taken her seat.

The vote, showing Lady Astor to have a majority over all of 1,064 and a plurality of 5,203, compares with the majority of 8,269 and the plurality of 11,757 obtained by her husband, then Maj. Waldorf Astor, at the last general election.

Gay, the also labor candidate, received 5,334 votes in that election to 17,091 for Major Astor, while Capt. S. Ransom, the liberal candidate, received 3,488 votes.

Crowd Cheers Result. The announcement of Lady Astor's election was greeted with cheers by thousands of people in front of the Guild hall.

Lady Astor, garbed in the black mourning which she wore throughout the campaign, went to the Guild hall while the counting was in progress, accompanied by Viscount Astor and Lady Cynthia Curzon, a daughter of Earl Curzon. She said she was deeply grateful to the electors.

Mr. Foot remarked that Lady Astor's return was due to her remarkable and deserved personal popularity.

Lady Astor will take her seat Monday next. Scores of prominent members of Parliament, anticipating the result, had requested that she allow them to be her sponsors. A new member is always escorted into the House of Commons by two sponsors.

Lady Astor's Statement. Lady Astor later issued the following statement: "Although I cannot say 'the best

Noted Traveler of England Back After Long Trip to Arctic



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Mrs. Charlotte Cameron, F. R. G. S., noted English author and traveler, recently returned from Alaska and the Arctic regions after an extended exploring trip there. Mrs. Cameron spent much time studying the Eskimos of the Canadian northern regions and returned with many interesting specimens of trinkets and fashions. She is here shown wearing an Eskimo parka with mukluks. A feature of the odd head covering is that the fur is trimmed with wolfskin, which Mrs. Cameron says is the only fur on which the breath will not freeze.

man won," I can say that the best policy won.

"There are certain people who seem to forget what the fight for the last five years has been about. It was for right, not might, and for fair play in the widest sense.

"There is a new spirit, both in public and in private life, which is struggling to get through. By this I mean the spirit of citizenship and service which was brought out by the war.

"I believe that the great bulk of the people is willing and want to do what is right, but I also believe that the spirit of the war profiteer and bolshevism, if they have their way, would make the country not the home of heroes, but a den of thieves. The profiteer took advantage of the patriot during the war and the bolshevist revolution is trying to take advantage of the broken and unsettled patriot now that the war is over. Neither is right and neither represents the great heart desire of the British nation. Both must be fought and defeated."

Attempt to Probe Coal Mines Fails in England. London, Nov. 28.—The government won a sweeping victory in the House of Commons today when the motion of William Brace, a labor leader, calling for the appointment of a committee to inquire into the cost of production, the output and prices of coal, was rejected. The government received 254 votes as against 59 for the measure.

Gas Mission to Meet. The commission which is trying to fix a price at which the city of Omaha may buy the plant of the Omaha Gas company will resume its sittings in the court house next Monday.

TWO WIDOWS OF KELLOGG WANT ESTATE CLOSED

Second Woman Appears in County Court, Claiming To Be Legal Wife of Dead Man.

When attorneys for Goldie M. Kellogg, widow of the late Philip R. Kellogg, appeared in county court yesterday to have his will probated, they discovered that application to have the will probated had been made November 4, by Edith Kellogg, 3541 North Twenty-eighth street, who also claims to have been his legal wife at the time of his death.

Both asked to have William L. Kellogg, 3915 South Twenty-seventh street, brother of the deceased, named administrator. He was appointed.

Philip Kellogg, a live stock dealer, was killed in an automobile accident at Thirteenth street and Deer Park boulevard, November 2. He lived at 3316 South Twenty-second street with Goldie Kellogg.

"I never heard of this other woman," said Mrs. Goldie Kellogg last night at the home of William Kellogg, where she is staying. "I married Mr. Kellogg, June 23, 1915, mon-law wife."

"I attended to his funeral and accompanied the body to Chicago and saw it buried beside his mother's grave. This woman could not have been anything more than his common law wife."

Frank Shotwell, attorney for Mrs. Edith Kellogg, says she was the first and only legal wife. "He married her about six years ago," said Mr. Shotwell. "Three years ago they separated and Mr. Kellogg then went to live with the other woman. She has his statutory will."

Mrs. Edith Kellogg asserted yesterday that she attended the funeral of Mr. Kellogg. In her petition for probate of the will, she places the value of the estate at \$3,000. Mrs.

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