

# Alleged Slayer of Hamon Pours Out Soul in Diary

## Woman Tells of Heart and Beauty Sinking, With No Strength Left to Stop the Silent Tide Gradually Engulfing Her.

By Universal Service.  
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Kansas City, Dec. 7.—The Omaha Bee herewith continues its exclusive presentation of the diary of Mrs. Clara Smith Hamon, who is charged with shooting Jake L. Hamon, center builder of Oklahoma and one of the wealthiest and most prominent politicians in the west.

In the chapter here reproduced Mrs. Hamon reflects a bitter mental attitude based upon her own "folly" and devotes herself to gloomy introspection and sarcastic retrospection.

**My Love**  
I have sought my love and found it. Though 'tis not what it had seemed, and the world is gray and lonely, and the sun that once time warmed me, I have had my life and fathered, and the world will not be bitter. I have tasted wine—no better, and I'm sobered—and alone.

August 30.—Alone all day. Two call from Colonel in Fort Worth and fussing. He came on 12 o'clock train and went back on the morning train. Good God!

August 31.—A very hot day. Colonel left on morning train for Fort Worth. I slept until noon. Spent afternoon sewing and writing. Very quiet day. Extremely lonely in evening. To bed at 9:30. The empty heart.

Sept. 1.—The day blew in with a cold, chilly rain. Was awake at 5 and didn't get any more sleep. Intended going to the country but too much rain. Had two breakfasts—one at 8 and one at 10. The only appetite I can satisfy.

**Spent Day Reading.**  
Spent morning reading and writing. A fine day to browse around through old papers and books; to live over days gone by and to dream or hope for happy days in the future.

It's a bit of character building—soul development—which we all love. I love the company of my own thoughts at times—I love solitude in which I might look my own self square in the face without the veneer we so often wear, even before our own souls.

I like to face facts and get away from illusions—I like to look clearly upon the stern realities of life and realize what might have been. That is what this diary has been to me. Though inclined to be sad it is satisfying. I must be brave. Colonel gone to Chicago. I intended going but changed my mind. Must save money. Jimmy coming in for a big dance tonight.

(Editors Note: Several stenographic notes follow this.)  
September 3.—Never in my life have I been more disgusted with myself and with life and with the selfish author of my unhappiness. To accept invitations is to submit myself to torture I cannot halt for one moment. My consideration of a life smashed—utterly crushed by circumstances over which I have at this time not the slightest control. Fate has been against me, the inevitable "what must be" has overtaken me. What a fool! What a fool!

**Conscience Hurts Her.**  
Heart, soul, beauty going or gone and no strength to stop the tide or make a struggle. To be crushed without noise or violence. To be smothered. That is my clearly outlined fate. I amount to nothing. I myself ordained it through foolish and unmerited love. Lesson, lesson! But what good are lessons? Who needs a lesson? I know all that I now know when I bought my ticket for fool land. How I've lived through another lesson which will mean no more than others did to me, and—puff—I am gone.

It started so simply. The recital of the day's events. My interest, my intelligence and ability to bridge chasms, which his slower logic halted at. And then—love and hell. Jake Lewis Hamon, "empire builder" and Clara Hamon, his court fool, grimacing under the weight of a broken life.

September 4.—Heard a lecture which seemed to be directed at me alone. It is the first thing which I have listened attentively to in months, it seems, but every word seemed so fitting to me that I was absorbed. And so I learn that no one but permits and saints can put store upon subduing the flesh and that they thus become useless. Strange philosophy and calculated to cheer me up. Which it does not at all.

**Doubts Lecturer's Words.**  
I am to believe that a man can only lead men when he remains a man with man's passion so that he will not fight interests beyond his strength. I heard it all and I doubt it. It seems that men have a million defenses. They defend themselves, no matter what their own action, all men automatically defend other men, and women, either happy or comfortable, defend their individual men while there is a trace of reason in so doing. And after the trace of reason has vanished.

But women—they look out for themselves—when they know enough to do it. And they're tireless when their defense is too strong and they're smashed when their defense is weak. It was almost too much of the lecturer to admit that even these men who must give vent to our passions should never sully the wrong thing. It must have been an after thought.

September 5.—Another day which means nothing to me. I cannot control my depression, I cannot regulate my actions at all. I am a living atom of misery and for what? For nothing; and I know it. One may see a star and long to draw near it, though one knows it is always beyond reach, unattainable. You may stumble forward to your ruin, led by its light.

**Suffering Own Fault.**  
There is no logical way to reasoning upon anything which is based originally upon irresistible impulse. I made no effort to belittle my risk. I assumed it. The worst has resulted. So perhaps I am to blame. I did not follow the course which intelligence directed, and now I suffer for it. I have intelligence, but for love, I failed to employ it. I

# Victim of Mysterious Shot Is Recovering

Bloomfield, Neb., Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram)—William Hagge, who was mysteriously shot here Sunday night while at the home of Miss Pietzmer, was reported doing

nicely this morning and it is believed he will recover. Twenty-two shot from the charge of a shotgun penetrated his skull.

The sheriff and a party of citizens trailed an auto from the Pietzmer home yesterday evening for about 25 miles but lost the trail. The car took a zig-zag course but was traveling in the general direction of Niobrara. Officials' only theory on

the reason for the deed is that it was committed by some jealous suitor, but as yet have not directed suspicions toward any one.

**South Dakota Politician Given Two Years in Prison**  
Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 7.—George W. Egan, prominent in business and political circles in South

Dakota, was sentenced to serve two years in the state penitentiary by Judge Frank B. Smith in circuit court. Egan was convicted last May of having made fraudulent affidavits in connection with insurance policies covering a fire at El Frisco Park. Attorneys for the defendant served notice of appeal to the state supreme court.

**Official Denies N. W. Will Absorb M. & O.**  
Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram)—General Superintendent Dickinson of the Northwestern denied here authority for the report that the Northwestern would take over the M. & O. lines next January. He says the reports have been in

circulation for some time without official sanction.

**Bandits Get \$1,000**  
Kansas City, Dec. 7.—Three masked motor car bandits Monday held up C. E. Clark, collector of a gasoline company, in a street crowded with traffic, robbed him of \$1,000 in cash and escaped.

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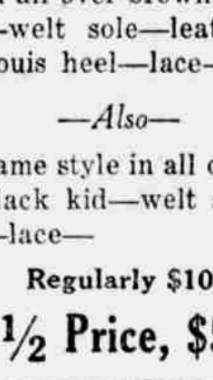
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<p><b>Style 240</b></p>  <p>In patent vamp—with dull kid top—button style—welt sole</p> <p>—Also— In all over blouse kid—leather Louis heel—welt sole</p> <p>Regularly \$16 <b>1/2 Price \$8</b></p>	<p><b>Style 250</b></p>  <p>All over brown kid—welt sole—baby leather Louis heels</p> <p>—Also— In all over light brown kid—welt sole—Louis heel</p> <p>Regularly \$15 <b>1/2 Price \$7.50</b></p>	<p><b>Style 260</b></p>  <p>In all over brown calf skin—brogue style—military heel—welt sole</p> <p>—Also— Tan calf skin—welt sole—military heel—lace style</p> <p>Regularly \$14 <b>1/2 Price \$7</b></p>	<p><b>Style 270</b></p>  <p>Patent kid vamp—dull black kid top—covered Louis heel—hand turned sole</p> <p>—Also— In all over black kid—leather Louis heel—light welt sole</p> <p>Regularly \$14 <b>1/2 Price \$7</b></p>
<p><b>Style 280</b></p>  <p>In all over brown kid—leather Louis heels—welt sole</p> <p>—Also— Same style in all over black kid</p> <p>Regularly \$14 <b>1/2 Price \$7</b></p>	<p><b>Style 290</b></p>  <p>In all over tan calf skin—military heel—welt sole—lace style</p> <p>—Also— In brown kid—military heels—welt sole</p> <p>Regularly \$13 <b>1/2 Price \$6.50</b></p>	<p><b>Style 300</b></p>  <p>In all over black kid—military heel—welt sole</p> <p>—Also— In all over tan calf skin—military heels—welt sole</p> <p>Regularly \$12 <b>1/2 Price \$6</b></p>	<p><b>Style 310</b></p>  <p>In all over black kid—leather Louis heel—light weight sole</p> <p>—Also— Patent leather vamp with dull kid top—Welt sole</p> <p>Regularly \$12 <b>1/2 Price \$6</b></p>
<p><b>Style 320</b></p>  <p>In all over brown kid—leather Louis heel—light weight sole</p> <p>—Also— All over black kid—leather Louis heel—light weight sole</p> <p>Regularly \$12 <b>1/2 Price \$6</b></p>	<p><b>Style 330</b></p>  <p>All over black kid—light weight sole—leather Louis heel</p> <p>—Also— Same style in all over brown kid</p> <p>Regularly \$10 <b>1/2 Price \$5</b></p>	<p><b>Style 340</b></p>  <p>In patent vamp—mat kid top—military heel—welt sole</p> <p>—Also— In all over black vic kid—military heel—welt sole</p> <p>Regularly \$9 <b>1/2 Price \$4.50</b></p>	<p><b>Style 350</b></p>  <p>In all over brown kid—welt sole—leather Louis heel—lace</p> <p>—Also— Same style in all over black kid—welt sole—lace</p> <p>Regularly \$10 <b>1/2 Price, \$5</b></p>

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