

# Famous Mysteries

## The Crescent-Shaped Mirror

So far as the woman herself was concerned, the death of old Madame Norbert, who sold newspapers and candy in one of the busiest sections of Montmartre, was not an event over which Paris became excited. She was merely one of hundreds who made their living by picking up odd scraps from time to time and about her slung none of those legends of misadventure which so frequently surround the deaths of this nature. But the old woman had been found murdered, with her skull crushed in by the butt of a heavy bottle, and the Parisian police did not intend that a crime of

this nature should pass unsolved, particularly as the very absence of clues made it the more unusual. In spite of the fact that Madame Norbert made only a pitifully bare living by her hours of hard work, the cause of her death had evidently been robbery, for her purse was found nearby, stripped of all the coins which usually jangled within it. Upon the bottle with which the murder had been committed there were the sharply outlined fingerprints of a thumb and forefinger but these, as the police soon discovered, were not to be matched by any on file at headquarters and the only possible indication of the criminal was a cheaply made bit of looking glass, such as women carry in their handbags to use as an emergency mirror. This glass was made in the shape of a crescent and the edges were roughly finished, so that Inspector Souchard, who was given charge of the case, was certain that it had been sold in one of the cheapest quarters of the city.

"You're not going to try to trace the criminal merely through that bit of glass?" inquired one of Souchard's assistants, amazed at the enormity of the undertaking.

"Why not?" was the reply. "It's the only available evidence and, while I'll admit that it's difficult, it's by no means as hard as attempting to locate a single pair of finger prints among the hundreds of thousands of people in the city."

So, undeterred by a realization of the colossal task, Souchard went to work to discover where the bit of crescent-shaped glass had come from and who had dropped it near the dead body of Madame Norbert. For weeks he haunted the factories which turned out trinkets of this kind, only to be met by the same monotonous reply: "We never made anything of the kind. It's too cheap for our trade."

"But then," as Souchard would reassure himself, "the more unusual it is the better the chance for success when I finally discover who made it." And he continued his search undimmed, spending his night in haunting the cafes, dance halls, and other dives of Montmartre in the hope of chancing across another mirror like the one he had in his pocket. After more than two months of fruitless watching he finally saw a gruff, grizzled man take a mirror out of his bag and he barely restrained a start as he noted that it was the precise counterpart of the one that had lain beside the murdered woman. A closer inspection showed that even the beveling was roughly done and he inquired of the girl where she had bought it.

"One of the workmen in the mirror factory near where I live made it," she replied. "He gets hold of odd bits of glass and makes the mirrors after hours."

Souchard's visit to the man in question elicited the fact that he had made only four of the crescent-shaped bits of glass because, as he said, the shape had not been popular with his trade and he found that it was better to concentrate on the round shape for which there was a greater demand. However, he recalled the names of the women who had bought the odd sizes and the inspector's weeks of unceasing work was finally rewarded by locating among the names which the mirror-worker gave him, a woman whose finger prints precisely matched those on the bottle with which Madame Norbert had been killed!

### GUILFORD SENIORS OF HIGH SCHOOL HONORED

Junior Class Delightfully Entertains Upper Class and Members of the Faculty.

(Special to Daily News)  
Guilford College, Dec. 20. — The high school building was the scene of a delightful affair when the members of the junior class entertained the seniors and high school faculty Saturday evening. An hour was spent under the direction of Miss Mary Hodgkin trying out for first places in two exciting contests, "Favorite names of girls" and "Love in a kitchen." Clyde Rush proved to have the best knowledge of names and Harden Kimrey to be most expert in kitchen lore. After suitable prizes were awarded the guests were taken to the auditorium which had been transformed into a dining room, decorated with the purple and gold of '24, and furnished with tables, decorated with the green and white of '23. Chicken salad, saltines, lettuce, sandwiches, pickles, ambrosia, cake, chocolate and mints were served by Misses Mary Osborne, Ellen Wakefield, Louise Kendall and Annie Hodgkin. Between courses G. G. Page, president of the junior class, acted as toastmaster and enthusiastic responses were given by Harden Kimrey, Max Kendall, Lena Marshall and Louise Kendall. Class and school spirit were emphasized, showing that the students are loyal seniors of Guilford high school. Those present from the senior class numbered 14, and those who graduate will be the first to receive certificates since the standard has been raised to include the 15 units required for college entrance. The senior guests were: Chandas Kimrey, Mary Frances Turner, Nannie Bell Jones, Allen Robertson, Anna Finch, Lena Marshall, Mildred Shaw, Harden Kimrey, Max Kendall, Clyde Rush, Carl Mackie, Floyd Coltrane.

The juniors taking part were: Jesse Thomas, Mary and Annie Hodgkin, Louise Kendall, Mary Osborne, Lois Atkinson, Rebecca Lindley, Ellen Wakefield, G. G. Page, Wilson Farlow and Patrick Stewart.

Members of the faculty present were Miss Newman, Miss Fuller and Miss Mills.

Thursday afternoon the Parent-Teacher association held its regular monthly meeting. Before the business session the members of the ninth-year English class rendered a short program which consisted of a Latin song, reading, Ruth Yates, play and declamation Raymond Coltrane.

The main feature of the afternoon program was a report of the State P. T. meeting given by the delegate Mrs. Binford. Miss Newman reported that about 100 books have been donated to the library by friends in the community. These include fiction, standard and classic as well as reference books in history and science. Special mention was made of a 20-volume Encyclopaedia Britannica, given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Osborne.

Next Sunday evening at 7:30 the members of the Bible school will present, in the church, "The Light of the World," a Christmas pageant.

Prof. and Mrs. Tiernan Living Together As Mr. and Mrs. Ross

New York, Dec. 20.—Prof. and Mrs. John T. Tiernan, of South Bend, Ind., and the boy upon whose head fell the brunt of their paternity court battle

against Harry Poulin, a South Bend haberdasher, were found today living in a hotel in Greenwich Village.

With them were their two daughters. They were registered as "William A. Ross and family, Detroit."

They have been in the city for 18 days. Prof. Tiernan, with relatives in New York, came here for the announced purpose of making a "new start." Mrs. Tiernan and the children have remained in seclusion, even taking their meals in their rooms.

"There is nothing I can say," said Mrs. Tiernan when reporters called on her. "All my advice has been not to talk. There is really nothing that can be said."

"What are your plans for the future?" "Nothing can be said of them now." Her eyes filled.

"Do you and Prof. Tiernan intend to remain in New York?" "I believe so."

"Are you planning to continue to live together?" "Yes," she said simply.

### Mrs. Rose Crouse Rumbley Is Dead At Her Alamoance-Home

(Special to Daily News)  
Elon College, Dec. 20.—The people of the community were grieved yesterday to learn of the death of Mrs. Rose Crouse Rumbley, who died at her home near here, following an attack of influenza and pneumonia. She had been ill for about two weeks.

She was the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Crouse, who formerly lived at Burlington.

Mrs. Rumbley was a member of St. Mark's Reformed church, at which place the burial will take place today at 1 o'clock and will be conducted by her pastor, Rev. Mr. Shaw. She was a good woman and will be missed in her community.

Besides her husband she leaves five small children, E. C. Jr., Hoyle, Blair, Cleo and Irene, the eldest being only 4 years old and the baby 5 months old.

### Davidson College Students Agree to Abolish Hazing

(Special to Daily News)  
Davidson, Dec. 20.—Davidson college has thrown herself in line with the progressive educational institutions of the south, and by a vote of the three upper classes of the student body all forms of hazing were abolished at the Presbyterian institution yesterday. The measure is at present only temporary but it is confidently expected that at the end of the trial period of three months, the measure will be permanently placed in the student body constitution.

The vote cast in favor of the measure was 119 to 71, which was, however, only about 15 votes above the 1-2 majority required to amend the student body constitution. The freshman class meeting separately pledged their support to the measure by a vote of 121 to 11.

This step, comes after considerable agitation on the campus as a result of persons engaged in raising funds for the Davidson college campaign stating that the hazing on the campus, slight though it was, was proving detrimental to the interests of the college.

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