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HEIRESS RAN OFF WITH A HOTEL MAN

Sacrificed Her Homa and \$10. 000,000 For Man Who Served Her

MAN WAS MARRIED

Girl is a Granddaughter of Robert Buist and She Disappeared From Home Several Days Ago-Man She Eloped With Was a Spanish Jew, Three Times Her Age, a Married Man and a Waiter at the Hotel at Which She Lived-Letters That the Man Left Have Been Shown to the Police and Through These the Couple Are Being Tracked.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 31-Roberta B. DeJanon, the 17-year-old granddaughter of Robert Buist, sacrificed her home and her inheritance of \$10,000,000 when-as is now certain, according to the police-she eloped with Ferdinand Cohen, a Spanish Jew three times her age. The story of the hypnotic thrall in which Cohen held the girl, whom he served as a waiter at the Bellevue Stratford in Philadelphia, was re vealed today in letters from her which he left behind when he and little Roberta, both in disguise, fied last Wednesday.

These letters, in the opinion o Mrs. Cohen, the wife whom the waiter left, have been shown to the police and it is through them that the missing heiress and her Svengali are being tracked.

Robert Buist, the millionaire seed ter his will and cut off the girl withont a cent. On the day before she fled, he requeathed to her \$10,000,-000 of his estate. Though almost crazed with sorrow, the old millionaire has no forgiveness for Roberta The story of the girl's elopement

at first clouded with mystery, has been uncovered, but by bit.

Today it became known that when

Cohen, also, was disguised. He consists of foreign merchandise exwore a false mustache and a soft felt ported and the remainder, \$1.725,- two o'clock in the morning, when he hat that dropped over his eyes and 000, domestic products. east a shadow on his features when station.

be mastered by the millions of her was \$787,000,000. family, and the jealousy of a woman scorned by the deserted wife.

The police of half a dozen cities have been set on the qui vive, and it was reported today that Boston. Pittsburg, Buffalo, and other cities in the east were involved in the search.

ANOTHER NEW DISEASE.

This Time it is in Rocky Mountain Region-Very Deadly.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Anderson, director of the Hygienic as a delegate to the Episcopal con-Laboratory staff of the public health vention. He will entertain all the and marine hospital service, has just Episcopal bishops at the meeting, it announced the discovery and classi- is said, at the home of Alexander Mefleation of a strange and deadly dis- Donald in Clifton, known as Dalvay, ease which is prevalent in the Rocky which is one of the most beautiful Mountain region.

which has been called "spotted fever" here from New York. Sherry says the Saturday fair and warmer: light to is 70 per cent. Bacteriologists of place is ideal. He will bring with moderate south winds. the hygienic laboratory are now searching for a remedy for the dissease and physicians in the territory ease and physicians in the territory of the Episcopalians. where it prevails are conducting independent investigations to discover all the bishops and several prominent a remedy

President Back in Washington. (By Leased Wire to The Times)

Washington, Dec. 31-President Taft and his party, including Miss Helen and Robert Taft, returned MacFarland and Henry L. West, reshortly after 7:00 o'clock this morn-tiring district commissioners, were ing from New York, where they at- given a reception last evening in the in this vicinity tonight and Saturday. tended the wedding of Miss Louise municipal building. Citizens pre-Taft, daughter of Henry W. Taft, to sented Mr. West with a \$1,000 silver ably continue several days. George H. Snowden, of Seattle, last service and Mr. MacFarland received

U. S. Minister Egan, Denmark



M. F. Egan and his daughter, Miss Carmelitta Egan. , Mr. Egan has been minister to Denmark for some time, and it was he who officially helped shower courtesies on Dr. Cook when the latter's discovery of the North Pole was reported. The minister is here for the Christmas holidays.

FOREIGN COMMERCE KEPT A DIARY OF HIS MAKES HIGH RECORD

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Dec. 31-The for-

day made it known that he would ai- with the single exception of 1907. The during thirteen hours The imports will be larger than in; and 1997.

That is the estimate of the year's has told me that the next attack will trade based upon official figures for fixish me. The attack has begun, I It months, as presented by the burean of statistics of the departion of commerce and labor. As-Miss DeJanon left the Believne-Strat- suming that the twelfth month. De- bours. ford, her own dark hair was covered cember, will show figures of imports | "At 4(20 my condition does not imwith a blond wig. Sae made slight and exports approximately equal to prove 1 am still taking my medicine, preparation for her flight, apparently, those of the immediately preceding save for packing a small valise. Site month, November, the imports will two hours, I do not remember," wrote took with her, however, the fat lit- aggregate about \$1,475,000,000 and Laby shortly after 7 o'clock. tle fox terrier to which she was de- the exports about \$1,750,000,000, of approximately \$25,000,000

Imports free of daty will be larger he met the girl'at the Broad street than in any earlier year in the history of our commerce and will ag-This afternoon it was declared that gregate approximately \$700,000,000 the authorities were close on the trail against a little over \$500,000,000 in of the strange couple. Little Ro- 1908 and \$636,000,000 in 1907, the weird spell over her while he served Dutiable imports will amount to her as a menial, have been pursued about \$780,000,000, and will be larfrom the moment their flight was dis- ger than in any preceding year, excovered by all the forces that could cept possibly in 1907, when the total

MORGAN WILL PLAY TRUST TO BISHOPS

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Cincinnati, O., Dec. 31-J. Pierpont Morgan is expected to be the prince Washington, Dec. 31-Dr. John F. of hosts when he comes here in March homes in this section of the country. he moortality of the new disease He has had the cateres, Louis Sherry.

> Dalvy will be the stopping place of laymen as well as Mr. Mouran.

> Reception For Retiring Commission-

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washing on, Dec. 31-Henry B. F. a \$1,060 law library.

APPROACHING END

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 31-Attorney eign commerce of the United States William A, Luby, alone in his office.
in the calendar year 1909 will ex- kept an hourly schedule of his ap-

His body was found on the floor of his office with the vest and shirt torn been taken from the burned tourist any previous year, while the exports open, and the hands clutching at the sleeper. There are other bodies in will tall slightly below those of 1906 heart. On the desk were these three

"I am not feeling well. The doctor

"I must have been asleep the last At 9 o'clock he wrote:

There was no other notation until

"Cold: I know my condition is serious. It is hard to breathe; I am-

BIG FIRE IN PHILADELPHIA.

Block Gutted. (By Leased Wire to The Times) Pittsburg, Dec. 31-Driven by a material, fire early today completely tricate the occupants. gutted the business block at 414-416 ing establishment. The loss is esti- fighting the fire with any success.

Among the thrilling incidents was the rescue by the firemen of a number of occupants of a Turkish bath establishment on the top floor who were saved with difficulty.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast till 8 p. m. Saturday, For Raleigh and vicinity: Fair and warmer tonight and Saturday. For North Carolina: Fair, warmer

WEATHER CONDITIONS. The main force of the cold wave has The temperature has risen thirty re-

during the past twenty-four hours, Increasing cloudiness is reported over Angeles. the central-southern and western states. Snow is falling in Wyoming and Utah and rain prevails in Nevada

and California. The weather will be fair and w. mer

L. A. DENSON. Section Director.

NUMBER DEAD BAD WRECK MAY NEVER BE LEARNED

stroy Train and Incinerate The Victims

CAUSE

Before Noon Five Bodies Had Been Recovered and Three ' Cars Had Been Consumed-How Many There Were in These Cars Who Were Incinerated it is Impossible to Say-Four Unknown Bodies Recovered Are Supposed to be Those of Passengers-Bodies of Two Women Have Been Taken From Burned

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Trenton, Mo., Dec. 31-It may ever be known how many persons perished in the wreck of the Californin special on the Rock island Railroad at 8:40 o'clock this morning. hree miles north of Trenton.

At 11 a, m. five bodies had been rought into Trenton. Three cars had been consumed by fire and it was then impossible to say whether the fatalities in these cars would increase the death list only by three or four or

Seven of the injured had been rought to town at that time, among hem William Flinn, of Kansas City, agent of the Cudahy Company at that and his head cut.

Of the dead only Fi eman O. P. Lininger, of Trenton, has been identi-He had been scalded in his

The four unknown bodies recovman, and Roberta's grandfather, to-

The bodies of two women have the sleeper and estimates now made place the number of dead at twenty.

two are supposed to be dying. Among the injured are: Engineer

J. C. Hilders, Anderson, Ind., bruised and several sprains. C. E. Spence, Dallas, Texas, sprain-

tained a fractured left leg

broken and head cut. While running at an extremely Mr. Luby was widely known as an high speed the locomotive suddenly sons, seven passengers and the nor she has refused to as since being without any important advices from left the rails and landed over the ter. right of way fence, fifty feet from the Mr. Trask was asleep in a hertle

track. All of the cars but one tum- near the rear door. For several bled down the embankment. The months he had been ill, and only reof the strange couple. Little Ro- 1908 and \$630,000,000 in 1907, the berta and the man who cast his high record year prior to 1909, Loss \$200,000 and Entire Business two Pullmans that broke away caught cently underwent an operation by EXCELSIOR NOW fire, and although the trainmen and which he lost the sight of one of his passengers who had not been injured eyes. On this account he had told strove valiantly, the flames made such the porter not to disturb him until high wind and fed with inflammable progress that it was impossible to ex- the train reached New York. The

Trenton has sent every available

Island's Golden State Limited eproute of the express with frightful force. to Kansas City, was wrecked just outside of Trenton, Mo., this morning. The engine and all the goaches were ing fire.

the engineer escaped.

as twenty dead passengers under the clais of the railroad company are now tonight, temperature about freezing; wreckage, but at present all efforts searching for him. of the survivors are turned toward | Mr. Trask boarded the Montreal subduing the flames. The cause of Express at Saratoga, where he had the disaster is unknown.

The main force of the cold wave has been expended and the weather is now once and surgeons and nurses were moderating rapidly in connection with a sampled ready to rush to the spot in a special train, if it should turn a special train, if it should turn at 8 o'clock, it was more than an which is to be held in Washington on The Golden State Limited is one of hour behind its schedule.

grees over the middle Mississippi Valley the crack trains of the Rock Island running between Chicago and Los a. m. The rear sleeper was the only tion: Alton E. Parker, chairman of ger violated after his retirement

The annual Old Folks' dinner will seriously injured. given tomorrow at 1 o'clock at greatly enjoyed by the old people. I

ONNEW YORK CENTRAL RY.

Train Wrecked and Flames De-Spencer Trask Was Killed and Three Others Thought To Be Dead

WRECK CAR WAS TELESCOPED

Bad Wreck On the New York Central in Which Spencer Trask, Banker and Millionaire, Lost His Life-Three Other Persons Whose Names Are Unknown Are Also Believed to Have Been Killed-Car Was Rear End Sleeper of the Express and Was Crushed by a Freight Engine, Wreck Due to Carelessness of the Brakeman-Spencer Trask.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, Dee, 31 - Sucherr Prask, banker and malif-millionaire, was killed today, three other persons are believed to have lost then lives and four were injured when a freight train crashed into the second ection of the Montreal Express o the New York Central Railroad, a Croton, N. Y.

All of the victims were in the last car at the time. The engine of the reight train telescoped the car.

The car, which was a sleeper, was rushed, as though it were an egg shell. The three persons thought to Suead. have been killed were imprisoned in the wreckage. No sound could be Orange, N. J., place, whose left shoulder was broken heard from them after the collision victor collapsed in the Essex county and it was considered a certainty that they were killed. Their names ould not be obtained.

The porter of the sleeping car and three other persons, all injured. erawled out of the wreekage.

It was with great difficulty that the body of Mr. Trask was taken from the debris. It was then conveyed to the morgue at Croton, while a crew of men began working to rescue the other bodies.

The accident is said to have been Among the injured brought here, due to the carelessness of a brakeman on the Montreal Express. The train, bound for New York, was run-W. I. Millington, of Trenton, badly ming in the middle of three tracks, Suc. scalded about the head; will recover, and when it reached Upper Crossing and the head; at Croton it halted near a signal light which displayed a "stop" signal.

Express with his red signal. In the new gradiers is succeeded by the jath. rear sleeper there were eight per- attendate-

freight train bore down upon the ex-The scene of the wreck is in the press at full speed. The brakeman New York, 166 31 Two days over After the first shock of the collision, the engine of the freight train have been list The engine and all the coaches were ploughed through the sleeper.

Those in the car had no opportunity The fireman was instantly killed but to flee. The brakeman who had been sent back to give a signal disappeared There may be, it is feared, as many immediately after the crash and offi

been living in "Yeddo," his magnill-A wrecking train was sent out at cent country home. The train had being perfected for the join conven- ing landed in Bluefields.

gers in all of the other cars were bad- Easley, chairman

church. The Ladies Aid Society of cer Trask had been a prominent fig- rangements for the course, or agent in any the First Baptist church will prepare are in banking circles in New York. the two bodies. the dinner. This annual dinner is He retired from active business sev-(Continued on Page Two.)



Miss Virginia Wardlaw, who is delared to be the most important of the three women suspects, who have Leen indicted for the incider of Mes. Occy Snead, whose body was found in both cub is not East Grange house. Miss Wardlaw ous admirted that she renained in the house 21 hours after she knew her niece was dead before, notifying the police.

MRS. MARY SNEAD COLLAPSED TODAY

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

The conductor of the train sent the hour distribution is a time arms to see state department in regard to the C. E. Spence, Dallas, Texas, sprained back, serious.

Steve Howard, who said he lives
in Alabama but would not give the
was not then known by the conductor.

The conductor of the train sent to the horizontal properties are a large arranged over.

Steve Howard, who said he lives
was not then known by the conductor.

The conductor of the train sent to the horizontal properties are department in regard to the
Normalization is to simply
await events. The Estrada and
Madrix factions will be left to fight name of his home city for fear his that the freight train was rhundering hit so the half maker. She constantly it out, though the department would amily would become alarmed, susained a fractured left leg

J. Zorning, Davenport, Ia., left leg

only thirty feet behind the Montreal left because a fraction of the same track.

In all the freight train was to most asserting to the fraction of the same track.

The brakeman is said to have gone placed to a such adapting and at only thirty feet behind the Montreal left, because a fraction of the most support to

industrial the Cook award Edil

Wood street, occupied by the Union country and there is no means of saw it when it was some distance off.

Electric Company and Footers Dyegiving material aid to the injured or

and began waving his flag. But Enpress at 100 speed. The man and Note York, 150 all plants and mineral preparations which hence continued and that the Madriz
and began waving his flag. But Engineer Flannigan, of the freight, did Paynic and her is stronger Exercised to the signal until he was too was defline in the paynic forty unless and her her from Managua merchants physician and nurse and hundreds of near the express train to slow up, north of the Physician light, or and bankers physician and nurse and numereds of near the express train to slow up. north of the French Stood light, or citizens went on foot to the scene of He then applied the emergency Use Harberts No. is expected here promoted that if Senor Corea, special the disaster to succor the unforth-nate. brakes. The freight, consisting of late this attancem. The community re-nearly forty cars, did not seem to ported by withdown con miles sough of slacken its speed. It slid along on size but stood by the Excelsion that now on its way here, presents credenties and granded into the gare. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 31-The Rock the rails and crashed into the rear site bart should by the excession and tion, S. C., and Therman with a large

JOINT CONVENTION OF CIVIC FEDERATION

January 17 to 20.

It was due in New York at 7:20 Seth Low, presheent of the federa- which it is charged Secretary Ballinone damaged in the crash. Passen- the committee on program, and R. M. from the office of the commissioner ly shaken up but none of them was council, are co-ore any virt Gov- the statue books by congress, June 1.

opening address to be federation. | ments while so employed.

SENOR CREEL STATEMENT **AMBIGUOUS**

Diplomats are Wondering Just What the Mexican Representative Meant

ESTRADA IS MASTER

if Mexico Has Officially Recognized Madriz As President of Nicaragua This Government Has Received No Notice of It-Situation in Nicaragua is Directly Opposite to What Senor Creel Said it Was-Policy of the State Department Still is Simply to Await Events-Senor Corea Will be Received.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Dec. 31-If Mexico is officially recognized Medriz as president of Nicaragua this govern-

ment has no orneral notice of it. In the public statement issued by Senor Creel here yesterday he said that "the election of Jose Madriz as provisional president of Nicaragua was a happy event, because it prevented anarchy, a second revolution and further complications with the

United States. The state department refuses to comment on this ambiguous statement, and diplomats are wondering and mother-in-in's of just what Senor Creel meant, for the situation in Nicaragua is directly opposite to the inference in the annonneement that all is now happily adjusted in the Central American rehave troops within a few days' comment must inevitably fall. It is hown here that Madriz cannot get

evidently master of the country. It The state department is also withnater - cell War- one official confirmation of the repart that several of the Central American republics have recognized the Madris government, and the leand decay affected garious of these governments here

logether any troops to oppose the

revolutionary army, and Estrada is

Nourngua. Salvador Castrillo, the Estradan senvey in Washington, has heard nothing from the Estrada government since yesterday. He said today that he expected to receive advices by Sunday at the latest that Estrada's troops were in Managua.

Vice-consul Caldera cabled the state department today from Man-

envey of the Madriz government of Nicatagna to Washington, who is tink to the department, he will be preceived in the same unofficial manner as Dr. Castrillo, the Estrada en-

Jose Olivares, United States consul at Banagua, left Washington last ment for Salina Cruz, Mex., on his

way to Managua Commander Shipley, of the Des Moines, cabled the state department today from Bluefields, that 1,000 loaves of bread are being cooked daily on the Prairie for the destitute Nicaraguans, and the stores are be-

Law Which Ballinger Violated.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Dec. 31-The law ex tentive of general land office was placed on ernor Hughes, of New York; Gov- 1782. The statute makes it unlawful ernor Fort, of Ne der ty, and Gov- for any officer, clerk, or employe in the Fayetteville Street Baptist For more than thirty years Spen-ernor Weeks, of an acticut, on ar- any government department to act claim against the government which President Taf will deliver the was pending in any of the depart-