

then following the case, turned down the gift. Chief Loch adds that yesterday Vermilyea transferred a piece of property to Mrs. Shorr for the purpose of raising a defence fund.

Los Angeles Oct. 11.—(CP)—A veil of silence today surrounded any connection Harold W. Vermilyea may or may not have with the brutal slaying of his 76-year-old mother, Mrs. Nathaniel Vermilyea, near her Belleville, Ontario, home last week.

Under arrest here on a provisional warrant charging him with the unexplained axe-murder of his mother, Vermilyea, fruit farmer of Ontario, Calif., was quoted by Marshal Bob Clark as declaring he would tell his story, when he reached Canada.

The 49-year-old prisoner steadfastly declined to answer questions, Clark said. He waived extradition and will be returned to the scene of the crime by Inspector Hamar K. Gardiner of the Ontario Police.

Wishing "to get my affairs in order before I go to Canada," Vermilyea drew up a will in Los Angeles jail. Since then a special guard has watched over him closely. He will be permitted to see his daughter Aurelia, 18, and son Than 13, before leaving for the Dominion

Believe Stains Found

Bloodstains are believed to have been found by the police of Ontario California, on a shoe and trousers of Harold W. Vermilyea, alleged assassin of his mother, according to a message received by authorities here. In a long distance telephone conversation between Inspector Hamar Gardner, who is at present in California investigating the murder and Chief Inspector John Milley of the C.I.D. headquarters of O.P.P. in Toronto, the former officer it is reported informed his superior that what is believed to be a slight trace of blood stains had been found on the cuff of Vermilyea's trousers and on one of his shoes.

Local authorities were informed of the latest developments in the case over long distance telephone late last night but were not in a position to comment on the matter today. Yesterday's news bulletin contained a statement in which Vermilyea was reported to have confessed to a fellow cellmate. This

save the others

Crippled Thomas Adams, 35, was found dead in the smoke-filled Toronto cottage where he lived alone.

Bank Interest Cut to 2 P. C.

OTTAWA, Oct. 11.—(CP)—Interest paid on savings deposits will be reduced to two per cent. as from Nov. 1, 1934, by all chartered banks in Canada, the Dominion Government Post-Office Savings Banks and the Ontario Government Savings Office, Finance Minister E. N. Rhodes announced today.

On May 1, 1933, the savings deposit interest rate was reduced by the chartered banks and similar institutions from three per cent. to two and one half.

Jugoslavian Regent



PRINCE PAUL

Uncle of late King Alexander of Yugoslavia, assassinated with Louis Barthou, French foreign minister, Prince Paul has been named in the king's will as regent over the youthful King Peter along with the queen and the president of the state council.

of Ambrose J. Small of Toronto and said he was a theatre owner in Canada. It was impossible to identify him definitely as the missing millionaire Ambrose J. Small who disappeared from Toronto in 1919.

Description Does Not Agree

The man who was also known as Charles E. Morris, did not agree with the description of Small as given by Toronto police in 1920 when a \$50,000 reward was offered for information as to his whereabouts.

Kalamazoo police described the man as 67 years old, height 5 feet 9 1/2 inches, weight 190 pounds, grey eyes, medium complexion, grey hair. The height figures taken "under the stick," police when questioned as to first height figures at 5 feet, 11 inches.

The description of Small in Toronto police circular of June 1920, was: Age, 53 years; height 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, weight 130 to 140 pounds, blue eyes, sallow complexion, brown hair, mustache streaked with grey. Hair receding on temples. Very quick in movements.

The man held at Kalamazoo, Mich., said he owned a ranch near Banff, Alta., and theatres at various Canadian cities from Toronto to Vancouver, said he had been in telephone communication with Arthur Holmes, his nephew, at Toronto. The missing Ambrose Small had no nephew of that name.

The stock salesman further claimed he had a sister Florence Small in New York in charge of one of his theatres and a half-brother named Small in Liverpool, Canada, well as a sister Mrs. Maud Hayes, of Monson, Indiana.

The chief of police said: "The man told me he owned several buildings in Toronto—you'd think he was Butterfield (Michigan millionaire) himself. He said he had a one-third interest with four other men in a ranch at Banff, Alta., was selling homestead rights for \$10 for survey and \$2 for telling his clients he and his