## **BEAT HIS DAUGHTER**

Chester Girl, Found Bound and Gagged, in Critical Condition. Talk Incoherent

#### FATHER HUNTS CRIMINALS

Waylaid and brutally beaten, appar ently for revenge on her father, a state detective, Mildred Meli, is now at her home, 420 West Second street, Chester, delirious and in a critical condition. unable to give any details of the at

When the seventeen year-old girl failed to return home Saturday night her alarmed parents began a search for her. . She was found Sunday night in the rear yard of her home bound and gagged and nearly dead from strangu-

Pinned on the girl's waist was a note on which this warning was scrawled: "I got your daughter, but what I want is you. You jailed me once, but you will never do it again

James Meli, the girl's father, today said he had found no cine to her as-sailants. He is waiting until she recovers sufficiently to make a statement. "When she did not come home Saturday night," Mr. Meli explained to "I thought she had gone to visit an aunt here in Chester or relatives in Philadelphia. I telephoned to them and found she wasn't at the home of any of her relatives. Then I thought she had run away, perhaps,

#### Continued Search All Day

"But I kept searching the next day without, getting any trace of her. My other daughter, Angelina, nineteen years old, and I took our automobile and spent Sunday visiting relatives and friends of the missing girl. I put the machine back in the garage at 10:30 o'clock Sunday night. Soon after I went in the house the district attorney called me out on a stabbing case. James Smith, an assistant, and myself went to the garage to get the machine. was then 11 belock. Smith found my daughter in the rear yard. Her assail-ants evidently had placed her there within that half-hour.

"Within the last six months I have pleaded guilty and was sentenced to fitteen years. The other is awaiting tria Besides I arrested a number of other men for less serious crimes. I don't whom to suspect of this out

#### Bolshevists Not Suspected

Meli said he did not think any su posed Bolshevists were responsible. He said he had been making no investigations of radicals.

the young girl. Melt believes at least one negro and an Italian were co cerned in the attack. The girl talks of black trees." Some of the phrases she uttered in her delirium were: "I won't, won't drink it." "I a

his daughter," "Don't kill, kill me." "He didn't arrest you, you know he

Meli said he was prepare I for any one who might attack him and he was going to run down his daughter's as

It is believed Miss Meli was over powered by two or more men as she was returning home Saronton and then placed in an automobile and

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Thomas Skelton Harrison, who died at the funeral by Charlemagne Tower. Williams, Charles Penrose Keith, H. E. Examination by postal officials of been opened, but it is May 3, at the age of eighty-one years, president; Hampton L. Carson, John Gillingham. Ogden Wilkinson, Gran-the "bomb" received through the mails of a similar nature.

tained only three small wooden Similar packages received by Mayor Walter A. Scott and Frederick Sullens, Jackson, Miss., May 6.—(By A. P.) editor of a local newspaper, have not been opened, but it is believed they are



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