

RUSSIAN CONSUL

Will Talk Over the De Raylan Scandal With Ambassador Rosen at Washington.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Censured because the Russian consulate in Chicago has become involved in the DeRaylan scandal, Consul Von Schlippenbach left for Washington tonight to make a verbal report on the case to Ambassador Rosen. He will represent to the ambassador that when Nicolai DeRaylan applied for a clerkship in the consulate thirteen years ago, he bore letters from high Russian officials introducing him as a man and that there was not the slightest reason for supposing the visitor to be a woman in disguise. DeRaylan, he will add, was an excellent clerk and behaved with propriety for several years. When it was discovered that the clerk was running a bureau at which Russian immigrants were fleeced of large sums for the most trivial services, he was promptly dismissed from the consular service.

For the fact that DeRaylan continued the bureau, deriving from it an income of \$400 to \$500 monthly to the time of his death, Baron Schlippenbach does not consider himself to blame. He denies that it was possible to prevent newspaper references to DeRaylan's former connection with the consulate when she died in Arizona and was found to be a woman.

Some investigation will probably be made of a suspected attempt to kidnap the dead woman's son, Harry George DeRaylan, last night. The story as told by Anna Davidson, who passed as DeRaylan's wife is that a stranger called at her house late at night, asked to see the boy and attempted to force an entrance to the house when his request was refused. Miss Davidson's theory is that the visitor was an emissary of the boy's father. Report has it that the lad is the offspring of a morganatic marriage in Russia between DeRaylan and an aristocrat of the czar's court.