

DURAND LIKELY TO BECOME WILD WEST LEGEND

No matter what new cruelties and depredations may be perpetuated by Durand before he meets his inevitable fate, those stories will endure through future generations and will become a part of the saga of the west—the west that even in the twentieth century produced a man who knew no law but his own.

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If the case of that Wyoming bandit were not a grim business involving four slayings, we would be tempted to say that it is another instance of nature imitating art. There has been such an outburst of outlawry on the screen and stage that it was only a question of time before the Western desperado would come to life in the news.

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Powell, Wyo., March 25 [1939]—(A.P.)—To the saga of the wild west will be added tales of the strange, lonely life of a 26-year-old mountain Tarzan who came back to civilization for a spectacular, bizarre exit.

Earl Durand, game poacher and slayer who was killed Friday while robbing a Powell bank after he had eluded capture for nine days in his mountain hideouts, is destined to become a topic of folklore.

The most imaginative creator of pulp melodrama never, in his wildest dreams, produced as wild a story as Durand lived in his last ten days. If it had been portrayed on the screen, no one would have believed it could be real.

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