ALLEGED AUTHOR OF NOTE CAUGHT AT P. O. WINDOW

E. D. Read of Oklahoma City Arrested at Edna for Postal Officials

$2,000 WAS DEMANDED

Author Claims to Have Witnessed Scene in Day Home

When Beck Was Slain

WRONG MAN, SAYS ACCUSED

Prisoner Only Called for "G. Dair" Hall as an Accommodation, He Aver

Strange Coincidence

In Names in Mystery

A strange coincidence appears in the composition of the same given by the man arrested on Edna in order of the postal auth-

orities in connection with the alleged debit order received by Mrs.

Beck, wife of a postmaster in Oklahoma City. This prisoner gave the same as E. D. Read and a portion of the

same signed to the letter shows it to be the same spelled back

to the identical one in the letter. E. D. Read's call is at 401A and was ar-

rested as the writer of the note demanding $2,000.

By Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 15—A

man, named E. D. Read, 36,

years old, who recently was

arrested here of the slaying of

Mrs. Beck, wife of a postmaster

here, was arrested here at the request of postal

officials for authorship of a

note, bearing the same name as

the one signed to the letter that

killed "G. Dair," a man who

was killed here a few days ago

by Mrs. Beck. Mr. Read does not

know who killed "G. Dair," who

was killed at 401A, according to

his statement.

Mr. Read was arrested by U. S.

Postal authorities here on the

charge that he killed "G. Dair,"

who was killed a few days ago.

Mr. Read does not know who

killed "G. Dair," but he says

he has not heard of the murder

of "G. Dair." He is being held

for further investigation.

The arrest was made by Deputy

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name "G. Daer," demanding that she send $2,000 in currency in a package to be labeled "merchandise" to him, care general, delivery, Edna. The information from Oklahoma City did not disclose what threats, if any, were made in the letter to Mrs. Day but simply that it was an attempt to blackmail her out of $2,000.

Reed was to be taken tonight to Sapulpa and turned over to federal authorities.

The letter signed "G. Daer," and dated April 12, was received by Mrs. Day on the next day and was immediately turned over to the authorities, and the postmaster at Edna was promptly instructed to arrange for the arrest of any person calling for mail addressed to Daer. The result was that for the last five days Deputy Sheriff Driver has been waiting in the Edna post-office for someone to call for Daer's mail.

Officer in Wait for Him.

The man who gave his name as Reed walked into the Edna post-office last night just before 6 o'clock, according to the postmaster and Deputy Farmer. He asked first for any mail addressed to "E. D. W."