

ABSOLUTELY IDENTIFIED

**Nicolai de Raylan Was a
Woman.**

PROCEEDINGS DROPPED

**Counsel for the "Widow" Has
Abandoned the Substitution
of Bodies Contention.**

MASQUERADED AS A MAN

**Strange Case of a Woman Who Posed
As a Man and Married Another Wom-
an—The Theory That de Raylan Was
a Nihilist Is Not Credited.**

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 29.—After an investigation that lasted until midnight Attorney Schaeffer, representing the "widow of Nicolai de Raylan, this morning abandoned the contention that there had been a substitution of bodies and stipulated that the proceedings brought by his client in Chicago, seeking a widow's rights in the de Raylan estate shall be abandoned. The identification of the body of the dead woman who had masqueraded as a man, the consular agent de Raylan, of Chicago, is absolute.

De Raylan's remains will be interred at Phoenix. Baron Schlippenbach, the Russian consul, states that efforts are being made to find her relatives in Russia, but it is an even possibility that the estate will go to the State of Illinois. It amounts to \$12,000 mainly cash in bank. The theory that de Raylan was a nihilist is ridiculed. The evidence introduced shows that de Raylan was not on good terms with the woman whom she was married to and efforts have been made from Phoenix to place all funds and papers out of the Chicago woman's reach. As de Raylan's naturalization is voided by her sex, she is now held to have been a Russian subject till death.