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ASSAULT RESULTS IN MURDER

Lou Hale, Colored, Dies as Result of Injuries Inflicted by Frank Overecker. Frank Overecker, who is almost blind, committed an assault upon Lou Hale, colored, at 255 Dodge street Tuesday evening, which ended in her death. Overecker and the woman have been living together at the number given for some time. According to the story told by those living in the house, they have had more or less trouble ever since they have been living there. Last night about 10 o'clock Matt Rogers, who lives at 223 North Eleventh street, came home and found the Hale woman at his house. She was lying down upon the bed and was still able to talk. She told him that Overecker had assaulted her and that she was very sick. Police Sergeant Schleier was sent for and pronounced the woman in a very serious condition. When an examination was made there were no signs of bruises upon her head, although she told Rogers that she had been hit upon the head. She has none of the symptoms of poisoning, so it is not thought that is the cause of her condition. She died at 11 yesterday morning. She was unconscious for about three hours.

Overecker is a worthless individual who has not been doing anything for a living for some time. He is used to be a cook before he lost his sight. He has been brought to the police station periodically for several years, always in a drunken condition. It is said that the woman he killed has been making a living for him. The people at the Rogers house say that the woman visited them two or three days ago and told them that Overecker had given her a beating and that she was suffering with a pain in her back. Overecker was caught in a doorway on Dodge street by Detectives Stryker and Hudson about 2 o'clock this morning and locked up at the police station. Several of the inmates of the building where the two were being held were also lodged in jail. They are all colored and refused to talk regarding the matter last night. The room in which Overecker and the woman have been living is a squalid little place in the rear.

Y. M. C. A. GIVES OUT PLANS

Announcement Made at Opening Reception Held at Rooms Last Evening. An exceptionally large number of young men was in attendance at the opening reception of the season at the Young Men's Christian association Tuesday. As the guests arrived they were conducted through the building and viewed the various departments. At least half of those present were new guests of the members of the association.

The following program was carried out: Address, I. W. Carpenter, "presiding"; E. H. Packard, humorist; Dr. Z. T. Clark, banjo selections; Francis Patten, selections on the mandolin; presentation of the fall plans; educational address, J. H. Adams, "Physical"; Dr. M. J. Ford, "Social"; Secretary Metts; "Religious"; Secretary Willis. In his address, Secretary Willis announced that arrangements had been completed for the use of the Kountze Memorial church Sunday during the winter, and that the pulpit would be occupied by good speakers on various subjects. Among those who have been engaged to address the association are: Robert E. Lewis of Shanghai, China, a forceful speaker and a noted author in China, some of his works having been translated into Chinese for the use of government officials; W. F. Slocum, president of Colorado college, and Mrs. Mabel L. Conklin, who will speak upon the subject of "Personal Purity"; to men; J. B. DeMotte will lecture and Dr. James M. Gray, the noted Presbyterian minister, also occurred in the pulpit. There will be a number of other topics.

BADLY BURNED BY GASOLINE

Mrs. James Brown Suffers Severe Injury as Result of an Explosion. Mrs. James Brown, residing at 926 North Twenty-third street, was quite seriously burned yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock by the explosion of a jug of gasoline. She was making pickles and picked up a jug of gasoline thinking it was vinegar. When she drew the stopper near the stove, and she was working the gasoline ignited and burst up a flame which happened to her clothing caught fire, and burned her about the lower part of the body and on both arms. There was no one but her little daughter in the house at the time, and she could render her mother no assistance. With rare presence of mind the woman leaped up a window which happened to be lying in the kitchen where she was working, and wrapped it about her. She had barely extinguished the fire in her clothing when she fell unconscious to the floor. When the firemen arrived Mrs. Brown was wedged in against the kitchen door in such a way that it could not be opened. An entrance was gained through the front of the house and she was taken into the open air where she revived. She was later taken to the Immanuel hospital. She was reported as resting easily last night. The kitchen was quite badly damaged by the fire.

RECEPTION TO CONGREGATION

Dr. Yost of St. Mary's Avenue Church Draws His Flock Together. A reception was tendered to the congregation of the St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church Tuesday by the pastor, Rev. Robert Yost, and Mrs. Yost, in the church parlors. Almost all members of the church were present. The parlors were beautifully decorated with flowers and palms. Refreshments were served after the program had been carried out. The reception was given for the purpose of getting the church people out, and to promote acquaintance among the congregation. It was also in the nature of an offering of the fall work. Mr. Yost's report of the fall work, Mrs. Yost's report, and a. H. Waterhouse announced the program which was as follows: Harp solo, Miss Marie Swanson; ladies trio, "Wind of the Western Sea"; Miss Hildegard Barrows, Miss Agnes Miller and Miss Daisy Higgins; The "Seventeenth Century Love Song"; Irish Love Song; and "American Lullaby," were rendered by Thomas J. Kelly; "Silver Ring"; Mrs. Kelly; trio "Pastorale," (old English) by Mr. Jensen, Mr. Northrup and Mr. Pendray. All of the solos were rendered with a happy accompaniment.

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Signed by the mayor and accepted by the officers of the Omaha Gas company, the resolution extending the gas light contract for two years was safely on file in the comptroller's office, when an injunction restraining such action reached the city hall at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. "I signed the order in bed in the presence of a witness shortly after 10 o'clock last night," said Mayor Moore.

The acceptance of the gas company was filed with the county clerk yesterday morning. When President Zimman reached the city hall to affix his signature to documents handed by the council Tuesday night he could not find the gas extension resolution. He inquired where it was and was told by City Clerk Elbourn that the mayor had asked for it and it had been sent to him. The futile restraining order sought to prevent the mayor from signing the resolution and extending the gas contract to January 1, 1906, with practically no change in terms. It was signed by Judge Dickinson and obtained by Weaver & Gilker, attorneys, in the name of Stephen Rice, who is supposed to be an employee of the electric light company.

Lower Terms Possible. "Possibly lower terms might have been secured had pressure been brought to bear on the gas company," admitted Mayor Moore. "But the attorney who wanted the electric light company to crowd the gas company out of business and secure a monopoly induced me to favor the extension. I have no use for a deal of that kind. Now both lighting contracts expire on the same day, two years hence, and the gas company, municipal lighting they may vote the bonds, and by the time the contracts expire the plant can be in readiness to provide the service."

From the city clerk's office comes the information that the electric light company was not signing Tuesday night. Here is what Mr. Elbourn says: "After the gas resolution had been read Councilman Nicholson placed a sealed envelope in my hand. I opened it and saw that it was a lighting proposal from the Omaha Electric Light and Power company. It covered four typewritten pages. The proposition was to extend the present contract for three years, or to January 1, 1906, on condition that the city use a minimum of 1,200 electric street lamps in the meantime, the price to be \$70 per year. In case the Platte river canal is realized rates were to be reduced in conformity to the decrease in the cost of production. I held this proposal until the gas resolution was adopted, when Councilman Nicholson withdrew it."

Not in Contempt.

City Attorney Wright was asked whether or not the mayor and council majority, in view of the Stult injunction are in contempt of court in extending the contract. He said he thought not, because the injunction related to a certain contract and this is another. According to President Zimman the Cleveland Vapor Light company had a most excellent proposition to which his management would have submitted had he been given the opportunity. "I have seen the proposal," said Zimman, "and it is a good one. It bids on gas lighting, the intention being to compel the gas company to furnish the lighting material at the legal retail price and still cut rates were to be reduced in conformity to the decrease in the cost of production. We may yet hear from this concern and the proceeding may come up in the present controversy."

Disapproves Council's Action.

After a rather heated discussion and against the vigorous protests of a number of members, the Real Estate exchange yesterday accepted the report of its lighting committee and ordered its secretary to send the same to the mayor and city council as the sentiment of the exchange. The committee in its report believed that the council had acted hastily in the matter and not to the best interests of the city and the taxpayers and recommended that the council rescind its action. George R. Daughy, manager of the Cleveland Vapor Light company, addressed the exchange, saying that his company intended to fight the council's action.

Blame for Murder on Reed

Coroner's Jury Holds Him Responsible for Death of Cora Cristwell, Whom He Shot. A Cora Cristwell came to her death from a gunshot wound inflicted by the hand of James Jardine Reed. The foregoing was the verdict of the coroner's jury rendered Tuesday afternoon, after the evidence had been given in the Cristwell murder case. There was nothing new developed in the testimony given at the inquest. Only seven witnesses were examined and ordered to testify how the woman came to her death, the finding of the body and other minor details. Reed, the murderer, was present at the inquest, and at his own request was permitted to view the body. After looking at it a moment he turned away, and expressed the wish that he too would soon be dead. The undertakers rooms of Bralley & Doran were crowded, and some difficulty was experienced in keeping the crowd under control. A large crowd of people stood in the street during the progress of the inquest.

LIFE'S PLEASURE

The pleasures of this life depend entirely upon the condition of family health. Slickly people, and especially those who are dyspeptic, cannot enjoy life. They are nervous, irritable and always "out of sorts." Such persons should know that...

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FOUR LEGISLATORS TO ELECT

Vacant Places in House to Be Filled at Polls This Fall. KENNEDY AND SPURLOCK ALREADY RESIGN. N. M. Nelson is Expected to Soon and John R. Musick's Death Complicates the Quartet of Vacancies. At least four vacancies will exist in the lower branch of the Twenty-eighth Nebraska legislature by the time of the fall election and it will be necessary, therefore, for four new members to be selected to fill these places.

ROMANCE ENDS AT ALTAR

After Eight Years Lovers Meet in Omaha and Become Man and Wife. The groom coming from Mason City, Ia., and the bride from Garrison, Ky., Charles Dickinson Hunt and Miss Anna L. Murphy completed a very interesting romance Monday afternoon when they became man and wife at the residence of the groom's uncle, Judge Dickinson, 213 North Twenty-third street. Rev. Newton M. Mann officiating.

THE REPUBLICAN FORUM

OMAHA, Sept. 28.—To the Editor of The Bee: Who shall be our county assessor is the paramount issue of this campaign. For eight years I was in the city treasurer's office, and, as she paid her 1902 taxes, a woman was heard to remark: "I am saving a good deal on this year's taxes. Why," she said, "my taxes are much less this year than last." As a matter of fact, great progress has been made in arriving at proper distribution of the burdens of Omaha city taxes. We are getting nearer the place where the small property owner pays only his own proportion.

OFFICIALS WILL STAND PAT

Mayor, Council and Public Works Board Determined on Favoring Matter. "The mayor, the council and the Board of Public Works will stand pat on their agreement to boycott the Barber Asphalt company if it does not withdraw appeal from the courts allowed for street repairs," said councilman.

RISING BREAST

And many other painful and serious ailments from which most mothers suffer, can be avoided by the use of "Mother's Friend." This great remedy is a God-send to women, carrying them through their most critical ordeal with safety and no pain. No woman who uses "Mother's Friend" need fear the suffering and danger incident to birth; for it robs the ordeal of its horror and insures safety to life of mother and child, and leaves her in a condition more favorable to speedy recovery. The child is also healthy, strong and good natured. Our book "Motherhood" is worth its weight in gold to every woman, and will be sent free in plain envelope by addressing application to Bradfield Regulator Co. Atlanta, Ga.