

Talk of Judge Dickson To Young Chicken Thief

Recently Judge Robert R. Dickson, in pronouncing sentence on a young man for stealing chickens, said:

"Well now, young man, I am sorry, and I regret very much that your conduct has been such that you must be punished. You and that 15 year old brother of yours were charged, and both of you plead guilty, to a violation of what is known as our "poultry stealing statute." This act provides a punishment of imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten days nor more than six months; or imprisonment in the state penitentiary not more than one year.

"On account of your brother's age I committed him to the reform school at Kearney. You being over 18 years of age prohibits me from sending you to the reform school. Now, you and your brother have been for years and years living within a stone's throw of two fine schools. From your parents I learn that both of you refused to further attend school after the 8th grade. The law required that you continue your studies until you were 16 years of age. Your parents and the school authorities failed to perform a most important duty,—that of seeing that both of you attend school. In stead you were allowed to spend your time in idleness, fitting yourselves for a life of crime. The result is just what should have been expected.

"Had your parents and the school authorities performed the duties imposed upon them by law, a different life's chapter would have been written in all probability. Investigation now shows that your parents were not ignorant of your many acts that blazed the trail over the road that you and your brother were traveling; and yet they failed to halt you,—failed to halt you in your evil doings. I sometimes think that there are more delinquent parents than delinquent children; and at times that they, not the children, should be punished for contributing to the delinquency of their children.

"A few persecutions of the parents would have a wholesome effect in our community. The home is the place to teach respect for law and constituted authority; it is the place to teach love of home, country and flag, so necessary to good citizens if their character is moulded,

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habits formed and the best in manhood and womanhood developed. It is the place to inculcate in the minds of the children the great underlying fundamentals upon which our government is based. If parents rely upon the churches and schools to inculcate in the minds of their girls and boys the truths that are the basis of good citizenship—let them not be surprised at the finished product. Many years of experience have convinced me that juvenile delinquencies can, in 90 per cent of the cases, be traced directly or indirectly to the home. You and your brother here are outstanding examples of parental and civic neglect.

"The sentence that I am about to impose upon you might seem at first thought to be more severe than the acts complained of would justify. The crime of stealing chickens has been carried on in some form for years and years; at first not for profit and gain. Years ago there was developed in this state a new and different class of criminals—the professional chicken thief who took for gain, and his profits exceeded that of the cattle or horse thief. The man who would steal his neighbors cow or horse would deem it beneath his dignity to rob his hen roost. The business of stealing chickens for gain continued and soon reached such magnitude that to prevent it the punishment was increased by legislative enactment as we now find it.

"Cattle stealing was easily discovered and the identity of the stolen animal was easy and certain; but in the case of chicken thefts discovery in a large flock of the taking of a few chickens was not easily discovered like the stolen personal property, and identification was difficult—perhaps the chickens were shipped out of the county entirely.

"I thought at first that a jail sentence for stealing chickens was severe enough punishment, and would put a stop to it. I discovered about ten years ago that it would not, and that some punishment more severe was necessary to prevent its continuance. I found out that a jail sentence would not accomplish the intended purpose. I have sent to the penitentiary every one that has been convicted or plead guilty to chicken stealing with one exception, and in that case I paroled the thief to the sheriff, after he made full restitution, believing that this particular individual would thereafter lead a law abiding life—and he did.

"I realize, and I know, that we still have, and will have, chicken thieves regardless of the punishment inflicted; but I believe that the prosecution, conviction and punishment inflicted on the guilty has reduced chicken stealing to a minimum in this county and in this district. It is now largely confined to boys like you and your brother, that have not been taught it is a crime to steal your neighbors chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese.

"Had you been taught that Divine commandment, "Thou shalt not steal," and your parents and the school authorities had required your school attendance, you would not be here today in all probability. Had you been charged and found guilty of stealing a calf of no greater value than the chickens and geese you stole, the lightest punishment would have been not less than three years in the penitentiary. Let your sentence and punishment be a warning to others. I hope that your punishment will bring about your reformation, and when you are discharged that you will open a new book, and that there may never be recorded therein a single dishonest act, and that your future life and conduct may be in keeping with good citizenship."

BRIEFLY STATED

William Black, of Dustin, and Miss LaVerne Lunge, of Atkinson, were united in marriage at the county court room by Judge Malone last Tuesday afternoon.

Saturday a combined fall of rain and snow amounted to .07 of an inch of water and clearing skies by Sunday at daylight sent the thermometer mercury down to exactly zero.

Donald, 13, fell while roller skating and as he raised his head another skater accidentally kicked Donald in the head. The boy lost some blood and is carrying a lump and a sore cranium.

A crew of men are busily engaged in baling wild hay southwest of here on the Patrick O'Connor meadows. Enard Leach is handling the office work here in connection with the project.

Mrs. W. J. Froelich left for Chicago last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Biglin, Mrs. H. J. Birmingham

and Mrs. Edward Campbell took her in a car as far as Sioux City, returning home that evening.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Guild will meet Thursday evening, Jan. 24, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Yantzi. Mrs. W. B. Graves, Mrs. Edward Gatz and Mrs. Margaret Clausson will be assisting hostesses.

Several trucks went into the ditch in this vicinity last Wednesday, on account of the slippery condition of the highway, especially on the oiled road. As far as we have been able to learn none of the trucks were damaged.

Miss Helen Toy, of O'Neill, was guest artist on a half hour varied musical program given by the voice department of the Wayne State Teachers college at 9:00 a. m. last Saturday over station WJAG, Norfolk. Miss Toy played a piano solo.

Georg Van Every, state highway foreman, was called to Bartlett last week on business connected with the highway department. Recently George suffered a mashed thumb in a machinery mishap, but relatives here reported the member was healing nicely.

Sunday a notice was on the door leading to the office of County Superintendent of Schools Clarence J. McClurg. The notice was as follows: "Office Days—Wednesday 8 to 12; Saturday 5:00." So that those having business at the office may govern themselves accordingly.

Representative Lloyd Gillespie came up from Lincoln last Friday afternoon and spent Saturday looking after business interests in the city and interviewing those of his constituents that he could meet in the short time here. Lloyd says that he likes the work very much and that it promises to be a very interesting session, altho possibly a long one.

Mark Summers, of Elgin, passed thru this city last Friday enroute to western Montana with a truck load of household goods. Accompanying him were the family and Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer and Grandma, who, altho in her nineties, seemed to be enjoying the trip and anticipating the pleasures of locating in a new country. They were in a big car with trailer attached, with chickens, turkeys, etc.

This office is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. O. F. Herring, of Eugene, Oregon, enclosing a renewal of her subscription. Mrs. Herring says that she enjoys the weekly visits of the paper very much, as it brings her the news of her old home and community. Mrs. Herring was formerly Miss Lettie Ritts and was born and raised in this community and has a large number of relatives here. She says she wished that Holt county was getting some of the rain that they have been getting in that section the past few months. She says they have had a very mild winter at Eugene, with no snow so far, and flowers are in bloom. But she says that there is a lot of snow in the mountains near them.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

By Frank P. Litschert Once more we are in the midst of a fight to secure American adherence to the World Court thru a resolution adopted by two-thirds of the Senate. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee by a score of 14 to 7 has voted to report out the resolution for debate and action on the floor of the Senate. The proponents of the resolution believe that they have enough votes to pass it, and they hail the vote of the committee as the first sign of victory.

Even the most enthusiastic World Courtist must admit, however, that the victory was only a Pyrrhic one at best. For along with the reporting of the resolution went this statement which seems to revive the substance of old Reservation Number Five, which provides as a price for our adherence that the Court shall not render an advisory opinion in any matter in which the United States has or claims an interest without our consent. In order to realize the importance of this provision, if it is enacted, as it undoubtedly will be, because a majority of the Senate is said to favor it, we must go back to the World Court fight during the Coolidge administration. At that time the World Court resolution was pushed thru the Senate but with it went Reservation Five providing that, if we join the Court, it must agree in advance not to pass on any matter in which the United States has or claims an interest. So important was this reservation regarded by World Court members that they would not accept our membership under such conditions.

The anti-Court senators will attempt to see that the substance of the resolution is still binding.

Now since some of the questions in which we have or claim an interest are the war debt question, American tariffs, immigration, disarmament, and so on, it is evident that some of the members of the Court at least expected to settle some of these questions for us and didn't want to be bound in advance. Can you imagine what sort of chance a war debt, or an immigration question, from our standpoint, would have in a court made up against us and in which we could have but a single vote?

With the substance of this reservation preserved as it should be, it is easy to see, therefore, why a reporting out of the World Court reservation favorably, by the committee, is not as big an internationalist victory as appears at first glance. For if the World Court didn't like our independent attitude in the first place, what reason has there been for a change of mind? If they can't run our business for us because of a pesky advance understanding, why play with us at all?

The old warriors of the Senate, who by their mastery strategy defeated American membership in the League and thereby rendered an invaluable service to the peace and independence of the country, are against the resolution in its entirety and properly so. As Senator Johnson of California said, when the resolution was reported out: "The fundamental problem of when to join the League of Nations Court still remains. I am, of course, opposed to going into the League of Nations by the front door or the back door or otherwise, and I am opposed to our going into the League Court."

What Senator Johnson says is true. The fundamental problem of whether to join or not still remains. But it ought to be easier to solve now than ever before. Never has the League's reputation for enforcing its rules and aiding peace sunk so low as at present. When opposed by one major power, whether a member or not, it has been helpless. It has been most successful in questions such as determining the "color of ink and the breadth of pen wipers" in international conferences. It failed in Manchuria and it has failed elsewhere. Only the other day when the Senate had reported out the World Court resolution, word came to us that Italy and France had completed an agreement in Europe, destined to settle the fate of Austria and the future conduct of four or five other minor powers. Provinces in Africa were parceled out and handed from France to Italy "without the consent of the governed" as a part of the bargain by

which Italy agrees to "take aim" when France says so. Italy was given the right to go as far as it pleased in fighting Abyssinia, not in the interest of democracy, but for foreign trade and African booty. In all of this the League of Nations was not consulted. Its name was scarcely mentioned in disposing of the fate of Central Europe, and the soil of Africa. Nobody thot of the World Court either kindly or otherwise. Yet the internationalists tell us that joining it will end war and aid democracy. Where and when have we heard words similar to that before?

Stockholders of the O'Neill Production Credit Association held their annual meeting in this city today and elected officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected on the board of directors: R. H. Lienhart, Chambers; A. U. Dix, Butte; Dewey Shafer, Emmet; E. W. Moss, Burwell; Frank Kaiser, Spaulding. The directors elected the following officers: R. H. Lienhart, president; Frank, Kaiser, vice president; James Rooney, secretary-treasurer.

The Fremont Joint Stock Land Bank has brought suit against Gus W. Robinson, et al, to foreclose a mortgage for \$4,500 given on September 22, 1922, on the northwest quarter of section 3, township 28, north, of range 10 in Holt county Nebraska. They allege that the defendant failed to pay the interest coupons due on April 1 and October 1, 1934, and that they also failed to pay the taxes due on the land for the years 1921, and 1930 to 1933 inclusive. They allege that there is now due and payable the sum of \$4,561.31 and if same is not paid within a reasonable time they ask that the land be sold.

The Aetna Life Insurance company has brought suit against Delos D. Miles, et al, and the west half of section 3, and west half of southeast quarter of section 3, all in township 31 north, of range 9, west of the 6th P. M. On February 25, 1920 a mortgage for \$10,000 was given the plaintiff on the land above described. When the mortgage became due it was extended to March 1, 1935. They allege that default has been made in the terms of the contract and that there is now due he sum of \$11,448.21. They ask the court to determine the amount due and that if same is not paid within a reasonable time that the land be sold.

(First Publication January 17.) ANNUAL ESTIMATE OF EXPENSE FOR HOLT COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FOR 1935.

The following is the estimate of the expenses for Holt county, Nebraska, for the year 1935 as prepared and approved by the County Board of Supervisors of Holt county, Nebraska, in regular session on January 11, 1935:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Items include Bridge (\$15,000.00), County Officers (20,000.00), Clerk Hire (8,000.00), Printing and Supplies (8,000.00), Assessors (4,500.00), County Poor and Blind (30,000.00), Courts and Juries (4,000.00), County Fairs (2,000.00), County Judgments (23,000.00), Court House and Jail (1,500.00), Buildings and Repairs (1,500.00), Coyote Bounty (500.00), County Roads (1,000.00), Justice and Misdemeanor (350.00), Mothers Pensions (3,500.00), Feeble Minded (500.00), School Exhibit (200.00), Coroners Inquest (200.00), Insane (500.00), Board of Health (400.00), Soldiers Relief (700.00), Teachers Institute (250.00), Treasurers Bond (750.00), Miscellaneous (2,000.00). Total: \$128,350.00.

35-4 JOHN C. GALLAGHER, (Sett) County Clerk.

W. J. Hammond, Attorney. (First Publication Jan. 17, 1935.)

LEGAL NOTICE.

All persons interested in the estate of William H. Shaughnessy, deceased, both creditors and heirs, are notified that on January 15, 1935, Estella Shaughnessy filed a petition in County Court of Holt county, Nebraska, alleging that William H. Shaughnessy, a resident of Holt county, Nebraska, died intestate on January 9, 1933, being the owner of Northwest Quarter Section 9, Township 28 and Southwest Quarter Section 28, Township 29 North, all in Range 11 West 6th Principal Meridian in Holt county, Nebraska; that petitioner is owner of said real estate and an heir at law of deceased; that no application has been made in Nebraska for the appointment of an administrator for his estate; that his heirs are Estella Shaughnessy, his widow, and the following children: Winnora Mullen, Esther Reka, Thomas Shaughnessy, Harry Shaughnessy and Ellen Philbin; that the prayer of the petitioner is: "Petitioner prays that the Court determine the time of the death of William H. Shaughnessy; that he died intestate; decree who are his heirs and their degree of kinship and determine the right of descent of the real estate above described." You are notified said petition will be heard February 6, 1935, at 10 A. M. in the County Court Room in O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska.

C. J. MALONE, County Judge. (County Court Seal) 35-3

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT Estate No. 2302

In the County Court of Holt county, Nebraska, January 11, 1935.

In the matter of the Estate of Hugh McKenna, Deceased.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that the Administratrix of said estate has filed in said court her final report and a petition for final settlement and distribution of the residue of said estate; and that said report and petition will be heard February 6, 1935, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the County Court Room in O'Neill, Nebraska, when all persons interested may appear and be heard concerning said final report and the distribution of said estate.

C. J. MALONE, County Judge. (County Court Seal) 35-3

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