

Ohio Minister to Be Grilled by Prosecutor

Entire Family of Woman Found Dead in Furnace Will Be Subjected to Further Examination.

By International News Service. Columbus, Nov. 26.—With Rev. C. V. Sheatsley and his four children scheduled to return to their home here today, County Prosecutor John R. King, chief investigator in the Bexley furnace mystery, was expected to re-examine members of the family to clear up, if possible, several mooted points in the circumstances attending Mrs. Sheatsley's death and subsequent discovery of her body in the paragona furnace.

Prosecutor King indicated the family will be questioned closely concerning their actions following the finding of the body and after it was established beyond doubt that the furnace victim was Mrs. Sheatsley. They will be asked to explain why no effort was made to extinguish the fire, it was said.

Questioning of the minister has brought out that after viewing the body of his wife in the furnace, he closed the furnace doors and went outside the house to call a neighbor without attempting to smother the flames or reclaim his wife's body.

Son to Be Quizzed.

It is said Clarence, the 16-year-old son, would be interrogated again concerning his leaving the house to play football after finding what he said he believed to be his mother in the furnace.

Rev. Sheatsley probably will be called upon to explain, too, why he reported smelling an odor resembling carbolic acid as he passed the furnace room window a few minutes before finding Mrs. Sheatsley's body in the furnace.

Authorities admitted they are particularly eager to find out definitely what bearing, if any, the bottle of carbolic acid, which the Sheatsleys were unable to find the day of the tragedy, but which detectives later found in its usual place in the medicine cabinet, has upon the case. When ashes were removed from the furnace and sifted after the charred remains were found, a piece of glass, then believed to be a piece of the carbolic acid bottle, was found.

Also, the prosecutor said the Sheatsleys would be quizzed as to their motive for not revealing information of the visit of Mrs. Gladys Redelfs the afternoon of the tragedy.

Scientists at Work.

While authorities continued their probe for possible clues, C. F. Long, chemist, and Dr. H. M. Brundage, pathologist, were closeted in their laboratories with samples of blood found in the Sheatsley residence. These specimens were being subjected to numerous scientific experiments, in all of which time is one of the chief considerations, according to Long.

Blood found on clothing was dissolved and reduced to a serum. Guinea pigs were inoculated with this serum, and from the animals' reaction to the fluid the chemist was to decide whether the blood was from a human being or from an animal. Rev. Sheatsley has contended that the blood is that of rabbits which he cleaned in the basement the day before the tragedy.

Dr. Brundage, who was examining the charred bodies of guinea pigs thrust into the Sheatsley furnace by the scientist, said his tests also would require much time.

Falls City to Install New Filtration Plant

Falls City, Nov. 26.—Falls City will have a new \$50,000 filtration plant with a daily capacity of 1,000,000 gallons of water, in operation by June, Mayor R. O. Castle announced after returning from a two-day inspection tour through some of the biggest filtration plants of Kansas. He was accompanied by five of Falls City's six councilmen.

The plant will be built with funds provided out of the surplus earnings of the present municipal water plant, which has a daily capacity of 500,000 gallons.

Falls City's growth has forced the city administration to turn to the Nemaha river for its future water supply.

Owner of 2,342 Acres Dies at His Home Near Humboldt

Falls City, Nov. 26.—John E. Stauffer, 65, a resident of Richardson county for 55 years and one of the wealthiest farmers in the county, died of heart trouble at his home 10 miles southwest of Humboldt. He had been ill for nearly a year.

Mr. Stauffer owned 2,342 acres in Speiser precinct in addition to considerable property in Kansas. His estimated wealth is about \$500,000.

Mr. Stauffer was born February 7, 1861, in Monroe county, O., and came to Richardson county with his parents in 1868, settling on the farm where he spent the remainder of his life.

Farmer Near Kinney Gets 30 Bushels of Corn to Acre

Beatrice, Nov. 26.—Lafayette Brogan, living near Kinney, Neb., has finished gathering his corn crop, which he reports yielded 30 bushels an acre. He reaped approximately 2,000 bushels.

Herman Rickers, northeast of Beatrice, shelled 15 loads of corn, which he marketed at the Pickrell elevator, receiving 95 cents a bushel. Mr. Rickers is preparing to leave the farm and will move to Beatrice.

Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Alas, for one who lacks a friend! No worse misfortune can attend. —Paddy the Beaver.

Friends Help Paddy the Beaver.

Paddy the Beaver and Mrs. Paddy were working hard to get their food pile out in the pond big enough to last all winter. They knew that if the pond should freeze over before that food pile was big enough they would be likely to have a hard time



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before spring. This is why they had decided to take the time to work on their dam in order to make their pond bigger and carry the water close up to the trees they intended to cut. But both were wise enough to know that nothing is quite so important as safety. They knew that Yowler the Bob Cat and Old Man Coyote were keeping watch of them, hoping to catch one of them. They knew that it wasn't safe for them to work more than a few feet from the water. So they had taken up the time to work on the dam, and now, that the water was close up to the trees they wanted to cut.

But though the water was now close to the trees, Paddy and Mrs. Paddy had to be constantly on guard. They knew that Old Man Coyote was likely to come prowling around at any hour of the day or night. They knew that Yowler the Bob Cat would do his best to steal up on them and surprise them at work. So never for an instant were they careless. They never started work without first looking and listening and carefully testing the air for scent of enemies. And while they were working they kept stopping to do these same things. It made the work slower, but at the same time it meant safety and this was the most important thing.

Now Paddy has friends as well as enemies, and these friends took a great deal of interest in the work Paddy and Mrs. Paddy were doing. Sammy Jay was one of them. Every day he used to fly over to Paddy's pond to watch the cutting of the trees. Many times he had seen men cut trees in other parts of the Green Forest, and it interested him a great deal to see how like these human tree cutters Paddy and Mrs. Paddy were. The chief difference was that they used teeth instead of axes.

Now Sammy's sharp eyes miss little that is going on. Twice he saw Old Man Coyote trying to sneak up within jumping distance of the Beavers, and each time he screamed, "Thief! Thief! Thief!" at the top of his lungs. Paddy and Mrs. Paddy stopped working instantly and plunged into the water. So it came about that whenever they saw Sammy Jay about, they worked without worry. They knew that they could depend on him to give them warning.

It was at night that they had greater cause for worry. Sammy Jay was asleep then. He never goes out after dark. He couldn't see if he did. But even at night there were friends ready to give them warning. Light-foot the Deer often came down to the pond to drink and would stay awhile

to watch them work. It was he who discovered Yowler the Bob Cat, and with a snort and stamping of hoofs gave warning. Once it was Peter Rabbit who warned them. Peter was sitting close by a hole under an old stump when he caught a glimpse of Yowler crawling almost flat on his stomach towards those busy workers.

Peter thumped a warning with his stout hind feet and then dived into that hole under the old stump. So Paddy's friends helped by keeping watch, and the food pile out in the pond grew bigger and bigger. (Copyright, 1924.)

Volunteers Husk Corn for Family of Man Who Was Killed

Winside, Nov. 26.—Eighty men with 40 teams and wagons husked a 75-acre field of corn for the family of

Fred Wendt, who was recently killed in a railroad accident. The men began at 7:30 in the morning and had finished the field at 1 in the afternoon. Women of the neighborhood served dinner for the 80 huskers.

Car Crashes Into Window.

Geneva, Nov. 26.—A car driven by Fred Pierson, a farmer from near Grafton, dashed over the sidewalk and crashed into a plate glass window which formed half the front of Narghang's hardware store. A woman in the store was knocked down by the impact of the car against the building, but neither she, the driver nor Frank Martin, who

was on the front seat, were injured. The car was only slightly damaged. Winside.—Adolph Rohlf, 68, a farmer living southwest of Winside, died at Wayne following an operation for a ruptured appendix. He is survived by his wife, three sons and four daughters.

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