

Hearings of Wardens Set for March 30

Cash Bonds Signed by Wahoo Bankers; Prosecutor III; Accused Quartet Faces Judge.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee From a Staff Correspondent.

Wahoo, Neb., March 19.—Trial of the four game wardens, held in connection with the shooting of Esther Bloom, 14, of Ashland, was postponed until March 30 by County Judge G. N. Farmer Thursday morning. The delay is to give County Attorney E. S. Scheffelheim, who has been ill, time to conduct an investigation into the shooting.

Not a person representing the prosecution was in the courtroom this morning when the case was called. Judge Farmer postponed the case without arraigning the defendants. Their bonds were fixed at \$2,500 each and were signed by Wahoo bankers.

The four Omaha wardens, Ken Phillips, Eddie Dygert, Albert Felt and W. R. Murray, and their attorneys, C. Petrus Peterson of Omaha and Robert Deboe of Lincoln, were present in court this morning, but neither Andrew Bloom, the injured girl's father, nor his attorney, H. A. Bryant, Wahoo, appeared.

The warrants for the arrest of the wardens were not sworn by the county attorney. Because of the illness of Scheffelheim, Bloom went to Bryant, an attorney, before whom he swore the warrants.

Esther Bloom, 14, who has been critically wounded since Sunday at Lord Lister hospital, is much improved Thursday, said Dr. E. C. Henry, but she is not entirely out of danger.

Hartington Churches Join in Advertising Campaign

Hartington, March 19.—In order to stimulate the habit of frequent church attendance during the pre-Easter period, the churches of Hartington have united in a campaign of advertising in the local newspapers and the business men of the town are paying the expenses.

It is an experiment by the business men of the various churches to see if the Christian religion, especially with its Easter message of hope, can be "sold" in the "pleasure mad," "dollar-chasing" world.

The advertisements appeal to the people in various ways, inviting those of all classes and creeds to attend the pre-Easter services and especially the service on Easter Sunday.

Hebron Paving Contract Let

Hebron, Neb., March 19.—The city council let the contract for more than a mile of brick paving in this city to the Roberts Construction company of Lincoln, at \$2.51 a square yard. It is expected that the company will have started the work within the next 10 days.

Boy Born on Anniversary of Birth of Grandfather

Central City, Neb., March 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wyman of Silver Creek are the proud parents of a boy, born at the home of his great-grandmother, Mrs. D. C. Platz of this city, March 19, the anniversary of the birth of his grandfather, William Turney, also of this city, and his first visitor was a great aunt, Mrs. L. M. Cox.

North Platte Boy Is Killed by Auto

Lad Is Killed While Crossing Street; Jumps in Car's Path.

North Platte, Neb., March 19.—Gerald Baskins, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Baskins of this city, was almost instantly killed at 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening when he was struck by an automobile driven by a Mr. Pearsall of Maxwell, Neb.

According to statements of witnesses to the accident, Gerald and his sister, Ruby, were returning from the store with some articles they had purchased when in crossing the street, the lad apparently became confused when he saw the car approaching and jumped in its path. He was carried to a nearby drug store where he died 30 minutes later without having regained consciousness.

An inquest was to be held this afternoon.

MALADY AFFECTS BONES OF ATHLETE

Beatrice, March 19.—O. P. Fulton, insurance and real estate dealer, is lying seriously ill at his home due to a malady which has affected the bones of the body.

Until he was stricken more than a year ago, Mr. Fulton was an athlete, horseman and member of the Beatrice Country club. He was considered one of the strongest men in the county, and years ago chased a burglar from his home in the dead of night, knocked him down and captured him in the yard unassisted. The next day the housebreaker pleaded guilty and was sentenced to four years in the state penitentiary. Mr. Fulton has a dirk knife in his home which he took away from the burglar at the time of his capture.

For years Fulton maintained a gymnasium at his home and was not only a boxer, but a wrestler and ball player as well.

State D. A. R. to Hold Next Conference at Fairbury

Beatrice, Neb., March 19.—The state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution closed at noon yesterday. Fairbury was selected as the next meeting place. Members of the local chapter served a dinner in the basement of the Congregational church, where the speakers were held. About 100 delegates attended the meeting.

Columbus Mayor's Re-Election Sure

Democrats and Republicans Agree Upon Fusion Ticket for City Offices.

Columbus, March 19.—Mayor Julius S. Nichols, the only republican mayor in Columbus in more than 20 years, will be re-elected with the endorsement of the democratic party and without opposition at the city election, April 7. This is the first time in the memory of the oldest life habitant that Columbus democrats have endorsed a republican mayor for re-election.

The two parties at their annual conventions this week agreed upon a fusion ticket for all city and school board offices, except councilmen in the Third and Fourth wards, where each party made nominations.

In exchange for the democratic endorsement of Mayor Nichols and Ed M. Ragatz, republican for member of the school board, the republicans endorsed the following democrats for re-election: City clerk, William Feckner; city treasurer, Walter Boothcher; water commissioner, P. J. McAffrey; police judge, William O'Brien; councilmen, D. A. Becker and William Kurt in the First and Second ward; members of the school board, Ed W. North and John L. Pittman.

The republicans nominated Councilmen Jack Curtis and W. D. Egger for re-election in the Third and Fourth wards, respectively. The democrats nominated former Councilman Max Ellis in the Third, and Bert J. Phillips, American Legion member, for council in the Fourth.

Two Women Nominated for Harvard School Board

Harvard, March 19.—Unusual interest in local politics is indicated by the large attendance at both the city and school caucuses.

Board of education nominations include two women. Parker W. Aker was nominated to succeed himself, and John Schner to succeed Sam Brehm, who served a short time in place of Dr. A. J. Jenison.

The city general caucus was divided into ward caucuses and nominations made for First and Second ward city councilmen. The west ward almost unanimously nominated Griffith J. Thomas, civil war veteran and G. A. R. worker, and the east ward chose L. G. Kempster, veteran Northwestern depot agent.

Maurice B. Mikkelsen, west ward, and George Phillips, east ward, were voted for the central and nominating committees with George Miller the third member-at-large.

Body of Miss Robertson Taken East for Burial

Beatrice, Neb., March 19.—Funeral services for Miss Jennie Robertson were held at the home of her cousin, Wallace Robertson, conducted by Rev. Ross Metson. The body was taken to her old home at Cambridge, N. Y., for burial. She was the last of the W. E. Robertson family, Beatrice pioneers.

POTASH HIGHWAY TO BE COMPLETED

Ellsworth, Neb., March 19.—Although not officially announced by the local county commissioners, press reports carry the information that Sheridan county soon will have \$152,268 from federal and state aid to complete the Potash highway through the county.

Owing to a rough section of hills in direct line with the partially completed highway between here and Bingham much excavation and grade work will be necessary.

Self-Protection Plea in Shooting

Mrs. Sylvia Waters Takes Stand; Says Insults Caused Attack.

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Auburn, Neb., March 19.—Mrs. Sylvia Waters, on trial here, took the stand today and calmly told the jury that she had shot her divorced husband, but declared that she had done it in self-defense.

Jack Zetzer, the man she shot, was in the courtroom as she told the jury how he had harassed her until she was driven to "take steps."

Mrs. Waters calmly related the events leading up to the shooting. He had annoyed her, she said, ever since she obtained a divorce from him. He threatened her life, she said, when she refused to return to him, and "dogged her footsteps" until she had him placed under bond to keep the peace.

For several days before the shooting, she said, he had insulted her on the streets and endeavored to humiliate her. This treatment, she said, finally drove her to carry a gun for "self-protection," and when he again insulted her, she shot him.

The trial will probably continue until late Friday night.

Hebron Academy to Add Junior College Course

Hebron, March 19.—A junior college course will be added to the Hebron Lutheran academy, and the institution will be incorporated under the name of the Hebron college and academy. This was finally determined at a recent meeting of the board of directors.

Rev. W. P. Hieronymus, president of the academy, will be made president of the Hebron college and academy. The first year of college work will be added next September and the second year course the following September. A complete normal course will be added as soon as conditions warrant. Hebron college authorities are working in accord with requirements of the Nebraska State university.

Western Nebraska School Debate Schedule Arranged

Elm Creek, March 19.—Following is the debating schedule for Western district No. 1 of the State Debating League:

Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

Unless you're looking for a fall in the better not to boast at all.

Johnny Chuck Boasts to Peter Rabbit

Of course, news of Johnny Chuck's great flight soon traveled through the Green Forest and over the Green Meadows. Down in the dear Old Briarpatch Peter Rabbit heard it. Early the next morning he was up at the new home of the Chucks, in the upper corner of the Old Orchard, to find out how Johnny was and to congratulate him on winning the great flight. In fact, he was up there before Johnny Chuck came out. You see, Johnny was so stiff and sore that he dreaded getting out of bed.

When he did come out he merely grunted good morning to Peter Rabbit and hurried over to the nearest patch of sweet clover, for Johnny was very hungry. You know, he had had nothing to eat before the big fight the day before, and afterward he had been too stiff and sore to get about much. Peter went along with him, and as they ate the talked. Peter said:

"We are going to miss you down here."

"Nothing," replied Johnny Chuck. "It was a very good home, but we thought we would like a change. The Green Meadows are all very well, but we like the Old Orchard better. So we decided to make a new home up here."

Peter's eyes twinkled, but he said nothing. She kept right on eating sweet clover and turned her head aside now and then to hide a smile.

"I heard you were going to make your home over toward the Big River," said Peter.

"You mustn't believe everything you hear," replied Johnny. "There is nothing over there to compare with this place here. I always did like the Old Orchard. You'll find such a perfect place for a house as where we have made our new one."

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