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Clarence Price Indicted for First Degree Murder

Grand Jury at Glenwood Late Saturday Votes Indictment Against Former Resident Here.

The special Mills county grand jury, which has been in session at Glenwood for the past ten days, late Saturday afternoon reported out the indictment of Clarence Price, 45, on a first degree murder charge.

Price is charged with the slaying of his grandniece, Edith Kuhl, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ritta Graham at Pacific Junction.

The prisoner charged by the grand jury was brought at once before Judge Earl Peters in the district court to be arraigned. When the man was brought into court he voluntarily stated, "All I can say is that I didn't do it and I don't know who did it."

Questioned by the court, he stated he had no attorney, nor did he have any preference as to whom the court might appoint. Judge Peters then named Norman S. Genung, prominent Glenwood attorney, to conduct the defense for Price.

Genung, following a conference with Price, waived the reading of the charge, but requested three days' time before pleading and this was granted by the court. Price was returned to the Mills county jail by Sheriff DeMoss.

There were fifty witnesses heard by the grand jury in their sessions, among these being the parents of the two girls who were victims of the attack.

The evidence included testimony of finding buttons from a shirt that Price is claimed to have worn on the night of the crime, in the ashes of a stove, as well as the statement of Mrs. Graham that she had not burned any clothing there.

Ray Johnson, a trapper, told of having met Price on the bank of Keg creek, and said Price had been planning to move to Plattsmouth but hadn't been able to decide "what to do about those two girls."

OLD TIME MARBLE PLAYER

In discussing the popularity of the marble game among the Omaha school pupils, B. F. Sylvester in his "Home Town" column, has an interesting story of the activities of a former Plattsmouth resident, Clyde Drew, who lived here in his youthful days in the eighties:

Clyde Drew has a collection of about a hundred agates from his marble-shooting days at Plattsmouth, the "moons" on some testifying to their service. Mr. Drew has them in a large leather sack in his safe. Occasionally he opens the sack and lets the brilliant things run through his fingers.

Hero at Schools.

When he visits the schools, as he sometimes does for Rotary, he takes along his marbles, and a baseball autographed by Babe Ruth at a world's series, and is a hero.

Mr. Drew played marbles with his sons up to a few years ago when they became pretty good and the agate collection was in danger. Until recently, when traveling over the state he would appear at school grounds about 8:30 and edge himself into the game, first buying 20 marbles from one of the boys. He usually was the best shooter and by bell time might have won most of the marbles, without a squawk from any small competitor. Then he would divide up all around and go about his business.

Mr. Drew showed us that, though practically retired, he still is good. He placed an imaginary marble on the floor of his office, selected a fine tiger-eye agate, knuckled down three feet away, and let fly. The agate hit true and the limmy went across the room.

GOLFERS READY TO GO

The Plattsmouth Golf club officers have secured the lease of the ground on which the course is located, from the committee representing the bondholders, and are now ready to start the season. The club house and grounds will be in the care of L. L. McCarty and family who have operated the plant so successfully in the past few years.

The opening of the spring weather has tempted a number of the golf enthusiasts to the course to start their warming up for the coming season.

RETURN RUNAWAY GIRL

From Thursday's Daily. Deputy Sheriff Thomas Walling early this morning was called to the Missouri Pacific depot to secure a 15-year-old girl who had run away from home and was reported to be on the northbound passenger train due here at 6:12. The girl was located and held here until later in the morning when her parents came up and returned her to her home. The girl stated that she had intended to go to Omaha and if possible go on to Colorado where she has an uncle living.

Union Scene of a Small Riot Saturday Evening

Two Men Stabbed, and One Severely Beaten as River Workers Engage in Street Battle.

The village of Union was the scene of a small sized riot on Saturday night when a group of the men brought to this locality for river work engaged in a cutting and fighting bout on the streets there and which brought calls for the county officers to assist in rounding up the men.

The affair started by disputes among the men in one of the taverns and from which they were ejected onto the streets and where it is claimed that one of the men proceeded to pull a knife and playfully started to whittle up on two of his playmates, one man named Neal, suffering a gash in the neck and another named Hulén, severe cuts on the hands.

Later it is alleged the members of the party that had fared the worst in the opening round of the battle, "took" Joe Bottom, who it was charged had done the knife work. Bottom was beat up about the head and knocked down and his head bounced on the concrete walk, suffering a laceration on the nose and both eyes badly bruised and almost closed by the blows rained on him by his opponents.

Officer Charles Land took the parties in custody and later Hulén and a man named Holley, one of those not injured, were brought here by Constable John M. Meisinger and lodged in jail and Bottom this morning made his appearance at the office of the sheriff, while Neal was still at large.

The men were all strangers at Union and Bottom stated that he had been there but a short time on one of the boats on the river work. According to Bottom, he had come to Union with an aged man and the others had started picking on the older man and he had interfered and the fight was on.

BEAUTIFYING GROUNDS

Sheriff Homer Sylvester has decided that the grounds that surround his residence and the county jail building are in need of beautification and accordingly he has started in on this task. The sheriff at his own expense purchased a large number of roses to be placed on the lawn at the north of the building, while around the side of the building spirea has been planted to break the dullness of the yard setting. At the east end of the lot a row of the Lombardy poplars have been placed, which when they attain a good growth will add much to the background of the lawn decoration. County Commissioner J. A. Pitz also donated from his home a number of the spirea to be used in the forming of a border of the lot.

The landscaping and planting has been under the supervision of John Hebard of the Marshall Nurseries of Arlington, Nebraska.

MEET AT FARM HOME

The St. Mary's Guild of St. Luke's church have been invited to hold their Tuesday afternoon meeting at the home of Mrs. John Terryberry. All who expect to attend are asked to meet at the church at 2:15 sharp. Cars will be provided for everyone who has no transportation. A short Lenten study will be given by the Rector and important business is scheduled for discussion.

"See it before you buy it."

STORES OPEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT

FEATURING SPECIAL MID-WEEK VALUES AND A RESUMPTION OF PROGRAM BROADCASTS!

Beginning WEDNESDAY, April 10th, Plattsmouth stores and business houses will be open each Wednesday evening, throughout the summer and fall months to provide greater shopping accommodation for their patrons, many of whom will be too busy with farm work to come to town for their trading, other than at night. Co-incident with this, it is arranged to resume the regular Wednesday night broadcasts and programs along the same general lines that have proven so popular in the past. To celebrate the "re-opening" a goodly number of the merchants are carrying special bargain ads, listing unusually low prices good on this day.

Read the Ads and Join the Happy Crowd in Plattsmouth Next Wednesday Night, April 10th

Charge Omaha Men with Auto Theft Thursday

Murdock Robbers Charged With This Offense to Forestall Possible Habeas Corpus Action.

Otto "Mike" Glaser and Dan Cunningham of Omaha, held in the robbery of a Murdock store early Saturday pleaded not guilty when arraigned late Thursday on an auto theft charge before County Judge Duxbury, who fixed their bonds at \$3,000 each. Their hearing was set for 2 p. m. Thursday, April 11.

Arraignment on the auto theft charge was taken to forestall a threatened habeas corpus action to liberate them from jail, the pair having been held the seventy-two hour limit without formal charge having been filed. County officials said the pair's criminal record on file at the state penitentiary and the state reformatory was being investigated with a view to filing habitual criminal charges. Breaking and entering charges will be filed in connection with the Murdock robbery in event the more serious charge is not justified by Glaser's and Cunningham's previous records, officers declared.

The Omaha men were arrested at Omaha following the robbery of the Murdock store, in which vigilantes fired on the robbers as they emerged with their loot.

OLD RESIDENT DIES

From Friday's Daily. The death of Fred Denson, 65, resident of Plattsmouth for a long period of years, occurred at his home in Omaha early today after an illness that has covered several years, he being a sufferer from kidney trouble.

Mr. Denson while here was engaged as a switchman for the Burlington in the local yards and left here some twenty-five years ago for Council Bluffs, operating a grocery there over a number of years, later going to Omaha where he has since resided.

Mr. Denson is survived by the widow and two daughters, Mrs. Howard Cone of St. Louis and Mrs. Henry Moore of Omaha. There are also surviving one brother, J. E. Denson, Council Bluffs and one sister, Mrs. Hannah Cohen of Omaha.

Funeral services will be held on Monday morning at 9 o'clock from the home of Mrs. Burt streets, Omaha.

AN APPRECIATION

The Plattsmouth Garden Club takes this opportunity to express its appreciation to the Plattsmouth flower lovers for its excellent response in purchasing tickets to the National Flower Show through the local garden club committee. 484 tickets were sold at 40c each, making a profit of \$17.20 which is being placed in the treasury of the Garden Club for such use as the local club may determine to be the most useful and beneficial purpose.

A. H. DUXBURY, Chairman, Ticket Committee.

PREPARE TO START GRAVELING

The Louisville Transfer Co., who have received the contract for the resurfacing of the gravel highway from the south end of the Louisville bridge to Otoe, are preparing to start in on the work. The company expects to have their trucks ready to start the hauling of gravel on next Monday. The gravel will be taken from pits near Cedar Creek. Mr. C. A. Eager, head of the company, states. It is expected that the work will be completed by May 1st.

Negro Sought for Robbery Captured at Manley

Arrested by Sheriff Sylvester and Deputy Walling as He Made His Way Along M. P. Tracks.

A Negro identified as Vernon Bean of Omaha sought as the "Roly Poly" bandit, who on Thursday pushed and elbowed his way through a crowd of some 200 men at the Armour plant at Omaha, to rob a girl employe of some \$600, was captured Friday afternoon at Manley.

Sheriff Homer Sylvester and Deputy Sheriff Walling have been looking over the lines of travel in this county, as the man was reported to have left Omaha and headed south. They had visited the vicinity of Louisville yesterday and in company with Omaha officers started south in the direction of Manley, following the line of the Missouri Pacific along which it had been reported that the Negro had been seen, he being reported in the vicinity of Louisville.

The officers scattered out to search the country and about two miles south of Manley the Negro was sighted by Deputy Sheriff Walling who halted the man and placed him under arrest and held him until the other officers came up.

The Negro when captured had some \$300 of the stolen money on his person and which with the prisoner was turned over to the Omaha officers who returned him to that city.

ELECTED TO WORLD MEET

From the Microphone, the official paper of the Omaha Business and Professional Woman's club:

"Miss Marie E. Kaufmann, of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, at one time president of the Plattsmouth Business and Professional Woman's club, and with whom many of us are personally acquainted, has been elected delegate to the World Federation Educational Association, meeting at Oxford, England, August 10th to 17th. Miss Kaufmann will take an active part in the Visual Educational Department. Miss Kaufmann was formerly penmanship and art supervisor in the Plattsmouth schools, but now is a representative of the Archer Travel Service."

UNDERGOES TONSILECTOMY

Miss Betty Bullin of this city underwent a tonsilectomy Friday at the office of a local physician, as she has not been in the best of health for some time. The patient is now doing nicely and in a few days will be able to resume her usual activities.

TRUCK IS BURNED

From Saturday's Daily. Last night shortly after 9:30 a truck belonging to the Biting Lumber Co., of Omaha, carrying a load of tile from the yard at Omaha to Nebraska City, caught fire north of this city near the T. J. Will farm. The driver of the truck had no extinguisher with him, and at that time of night there was no passing trucks to render him aid and he was compelled to pull the truck over to the roadside and where it burned. The explosion of the gasoline tank and the blowing out of the tires made reports that aroused the residents of that section.

Dr. George W. Todd Member of Pioneer Family

Deceased for Many Years a Leader in Dental Profession in Omaha, Dies After a Short Illness.

The death of Dr. George W. Todd, 62, well known dentist, occurred late Friday afternoon at an Omaha hospital where for the past three days he had been undergoing treatment.

Dr. Todd, who comes from one of the pioneer families of Cass county, has been engaged in dental practice in Omaha since 1902, going to that city from his boyhood home in this county. He was a graduate of the Omaha Dental college and immediately after his graduation engaged in active practice.

He has been outstanding in the work of his profession and was the inventor of a number of dental instruments and was constantly engaged in research work to advance the work that he had made a life study. He had been in good health up to the attack of pneumonia and was to have opened a new suite of offices in Omaha yesterday.

Dr. Todd was a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Todd, who came to Cass county in the early fifties and here the members of the family grew up and received their education in the local school.

He is survived by the widow, and three daughters, Mrs. Ray Dowling, Misses Harriett and Miss Virginia, all of Omaha. There are also four brothers, Alonzo and Alvin, Ashland, Russell and T. E. Todd of Plattsmouth.

No funeral arrangements have as yet been announced but the interment will be in the Forest Lawn cemetery.

HAVE FINE MEETING

The Home Makers Extension club held a very delightful meeting on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. Howard Davis, with whom was associated Mrs. Joseph McMaken and Mrs. Robert Hill as hostesses.

The lesson of the meeting, "Safety in the Home," was presented in a very effective manner by Mrs. Ray Bryant and Mrs. Edgar Newton, the project leaders.

The annual election of officers was held and the following were selected: President—Mrs. J. Howard Davis. Project Leader—Mrs. Otto Keck.

The members discussed the plans for the group achievement day to be held at Murray on April 16th.

The afternoon was closed by the serving of refreshments by the hostesses.

LACK OF MAIL SERVICE

With the change of schedule and elimination of train service here by the Missouri Pacific railroad, the residents of this city find that their mail facilities to the west and north have been very badly crippled.

There is now no service for mail from this city to the north and west after the noon hour until at midnight when mail is taken south, later to be brought back to Omaha in the early morning.

This train service is such that it makes a twenty-four hour difference in the mail sent from this city to either the western or northern points and it is a condition that should be remedied in some manner to give this city the proper service.

The matter will be taken up by the Chamber of Commerce to see if a more equitable schedule of mail service cannot be secured.

Death of Wm. Balfour at Home Near Nehawka

Dies Day Before 90th Birthday—One of Two Surviving Members of G. A. R. in Otoe County.

The death of William Balfour, one of the best known residents of southern Cass and Otoe counties, occurred on Thursday at the home of his son, Carl at Nehawka, death coming a day before the 90th birthday anniversary of Mr. Balfour.

The aged man had been ill for many months and had been closely confined to the house for several years and his going was not unexpected.

He was one of two surviving members of the Grand Army of the Republic in Otoe county where he had retained his membership for many years.

Mr. Balfour a number of years ago prepared a history of his life and which was printed in the Nebraska News-Press and was as follows:

"I was born in Danzig, Prussia, April 5, 1845. My parents left there in 1850. They stopped in Edinburgh, Scotland, where our relatives lived. My mother died there and we came to America that fall on a little sail ship. Every one had to take their own victuals on board themselves.

"We settled near Waukegan, Ill., Lake county. In 1861 my older brother and my father enlisted in the army. I wanted to go, too, and enlisted in my father's company, Company I, 45th Illinois. We went with Grant up the Tennessee river to Fort Henry and to Fort Donelson on the Cumberland river. My father was first lieutenant and he was wounded at Donelson and again at Shiloh, where he got his death wound.

"I was taken sick with fever and was discharged at Chicago in 1862. In 1867 I attended the Illinois college at Fulton, Ill. In the spring of 1868 I came to Nebraska and got land 13 miles northwest of Nebraska City and have been there ever since. "I taught school winters and farmed in summer for a number of years. I, with five other young men, with three wagons, went on a buffalo hunt in 1871 up in southeastern Colorado and western Kansas. We got three full loads of dried buffalo meat. We had a horse die 20 miles south of Kearney. Then we divided up our loads and we had to walk all the way home, 220 miles, and we had to push the wagons up the hills. We could only get from 15 to 20 miles per day."

Too Cold to Survive.

In 1930, when he wrote the above for The News-Press, Mr. Balfour explained he had had two strokes and it was very difficult for him to get around very much.

Another time Mr. Balfour said that when he came to Nebraska in the spring of 1868 he could have taken a homestead eight miles west of the land he finally took. "But the folks around here told me," he said, "that no one could live out there, that they would freeze to death and starve, as things wouldn't grow on those dry prairies I was fool enough to believe it."

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the Carl Balfour home.

Besides Carl, Mr. Balfour is survived by two other sons, Ivan of Nehawka and Max Balfour who resides in California, and two daughters, Mrs. Ella Kearney of Nehawka and Mrs. Myrtle Cross who lives in Colorado.

HIGH SCHOOL LOSES GAME

The Plattsmouth high school baseball team lost a heart breaking contest to Weeping Water Friday afternoon at the latter city by the score of 3 to 2. The game was featured by the pitching of Harley Streets, whose fine control and skill had the opponents well in hand for the greater part of the game. He struck out twenty of the Weeping Water players and allowed but two hits. The game was lost through errors, eight being checked to the locals. The Plattsmouthers secured ten hits but the fast playing of Weeping Water prevented these being turned into needed runs at the critical stages of the game.