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DETAILS OF MURDER TRIAL

George Krout Testifies at Grand Inland on Behalf of Prosecution.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—In the Wallace murder trial the jury was completed yesterday and a statement of the case was made and two witnesses sworn, one of whom was an eye witness to the scrimmage which preceded the shooting, but not to the fatal shot.

According to this witness, George Krout, Wallace had made sarcastic remarks. Hillis had arisen to strike Wallace with a beer bottle and Wallace had pulled a gun. Hillis kept Wallace's hand holding the gun up over his head and the bullet went into the ceiling. Here the witness ran out of the room.

He heard another shot just as he was nearing the top of the stairs from the basement card room, followed the proprietor, Mr. Brock, back and saw Hillis lying on the floor, with Wallace standing or stooping over him.

Krout stated that Wallace came into the room when he, one Hendricks, McAllister and another man were at the table in a game. This was about 8:30 p. m. Wallace stood near him and made the remark that he could play as good as witness and thought he would like to sit in.

They played until after 11. Hillis was winning and he and Wallace had been losing. Just before the trouble began Wallace had asked Mr. Brock to go upstairs and get him some blank checks. Brock went up. Some remark was made about some one being sent out after some sandwiches. Upon this remark Hillis arose, went around behind the witness and struck at Wallace with a beer bottle. He thought the bottle struck Wallace on the shoulder. It must have glanced, however, for it struck the chair or table next and was broken.

As soon as the men were together Wallace had a gun in his hand, which he believed the defendant had taken from his coat pocket. The men clinched and Hillis had for a time held the arm of the hand which had the gun in the air. One shot was fired. The bullet went up through the ceiling. In the scrimmage the gun was lowered, Mr. Brock was pointed toward the witness, and the witness left the room for the upper ground floor. While he was running he heard the scuffle continue. When he returned, following the proprietor, Mr. Brock, Hillis was lying about four feet from the door, facing the door. According to witness Wallace was not under the deceased, as is claimed by the defense. The court

was adjourned with Witness Krout still on the stand.

MANY ENTRIES FOR CONTEST

State Officials Present and Address Students at Geneva.

GENEVA, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The contest was held yesterday in the court room. There were ten entries in yellow corn. John Hoffert of District 7, took first; Berlie Hadden of District 7, took second. Twenty-three entries in ten ears of white corn, Duff Deming of District 17 taking first and Paul Donisthorpe of District 12 taking second. Five entries in the greatest varieties, Duff Deming taking first and Bruce Sofly of District 7, second. Twelve entries in cornbread contest. Hope Adams of District 75 taking first and Ethel Brown of District 13, second. Wheat bread, ten entries, Susan Ewalt of District 75 taking first and Nora Harrington of District 6, second. Best apron, eleven entries, Helen Edgemoor of District 75 taking first and Harriet Ray of District 75, second.

State Treasurer L. G. Brian, with H. M. Eaton, commissioner of public lands and buildings, visited and inspected the Girls' Reform school on Tuesday, and yesterday visited the high school, where they addressed the pupils. Superintendent Eaton is brother of H. M. Eaton.

VICTIM OF ASSAULT LIKELY TO DIE

Indicates by Sign She Knows Man Who Committed It.

MILFORD, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Frank Smith, who was assaulted last Monday, is still living, but attending physicians are of the opinion that she will not survive the night. She was struck with a singletree taken from a cultivator in the barnyard. The stroke was on the right side of the head, causing a blood clot on the brain and paralysis of the right side of the body. She recognized the immediate family and neighbors, and indicated yes and no in answer to questions by opening and closing the left hand. By this means she has informed the authorities that two persons committed the assault, and she has been acquainted with them a long time, but as yet has not divulged the names.

Nebraska Club Organized.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Former students of the University of Nebraska assembled in the banquet room of Davenport's recently in honor of Chancellor Andrews of the University of Nebraska, and at the close of the reception to Dr. Andrews organized a University of Nebraska club. There were thirteen former students of the university present, including Prof. and Mrs. Elliot Fulmer, State college at Pullman, Mrs. Fulmer and R. W. Fletcher of Pullman. Toasts were responded to by Miss Nellie Dean, W. R. Sampson, Mrs. C. J. Berkey, Prof. Elton Fulmer and Dr. Andrews. W. F. Miller was toastmaster. Those present were: W. F. Fulmer, Prof. and Mrs. Elliot Fulmer, R. W. Fletcher, C. F. Cowan, L. J. Pospisil, Prue Twon, W. R. Sampson, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Berkey, Miss Nellie Dean, George A. Lee and Miss Butler of Cheney. The officers of the University of Nebraska club chosen last night, are: C. J. Berkey, president; L. J. Pospisil, vice president; Miss Nellie Dean, secretary-treasurer.

Nebraska News Notes.

GENOA—The mercury fell to 2 degrees below zero this morning. The Degree of Honor has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: P. C. H. Ella Nordick; tank and tank farm, H. H. Hatfield; Schrimpf; C. H. Beulah Bebout; recorder, Emma Donovan; financier, Theresa Reed; secretary, Myrtle Cline; auditor, Minnie Miller; J. W. Lillian Bone; O. W. Flora Bone; organist, Lizzie Proper and Bertha Coffey; and other officers. Dr. C. P. Crudup and F. M. Neville.

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