

Business Manager Answers A Common Sense Rules

Pet Dog Aids Pair in Suicide Pact

Former Omahans, Penniless in Kansas City, Die From Poison.

A small dog "stood guard" Monday while his master and mistress, former Omahans, carried out a suicide pact in their shabby quarters at a Kansas City rooming house.

They were Myron Sherman, 55, once a wealthy Omaha merchant and gambling house proprietor, and his wife, Alice, 53.

The dying pair's groans brought persons to the door, and the little dog, barking, as if to aid the two in departing, the life they had come to dread.

Room Rent Due. Unemployed, and with only a few cents in their possession, they ended their lives the day they were to have paid two weeks' room rent.

J. T. Hicks, another roomer, heard their groans late in the afternoon. The door of their room was locked.

Hicks called the owner of the rooming house, and other neighbors. They broke into the room.

Sherman and his wife were lying on the bed. A poison vial was nearby. The dog, Mickel, was between them.

The neighbors crowded about the bed. The little animal barked and snarled furiously and for a time prevented them from giving aid to couple.

"Let Me Die." But Sherman was already dead. His wife, apparently in great pain, was moaning: "Oh God, let me die."

She was taken to the general hospital, where she died within a few minutes.

A long story of misfortune was uncovered by authorities.

The Shermans lived in Omaha nearly 33 years, coming here from Lincoln, Sherman was widely known in North Omaha, while he at one time operated a gambling house.

He is said to have operated a similar establishment at one time in Council Bluffs.

He bore the reputation of a "square" gambler, and tales are told even now in Omaha of how he helped unfortunate who were down on their luck.

In his last extremity, however, he was too proud to appeal for aid from his former friends.

Before he left Omaha he had borrowed money from several persons, but for a long time before his death he had accepted no loans.

Police here that he knew he would be unable to repay and that he preferred death to a life on alms.

The couple left Omaha for Kansas City early in 1921, after Sherman's haberdashery store in the Hamilton hotel failed.

Pages Are Blank. The pages of the following year in their history are blank. In April, 1922, Sherman became night clerk of the Workmen's hotel, 700 Main street.

Sherman told William Bradshaw, proprietor, that he once had property valued at \$100,000 in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cohen, who owned the Delmar, another Kansas City hotel at which Sherman worked, said he told them of former wealth and mentioned an adopted daughter in Omaha who was "very well off."

Former Omaha acquaintances know the name of the adopted daughter.

Mr. Kahn, 3015 South 16th street, received a letter from Mrs. Sherman a few days ago in which she said "there is nothing left but to end it all."

Note Is Found. In the couple's room was found a letter from Kahn, who is president of the Meigsch Street Improvement Association, which mentioned an enclosed check. A note was left by the couple asking that Kahn be notified of their deaths.

Sherman is believed to have a brother in Chicago. Among his other acquaintances in Omaha are Tom Deming, George Cackley, Tom Hector (former mayor of South Omaha) and Roscoe Rowley.

Mr. Kahn said today he does not believe the bodies will be brought to Omaha for burial.

Thirtieth Street to Be Widened. Proposed opening and widening of Thirtieth street, from a point 100 feet south of Erskine street to Cumming street, a distance of about one mile, of the first major project brought by Commissioner Koutsky to the city council for this year's improvement program.

Council passed his ordinance this morning, declaring the necessity of appropriating certain property and appointing three appraisers to carry out the plan.

Prosperity for Wool Men Looms

By Associated Press. Salt Lake City, Jan. 22.—The year 1924 holds a promise of continued stabilization and the beginning of progress and prosperity for the wool growing industry.

President Frank J. Hagenbarth declared in an address before the annual convention of the National Wool Growers' association here today.

"With efficient and good management the wool grower will in the next two or three years be able to relieve himself of debt and begin the accumulation of a surplus with which to absorb the next shock to the industry," he said.

Dealing with tariff Mr. Hagenbarth asserted, "the unusual threat of injury to the livestock industry from political influence and reduction of destruction of tariffs does not seem to be as imminent during the present presidential year as we have been accustomed to."

"It would require considerable temerity on the part of any political party to openly advocate legislation that would be injurious to agriculture or livestock," he added.

The wool grower here declared financing plans of congress a failure.

45c Duty on Wheat Predicted. Grain Imported from Western Canada to Be Affected by 50 Per Cent Hike.

Winnipeg, Jan. 22.—Possibility that the present duty from western Canada to the United States may be advanced by 50 per cent of 30 cents per bushel (the tax under the Fordney-McCumber tariff now in operation) to 45 cents a bushel, was seen by L. B. Zapolson, member of the United States tariff commission, who arrived in Winnipeg Monday from Regina.

Under section 315 of the Fordney-McCumber tariff, Mr. Zapolson stated, it was provided that the president of the United States might increase or reduce the duties provided in the tariff up to 50 per cent in cases where it was shown the tariff failed to realize the differences between the cost of production in the United States and competitive countries.

Under this clause the wheat council of the United States made application last November to have an investigation made with a view to an increase in the present duty on wheat.

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Bok in Another \$100,000 Offer

Proposes to Give Prize for Peace Plan Selected by Senate Inquirers.

Washington, Jan. 22.—An offer to duplicate his \$100,000 prize to the author of any peace plan selected by the senate select committee investigating propaganda as the best to come within its notice was made today by Edward W. Bok, in a letter to Senator Moses, republican, New Hampshire, chairman of the committee.

Explaining that his offer had been influenced by the intimation at yesterday's committee meeting "that it was predisposed in favor of a particular kind of plan," Mr. Bok denied this was the case and that the jury of award was selected "with the same predisposition."

With regard to the cost of the American peace award campaign, his banker declared he did not have the definite information required by the committee, but suggested that Cornelius N. Bliss, jr., treasurer of the award, should be summoned.

The text of Mr. Bok's letter to Senator Moses follows, in part: "I am glad to hear that you are interested in the questions asked by some of the members of your committee, it was strongly intimated that I was predisposed in favor of a particular kind of plan. It was likewise suggested that the jury of award was also selected with the same predisposition."

"My absolute confidence in the jury of the American peace award is such that I believe they carried out the purpose of the award and selected the most practicable plan by which the United States may co-operate with other nations to achieve and preserve the peace of the world."

"If, however, you do not share my confidence in Mr. Elhu Root, Gen. James G. Harbord, Col. Edward M. House, Miss Ellen F. Pendleton, Dean Roscoe Pound, Mr. William Allen White and Mr. Brand Whitlock, I hereby make to your committee the following proposal: (and since the power is theirs I can only ask) the policy committee of the American peace award that the 22,154 submitted plans be turned over to your committee, either as a committee of the senate or as individuals. If, in the judgment of your committee, there is found a more practicable plan than the one selected by the jury named above by which the United States may co-operate with other nations to achieve and preserve the peace of the world, I shall be glad to give to the author of the plan selected by your committee the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) under the following conditions: i. e. the payment to the author of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) when your committee has selected the better plan and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to the author if, and when, the plan is not substantiated and is not approved by the United States senate."

"I will also agree to defray the expenses of a nation-wide referendum, if desired, and in all respects give to the plan which your committee selects the same financial support accorded by me to the present plan. I earnestly urge on you the most favorable consideration of this proposal, to the end that we may unite in an endeavor to give to the American people the uppermost desire in their hearts; an end to bloodshed and an era of world peace."

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