

Law and Order Sunday Sought to Curb Crime

Omahans Lay Blame to Parents Who Treat Marriage Vows Lightly and Neglect Children.

Alarmed at the startling increase in murder, robbery and many other serious crimes in the United States, a call has been sent out to observe next Sunday as "Law and Order Sunday."

Such cases as that of Guy Parker, 17, who lies in a critical condition in Lord Lester hospital, from a revolver bullet which entered his chest above the heart when a man he was attempting to rob, shot him, have roused the local community, especially as this is only the latest of a succession of crimes committed in most instances by juveniles or by young men and women.

Nor is crime confined to the "neglected." It is well known that high school parties have been marked during the holidays by much drinking by the youths of the "best families." Damage has been done to furniture in hotels and the drunken men have reeled from the ballrooms in the small hours of the morning.

Murders Arouse Nation.
The case of the girl in San Francisco who shot her mother has roused the country as did the Jobe and Leopold case last summer. And in between the two is an endless string of crime of all descriptions.

"It is said that the United States today is the most lawless civilized nation on earth," said Maj. Gen. George B. Duncan of the Seventh Corps area in transmitting the War Department's request for Law and Order Sunday to his subordinates.

"Figures show that the number of homicides in the United States last year per 100,000 population was 7.2 Italy, the next most lawless country, had but 3.6.

Law Machinery Threatened.
"Unless we stop in time the whole machinery of law will collapse and people won't be safe even in their own homes. The remedy lies, not in abuse of the law enforcement agencies but in teaching the young to avoid the pitfalls which lie before them and in compelling the adult population to obey the law."

The request for Sunday is that all ministers, teachers and other speakers devote part of their public utterances to directing attention to the crime situation and urge a vigorous "about face."

The indignant indictment for this condition is directed against "silly, jazz-crazy parents" who haven't the moral stamina to stick to their marriage vows or to devote time and attention to training their children, if they have any.

"Spiders" Trap Maidens.
"They let them run wild. I can't understand how a mother or father can be so absolutely silly as to let a daughter of 14 or 15 go to a public dance hall, right into the jaws of temptation where lewd males often lie in wait like spiders for their innocent and ignorant prey," said Mrs. Margaret Ormsby of the Welfare board.

Many others there are who indict neglectful parents and dance halls and pool rooms as leading causes of the present reckless display on the part of young men and women.

Cradled in Dance Halls.
"Crime, immorality and depravity are born and cradled in Omaha dance halls. These are the schools of the underworld. In them the lowest class of men search for their prey among girls just entering their teens," was the bitter indictment delivered by Mrs. Sadie Templeton, mother of Paul Templeton, held for investigation because of his acquaintance with Earl Hamilton, bandit suspect, in an interview with police Friday.

The police agreed with Mrs. Templeton. Inspector Pisanowski condemned the city dance hall inspectors, and declared that the police department would take the inspection of the halls out of their hands.

Mrs. Templeton declared that "conditions were undesirable." "I have seen girls less than 14 in these dance halls," she declared. "They had gone there alone, and were not under their parent's supervision."

High School Dance Talk.
"The conditions at the high schools are almost as bad," she went on. "At Technical high school, the girls talk of nothing but dancing and automobile rides whenever they have a moment outside their class rooms. The school authorities could do a great deal to correct these conditions. The girls there are allowed to come to school with their faces hidden under three coats of rouge and paint, and their conduct in many cases is brazen and wanton."

"I will order every policeman to visit the dance halls on their beats, and to arrest every boy or girl under 16 they find there," Inspector Pisanowski said. "If the dance hall inspectors won't keep these places straight, we'll ignore them and do our own inspecting. The boys and girls arrested will be booked for incorrigibility, and they can give us the facts on which to prosecute the dance hall managers."

Youth's Old Restraints Gone, Churchman Says



—Photos by Dowell.
Dr. Henry C. Swearingner.

the old restraints and motives and has not yet developed new restraints and motives.

"Youth is no worse than its elders in participation in present-day excitements. In former periods people thought the things that had been done should continue to be done. Now we think the things that have been done should be cast aside. We seek new excitements all the time. New thrills.

"It is true that, after a great war, there is readjustment. That is what we are going through now. This youth is an example of the price we pay." The San Francisco girl who killed her mother is another example. And there are thousands of others, with new ones being added daily.

Dr. Swearingner is pastor of the House of Hope congregation in St. Paul, one of the largest in the country and has been for 19 years a member of the Minnesota state board of parole.

Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Experience to wisdom tends. And of the past the friends.

Peter Has Company.
Peter Rabbit was impatient to get out of that little bramble-tangle, in which he had so long been kept a prisoner. You see, he was very, very hungry. It was hard work not to start out at once as soon as he saw Terror the Goshawk fly away. But Peter is old enough now to be wise from experience. So he remained for a long time in that hole he had dug in the snow, peeping out, but not showing himself.

At last he made up his mind that it would be safe to go. He was just getting ready to leave that hole in the snow when he heard some one right in that bramble-tangle. It started Peter. For a minute he couldn't think of any one who would venture in amongst those branches. Then he heard some one saying very softly, "Quit! Quit! Quit!" At once Peter popped his head out.

"Hello, Mrs. Grouse!" said Peter. "What are you doing in here?"

Mrs. Grouse showed the surprise that she felt. You see, she hadn't known that there was any one in that bramble-tangle. "Why, Peter Rabbit, where under the sun did you come from?" she exclaimed.

Peter grinned. "I was right here all the time," said he.

Then Mrs. Grouse saw the hole in the snow and understood. "My, it's good to feel safe for a few minutes," said she. "I've just had the narrowest escape from Terror the Goshawk. And then just before I got here I ran almost into the mouth of Reddy Fox. What a blessing brambles are! Have you been here long?"

"I've been here so long that I've nearly starved," said Peter. "I was just getting ready to leave when you arrived. It seems to me I never in all my life was so nearly starved. I've eaten all the tender shoots of those brambles I can reach, but they are not very filling. What did you say about Reddy Fox?"

"I said that I nearly ran into his mouth just before I got here," replied Mrs. Grouse.

Young Bandit Suspect Gains

Bullet Victim Now Conscious; "Lookout" Is Identified; More "Sheiks" Sought.

Guy Parker, shot Thursday morning in a reported holdup attempt, still hovered between life and death Friday at Lord Lester hospital.

Attending physicians said his condition was still critical, though he was apparently no worse than Thursday night, when he lapsed into unconsciousness after rallying in the afternoon.

While physicians centered their attentions on saving the boy's life, police turned to a search for other members of the "sheik bandit ring," composed of boys of high school age, to which Parker is thought to have belonged.

Five youths, all between 16 and 20, are being sought as a result of information gained through questioning George Giesle, 17, and Earl Hamilton, 16, Paul Templeton, who is held for investigation, will probably be released, Chief of Detectives Ben Danbaum said Friday.

"Lookout" Identified.
Hamilton was identified Thursday night by Robert Teter, 4520 Franklin street, as the youth who acted as "lookout" when another young man held up Ralph Coppock in the White Castle lunch stand several weeks ago. Coppock is the man who shot Parker Thursday morning.

Hamilton admitted Thursday that he had called on Guy Parker Wednesday evening and asked him to bring over a gun, but he refused to tell police what he wanted it for. Friday he was ready to talk, and he said that he had thought he might need it to protect himself from a woman who had abused him the day before.

This woman, according to young Hamilton, had formerly roomed at the Hamilton home, and did not pay her rent. When she left, she let Mrs. Hamilton keep a sewing machine as security.

Claims Severely Beaten.
A few days ago, Hamilton said, she called by telephone and said she wanted to pay the rent and get her sewing machine back. Hamilton went to the Lincoln apartment to see her, he claims, and was severely beaten by a man he found there. He then called Parker and asked him to bring down a gun.

This story tallies in some respects with the story told by Teter, who said she heard the boys talking about a fight over a sewing machine and Hamilton asked Parker for a gun while she was at the Parker home Wednesday evening.

"Kiddies" Waiting for Warm Shoes

Youngsters Forced to Remain in Hovel Till Help Arrives.

Though much winter weather is still ahead, the income of the Free Shoe fund has dropped until today there is scarcely more than enough received to provide one child with shoes.

Emily is made happy with her shoes today. But Betty, Johnnie and Joe—next on the list—still wait, pressing their pale, pinched faces against the window panes of the tarpaper-covered house where they live with their mother, down on Second street.

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"Maybe so," says his mother as she bends over the wash tub. "Previously acknowledged \$2,132.31 A Friend, Rocklin, Neb. Mrs. Joseph H. Smith, Richard, Neb. 2.50 Total \$2,134.81 Send or bring what you can, cash or check, to The Free office. Every cent goes for shoes for those children who can't possibly get them from any other source."

2 MEN WOUNDED IN BANK HOLDUP
Bristow, Okla., Jan. 23.—Two men were wounded and a trio of bandits escaped with more than \$15,000 when they held up the American National bank of Bristow this morning.

Two Sets of Twins Born at One Time

By International News Service.
New York, Jan. 23.—Two sets of twins—two boys and two girls—were born today to Mrs. Catherine Kelly at her home in Brooklyn.

The heaviest of the babies weighs three pounds, the lightest two and a quarter pounds. Three were said by doctors to be healthy and strong, while doubt was expressed as to the fourth's fate. The mother's condition is excellent.

Family Row Ends in Three Deaths

Husband Kills Wife and Father-in-Law, and Then Shoots Self.

Pana, Ill., Jan. 23.—A story of 18 months of married life, filled with bitter difficulties, was told here today at a coroner's investigation of a slaying of a man and woman, and of the suicide of the slayer.

D. N. Jacobs, 46, miner, was fatally wounded at the door of his home, and his daughter, Leona Nourdaine, 19, was shot dead as she telephoned police her husband, Bert Nourdaine, 27, had "come to kill all of us." Nourdaine fired a bullet through his brain and fell across the body of his wife.

According to information given the coroner, Nourdaine, also a coal miner, had told friends earlier in the day he intended to kill his wife "and end it all." He was said to have become desperate following notification that his wife had brought suit for divorce on grounds of cruelty and had gone to her father's home to live.

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