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EDITORIALS

COMES BACK TO PAY FOR HIS CRIME

Twelve years ago a man, in another state, facing an indictment for forgery, disappeared, leaving his wife and three children behind him. Police were unable to find him and, after a time, the case was forgotten.

The other day, however, the police were surprised when a middle-aged man walked into headquarters and told a surprised desk sergeant that he was surrendering on the twelve-year-old charge. The man said that he had been living in another state, where he made a success as a merchant, but his conscience "gave him no rest."

Here we have an example of a man, who, apparently, got away from his crime. For more than a decade, he lived a new life, became successful and nobody apprehended him. Nevertheless, the mysterious still, small voice, of which most of us have heard, continually dimmed into his consciousness the guilt of wrongdoing and the necessity of paying for his crime.

The learned professors, the psychologists and the theologians will try to point a lesson from the experience of this man. Certainly, there was something inside of him which amounted to more than the guilty knowledge that accompanies most of the individuals who commit errors that the State considers criminal. What it is and why it acts on one man's intelligence and not on another's, offers an interesting area for exploration in our quest of understanding human beings.

"INTEREST IN ARCHITECTURE"

We observe, in a news dispatch from another state, that a member of a prominent family was shot three times late at night "because of his interest in architecture."

The man, an architect, stopped at a home which had been remodeled from a barn. He looked into one window and saw a man working at his desk. He looked into another window and "immediately walked away, when he saw it was a bedroom."

The bedroom, it seems, was occupied by a woman who screamed. The man quit his work, grabbed his gun and fired at the fleeing man, hitting him three times.

There is no reason, we presume, to doubt the accuracy of the statement made by the wounded man, or his interest in architecture. Nevertheless, if any of our readers are interested in the same subject, we would suggest that they restrain their curiosity and avoid peering into windows in the late hours of the night.

SERVICES NO REFORM SCHOOLS

Two enlisted men, convicted of auto theft, were recently placed on probation by a civilian judge in Florida, on the condition that they remain in the Air Force.

No sooner had the word gotten back to the Orlando Air Base than officials announced that the men had been given "undesirable discharges" and barred from further service. One officer pointed out that some courts have the erroneous idea that the Air Force or Army can be utilized as a huge reform school, but that neither intends to harbor criminals or potential criminals and when they are discovered, steps will be taken to give them their discharge.

The officers of the Air Corps are entirely correct and they speak, we have no doubt, for officers in all branches of the services. Certainly, it would be a monstrous custom if judges throughout the land, in sentencing men convicted of crime, would put them on probation on condition that they continue in the service of their country.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

TEN YEARS AGO John V. Svoboda and Joy Miller returned from a business trip of several days through western Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma in the interests of the Nor-

Furse's Fresh Flashes

A hero is a scared man who does what he has to under dangerous circumstances.

It took the Federal Government to show the states how much their people could pay in taxes.

Wouldn't it be great to return to the "good old days" when the government sent out packages of seed each year instead of money?

It won't be long now until we see what the bathing suit manufacturers have been up to the past winter months.

The best treatment for the disease of alcoholism is less alcohol and there is no reason why there should be tremendous expenses involved in the cure.

Much of the friction in the world could be eliminated if there were fewer efforts to make somebody do something the way somebody else thinks it should be done.

The reason cupid makes so many bad shots with his arrow and bow is that generally he's shooting at the heart while looking at the hosiery.

Optimism is patiently unraveling a piece of snarled string that we know won't be long enough anyway.

Every man (or woman) is like the company he keeps.

Technically, playing the slot machines is not gambling. When gambling, you're supposed to have some chance to win.

folk Packing Company. Safe in the office of Cass County Motor Company was looted with \$150 in cash taken. Waterways Construction Company was low on bids and received contract for \$600,000 of work on the Missouri river project. Albin Chovanec and Frank Aschenbrenner entertained the Seltette Pinochle Club at the Chovanec home. Children of Central School held an attractive Hobby Show with following winners: Marvin Hild for his coin collection; Donald Aylor, collection of rocks and fossils; Richard Duxbury, airplane model and scrapbooks; Raymond Mathers, model planes; Jackie Baskus, arrow heads; Mary Gardner, art collection; Ruth Ann Favors, seasonal poems, Shirley Martin, stamp collection.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Log from the old Merrill Mission, located west of La Platte, was secured by W. F. Evers to be placed in the fireplace mantle of Infirmary at the Masonic Home. Jean Spangler and Kathleen Troop were named on committees for Agricultural fair; both were students at the College of Agriculture. Miss Ella Margaret Wiles was elected as member of the faculty at Grand Island. Seventh and eighth grade pupils of the Glendale school at Louisville were awarded the bronze medal of the National Rust Busters club for reporting a barberry hedge of fifty bushes near the schoolhouse. Miss Elizabeth Tritch was teacher. Mrs. Catherine Flynn was elected as vice regent at state convention of C. D. of A. held at Omaha.

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DREW PEARSON SAYS:

AUSTRALIA'S DR. EVATT IS FOR PEACE AT ALL COSTS; LOBBYISTS ON CAPITOL HILL RANGE FROM CRADLE TO THE GRAVE; FRENCH AND BELGIANS BUILD BRITISH-TYPE FIGHTER PLANES.

WASHINGTON.—Keep your eyes on the stubby little man with the gavel in his hand at Lake Success. Herbert V. Evatt, foreign minister of Australia and president of the U. N. General Assembly, is the quiet center of the East-West cyclone. He is not afraid to make enemies for himself in his efforts to make peace.

Evatt used to be the trigger-man in counter-attacking the Soviets. Now he is leaning over backward to be fair, and bangs his gavel to protect the Russians as well as the Anglo-Saxons.

One day last week Evatt refused to let U. S. Ambassador Austin come to the defense of the Atlantic Pact, after Soviet Gromyko had attacked it. Reason: Austin had just spoken on another subject, and Evatt made him wait his turn.

The Australian is a human dynamo, and sometimes a grouchy one. When he rides from the Drake hotel in Manhattan to Lake Success in the Cadillac limousine assigned to him, he sits up front with the chauffeur, writhing with impatience when they get stuck in crosstown traffic.

But he is even more impatient to get the chariots of peace out of the traffic jam. He thinks the big powers have got themselves worked up to a psychopathic state, wants to knock their heads together.

"Doc" Evatt is one of the few persons who know how close the "neutrals" came to lifting the Berlin blockade during the U. N. session at Paris last fall. At that time he got himself called unprintable names for meddling in the cold war.

But if the cold war is thawed out this spring, it will be partly thanks to the efforts of "intruders" like "Doc" Evatt,

TAKE YOUR SULPHUR AND MOLASSES, HARRY!



At The Cass County Court House

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Order was entered confirming sale of real estate in the estate of Richard Schlieske, the property having been purchased by Christian Campbell at referee's sale for \$2,500.

In the divorce action of Ruth Deaver vs. Marvin Deaver, default of the defendant entered and decree of divorce as prayed for, was granted the plaintiff. The defendant is to pay \$50 per month support money for minor children who are placed in the custody of the plaintiff.

In the case of Ivan J. Taylor, et al., the City of Plattsmouth ordered setting 11.74 acres of land owned by the plaintiffs, from the corporate limits of the city of Plattsmouth.

In the divorce action of Christopher Patrick Maier vs. Margaret Marie Maier, order entered modifying decree as to the custody of child, by consent. The defendant is to have the custody of child for six weeks each year and to take the child to her home in Kansas.

In the case of Robert Rauth, charged with assault and battery, motion of the attorney for the defense, asking for a new trial was sustained by the court. The defendant was found guilty some months ago by a jury in the district court.

Old Friends Enjoy Outing Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bible of Omaha were here Sunday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Starkjohn and later the party motored to the country for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Starkjohn. The party later drove to Nebraska City where they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gaylord. The men of the party planned a number of changes in their country homes that are located at Battle Lake, Henning, Minnesota, where they are planning on going in a short time.

Charles Hula Goes to Sedalia Friday

Charles W. Hula, who has been home for the past several weeks recuperating from the effects of an injured foot, Friday night departed for Sedalia, Missouri, where he is employed by the Missouri Pacific in their railroad shops. Mr. Hula is still getting around with the use of a cane but hopes in a few days to be able to be back at his work in the shops. He has been employed at Sedalia for the past several years.

Consumption of meat in the United States declined from 155 pounds per person in 1947 to 146 pounds in 1948.

THE DIPLOMATIC CABLES

The British high command has taken the highly unusual step of permitting French and Belgian factories to begin building British-type fighters—the highly secret British Vampire and Meteor models. These are the only allied planes which have any chance of keeping up with the 600-mile an hour Russian jets. Stanton Griffiths, the U. S. envoy who once admired Hitler, has informed the President he's not anxious to return to the U. S. embassy in Cairo. He has a strong yen for the much-coveted job of ambassador to the Court of St. James. Admiral Hiltenkoetter's tour of duty is about up as chief of all American intelligence. Truman is looking for a replacement. Freeman Matthews, U. S. ambassador to Sweden, heads the list of candidates for the job of Assistant Secretary of State in charge of Latin-American relations. The job was

Local People See Many Old Time Friends

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Petersen have returned home from California after spending the winter with Mrs. May Spies and son, Albert, at Ontario, Mrs. Spies being a sister of Mr. Petersen.

While in California they had the pleasure of seeing the Pageant of Roses parade and the Rose Bowl football game. In San Bernardino they met Mr. Fred Wallace who was best man at their wedding, with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace they spent a day at Palm Springs and also at the Date festival at Indio which was enjoyed by all.

A few days were spent with Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Bollmeier at Merced, parents of Warren S. Bollmeier of this city.

On the way back from Merced they called on Mrs. Gartner at Tuljina, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Rea of this city. They stopped at Verdugo City and visited the Rebal brothers who own and operate the Rebal market in that city.

While visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Whisnand at Arcadia, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Knorr drove in from Nebraska.

While at San Bernardino they enjoyed the delights of the Orange festival also attending the International flower show at Hollywood park, Inglewood, California.

They also enjoyed a week-end at Torrance with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Spies and Robert Spies, nephews of Mr. Petersen. The Nebraska guests also enjoyed the television programs at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parry at Fontana, Mrs. Parry being a niece of Mr. Petersen.

At Long Beach they visited with Mrs. Mattie Egenberger and her sister, Mrs. Hooper and Dr. and Mrs. Tom Rogers, the latter being the daughter of Mrs. Egenberger. While there Dr. Rogers drove them up the coast to Oxnard, where they visited with Mrs. Frank Gregg, a sister of Mrs. Egenberger and Mrs. Hooper.

On the trips along the coast they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wiles, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Duda, Miss Mae Murphy and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Will.

On enjoining and leaving California they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Henry and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Bourne at San Diego, also calling on Miss Margaret Hallahan. While in San Diego they took a three mile tour through the zoo which was very interesting.

All the Plattsmouth people in California asked to be remembered to the friends at home.

ORGANIZE NEW CLUBS

A group of boys met at the home of Peter Halmes on Monday evening, April 18th and organized the 4-H Soil Savers Conservation Club and the Buzz Boys 4-H Electrical Club.

Officers of the clubs are as follows: Soil Savers Conservation Club Leader—Peter Halmes. Assistant Leader—Richard Tritch.

President—Charles Thomsen. Vice-President—Richard Rummel. Secretary—George Born. News Reporter—Ralph Hild. Song and Yell Leader—Marion Tritch.

Buzz Boys' Electrical Club Leader—Charles Warga. Assistant Leader—Richard Rummel. President—Charles Thomsen. Vice-President—Richard Rummel. Secretary—George Born. News Reporter—Ralph Hild. Song and Yell Leader—Marion Tritch.

Other members are Lyle Meisinger, Leland Meisinger and Herbert Hild.

The next meeting will be held at the home of George Born, May 18th, at which time the material will be distributed.

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Dale Carnegie Author of "HOW TO WIN FRIENDS and INFLUENCE PEOPLE" TAKE A LESSON FROM LARRY.

HERE'S a story of a man who took part in a contest with 22 rivals.

When Larry Adler was a boy in Baltimore he loved to push air through a harmonica. No one else in his family played one, but Larry played until he almost drove his family into the snake pit.

In 1927 he read in a Baltimore newspaper that the paper would sponsor a harmonica contest. Larry's eyes grew as big as flying saucers.

He had been selling magazine subscriptions, so he took three dollars of his savings and bought himself a new mouth-organ. It would do tricks that his old one couldn't manage.

Now he began practicing against the day of the contest; his family suffered; so did the neighbors.

At last the Big Night! Practically all of Baltimore was present! The judges were impressive, one being the music critic of the paper, another the head of the Peabody Music Institute, which was the last word—the very last comma—in music in Baltimore. The third was the conductor of the Baltimore Symphony orchestra, The Matterhorns of music.

The other contestants poured in, 23 in all, loaded, cocked and primed. Depressing! Some of them played exceedingly well, as well as Larry—maybe better—and Larry got lower and lower in his mind.

Larry noticed that all of them played jazz. For that matter, jazz was all Larry had planned in his repertoire. He said to himself, "I'm going to be different. At least, that will attract attention."

The only classical piece he could remember was Beethoven's Minuet in G. He had only his memory to depend upon, and his memory was as full of holes as a Swiss cheese. But he tore into it, did the best he could. Not very hopefully, for he knew he was bad, but he also knew he was doing something different. After all, there was a sameness to the selection of the other contestants, no one outstanding, no one too easy to recall.

When the judges returned from deliberation, they announced Larry was the winner. He was the only one who played a classical selection, and he was the only outstanding contestant.

the members for their year's project. At an appropriate hour, delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Halmes—News Reporter, Ralph Hild.

Cooking tests show carrots, pared or unpared, have the same nutritive value.

Mrs. Rea Visits With Daughter Mrs. Fred I. Rea departed Friday for Westmore, Kansas, where she is to spend a few days with her daughter, Sister Sheila, who is engaged in teaching there at a large parochial school. Sheila, who took the vows in the sisterhood of the Catholic church several years ago, has been engaged in teaching since that time.

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Successful Parenthood BY MRS. CATHERINE CONRAD EDWARDS Associate Editor, Parents' Magazine

Did you see a movie called "I Remember Mama"? If so, you'll recall that there was a lot of wisdom in it about happy family life. One of the best scenes was an evening with the elderly gentleman boarder, when he read aloud to the family. The picture of the children—and Mama and Papa too—sitting in a spell-bound circle around the dining room table, drinking in every word, is one that will remain long with everyone who saw it.

How many of us have listened to stories read that way? How many of us have a family reading circle today? It used to be a happy custom in American families. There's something warm and intimate about an evening spent together, children and grown-ups, listening to a good reader reading good books.

But let's be sure the books are good ones. When our boys and girls are very young, we try to read to them only the best children's books we can find. Our standards shouldn't be different as they grow older. We can find plenty of fascinating books with inspiring themes, and thoughts that stay in our minds along with the flavor of the stories themselves. We might begin with the lives of great Americans—men like Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson. Our libraries have excellent ones for the asking.

We'll find that these heroes of American history expressed many ideas that apply to our lives today. It might be a good thing to point this out to our boys and girls—how stirring experiences in the past apply to modern times. For example, the thoughts of many of our heroes have become the ideals of the nation. Here are a few of them: Thomas Jefferson said: "I am ready to say to every human being, 'thou art my brother,' and to offer him the hand of concord and amity." And Abraham Lincoln said: "Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not themselves." And Theodore Roosevelt said: "Americanism is a question of spirit, conviction and purpose, not of creed or birthplace." And "way back at the beginning," George Washington said: "Happily, the government of the United States gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance."

We'll find nuggets like this everywhere in the stories of men who helped build our country. Reading them aloud and talking them over in the family circle will give our children a better understanding of our country's traditions and a deeper awareness of what all Americans believe in. Like good friends, good books can help our boys and girls to grow in understanding. Let's get some, and let's start reading—soon!