

ASTRONOMY IN ERDMAN ALIBI

Sun Shadows in Photograph Offered by Defense.

FATHER RIGGE IS A WITNESS

Creighton Instructor Testifies to Calculations Determining Time When Plate Was Exposed—Case Is Near to Close.

Efforts to establish an alibi for Frank Erdman by the testimony of Father Rigge, professor of astronomy at Creighton, in connection with photographs showing sun shadows, occupied the defense of the man charged with placing the infernal machine to kill Tom Dennison at the Friday morning session of court.

Erdman was seen near Fifteenth and Yates streets approaching the Dennison home on the afternoon of the day of the discovery of the bomb, shortly before 3 o'clock, according to the testimony of two girls put on by the state. As part of the circumstantial chain the state assumes and contends that Erdman placed the bomb on Dennison's porch between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock, May 22, supporting this by the testimony of Julia and Helen Hagellett.

On that date the girls went to a church at Twenty-eighth and Yates streets as members of a confirmation class. A photograph of the class taken on that day has been offered in evidence by the defense. The girls appear in the photograph, with, according to the testimony of Father Rigge, was taken at about 3:21 o'clock. Because of the distance between the church and the corner of Fifteenth and Yates streets, about two miles, the defense contends that the girls could not have seen Erdman there between 2 and 3 o'clock.

The housekeeper at Erdman's house and roomers added testimony toward the establishment of an alibi.

The first witness of the morning was Gardiner W. Talbot, photographer, who identified the photograph of the church, taken under direction of John O. Yelner, Erdman's lawyer.

Rigge Times Picture.
Father Rigge testified that after studying the shadows cast by various objects on the church building as shown in one of the pictures and by visiting the church and making astronomical calculations he has reached the conclusion that the picture was taken at about twenty-one minutes after three. He said his calculations must be true within a minute.

"The only thing I assumed was that the picture was correct," he said. County Attorney English asked him if it is not possible that since the results varied a little they might be wholly unreliable. The answer was negative.

"If all the clocks and the factory whistles in town said it was noon and your calculations showed 1 o'clock, would you still think it was 1 o'clock," asked Mr. English.

"There can't be any question about it. I know because it's my profession," was the reply.

The witness said he did not know a great deal about photography, but knows it is possible to make "fake" photographs by transferring subjects in one photograph into another. He said it would be much easier to transfer an object or a person than a shadow.

The case may go to the jury Monday.

Produce Exchange Still Does Business

Dealers Meet to Keep in Practice for the Rush that Will Come Next Spring.

President J. C. Hynson of the Produce exchange and twelve of its members for he was in a comparative mood "imitative" not competitive, for as president of the exchange he knows no competitors, though in private business his competitors certainly know him.

"Ever know that in the height of the season Omaha handles 1,200,000 eggs a day?" said he. "Fact. If you don't believe, I look here. When the hens are laying well, light full cartloads a day is a conservative estimate of the amount Omaha houses handle. Every cart contains 12,000 dozen or 144,000 eggs. Multiply this by 8.5, for eight carts is really too small, and your product is 1,230,000 eggs."

"Now consider the butter market. Eight cars a day when the season has waxed full is a low estimate. Each car contains 20,000 pounds, making a daily total of 160,000 pounds. Think how many slices of bread this will butter. Assume that each pound of butter is cut into fourteen slices, and each slice into four squares. This is the restaurant practice, anyhow. Now then multiply 160,000 by 14 and this by 4, and you have a grand total of 8,960,000 pieces of butter for so many pieces of bread. Considerable butter market here in Omaha and the Produce exchange is its prophet."

"Then let us not overlook the barnyard hen and her male companion. Omaha handles 70,000 pounds of poultry every day. Assume that each fowl weighs four pounds, probably the average is a little more and up to five pounds, and dividing by this divisor, the total daily number of birds handled in Omaha is 17,500. How many slices of bread could you get off these? Enough anyhow to match up the butter and eggs."

"The Produce exchange is now being well attended each day and many deals are consummated there, but the attendance and the volume of trading are not nearly as large as they will be next spring when the new season's produce begins to move."

HORSES ARE LEFT TO SUFFER

Coal Deliver Leaves Team Standing All Day in the Cold—Complaint Is Made.

Deported by their driver and left standing by the curb near 412 North Twenty-fourth street, a team of horse hitched to a coal company wagon, nearly froze to death Thursday evening. The animals remained standing in the freezing cold from

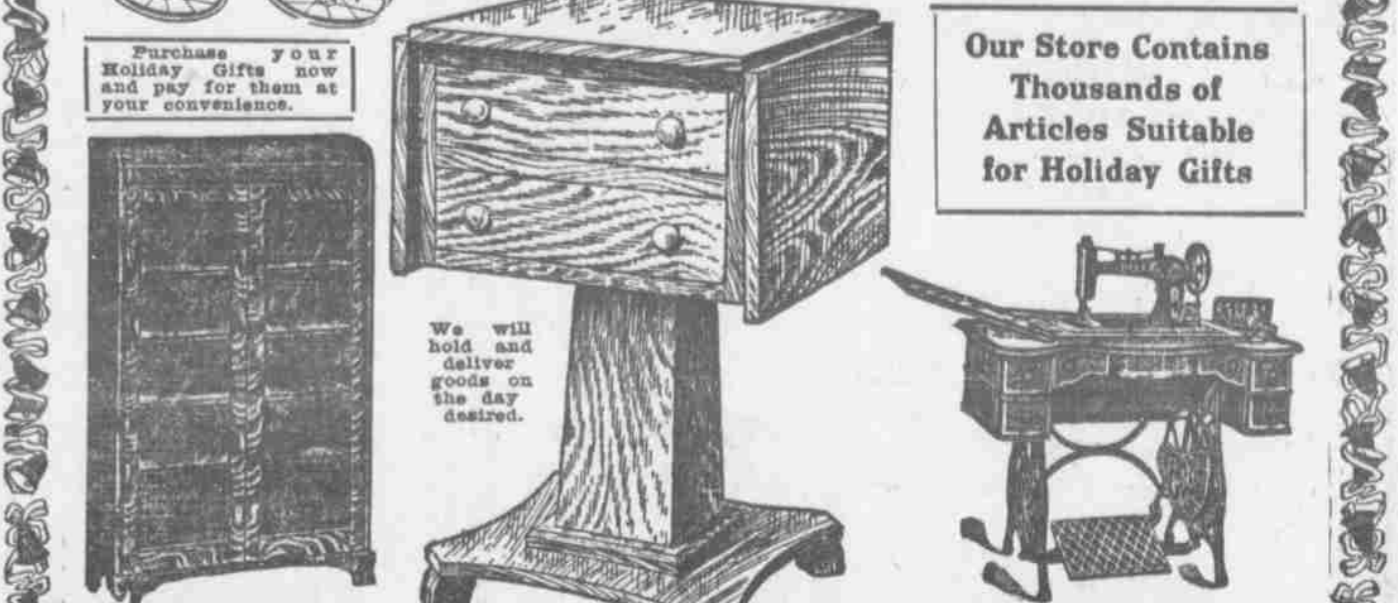
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Pictureque Dupe is Practiced Upon Some Omaha Girls

Upon Promise of Chance to Join Wild West Show Several Part with Their Coin.

Upon the promise of a large salary and a romantic life as cowgirl in a wild west show, Miss Emma Brown, 622 South Nineteenth street, suffered the loss of \$5, according to the complaint she made to the police Friday. As the result of Miss Brown's report, detectives are looking for the numerous other victims of the wild west promises and for James Williams of Kansas City, who duped the woman in a most picturesque fraud.

Williams is declared to have painted a glowing word picture of the enormous wild west show he was promoting, which would far exceed in grandeur that of Buffalo Bill's show, and then to have obtained money from a number of prospective cowboys from Omaha department stores and elsewhere from various quiet Omaha homes. Miss Brown, who was only one of the many objects of Williams' attention, paid \$5 as an installment on a buckskin suit which she was to wear as the mounted heroine of an Indian massacre. Though Miss Brown never before has attained billboard fame as a sharpshooter nor conqueror of untrustworthy bronchos, it was agreed between Williams and her that she could easily fill the bill in his show. His bronchos were very easy to ride, he said, and shooting glass balls wasn't much of a trick, any more than shooting make-believe Indians.

When Miss Brown became anxious about her lack of word from Williams to get on a train and join the show, she called at the St. James hotel, where Williams had been staying, and thereupon learned that the wild west show had disappeared leaving his wife in as much of a quandary as his prospective wild west performers. Williams published an advertisement of his project for a short time. The police say they have no clue to his present whereabouts.

A Shooting Scrape with both parties wounded, demands Brooklyn's Arnie Falvo. Heals wounds across parts of injuries. For sale by Heaton Livery Co.

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9 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the evening before they were discovered by Humane Officer Woodruff.

It is reported the driver made a delivery of coal at the address where the team was found and then collected payment for the coal and disappeared. He placed the blankets on the horses before he deserted them. Officials of the coal company say they will file a charge against the driver Saturday morning.

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