# Well, It's Too Early for Christmas Presents, Anyway

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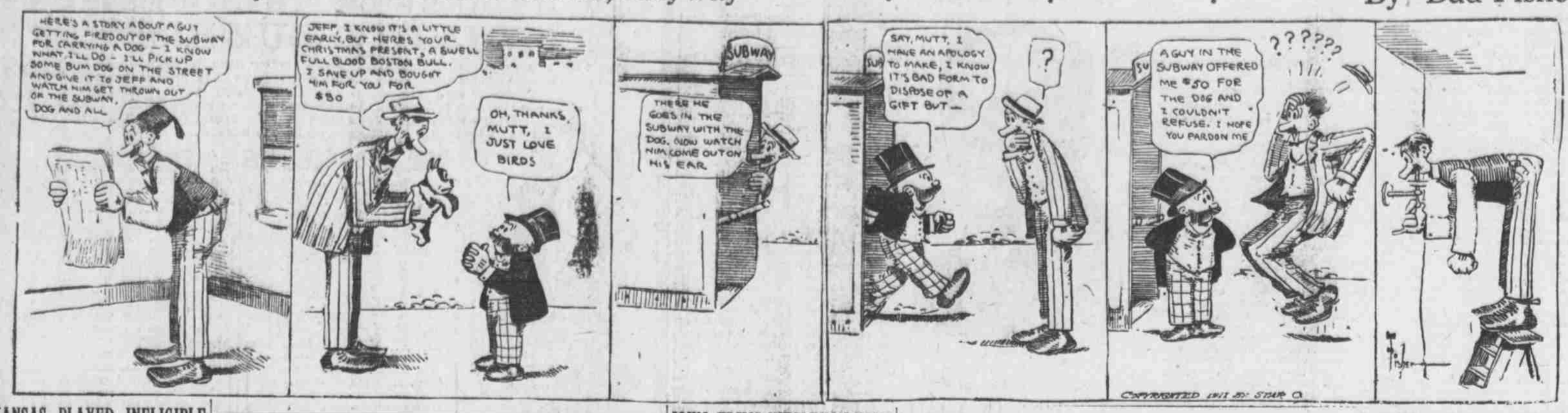


## KANSAS PLAYED INELIGIBLE

**Center Henry Ahrens of Foot Ball Team Never Attended Classes.**

### EXCUSE. LACK CLASS RECORDS

**Apologies Sent by Board of Control to Other Schools of Missouri Valley Conference After Season is Over.**

LAWRENCE, Kan., Dec. 21.—Henry Ahrens, for three years center on the Kansas university varsity foot ball team, was not eligible to play in games this season, according to a finding of the athletic board, Tuesday. Therefore, the board refused to award to the star center a "K" and found it necessary to send to the different athletic boards in the conference opologies for having allowed Ahrens to participate in games with those teams.

Likely nothing further will be done in this matter, as Kansas did not win the Missouri valley championship, and in fact met with little success in conference games. The game with Missouri was a tie and Ahrens was one of the stars of the Jayhawker team in that game, but nothing can be done about it now.

**Ahrens Atended No Classes.**

It seems that Ahrens enrolled in the law school this fall, but never attended classes. Owing to a peculiar method of handling the enrollment cards between the dean and instructors it was supposed that Ahrens was attending his classes, and because no reports had been given to Dean Green of Ahrens failing in his work the athlete was allowed to play, under the presumption that he was doing good work.

His name headed the eligibility list sent to the other Missouri valley schools. Ahrens enrolled all right, but failed to turn his cards over to the instructors. The dean supposed he was attending and the teachers were unaware that he was enrolled.

At a meeting this afternoon a motion to notify the other conference schools of the action of the athletic board in refusing the letter was passed.

Contrary to expectations fourteen "K's" were granted. The players receiving them were: Daniels, Ammons, Baird, Brownlee, Bramwell, Coolidge, Davidson, Davis, Delaney, Hell, Price, Schwab, C. Woodbury and Weidlin.

## Wood Leads in the Billiard Tourney

In addition to managing the business of the People's Ice and Cold Storage company, W. R. Wood finds time to develop skill with the billiard cue. To date he leads in both billiard and pool tournaments at the Commercial club. Mr. Wood, in both tournaments, is playing in the first flight, which is composed of the club's best players, and has such a lead that it seems certain he will take first prize in both.

## BRESNAHAN PREFERS CHARGES AGAINST MURPHY

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21.—Roger Bresnahan, manager of the St. Louis National league ball club, announced today he had preferred charges against Charles W. Murphy of the Chicago Nationals and had demanded that the National commission make Murphy apologize publicly to him. The charges, Bresnahan said, were mailed to Chairman Herrmann at Cincinnati.

The charges are a result of a wordy war between Bresnahan and Murphy in New York last Friday, which resulted because Bresnahan would not waive on Vic Saier.

Bresnahan charges that Murphy accused him of falsehood.

## BEATRICE FOOT BALL TEAM IS GIVEN ANNUAL FEAST

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The annual "orange and black" banquet for the Beatrice High school foot ball team was held last evening at the Paddock and it proved to be the biggest affair of the kind ever held in the city. Principal A. P. Hillyer acted as toastmaster, and the following responded to toasts: "The High School," J. T. Harden; "As It Appears," D. W. Cook; "1911," Coach Rathbun; "The Term," Captain Frank Klein; "1912," Captain-elect Doane; "Nubbins," Allan Mulligan; "High School to Varsity," Coach Stiehm of Nebraska. At a meeting of the foot ball team Basil Doane was chosen captain for 1912.

**Tekamah Defeats Lyons.**

TEKAMAH, Neb., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The Lyons High school basket ball teams were down to Tekamah Tuesday evening and met defeat at the hands of the teams from the Tekamah High school. The girls won out against them by the score of 24 to 5. The boys' team won by a closer score, that of 22 to 15. The Tekamah school team has won five straight games.

**Sidney Defeats Albion.**

ALBION, Neb., Dec. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Sidney defeated Albion last night at basket ball by a score of 35 to 29, winning the sixth game on its tour of the state. The game was a clean and brilliant contest.

A full bodied, mellow and delicious beer is STORZ OLD SAXON BRAU. It has made an instantaneous hit. It's "style all the while."

## He's a Friend of Farrell

Charley Hemphill, a veteran, former New York Yankee outfielder, now manager of the Atlanta Southern leaguers, who is being befriended by the president of his former club, Frank Farrell. The Yankee owner intends to give Hemphill the best of the team's turndowns, and has already arranged to railroad Russell, Bailey and Revelle to the Atlanta team. Hemphill acted in the capacity of temporary manager of the Yankee several times last summer and did excellent work. A brilliant future is predicted for him in his new berth.

## AMONG THE LOCAL BOWLERS

**Jetter's Gold Tops Win Two of Three from Brodegaards.**

### GILBREATH ROLLS HIGH SCORE

**Maney's Sunkists Take Three Games from Woodmen of World Team on Basement Alleys—Grif. fith High.**

The Jetter's Gold Tops won two out of three from the Brodegaard Crowns. Gilbreath got high score and high total for the Gold Tops. Angelsberg had high game of 232 and high total of 598. Four splits kept him from shooting a big total. Thursday, December 21, Permits vs. La Valdoras. The scores.

JETTER GOLD TOPS.

| | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Straw | 178 | 178 | 178 | 534 |
| Hinrich | 164 | 173 | 174 | 511 |
| Geden | 165 | 209 | 179 | 543 |
| Gilbreath | 171 | 212 | 181 | 564 |
| Zarp | 181 | 171 | 190 | 542 |
| Totals | 859 | 943 | 902 | 2,704 |

BRODEGAARD CROWNS.

| | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Voss | 182 | 182 | 135 | 499 |
| C. Primeau | 176 | 158 | 185 | 519 |
| Walens | 159 | 145 | 159 | 463 |
| H. Primeau | 145 | 200 | 173 | 518 |
| Angelsberg | 177 | 222 | 189 | 588 |
| Totals | 871 | 885 | 841 | 2,587 |

**Three for Sunkists.**

The Maney's Sunkists took three from the W. O. W. team on the Basement alleys last night. Griffith had high single, 174; Ortman high total, 486, for the Sunkists. Scores:

MANEY'S SUNKISTS.

| | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ortman | 166 | 166 | 154 | 486 |
| Laird | 131 | 145 | 144 | 419 |
| Griffith | 146 | 174 | 153 | 473 |
| Totals | 433 | 485 | 451 | 1,369 |

W. O. W'S.

| | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Engleman | 148 | 112 | 97 | 351 |
| Jacobrick | 135 | 152 | 152 | 429 |
| Padrosky | 141 | 152 | 95 | 388 |
| Totals | 414 | 416 | 344 | 1,174 |

## Bullet Lodges in Foot of Manager Unglaub

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Robert A. Unglaub, formerly of the Washington and Boston American league teams, and now manager of the Lincoln Western league team, was accidentally shot early this morning at Crisfield, Md., where he was preparing to start on a hunting trip.

Unglaub had gotten up early and was cleaning his rifle, one of small caliber, when the gun was discharged while it was in his hands. The bullet passed through his right ankle and lodged in the back of the foot. Physicians were called but they have as yet been unable to extract the bullet.

Key to the Situation—Bee Advertising.

## Bluffs Men Enjoy Wrestling Program

Last night at the Danish hall in Council Bluffs the local Order of Owls gave a wrestling tournament. Jack Whittaker was master of ceremonies and introduced Guy Buckles, who will meet the Bluffs boxer, Walter McCarthy, tonight; Bob Heller of Avoca, Ia., the new western Iowa "white hope," and Al Gray, the colored boy, who will also go on tonight. Both are heavyweights.

The first wrestling exhibition was for twenty minutes for a fall between Charles Peters of Council Bluffs and Joe Zigmund of Omaha, both weighing 200 pounds. Hugo Peters of Omaha refereed this match, which ended in a draw, as neither one got a fall within the time limit. Both wrestlers put up a good exhibition.

The second was a jiu jitsu wrestling match between G. H. Huskinson of London, England, and Jack Tolliver of Omaha. Hugo Peters of Omaha refereed. Huskinson won the first fall in two minutes and seventeen seconds, when Tolliver let go of Huskinson's jacket.

A catch-as-catch-can match between Huskinson and Tolliver was won by Tolliver in one minute and thirty seconds by a pin fall.

When the Englishman saw that Tolliver won his fall in quick time he quit cold and refused to go on with the next match, which was to be catch-as-catch-can, declaring the referee was not fair.

## KID M'COY KNOCKS OUT HARRY CROXON IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 21.—"Kid" McCoy, the American pugilist, tonight knocked out Harry Croxon, an English fighter, in the third round.

### DAFFYDIL CONTEST RULES

1. Answers must be addressed to "Daffydil Editor" of the Bee, and reach The Bee office not later than 8 p. m. Thursday of each week to be considered for prize award of that week.
2. Contestants may submit one or more answers for any or all of the prizes.
3. Winners to be selected one by each advertiser on Daffydil contest page and printed in his advertisement, which will also announce prize for next contest.
4. Each Daffydil must be written on a separate sheet of paper and must designate the advertiser for whom it is intended.
5. Winning Daffydils will be chosen for their originality, wit and humor and preference will be shown those pertaining to name or business of the advertiser.
6. Winners must call in person for prizes at advertiser's place of business.
7. In addition to advertisers' prizes The Bee will award five $1 prizes to the five next best Daffydil writers and will print them, together with all others worth publishing on Daffydil Contest Page.

## IOWA TRIMS WESLEYAN BOYS

**Plays Entire Squad in Basket Ball Game.**

### FINAL SCORE STANDS 41 TO 22

**Hawkeye Five Throws Twenty Goals from the Floor to Nine for the Mount Pleasant Quintet.**

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Iowa played its entire squad by substitution against Iowa Wesleyan at basket ball tonight and defeated its opponents, 41 to 22. Lineup:

| IOWA. | | WESLEYAN. |
|---|---|---|
| Sellendar | L.F. | R.G. Neutzman |
| Brothers | R.F. | L.G. Duncan |
| Leo | C. | C. Mauch |
| Berry | L.G. | L.F. Tiede |
| Schmidt | R.G. | R.F. Lauterbach |

Goals from floor: Iowa, 20; Wesleyan, 9. Goals from foul: Iowa, 1; Wesleyan, 4. Fouls off Iowa, 8; off Wesleyan, 1. Referee, Hedges, Dartmouth. Timekeeper, Packer, Iowa. Scorer, Thompson, Iowa.

## Brown Whips Cross in Ten-Round Fight

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—"Knockout" Brown and Leach Cross fought hard and fast for ten rounds at the Empire Athletic club tonight and it was the opinion of those about the ring that Brown won on points.

Though a hard left from Cross raised a lump over Brown's right eye in the second round, Brown had the better of the exchanges. Another hard left in the fourth caused the damaged eye to bleed.

In the sixth round Cross stalled and appeared to be staggering, but in the following round he snapped over a quick right to Brown's jaw that sent Brown back to the ropes.

A final round found Brown showering blows on Cross and just before the bell he staggered his opponent with a hard right.

## No Sweaters for High School Athletes

The High School Athletic Board of Control yesterday afternoon decided not to award sweaters to the sixteen letter men of this season's foot ball team.

The report of receipts and expenditures for the last foot ball season showed that foot ball scarcely paid its own expenses this year, as the $500 now on hand represents just about the collection taken from the school at the beginning of the year.

## GAS MACHINE EXPLODES, WRECKING FARM HOME

GRINNELL, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The large new country home of William Vogt, some four miles east of this city, was almost completely wrecked last evening by the explosion of an acetylene gas machine put into the building to furnish light. There was no known cause for the catastrophe. The parents were away from home at the time and two sons and two daughters were in the house. The eldest son, Grover Vogt, aged about 20, was badly burned on his hands and arms and about the face.

The younger son was not so badly burned. The girls were bruised and suffered from nervous shock.

## IOWA BASKET BALL TEAM WILL MAKE TWO TOURS

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Iowa's basket ball trip to Minneapolis next month will take in two more games, which were scheduled today by Manager Nelson A. Kellogg. One is with Carleton college at Northfield during the first part of the journey and the second is with the State Normal school at Cedar Falls, to be played on the return trip. Iowa's basket ball trip to Wisconsin in February will include games with St. Joseph's college at Dubuque and with Sacred Heart college at Prairie Du Chien.

**SHUSTER'S ENEMIES WIN FIGHT**

**Persian Council Will Appoint Deputies to Deal with Russia.**

TEHERAN, Dec. 21.—The cabinet has won an important victory over the national council, which foreshadows the acceptance of Russia's demand for the dismissal of W. Morgan Shuster, the American treasurer-general of Persia, unless public opinion proves too strong.

The national council, in a session which lasted from 8 o'clock last night until after midnight, finally accepted the proposal to appoint a commission of five deputies with plenary powers, to deal with the Russian ultimatum. Sixty members were present and the proposal was submittd by Vopsoegh ed Dowlegh, the foreign minister, and was adopted by a vote of 29 to 19.

The composition of the commission has not yet been announced.

The dismissal of Treasurer-general Shuster was demanded by Russia in its ultimatum dealing with the Persian difficulty. For some days the national council has refused to accept the cabinet's proposals with reference to meeting the Russian demands. The foreign minister represented to the council on December 18 that the plight of Persia was desperate, as Russia had refused to abate its demands; but the deputies, in spite of his appeals, insisted that the retention of Mr. Shuster was Persia's only hope.

## Orvie Overall, Big Holdout

Orval Overall, big Cub hold-out pitcher, who probably will never pitch another game. Overall has been pitching for an outlaw team on the coast. In a game a short time ago he wrenched the ligaments and muscles of his arm. Over[illegible] out the pitching muscles in [illegible] with Chicago. At that time "Bonesetter" Reese patched up the big giant, but "Jeff" has never since been quite the same.

## JAKE STAHL REINSTATED

**Boston American Player Let Off Without Fine.**

### SMITH GETS LIKE TREATMENT

**Base Ball Men Restored to Good Standing by National Commission Following Suspension for Refusing to Work.**

GRINNELL, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special Teleland ("Jake") Stahl, who has been mentioned as the probable manager of the Boston American league team next season was reinstated without the infliction of a fine by the National commission in a decision promulgated today.

Stahl failed to report during the season of 1911 to the Boston American league club, to which he was under reservation.

Harry Smith, who played with the Brooklyn team, also was restored to good standing without having to pay a fine. Smith was suspended for leaving the service of Brooklyn last spring without permission.

## BARADA'S SECONDS THROW SPONGE INTO THE RING

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—When seconds threw the sponge into the ring tonight at the end of the eighth round of his fight with Young Saylor, the crowd yelled its dissatisfaction. The boys had fought two draws before. The St. Joseph lightweight said he was in trim for the two remaining rounds. Neither boxer was scratched.

**Reward for Assailants.**

WINFIELD, Ia., Dec. 21.—Seven hundred dollars reward was offered today by citizens, for the apprehension of the three men who attacked Dr. Lucy Bowman, and taking her to the outskirts of town, held her captive for two hours. No clue has been found.

## SAYS KIMMEL WAS SHOT ON HUNT FOR TREASURE

ST. LOUIS, Dec., 21.—The Republic says today that John B. Swinney, a New Mexico rancher, will tell in a deposition today of the murder of George A. Kimmel, the famous Niles, Mich., man of mystery, on August 14, 1886, and of Swinney's killing of Kimmel's murderer.

A. J. White, recently released from Auburn prison in New York, says he is Kimmel. He is now in a hospital in Peru, Ind., recovering from injuries received in a wreck.

According to the story, Swinney, R. M. Snyder of Kansas City, a man named Johnson and Kimmel went to Oregon from Kansas City July 28, 1886, and dug for $40,000 supposed to have been buried near Marshfield, Ore., and while the four were walking in the woods Johnson shot Kimmel to death and he shot Johnson.

## SIDNEY LOSES FIRST GAME ON ITS TRIP TO ELGIN

ELGIN, Neb., Dec. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Sidney played its sixth and lost its first basket ball game on its tour at Elgin last night by a score of 25 to 16. The score the last half was 10 to 10. Sidney was hampered by the small floor and peculiar goals. To reach Elgin the Sidney boys rode all night and all day, reaching Elgin on a freight just before the game was called. The Elgin girls won from Newman Grove, 18 to 5.

**Marriage Licenses.**

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to the following named persons:

| Name and Address. | Age. |
|---|---|
| Reed M. Hough, Council Bluffs | 24 |
| Mabel Gittins, Boomer township | 22 |
| Tony Calamia, Omaha | 27 |
| Maimie Cuff, Omaha | 23 |
| A. H. Brown, Bentonsville, Ark | 25 |
| Beatrice Wolfe, Omaha | 19 |
| James Earl Maxwell, Bartlett, Ia | 21 |
| Miranda Cook, Thurman, Ia | 22 |
| William Bokowski, Fremont, Neb | 22 |
| Anna Lauderfield, Dodge, Neb | 22 |

## PREMIER REJECTS REPUBLIC

**Yuan Turns Down Proposition from Conference at Shanghai.**

### PEACE OUTLOOK IS GLOOMY

**Little Probability that Agreement on Future for China Can Be Arranged on Other Basis.**

PEKING, Dec. 21.—Premier Yuan Shi Kai in an official statement today said that he without any revocation refused to accept a republic.

The refusal of Premier Yuan Shi Kai to accept a republic is a categorical reply to a communication made to him from Shanghai by his representative, Tang Shao Yi, after the meeting of the peace conference between delegates of the imperial government and revolutionaries held there yesterday. A statement issued after the session of the conference yesterday said Tang Shao Yi, replying to Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the leader of the revolutionary delegates, who had presented the case in favor of a republic, "expressed his readiness to accept Dr. Wu Ting-fang's views, but that the matter was so important that he might first communicate with Peking."

The armistice between the opposing forces was extended to December 30, in order to give time for a reply from Peking.

**Gloomy in Washington.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Washington was gloomy today over the vanishing prospects for a speedy conclusion of a peace agreement between the imperialists and republicans in China. The status of the peace conference at Shanghai was reported as very discouraging.

It is considered not improbable that a general outbreak of anti-foreign feeling would follow a complete disagreement of the peace commissioners at Shanghai.

## PROMINENT MAN CHARGED WITH MURDERS OF FOUR

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 20.—Nathan B. Harvey, a man of some prominence and wealth, has been arrested for the murder of the four members of the Hill family here last June. The arrest was made at Oregon City. The crime created great excitement and was that of a degenerate.

**Thaw Trustee Reports.**

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 20.—Roger O'Mara, trustee in bankruptcy for Harry Kendall Thaw, now confined in Matteawan hospital, brought the famous case one step nearer the end today when he filed his final account in the office of referee in bankruptcy, W. R. Blair. A meeting of the creditors will be held on December 27, and the account may be approved at that time, thus ending the long-drawn out litigation.

**Juror Commits Suicide.**

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 20.—Worried over the responsibility incident to a verdict in a personal injury suit in which he was a juror, Charles F. Newman, who lives at Chester, eight miles from here, shot and killed himself. Newman was allowed to go home, as were the other jurors, while the judge prepared instructions in the case. The juror talked with his wife about the danger of making mistakes, and after going to bed shot himself.

**Young Couple Arrested.**

TROY, N. Y., Dec. 20.—George Michael, 31 years old, and Mattie K. Zuer, 14, residents of St. Louis, were arrested here tonight and held pending the arrival of officers from their home city. Michael is charged with abduction. The couple arrived here two months ago and have been living as Mr. and Mrs. George Michael. Michael made a confession, the police say.

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