

Council Bluffs.

BJEGOVIC HELD NOT GUILTY

Austrian Acquitted of Charge of Murdering Workman.

STATE'S WITNESSES AT WAR

Many of Them Have Listened to Call of Government Across Water—Defendant Arrested for Second Time.

After hearing the evidence that has been offered during the trial lasting almost a week a jury in the district court yesterday announced that Mile Bjegovic was acting solely in what he believed to be defense of his life when he shot and killed Dittmar Sugovic during a riot among Austrian railroad laborers in a camp at Weston last August. The case was given to the jury late yesterday afternoon and a verdict of acquittal was returned within half an hour. The accused youth was immediately escorted, however, upon a county attorney's information charging him with shooting Mile Sugovic, son of the man whom he killed, and who was the first of the two men to fall before the fire from his revolver.

The trial came to a rather unexpected close yesterday afternoon when County Attorney Capell discovered that several of the most important witnesses upon whom he had been depending to help establish the state's case had suddenly concluded to answer the call of the emperor of Austria and hurry back to the old country to be ready for military duty if required. He was thus unable to offer in rebuttal the testimony he had anticipated as available.

The defense had but few witnesses to examine. Attorney J. J. Hess depending largely upon the cross-examination of the state's witnesses. Many of the state's witnesses could properly have been called for the defense, for on cross-examination they universally manifested a strong disposition to show that Bjegovic was at least badly scared and did not shoot until he had been beaten and the two men were coming at him, with fighting instincts inflamed with drink, and armed with stones and pieces of slag.

Defendant Takes Stand.

Bjegovic was put on the stand in his own defense and made the plea that it was necessary to convince the jury that he had been more scared than slandering. He told of the persecutions that the Sugovics, father and son, had heaped upon him during the work hours when the men were engaged in spilling down rails for the rebuilding of the Milwaukee railroad, indignities that were continued for weeks and carried to such extreme that he became mortally afraid of them. He detailed the incidents of the fight at the mess car into which he had retreated when he was attacked and where he snatched the revolver to defend himself but not before he had been knocked down three times with an angle bar in the hands of one of the Sugovics. This part of the testimony was corroborated by Jolier Hill who said the boy youth was suffering from heavy bruises on his body when brought to the county jail. Bjegovic went on to tell the jury that he possessed him to hide in the cornfields and work his way to Council Bluffs to get protection from the other Austrians, whom, he said, he knew would kill him. He lived without food or water in the fields and was almost famished when the police found him near the town school for the deaf.

Interesting Study.

Bjegovic is interesting as a psychological and physical study. He has been able to prove that he is but 17 years old, yet he stands six feet and two inches in his stockings and weighs more than 200 pounds. He has the body of a giant man, but the immature intellect of a child. Impelled by fear of physical pain he would act as the animal acts—without thought or reason, use his giant strength or any other means to escape by beating down his foes.

He had difficulty in understanding the reason for his second arrest. The arrest was made by County Attorney Capell in the hope that some additional witnesses might be secured, and that a jury might be more willing to convict upon a charge of shooting with intent to wound than to hold him for any degree of murder. In his instructions Judge Arthur eliminated the first degree murder charge and instructed the jury that they should not consider anything but manslaughter.

The trial elicited considerable interest for the reason that former County Attorney Hess, who sent many men to the state's prison during his three terms of office, appeared for the defense. It was the first time he had appeared as counsel for the defendant in a criminal case and there was curious interest in noting his forced change of mental attitude. He encountered a capable adversary in his successor, County Attorney Capell.

Open High School Bids December 19

Due to a misunderstanding among contractors the date for opening the bids for the construction of the new addition to the high school building has been postponed until December 19. The new bids are to be based upon a revision of the architect's plans designed to reduce the cost of the new building from more than \$13,000 to \$10,000, the amount originally contemplated and provided for by the special tax of 10 mills voted last spring. It was the intention of the school board to open the new set of bids on December 2, but a number of the contractors, who were prospective bidders, acquired the impression that the date was December 15. To secure the greatest number of bids and accommodate the bidders the date was changed.

In the original plans the best bids for the heating plant exceeded \$2,000. The new plans prepared by Architect Cox provide for a much simpler heating device, which is expected to cost about that many hundred instead of thousand dollars. Reduction of other portions of the plans to reduce the entire cost of the building nearly one-half, relate to the enforced concrete and fireproof construction. The new part will not be nearly fireproof than the old, there being a paucity of necessity for constructing one-half of the building fireproof and the other half not. If the forthcoming bids do not bring the total cost within the \$10,000 limit, it is the intention of the board to reject them and try again, for the determination is to get the work done for the original amount.

STERLING NOVELTIES-FRENZER.

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Minor Mention

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XMAS HINTS—Cards, calendars, gift books, stationery, novelties, pictures, pottery. Artistic framing. Fanciful Art Shop, 222 Broadway.—Advertisement.

Members of the Past Noble Grand association of Rebekah lodge No. 1, Council Bluffs, will meet Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. M. Nicholson, 27 North First street.
Hazel camp has planned to have a series of lectures. The second lecture of the series will be given by Ed Carr on Thursday evening. His subject will be "Electricity." A banquet will be served and a large attendance is expected.

O. Hockman of Excelsior lodge No. 230, Council Bluffs, will give a stereopticon lecture before Amber lodge No. 569, Zeulick, Ia., Friday evening, December 12. Subject, "The Dark Ages to Light." All Master Masons invited.

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Jack W. Hedrick, a rural free delivery mail carrier, who covered his route from Logan, Mo., to Omaha, had an automobile accident which left him with a broken leg. He is being treated at the hospital here. Hedrick was driving his automobile when he was struck by a car coming from the opposite direction. He was thrown from the car and his leg was broken. He is now in the hospital, and his recovery is expected to be complete.

Wife Says Brother Broke Up Her Home

According to the general tenor and specific statements in a petition filed in the district court yesterday, William J. Hunter of this city thought more of his brother than he did of the woman whom he had won for his wife. Mrs. Edith Witt Hunter filed a suit for divorce in which she charges her husband with cruelty and asks absolute divorce, together with alimony to the amount of \$1,000 and \$200 to prosecute her suit and pay her attorney. The couple were married in Omaha on March 26, 1910, and separated last summer when she alleges, that the presence of the brother in the family made it necessary for her to leave, on the advice of her physician, to protect her reason. She admits that there was an antipathy between herself and her husband's brother, James L. Hunter, and that, notwithstanding her husband's knowledge of this situation, he induced his brother to come and live with them and failed to protect the young wife from the sneers and the unpleasant treatment accorded her. She also alleges that the brother influenced the husband in the financial affairs of the family and became involved with him to the extent of \$1,500 in connection with a farm deal. She alleges that the conditions in the home became so unpleasant last summer that she was compelled to leave.

Parlee Brown filed a suit against her husband, Henry T. W. Brown, whom she also accuses of cruelty. They were married in El Reno, Okla., on September 4, 1901, and she says she was obliged to separate from him on account of cruelty. She asks for the custody of their infant son and such other relief as the court may find just.

Rebecca A. Bentley, who married John P. Bentley in Omaha on October 5, 1905, under the name of Rebecca Hines, asked for absolute divorce on the grounds of cruelty and drunkenness and asked as alimony the contents of the house and title to a small homestead property that were acquired on the monthly payment plan. This property is located on lot 1, block 38, Everett's addition. She asks for a decree giving her all of the equity now acquired in this property as her alimony.

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Tried to Die by Gas At the Kirlin Hotel

A young man who registered his name at the Kirlin hotel, Thirteenth street and Broadway, yesterday afternoon in a scrawl that appeared to spell Hemp, attempted to end his life last night by tightly closing the door and windows of his room and turning on the gas. The odor of the escaping gas was detected and traced to his room before he had inhaled enough to cause his death. He was entirely unconscious when found, but the prompt response of City Physician Tubbs, who was summoned by the hotel people, and the effective means employed to resuscitate him, saved his life.

Hemp, who appears to be about 25 years old, appeared at the hotel during the afternoon and said he came from Omaha. He paid for his supper and room and sat about the office apparently much depressed. During the course of the afternoon he got into conversation with the landlady and talked quite freely about himself. He told her he was a sailor and had just got out of a military prison, where he had served eight months. Hemp occasionally became quite rambling and incoherent, and he impressed her with the conviction that he was slightly unbalanced mentally. He gave her no information concerning his home or where the military prison was located. He was assigned to room No. 9, and took the key to it about 9:30 o'clock. Half an hour later he was found unconscious with the gas jets wide open. After resuscitating him Dr. Tubbs ordered him taken to St. Bernard's hospital. The young man was well dressed and appeared to have seen better times.

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Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were yesterday granted to the following named persons:
Name and Address. Age.
Louis Hansen, Omaha. 31.
Minnie Rosenthal, Omaha. 25.
W. T. Davis, Omaha. 33.
Merl Crawford, Omaha. 22.
William Adams, Omaha. 39.
Minnie Petersen, Omaha. 25.

Iowa

GREAT CROP YEAR FOR IOWA

Director Chappell of State Bureau Out with Annual Report.

YIELD AND VALUE IMMENSE

Value of Cereals Gets Up Toward Half-Billion Dollar Mark, and Millions More Than Last Year.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
DES MOINES, Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Iowa crops for 1912 are worth over \$400,000,000. That is more than \$15,000,000 in excess of last year. The annual report of the weather and crop bureau was presented by Dr. G. M. Chappell, section director, to the state agricultural convention this morning. The following is the tabulated statement of the crops of the year and value:
Corn.....427,383,400 bu. \$151,676,624
Oats.....209,540,500 bu. 65,576,419
Spring wheat.....3,486,100 bu. 2,593,982
Winter wheat.....3,122,520 bu. 6,341,153
Barley.....2,687,760 bu. 4,780,839
Rye.....888,320 bu. 242,031
Flax seed.....421,000 bu. 444,235
Potatoes.....12,900,000 bu. 5,677,580
Hay (damp).....4,772,600 tons 42,209,904
Hay (dry).....1,086,440 tons 8,094,819
Pasture, grazing.....Estimated 85,000,000
Ensilage.....Estimated 4,000,000
Timothy seed.....Estimated 2,300,000
Clover seed.....Estimated 518,726
Alfalfa and millet.....Estimated 1,300,000
Sweet corn.....Estimated 1,137,500
Pop corn.....Estimated 990,000
Garden truck.....Estimated 1,500,000
Miscellaneous crops.....Estimated 5,000,000
Total.....\$391,772,118

The estimated value of soil products for 1912 was \$88,901,154. By this should be added the value of the fruit crop, which will bring it to over \$400,000,000 in value. In introduction the section director states as follows in detail as to the various crops:

The Various Crops.
Corn.—The revised estimate of the acreage of corn is 9,190,610 acres, or 33,236 acres more than was planted last year, as shown by the report of the township assessors. The average yield per acre for the state this year is 53.3 bushels, making a total yield of 493,383,400 bushels, or 2,019,480 bushels more than was ever before produced in the state in one year. The next largest yield being 388,553 bushels on December 1 was 24 cents per bushel, making the aggregate value \$151,676,624. Last year the estimated yield was 72.9 bushels per acre, aggregate yield 281,305,000 bushels; average farm price was 31 cents per bushel, making the aggregate

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LONDON SUFFRAGETTES TURN IN FALSE FIRE ALARMS

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LONDON, Dec. 11.—Numerous false alarms of fire were sent out tonight in various districts of London through public telephones and the fire alarm system. The fire brigades turned out, only to discover that they had been hoaxed by the militant suffragettes. One woman caught in the act of turning in an alarm, was arrested.

Little Girl Gives Life Rather than Drop Baby Sister

TOOLIDGE, Utah, Dec. 11.—A rare example of childish forethought was given today by 8-year-old Pearl Skinner before her death. She was singing her baby sister to sleep in front of a stove when a live coal ignited her dress. Although ablaze in an instant the little girl laid the baby carefully upon a chair and called to her mother to care for the infant before running into the yard and plunging into the snow. She lived but a short time.

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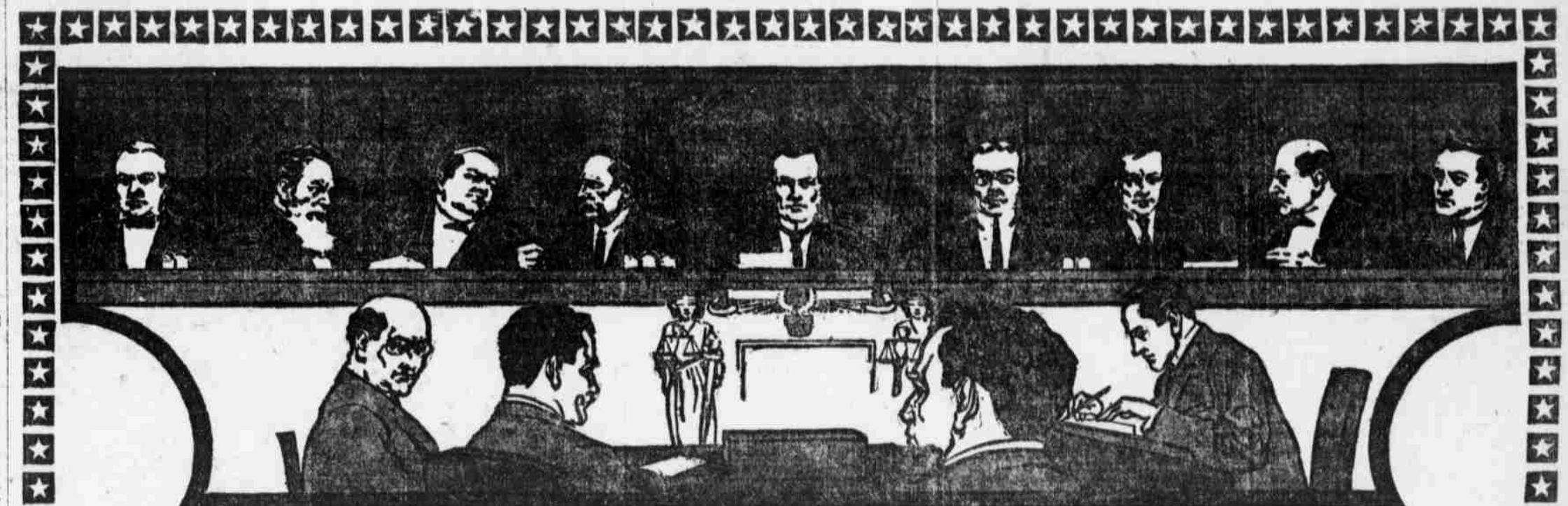
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