

Bassett Slayer One of Youngest Given Life Term

Youth, 18, Sentenced to Hard Labor at State Penitentiary For Murder of Neighbor Ranchman.

Bassett, Neb., Nov. 30.—Floyd R. Wick, 18, of near McIver, Neb., yesterday was sentenced by District Judge R. R. Dickson to serve a life sentence in the penitentiary at hard labor for the murder of Clyde M. Patterson, a neighbor and bachelor ranchman, shot to death August 15. Wick pleaded guilty to second degree murder.

Wick is one of the youngest persons to be convicted on such a crime in recent years in Nebraska. Young Wick was placed in jail at O'Neill, Holt county, some time ago, after he confessed that he was responsible for Patterson's death. Patterson was murdered some time during August, but his death was not known until later when a brother from Oklahoma came to visit him.

On arriving at Malvern, the brother learned that Patterson had been missing about six weeks, and that young Wick had driven his cattle away. Wick first said he purchased the cattle from Patterson, and that the latter had gone to Colorado. An investigation followed, and an empty shotgun shell found near the cabin that Patterson had occupied was the first clue. Later Patterson's body was found buried on the ranch.

A large wound in the ranchman's breast told how he had died. Wick at first is reported to have said that he and Patterson had been hunting, that Patterson had attempted to shoot him and that he shot the ranchman in self defense. Later Wick changed this version of his story.

"College-Bred" Live Stock

Wins International Honors

Chicago, Nov. 30.—"College-bred" live stock carried off the honors over the entries of professional stockmen at the international live stock exposition, nine of the 12 championships awarded going to animals entered by American universities. Penn State led with three championships. The most coveted honor went to Purdue university, winner of the students' live stock judging contest when Black Ruler was adjudged the grand champion steer of the exposition. Black Ruler is a 2-year-old of the Aberdeen Angus class and was bred at Purdue university. An ancestor of Black Monarch was the grand champion steer of the 1917 show.

Penn State won first place for three Leicester wether lambs, for three Shropshire wether lambs, and for the best Berkshire sow, while the blue ribbons for the champion Oxford wether and for the best Leicester wether went to Iowa state. Oklahoma university agriculture experiment station entered the best Dorset wether, Illinois the best Rambouillet and Wisconsin the three best Shropshires.

Bloomfield Will Protest

Raise in Telephone Rates

Bloomfield, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—The executive committee of the Bloomfield Commercial club has voted to send a representative to Lincoln to appear before the state railway commission and protest the raise in telephone rates asked by the Union Telephone Co. The company also owns an exchange at Wausa and Attorney F. M. Patterson will represent the Wausa patrons before the commission. Attorney W. D. Funk will appear for Bloomfield.

Petty Thieves Active in

Fremont; Garage Robbed

Fremont, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—Petty thieves are operating in Fremont, many small robberies being reported. The latest haul was at the Mennich garage, when someone entered the unlocked door while the night man was in the basement. Thirty dollars were taken from the register. Attempts were made to gain entrance into the Quinn Drygoods store, but the thieves were unsuccessful.

Knox County Live Stock

Body Elects Officers

Bloomfield, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—At a recent meeting of the Knox County Better Live Stock and Fair association, the following officers were elected: president, Henry Kuhl, Plainview; vice president, J. F. Mattern, Winnetoon; secretary, H. C. Dierks, Bloomfield; treasurer, C. T. Heck, Bloomfield; directors, E. N. Powell and T. G. Reetz, Bloomfield. It was decided to hold the 1921 fair the second week in September.

Firm Employees Urged to

Be at "Onward Omaha" Meet

All department heads of the Brandeis, Burgess-Nash, Byrne-Hammer, M. E. Smith, K-B, Printing, Omaha Bee, Foster Barker, Eggers-O'Flynn and Lion Bonding firms are being urged by their employers to attend the "Onward Omaha" conference at the Auditorium Thursday night. The meeting is to be held for the purpose of realizing that present day business conditions are temporary.

Geddes Men Wire Harding

For Extension of Credit

Geddes, S. D., Nov. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—A telegram urging extension of credit to farmers has been sent by the Farmers and Business Men's league of Geddes to W. E. G. Harding, governor of the Federal Reserve board at Washington, D. C.

Wife Supports Hubby In Rejecting Million



Mrs. Charles Garland

Mrs. Charles Garland of Boston, who supports her husband in his rejection of \$1,000,000, his share of the estate of his father, James A. Garland, said she preferred to make his own way in the world to a life of idle ease on the fortune left.

This remarkable young man is an automobile mechanic and is supporting his wife and baby on his farm at Cape Cod. Mrs. Garland declares she will also reject her share.

Clothing Firm Employees

Will Lay Off Month

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 30.—The 500 employees of the Nash Clothing Manufacturing Co., in this city, which is operated on the "golden rule" basis, today at a meeting decided voluntarily to surrender their jobs for a month, either January or February, in order to give work to the unemployed of other clothing factories.

They took that action after Arthur Nash, former minister and president of the company, had stated that clothing manufacturers were closing in all parts of the country and that thousands are being thrown out of employment.

The employees also agreed that if it was necessary to reduce wages in order to bring down the prices of clothing and stimulate business, that those earning more than \$5 a day would be the first to consent to a reduction.

Nebraska State Grange to

Hold Meeting at Shelton

Shelton, Neb., Nov. 30.—The Nebraska State Grange will meet in annual session at Shelton, Neb., December 7, 8 and 9. A splendid program has been prepared and speakers secured to handle subjects of vital interest to farmers at this present time.

Two Skeletons Unearthed

When Cave Dug at Stanton

Stanton, Neb., Nov. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—While excavating dirt for a cave at the Elmwood White home, two skeletons were found. Sheriff Beaton and Dr. Underberg were called and made an investigation, but were unable to find any theory upon which they could be identified.

It was first thought the bones were those of Indians, for an Indian cemetery had formerly been discovered just east of Stanton where one of the big battles between the Omaha and the Sioux tribes took place in the early days. But upon close investigation by Dr. Underberg, he pronounced the skulls to be those of white persons, one apparently that of a woman.

Damage Suit at Beatrice

Taken Under Advisement

Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—The suit of Henry Beckman against Frank Swoboda, to recover \$200 damages to his car as the result of a collision west of Wynmore last summer, was heard in Judge Ellis' court Monday afternoon. The case was taken under advisement. Swoboda alleges that he was badly hurt in the accident, and that Beckman was equally responsible for the mixup with his.

Says Former Husband of

Friend Threatened Him

Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—Ed Protsman was lodged in jail here on a complaint sworn out by Vern Perry asking that he be placed under bond to keep the peace. Perry alleges that he has been keeping company with Protsman's divorced wife, and that Protsman has threatened him on a number of occasions.

Hog Cholera Appears

Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—Hog cholera recently made its appearance in Gage county and County Agent Rist is using every measure possible to check it. John W. Smith, living near Cortland, states that he has lost 17 head of swine from the disease.

Relief Program For Farmers to Be Considered

Middle Western Representatives and Senators Will Hold Conference on Problem This Week.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, Nov. 30.—Senators and representatives from middle-western agricultural states will hold a conference late this week to frame a program of legislation for the relief of the farmers who will suffer a loss of \$7,000,000,000 or more, it is said, in the value of the products this year as compared with last year.

Many of the members who will participate in the conference have already arrived in Washington for the session of congress beginning next Monday and they report intense dissatisfaction among the farmers over the condition of the market for farm products. They are at work on a score or more of suggested remedies to be enacted into law, with few senators or representatives in agreement except that there should be no appropriation of money to meet the situation.

The most talked of suggestion to aid the farmers are: Restoration of the war finance corporation; levying a tariff on wheat to stop heavy imports of that grain from Canada; prohibition of speculation in food products through extension of credit to Germany and other foreign countries to enable them to enter the market for American agricultural products.

Senator Capper of Kansas returned to Washington today. He said he had never known so much dissatisfaction among the farmers as there is today and predicted that the republican party would be soon

Doctor Tells of Leper's Escape

Health Officer Says Victim Taken Out of Omaha and Turned Loose.

Washington, Nov. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles H. Young, detained by the district authorities as a leper following his detection here by Dr. William C. Fowler, district health officer Friday night, was held in confinement at Tilden, Neb., as a leper several months ago, Dr. J. F. Edwards, health officer of Omaha, Neb., told Dr. Fowler yesterday. Young is said to have escaped from the Madison county, Nebraska, poor farm early this month.

Dr. Edwards is in Washington in connection with a convention of public health service officials. He learned about Young's presence here and understands Young's story to be that he was taken out of Omaha by a number of men and turned loose.

"After his case had been diagnosed as leprosy, what really happened," said Dr. Edwards, "was that we took Young to Tilden, Neb., under guard. We confined him in a small house on the grounds of the county hospital there. After a while Young disappeared. Even after coming to Washington for the first time last September he went back to Tilden and was there three weeks ago. At that time we did not know he had been in Washington and he slipped away again almost as soon as he appeared in Nebraska."

The detention of Young at the quarantine station here has given him a companion, Willard Centlivere, for the first time. They while away the hours playing checkers.

Nebraska Urges Congressmen to Obtain Credits

Commercial Clubs Demand Federal Reserve Banks Relieve Money Stringency to Protect Farmers.

By E. C. SNYDER
Washington Correspondent Omaha Bee. Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Commercial clubs throughout Nebraska are calling upon the members of the congress from that state to bring all possible pressure upon the directors of the federal reserve banks to lend additional credit to farmers and stockmen and that the rigorous increase charged for additional credits at the federal reserve bank be arranged so that credits given above the basic amounts loaned at 6 per cent be considerably augmented for each increase in rate.

The last of these requests reached the Nebraska delegation today in the form of resolutions adopted by the Osceola Commercial club, wherein it is stated: "Conditions are such that our farmers cannot sell grain and stock at present prices without immense loss, our tenant farmers especially."

Panic Feared.
"To force grain and stock to go to market any faster than it has been going will glut the market still more and panic will result."

"In order that conditions may be ameliorated we recommend that the steep rate interest charges now in force at the Federal Reserve banks be greatly modified and that a reasonable maximum rate be established."

"We feel that conditions have been so serious that the trend at present constitutes such a menace that the federal reserve board should act

quickly and generously and give assurance that the agricultural interests shall not be forced further in this ruinous condition."

Farmers Can't Get Loans.

In a communication to Congressman Jeffers, George C. Meier, a well-known business man of Omaha, says that after an extended trip through the territory of York and Utica, one of the richest sections of the state, he ascertained that it was impossible for farmers to get a loan of \$1,000 or \$2,000, although they were worth anywhere from \$50,000 to \$200,000.

"Corn is cheap," he says, "and many of these farmers would like to get some cattle to which to feed the cheap corn, but they are unable to borrow any money from their banks with which to buy cattle. For instance, in Custer county, which has always been a great stock raising and stock-raising county and where in passing through one used to see thousands of head of cattle, now only a very few small and scattered herds are to be seen."

Urges Duty on Grain.
After citing the prices paid for harvesting the crop in Nebraska this year, farmers in many instances paying as high as \$9 a day for help and 10 cents a bushel for husking corn, Mr. Meier concluded that, the war being over, the duty should be put back on grains and stock immediately.

Congressman Reavis, who recently sent a letter to Herbert Hoover, now in charge of relieving the destitute in eastern Europe and the near east, asking him to include in his proposals corn flour and corn meal, today received a reply from Mr. Hoover in which the latter states that he has already interested one or two European buying agencies in using considerable quantities of corn and hopes that before winter is ended "we will find over a large section of central and eastern Europe a mixture of corn flour and corn meal in their bread up to 25 or 30 per cent."

"We tried very hard during the war," continued Mr. Hoover, "to introduce corn products as such (meaning corn flour and corn meal), but it seemed almost hopeless to fil-

ter a knowledge of their preparation into a European household."

Senator Norris and Congressman Evans, who were appointed a subcommittee at the meeting of the republican members of the Nebraska delegation on Saturday to present to Governor Harding of the federal reserve board the name of C. E. Burnham of Norfolk for reappointment to

his present position, will have a conference with Governor Harding tomorrow morning.

Lynch Florida Negro.

Miami, Fla., Nov. 30.—J. B. Harris, a 19-year-old negro, was lynched by a mob near Princeton, following an alleged attack upon a white woman.



The Combined Reports From Our Sioux City Lincoln and Omaha Stores Shows the Amazing Total of 84 Members to Date

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