

### Stories Told of Taxi Man's Death Are Conflicting

#### Woman and Husband Held by Police Following Fatal Shooting of Man in Former's

Conflicting stories told to detectives by Wilton Wendt, taxi company proprietor, and his wife, Mrs. Bessie Wendt, 3015 Jackson street, concerning the fatal shooting of Floyd Mill, 6913 Wirt street, alleged lover of Mrs. Wendt, left officers in doubt as to whether Mill committed suicide or was murdered. Inquest into the shooting will be held at 9 today at Crosby's funeral establishment, Twenty-fourth and Wirt streets.

Mrs. and Mr. Wendt are being held without bond in the city jail with Pat Burkley, waiter, 318 North Sixteenth street, and George Volker, chauffeur, 2013 Chicago street. Burkley and Mrs. Wendt were in the latter's room at 2:30 yesterday morning when police arrived on a call that "Mill had shot himself."

Alone With Victim. Mrs. Wendt said she was alone with Mill when the shooting occurred during a love quarrel. She notified Pat Burkley and Joe Huntley, a driver for her husband's Gray Taxicab company. Huntley was missing when police arrived. Police have no information that Wendt was in the vicinity when the shooting occurred.

Volker is being held for investigation as the alleged driver of a taxicab that carried Mrs. Wendt and Mill to a rendezvous at Thirteenth and Missouri avenue the night before, where the couple are said to have participated in a drinking party.

Phonograph Playing. A ragtime phonograph record ground out its merry tune of "Never Let One Man Worry You" in Mrs. Wendt's apartment while, on the floor, lay Mill with a gaping wound in his head when detectives burst in on the scene.

The wounded man was rushed to Fenger hospital. He died at 3:30 a. m. Mill was infatuated with Mrs. Wendt, detectives say. The woman's husband is suing for divorce in district court.

According to Policeman George Brigham, one of the officers who responded to the emergency call, Mrs. Wendt told him that her husband shot Mill.

Mrs. Wendt repudiated this statement yesterday afternoon to Chief of Detectives Charles Van Densen.

Aurora Church Attendance Improved by Careful Check. Aurora, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The Christian church, which has been checking the attendance of its members during the past three months, finds that out of more than 400 members 39 did not attend any of the services during the three months. The campaign materially raised the average attendance at all services. The average attendance for the morning service was 301 and for the evening service 346. The receipts of the church during the three months in all of its activities amounted to \$2,799.86. Rev. C. C. Dobbs, the pastor of the church, claims that the system of taking a check on his members has materially increased the attendance and the contributions.

Wymore Priest Leaves for Tour on Chautauqua Course. Wymore, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—Father D. J. Cronin, pastor of the Catholic church here, has left for a lecture tour for a chautauqua company. His itinerary will carry him through Gulf of Pacific coast states and he will not return until some time in August.

The subjects of his lectures will be "Weeds and Flowers of Literature," "The Power Behind the Throne" and "Their Yesterdays, Our Opportunities." Father Nevard of Wisconsin will have charge of the church here during Father Cronin's absence.

National Guard Company Gets Examination at York. York, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The Commercial club announced the National guard service company will soon be mustered into service. All members of the American Legion hall to be measured for their equipment and receive their physical examination, Captain Hall, medical examiner, assisted by local physicians, conducted the examination. The equipment will be the complete issue issued to a National guardsman. It includes undershirts, shoes, uniform, hats, etc. A recruiting officer was present and quite a number were added to the list.

Thayer County Farm Bureau To Conduct Drive April 11. Desha, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The Nebraska Farm Bureau federation will conduct a membership campaign in Thayer county the week of April 11. J. A. Crawford, former campaign manager for the state, and W. H. Brokaw, director of the extension department of Nebraska university, will explain the farm bureau work to the people of the community at a meeting to be held at the court house in Hebron on the opening day. A similar meeting will be held in the evening at Bruning.

Sunday Base Ball Issue At York City Election. York, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—A large crowd attended a meeting called by base ball fans to outline a campaign for Sunday base ball in York. The Sunday ball proposition will be voted upon at the election next Tuesday. Suitable grounds on which to hold games is proving a serious handicap. The committee has several locations that can be obtained. Both sides of the proposition are lining up their forces for a hot battle at the polls.

Chappell American Legion Stage Boxing Contest. Chappell, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The Chappell American Legion furnished some good exhibitions of boxing at their tournament. The participants were local men or from nearby towns.

### Youth Who Is Shot While Visiting In Woman's Flat



Here are pictures of the three principals in Omaha's latest love triangle.

Upper left is Floyd Mill, 29, chauffeur, 6913 Wirt street, who was found fatally wounded in the head on the floor of the bedroom in the apartment of Mrs. Bessie Wendt, 3015 Jackson street, right, who is held by the police in connection with the shooting, along with her husband, lower right, Wilton Wendt, Keystone hotel, owner of the Gray Taxicab company.

### Building Workers To Quit Because Of Cut in Wages

#### Won't Accept 20 Per Cent Reduction, Says Trade Council Secretary—Some of Contractors Against Cut.

A strike of all building workers affected by the 20 per cent wage reduction unanimously favored by the Omaha Builders' exchange Wednesday night, will start this morning, according to John M. Gibb, secretary of the Building Trades council.

"The men have voted against accepting a 20 per cent wage cut, and I believe all of them have the understanding they are to quit if the decrease is made," said Secretary Gibb. "There are about 3,000 members of the Building Trades council now working. Some downtown jobs will be affected, but home building will be unaffected. I believe the thing will resolve itself into an endurance test in which men, with less overhead expense than the contractors, will be victorious."

Business Agent R. A. Wilson, of the Carpenters' union, agreed with Secretary Gibb that a strike will occur in the morning wherever contractors cut wages.

Offered Compromise. "I am sorry we even offered to accept a 10 per cent decrease now," said Mr. Wilson. "There are about 1,300 men belonging to carpenters' unions. Almost 700 of these are employed. We believe, however, that many contractors would insist on a 20 per cent reduction. Only a part of the contractors of the city were present at the meeting last night. The carpenters will go out only where the reduction is insisted on."

Mr. Wilson charged that many material men were present and that they influenced contractors to vote for the 20 per cent cut tomorrow, when agreements expire.

Hopes to Avert Strike. "We weren't admitted at the meeting, but we could see who went in and came out," he said. "Many of the contractors are not tied up with the Builders' exchange, either."

Howard Covert, business agent for the structural iron workers, said that union would meet with subcontractors tonight and that he hoped a strike would be averted at this meeting.

"If the contractors insist on a 20 per cent cut there seems no other way than to strike, however," he said. Secretary Gibb, who is also business agent for the electricians' union asserted every electrician now employed would quit in the morning if the 20 per cent reduction was put into effect. The electricians' union will meet tonight to consider the situation, as will the Building Trades council.

Say Won't Back Up. According to Secretary Gibb neither organization will back up their original refusal to accept more than a 10 per cent cut. Among the downtown jobs which will be affected if men quit are the Brandeis store addition, the Burgess-Nash job, the M. E. Smith addition and the Woodmen of the World annex. Several dozen mechanics are employed at the Iten Biscuit company, according to Secretary Gibb.

Sunday School Convention Held in Hamilton County. Aurora, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—At the annual county Sunday school convention held in the beautiful new school house of Phillips, officers were elected for the following year as follows: President, M. D. Cressett, of Aurora; vice president, Rev. George Horn of Phillips; secretary and treasurer, Charles M. Stewart of Aurora. At the final night meeting more than 500 were in attendance from different parts of the county.

Elevator Manager Resigns To Devote Time to Bank. Pawnee City, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—W. S. Potts has resigned as manager of the Farmers Union elevator here. Lew Flanagan will succeed him. Mr. Potts is vice president of the Farmers State bank and will devote his time to the bank's interests.

Hampton Oratorical Contest. Aurora, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—At the annual declamation contest in the Hampton high school, Alette Marlow took first honors; Amelia Kolling, second, and Eller Potts, third.

Raising "Y" Budget. Aurora, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The annual campaign for the Y. M. C. A. is under way here. One-half of the budget, \$1,250, was pledged the first day.

### Wealthy Deputy, Shot by Thieves, Is Not Scared Out

#### Son of "Grape Juice King" Undaunted by Wounds Received at Hands of Automobile Bandits.

Buffalo, March 31.—William Welch, son of Dr. C. E. Welch, the "grape juice king," in spite of serious wounds he received early today at the hands of automobile thieves, is not "going to stop being a deputy sheriff," he declared.

Welch was called upon as a deputy by the chief of police at Erie last night to head off a gang who had stolen a car set out from Westfield in a racing car. The stolen machine came into view and Welch headed his machine towards the side of the road to wait. When the stolen car came alongside he called upon the occupants to halt. The bandit driver stepped on the accelerator instead and the chase was on. Welch drove his racer to the limit and was gaining steadily on the bandits when they stopped.

Thinking that the thieves had decided to surrender the young deputy left his car and walked toward them. A shot rang out and then the bandits cut loose with a regular fusillade. Welch was struck in the shoulder by the first shot and suffered several flesh wounds besides.

Rolling into the bottom of a ditch by the side of the road, Welch feigned death and the bandits blew out the tires of his car with revolver shots and hurried away. He then drove home in his disabled car.

Pawnee County Schools To Hold Spelling Contest. Pawnee City, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—Pawnee county schools will hold a county spelling contest here April 10. Any pupil in or below the eighth grade is eligible to enter. Two contests will be held, one written and one oral. The winners of first and second places in both drills will be awarded appropriate prizes. The Pawnee City Community club will pay the expenses of the winner of first place in the oral contest to the interstate contest at Wayne, Neb., April 29. At this meeting county winners from the state decide the state championship. It has been the custom of the county superintendent here to arrange for a contest for many years. Miss Bertie Kaufman is the county superintendent.

Kearney Man Injured When Automobile Turns Turtle. Kearney, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—J. McInnes suffered severe bruising about the head, a badly wrenched leg and possible internal injuries when an auto turned turtle a half mile east of Odessa. Sheriff Si Fulk, county clerk G. E. Haase, J. E. Morse, president of the American State bank, and H. F. J. Fink were other occupants of the car. All escaped with minor bruises.

The sheriff was at the wheel when a rut in the road caused him to lose control of the car. The machine plunged into a ditch and turned over twice. All occupants but McInnes were thrown clear of the wreck. The latter was pinned underneath. The party was en route to Lexington to attend a Masonic meeting.

Home Talent Movie Play Is Staged in Columbus. Columbus, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The movie play, "The Trials of a Hero," played the principal roles in the first home talent movie play produced in Columbus. It will be shown April 14 for the first time.

The film veers away from the threat of the play sufficient to picture the schools, churches and other local views. After it is shown the films will be donated to the local Commercial club.

Fine of Speeder With Sick Mother Remitted by Mayor. Columbus, Neb., March 31.—John Olman of Humphrey was fined \$5 in police court for speeding, but the fine was promptly remitted by Mayor C. J. Carrig. Mr. Olman was hurrying to Columbus in his automobile with his mother, who was ill, and whom he was sending to Omaha for an operation. Bad roads delayed him and when he hit the pavement he only had a few minutes to catch the train. He made it, and the mayor forgave him.

McCook Plans Addition. McCook, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—East McCook has petitioned to come into the corporate limits and privileges of McCook. This will add about 40 families to this city's population.

Smaller Wheat Acreage. Lodgepole, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—It is estimated that the present acreage of wheat in this county is 5 per cent less than that of last year.

Save Dollars On a Living Room Suite Next Saturday at Union Outfitting Co. If you have been wanting to make your living room more cozy and livable, you can do it at very little cost in the big sale of Cane and Overstuffed Tapestry Living Room Suites at Union Outfitting Co. Saturday.

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### "I Love All of Them" Is Message of Famous Singer to Omaha Elks

Madame Schumann-Heink, who sang in concert in Omaha Wednesday night, was not hesitant about expressing herself about the Omaha Elks in a private audience given Mrs. A. N. Post, Jr., in her room at the Hotel Fontaine yesterday.

"Tell them I love them—all of them," was Madame Schumann-Heink's message to the Elks through Mrs. Post.

Remembering that the famous singer has three sons who are Elks, the executives of No. 39 in Omaha extended their admiration of her in a gift of American Beauty roses. Mrs. Post made the presentation.

Delineating the personality of Madame Schumann-Heink, Mrs. Post said: "She is perfectly wonderful. To be in her presence is like having her arms about you. She appeared so happy and contented with life, though her heart is bleeding for those suffering from the war."

Fatal Malady of Girl From Falls City Is Diagnosed. Following a post-mortem on the body of Miss Anita Lively of Falls City, who died last night in University hospital after being ill there since March 21 with a disease which baffled surgeons, Dr. Irving S. Cutter of the medical college announced that death was caused by tuberculosis meningitis, tuberculosis of the lungs and broncho-pneumonia. Tuberculosis evidently had existed in the lungs some time, according to Dean Cutter, which spread to the meninges of the brain, resulting in her acute illness. The body will be taken to Falls City for burial.

Pioneer Omahan Dies From Injuries in Auto Crash. Announcement of the death of Lew Pixley, 76, early Omaha resident, was received yesterday from Cocoa, Fla., where he died from injuries received in an automobile accident last Friday.

Mrs. Pixley, who accompanied her husband to Florida for his health three months ago, will bring the body back home. Mr. Pixley was a civil war veteran. The Pixley homestead, 1204 North Twenty-seventh street, was an early landmark on the north side.

Newspaper Man Is Named Trustee in Bankruptcy. Columbus, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—H. F. Barnhart of Norfolk, reelected in bankruptcy, held a hearing here in the bankruptcy proceedings against Mr. and Mrs. J. H. O'Meara. They have been conducting an automobile business for which F. S. Bennett of Iola, Kan., furnished the money. Bennett's claims total \$12,000. John I. Long, editor of the Daily News, one of the creditors, was appointed trustee.

University Players Give Comedy-Drama at Superior. Superior, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The university players presented the comedy drama, "Within the Law," a story of New York police circles, at the high school auditorium. The play was given under the auspices of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, which was recently organized by the Superior High school boys.

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### Leon's Going Out of Business Sale

Store No. 1 Opposite Conant Hotel 315 S. 16th St.

### Wyoming Woman Loses Husband And Lover in War

#### Lover Killed in France and Husband Gets Divorce by Showing Picture Found in Pal's Pocket.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 31.—(Special.)—Enduring from the same town in Wyoming, William G. Schoenwald and George Carliss, marine privates, were buddies in France and ate prunes and beans from the same plate.

They used to talk of the old town, and Schoenwald occasionally mentioned his wife.

"Some girl," he would say. "Carliss never could be drawn into a discussion of the girls back home, and he particularly avoided any reference to his pal's wife, Schoenwald, thinking Carliss did not know her, used to deliver long stories about her."

Side by side they stood and fought for hours. It was at Landreville that the end came. Suddenly Carliss stopped, and then slid abruptly to the ground. He was dead when his pal reached his side.

The pal happened to think of his buddy's folks back home and, stooping, extracted a number of papers from the dead man's pockets. It wasn't until after the spurt was over and they were all back in the mud again that Schoenwald thought of the mementoes. Then he looked at them.

As he disclosed a letter from the pile he came upon the picture of his wife. He looked again. Yes, and she was clad in the very dress she had worn when he left. And the picture showed his wife in the arms of his pal.

Now, two and one-half years afterward word comes from Chicago that the photograph constituted the grounds upon which Judge Lewis of that city granted Schoenwald a divorce three last week.

The wife still resides at their former home in Wyoming. And her lover lies under the poppies in France.

Pickpocket Grabs Purse From Train Coach Seat and Escapes. Passengers on Union Pacific No. 3, standing in the train yards yesterday, gave chase to a pickpocket who stole the purse and \$80 belonging to Mrs. M. Frineland, a passenger on the train. He escaped. The pickpocket came through the coaches, and as he passed the woman's seat, grabbed her purse and ran, according to her story to Union depot officials.

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### Mayor Kicks Heels in Glee As He Thinks of His Badge for May 3

Mayor Smith skipped into council meeting yesterday with a springy step.

He beat gleefully on his desk with the gavel for order. "Happy, mayor?" he was asked. "En so! You tell 'em, Watson. I've lost my needle," came the quick reply, or something like that.

"A clear conscience and a happy appetite makes anyone happy. 'Why in a few weeks I'll strut down Farnam street displaying a great big, heavy badge—and my heart'll sing, yes, sing.'"

"And what will the badge say, mayor?" "Go to h—," crooned the mayor as he kicked his heels.

(Election's May 3, and the mayor's not running for office.)

Women laborers in the mines and factories and on railroads are more numerous than men in Silesia.

The chalk industry in Poland recovered to a point where the output is nearly one-fifth of previous years.

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