

Paroles Granted Six Omaha Men In State Prison

Negro Who Slew Wife Given Commutation of Life Sentence—Another Murderer's Plea Denied.

Lincoln, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Six Omaha convicts were paroled, the sentence of an Omaha "life" prisoner was commuted to 15 years and paroles were denied to two Omaha applicants by the state board of pardons and paroles today.

The sentence of Arthur Montgomery, negro, who shot and killed his wife in a jealous rage in 1915, was commuted from "life" to 15 years.

The board refused to commute the sentence of Everett C. Bruce, an Omaha negro, sentenced to the penitentiary for life in 1916 for stabbing a white man to death.

These convicts from Omaha were granted paroles: Arthur Puryear, forger, sentenced to one to 20 years; James Jones, grand larceny, one to seven years; James Wilson, forger, one to 20 years; Frank Isom, stabbing with intent to wound, one to 20 years; Roy Horsens, forger, one to 20 years; Mingo McDowell, forger, one to 20 years.

Defunct Bank Heads Returned to Lincoln

Lincoln, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Frank P. Dwiggins, former president of the American State bank of Lincoln, and John W. Tulley, former vice president of the same institution, were brought back to Lincoln today by Deputy State Sheriff Karl Schmitt, jr., from San Francisco, where they were arrested. They are charged with losing funds of the bank unlawfully to themselves. The bank is now defunct and depositors were paid by drawing on the state guaranty fund for \$500,000.

Dwiggins was released under \$10,000 bond after appearing in district court today. Tulley was released under \$5,000 bond.

Farmer's Arm Is Ground to Pieces in Corn Shredder

Milbank, S. D., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Victor Nordquist, son of Mrs. J. Nordquist, residing on a farm near Stockholm, lost his arm in an accident while operating a corn shredder. The fingers of his left hand caught in the rollers and his hand and arm were drawn into the machine and literally ground to pieces to a point a few inches above the left elbow.

In order to save his life doctors amputated his arm just below the left shoulder.

District Court Reopens Its Sessions at Madison

Madison, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—District court reconvened with Judge W. V. Allen presiding.

The case of Kate Huttmacher against George M. Brand to set aside several conveyances and for partition of land of defendants was dismissed at plaintiff's costs, except as to the homestead, which will be partitioned. Arthur C. Schmidt was appointed referee to make partition.

Hay Shipments Are Light Pending Rate Reduction

Lincoln, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The state bureau of markets, in a bulletin issued today, stated that hay shipments were exceptionally light, due primarily to the reduction of freight rates on November 20, which caused the producers and buyers to hold off. The average saving per ton on hay will be \$2, according to figures compiled by the bureau.

Washington Notes

By E. C. SNYDER. Washington Correspondent Omaha Bee. Washington, Nov. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The supreme court yesterday granted the petition of Sioux City Bridge company for a rehearing of application for writ of certiorari in the case of the bridge company against Dakota county, Nebraska.

Frank Harrison of Lincoln was admitted to practice before the supreme court yesterday on motion of Senator Norris.

Lellie J. Hummel of Burwell and Harry P. Cato of Valley were nominated by the postmasters in their home towns.

H. E. Stein and G. A. R. Brown of Hastings are in Washington for a few days.

Hard Jolt Given Enforcement of Prohibition Law

District Judge Rules Sleuths Must Make Affidavit Containing Positive Statement of Possession.

Prohibition enforcement by state officers in Nebraska has received a severe jolt through recent decisions by District Judge Fitzgerald that warrants can not be issued for the seizure of liquor unless the officer makes positive affidavit that liquor is at the house he intends to search.

It sustained by the supreme court of the state Judge Fitzgerald's ruling will result in the dismissal of large numbers of liquor cases now pending in district court, and the return of all liquor seized on such warrants.

Judge Fitzgerald already has dismissed two liquor cases and ordered the return of liquor. The county attorney's office has begun using a new form of warrant, the issuance of which requires a positive statement by the officer that liquor is to be found in the house he is to search.

"Reason to Believe." The old form of warrants were issued on the basis that the judge had "reason to believe" the thing was true, explained Judge Fitzgerald. "If the officer told the judge he had 'reason to believe' then the judge was supposed also to have reason to believe there was liquor at the place in question.

"The constitution requires warrants shall be issued only on probable cause. 'Probable cause' is defined as being an affidavit stating facts."

"It is the same old story," was the comment of County Attorney Shotwell. "The person complaining never wants to be implicated in the case. Usually the person who has positive information there is liquor in a house will not complain. If he does he doesn't want to be implicated.

Charges Are Dismissed. The warrant matter was argued in the supreme court Saturday, and the supreme court decision will decide whether or not our liquor cases shall stand or fall."

Herman Aye was the attorney who so successfully made an issue of the liquor warrant controversy. He filed motion to quash the cases against clients and to return the evidence in each case. Judge Fitzgerald acceded to his motion in the cases of Fred Castro and Sam Dastus.

Judge Fitzgerald dismissed liquor charges against Charles Amato and Antony Brugno when it was learned officers had changed the address on warrants to search their property.

Bloomfield Bakery Will Do Strictly Cash Business

Bloomfield, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Another Bloomfield firm will go to the cash system. Clements & Son, proprietors of the City Bakery, also handling groceries, have mailed out letters to all their customers announcing that after the 15th no more credit will be extended. A great many trusts throughout this section are on a strictly cash basis now—Randolph, Magnet and Wausa being among them.

The Fortune Hunter

By RUBY AYRES. (Continued From Yesterday.)

The Fortune Hunter made no answer, and it was with the excuse that he must make some attempt to tidy himself for dinner that he presently escaped to the room allotted to him and sat down on the side of the bed to think things out.

He was angry with himself because he was failing to enjoy this adventure. Three hours before, when he sat on the five-barred gate and wondered what on earth was to become of him, he had hoped for something—anything—no matter how wild and preposterous, that would for the time being, at all events, land him in comfort again.

He had longed for a hot bath and a peaceful night between clean sheets as he had never longed for anything on earth, but now that he had had the one, and there was every prospect of the other, he was wishing himself back home on the stile again, footsore and homeless.

The hospitality which the Fortune Hunter had received at Cherry Lodge had made him ashamed. He had accepted him without question and taken him into the family circle, not merely as a friend, but as the lover of the girl whose blue eyes seemed to scorch him with their faith and happiness.

How long could he stand it? Even upposing the dead man in the wood told no tales, how long could he stand it? He asked himself as he sat on the side of the bed and stared around the dainty room with moody eyes.

It was a very charming room, like all the others in the house which he had seen. It looked out on the garden and the river, and there was an old-fashioned yellow rose climbing the wall and peeping its scented inquisitive head in at the window.

But he had never thought to sleep in such a room never imagined that in the future such a freak of fortune awaited him.

How long could it last, even without discovery? How long could he lie to this girl, and take her kisses without being driven by sheer shame to betray himself?

He had no money, and the luggage which he had told Mr. Harding he had left behind in London was a myth—he had no luggage. His only suit was drying in a hot cupboard in the bath room, and 28 shillings represented the sum total of his capital.

The Fortune Hunter got up and looked out of the window to the ground below; it was quite an easy drop it would be the easiest thing in the world to take it and get away before anyone saw him. He leaned his elbows on the sill and looked

West Point Man Killed When Auto Overturns

West Point, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—John Otto, 23, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Otto of this city, was killed in an automobile accident. He, in company with two small children, was returning to West Point, when the steering apparatus is believed to have broken, upsetting the car and pinning him beneath, breaking his neck and killing him instantly. The other two in the car escaped with minor injuries.

Election to Vote Bonds For City Light Plant Asked

Moorefield, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—A petition is being circulated asking the village board to call a special election to vote bonds for an electric light plant. The proposition seems to meet the approval of most citizens.

Two Witnesses Furnish Alibi for Davenport

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—George Davenport may escape being bound over to the grand jury on a murder charge because of the testimony of two witnesses in municipal court which gives Davenport an alibi. The only bit of damaging testimony against Davenport comes from Joe Williams, negro, himself accused for murder of Miss Thorndale.

None of the witnesses called by the state has in any way connected Davenport with the crime. No witness who saw Davenport near the crime has testified while two witnesses testified Monday that they saw Davenport working in a restaurant between 2 and 3:30 the afternoon of June 2.

In the christening of girl babies there has sprung up a vogue for old-fashioned English names, such as Joan, Nancy, Hilary and Peggy.

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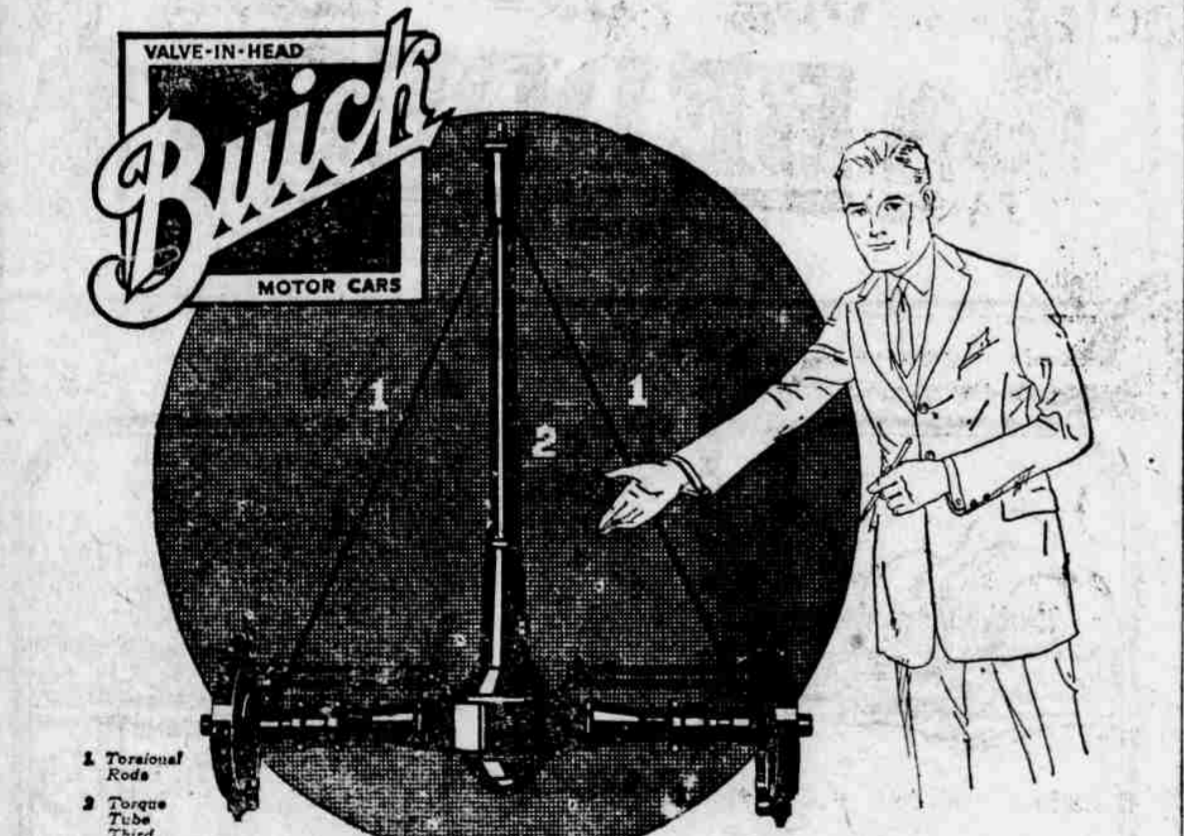
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