

### Man Murdered From Ambush on The South Side

Victim of Fusillade of Bullets in Strike Zone Remains Unidentified—Inquest Ordered.

Still unidentified is the man who was shot from ambush and killed in the strike zone, opposite the Armour packing plant about 6 Thursday night.

Many policemen, employment managers and others viewed the body at the Korisko morgue Thursday, but none could identify it.

William Devereese, chief of police at the Armour plant, said he saw the man alight from a street car about 5 Thursday evening and warned him to keep on the other side of the street. The man obeyed his warning and that was the last he saw of him.

**Dies in Three Hours.**

The man had just stepped from a pool room at 2977 Q street and had walked east 20 feet when the shots were fired. Two of them entered his back and one his head. One of the bullets passed through his body and was found on the sidewalk. It was a steel jacketed .32.

The victim was rushed to the South Side hospital where he died three hours later.

He was apparently about 26 years old, weighed close to 200 pounds, had very dark complexion and straight, black hair. He wore a leather coat and green cloth hat.

A jury was empanelled to hold an inquest.

**Gun Battle at Home.**

Police about 8 Thursday night rushed to the home of Fred Moore, 2511 Z street, and dispersed a crowd of men who were fighting at the Moore home from behind a board fence across the street. Moore was returning the fire from his house. It was the third attack on his home since the strike started. He is employed as a watchman at the Swift plant.

A crowd of men was arrested at twenty-fourth and L streets early yesterday after trolleys of several street cars had been pulled from the wires. All were discharged in police court except Leo Bosnak, 2819 P street, who was fined \$10, and Edward Pitt, 3018 Lindsay avenue, who was fined \$5.

John Kotaski, 5320 South Thirty-third street, was fined \$2.50. He refused to move from the Q street viaduct when a policeman ordered him to do so.

**Business Humming.**

Martin Ryan, 622 North Thirty-fourth street, who has been driving an automobile carrying Cudahy office workers to street cars, was fined \$2.50 in police court for speeding.

The packers declared "business humming" and skilled employees returning in increasing numbers.

The first four days of this week the "Big Five" houses here bought 6,217 cattle, 19,052 hogs and 17,836 sheep, according to a statement given out by the publicity department. In the corresponding four days last year they bought 9,099 cattle, 15,859 hogs and 12,239 sheep.

In the first four days of this week

### Judge Rules Wife May Rifle Mate's Pocket

Malden, Mass., Dec. 23.—Judge Charles M. Bruce in the municipal court today ruled that women are justified in helping themselves to money from their husbands' pockets.

"It has been the inalienable right of women from the beginning of time to take money from their husbands' pockets," he said, in finding Alphonso Di Esco guilty of assault on his wife, Lena.

they killed 5,624 cattle, 13,898 hogs and 12,549 sheep.

Fifty-three cars of finished products were shipped yesterday, making a total of 295 cars shipped from the Omaha packing houses this week.

The packers denied a statement that they are paying bonuses to their workers, or that they are soliciting workers to return.

### Man Slays Wife for Buying Yule Cards

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Because his wife was wasting money on Christmas cards and other trifles in the way of Yuletide remembrances, Peter Smith, a construction foreman, drawing \$72 a week, yesterday cut off her head with a butcher knife and then telephoned the police to come and get him.

When the officers arrived they found, snatched with blood, a half dozen Christmas cards the woman was about to address. One of the cards, vivid with her own blood, was addressed "My Dear Husband."

Smith said he and his wife had been quarreling for a week over her "extravagance." He claims she took the knife to bed with her for protection against his threats to beat her, but that he took it away from her after a hard struggle and severed her head.

### Bodies of 300 Chinese Are Sent to Hong Kong From U. S.

New York, Dec. 23.—Bodies of 300 Chinese exhumed from Cypress Hills cemetery are being guarded by almond-eyed sentries here pending shipment to their final resting place in China. Once every five years all Chinese dead are placed in metallic coffins and shipped to the place of their birth for permanent burial. With each body is a complete history of the individual, together with a list of his properties and belongings.

Grave diggers are at work exhuming 420 more Chinese who have died here during the last five years, and these also will be shipped to Hong Kong to be buried among the bones of their revered ancestors.

### Deaf Mute Divorced for Swearing at Friend Wife

Kansas City, Kan., Dec. 24.—The married life of William Butler and his wife, Amelia, was a quiet affair, unmarked by noisy disputes, but it ended in the divorce court here.

The trial, too, was an exceedingly quiet proceeding—for both Mr. and Mrs. Butler are deaf and dumb.

Mrs. Butler, giving her testimony in the sign language, said one of her chief reasons for seeking a separation was that her husband constantly cursed her and "called" her names, until she could hardly bear to "look" at his conversation.

### Dunbar Man in Race for Reavis' Seat in Congress

Wilbur W. Anness, Defeated in Primary Two Years Ago, Will Seek G. O. P. Nomination.

Dunbar, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Wilbur W. Anness of this city, who was a member of the legislature in 1911 and a candidate in the republican primaries against C. Frank Reavis two years ago, made the following announcement of his candidacy for the coming primary.

"In announcing myself as a candi-



Wilbur W. Anness.

didate for congress from the First district to succeed C. Frank Reavis, who has already announced he will not be a candidate for re-election, I do so because the publicity of my entering the race has gone so far that I either accept the unselfish invitation from many sources and friends over the district, or decline.

"I have been assured by letters and friends that my campaign in 1914 gives me a 'prior claim' to enter the lists to succeed Mr. Reavis, having kept the faith, fought a good fight, and finished high up in honorable fashion." I appreciate these words which I am permitted to use, and which I do, not in a spirit to be

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### Gasoline Tax Is Opposed by Wray

Leader of Progressive Party Says Reactionaries Seek Sales Tax System.

Arthur G. Wray of York, prominent progressive party leader, issued the following statement regarding the calling of a special session of the state legislature.

"The calling of a special session of the legislature with the main object of enacting a sales tax in Nebraska and committing this state to that vicious principle of taxation is the crowning act of a reactionary administration.

"The sales tax is unjust and compels a man to pay taxes, not according to his ability to pay, but according to his necessity to buy.

"The poor man must spend all of his income and more to support his family. Therefore, a sales tax would levy a heavy burden upon all of his income. The wealthy man is compelled to spend a portion only of his large income. He can invest the balance. A sales tax therefore affects only a portion of his income. The balance of his income goes scott free under this unjust system, while all of the poor man's income is taxed.

"It is this system of sales taxation for which the reactionaries are clamoring. And it is this unjust system which the governor brings back with him and now endeavors to put across in Nebraska by calling a special session for that purpose.

The proposed sales tax is only an entering wedge to this unjust system in this state. The reactionaries have in mind to extend the sales tax in due time to other articles than gasoline.

"Reactionaries must not be permitted to burden the ordinary people of this state by such an unjust system of taxation. And the time to fight the system is when the reactionaries first attempt to insert the thin edge of the wedge, no matter under what pretext or disguise."

### Trotsky Warns Men Of Drive by France

Moscow, Dec. 23.—(By A. P.)—Leon Trotsky, bolshevik minister of war, in an address yesterday to the commanding officers of the army, warned them that the alleged recent predictions of M. Briand, French premier, at the Washington conference, that soviet Russia was planning a spring campaign were intended to screen the plans of the entente for aggression against Russia. Therefore he cautioned the officers to be ready. He said that the Russian military schools must be thoroughly awake.

He said he believed that the anti-bolshevik movement in the Ukraine and the activity of the Finns in Karelia were "hangovers from the general campaign planned against Russia last fall."

### High School Glee Clubs at Geneva Presents Operetta

Geneva, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—"Pocahontas," a comic operetta, was given by the glee clubs of the high school. Dorothy Skinkle took the role of "Pocahontas" and Frances Fiegenbaum acted as pianist. Miss Neva Hoak, supervisor of music, was assisted by Miss Clara Agee in putting on the production.

### Sheriff Makes Drive On Stills at Kimball

Kimball, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Sheriff Forsting is making a clean-up of the stills in this county. John Knipple, who was arrested for having a still and manufacturing booze, has been bound over to the federal court. Helen Jester was arrested on a charge of illegal possession of liquor. When arrested she pleaded guilty to the charge, but immediately changed her plea. Tom Gearson, who is employed by Mrs. Jester, also was arrested, but later released on a charge of stealing automobile supplies at Dix, was held to the district court. He pleaded not guilty. His own son's evidence implicated his brother-in-law, A. D. Hillard of Procter, Colo., who came here as a witness. He is also held to the next term of district court.

### Rest Rooms and Bandstand Dedicated at Stromsburg

Stromsburg, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The new \$5,000 rest rooms and bandstand here were dedicated with an appropriate program. One of the largest crowds ever in Stromsburg attended.

The rest rooms and bandstand are built of fancy brick in bungalow style, with the rest rooms below and the bandstand above. The rest rooms are open at all hours.

### McCook Commercial Club Opposes Phone Rate Boost

McCook, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—McCook Commercial club has appointed a committee to discuss with the Nebraska railway commission the proposed increase of telephone rates by the Northwestern Bell Telephone company. Patrons are not in favor of accepting an increase, in view of general declines in other service and business.

### Mrs. Donald Macrae Ill.

Mrs. Donald Macrae, jr., wife of Dr. Donald Macrae, jr., leading Council Bluffs surgeon, lies critically ill at her home, 809 Fifth avenue. She

### Judge Fines Crow

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—William Crow of Roodhouse, has no love for birds. Although Crow says his name had nothing to do with the matter, the judge fined him \$26.25 for shooting a red-headed woodpecker.

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