

JOHANN NOW SORRY

MAN WHO SEVERED WIFE'S HEAD WITH BUTCHER KNIFE WEEPS IN COURT.

BOUND-OVER TO GRAND JURY WITHOUT BONDS

Crowd Becomes Demonstrative During Preliminary Hearing and is Warned by Judge—Johann Declares He Loved Wife and Did Not Intend to Kill Her—Refuses to Believe Woman is Dead.

Davenport, June 10.—In a court room literally packed with humanity, Why-nack Johann, the Austrian charged with wife murder, was arraigned at 10:30 o'clock yesterday before Magistrate Roddewig, and bound over to the grand jury without bond. The information accusing Johann of murder in the first degree was read by the court in German. The Austrian is able to understand this language better than English but to be certain that he understood the proceedings an interpreter explained the situation. The interpreter was related to the murderer. His wife was a cousin of the woman who was killed and resided in the same block.

As he heard himself accused of killing the woman he wept and weeded in far off Austria, the stolidity of Johann vanished. His chin quivered and tears rolled down his cheeks. He interrupted the interpreter with a torrent of words.

"I didn't know I killed her until they told me," he sobbed. "I loved Marie. I wouldn't kill her. We just quarreled, that was all. Oh, it's terrible. I don't believe she is dead. We were sitting on the bed and the knife was on the chair. I must have gone crazy," the husband continued wildly.

Both he and the interpreter were crying. The audience, excited by the spectacle as if with one impulse, swept over the barrier that divided the court room into two sections. Men pushed forward, forgetting court rules and discipline. Magistrate Roddewig, eager to understand what Johann was saying, looked around to see himself and the prisoner, the center of a disorderly crowd.

Halt the proceedings the police judge ordered the audience back behind the railing.

"If you people don't keep your places, I'll clear the court room," he said. The warning was effective. Fearing the judge would order out all spectators the crowd slunk back and the hearing was resumed.

During the interpretation Johann regained his composure. He rubbed his eyes as if to shut out the horrible picture that is ever before him and then asked how soon he could be tried. The intent of a preliminary hearing was explained to him but he desired to forego that. The court then bound him over to the grand jury, which convenes in September. As in the case in first degree murder he was sent to the county jail without bond.

Crowd at Cell Window. Before being conveyed to the jail where he will be confined all through the hot summer months, Johann was placed in a cell at the police station, while commitment papers were being prepared. The crowd of eager curiosity seekers flocked to his cell window, where four deep they peered in at the unfortunate victim of his own passions.

County Attorney Fred Volmer later conferred with two Austrians, one of whom acted as interpreter when Johann was arraigned. Both told the prosecutor that as far as they knew the home life of the couple had been happy. They had never heard of Johann striking or beating his wife. The prisoner during the time he was in Magistrate Roddewig's court, pointed his fingers at one of the Austrians, a young man, with the husband of his wife's cousin. He accused him of filling "Marie's head with funny notions." When questioned concerning this accusation, the Austrian said he had never seen Mrs. Johann once or twice any near alone. Both men were allowed their liberty.

EFFORT TO AMEND TRUST BILLS.

Senator Cummins and Others Will Seek to Have Changes Made.

Washington, June 9.—The movement to enact anti-trust legislation in the senate that will produce adequate regulation of "big business" without becoming a means of oppression of "little business" took definite shape yesterday. This issue, which has been brought suddenly to the fore by the action of the democratic majority of the senate interstate commerce committee in recommending the passage of the federal trade commission bill, is one of the first which the dominant party in the upper house will be called upon to face when the anti-trust program is considered.

Senator Cummins of Iowa, will lead the fight for the amendment of the trade commission bill, so as to strike directly at the practices of "big business" which breed monopoly and the restraint of trade. He will be supported by a majority of the republican senators and a group of progressive democrats, whose dissatisfaction with the measure reported by the committee on Saturday is causing the administration leaders grave concern.

The amendments which will be proposed by these senators provide for the regulation by the trade commission of holding companies and interlocking directorates and the suppression of unfair practices. These provisions were excluded from the pending trade commission bill by the democratic majority of the committee, also Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, democrat, had collaborated with Senator Cummins in framing a plan designed to eliminate these evils.

The first of the Cummins-Robinson amendments which will be offered to the pending bill in the senate provides that no corporation shall engage in commerce if any of its directors is also a director of a competing corporation. Under the terms of a proviso, however, a corporation may file with the trade commission a petition stating that the business of the competing corporations having a common director is not competitive or that "substantially competitive conditions" are not impaired thereby.

The commission, upon receiving the

petition, will investigate and determine whether the interlocking directorate impairs competition between the corporations. If the finding be against the petitioners, it shall be allowed to pass not more than three months to sever its relations with the competing concern. In case of failure to comply, the corporation will be prosecuted.

The amendment relating to holding companies and interlocking stock ownership provides that no corporation shall engage in commerce "if it owns, holds, or controls, directly or indirectly, the whole or any part of the capital stock or any other means of control of any other corporation carrying on a competitive business."

Another amendment by Senator Cummins authorizes the commission to determine whether any person or corporation is selling "below actual cost for the purpose of inflicting injury upon a competitor."

"The trade commission bill is wholly inadequate in the form in which it has been reported to the senate," said Senator Cummins yesterday. "I do not believe that the powers of investigation conferred upon the body would be abused. The fact is that the powers are about the same as those exercised by the interstate commerce commission and I have not heard that that body by the existing bureau of corporations, interfered with the affairs of business concerns."

"The great fault with the trade commission proposed in the pending bill is that it would have practically nothing to do. I want to see it made an effective body in carrying out the will of the people to eradicate monopoly and unlawful combinations. It ought to be given power to end the abuses of holding companies and interlocking directorates and interlocking stock control of corporations. It also should have power to suppress the numerous iniquitous methods by which certain corporations are accustomed to kill off competitors."

"Until the trade commission is made such an effective body it will not be worth the name. All who desire constructive anti-trust legislation ought to support the effort that will be made to improve this measure in the senate."

DAILY AUTO ACCIDENT.

Insurance Man of Des Moines Killed at Ottumwa When Machine Overturns.

Ottumwa, June 10.—J. A. Cummings, of Keota, and P. Romines, Washington, were severely injured and W. M. Johnson, of Washington, was fatally injured yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock when the five passenger car which they were driving turned over on West Main street near the foot of Blackhawk. Both Mr. Cummings and Mr. Romines were removed to Joseph's hospital and Mr. Johnson was taken to the Ottumwa hospital where he died at 2:40. Mr. Johnson, was district manager for the Great Western Accident Association of Des Moines. Cummings has several ribs broken and is bruised considerably all over his body. Romines is suffering from a concussion of the brain and bruise.

People near by testify the men were driving at a terrific rate of speed when the accident occurred. Those living at the scene of the accident say that there was a loud report as an explosion taking place and that upon looking they saw the car wheel and lean into the air with one of the occupants being thrown high about the machine, landing on the ground beside the car. The others were thrown out when it turned completely around and then tipped over. The machine was badly damaged. The wind shield shattered, the top bent and broken and the other hubs and axles being twisted. People living near the scene of the affair are of the opinion that the men in the car lost control of their machine and that the high rate of speed and the slight incline of the roadway at that place caused the car to turn over.

SHORTHORNS BRINGS \$6,820.

Myers Sale at Beaman Attracts Large Special to Times-Republican.

Beaman, June 10.—Buyers from many points in central Iowa were present at the sale of Shorthorn cattle held Tuesday by M. W. Myers. Thirty-eight head of pedigreed stock were sold for a total price of \$6,820, or an average of \$175 per head. Among the buyers were F. E. Ehlers, Tama; E. S. Crouse, Lescumb; W. D. Cooledge, Conrad; Flynn Bros., Reinbeck; W. A. Wickersham, Melbourne; Joebel Bros., Dysart; C. E. Santman, Dysart; W. V. Vaughn & Son, Marion; Louis Scheetz, Belle Plaine; A. W. Dock, Hudson; S. D. Beaman, Conrad; King & Flayer, Grundy Center; A. B. Stall, Beaman; J. B. Hulsman, Wellsburg; W. D. Miller, Grundy Center; M. L. Andrews, Melbourne; W. D. Copley, Dike; Joseph Grady, Buckingham; and George Ginger, Morrison.

Union News Notes.

Special to Times-Republican. Union, June 10.—H. E. Humphreys met with a serious accident yesterday while painting the roof of the millinery store. He was mounting the ladder when it slipped and fell, throwing him on a large stone, causing a very bad break in his right arm just below the shoulder.

The Christian church friends of Miss Cozlie Rogers gave her a shower Tuesday evening in the church parlors, prior to her marriage to Mr. Clifton Dillon, June 24.

Something to Praise.

"I have sold that picture for \$2,000!" said the jubilant artist. "I congratulate you on your ability," replied the critic.

"Thank you. It makes a difference, doesn't it?"

"Make a difference? I don't understand you."

"I mean that it makes a difference when a man succeeds. Up to this time you have never uttered a word of praise or encouragement to me. Two or three times you have made slighting references to my ability as a painter. Now that I have sold a picture for a good price, you begin to see what you could not see before—that I have artistic talent."

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TWO BOYS DROWNED

FATE OF LADS KEPT SECRET FOR HOURS BY YOUTHFUL COMPANIONS.

ONE WATERLOO YOUTH DIES TRYING TO SAVE PLAYMATE

Little Sister's Inquiry of 11-Year-Old Neighbor Met With Shocking Answer—Searching For Bodies in Creek Where Waters Are High—Other News of the State.

Waterloo, June 10.—When little Agnes Coogan asked Charles Maggitt, a playmate, if he had seen her brother John, the boy replied that her brother had been drowned since Monday morning, and if she doubted him he would show her the spot where her brother had gone down.

The informant, who is 11 years of age, told how Charles Edwards, aged 11, had been wading along an overgrown bank and stepped into a hole. Coogan made an effort to save his companion, but the two of them drowned together. The authorities were notified and have been searching the creek, but are unable to locate the bodies.

SHOOTS AT HUBBY, KILLS SELF.

Cedar Rapids Woman Commits Suicide When Murder Attempt Fails.

Cedar Rapids, June 10.—After failing to hit her former husband with three revolver shots at 11:40 o'clock Tuesday Mrs. Nora Franks shot herself in the right side and died instantly. The shooting occurred in the Franks home near Harrison street and E avenue, east.

Mrs. Franks was divorced from Al Franks last fall. In spite of the divorce, the couple continued to live in a shack on a small truck farm at Harrison street and E avenue. The shack, however, was separated into two apartments. Mrs. Frank occupying one and her ex-husband the other.

Saturday night the police were called to the shack by Mrs. Franks and arrested Al Franks on a charge of drunkenness and disturbing the peace. Monday morning Franks was fined in police court and worked with the other prisoners on the island until Tuesday morning, when he was released.

Promptly after being released from the jail Franks went to the shack to get a harness. While he was in the room after him. She had a revolver and fired several shots. Franks jumped thru a window and ran into a field. While he was running he heard a revolver shot, evidently the one which Mrs. Franks fired into her side. The revolver used by Mrs. Franks was a .38-caliber weapon.

WILD GAME MULTIPLYING.

Good Effects of New Federal Game Law Already Apparent.

Minneapolis.—Wild ducks in greater numbers than in any past spring within the memory of the younger generation of gunners have stopped over in Minnesota river marshes on their northward flight this spring.

This has been the observation of sportsmen who do most of their shooting in the "Bottoms" and keep careful watch of conditions there between times. Not only do they report greatly increased numbers of ducks, but also flocks of geese and brant flying northward from the south.

Credit for this condition is given to the Weeks-McLane migratory birds law which has, to a marked extent, put a stop to the slaughter of aquatic fowl by market gunners on their winter feeding ground in the south and to the activities of the spring shooters in the states along the line of their northward spring flight.

Seemingly the Weeks-McLane law with its vested federal authority is having good effect even before an active effort is made to enforce it. Its moral suasion has perhaps stayed the trigger finger of the market hunter. Members of the Long Meadow Gun club declare that ducks were this spring more plentiful about the bottom lands they own than ever in the history of the club. This club has planted wild rice, wild potatoes and other delicacies which delight the ducks.

"The real good of the federal migratory bird law will not be noticeable until next autumn," said Harry F. Legg, an enthusiastic member of the Long Meadow club today. "The good of the law will be more noticeable in autumn than in spring, for, while the birds on the northward journey in the spring will have thousands of the feminine of the species granted continued existence by the enforcement of the law, on the autumn southward jaunt six or eight children of each of these spared mothers will be present in the flight."

It is not so much that the ducks will be protected from the wholesale spring destruction as that there will be more in number to breed during the northern summers," continued Legg. "Even if the government has not enough of an appropriation to enforce this law, its very existence will have a salutary effect, for the man who violates state laws with impunity has wholesome respect or fear for federal regulations."

"Birds will still be shot illegally. I presume," ended Mr. Legg, "but if a stay is accomplished in the activities of pot shooters, the alone will make its existence and expense worth while."

The Dairy's Mainstay.

While traveling thru Alabama a young salesman was one day forced to dine at a farm house. Not being very well satisfied with his meal of corn bread and bacon, he asked if he might have a glass of milk. "Ah don't reckon you'll find any milk around here since the dog died,"

"Since the dog died," echoed the stranger. "What's that got to do with it?"

"Why," replied the farmer, "who do you'll reckon's going to go an' fetch the cow?"—Everybody's.

In the course of an elaborate study by the forest service of the grazing resources of the national forests about 9,000 plant specimens have been collected, an examination of which has disclosed 125 new species.

OUTLINE CONSERVATION POLICY.

Democrats to Be Forced by President to Pass Five Measures.

Washington, June 10.—To offset criticism by Colonel Roosevelt of the failure of the democrats to pass conservation legislation, President Wilson will insist that the house pass five measures now before it, thus beginning the most comprehensive public development program in the history of the country.

After passing the house, if the president finds the indications good for a speedy passage in the senate, he may demand the completion of the program before the adjournment of congress.

To carry out the president's wishes, the house committee on rules will meet this week to make the conservation bills privileged measures if they are passed. These measures will be considered:

1. The Ferris bill, providing for the leasing of water power sites in the public domain and forest reserves to private parties.
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3. The Foster bill provides for the development of the radium resources of the country.
4. The Kent bill proposing a new system for leasing public lands for grazing purposes.
5. The Smith bill extending the period of payment under reclamation projects.

It will be seen that the program does not contain a measure for the control of water power sites on navigable rivers. This omission is due to the failure of Secretary Garrison of the war department and Representative Adamson of Georgia, chairman of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce to reach an agreement on the principles involved.

Congressman Adamson is strongly in favor of state's rights, and does not want to strengthen the provisions of the general dam act, under which water power sites have been given away gratis to the power trust in the past.

Secretary Garrison proposes a plan by which the states and the federal government will co-operate to conserve the water power of the country and to preserve it from the raids of the power trust.

The Ferris water power bill for the public domain and national forests is regarded as an extreme progressive measure. This omission is due to the fact that the government shall retain full control over them, particularly as to the manner in which they are developed and as to the prices charged for the power developed. The bill has been endorsed by conservationists.

The Alaska bill provides for the leasing of the coal fields to private parties. They are to be worked, however, under the strictest government supervision to prevent waste. The leases are to be let subject to bids, to prevent favoritism. Every bidder must comply with the regulations of the interior department.

Mr. Ferris also has a measure for the disposition of coal, phosphate, oil, gas, potassium, and sodium in the public domain, which may be included in the program. There is not the general demand for the passage of this bill that characterizes the necessity for considering the others, however.

The Foster radium bill withdraws no land from entry. It simply gives to the government a preferential right to purchase the radium bearing ores from lands now owned by the government at such prices, fixed by the secretary of the interior, as will encourage radium mining. At the same time it furnishes to the miner a ready market and thus will encourage him to develop his holdings.

Had Fido in Mind. When little Margaret passed her plate the third time for chicken her mother said: "My dear, you must not eat so much chicken. I am afraid you'll be ill." "Well, mother," said Margaret, "I'm not eating this because I want it. I'm collecting the bones for Fido!"—Harper's Monthly.

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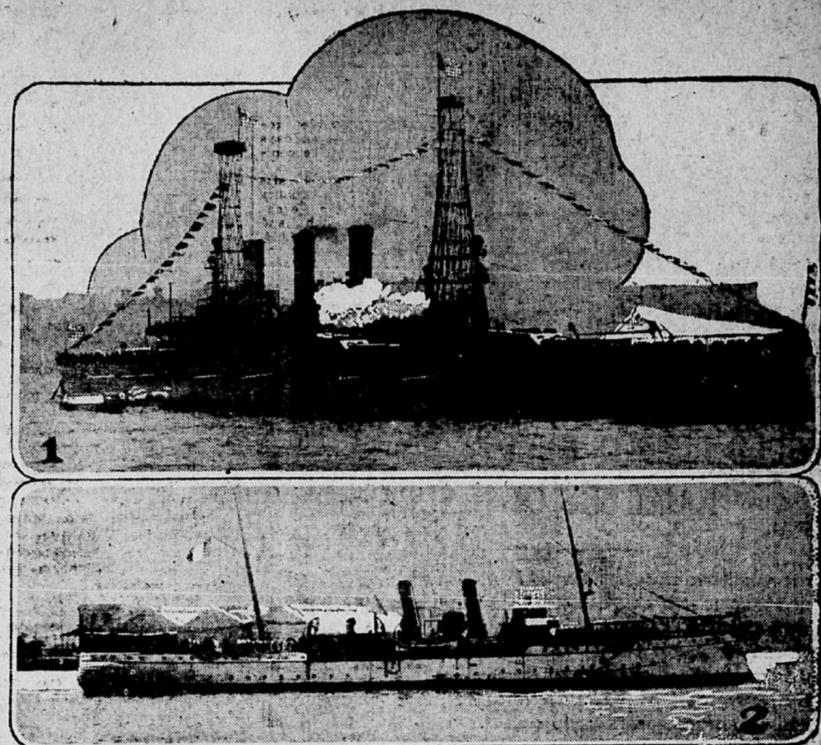
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HUERTA CALLS OFF HIS LITTLE GUNBOATS, AND THANKFUL AMERICAN NAVY IS ONCE MORE SAFE



1-U.S. BATTLESHIP MINNESOTA 2-MEXICAN GUNBOAT BR. 110.

Before Huerta reconsidered his decision to blockade the port of Tampico to keep the ammunition ship Antilla out it was thought the incident might end the peace negotiations and result in war between the United States and Mexico. Rear Admiral Mayo was ready to maintain an open port, having ordered the battleship Minnesota and other ships to the mouth of the Panuco river to see that the Antilla was not molested. But Huerta called off his two little gunboats, Bravo and Zaragoza, announcing he would not oppose the landing of the ammunition consigned to the rebels.

MATTER OF EVOLUTION

CONSTRUCTION OF CARS CONSISTENTLY IMPROVED.

From the Light, Open Platform Wood-En Equipment the Change Has Been Made to the Present Almost Perfection.

To understand and appreciate the present agitation in regard to steel cars one must go back to the earlier passenger equipment on our railroads and work up to the present situation through the various changes that have occurred in our passenger train service.

Originally we had light, open platform, wooden coaches, with link and pin couplers, hauled by light engines at slow speeds. These cars answered every requirement in their day and were satisfactory until with the gradual increase in speed, accidents occurred and the telescoping of the open platform cars led to the introduction of the Miller and, later, of the Janney couplers which proved at the time very successful in preventing telescoping in cases of collisions. With the introduction of heavier cars, heavier locomotives and still further increases in speed, these couplers proved insufficient to prevent the breakage of the platforms and the telescoping of cars.

The next move was the introduction of the narrow vestibule. That accomplished for a time the desired result. With still heavier equipment, especially sleeping cars, the narrow vestibule failed and the wide vestibule, with steel platforms, was adopted and in a number of accidents proved most efficient.

The Pullman company at this time commenced to strengthen their cars by the use of heavy steel platforms and steel floor construction, extending back beyond the body bolsters of the cars, reinforced by steel trusses and door-posts and steel transoms, making their wooden car unusually strong, and it seemed to be, and was so regarded, as the strongest and best car construction in the world. Many accidents occurred, and it became a saying all over the country, "Ride in a Pullman car and you will be safer than if you stayed at home."

The speed of trains through this period was constantly increasing and accidents at high speeds necessarily mean greater destruction of equipment. Still, the Pullman car held its own and in accidents, the coaches were generally badly damaged. This led the railroads to build their coaches practically as strong as the sleeping cars, and solid wide vestibule trains on the through routes became almost universal.

It is not the steel car that will produce safety, as many people seem to believe. Neither will a complete system of block signals, but the public have a right to demand that on lines of heavy traffic, where fast trains are operated, there should be ample signal protection; that there should be the best equipment that can be provided and that all reasonable safeguards should be thrown around the operation of the trains. But no matter how perfect the signaling, how complete the train, without discipline and the obedience of rules, safety cannot be secured. Only the most competent men should be selected to operate the fast passenger trains. The best men in the service should be selected for the train crews, and the most perfect discipline

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