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ROY YOUNG INDICTED

Grand Jury Returns Fifth Indictment in Zornes Murder Case. Three More Indictments Returned.

District court adjourned for the term last Friday at noon. The grand jury completed their work on Thursday, returning four additional indictments, making eight indictments at this term of court. One of the indictments was against Roy Young, a brother of Tom and Ed Young, who had previously been indicted with Clarence and Hugh Teale for murder in the first degree, for the killing of Mrs. Lee Zornes, the indictment also charging Roy Young with murder in the first degree. He was placed under arrest at once and when brought into court asked that C. W. Hoffman be appointed to defend him, and the court so ordered. His attorney at once filed a motion to set aside the indictment on the ground that the jury at this term of court was not properly empaneled, but the motion was overruled by Judge Maxwell. Bail was refused in his case the same as the other defendants in this case. In passing on the motion to admit the defendants to bail the court stated that some of the defendants might be entitled to bail, but he was not absolutely certain in his own mind in regard to the matter and as it was only a short time until the March term of court he would refuse the application at this time. The defendants in this case will all demand separate trials and the matter of admitting any of them to bail will come up at the March term of court.

Charles Dingman and Emma Vanbeek, of Davis City were indicted on the charge of adultery. They were arrested and are in jail in default of \$500 bonds. The prosecuting witness in this case is the wife of Mr. Dingman.

One other indictment was returned but as the party has not yet been placed under arrest, it is not made public.

In the indictments of Clarence and Hugh Teale, Tom and Ed Young, indicted for the murder of Mrs. Lee Zornes, counsel filed their motion that the defendants be admitted to bail, but the court overruled the motion. Judge Maxwell overruled a motion to set aside the indictments and the defendants waived arraignment and have until the first day of the next term of court to plead.

The case of E. Catherine Pierce et al vs. J. W. Pierce was tried to the court. In this case the widow of Gilruth Pierce and some of his children sought to have the court set aside certain deeds made by Gilruth Pierce to his son, J. W. Pierce, on the ground that undue influence had been used to secure the deeds. After hearing the evidence in the case Judge Maxwell held for the defendant, J. W. Pierce, and ruled that the deeds made to him by his father should stand.

In the case of Thomas Boyce vs. E. J. Lovett, in which a jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$127.24 as damages due him by reason of defendant failing to deliver clover seed on a contract, in which plaintiff claimed \$1,100, a motion was filed by the plaintiff asking that a new trial be granted for the reason that the amount returned was contrary to the evidence, and Judge Maxwell sustained the motion so the case will have to be tried over again at the next term of court.

The following cases were disposed of since our report last week:

Law and Equity.
Vergie Rauch vs. H. C. Rauch, temporary attorney fees of \$50, \$60 for support of plaintiff and \$40 for preparing for suit were ordered paid into court by defendant on or before March 1st.

Emaline Bellows vs. Swen Clay et al., settled and dismissed.
Emaline Bellows vs. Gratton Baker, settled and dismissed.

A. A. Anderson vs. John E. Anderson et al., defendants' demurrer to first count of plaintiff's petition sustained.

Amanda J. Slaughter vs. Dennis R. Slaughter. Plaintiff allowed \$100 as temporary attorney fees, \$150 for support and suit money, to be paid by defendant on or before Feb. 15th.

J. H. Merrill Co. vs. Alfred Burrell. Confession of judgment.
Grover Hamilton vs. Lena Hamilton et al., final report and distribution of referees approved.

H. R. Layton vs. Myers Chemical Co., final report of receiver approved.
Caroline Stover et al. vs. Willard Stover et al., final report and distribution of referees approved.

Probate.
Estate of D. W. Ward, final report approved.

Estate of W. R. McJimsey, E. O. Stearns appointed administrator with bond of \$5,000.

Estate of Earl and Neal Hamilton, C. W. Hoffman appointed guardian ad litem. Final report approved upon settlement being made with new guardian. Grover Hamilton appointed guardian with bond of \$12,000 for each ward's interest.

Estate of Elijah Banta, order for sale of real estate.

Notice—The trustees of Eden township will receive sealed bids for the road work of Eden township for 1911 until 2 o'clock p. m., Feb. 25th. The trustees reserve the right to reject any or all bids.
C. P. Mills, Clerk.

A Wide-Awake Business.

A few days ago Dr. B. L. Elker, of this city, appeared before an Iowa senate committee to explain the merits of an important measure on public health which has been introduced in the legislature. When he commenced to speak he noticed that several of the members were apparently paying no attention to what he was talking about and were nodding in their chairs. Now Dr. Elker is not the kind of a man who wants to waste his time talking to men who are not listening to what he is saying and when he noticed the indifference of the committee he brought his remark to a close with the statement that he did not desire to talk to a committee which was asleep. And then the committee got busy and asked him to appear before them at a later date and he was given most respectful attention while he talked. In speaking of the matter the Register and Leader of last Wednesday says:

Good for Dr. Elker!
Good for him, even though he offended senatorial dignity when he commented caustically on the evidences of senatorial somnolency around him as he rose to speak to a nodding committee on public health about an important bill. The members of the committee denied indignantly that they were asleep, but there is a suspicion that Dr. Elker was right and that they were snoozing at any rate. Dr. Elker ought to know the ways of legislative committees, for he himself was a legislator not so very long ago.

The business of conserving the public health is a wide-awake business, and as the legislators give consideration to the very important proposal to eliminate the present cumbersome and somewhat inefficient board of health and establish a new one they ought to consider the plan with both eyes wide open. The measure and others that will be proposed rank in importance with taxation bills, primary bills and others of their character. They concern the welfare of everybody, big and little, man and woman.

It has been predicted that the world's most marked progress is in the line of better health and longer life. Everywhere there is a movement for better sanitation, better drainage, purer food and water supply, more thorough prevention of disease and greater efficiency in stamping out sickness. The prize is a splendid one—the lengthening of the span of human life. It is perfectly feasible to undertake to add twenty years to the average human life in the United States in the next hundred years. In the past hundred years it is estimated that the human life in European countries has been lengthened seventeen years. The benefits, individually and collectively, economically, socially and morally, of such results are beyond measure.

Iowa ought to go into this great modern movement for the promotion of public health and the lengthening of the span of life. Its legislature ought to give the Dr. Elkers with ideas a wide-awake hearing.

Humeston Pushing Electric Light Extension.

Interest has been renewed the past few days in the subject of an electric light plant for Humeston, and our citizens are now discussing it with the hope that something tangible may result.

For sometime it has been known that the Leon Electric Light Co. was desirous of extending their lines to Garden Grove and Humeston, if the citizens of these two towns will take an active interest in the matter. Many of our leading citizens think the enterprise worthy of consideration. Garden Grove, we understand, is ready to join in the enterprise and only awaits the action of the people here.

The plan now under consideration is for Garden Grove and Humeston to put in their own system of wires and buy their current from the Leon company. Each town would thus own and control the lighting system within its limits, and besides lighting the streets would furnish light to all desiring it in their business houses and homes.

A close estimate as to cost of wiring for each town has not been made but those who have studied the matter say it will not exceed a total of \$4,000 to \$5,000. Should the towns take up the matter the Leon company will make a careful estimate of the cost and lay a definite proposition before our people.

It looks like a splendid opportunity for Humeston to get electric lights, and we hope the enterprise will meet with popular favor.—Humeston Era.

The Senatorial Situation.

There is practically no change in the vote on senator at Des Moines. The house on Tuesday passed the Oregon plan bill and it will probably be voted on in the senate today, and it is reported that senate and house will both vote on the special primary today, and if it is defeated the senate will pass the Oregon plan bill and it will then become a law upon being signed by the governor.

A Fine Record.

In the last issue of The Christian Herald, which is a non-sectarian paper, was an article telling about the Presbyterian church. The last year there were taken into the church 781 making it the largest Protestant congregation in the country and the largest Presbyterian congregation in the world, having 6200 members. This is certainly a testimony that the cause of Christ is going forward.

MARRIED FIFTY YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenkins of this City Have Lived Happily for Fifty Years in this County.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenkins, well known and highly esteemed citizens of Leon, celebrated in a quiet way on Tuesday, that memorable event, their golden wedding, having lived most happily together for half a century, and all of that time in Decatur county, having been married by Squire W. J. Darr down on Eden Prairie, on Feb. 7, 1861!

Mr. Jenkins was born in Putnam county, Indiana, Sept. 19, 1840, being now in his seventy-first year. He came to Iowa in 1850 and for more than sixty years has been a resident of Decatur county. During all these years he has been actively engaged in farming and as a brick mason, and only moved to Leon a few years ago. He served during the civil war as a member of Co. K, 16th Iowa, and was with Sherman on his march to the sea. Mrs. Jenkins' maiden name was Susan Sill, and she was also born in Putnam county, Indiana, March 18, 1844, and is now 67 years old. Eight children were born to this worthy couple, five being living, two having died in infancy and one daughter, Mrs. Elmer VanWinkle, died in 1894. On Tuesday all of their living children and a number of grandchildren spent the day with them, except one daughter, Mrs. J. L. McCutchan, of Belvidere, N. D., who was unable to come on account of illness, but Mr. McCutchan was here. The other children are Clem, F. L. and Harry Jenkins, of Leon, and Mrs. Milo Moore, of Gregory, S. D., who with her husband and two daughters arrived Sunday. A beautiful dinner was served and it was one of those genuine family reunions where parents and children are bound together with great love. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins received many nice presents from relatives and friends, including gold lockets, chains and rings from their children.

That they may both be spared to spend many more happy years together is the wish of a large circle of friends.

Endeavor Day Program.

The Y. P. S. C. E. society will observe the annual Endeavor Day next Sunday, Feb. 12, having been postponed from the first Sunday on account of the revival meetings at the Christian church. The following is the program, commencing at 7:30 o'clock.

Song service.
Invocation.....Rev. J. S. Coffin
Song.....Sunbeam Chorus
Bible Reading.....Society
President's Announcement
.....Helen Whisler
Solo.....Cecil Grimes
Thirtieth Anniversary "Fay Benefiel Song "Here am I Send Me"
.....Choir
A Word of Appreciation
.....Fern Pryor
Christian Endeavor Message from Mrs. Benlehr,
.....Ida Briggaman
"The Story of Manka" Homan Pullin
Duet.....Ida and Iva Briggaman
"We Would See Jesus,"
.....Hattie Lionberger

What becomes of the Boys after Leaving the Orphanage
.....Mildred Avery
Song "Savior May Thy Holy Spirit"
.....Choir
Dr. Mary J. McGovern Tells of a New Work the Endeavor Society at Damoh is Doing
.....Minnie Hand
A Baragran.....Ruth Tharp
Solo "A Prayer".....Ollie Foxworthy
An Appeal for Offering.....Pastor
Song "The World for Jesus"
.....Choir
Endeavor Benediction.
Ushers: Fay Evans, Eva Curry, Olive Evans, Leland Lutz, Walter Blakesley, Milan Sanger.
Everyone cordially invited to attend these exercises.

Christian Church.

The prayer meeting, or mid-week worship will be held this week on Thursday night, at 7:30. The topic for the evening will be "Why I am opposed to the liquor traffic, and the nature of the opposition." We want all the members, and especially the new converts, who can be there. The "Training for Service Class" will meet at the lecture room of the church Friday night at 7:30. This meeting is open for all who want to know more about the Bible. Lord's day morning at 9:45 the Bible school convenes and we want 200 people. Sermon to new converts and other at 11 o'clock. The annual program will be given by the Christian Endeavorers in the evening at 7:30, taking the place of the sermon. Every body invited to attend these services.
J. S. Coffin, Pastor.

State Fair Wants \$170,000.

The Iowa State Fair is asking the legislature for an appropriation of \$170,000 for improvements at the state fair grounds. The bill providing for the appropriation was introduced in the senate last Thursday by Senator J. D. Brown, of Decatur, and in the house by Representative Brown, of Wright. The bill calls for the use of the money as follows:

For lands and lots.....	\$20,000
For implement building.....	80,000
For horse barns.....	25,000
For cattle barns.....	15,000
For sanitary toilets.....	10,000
For sheep barns.....	20,000

Takes an Interest in the Boys and Girls.

A short time ago Prof. Voelker organized a class in agriculture in the Leon High School and wrote to Congressman W. D. Jamieson, asking him to secure copies of some of the farmers' bulletins issued by the department of agriculture, to be used in the classes. Congressman Jamieson promptly replied to the request and has also sent to the schools a set of fifteen beautiful bound volumes containing all of the bulletins which have been issued, together with a cordial letter in which he writes that he hopes the boys and girls will make continuous use of them, as he considers these volumes the most valuable he ever had in his office at Washington, and only sends them because he thinks they will render more service in the Leon High School, under the circumstances, than in any other place he thinks of. He also expresses the thought that our public school system needs something along this practical line of work, which will better fit our boys and girls for practical life, as well as assisting them in rounding out a successful school life preparatory to a college education. Prof. Voelker and the students are greatly pleased over this fine gift of Congressman Jamieson, and the books will be put to good practical use.

Jack Carey in Texas Tragedy.

It is reported that Jack Carey, a wrestler who spent several months in Leon a couple of years ago, was the mysterious wrestler who engaged in a wrestling match with Joseph McGray, in which the latter lost his life. The Des Moines Register and Leader of last Friday says:

Circumstantial evidence points to the fact that Jack Carey, as Charles Oleson is known, was the Harry Mayes of the wrestling opponent of Joseph McGray, when the latter lost his life at Amarillo, Texas, the death being an accident.

Reports from Amarillo are to the effect that Oleson was the man. He has used the name of Mayes in part of his matches, and at Indianapolis, his present home, it was known that he was wrestling through Texas under an assumed name.

Mayes disappeared from the scene of the match soon after the tragedy, although the officials decided that the death was an accident.

Many Horses Sold.

There was an unusually large number of persons attended the big horse sale held in this city last Thursday by the Leon Horse Co., and about a hundred head were sold. There were many good horses went through the ring, and a number of buyers were present who bought freely, notwithstanding there had been a big slump in the horse market in the last few weeks. On Friday there were four car loads shipped from this station by buyers, Geo. Moran, of King City, getting one car, Dr. T. A. Brown, of Lancaster, a car, Bert McClain, of Lamaster, Mo., buyer for Billy Hall a car, and C. M. Hull, of Illinois, a car. These four cars represented at least \$20,000 which was left right here in Leon for these horses. Not a bad day's business when the buying of local parties is added to it.

Wants to See Some Paving in Leon.

W. H. Colter, of Decatur City, one of the largest land owners and taxpayers in Decatur county, was in Leon last week, and while here he told us he would like to see Leon go ahead and do some paving, and that he would cheerfully pay his share of the taxes which the county would have to stand in paving around the square. He says now that we have a magnificent new court house, a new depot and other improvements that our county seat should not stand back on paving. That is the kind of talk we like to hear from our farmers, and Mr. Colter is one of our most progressive farmers.

After a New Depot.

Albany needs a new depot, and needs it mighty bad; also it needs it more centrally located and more convenient to the public. To show the company that they are in earnest about the matter an offer of \$1,000 in cash is to be made by the citizens of the town to the company if it can be induced to build a passenger station at the Polk street crossing. The amount has been practically raised, and steps will be taken at once to bring the matter to the attention of the proper officials.—Albany Capital.

Rural Carriers Gets Raise.

Beginning July 1st, next, the rural mail carriers will get a raise in salary of \$100 per year for each full route served. The boys can use all they get of course, and will be very glad of this additional financial assistance. The rural branch of the service is the youngest member of the United States mail family, and has been granted more raises in salary than any other branch of the service. It must have been "slim picking" when it first started.

Sen to Vote on Salloway Pension Bill next Monday.

Commander James Grandstaff of the Leon G. A. R. Post, received a message from Congressman Jamieson which says the Salloway pension bill will be up for a vote in the senate on next Monday, and that it will probably pass with some amendments.

A BIG REVIVAL CLOSED

The Five Weeks Meeting Conducted by Evangelist W. L. Harris Resulted in 140 Converts.

The revival meetings which have been in progress at the Christian church in this city for the past five weeks under the leadership of Evangelist W. L. Harris, of Hutchinson, Kas., assisted by the pastor, Rev. J. S. Coffin, closed Sunday night with a total of 140 converts, which breaks all records of any single church in this city. At the closing meeting ten converts came forward. During the series of meetings, 51 services were held and out of this number there were only four or five but what one or more came to Christ. And of the total number of converts more than half the number were adults, and the large number of men and boys is a matter of note. Throughout the meetings there has been a very large attendance, regardless of the weather, the large auditorium and lecture room being filled night after night, and towards the close of the meetings even the aisles were filled with chairs. On Sunday nights many were turned away from the church as even all of the available standing room was occupied. The splendid order maintained throughout the meetings was a matter of comment. Evangelist Harris is certainly a success as an evangelist, and during his stay here he impressed all with his ability as a preacher and evangelist, his Christian courtesy, kindness, love for children, his deep spirituality, his intense earnestness and above all his true Christian dignity and noble manhood. He came here as a stranger but he goes away as a friend to all who met him, having firmly entrenched himself in the hearts of the people. He will return in January of next year to hold another meeting, a unanimous call having been extended to him by the official board and the church in general.

A feature of the meeting was the "Sunbeam Chorus" composed of little children who were seated just back of the evangelist, who called them his "flower garden." Their singing thrilled the audience and great big many men were melted to tears. Excellent music was furnished throughout the meetings by a special choir, Miss Alta Hart being at the piano throughout the series of meetings, and the church is under obligations for her faithfulness. The K. P. band also rendered material assistance with the music, and the church feels very kindly towards the leader, Mr. A. B. Tansey, and his boys for their services which were so cheerfully given. The big choir not only filled the choir loft but also occupied a number seats on the platform. Their singing with evangelist Harris as leader brought many people out to the services who might otherwise not have attended.

The closing day of the meeting is worthy of special mention. Notwithstanding the blizzard which was raging, and the sleet which made walking very difficult there were 102 at the Bible school, and about 125 at the morning service. The storm abated in the afternoon and a goodly number was in attendance at the evening meeting. Evangelist Harris preached the sermon of his life and seven converts responded to the invitation to come forward. Then Evangelist Harris asked Mr. G. B. Cooper, who only a week before had confessed his faith in Christ, to say a few words from the platform. He responded and made a talk which brought tears to the eyes of nearly every one in the big congregation. It was a speech the like of which is seldom heard from a new convert, and three more converts came forward when he closed.

Rev. J. S. Coffin, the pastor then took charge of the meeting and called for a free will offering to defray the expenses of the big revival and in a few minutes a little over \$370 had been raised. The whole center of the auditorium had been reserved at the last service for the new converts, but it would not hold them all and a number of chairs had to be used. They would make a good church all by themselves. Then the converts lined up around the walls of the church and while the congregation sang "Blessed be the Tie that Binds Our Hearts in Christian Love," the converts were given a cordial handshake by the members of the church. A baptismal service closed the meeting.

On Tuesday evening a reception was held at the church for the new members. The revival has greatly strengthened the Christian church and added largely to their membership, so that they now have the largest membership in the city. All in all it was a great revival and much good was accomplished.

Gnawed a Tree Down.

Roy Stout is the owner of a coach dog with an unusual amount of sagacity. The dog disappeared from home last Tuesday morning, and did not return until Friday, when he dragged himself home, one hind foot caught in a steel trap which was fastened to a sapling about ten feet long. The dog while prowling in the timber west of town stepped on the trap and was caught, and as he could not get loose and the trap was fastened to the sapling he only secured his release by gnawing the sapling off and then dragged sapling and trap clear to town. That dog has more sense than some men we know of.

Commercial Club's Annual Banquet.

At the annual meeting of the Leon Commercial Club held last Friday evening there was considerable business transacted.

A communication was received from the State Good Roads Association in regard to having a lecture in this city by D. Ward King, the inventor of the King road drag, and a committee was appointed to investigate the matter and see if arrangements can be made for the lecture.

There was considerable discussion of the project of securing a city park, and it was decided that the Commercial Club would take hold of the matter, and they usually make a success of anything that they go after. The matter was referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the president and make a report on the matter at the next meeting.

There were eight new members voted into membership, Floyd Cozad, J. S. Parrish, Frank Stewart, Bert Woodard, G. G. Grimes, R. E. McLaughlin, W. C. Cozad and T. E. Wallace.

It was decided to hold the annual banquet of the Club on Feb. 22nd, Washington's birthday, and a committee was appointed to make arrangements for the banquet. They are negotiating with several parties and expect to have something swell this year. The banquet will probably be served in the opera house, as that is the only room large enough to accommodate the membership and their ladies.

Census Gives Leon 1991.

The Reporter received a telegram last Wednesday afternoon just after the paper had been printed, from Chief E. Durand, of the Census Bureau at Washington, with the news that the official census of 1910 gave Leon a population of 1991. This is a sore disappointment to our citizens as it was expected that the census would show a nice gain in population, as there have been upwards of a hundred new houses built in Leon since the census of 1905, when we had a population of 2,027, and there is scarcely a vacant house in this city. The only explanation for the loss of 36 is in the fact that in taking the census many citizens must have been missed. Only last week the city council at Clarinda ordered an official city census of that city taken and it shows nearly five hundred more persons than the number given by the government census. Every city around here shows a loss in population, most of them several hundred, and Leon shows the smallest loss of any of the county seats in southern Iowa. The official census of 1890 gave Leon 1,422; that of 1900, 1905; in 1905, 2,027, and in 1910, 1991.

Gooding's Sale Dates.

February
9—Lee Reynolds, Kellerton.
10—John Cash, Tuskego.
11—Glen Johnson, Mt. Airy.
12—Ogilvie & Cresswell, Decatur.
15—Robert Tickle, Kellerton.
16—N. T. Rasmussen, Van Wert.
17—C. C. Danielson, Coal Valley, Ill.
18—H. B. Housh, Hopeville.
20—Geo. B. Smith, Elston.
21—Carl Brown, Van Wert.
22—E. A. Adams, LaSalle.
23—I. R. Blunt, Grand River.
24—J. H. Millsap, Blockton.
25—Henry Johnson, Tingley.
27—Tom Sutherland, Davis City.
28—George Hampton, LaSalle.
Anyone wishing dates wire or phone as some may be called off.

A Farm at Auction.

On Wednesday Feb. 15, 1911, I will sell at public auction my farm of 155 acres, 8 miles southeast of Garden Grove, 3 miles southeast of High Point. Has good seven room house, good barn, sheds and other improvements. Four wells and a windmill. Terms made known day of sale. Will also sell on the same day, 7 head of horses and mules, 4 head of cattle, 14 hogs, 24 head of ewes, hay, grain, farm implements and other articles.
Lewis Traupel.

Sold a \$50 Chicken.

On Monday C. W. Reeder, manager of the Leon Orpingtons, which has given Leon a name in the poultry world, shipped a young hen to Dr. L. T. Waggoner, of Jerseyville, Ill., for which he received a flat \$50. Dr. Waggoner had never seen the chicken but had heard of the Leon Orpingtons, and wanted some of the best. That is the kind of chickens it pays to raise.

M. E. Church.

Special meetings are now in progress at the M. E. Church, and will continue indefinitely. A splendid chorus choir has been organized and is doing most excellent work. The service begins at 7:30 p. m. with song service, followed with the sermon by the pastor.

A cordial welcome is extended to every one.

Washington Once Gave Up

to three doctors; was kept in bed for five weeks. Blood poison from a spider's bite caused large, deep sores to cover his leg. The doctors failed, then "Bucklen's Arnica Salve" completely cured me," writes John Washington, of Bosqueville, Tex. For eczema, boils, burns and piles its supreme. 25c. at Van Werden & Kopp's.

I have a new Jersey bull which will be kept for service at my place. Service fee due at gate.
D. H. Farnes.