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## STATE ENDS CASE

Last Witness in the Vermeech Trial Leaves Stand at Noon.

### DETAILS OF THE TRAGEDY

Position of Victim When Shot is in Dispute—Surgeons Testify.

With the testimony of Sheriff W. G. Heider the state at noon today rested in the prosecution of Henry Vermeech, on trial in the circuit court for the murder of John O'Connor in the saloon of Leon Callewert, in East Moline, last fall. Mr. Heider related the details of the arrest of Vermeech and identified the revolver with which the shooting was done. Mr. Scott, the state's attorney, said he had a number of rebuttal witnesses that he would call in the event that it was necessary to establish the guilt of the defendant. He said it was a plain case of murder, and he could not see how any evidence that would be brought out by the defense could lessen the seriousness of the crime against Vermeech.

### O'Connor's Companions Gone.

Other witnesses of the morning were Dr. P. H. Wessel, who assisted at the operation for the removal of the bullet from O'Connor's body; J. Q. Stultz, the East Moline police magistrate, and Perry C. Dunbar, the East Moline hotelkeeper. Stultz saw two shots fired at O'Connor while the latter lay prostrate on the walk in front of the Callewert saloon. Vermeech was the one who did the shooting, he said. The two men who were drinking with O'Connor in the Callewert saloon on the day of the tragedy had disappeared. They have not been seen since the shooting. They were strangers in East Moline, and are understood to have been there looking for employment. The defense will introduce witnesses to establish the good reputation of Vermeech, and will seek to prove that he would not have fired on O'Connor unless he were compelled to do so in order to protect his own life.

### Story of Town Marshal.

The first witness for the state yesterday afternoon was George W. Hoover, marshal of East Moline. Hoover told of seeing O'Connor lying in front of the Callewert saloon. He heard the shots fired, and was about a block west of the saloon at the time. He claimed to be looking in the direction of the saloon. He said that O'Connor was lying across a board, just off of the sidewalk. He said he did not see O'Connor make any moves. He told of the condition of the interior of the saloon, in the course of the cross examination, but claimed to have no knowledge of how the chair was broken, nor of how the mirror in the rear of the bar was broken. He was sharply cross examined by Mr. Searle for the defense, and was asked whether he had made any statement to Vermeech when he arrested him, and what Vermeech had said to him. He told that Vermeech had said he "guessed he was in for it." He was asked whether he had not

said to Vermeech that he "did just right. Those hobos were trying to run the town." Hoover denied making such a statement. Some slight discrepancies were pointed out between the testimony of Hoover at the preliminary hearing and at the coroner's inquest with his testimony yesterday afternoon.

### Tells of Victim's Injuries.

Dr. A. H. Arp, of Moline, who conducted the operation on O'Connor at the Moline hospital, was called, and gave expert testimony regarding the injuries which O'Connor sustained. Dr. Arp told of meeting the injured man at the station with the ambulance and having him removed to the hospital. He told of the operation, and of the location and character of the wound. He said that the bullet had pierced the liver, the diaphragm, and the right lung. He said that judging from the course of the bullet the man was falling when he was shot. The path of the bullet was almost in a direct line upward. Dr. Arp told of the postmortem which was held and produced the bullet which was removed from the right lung. The bullet was offered in testimony, as were O'Connor's clothes, which Dr. Arp had preserved. In the cross-examination Mr. Marshall attempted to show that the course of the bullet was no guide as to the man's position at the time. He asked the witness many questions tending to show that a bullet of the kind used was very likely to take an erratic course through the body, and might be reflected by muscles or tendons. The bullet has a slight abrasion on one side of the point, and this was pointed out by Mr. Marshall. Dr. Arp said that this could not have been caused since the bullet was removed, and admitted that it might have been caused by the deflection of the bullet in its course.

### Deflection by Clothing.

Dr. E. Don Taylor, of Moline, was called. He was practicing in East Moline Oct. 17, when the shooting occurred, and was one of the first called to the scene. He told of the operation and the removal of the bullet. In cross-examination Dr. Taylor also was questioned as to the probability of the bullet's having taken an erratic course. He stated that the bullet might have been deflected by the clothing. This was contradictory to the statement of Dr. Arp.

### OFFICERS OF THEATRE CO.

No Change Made in Governing Board of Illinois Property.

The stockholders of the Illinois Theatre company held their annual meeting yesterday afternoon. Phil Mitchell, F. W. Bahnsen and T. J. McMill were re-elected members of the board of directors. The directors re-elected the officers:

President—Phil Mitchell.  
Vice President—F. W. Bahnsen.  
Secretary and Treasurer—T. J. McMill.

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## STEAL BOLT CLOTH

A Pair of Strangers Operate in J. B. Zimmer's Store.

### ONE HAS HIMSELF MEASURED

While His Companion Puts Goods Under Overcoat and Disappears—Both Arrested.

Two strangers called at the tailoring establishment of J. B. Zimmer, on Second avenue, at 8:30 this morning. One asked to be measured for a pair of trousers. While this process was under way the unceremonious departure of the customer's companion was noted. He appeared fuller in front than when he came in the store. A bolt of cloth from one of the counters up towards the front of the room was missing.

Then it was realized that there had been a game played. The man who came to be measured denied any acquaintance with the other fellow, and left when the tailor had done with him, stating that he would call for his trousers on the day when he was told he could expect them to be finished.

### Police Are Called.

The police station was notified by telephone, and Officers Sidney Pearson and Henry Thode were detailed on the case. George Edwards, the man who had stolen the cloth, was arrested by Officer Thode in a saloon doorway on Second avenue between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets. He had the cloth under his overcoat. He said, who gave the name of Edward Franklin, was apprehended in Market square by Officer Pearson.

Edwards insisted that he had never seen Franklin before. He said that his home was in Philadelphia. He had just arrived in the city. He was sick and without friends. He needed medicine, he said, and called on a number of physicians and asked them to help him, and when they all turned him down, he did the next best thing and turned thief. Edwards had been drinking, and the police do not take any stock in his medicine story.

### Believed to Have Record.

Edwards is believed to have a record. He claims to know a number of prominent people in Chicago. He asked for an attorney to conduct his defense. He did not want any lawyer who was intimate with the police, he said, showing that he had had experience in the police court before. He said he preferred some young attorney who had not been practicing in the police court. He said he had a long story to tell, and he believed when the facts were properly presented he would not have any difficulty in securing his freedom.

Edwards was held to the grand jury in \$100 bond for larceny and Franklin was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail for disorderly conduct.

## NOTES ON SPORT.

### Chicagoans Off for Coast.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—First in the field to start for a climate suitable for baseball practice, the Chicago Nationals, nearly twenty strong, will leave the Dearborn street station at 10 o'clock tonight for southern California, and next Wednesday the frolicsome cubs will be leaping around in the sunshine of Santa Monica trying to limber up the stiff joints caused by a long winter's idleness.

Outfielder "Davy" Jones has been sold to the Minneapolis American association team, Manager Watkins having made the best offer for the cub cast-off.

### Decision to Neary.

Milwaukee, Feb. 25.—Charles Neary got the decision over Maurice Thompson, of Butte, last night after eight rounds of fast fighting before the Badger Athletic club. To many of the spectators it seemed as though the bout should have been a draw, but Referee Malachy Hogan saw it differently. There were no knock-downs.

### Attell Has Best of It.

Philadelphia, Feb. 25.—Abe Attell, of Chicago, made Eddie Hanlon, the San Francisco fighter, look like a novice in a six-round bout at Industrial hall last night. It was a boxer against a slugger, and despite the fact that the latter was willing and aggressive in five of the six rounds, he was a receiver general. Hanlon fought in open style for the first two minutes of the first round, and Attell reached him with left and right hand blows in such rapid succession that the Californian took to his crouch and began boring in. Attell immediately changed his tactics and upper-cut with both hands, and Hanlon was forced to clinch to save himself. There was no decision.

### Morrison Knocks Out Ross.

Benton Harbor, Mich., Feb. 25.—"Jimmy" Ross, of Kansas City, went down in defeat last night before "Johnny" Morrison, of St. Joseph, the featherweight champion of Michigan, in the fourth round. A right jolt to the jaw did the business. In the third round, fighting in close to his opponent, Morrison sent Ross to the floor for the count of eight. The gong saved Ross. Tommy Ryan, Morrison's manager, stated after the bout that he would

match his protegee with Benny Yanger or any other 130-pounder.

### For Sunday Ball.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 25.—By voting to table an amendment to the bill prohibiting Sunday baseball games and theatrical performances, the house yesterday killed the bill after several attempts had been made to amend it and a motion postponing its consideration indefinitely had been voted down. Indianapolis, Feb. 25.—The Indiana house of representatives yesterday defeated a bill to allow Sunday baseball games by a vote of 44 to 48.

### Marshall Wins Thirteenth Game.

Paris, Feb. 25.—Frank J. Marshall won the 13th game of his chess match with D. Janowski here yesterday on the 70th move, after nine hours of exciting play. The score now stands: Marshall, 6; Janowski, 4; drawn, 3.

### The Bowling Tournament.

Milwaukee, Feb. 25.—St. Paul threatens to win the individual championship in the national bowling tournament, which ends here this afternoon. J. M. Anderson, of that city, rolled a total of 651 early yesterday afternoon, and the mark has resisted all efforts on the part of over 100 men to beat it. Anderson is a man about 40 years of age, and has been rolling about five years, this being his first big tournament. He is a member of the Pfisters of St. Paul. During the day Harry Williams, of San Francisco, rolled 269 in the singles, tying the record for a national tournament made two years ago in Indianapolis by Ernest Kettenacher, who won third place in that tourney. Ernest Peterson, of Chicago, last night rolled 626, and is third. Mathew Aetz, a Lake View bowler, is fourth, with 623, being tied with A. W. Allison, of Washington. E. D. Pfeiffer, one of the Columbian Knights bowlers, rolled 609. Ed Stretch and Bob Tolle, of Chicago, are still high in the women event, and their total of 1,213 is the only one compiled above the 400 average mark.

## AT AUGUSTANA COLLEGE

Bulletin for Week Commencing Sunday, Feb. 26.

Sunday—Mission class, 4 p. m.; sermon, Dr. C. O. Blomgren, 7:30 p. m.  
Monday—Committee on absences, 5 p. m.; Wennerberg chorus, 5 p. m.; public recital, 8 p. m.  
Tuesday—College faculty, 4 p. m.; Gladstone Debating club, 4 p. m.; Webster Debating club, 4 p. m.; Oratorio society, 7:30 p. m.  
Wednesday—Conservatory faculty, 4 p. m.; Torgny Debating club, 5 p. m.; prayer meeting, 7 p. m.; band rehearsal, 7 p. m.  
Thursday—Business faculty, 4 p. m.; Wennerberg chorus, 5 p. m.; basketball game, Augustana vs. Lombard, 8 p. m.  
Friday—Theological faculty, 4 p. m.; Concordia society, 4 p. m.; Iduna society, 5 p. m.; lecture, "Dreams," Dr. Seashore, 8 p. m.  
Saturday—Students' prayer meeting, 7 p. m.

## ARE TO PLAY BASKETBALL

Interesting Game Scheduled for Tonight at the Y. M. C. A.

This evening at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, the Y. M. C. A. team will play the team of Augustana college. The college team is considered one of the best teams in this section, and has defeated the teams of nearly all of the schools and colleges nearby. The Y. M. C. A. team, while not in the same class, perhaps, will endeavor to make the college boys earn any scores they are credited with. The Snails of the association will play the H. S. S. team following the main game of the evening.

## CENTRALS DEFEAT SCOUTS

In Bowling Match Last Evening at Central Alleys.

In a match last evening at the Central alleys the Scouts lost to the Centrals. The scores:

Centrals.			
Thoms	162	215	154 531
Rose	145	161	214 520
Goff	167	168	161 496
Salzmann	178	146	147 471
Sperry	191	200	194 582
Totals	843	899	867 2696

### Scouts.

Sass	185	178	170 533
Heuckstedt	159	157	135 451
Lau	174	141	183 498
Beutendorf	160	172	201 533
Neal	160	159	134 453
Totals	838	806	823 2468

Following will be found the result of the three games played in Davenport between the Flying Dutchmen and the Rivals:

### Flying Dutchmen.

Stouffer	194	162	165
Martin	199	127	129
Esterdahl	135	156	161
Huntton	164	169	189
Kaiser	184	189	144
Totals	876	803	798

### Rivals.

R. Petersen	169	149	156
W. Day	151	181	151
Berg	145	154	155
P. Petersen	162	121	172
Vinall	151	137	183
Totals	778	742	817

The scheduled contest between the Brunswicks and Recruits at Moline was postponed.

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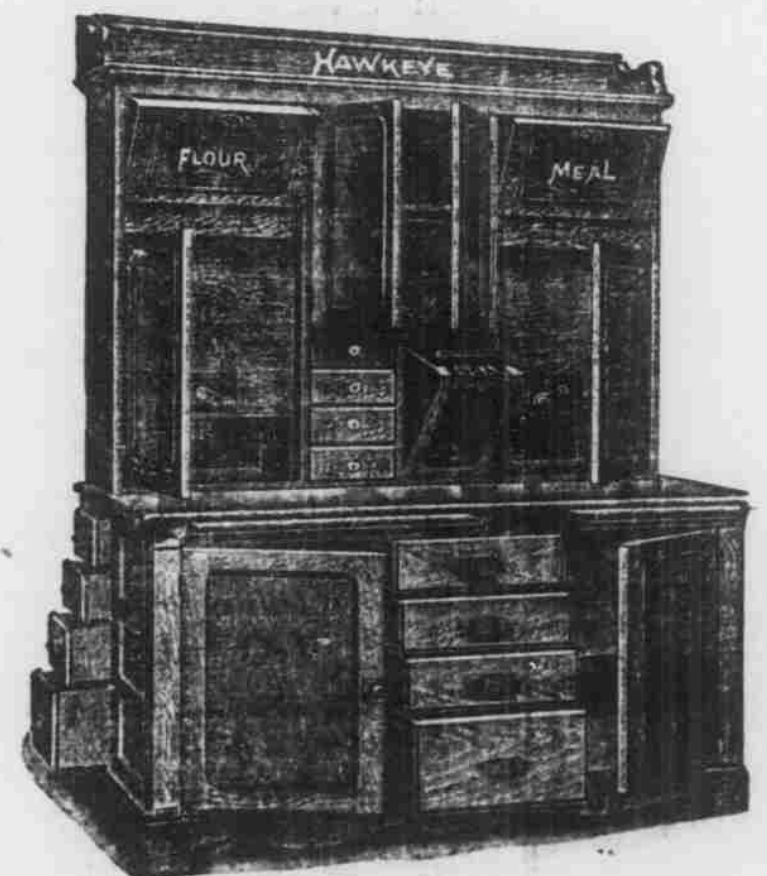
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