



## We all feel that way

We are thinking of that very natural feeling—to wish to be well dressed on Thanksgiving. It is an old custom, and as we feel the same way, no matter what we may say about its being unnecessary, etc.

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### ANOTHER CONFESSION FROM TOMMY WHITE.

He Now Claims That He Alone Is the Murdered of the Morgan Trio.

LOU McCURLEY IS ENTIRELY INNOCENT

At Least That is the Latest from the Pen of the Versatile Prisoner.

Tommy White is the sole murderer of Lee Morgan, Mayme McQuillen and Clarence McGugin, and Lou McCurley, who has been in jail with him for the past month, charged with complicity in the affair, is entirely innocent, is the latest bulletin from Tommy, who evidently whiles away the

lonesome hours in the jail thinking up some new sensation which will keep him in the lime light and at the same time "make foolishness" out of the officers who have been working on the case, and who have claimed that they had a strangle hold on the conviction of McCurley, even without Whites confession in the case. But instead of sending McCurley to the penitentiary as a participant in one of the most horrible crimes which has ever occurred in this county, he is now in the penitentiary himself.

Just whether Tommy is this time telling the truth or whether he is trying to qualify for the championship belt of the Annanias Club, or whether he desires to be known as the chief confessor

of crime, is the question that has been puzzling the people of this county since the last time to date he has broken into print.

True it is that this young man was entirely wasting his talents when he started out at the wholesale murdering game. Had he gone into the advertising business and taken charge of the advertising department of Carter's Little Liver Pills or of Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound he could have made a fortune, or as any one of the sensational writers for the Sunday Sun he would have made a complete success, for he seems to thoroughly understand the game of keeping his stock in trade before the public, and either of these other occupations is far more profitable and is devoid of the risks of shooting up people with a shot gun.

It may be that Tommy's last confession is the truth and that he really is solely responsible for the awful crime which he acknowledges, but the people who do believe that it is the truth, and all the truth, are few and far between, for he has shown such a disposition to stray far from the paths of truth in his other statements, that his late statements are not regarded seriously, and they are simply the means of losing him the few friends who have been staying by him. The Democrat man is not one who believes in jumping on a man just because he is down, but the strung-out confessions of young White indicates that he is not deserving of the little sympathy that he has been getting. We have never taken any stock in his part of the story that he committed the crime for revenge upon Morgan, but believe that the crime was a cold blooded murder in the hopes of monetary gain, and this opinion seems to be more generally accepted since the last confession. All indications point to the fact

that more than one person was connected with the crime, but if such is the case, the officers have yet to find the other party or parties, for White's confession lets McCurley out of the case, even though the officers have claimed all along that they had plenty of evidence of his guilt.

The following is the latest effusion to which Tommy White has affixed his signature:

#### Second Confession of White.

"I wish to change in one particular the written confession which I have heretofore made in connection with the murder of Lee Morgan, Mayme McQuillen and Clarence McGugin. Lou McCurley did not go to the scene of the murder with me and did none of the shooting. I killed all three myself with the gun I secured from my aunt. No one was with me at the time and no one else had anything to do with the actual killing of any of these parties. In every other particular my previous confession is absolutely true.

"My reason for implicating Lou McCurley in my original confession was revenge. He was the first to suggest the crime and I would never have thought of it or undertaken it had it not been for him. He heard the controversy between myself and Morgan as I previously stated and it was he who suggested that we go out and clean up Lee and get the bunch of money he was supposed to have on his person. Lou's motive was robbery, pure and simple. I made all the arrangements as heretofore stated, with regard to the horse and buggy and the shells. I bought the shells at the Bondurant store but did not get any gun there. I intended getting the second gun at Bondurant's but before doing so Lou told me he had decided not to go. I told him I would go alone and I did so. The idea of getting even with Lee and Mayme having once gotten hold of me I simply could not resist it and went straight through with it. God knows what made me do it, but I did it and am ready and anxious to take what the law says is the penalty. When it was over I made up my mind to make Lou McCurley share the guilt with me for I felt that he had betrayed me and was the cause of the crime being committed. But I cannot go on with this. He was not with me and done none of the actual killing. I feel that I was in this awful fix because of him

but I can not send him to prison for an act which I alone committed.

I know that many of my friends will censure me, not only for the awful crime itself, but for now taking the whole responsibility upon myself. I realize that many will not believe it possible that I could have done this all alone, but it is true. I have nothing to gain by shielding anyone, and I am not alone committed the dreadful crime. I cannot now understand how I did it or how I had the nerve but the thing just grew upon me after it got into my head and I could not rest until it was all over.

I had no thought of money or robbery when I went out to do this killing. I went there to kill. I was after Lee and Mayme. I wanted to get them both. I never thought of McGugin and entirely forgot that he might be on the place. I did not see him until after I had shot Lee. When I approached the house Lee and Mayme were sitting at the table. I shot Lee through the window. Almost immediately McGugin came running toward the house from the lane where he had been turning the mules into the pasture. I ran back and around the milk house as he ran into the house. Mayme was screaming and very quickly McGugin ran out of the house and toward the road as if for help. I then killed him exactly as described in my previous confession. Returning to the house I saw Mayme kneeling beside Lee, washing the blood from his face. I stuck the gun through the corner of the screen and shot her. All other details are as previously stated.

"I now realize that I made a terrible mistake in implicating Lou McCurley and in causing the officers so much trouble and expense. The officers have been kind to me and I am very sorry that I misled them. I know they have acted in good faith and relying upon my statements but it is impossible for me to go further in my longing for revenge upon Lou. The crime was mine. The penalty must be mine alone.

TOMMY R. WHITE.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of November, 1914.  
JAMES CLAYTON,  
Justice of Peace.

C. D. Lucas was in from north-east of town Monday on a shopping trip and for a visit with friends.

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PUBLICATION NOTICE.

(Chapter 211, Laws of 1896.)  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:  
Notice is hereby given, that on the 10th day of March, 1914, a petition, signed by eighteen householders residing in Liberty and South Bend townships, Barton County, Kansas, was presented to the County Superintendent of Public Instruction of said County, asking that the heretofore described school land in the said County be exposed to sale.

Said lands are described as follows, to-wit:—

An island located in the bed of the Arkansas River containing 14.5 acres, more or less, and situated in the Northeast quarter of Sec. 12, T. 20, R. 14, and the Northwest quarter of Sec. 7, T. 20, R. 12, and more particularly described by metes and bounds, as follows, to-wit: Starting at an established corner stone at the southeast corner of Sec. 12, T. 20, R. 14, run north 15° W. 40.00 chains to the 1/4 section corner stone, thence on north 15.30 chains to the northeast corner of Lot 4, thence on north 15.70 chains to the present river, thence west, following the meanders of the right bank of the Arkansas River to where it crosses the 1/4 section line (running north and south), thence south 5.00 chains to where said section line crosses the 1/4 section line (running east and west), thence east N. 20° 42' W. 5.50 chains to the old river line, as found in the U. S. Field Notes, where said line crosses the section line between Sec. 12, T. 20, R. 14, and Sec. 7, T. 20, R. 12. And that the same was duly appraised on July 29th, 1914, at \$2.50 per acre, that the same will be sold to the highest bidder on Dec. 12, 1914, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Done at Great Bend, Barton County, Kansas, this 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1914.  
A. SCHWAGER, County Treasurer

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

State of Kansas, Barton County, SS.  
In the Probate Court in and for said County.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Ohmacht, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, on the Last Will and Testament of John Ohmacht, late of said County, deceased, by the Honorable, the Probate Court of the County and State aforesaid, dated the 10th day of November, A. D. 1914. Now all persons having claims against the said estate, are hereby notified that they must present the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year from the date of said Letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and that if such claims be not exhibited within two years after the date of said Letters, they shall be forever barred.  
W. H. DODGE, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of John Ohmacht, deceased.  
November 10, 1914.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

State of Kansas, Barton County, SS.  
In the Probate Court in and for said County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Austin D. Fair, Deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, on the Last Will and Testament of Austin D. Fair, late of said County, deceased, by the Honorable, the Probate Court of the County and State aforesaid, dated the 6th day of November, A. D. 1914. Now all persons having claims against the said Estate, are hereby notified that they must present the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year from the date of said Letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and that if such claims be not exhibited within two years after the date of said Letters, they shall be forever barred.  
T. P. FAIR, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Austin D. Fair, Deceased.  
November 6, 1914.

Mrs. E. B. Russell returned Monday from Hutchinson where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Clarence Elmore, for a few days.

## Good Things for your Appetite

Not a single item is lacking in this place of "Good Things To Eat." We have everything needed for a successful Thanksgiving Dinner.

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