PEOPLE can't go to theaters, so they burn more coal at home. Where's the saving?

The Topeka State Journal.

WEATHER FORECAST for Kansas: Fair tonight and tomorrow. Warmer Wednesday and in southwest tonight.

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GARFIELD FAILS TO BRING MUCH NEEDED RELIEF

N. Y. State Fuel Dictator Puts Blame on Railroads.

Declares They Have Played Slacker in National Crisis.

FUEL SUPPLY BELOW MINIMUM

Chicago Makes Similar Complaint—Must Close Schools.

Fuel Situation Serious—Bitter Cold Great Handicap.

New York, Jan. 22.—Doctor Garfield's coal order has so far failed to relieve the fuel situation in and near New York. Admittance of this was made today in telegrams sent to the federal fuel administrator by State Administrator Albert Wiggin.

Receipts of coal in New York have been far below the city's minimum requirements, it was stated.

Following another cold spell, which helped pile more ice in New York harbor, a heavy snow began today. Railroads will be further handicapped in their efforts to move fuel.

The blame for the situation here was placed squarely on the railroads by Wiggin. He charged they have not operated twenty-four hours a day as they should have, in his opinion, and that the work of unloading was not prosecuted to the fullest extent when dock unloading was going on.

No Benefit to Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Chicago will derive no particular benefit from the Garfield fuel order for several days at least and the coal situation in the city at present is still serious, Raymond E. Durham, county fuel administrator, said today.

"The increased shipments of coal from the mines probably will not commence reaching Chicago until the latter part of this week or the early part of next week," said Durham.

Following a conference between Durham and school board officials, it was decided to postpone opening of the grade schools for another week. All parochial and private schools, which have remained in session, will close the remainder of the week. Only the high schools will be open.

Charge Coal Hoarding.

Robert W. Childs, special assistant United States attorney general, representing the food and fuel administrations in the mid-west, said today there had been no serious violations of the closing laws within his jurisdiction. He intimated, however, that there may be prosecution for coal hoarding.

State Fuel Administrator Williams explained the delay in shipment of coal to Chicago from southern Illinois mines as due to the heavy snows and zero temperature. His ruling that 10 per cent of this output must come to Chicago is expected to result in a clash with State Fuel Administrator Crossley of Missouri, who declares much of Missouri's supply will thus be diverted.

COAL 132 SHIPS AT NEW YORK.

This Is First Authentic Note of Cheer Over Fuel Crisis.

New York, Jan. 22.—No essential ship in New York harbor is being prevented from sailing for lack of fuel, according to A. E. Parsons, coal expert detailed by the United States shipping board to supervise the bunkering of vessels here. He said that of 213 ships awaiting coal in this port a week ago, but 81, none of them vital to the needs of the allies, remained to be coaled today.

This was the first word to come from authoritative sources in New York indicating that the fuel situation had been relieved materially thru the five days' industrial suspension and its resultant curtailed coal consumption and loosening of freight congestion.

TRY ALLIES AGAIN

Trotzky Will Address New Note to the Entente.

Meanwhile Renewal of Peace Conference Is Postponed.

BY JOSEPH SHAPLEN.

Petrograd, Jan. 22.—The all-Russian convention of workmen and soldiers soviets, which is presumbly to form the future government of Russia, now that the constituent assembly is dissolved, was delayed in its meeting today. Not all delegates have arrived and until the complete membership is here the situation will mark time.

Foreign Minister Trotzky and other members of the Russian peace delegation were expected back this week from Brest-Litovsk. It was asserted today that Trotzky would address another appeal to the allies outlining the progress made at Brest-Litovsk and urging them again to join in general peace negotiations.

The murder of former Ministers Kokoshkin and Shingareff was officially announced today as the work of Bolsheviki fanatics who were stirred to a frenzy by appeals of a number of members of the Baltic fleet, just arrived, that they take the fate of those opposing them into their own hands.

Chicago Almost Sugarless.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Chicago's sugar supply is practically exhausted, it developed this afternoon, owing to the recent snow blockade of railroads and the imperative necessity for moving coal ahead of all other commodities. Hundreds of grocers had no supplies and only a few wholesalers had supplies and these were meager.

HALF OF TURK ARMY DESERTS GERMAN CHIEF

160,000 Leave on Trip From Constantinople to Palestine.

Reorganized Under Kaiser's General, Falkenhayn.

CAMPAIGN IS ABANDONED

Hun General Returns in Disgust to Constantinople.

Typhus Has Wiped Out 30 Per Cent of Entire Turk Army.

Washington, Jan. 22.—One hundred and sixty thousand Turkish troops—more than 50 per cent of General Falkenhayn's reorganized Turkish army—deserted during the recent journey from Constantinople to Palestine, official dispatches today stated.

General Falkenhayn, appointed by the kaiser to reorganize the crumbling Moslems after General Allenby's victorius Holy land campaign, has returned to Constantinople and his entire plan for rehabilitation of the sultan's forces has been abandoned, the reports declared.

Consisted of 21 Divisions.

"More than 50 per cent of strength of twenty-four Turkish divisions lost by desertions by the journey from Constantinople to Palestine," General Allenby's report declares, adding that "forty-one companies of storm troops which left the Alexandretta district, each 300 strong, reached the front with only four officers and 100 men per company."

Even Turkish officers refused to "fall in" with Falkenhayn's program, reports declare, and openly voiced their dissatisfaction, knowing well the unreliability of the disheartened, war-weary native troops.

In less than three days, Falkenhayn abandoned the Palestine sector and returned in disgust to Constantinople.

Typhus Ravages Terrible.

The internal situation in Turkey is acute. Typhus, which a few months ago was claiming 140 victims per day in Constantinople, is on the increase. At this time of the year its virulence is most pronounced.

At Smyrna, a city of 200,000, five hundred died from this disease in a single year, while 30 per cent of the Turk army has died or become incapacitated for service thru the ravages of this dread disease.

SEEK A CHANGE

Merchants Meet To Discuss Topeka Closing Order.

Danner's Rules Unfair to Santa Fe Employes.

"In fairness to the employes of the Santa Fe offices and of the shops," was the plea of the merchant princes of Topeka at the Chamber of Commerce this noon, "it seems that the fuel conservation order of Dictator Danner would stand some modification."

This was the keynote of a meeting of some of the more prominent merchants of the city. The purpose of the meeting was to try and have a talk with Danner with the end in view of modifying the present closing order so that the stores of Topeka might remain open on Saturday night till 9 o'clock.

In talking the reasons for necessity for the proposed change one or two of the merchants taking a prominent part in the movement pointed out the fact that only last night they found it necessary to close the doors in the weary faces of shoppers just released from their employment in the Santa Fe offices.

C. of C. Not Sponsor for Kickers.

The Chamber of Commerce is not sponsoring the movement according to a statement this noon by President McEntire, but is merely acting in the capacity of agent between Dictator Danner and the marchants in an effort to arrange a conference.

The sentiment expressed this noon was to the effect that inasmuch as the merchants of the city are called upon to do the biggest share of contributing for a various war work funds, they should be allowed to stay open at such times as the majority of the employed shoppers are at liberty to do their trading. As it is now, persons employed in the Santa Fe offices and shops are unable to leave their work for the purpose of buying the bare necessities of life.' It is hoped that the conference with Danner will result in some modification of the present ruling in regard to closing hours.

TEXAS CAPITAL "DRY"

Prohibition Appears to Have Won by Majority of 102 Votes.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 22.—Austin, capital city of Texas, had gone dry today by a majority of 102, according to unofficial count as a result of yesterday's election.

Will Northcliffe Succeed Carson?

London, Jan. 22.—Referring to the resignation of Sir Edward Carson from the war cabinet, the Star asks whether it is proposed seriously that Lord Northcliffe shall take his place. It adds: "Was Lord Northcliffe made chairman of the American mission to give him entrance into the war cabinet by the back door?"

Boys Set Warship Afire.

London, Jan. 22.—Three boys, all under 16, members of the crew of the British super-dreadnought Warspite, were [illegible] charged with setting that vessel afire.

CHURCHES, CLUBS AND LODGES MAY BE CLOSED NEXT

Danner Issues Warning to All in the City Today.

Disregard of Request Will Mean a Strict Order.

MANY CHURCHES KEEP OPEN

Complaints State Week-Day Meetings Are Being Held.

Administrator Knows Little of What Churches Are Doing.

Churches, lodges and clubs will come next under the fuel ban in Topeka. C. H. Danner, local administrator, stated today that unless these places are closed voluntarily, he will issue an order. He said he has made a "patriotic appeal" to these organizations. In case of shops and mercantile establishments Danner made a sweeping order with little warning.

Protests from many sections of the city against the numerous services and dinners at churches, as well as scores of lodge gatherings and open clubs, came today to Danner and to local newspaper offices. Altho Danner had made night vigils in checking up the use of an extra electric light on lightless nights, he said today that he knew nothing of the church gatherings. Reports today were to the effect that several churches gave dinners Monday night and that a series of day and night meetings were in session in several other churches.

"I appealed to the churches to conserve their coal supply as a patriotic service to the government," said Danner. "You can say for me that if the churches don't respond to this appeal an order will be issued."

May Cut Off Deliveries.

Danner contemplates an order to local dealers shutting off deliveries of coal to churches which do not meet the fuel conservation request. A similar order affecting lodges and clubs is also threatened.

"The churches, as well as the lodges and clubs owe a duty in saving coal," said Danner. "My order didn't cover them, but a special order will be issued unless they toe the mark. I don't want to close the churches, as was practically done in Wichita when the administrator refused to permit deliveries of coal to them."

At a meeting of the ministerial union, arrangements were made for special union services as a fuel economy measure. In spite of this action, tho, reports were made today of special dinners and services this week in a number of the churches. Several of the churches, Danner estimated, would require one to two tons of coal to heat the buildings, in addition to a heavy use of electric lights.

No Check on Fuel Users.

Careful checks were made on all business houses using unnecessary lights on "lightless nights." No check has been made in the fuel conservation campaign and Danner today had no record as to the churches and lodges which were not observing the orders.

"All I know about the matter," said Danner, "is from statements which have been made by people who have called over the telephone to protest against the heavy use of coal in churches and lodges."

Conditions in Topeka are improving, Danner stated, and today's report from coal dealers showed evidence of an increasing supply of fuel. Warmer weather will aid in lifting the ban on local mercantile establishments.

"As soon as the supply of coal warrants the order will be removed or modified," said Danner."

NO THAW IN SIGHT

Mercury Has Been Below 32 Degrees for Seventeen Days Now.

Temperature readings for the day furnished by the local office of the United States weather bureau:

7 o'clock	10	11 o'clock	21
8 o'clock	10	12 o'clock	24
9 o'clock	13	1 o'clock	26
10 o'clock	17	2 o'clock	28

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the wind had died down to a four mile breeze from the west, and the snow in the streets was slowly melting to rivers of dirty slush. The temperatures for the day averaged 6 degrees below the normal for the date.

The little stinging demons of the frost have had their way in Topeka for a period of seventeen days now, and there has been not one of those days that has even one hour on record as above the freezing mark. Meteorologist Flora indicated this morning that in all probability the frost imps will remain in possession of the field indefinitely. There will be no severe cold for the remainder of this week, but the present conditions of clear skies and a temperature hovering between 20 and 30 degrees will be the

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A $60,000 HOLDUP!

Three Bandits Invade Detroit Jewelry Store, Binding Manager.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 22.—Sixty thousand dollars worth of jewelry was stolen shortly before noon today by three bandits who overpowered William R. Grainger, manager of the Ralph Dewey Jewelry company, in the downtown district. The bandits fired at Grainger before binding and gagging him. The robbery was discovered by clerk fifteen minutes afterward.

An appraisal of the jewelry stock confirmed earlier reports that the bandits had obtained $60,000 worth of stones, jewelry and cash. A small parcel of gems valued at $15,000 was overlooked. The jewelry concern has branch stores in Europe and has been known as one of Detroit's exclusive shops.

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SHELL U. S. CRAFT

Sailor Killed Aboard American Gunboat in China.

Fired on Without Warning From Shore by Rebels, Probably.

Peking, Friday, Jan. 18.—The attack yesterday on the American gunboat Monocacy, in which one sailor was killed and two others wounded, was made near Kien Lih-Sien, and came without warning. The attackers hid behind a dike on the north bank of the Yang Tse Kiang. The gunboat returned the fire but with what result is not known. Afterward the Monocacy proceeded to Hankow. The Japanese steamer Tayuen also was subjected to fusillades.

Protest To Chinese Government.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Firing by Chinese on the United States gunboat Monocacy which resulted in killing one American sailor and badly wounding two others was made the subject of protest to the Chinese government today by American Minister Reinsch.

The attack on the American vessel took place, according to official advices today, on the Yangtse river, fifty miles above Yochow. It is believed revolutionary forces were responsible and the Chinese government will be called upon to run down and punish the offenders.

Secretary Daniels gave out the following: "On January 17, at 9 a. m., the U. S. gunboat Monocacy, while cruising about fifty miles above Yochow on the Yang Tse Kiang river was fired on by entrenched Chinese and was hit a number of times. H. L. O'Brein, chief yeoman was fatally injured and W. N. Donnelly, seaman, slightly wounded. The fire was returned by the Monocacy and silenced. It is believed that the Chinese were bandits or revolutionists."

The foregoing is a paraphrase of the official report from the commander of the gunboat.

Gunboat Smashed Rebels.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The commander of the American gunboat, Monocacy, fired upon by Chinese rebels, reported today that he returned the fire and silenced it.

LOSES LIFE IN FIRE

Westmoreland Farmer's Family In Topeka When Tragedy Occured.

Westmoreland, Kan., Jan. 22.—Victor Lellevre, a prosperous young farmer living six miles southwest of Westmoreland, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed his home early today.

His neighbors this morning discovered that the house had burned and upon investigation found the charred body of the owner in the ruins.

Lellevre's wife and children were visiting in Topeka when the fire occurred.

U. S. FLYERS TO FRONT

American Observers Finish Off Training With French Pilots.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 22—(By the Associated Press).—More American observers have begun work at the front with French pilots in French airplanes. It is inadvisable to mention their numbers or identity or the point at which they are stationed.

While their flights are in the nature of instruction they are carried out under actual battle conditions.

CUT CAR SERVICE

If Danner Order Remains in Effect Topeka Railway Will Act.

Reduce Number of Cars One-Third After 8 in the Evening.

If the Danner order making Topeka the deadest town in the world holds good for a few more days—and Danner seems to be sticking fast to his theories—the Topeka Railway company will take off one-third of the cars after 8 o'clock in the evening. This was the threat made by Howard Patten, superintendent of the city system, today.

"After 9 o'clock last night Kansas avenue looked like a wild west canyon," Patten said in explaining the threat. "Not a person could be seen on the streets. All stores were closed with the exception of a pool hall here and there. We cannot afford to maintain our service over the city if the cars do no more than awaken people from their slumbers."

The street car company attempted to reduce the early morning service today but apparently Topeka hadn't accustomed herself to Danner's Deadening and Dimming Damper and the patrons came down town early just the same. So the cars were placed back into service.

With the city darkened and deadened, despite the statement of the Edison company that it will save little fuel, Topeka is suffering while other cities in the state are handling their problems in a practical and business-like manner.

TIP TO CONSUMERS!

But They've Already Guessed It!—Lay in Coal Supply Early.

Kansas City, Jan. 22.—Retail coal dealers from all parts of the state were here today conferring with Wallace M. Crossley, state fuel administrator, in regard to plans for preventing another coal shortage next winter. It was agreed that one of the best precautionary measures would be for householders to lay in their supply of winter coal early. In this way, the dealers decided, large reserve supplies may be stored up.

The state fuel administrator late today was to hold a conference with officials of the Southwest Coal Operators' association. The session was to be executive.

The general coal situation here was reported materially improved today, and it was believed that the restrictions imposed by the local fuel administration will be raised within a few days.

Seekamp to Quit Cardinals.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 22.—Herman Seekamp, business manager of the St. Louis Nationals, expects to be relieved of his duties today. The board of directors will meet today and Seekamp said he thought his career with the club is ended.

USE ICE FOR ALTAR AND WORSHIP IN THE COLD!

Auburn, N. Y., Jan. 22.—An altar of ice was used Sunday at an outdoor service by the congregation of the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul. The open air service, which was planned as a demonstration that fuel is unessential in connection with worship, included baptismal rites.

MERGE RAILROADS

Put 'Em All in One Corporation Under Gov't Control.

Bristow of Kansas Unfolds Plan to Senate Board.

Washington, Jan. 22.—With the question of government ownership of railroads swaying it in its consideration of the pending railroad control bill, the senate interstate commerce committee, which resumed hearings on the bill today, had before it a new plan for solving the railway problem.

The plan, advanced by Former Senator Bristow, member of the Kansas public service commission, contemplates the organization of a national corporation to absorb the railroads and operate them under government direction.

Bristow, who told the committee that the present method of control would not work because many roads would be excluded, proposed the national corporation, directed by a board of nine named by the president.

Exchange All Stock for New.

Under his plan, stock in the new corporation would be exchanged at par for railroad stock at its market quotation and stock not exchanged could be forcibly exchanged thru condemnation proceedings.

Stock in the new corporation would be non-voting.

The directorate would handle all matters of operation, including wage questions. Rates would be fixed by the interstate commerce commission and earnings of the corporation would be limited by such rate fixing to dividends of 4 to 6 per cent.

"With the physical railroad properties behind it," said Bristow, "I would rather have this stock paying 4 per cent than government bonds paying the same amount."

SALINA UNION IS SOLD

J. L. Brady Buys Ex-Senator Burton's Paper and Takes Active Charge.

Salina, Kan., Jan. 22.—J. L. Brady, former Kansas senator from Lawrence, today purchased the Salina Daily Union from former Senator J. R. Burton. Mr. Brady took active charge today. In his announcement he states the paper will be independent in politics. It had formerly been a Democratic organ.

ARMY PAPER IN FRANCE

"The Stars and Stripes" Will Be Name of Sammies' Weekly ews Sheet.

Paris, Jan. 22.—A weekly newspaper for the American troops in France to be called The Stars and Stripes will be issued shortly. It has the sanction of General Pershing. It will be directed and edited by men wearing the American uniform.

PRESSURE ON SWEDEN

Germany Desperate to Prevent U. S. Using Swedish Vessels.

Amsterdam, Jan. 22.—Germany has began exercise of powerful pressure on Sweden, according to information received here today.

The Cologne Gazette flatly announces that if Sweden permits America to use her tonnage, even in coastal traffic, "Germany will consider such action a breach of neutrality."

ROOSEVELT IN WASHINGTON TO SPEED WAR BILLS

"At War Nearly a Year and Not Yet Really Into It."

President Wilson Joins Dramatic Clash in Senate.

WAR CABINET, FIGHT CENTER

Democrats Join Solid Republican Support of the Measure.

Stone's Speech Started Fireworks and Pot's a Bilin Hot.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—Colonel Roosevelt came to town today and received a steady stream of callers at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. The colonel frankly said his purpose in coming to the capital now was to help speed up the war and confer with friends in congress. He disclaimed any purpose of replying to Senator Stone's speech in the senate yesterday.

"I am infinitely less interested in what Senator Stone says about me than in what the president says about Senator Chamberlain," said Colonel Roosevelt.

"The national motto at this time should be, 'Tell the truth and speed up the war.' I expect to see Senator Chamberlain before I see any one else and then to see Senator Hiram Johnson of California and shall have nothing further to say until after I have seen them, and perhaps not until a little later.

Will See Senator Curtis.

"I hope also to see Senators Wadsworth and Curtis and Representatives Baer and Lavin. My purpose in coming here is to help by any means in my power to render more speedy and more effective America's entrance into the war; for, tho, we have been at war nearly a year, we have not yet really entered into it. Also, I wish to aid in backing Senator Chamberlain and Representatives Madden and Kahn in their fight for universal military training. These gentlemen and their followers are performing a great public service."

BY L. C. MARTIN.

Washington, Jan. 22.—President Wilson has begun the most spectacular fight of the war for control of congress.

Battling against passage of the Chamberlain "war cabinet" bill—which would amount to congressional recognition of the administration's alleged failure to conduct its war plans properly—the president is faced by almost solid Republican opposition added to a few in his own party.

To add zest to the battle, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt arrived here today to take up the cudgels for the Chamberlain measure. An editorial in the morning papers under his signature, preceded arrival of his snowbound train. It conveyed his determination to throw his influence against the president.

No Reply to Stone Yet.

Roosevelt, upon his arrival, two hours later, appeared nettled at the delay of his train. He refused to discuss anything with newspapermen who met him, agreeing, however, to see them at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

"I have said everything I have to say," he snapped to a question as to the possibility of reply to Senator Stone's attack yesterday or comment on the Chamberlain bills before congress.

He was whisked away in an automobile to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. He expects to testify before the senate military committee during his stay here and will address the Press club Thursday afternoon.

It insisted upon passage of the Chamberlain bill "so that we may never again be caught utterly and shamefully unprepared."

All factors in the pending struggle have gone before the people for support. President Wilson in a statement last night declared the legislative measures, proposed to wrest from

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PULLS BILL HART STUFF

Man Who Reached to Hip Pocket Receives Punch in Eye.

Garnishment of wages, coupled with amovement toward the hip pocket by G. H. Flintham, a notary public, called for self defense tactics, a jury in the court of Topeka decided today. Ora Means, charged with assault and battery on G. H. Flintham, escaped punishment on a self defense plea.

The self defense practiced by Means was hard on the eyes of Flintham, as his face showed in court today. Means testified that Flintham had garnisheed his wages and he claimed the notary had overcharged him $2.

When Means asked him for the $2 he testified that Flintham reached toward his pistol pocket. Just two blows were struck, testimony showed —Means hit Flintham and Flintham hit the ground. The fight occurred on East Fourth street.

FOOD DEP'T SHAKEUP

Call in Agents for "Radical Change" To Be Announced Soon.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—A shift in the federal food administration is due, according to officials here.

J. P. Cotton, head of the meat division and E. Dana Durand, assistant, leave tomorrow for Washington. "Radical changes" are to be announced shortly, officials here said today.

The third substantial allotment of orders to the country's packers for European trade will be made in Washington, it was announced.

Marion Hill, Authoress, Dead.

Stroudsburg, Pa., Jan. 22.—Mrs. Marion Hill, widely known writer of short stories, died yesterday in a Wilkesbarre hospital. Her home was in Stroudsburg.

NORTH SIDE SHOOTING IS ACCIDENTAL

Arthur Reynolds Did Not Kill Youth Intentionally.

Coroner's Inquest Proves No Malice in the Act.

NO MOTIVE IS DISCOVERED

Turning Out of Lights Still Remains a Mystery.

Boy Is Released From All Charges by Officials.

Arthur Reynolds, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Reynolds, 1325 North Quincy street, was freed today by a coroner's jury which probed into circumstances surrounding the death, by shooting, of Arvy Carrel, 16-year-old son of Mrs. William Frazier, 135 Tyler street, Sunday evening in the Epworth League room of the Kansas Avenue Methodist church, North Topeka.

The jury found that Carrel met his death from a revolver wound as a result of a shot fired by Reynolds. The jury further found the shooting was purely accidental and was not premeditated by the youth. There will be no charge lodged against Reynolds, officials announced. He is absolutely free. Officers at first announced they thought the boy guilty of murder, but today they were convinced the deed was purely an accident.

Gruelling examination by Robert D. Garver, county attorney, of fifteen witnesses failed absolutely to establish a motive for premeditated murder. The jealousy theory was thrown into the discard. One witness testified that Carrel had gone home once with a girl named Helen Wheaton. Another witness testified she had heard others say Carrel liked Lucile Maze, 1432 North Quincy street, and that Reynolds had borrowed books from the Maze girl.

Holliday Girl Testified.

Louisa Holliday, 829 West Gordon street, was one of the girls in the league room at the time of the shooting. Also she is a cousin of Lucile Maze.

"Arvy might have gone home with her once or twice," said the Holliday girl. "If he had been going with her steady I would have known about it. She is my cousin."

The flashing off of the lights in the league room a second before the fatal shot was fired, and the flashing on of the lights a second later, remains a mystery. Roy Casebier, 1335 North Quincy street, admitted that he stood within reaching distance of the switch. He denied turning out the lights or turning them on. Joe Griffins, 1425 North Quincy street, stood just behind Casebier in the doorway. He, too, denied flashing the lights or seeing anyone do it.

Robert Stone and H. O. Caster, who represented Reynolds, attempted to show the lights might have been switched off from a major switch downstairs. Turning off the major switch would extinguish every light in the church. Will Pollom, a county employe, was downstairs in the church at the time of the shooting. He testified positively that the church lights were not turned out.

Character witnesses testified vehemently to the good nature and gentlemanly conduct of young Reynolds. One mother stated that she often had expressed regret that her boy didn't run around with Arthur Reynolds more than he did.

Mrs. Reynolds on Stand.

Mrs. Reynolds, the lad's mother, took the stand. She testified to the close friendship of the two boys.

"Once I remonstrated with him and asked him why he didn't associate with the other boys," she said. "He told me he liked Arvy best, that the North Topeka boys went with girls and they didn't care about the girls."

Mrs. Reynolds further testified that at their home Sunday they spoke of a hold-up which occurred in Topeka the preceding night, when J. D. Larkin, a visitor, remarked that soon every one would have to go about armed, with people suffering from a coal shortage and the high cost of living. It was for self protection that Reynolds carried the revolver, she testified.

Young Reynolds described the shooting calmly. He answered questions fired at him distinctly.

"The gun was my uncle's," he said. "I just used it twice. Once was New Year's day, when I bought some

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COVERS HALF OF U. S.

Heavy Snow Storm Continues South as Far as Georgia.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Snow was falling today thruout the eastern half of the country north of Georgia and promised to tie up the country's transportation systems as badly as they were before the beginning of the five days' industrial shutdown.

From the New England states southward along the Atlantic coast to Georgia and extending inland to the Mississippi river, the storm rages. Weather bureau officials said it would contiaue tonight.

Considerably warmer weather was reported from the Ohio Valley, the Lake region and the middle and South Atlantic states, but it was growing colder in the gulf states. The southwest reported low temperatures.

KILLED IN ACTION

Death of U. S. Infantryman Reported by Pershing Without Details

Washington, Jan. 22.—General Pershing reported Corporal Walter Roberts, infantry, killed in action January 20. No details of the engagement were given. His mother, Mrs. Kate Roberts, lives at Hartline, Wash.