

Asserts He Saw Brother Slain



Jasper Clouse

Testifying that he saw his brother shot to death by two mine guards who slugged him into unconsciousness and left him lying in the street beside his brother's body, Jasper Clouse, Kentucky miner, told a grim story of death and violence when he appeared before the senate civil liberties committee as witness, above. Clouse asserted that two company guards in a Harlan county mining camp in Kentucky had accosted him in the street on April 24, beaten him over the head and killed his brother because of union organizing activities.

ACTIVITIES OF ADAMS COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Monroe Girls

The Monroe girls' 4-H Club was organized on May 4. Mrs. Helen E. Mann, county 4-H club leader, was present at the meeting and distributed record books and instruction sheets. She explained the requirements of the different projects to the members.

The following officers were elected: Arveda Mazelin, president; Irene Habegger, vice-president; Betty Amstutz, secretary; Helen Ruth Haines, new reporter; Rosalie Haines, song leader; Betty Wolf and Beverly Hakes, yell leader.

Mrs. John Floyd is leader of this club, with Mrs. Paul Gould as her assistant. Seventeen members were present at the meeting.

Sodbusters

The Sodbusters of Monroe township held their organization meeting Tuesday, May 4 and elected their officers for the coming year. Elmer Nussbaum was elected president of the club; Chester Schwartz, vice-president; Robert Mann, secretary-treasurer; Darrel

Wagner, news reporter; Merlin Iminger, song and yell leader. The constitutional committee is composed of Chester LeRoy, Millard, and Gerhart Schwartz. Chester Schwartz is chairman of the program committee and he will appoint the rest of his committee.

The Sodbusters are very enthusiastic about their club work and hope to have a better club this year than last year.

Their song and yell leader, Merlin Iminger, is a new member, but he knows how to get the boys to sing, and the club knows he will be a fine 4-H member in the coming years.

Elmer Nussbaum and Otis Sprunger put on their poultry demonstration which they will give at Purdue at the Round-Up in June. They pointed out the characteristics of good and poor layers.

The club will meet at the Monroe high school at 7:30 the last Tuesday of each month.

Busy Fingers

The Busy Fingers 4-H club of St. Marys Township met at the Bobo School on May 5. The following officers were elected: Mildred Shifferly, president; Patty Chronister, vice-president; Margaret Shell, treasurer; Frances Ray,

press reporter; Patty Chronister, pianist; song and yell leader, Dora Mae McCullough; assistant song and yell leader, Joanne Chronister; game committee, Bernice Shell, Thelma Myers, Betty Tumbleton, Veda Stevens; program committee, Frances Ray, Mildred Shifferly, Patty Chronister.

The next meeting will be at the home of Frances Ray on May 19.

South Monroe

The 4-H club girls of South Monroe township met at District No. 8 school on May 5. A name for the club will be selected at the next meeting.

Mrs. Helen E. Mann was present and discussed the work with the girls. There were sixteen girls present, and the membership is not yet complete. The following officers were elected: president, Dorothy McClain; Estella Steury, vice-president; Ruth Nussbaum, secretary-treasurer; Virginia Schwartz, song and yell leader; and Louneta VonGuten, news reporter.

It was decided to hold the meetings at the homes of the members. The next meeting will be held May 12 at the home of the leader, Miss Hulda Steury.

Red Peppers

The Union Red Peppers 4-H club held their second meeting the evening of May 4 at the Lucky school. Lawrence Thieme, the president of the club, presided over the business meeting. A talk was given by County Agent Archbold on the soil conservation project. The fathers of the members were present at this meeting and were called on to voice their opinions of the project. After the meeting delicious refreshments were served by Harry Bleeke, Frederick Schamerloh, and Lewis Koldeway.

The following people were present: Arthur Thieme, Erwin Thieme, Kenneth Biez, Gilbert Biez, Marvin and Edward Sprunger, Ralph and Donald Grote, Harold and Frederick Schamerloh, Arnold Roughia, Lorenz Thieme, Hubert and Robert Goetz, Leonard Roughia, Robert Railing, Lewis Koldeway, Harry and Roy Bleeke, Warren and Fred Harden, Louis Bleeke, Paul Harden, County Agent Archbold, Erwin Biez, Fred Bleeke, William Goetz, Louis Koldeway, Alva Railing, Glen Roughia, Adolph Schamerloh, Edwin Schamerloh, Martin Sprunger, and Hugo Thieme.

The officers of this club are: Lorenz Thieme, president; Frederick Schamerloh, vice-president; Warren Harden, Secretary; and Robert Railing, treasurer.

Test Your Knowledge

Can you answer seven of these ten questions? Turn to page Four for the answers.

1. To which King of England was Catharine of Valois married?
2. What is copra?
3. In which country is the city of Nice?
4. Who was James Cowles Price?
5. Name the capital of Nevada.
6. Who composed the opera "Carmen"?
7. In which state is the Tombigbee river?
8. What does the name Elmiramean?
9. Where is the catalpa tree native?
10. What is the active principle in tobacco?

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"Rich Cargoes" by Henry C. Rowland

CHAPTER XXVI

"It's midnight," Hester said, "and no sign of the Rajah's barge. She was due back here before dark. It would have been a lot better if you had done as I advised and asked Mr. Crewe to send us to Nassau in the first place."

"I surely would," Sandy agreed. "I don't know what this is all about, but I agree with you completely, Mrs. Vinckers."

Isobel gave her low laugh. "This is good, Sandy. The crossword puzzle is working out. It's quite up to the standard of futility of this poor groping quartet of incompetents. They're quite wonderful. Flashes of false inspiration, gleams of animal cunning, dashes of wit and a marked talent for acting, all following in a sort of hopeless bog of indecision . . . like a fever dream."

Sandy looked at her helplessly. "Explain it, please. My poor brain is fogged too . . . like a camera film improperly sealed for the tropics. What, in the name of mud, is it all about? Why does Vinckers try to hold me up, Jarvis frisk me for the gun I haven't got, then Hester and Flavia come down and ask will I kindly have them ferried over to Nassau? It's all getting me barmy."

"It's like this, old dear," Isobel said. "Our cruiser was expected back this evening, as Hester says. They had planned to leave by her immediately. But Vinckers thought that you and I were apt to interfere. So Vinckers had the bright idea to disarm you first, and then if you made any objections to their leaving, to lock us both up somewhere, in the storehouse probably. But now as it's getting late and no sign of the boat, Hester decided to carry out what she advised and ask you to send them across."

Sandy let out his breath. "Oh, so that's it. Well I'll be hanged. Isobel laughed again, but it was a sort of pitying laugh. "You had all better go to bed, and tomorrow we shall decide what's best to be done. I don't know who and what you really are, but one thing is certain and that is that you are very poor at it."

"As actors," Sandy said, "you're the sugar-cured hams, while as the high-rolling upper-underworld crooks that I was inclined to think you for awhile, you are a dismal flop."

Hester gave a little laugh that was half a sob. "Ma foi . . . but I believe you."

Vinckers said suddenly, "Well, it may be true at that. It's easy enough for you to make the de-bonair gesture, Crewe, with your yacht within hail and after you've framed me with your crowd aboard. All the same, I'm out to finish what I started. I'm stretched to their highest tension. Also in such a nature rage may be of the cumulative sort, so that as it had slowly risen under Isobel's scornful exposition of them, all needed to bring it to the point of some desperate act was Sandy's final withering contempt."

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the dogged stupid desperation of the Teuton whose brain action is turgid with blood, blinded to consequences by a sort of hatred at the bursting point.

Isobel realized their error even quicker than did Sandy. Her swift glance from Hester's to Flavia's face told that these two women who knew Vinckers best were terrified. Even Jarvis had straightened suddenly from his slump. He was rigid, his lean body stiffly erect, like that of a cobra. It was as if all three of them were held tensely, listening for the crack of the rifle, before Sandy had time to obey the order given him by Vinckers.

Isobel rose swiftly and before Vinckers seemed to realize her intention she stepped between him and Sandy, still sitting. "Think twice, Vinckers," she said softly.

Placed as he was, Vinckers could not thrust her aside. Jarvis made no effort to do so. Sandy sprang to his feet.

"Vinckers, you fool . . . what's this going to get you?"

"You," Vinckers said thickly. "Look at Isobel."

But Isobel crowded against the muzzle of the rifle. "He is going to do what you say. Steady, Vinck. Don't lose your head."

"Time for you to talk," Vinckers muttered. "Let him start, then."

Hester found her voice. "Oh, what's the hurry?" she said in her slow drawl. "Time enough when the boat is sighted . . . if ever it is. Don't be a fool, Vinck."

The weight of opposition seemed to have its effect. Vinckers, breathing heavily, lowered the rifle and resting it against the edge of the terrace gripped the rounded support. His body seemed to sag down a little, so that his face peered between the columns in a manner curiously suggestive of an ape in a cage.

"You had better see Uncle before you decide on anything," Isobel said. "He's not so very far away. I don't know what your hold on him may be, but it ought to be as much use to you as ever."

Jarvis suddenly came to life. "That's played out," he said, and went on in a crackling voice in a singular contrast to the one he previously affected. "We can't get the Rajah on that fuss he got into out in Siam before the war. He could square himself out there for less than half we're asking, and what's more, I'll bet he has. That's what he went out there for this last trip."

"What did he do?" Isobel asked, softly.

Jarvis laughed cacklingly. "Lor, what didn't he? There and all over the shop. Some life he's had, the ol' Rajah. Until the war his stuff was Asia's chronic complaint. He was like Pandora's box of troubles with the lid off, or maybe more like smoke in the hold with the ship out."

He raised his rifle and covered Sandy. "Isobel, you amble along with him if you value his health."

There was a lurid note in Vinckers' voice that was plainly no affectation. The man's nerves were evidently stretched to their highest tension. Also in such a nature rage may be of the cumulative sort, so that as it had slowly risen under Isobel's scornful exposition of them, all needed to bring it to the point of some desperate act was Sandy's final withering contempt."

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happened. The Big Timers knew there were no double crossings in the Rajahs ledger. Rum, I call it, to see a man like that go punk, like an old pirate ship. "Too bad."

Hester spoke in her soft, accented voice. "It's only that he has a different slant on things. Religion isn't soft . . . whatever kind he's unearthed."

"Maybe he invented it," Jarvis said. "That would be like him, too. What's the odds? It suits him now to be grand and kind . . . just as he used to be grand and terrible . . . the grandest old pirate that ever scuttled a junk with all aboard."

"The war did something to him," Hester said. She and Jarvis seemed suddenly to have burst into talk. Isobel guessed this to be for the distraction of Vinckers who still clung half-standing, half-sagging to the balcony posts, peering through in a curious animal way.

"Right-o," Jarvis agreed. "Before that you'd as soon have thought of tying a tin can on the tail of a royal Bengal tiger as of tying a blackmail on the Rajah."

"And now he's tremendously respectable," Hester said, smiling. "Like Sir Henry Morgan when they made him Governor of Jamaica."

There was a pause. Vinckers seemed to slide still lower, then to recover himself with a sort of lurch, and to straighten up. "The Rajah," he said in his normal voice, "has gone to pot. Punk softened, and nothing left but a shell of bluff. He knows it, and that's why he did his bunk. Nothing to fear there any more."

Isobel blazed out fiercely. "You lie."

Vinckers laughed. "Think so? He cowering in a cave? He can't even hold the blacks. Haven't they all walked out on him?"

He was interrupted by a scream from Flavia. She was staring through the wide opened doors.

"Look . . . Oh, look. That glare . . . listen . . . you hear them? The negroes! They are coming back to slaughter us!"

The long two-storied building that suggested the residence of a hacienda of Moorish architectural features was two-fronted, a main entrance on the side of the lagoon and another facing the gate. The broad white coral dressed driveway swept round to pass this latter of which except in stormy weather the big doors were left wide open day and night.

Through the spacious central hall there now shone a ruddy glare of light. Sandy and Isobel discovered immediately that it came from round the bend of the driveway, its source still hidden by a grove of young citrus trees, oranges and grapefruit and cunequat that were dense but low. Its origin was immediately revealed by the vainglorious of a company of negroes dressed in white, carrying torches of some resinous inflammable.

This head of what seemed a procession advanced in silence. There was an alarming quality about the lurid illumination as it by naked tropical foliage and the smooth columns of the palm trunks with their incendiary tone. Sandy's first thought was that Flavia was right. That the natives under the urge of superstitious dread and their primitive natures inflamed by the pagan form of diabolic worship not so deeply planted under present day religious teachings, had returned in force to destroy the premises.

This had all the aspect of an incendiary band determined to purge the place by fire.

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