

Jury selection in Calvert trial nearly complete

By NICK LAMBERTO

Jury selection in murder trial of Jeffrey Robert Calvert is expected to be completed today in the court of Polk County District Judge A.B. Crouch.

Calvert, 22, of 3213 Forty-eighth Place, is accused of the strangulation slaying of Mary Ann Scovel, 18, of 861 Seventeenth St., last Apr. 14.

Twenty prospective jurors were questioned Monday by attorneys for the state and defense. At least four others will be questioned today before a panel is sworn in.

"Alibi Defense"

Questioning of prospective jurors by Lawrence Scalise, the defense attorney, indicated he will use a so-called "alibi defense."

Scalise asked one prospective juror if she knew what an "alibi defense" is, and that if such a defense is used the burden is on the state to disprove the alibi and not on the defendant to prove otherwise.

Scalise also stressed that the "time of death is a critical ingredient in this case."

Prosecutor for the case is Donald Starr, an assistant Polk County attorney.

Calvert pleaded innocent to the murder charge last May after he was indicted by the Polk County Grand Jury.

Scovel's body was found early Apr. 15 by Terry Lee Lively, who had been living with Scovel since last November.

Calvert and his wife were living in an apartment near Scovel's at the time of the strangulation death.

Locked on Calvert Side

Police have testified at earlier hearings that the only access to Scovel's apartment at the time was through the Calverts' apartment, and that a door between the two apartments was locked on the Calverts' side.

Judge Crouch has upheld a defense argument that two voice tapes cannot be used as evidence by the prosecution.

One tape was a purported recording of Calvert's voice and the other was a recording of an unidentified man's voice reporting the Scoville death last April.

The defense contended the tapes were "irrelevant and prejudicial" and that there is no accepted scientific method of determining if the voice on the second tape is that of the defendant.

The first 15 jurors examined Monday were questioned in groups of three, and the next five were questioned individually. The groups questioning was done, Crouch explained, to facilitate the selection of a panel.

Court convenes again at 9 a.m. today at the Polk County Courthouse.

Correction: 'Madwoman of Chaillet' at UNI

"The Madwoman of Chaillet," will be shown at the University of Northern Iowa theater at Cedar Falls Oct. 13-16, and not at the University of Iowa as reported in Sunday editions of The Register. The play starts at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$3, or \$2 for students.

'Our boars are lovers'—and the ads bring success

By DON MUHM

Register Farm Editor

The Iowa firm which gained national attention with its television commercial showing a pair of lovesick hogs galloping towards each other now is finding national success with its "boar stores."

Tom Dille, president of Farmers Hybrid Companies of Des Moines, said the famed, award-winning television commercial "made the public aware of us."

And now, said Dille, the hog-selling firm has expanded from five to 12 the number of boar stores it had at the beginning of this year. A year from now there will be 15 stores, he said.

The commercial showed a boar and a gilt running across a pasture toward each other to the strains of piano music. They met snout-to-snout in a sort of "hogs-are-beautiful" pose as the announcer said, "Our boars are lovers; our gilts are, too."

Farmers Hybrid, which sells breeding swine, was then based in Hampton. Last summer it moved its headquarters to Des Moines.

Dille's report of the firm's success and expansion came Monday at the agricultural committee meeting of the Greater Des Moines Chamber of Commerce here.

Dille said he feels there is a market for about \$60 million worth of boars in the 10 major pork states in the Midwest, including Iowa, where more than 75 per cent of the nation's pork is produced.

He said Farmers Hybrid's boar stores in Iowa are located at Independence, State Center, Sigourney, Rock Rapids, St. Ansgar, Sac City, Atlantic and Algona. Another is to open next month at Maquoketa.

When the firm expands to 15 sales centers next year, it will triple the number in operation in January, 1970, Dille said. All are located in the nation's "pork basket"—the states of Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana and Missouri.

At the stores, breeding hogs are behind "picture windows," Dille said,



Support for Chavez

Surrounded by two actresses, Valerie Harper, left, and Louise Fletcher, United Farm Workers leader Cesar Chavez arrives at a fund-raising benefit Sunday in Los Angeles for Proposition 13. The proposition would allow union organizers to enter private property to recruit membership and put into law the Agriculture Relations Board.

TOWN MARSHAL IN WINTHROP GOES ON TRIAL

By RANDY EVANS

Register Staff Writer

DAVENPORT, IA. — A former Winthrop town marshal went on trial here Monday for manslaughter in the shooting death last April of a young Winthrop man.

Phillip Adreon, 20, and Buchanan County Deputy Sheriff Dwight Guenther, jr., 27, both were accused in the death of Donald Mayner, 19.

Guenther, who has since resigned as a deputy, was found innocent of a charge of aiding and abetting in manslaughter following a trial in Marshalltown last August.

Mayner died when a bullet crashed through the rear window of his pickup truck, striking him in the back of the head, as he was leaving a rural hilltop south of Winthrop, where the two officers had stopped to investigate parked vehicles.

The prosecution's principal witness, Carol Fangman, Mayner's girlfriend, spent two hours in court here Monday recalling details surrounding the shooting that she witnessed. Fangman, 20, of rural Masonville, said that she did not see Adreon fire at her boyfriend, but she later added that she

was not positive the marshal never fired at him.

Fangman was seated in her car parked behind Mayner's pickup during the shooting.

She also told the jury that she never saw Guenther or Adreon in front of Mayner's pickup. She said Guenther had run up beside the pickup, when Mayner was leaving. Adreon arrived in his squad car about this time, she said, and the first recollection she has of seeing him was when he pointed what she believed was a gun at her.

Under cross examination by Adreon's attorney, D. Quinn Martin of Waterloo, she admitted that Mayner was driving faster than normal when he left. Fangman also told the court that she and Mayner parked along the rural Buchanan County road after having a fight earlier in the evening over another woman Mayner had been with.

Martin told jurors in his opening statement that the defense will present evidence showing that Mayner tried to run down the two officers. Guenther and Adreon tried to "disable" the pickup by firing at it, Martin said, but Mayner was struck by one of the bullets.

"The real key to this case is did they fire at this truck for no reason at all," Martin said.

Prosecutor J.E. Tobey of Muscatine, a member of the Iowa Attorney General's staff, said a ballistics expert will testify that the fatal bullet was fired by Adreon's gun.

The case, which was transferred to Scott County Court on a change of venue from Buchanan County, will continue today.

Suspended sentence for manslaughter

Donald E. Gordon, 25, of 1104 Nineteenth St., received an eight-year suspended sentence Monday after pleading guilty to manslaughter in the shooting death of Eugene Cheatom here last May.

In suspending the sentence, Polk County District Judge Harry Perkins noted that Gordon is young and gainfully employed. Gordon will be on probation for two years.

Two other men were charged in the shooting, which occurred in the 1100 block of University Avenue. Robert C. Bragg, 25, of 1172 Fourteenth St., was convicted of manslaughter, and Michael Ray Williams, 22, of 720 Seventeenth St., pleaded guilty to manslaughter and received an eight-year prison sentence. Bragg has not been sentenced, pending a pre-sentence investigation.

Issues opinion on hiring of sanitarian

By DAVID YEPSEN

Register Staff Writer

The Polk County Board of Supervisors may not interfere with the Board of Health's hiring of sanitarians, an opinion from the Polk County attorney's office said Monday.

John H. King, the assistant who wrote the opinion, was asked last week by the Board of Health whether the supervisors had the authority to deny the appointment of Larry Baker of Danville, Va., as a sanitarian.

"The supervisors had rejected Baker's appointment, saying veterans preference had not been considered and that the Board of Health had advertised outside the state for someone to fill a sanitarian's vacancy."

But the health board denied the charges, contending Baker saw the ad for the job in The Des Moines Register while he was in Des Moines visiting the Iowa State Fair.

And King said veterans preference applies to candidates when all other factors are equal. So, if Baker's qualifications as set by the Board of Health were better than everyone else's, he should get the job even though there were veterans who wanted it.

King said the law makes the Board of Health responsible for hiring and firing and for setting conditions of employment. He said the supervisors must scrutinize all appointments to see if the money for the job exists in the budget and to see whether there is a vacancy.

King's opinion clears the way for the Health Board to resubmit Baker's name to the supervisors at today's meeting.

The Board of Health has threatened to take the supervisors to court over the matter.

Iowa pastures still too dry

Lack of soil moisture continues to hurt Iowa's pastures and is delaying fall seedings and plowing, Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Robert Lounsbury said Monday.

Since April, he noted, less than 60 per cent of the normal expected 20 inches of rain has fallen in Iowa, giving the state its driest summer since 1894.

He predicted the dry, sunny weather will enable farmers to harvest their crops in record time, however.

Her psychology — appear as feminine as possible

CHOPCLICK

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only a year. Last fall, on a whim she entered the state wrestling championship at Brooklyn, Ia. She won, even though she had never wrestled before. What little she knew about the sport at that time she had learned by watching the Wide World of Sports.

Last June 12, she won the national championship at Houston, Tex. Then, on Aug. 28, she again won the Iowa championship.

She has never lost a match; never known the agony of defeat.

Choplick won't reveal how much she weighs — which must mean she weighs more than she looks. She's not flabby; she's not round; she doesn't hulk. Instead, she's a tall, husky, attractive woman.

Like all sports, there is a certain psychology to winning wrestling.

To psyche out an opponent before a match, Choplick tries to appear as feminine as possible. "Hopefully, they will think I'm not much of a challenge," she says.

Easily Beats Foe

Such a tack may work for Choplick, but it didn't work for her California opponent.

Her opponent — decked out in earrings, a necklace, a flowery blouse and her hair done up "real nice" — was easily dispatched by Iowa's own Mildred.

Choplick no longer wrestles many men.

"I beat a couple of guys and they felt very bad about it," she said. One of the men — who was bigger than Choplick — was beaten three times, then sulked off.

She does, however, practice with her husband, Andrew, a husky truck owner-

operator who stands six-foot, three inches tall.

Who wins the family matches? Well, the Choplicks aren't telling. They only admit that their matches are "about a stand-off."

In preparation for the national and world championships, Choplick lifted arm weights and worked out with tension springs, one end of which she fastened to her food freezer.

Wrestling is similar to arm-wrestling, except that wrestling is done standing up, with the elbows resting on a 41-inch-high table.

A total of eight Iowans were among the hundreds of contestants at the contest, including Steve Lusdy, of Davenport, who won the men's feather-weight division.

Iowan on winning orchestra in Germany

Special Dispatch to The Register

BOSTON, MASS. — John Hancock of Hartley, Ia., is a member of the Boston University Concert Orchestra that won a silver medal for its performance in the recent Herbert von Karajan International Meeting of Student Orchestras in Berlin, Germany. The 92-member orchestra competed with student orchestras from nine other countries.

Hum along

The Register's Iowa News Service

LE MARS, IA. — A festival featuring music of Wagner's "The Ring of the Niebelungen," illustrated through slides of watercolors by Westmar College Art Instructor Gary Bowling, will be held nightly through Friday in Kime Science Hall here.

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