

NEBRASKA: Clear to partly cloudy and continued mild Saturday, Saturday night and Sunday. Scattered afternoon thunderstorms west portion Sunday. High temperatures Saturday 72-82.

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SEVEN CENTS

# THE LINCOLN STAR

## —Starkweather Trial—

# Six Shots In Head Killed Jensen Boy

VICTIM'S FATHER... Robert Jensen enters court.

## 3-Front Advance Reported

...U.S. Economy

Washington (INS) — The government reported Friday marked advances on 3 economic fronts—home building, retail sales and employment totals.

Home building and retail sales increased and jobs totals for workers covered by unemployment benefits declined.

The Labor Department reported that the number of unemployed who applied for or received unemployment compensation under the federal state system dropped by 66,900 to 3,265,700 during the week ended April 26. The figures showed a dip for the second straight week.

At the same time, the Federal Housing Administration said applications received for new homes totaled 79,471—the second highest figure in the agency's history—topped only by a record 89,764 in May, 1950.

**2% Pick Up**  
The Commerce Department released figures showing retail sales picked up in April by 2% over March to 16.1 billion dollars. The figure is about the same as a year ago after adjustment for seasonal factors and trading day differences.

The Labor Department said the drop in insured unemployment was the largest for any week since mid-1957 but noted the volume still was double that of a year ago when it totaled 1,458,900.

The department said initial claims, indicating new layoffs among covered workers, declined by 19,800 to 403,300 during the week ended May 3.

The lowest volume of initial claims during any previous week in 1958 was 401,500 for the week ended March 22.

## NU Mock Primary Set For Monday

University of Nebraska students will have opportunity to gain a realistic idea of the voting process when they "go to the polls" Monday in a mock primary.

The special election, the 1st of this nature to be held on the campus since 1952, is sponsored by the University's Young Republican Club.

Student voters will determine their choices for the ballot which Nebraska voters will mark the following day in the state primary election. Polls will be open between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., in Love Library, Social Sciences Building, the Student Union and the Ag Student Union. The outcome will be announced Monday evening.

## Ornithologists' 57th Convention Starts Saturday

The 57th Annual Convention of the Nebraska Ornithologists' Union will be held in Lincoln May 10-11 at Morrill Hall and the Capital Hotel, hosted by the Audubon Naturalists' Club of Lincoln.

Saturday's program, to be at Morrill Hall on the University of Nebraska campus, will feature papers and films dealing with subjects of current interest to ornithologists.

An honorary membership will be presented to L. C. Horsky of Omaha.



Charles Starkweather, grinning, shakes left-to-right with photographer Ray Carnay (left) after an earlier incident in which the redhead struck Carnay's camera. Sheriff Merle Karnopp (center) looks on. (Staff Photo by Web Ray.)

## Starkweather Cuffs Photographer —Apologizes With New Threat

By Nancy Benjamin

Flaming-haired Charles Starkweather lashed out in anger at a news photographer Friday, and later ended a meek apology with "next time I'll kick you in the head."

The incident started as Starkweather left the courtroom at noon recess passing through the hallway where Ray Carnay of Des Moines was kneeling, waiting to take a picture of the defendant.

After the flash of Carnay's camera exploded near Starkweather's face he lashed out with his free hand smashing

the camera into the newspaperman's face, dazing him.

**Father Arranges Apology**  
Carnay, an employee of Radio KIOA at Des Moines, spoke to Charles' father, Guy Starkweather, during noon recess about the incident.

Troubled over his son's show of anger, Starkweather made arrangements for the apology. Guy Starkweather told newsmen that he was sure his son had not meant to cuff the photographer, and had probably been trying to shield his eyes from the glare of the flash bulb.

As the youth was returned to the courtroom for afternoon proceedings, Carnay was stationed along his route, stretched out his hand smiling, and asked "No hard feelings?"

Charles grasped the newspaperman's hand, smiled broadly, but ended the interview muttering, "Next time, I'll kick you in the head."

The elder Starkweather explained that his son is not too happy with the number of newspapermen at the trial, and added that he especially dislikes photographers.

The defendant's father, who appeared at his son's side for the first time during the trial, had little comment on the progress of the state's testimony, but objected to one witness's description of the territory surrounding the alleged murder scene.

"There is no 'grove of trees' like he said," Guy Starkweather pointed out. "And I know that country pretty well." He was referring to the testimony of Everett Broening, dairy farmer, who described the territory which he searched before coming upon the bodies of Carol King and Robert Jensen in the abandoned school storm cellar.

**Wrote Apology**  
Mr. Starkweather also related a whispered conversation he had with his son during Friday's sessions. He said that Charles had asked him if he had ever received

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an answer to a letter of apology written to the mother of the slain Carol King.

The letter, written by Guy Starkweather, was sent to Mrs. King shortly after Charles Starkweather was captured.

Guy Starkweather said he never received an answer to his letter of apology.

## Wheat Forecast Up 6 Million Bushels

By The Associated Press

Nebraska's 1958 winter wheat crop was forecast Friday at 27 bushels per acre or 94,311,000 bushels from an acreage of 3,439,000, a jump of some 6 million bushels from the estimate made a month ago.

This compares with a crop of 78,597,000 bushels in 1957 and a 10-year average (1947-1956) of 76,452,000 bushels.

The acreage figure of 3,439,000 compares with an indicated acreage of 3,347,000 acres last December or an abandonment of about 50,000 acres.

The anticipated 94-million bushel crop would be second only to the crop of 97,696,000 bushels harvested in 1952.

On a national scale, the Agriculture Department forecast this year's wheat crop at 1,009,754,000 bushels.

**Tip National**  
This estimate is 46,118,000 bushels more than last month's forecast of 963,636,000. It compares with 707,210,000 produced last year and 849,604,000 for the 10-year average.

The department estimated the yield of winter wheat will average 24 bushels per harvested acre compared with 22.4 last year and 18.9 for the 10-year average.

Nebraska farmers probably will face a tight storage problem in housing the 1958 winter wheat crop, a state-federal official predicted.

A. V. Nordquist, state-federal crop statistician, said however, the extent of the storage problem could not be determined until other crops have been harvested.

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## Doctor Testifies For Prosecution

VICTIM'S FATHER ON STAND

By Del Harding

A Lincoln pathologist testified Friday afternoon at the Charles Starkweather murder trial that 17-year-old Robert W. Jensen of Bennet was shot 6 times near the right ear, and probably died instantly.

Dr. E. D. Zeman, who was the state's 15th witness in the first day of actual testimony, said Jensen's death was due to "extensive brain damage due to gunshot wounds."

The 19-year-old Starkweather is on trial for first degree murder and murder while in the perpetration of a robbery in the Jensen death, and his court-appointed defense attorneys have said they will not deny that Starkweather shot Jensen with a .22 rifle in a storm cellar about 1 1/4 miles east of Bennet Jan. 27. T. Clement Gaughan and William F. Matschullat have pleaded their client "innocent by reason of insanity."

Dr. Zeman will finish testifying when the trial begins its second week Monday at 9 a.m. in Lancaster District Court before Judge Harry A. Spencer. Dr. Zeman was on the stand about 25 minutes Friday afternoon.

**All In Small Space**  
The pathologist said his examination showed 3 bullets entered Jensen's head behind the right ear, 1 in the ear and 2 in front of the ear, all in a space about 4 inches in diameter. He said there were minor bruises on his hand and thigh which apparently were caused when Jensen fell forward down the cement steps of the storm cellar after being shot.

Co. Atty. Elmer Scheele said he had a few further questions for Dr. Zeman Monday, and then the defense will cross examine him. Scheele said he may wind up his case Wednesday, although he is expected to call rebuttal witnesses after the defense rests.

Broening said he then immediately summoned the authorities, who were investigating the murder of August Meyer who farmed nearby (Starkweather also reportedly has admitted this crime during a January killing spree which claimed 10 lives. Starkweather also reportedly has confessed the murder of a Lincoln service station attendant Dec. 1).

Highlight of the morning session was the testimony of the state's first witness, Robert Jensen of Bennet, father of the slain youth.

The elder Jensen, operator of a general store, told in a low, emotion-filled voice the events of the day of the crime. He described his son as a "kind, considerate boy" who

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**4-HEADED TULIP**  
Billy Scroggins, 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scroggins of 3045 N. 40th gives the nose test to a rare tulip—It has 4 heads on one stem. (The fifth blossom in the picture is a ringer—it poked into the picture on its own separate stem.) The tulip was grown by Oscar Way of 3117 N. 40th. (Star Photo.)

**NU Painters To Decorate City Windows**  
Windows of more than 20 big business houses will be painted Saturday—the day of the annual downtown window painting contest, which is a traditional part of the University of Nebraska All Sports Day.

Painters from 17 women's and 9 men's organizations on NU campus will paint on the lining of the "Husker Sports Cavalcade."

Judging will be at 11 a.m., and trophy presentation is set for half time of the NU varsity-alumni football game.

Lincoln Promotion Council, a sponsoring group, will award 6 trophies for the best windows—3 to the top women's organizations and 3 for the best men's campus groups.

**Smokey's Ice Cream**  
Fudge 'n' Chocolate, special 1/2 gal. 98c, Wendell Baking, 1430 South 7a.m.-10p.m.—Adv.



## FIRST DAY AT COURT

Dapper 43-year-old Guy Starkweather, father of accused killer Charles Starkweather, chats with Star Staff Writer Nancy Benjamin on his impressions after attending his first court session of his son's trial. Dressed in a neat gray suit and a new 10-gallon western hat the defendant's father expressed little comment on the progress of the trial. He spent most of the Friday morning session staring directly at Robert D. Jensen, father of the Bennet teenager for whose murder Charles Starkweather is being tried. (Star Photo.)

## POWELL CASE STALL CHARGED

...Once Called 'Too Hot'

By Jack Lott

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New York (INS) — A former assistant U. S. attorney charged Friday that Attorney General William Rogers ordered the income tax investigation of New York Congressman Adam Clayton Powell dropped in 1957 because it was "too hot to handle."

An angered N. Y. Federal Grand Jury—spurred on by its foreman, a nationally prominent insurance executive—indicted Powell Thursday on tax evasion charges carrying penalties of up to 15 years imprisonment if he is convicted.

The jury acted after former assistant U. S. Attorney Thomas A. Bolan testified before it on his part and the role played by high Justice Department officials, who allegedly stalled the case for 14 months.

Bolan, 33, one-time head of the subversive division of the U. S. Attorney General's office, urged a "no holds barred" congressional investigation into why the Powell case was stopped and why nothing was done for 14 months.

Bolan, who was in charge of the Powell case, said he was informed by his superiors in the U. S. Attorney's Office in New York on March 18, 1957 that "Washington had decided to drop the case."

"There is no doubt in my mind," said Bolan, "that the order emanated from Mr. Rogers (at that time deputy attorney general) who had issued instructions concerning this case from time to time."

Rogers declined comment on the matter, U. S. Attorney Paul Williams said his office is investigating "Bolan's conduct" and promised a fuller statement later.

The sudden reluctance of the Justice Department to push the probe of Powell, who had bolted the Democratic party and endorsed President Eisenhower for re-election in October, 1956, has never been publicly explained.

**CANDIDATES SPEAK**  
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## Unions Ask Withdrawal Deadline

...For Petitions

A resolution asking that the deadline for filing of signed legal initiative or referendum petitions shall be the deadline for self-withdrawal of valid signatures by qualified electors" was approved Friday night by the Lincoln Central Labor Union.

The resolution will be presented to the City Council Monday.

Also approved by Local 612 IAM Machinists, Local 799 of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen and the Federation of Burlington Railroad Shop Crafts, the resolution calls for amendment of the city charter and/or state constitution.

It further states that "we believe when an elector chooses to sign a petition, his signature is equivalent to casting a ballot and should be just as sacred as a signature as voting in an election."

The resolution apparently springs in part from recent controversy over wheel tax petitions and the subsequent release of the names of petition signers to a Lincoln public relations firm.

**Today's Chuckle**  
A poll was taken to find out how many people in this city are in favor of the release of the names of petition signers to a Lincoln public relations firm.

The toll was even with the number of traffic deaths on this date last year.