

OMAHA MAN TAKES POISON

Henry Wilson, Aged Sixty, a Native of This City, the Unfortunate.

PREFERS DEATH TO A JAIL SENTENCE

After Losing Fighting a Charge of Horse Stealing He is Convicted and Declares the Courts Unjust.

COSHEN, Ind., Jan. 20.—(Special Telegram)—Henry Wilson, aged 60, of Omaha, while on trial, escaped from the circuit courtroom late this afternoon and went direct to the drug store of C. G. Smith, where he procured and swallowed a large quantity of strychnine before he was captured by Sheriff Gosling. Wilson was recently found guilty of horse stealing by a jury of twelve men. He was brought into court this afternoon and sentenced to 100 days in the county jail. In a former trial the jury returned a verdict finding the defendant guilty of petit larceny and the sentence was fixed at one year in the penitentiary. A motion was made for a new trial on the ground that the verdict was irregular. The court sustained this motion. The prisoner this afternoon entered a plea of guilty and was given a jail sentence. While the sheriff, constable and judge were busy with other matters the prisoner escaped from the courtroom and committed the rash act, which will probably cost him his life.

He was arrested last summer and tried at the last term of court, but the jury disagreed. He was recommitted to jail to await a new trial. During his confinement an erroneous report became circulated to the effect that he was an escaped convict after the Cleveland prison. He has been an exemplary prisoner, and only recently communicated to Sheriff Elliott a touching story of his career. He declared his intention of committing suicide at the earliest opportunity.

South Omaha News.

The sewer bonds for districts 108 and 109 are all made out and ready to sell. A bond buyer in Chicago has made an offer for the securities, which will doubtless be accepted by the city officials. These bonds are considered first-class here, the histories having been prepared under the special direction of City Attorney Lambert, so that there can hardly be any objection made by municipal bond buyers.

What is worrying the city officials is the delay in the matter of the \$70,000 refunding issue authorized last November. This issue was first sold to a representative of a Chicago bond house for a premium of \$200. Before the transaction was closed certain citizens made public assertion that more premium could be secured if the original would hold a public auction. The original agreement was then wiped out and an auction held.

C. R. Hannan of Council Bluffs bid \$2,000 premium and the issue was awarded to him. Mr. Hannan asked for a history of the bonds and since his receipt of the papers a word has been heard from him. He has decided to do nothing to carry out his attorney in the east, but it is reported here that nothing of the sort has been done. Rumor has it that the histories have been placed in pigeon holes by Hannan and that he does not propose to carry out his part of the agreement. When the council meets in regular session on February 4 it is more than likely that Mr. Hannan will be called to account and be given a certain length of time in which to determine whether he will accept the bonds or not.

From a Council Bluffs man who was in South Omaha yesterday it was learned that there was little hope of selling South Omaha bonds until some decided action was taken on the new charter. It is considered that with a new charter the city will be placed in a much better financial condition than it is. The election of a tax commissioner will very likely cause an increase in the valuation, and this is much feared by those interested in the municipal financial problem.

As soon as the charter is printed a request for 100 copies will be made and then there will likely be a public meeting called for the purpose of discussing the various provisions over which there appears to be some controversy.

Increased Mail Service Requested. Postmaster Ritter is anxiously awaiting a reply from the authorities in Washington in relation to the appointment of another clerk at the postoffice here. The packers have requested that the office remain open until 11 o'clock in order that late mail matter may be handled. As it is now the office closes at 9 o'clock and therefore the packers are compelled to send their late mail to Omaha. By the appointment of another clerk the work in the mailing department can be arranged so as to comply with the needs of the packers.

Permanent Postoffice Suggested. While the smallpox scare is dying out, no new cases having been reported for several days, the purchase of postoffice is still being considered by the city officials. One member of the council makes the suggestion that the city purchase twenty acres of ground outside of the city limits and erect thereon a brick building, to be used as a postoffice. It is asserted that it would be an easy matter to secure a man and wife to take charge of the place for the privilege of farming the twenty acres. In this way there would be an emergency hospital provided, which could be used at any time of the year and an occasion required.

It has been learned that the land necessary could be purchased for not more than \$2,000 and a building suitable for the purposes intended erected for as much more. Not more than \$5,000 would be needed to carry out the plans suggested, and in some circles the idea is considered a good one.

Preparing to Grade. It was reported in South Omaha yesterday that the Northwestern railroad had let a contract for the grading of the tract of land recently secured by it in the northern part of the city. It will be remembered that after the land had been secured the city was requested to vacate parts of Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth, West A, West B and West C streets and parts of the alleys in blocks 217, 221, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230 and 231.

Upon the representation of attorneys for the railroad company the request was granted by the council and an ordinance passed under a suspension of the rules. A statement was made to the city fathers that the railroad company would proceed at an early date to expend in the neighborhood of \$100,000 on improvements. The letting of the grading contract is the first step. This work will be commenced as soon as steam shovels can be secured. When the grading is completed a roundhouse and various other buildings will be erected on the property, as well as a large number of storage tracks.

Complaint About Sidewalks. Councilman Johnston is figuring on going after the street commissioner on account of the condition of the wooden sidewalks. About two months ago Johnston offered a motion in the council, and it was adopted, directing the street commissioner to proceed at once in a systematic manner to repair wooden walks all over the city. The idea was to send a couple of men in a wagon loaded with material up one street and down the next repairing any defects. It was hoped that in this way accidents and damage suits could be prevented.

It is understood that Johnston complains that the street commissioner is not doing his duty in this respect, and unless there is a marked improvement in the condition of the walks, the repairing may be placed in the hands of another city official.

Police Hunting Suspects. Chief Mitchell said last evening that he had one or two men in jail who were suspected of being implicated in the Markley robbery. A thorough investigation is being made and it is expected that all suspicious characters will be arrested. In other words there will be a general cleaning up by the police, and persons having no visible means of support will be called to answer to the police judge.

An Inquest Needed. Coroner Swanson has decided that an inquest in the case of Joseph Tibbits is not necessary. An investigation shows that the shooting of the lad was purely accidental. The remains were forwarded to Lincoln yesterday afternoon for interment.

Magie City Gossip. Elroy Tibbits is on the sick list. Mrs. Burton Rice, Twenty-first and J streets, is on the sick list, and it is expected that she will be able to return to her home after a week's convalescence. Sessions at Bellevue college have been postponed after a week's vacation. At an interesting meeting of the Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Degree of Craft and Amoy.

John Francis tried to shoot queen, May 20. John William Bean pointed pistol at queen, July 3. British withdrew from Afghanistan, August 1. British opened British took Boer republic in Natal.

Princess Alice Maud Mary born, April 25. Scinde annexed to British India. Queen and Prince Albert visit King and Queen of France. Prince Alfred born, August 5. Louis Philippe visits queen.

Seals of colonial office given to Mr. Gladstone. England and France made war on dictator of Argentine Republic. Outbreak first Sikh war.

Princess Helena born, May 25. Anglo-American treaty settling northwest boundary of United States. Great famine in Ireland. Corn laws repealed. Sikh defeated. Break of Abyssinian war, ended next year.

Disraeli succeeded Derby as premier. Reform act for Scotland and Ireland. Gladstone succeeded Disraeli. Irish church disestablished, to take effect 1871. Pacific railway and Suez canal completed.

Honor was held at Odd Fellows' hall last evening. City Engineer Deal is indisposed on account of a mild attack of influenza. The revival at the Presbyterian church continues. Dr. Jamison's topic for Thursday night will be "A Question of Spiritual Additions."

The repairs to the Q street viaduct are being pushed during the good weather. It is expected that the bridge will be reopened in about ten days.

The "stocking social" to be given by the Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church on February 3 will be held at the residence of Robert G. Fisher, 128 North Twenty-sixth street, instead of at the home of Mrs. Ames.

Last night at the Presbyterian church the pastor, Rev. Dr. R. L. Wheeler, delivered an address on the "Gospel of the Family of the Lord Jesus." Following the address there was a public reception and baptism of candidates for church membership.

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FIFTEEN-MINUTE SERVICE ON PARK LINE. More Frequent Cars to South Omaha from Ames Avenue When Twenty-Fourth Street Viaduct is Completed.

At the meeting of the Southwest Improvement club last night it was reported that the Omaha Street Railway company had under consideration plans for running track from Twenty-fourth and Vinton streets to Twenty-fourth and Vinton streets and putting on a fifteen-minute service over the park line between Ames avenue and South Omaha as soon as the Twenty-fourth street viaduct is completed.

It was decided to endeavor to commend the work of the club in securing the viaduct by a stone to be set in the northern abutment of the bridge.

The question of the change in the charter provision regarding the paving and repairing of streets was brought up by City Attorney Connell, who addressed the club in behalf of his measure. The matter was passed over until the next meeting, and Mr. Yates, Mr. Poppleton and others will be invited to lay their side of the question before the club. Mr. Connell also being asked to be present at that time.

Attention, Knights of Pythias! All brothers are requested to meet at the undertaking rooms of Burket & Dodder, Twenty-third and Cumine streets, at 6 o'clock p. m., Thursday, January 24, to accompany the remains of Brother M. B. McKenna of Mars No. 130, Knights of Pythias, to the depot. J. D. BEHRENS, Chancellor-Commander.

KOUNTZE CHURCH RECITAL. Miss Sorenson of Chicago, Assisted by Local Talent, Will Give Organ Recital Tomorrow Night.

A free organ recital will be given in Kountze Memorial church this evening by Miss Ingeborg Sorenson of Chicago. Miss Sorenson is highly spoken of by Chicago artists, being a pupil of such eminent teachers as Edmund W. Chaffee, Francis Moore and Angelo Patriello. She will be assisted by Miss May Weaver, soprano soloist, and Mr. Delmore Cheney, director of Kountze Memorial church choir.

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WINE OF CARDUI. Think of her suffering the agonies of female complaints for seventeen years and the suffering all unnecessary. Mrs. Germany could have been cured years ago just as well as now had she only taken Wine of Cardui. She need not have had those "arrowing pains and grinding aches." Her experience should induce every sufferer who reads this paper to give Wine of Cardui a trial. Instead of wasting time and money with doctors when no benefit is being received from them, get a bottle of this great medicine from your druggist. Wine of Cardui will annihilate those monthly pains