

TRAIN IS HELD UP

ROBBERS STEAL \$7,000 FROM CANADIAN PACIFIC.

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A special from Winnipeg, Manitoba, says: At 9:30 o'clock Saturday night the Canadian Pacific westbound transcontinental express was held up by four masked men.

The holdup occurred four and a half miles west of Mission Junction, in a wooded district. Three of the men crawled over the tender of the locomotive, and at the point of revolvers ordered Engineer Scott to stop the train. They left one man to guard the engineer, the others taking the fireman with them. They compelled the fireman to unclose the mail and express car, the fourth standing guard over the train and Conductor Warren, who attempted to go forward. The robbers then had the engine and express car run several miles west.

Message Herbert Smith at first refused to open the car door, but on being informed that the car would be blown up with dynamite, of which they had a quantity, he complied, was disarmed and forced to open the safe. They secured \$4,000 or \$5,000 in gold dust and about \$1,000 in currency.

The mail clerks were similarly compelled to open the mail car, which was rifled of the contents of registered mail sacks. The engine, mail and express cars were then run to a point east of Warfield, where the robbers took to the woods. None of the passengers were molested.

This is the first instance of train robbery reported on the Canadian Pacific in the last twenty years.

Later developments in the robbery of \$7,000 from a Canadian Pacific train on Saturday night show that the robbers fled for the United States and probably are now safely across the border.

The robbery was planned to the minutest detail. After having robbed the express and mail cars the robbers forced Fireman Freeman to unclose the engine, and with it they started for a point which they named two miles down the track toward Vancouver.

When they approached the place the leader ordered a stop. The robbers clamored off, the leader backing away, covering the engineer with his revolver. They crossed Frazer River and started for the international boundary by the Mt. Lehman road, a distance of eleven miles. They may have had horses, and could have reached American territory by daylight.

They left nothing behind to give the slightest indications of their identity.

IMMENSE FORESTS ON FIRE

Flames Sweeping Great Tracts in California.

A San Francisco dispatch states that forest fires are raging in many of the principal timber sections in the northern districts of California and in the immediate vicinity of the city.

In the Santa Cruz Mountains the situation is serious to the extreme. It is believed the state park in the big basin, which contains some of the finest redwood timber in the state, is doomed.

Down the mountains to the coast line the flames are sweeping everything before them, ranches, and property of all kinds.

From Tehama, Butte, and other points up north, come reports of loss by flames, which have swept the mountains.

So far no loss of human life has been reported.

SAD END OF PLEASURE TRIP

Eight Persons Drowned in the Delaware River, Near Bristol.

The Delaware steamer Columbia, on its way from Philadelphia to Bristol, Pa., Sunday night, crashed into a steam launch ten miles north of Philadelphia, grinding it to pieces and causing the drowning of eight of the dozen occupants of the small boat. All of the party were Philadelphians.

When a point was reached near Andalusia the Columbia suddenly loomed up in the darkness. The pilot jammed his wheel to starboard, but just a moment too late. The big steamer struck the launch squarely in the middle and cut it in half, throwing all of the occupants into the water.

Champion Homing Pigeon.

A homing pigeon owned by E. C. Kieckers, of St. Louis, won the young bird championship of North America from a field of 200. The flight was 48.22 miles, and the time of the winning bird was 1:29:55.

Sioux City Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Best heavy feeders, \$3.50@3.70. Hogs, \$5.25@5.47 1/2.

Mystic Tie Between Cities.

Wireless communication was Saturday established between Chicago and St. Louis. In the test only three-horse power masts were employed, while it is expected shortly to install twenty-horse power apparatus.

Dies of Football Injuries.

Blain Hoffman, aged 19 years, received such serious internal injuries in a game of football at Lykens, near Harrisburg, Pa., Saturday when the opposing players piled upon him, that death resulted.

SAFELY AT MUKDEN.

Russian Army Made Retreat in Good Order.

It is established that the Russian army is safely at Mukden and that the retreat was accomplished in good order, in spite of the harassing Japanese, sodden roads and the fact that Gen. Kuropatkin was hampered by more than 12,000 wounded.

There is nothing yet to indicate the exact whereabouts of the three Japanese armies. When last heard from Kuropatkin's forces were on the Russian left flank and steadily pushing northward, but Viceroy Alexieff reports that railroad and telegraph communication between Mukden and Harbin is uninterrupted.

Gen. Sakharoff reports that there was no fighting during Thursday, and while the outposts are still in contact they are not exchanging shots.

A detailed list of Russian losses is promised, and it is said that these losses will approximate 20,000 as against 30,000 for the Japanese.

It is officially reported that Kuropatkin has not been wounded.

It seems to be definitely established that Field Marshal Oyama's tired troops abandoned Wednesday the attempt to head off Gen. Kuropatkin, whose army has arrived safely at Mukden after frightful experiences in floundering through mud and mire over the Manchurian roads.

Some descriptions of the scenes along the line of retreat are almost incredible.

A BAD WRECK.

Train Goes Through a Trestle in South Carolina.

A local passenger train on the Seaboard Air Line crashed through a trestle at Catawba Junction, S. C., early Thursday. Four women passengers and three train men were killed, and thirty-five persons injured.

The train consisted of an engine, five coaches and a sleeper. A freight train which followed the passenger train plunged in on top of the wrecked train.

The train had crossed a bridge over Catawba River and was on the trestle, when the trestle fell in. The train, with the exception of the Pullman car, fell twenty-five feet to the ground. A light freight, following close behind the passenger train, struck the Pullman, and all fell over on to the wreck, the engine of the freight and box cars piling up on the Pullman.

All the injured, sixteen of whom were negro laborers, were from the southern states. It will take about two days to clear the track and repair the trestle.

INNOCENT MAN IMPRISONED

A Strange Case of Mistaken Identity in England.

Home Secretary Aekers-Douglas, at London, Eng., has appointed a commission to inquire into the circumstances of the convictions of Adolph Beck, who was convicted in 1896, served out a sentence of seven years, and who was again arrested and convicted, but was granted a "free pardon" when it developed that it had been conclusively proven that both his convictions were founded on cases of mistaken identity. The government has offered Beck as compensation the sum of \$10,000, which he refused, on the ground that it was not sufficient.

In both instances Beck was charged with obtaining money and jewelry from women under false pretenses.

SPECIAL GRAND JURY CALLED

Alabama Judge Orders Investigation of a Lynching.

At Huntsville, Ala., Judge Speake ordered a special grand jury to convene at once to investigate the lynching of the negro Maples Wednesday night.

There is no truth in the report that several militiamen were shot during the exciting events which culminated in the lynching of the negro, Capt. Hay, in charge of the militia, denies that his men gave way before the mob. He says the negro sprang out of the window and ran right into the hands of the mob. There was then no use in guarding the jail further.

Apple Crop Very Large.

Reports of the apple crop received at New York by large dealers indicate that the American yield will be about 30 per cent. larger than last year and 14 per cent. above the average for the last ten years. New York state is among the largest apple producers in the east. It is estimated that its crop will be 17 per cent. larger than that of last year.

Russians Force Chinese to Work.

Chinese reports at Shanghai are to the effect that thousands of Chinese are being forced to construct cartworks at Tieling, where Gen. Kuropatkin will make his next stand.

A Sensational Report.

Advices from Las Palmas, Canary Islands, state: Fishermen report three Russian cruisers coaling from the German steamer Valesia at Cape Juby, off the coast of Morocco.

Boer Hero on Divorce Suit.

Gen. Ben J. Viljoen, the Boer war veteran, who was sued by Mrs. Viljoen for divorce, denies the charge of failure to support. He says he and his wife separated because of dissimilar tastes.

Equalizing Cattle Rates.

Traffic officials of the western roads were in session at Chicago Thursday arranging to place Omaha on a parity with Kansas City in regard to through cattle rates.

Body of Salesman Recovered.

The body of Max W. Hurlig, a traveling salesman from New York, who, with four other men, was drowned during a storm on Lake Erie Saturday night, was recovered near Edgewater Park, Cleveland, O.

Von Plehve's Successor.

The appointment of Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky as minister of the interior in succession to the late M. Plehve, was gazetted in the official messenger at St. Petersburg Friday morning.

STRIKE CALLED OFF.

Butcher Workmen Ready to Go Back to Work.

The strike of the Butcher Workmen's unions, which has demoralized the meat packing industry throughout the country for the last two months, was officially declared off Thursday night by President Michael J. Donnelly, of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of America, at Chicago.

Thursday morning Mr. Donnelly telegraphed the members of the national executive committee asking their consent to the announcement of the end of the strike, and having received favorable answers from all he declared that the strike of the members of his organization would end at midnight.

The strike of the members of the affiliate unions at the stock yards who quit work in sympathy with the butchers will officially be declared off at a meeting of the conference board of the allied trades. This was decided upon at a meeting of the central body of the allied trades, held Thursday night. The general body was at first in favor of continuing the strike, but Mr. Donnelly, who was present, announced that the men were defeated, and that in order to save his union from being entirely disrupted he would order his men to return to work in the morning, no matter what course might be taken by other unions.

As the other unions had no grievances, but had gone on strike to aid the butchers, there was nothing left for them but to follow the lead of Mr. Donnelly, and they, too, decided to call off the strike as far as they were concerned.

When the packers were notified that it had been decided to end the strike they announced that they would give places as far as possible to the skilled men, but it was stated at the same time that many of these men would be unable to secure their old places, as in many cases the work was being performed in a satisfactory manner by men who had been secured since the commencement of the strike.

It is expected that the majority of unskilled men will be unable to secure their old places again. It was a question of wage scale for this class of men that brought about the strike, the packers refusing to sign an agreement with any class other than skilled workmen.

A DOUBLE WRECK.

"Flyer" Hits the Derailed Cars of a Freight Train.

Two persons were killed and nineteen injured, four of them seriously, in a collision between a Rock Island passenger train and cars of a freight train which had been derailed near Tiskilwa Ill., Wednesday night.

The freight was running on the east-bound track, when the air hose burst, and in an unexplained manner caused a number of cars to pile up on several of the box cars covering the westbound track upon which the passenger was running.

The fast train struck the wrecked freight cars and the locomotive, baggage car, smoker and chair car were derailed and seriously damaged. One of the sleeping cars left the rails, but was only slightly damaged.

A relief train was immediately made up and all passengers were taken care of as soon as possible.

GIRL'S ASSAULT ARRESTED.

Confesses to Sheriff Bauman and is Now in Penitentiary.

A Fremont special says: Howard Bailey was arrested at East End Wednesday evening on suspicion of being the man who assaulted Pearl Olson, Thursday morning he confessed to Sheriff Bauman and during the noon hour was hurriedly taken to the county judge's office through the back door of the jail and the court house, waived preliminary examination and was bound over to the district court and was taken in the afternoon to Lincoln for safe keeping.

It was not till after 3 o'clock that the knowledge of his arrest leaked out and at that time he was outside of the county.

Horse Gets Busy With Heels.

Ralph Bennett, son of Dr. Bennett, of Kearney, was kicked by a horse and three of his ribs were broken. A few moments later Kenneth Leitch was kicked by the same horse and had quite a gash over his left eye. Young Bennett was driving the animal when it became fractious, something getting wrong with the harness.

Pleaded Not Guilty.

William Birmingham, who is under arrest at Nebraska City charged with robbing the school house in district No. 58, was taken before Judge Timblin, where he was given a hearing. He pleaded not guilty and was bound over to the district court. His bond was fixed at \$500, which he could not furnish and went to jail.

Accident in Basket Ball Game.

At Pawnee City Thursday evening the College Girls' Club gave an exhibition basket ball game in the opera house. During the game Miss Helen Lipp, in a scramble for the ball, fell, fracturing one of the bones in her leg. While practicing in the opera house Wednesday Miss Elva Sly, one of the university's first team players, fell and broke her arm.

Would-Be Suicide Fights Rescuers.

A German farm hand named Beachly Burthouser, employed by Gus Thimgan, near South Bend, attempted to drown himself in Salt Creek. He was discovered by members of the steel gang who were working nearby. They went to his rescue, but the demented man fought like a tiger, and it took the strength of four men to subdue and handcuff him.

Drops Dead at Telephone.

John P. Anderson, for the past eight years a groceryman of Beatrice, dropped dead in his store at 5 o'clock Monday evening. He had stepped back to the rear of the room to use the telephone, when he suddenly dropped to the floor and expired.

Bold Theft of a Horse.

A valuable horse, belonging to Dr. P. H. Selter, was stolen boldly from a picnic grove at Norfolk. Hounds are tracing it.

Young Has a Bad Name.

Jim Young, the negro driver who shot two men at the state fair grounds at Lincoln last week, is well known in Fremont, which has been his headquarters more or less for the past ten years, etc has a bad reputation.

Liquor License Refused.

The county board of commissioners refused to issue a liquor license at Thurston. Strong & Co., of Bancroft, win. Vogt, of Pender, and Rasmuss Jensen, a farmer near Thurston, were the applicants.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Body Has Been Identified—Floater Near Dakota City that of Ed Wasem—Probably Murdered at Yankton—Last Seen Alive July 28

A Dakota City special says: J. C. Wasem, real estate dealer at Woonsocket, S. D., and Wm. H. Wasem, banker at Harrisburg, S. D., brothers, in company with Coroner B. F. Sawyer and Dr. B. J. Leahy, of Jackson, exhumed the body of the floater which was found in the Missouri River about a quarter of a mile south of Dakota City on Aug. 13, and was buried in the cemetery in Dakota City, and the two Wasems identified the body as being that of their brother, Ed Wasem, of Yankton, S. D. The body was naked when found, but was identified by the two men by a scar on the hand made a number of years ago by a buzz saw, one short index finger, the teeth and the general appearance throughout.

Dr. Leahy made a postmortem examination and found that the man had suffered a fracture of the skull below the right ear, and believes he met death by being slugged. The body was reinterred in the cemetery in a private plot.

The finding and identifying of the body will in all probability lead to some arrests, as the two men are determined to know who it was killed their brother and put his body in the Missouri River with the hopes that their crime would forever remain a secret.

Ed Wasem was employed in the brick yard at Yankton, and in company with the foreman of the yards went into Yankton on the evening of July 28 last, which was the last day of registration on the Rosebud agency lands, to see the crowds and the excitement incident to the closing of the registration. The two men went into a saloon about 10 o'clock in the evening. Wasem was leaning on the bar watching the people, when he was hit a blow from behind which felled him to the floor, whether dead or unconscious no one seems to know. The two bartenders at work in the building dragged him into the back room and left him, and that is the last trace that could be found of him until his body washed ashore in the Missouri River at Dakota City about ten days later.

The man with Wasem at the saloon was afraid of his life and left his friend at the mercy of the crafters, and he not appearing for work the next day, reported the occurrence to his brother, J. C. Wasem, of Woonsocket, S. D., who at once started an investigation, visiting Yankton and conferring with the chief of police at that place. The two bartenders claimed to Wasem that some time after they had pulled the body in the back room they went out to see it and the body was gone.

Funeral of Mrs. G. W. Albee

The funeral of Mrs. G. W. Albee was largely attended at Wayne, being held under the auspices of the Royal Neighbors.

The death of Mrs. Albee was a tragic one. On Sunday, being in intense pain from an ailment, she took a quantity of carbolic acid by mistake for her usual medicine. Her suffering was terrible, but death relieved her within two hours.

Canning Factory is Busy.

The Grand Island canning factory is working every possible man it can place and sweet corn is proving an excellent crop, 175 tons being canned daily. The late sweet corn is not yet harvested and is expected to be even a heavier yield. If this proves to be the case it is possible that a night force will be put on at the factory.

Injured by Explosion

Mary Slovoda, a domestic in the home of P. J. Murphy, of Crab Orchard, kindled a fire with gasoline and is now lying in a critical condition from burns upon her face, hands and chest, caused by the explosion. She was saved from being burned to death only by the action of Mrs. Murphy in smothering the flames.

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Waterworks for Osceola.

At a special election in Osceola for the bonding of the town for a system of water works to cost \$25,000, was voted upon. The result was a majority in favor of the bonds of over four to one.

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A HUMAN TORCH.

Nebraska Woman Attempts to Cremate Herself.

As the result of a quarrel with her husband, Mrs. Henry Toler, of Butte, poured kerosene over her clothing and set fire to it. Her husband tried to extinguish the flames and received burns which resulted in his death in a few hours. Mrs. Toler's condition is critical, and the doctors say she cannot recover.

Before dying Mr. Toler refused to say how himself or his wife were burned, but after his death his wife said that they were quarreling, and she threw a tomato can at him. It enraged Toler, and he said he would kill her. She then went into another room, saturated her clothing with coal oil and then struck a match and set fire to it. She then ran into the room where her husband was, with her clothing a mass of flames. He immediately tore all her clothing from her, and in so doing was fatally burned himself.

In order to put out the fire on himself Toler jumped into a 20-foot cistern. He was rescued by neighbors who had been alarmed.

Toler was insanely jealous of his wife, and they had frequent and fierce quarrels.

NURSE CAUGHT UNDER TRAIN

Alice Maline, of Cozad, Loses Both Legs Below the Knees.

Miss Alice Maline, a professional nurse, whose home is twelve miles north of Cozad, and who has been nursing two typhoid fever patients in Lexington, concluded she would go home for a short rest. Train No. 5, which stops at Cozad, is due at Lexington at 12:15 o'clock a. m. When Miss Maline arrived at the depot yards a freight train was on the side track between her and the depot. Train No. 3, which does not stop at Cozad, was at the depot. Mistaking this for her train, Miss Maline crawled under the freight train. Just as she did so the train pulled up to open the crossing. Miss Maline was caught under the wheels and terribly mangled, requiring the amputation of both limbs below the knees. She was removed to a hospital in Omaha. Very little hopes are entertained of her recovery.

CHILD BRUTALLY ASSAULTED

Left Bound and Gagged in a Field, Where She is Found.

Anna Olesen, 10 years old, and small for her age, was the victim of a brutal assault at Fremont about 7 o'clock Monday evening. Her assailant is a man who has been around town for a week, and is supposed to have left for Omaha on a late train in the evening. His name is not known.

The child was found about 8 o'clock in a corn field, where she had been left by the brute, gagged and bound hand and foot. She had succeeded in working her mouth free and was crying for her mother, a washerwoman, who lives about three blocks distant from the scene of the outrage. Her condition is serious.

Plenty of Entertainment is Provided for the Crowds.

Thursday was the second day of the third annual carnival for Neligh. The town was beautifully decorated. A varied program was arranged for each day.

On Friday there was a free for all trot for a purse of \$200 and another for \$100, and a ball game between Elgin and Clearwater. The ball game was for a purse of \$50. There was a balloon ascension every day at Riverside Park.

The illumination of the streets during the affair exceeded anything ever seen in that part of the country.

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Where is the venue of the crime of wife abandonment? If a man goes visiting with his wife and while away from his residence abandons the woman, is he to be prosecuted at the place where the couple sojourned, or in the county of their residence? These are the questions which Edward M. Cutlbertson, now under sentence of six months in the Douglas County jail, wants to have answered by the supreme court in the hope that it will hold that the abandonment is a crime at the place visited. At the date fixed in the information as the time of the abandonment, Cutlbertson, who had been employed by a railway contractor, was at Chadron, where he was visited by his wife, and on that day the couple quarreled and he left her, going to Missouri. The question now is, where did he abandon the wife? Was it at Chadron or was it at Omaha, where the couple had resided before he went to Chadron?

His interference on behalf of the Winnebago Indians, whom he says are being robbed by unscrupulous speculators, has got Rev. Father Joseph Schell, of Homestead, into justice court as defendant. Complainers are Charles, Thomas and George Ashford, bankers and general merchants at Homestead. The case is in the nature of a test. Father Schell recently called the Indians together in council and secured their indorsement of a plan whereby an auditing committee should handle the Indians' money, paying it out only to those to whom it was really owing. Father Schell was at once made the agent of the Indians to do this. He refuses to pay bills until they are itemized, and only then when the charges are reasonable. In the case now in court the Ashfords claim that George Rice Hill owes them \$199 and that Father Schell is preventing its collection.

The good work of the Nebraska Prison Association has attracted the attention of the national committee located at Trenton, N. J. Dr. Martin, of the Lincoln association, received a letter from A. M. Fish, chairman of the committee on discharged prisoners, of the national committee, asking for a copy of his report on this matter to be incorporated in the national report. Dr. Martin is well pleased with the progress of the Nebraska association in its work with the growing membership, which at this time is almost 500. The committee is constantly after new members, for upon the membership is dependent the finances of the association, each member paying a fee of \$1. The association will meet in Lincoln a week from Tuesday.

At the close of business last Thursday night the permanent school fund contained \$69,312.85, with investments in sight to take every cent of it and more too. The report of Treasurer Mortensen, filed with the state auditor, shows there has been paid out of this fund during the month \$114,628.96, and received into it \$78,723.87. For the quarter there was received into this fund \$329,570.18, and paid out \$65,492.69. There was received into the general fund during the month \$47,222.85, and paid out \$58,134.82. In all funds, on August 1, there was \$576,816.59. During the month there was received into all funds \$165,882.72, and paid out \$209,416.46, of which there is in cash on hand \$5,658.25 and on deposit \$331,778.20.

J. C. Stevens