

WOMAN DIES IN CHAIR

Mrs. Mary Farmer Gives Life for Murder of Neighbor.

New York Slayer Leaves Sworn Statement Saying That Her Husband, Who Also Faces Doom for Same Crime, Is Entirely Innocent.

Murmuring a prayer, Mrs. Mary Farmer was quietly led to the electric chair in Auburn prison and executed for the murder of Mrs. Sarah Brennan of Brownville last April.

The execution of Mrs. Farmer—the second infliction of the death penalty on a woman by electrocution in this state—was effected without sensational incident. Five women, two of whom were prison attendants, were witnesses. Father Hickey, spiritual advisor of the condemned woman, following the execution gave out a statement signed by Mrs. Farmer, in which she declared that her husband, James Farmer, who is also under sentence of death for the same crime, was entirely innocent and knew nothing of the crime until after it had been committed.

Dr. John Gerin, the prison physician, said that the woman was dead after the first shock, but as there was still a tremor of muscular reaction, two succeeding contacts were given.

ROOSEVELT REACHES AZORES

Ex-President Taken Ashore by Governor for Drive at Horta.

The steamer Hamburg, with Theodore Roosevelt and the members of his party on board, put in at Horta, Azores, to leave the mails. The stay in port was short.

A. De Freitas, the governor of Horta, came out to the Hamburg and welcomed Mr. Roosevelt, after which the members of the Roosevelt party were taken ashore by the governor and driven through the town. There was no official reception.

All the members of the Roosevelt party are well.

Giuseppe Tosti, a steamer passenger on the Hamburg, is said to have threatened ex-President Roosevelt. The incident happened soon after the Hamburg was losing sight of America. Then Tosti broke from his companions in the steerage and started for the upper deck, where Mr. Roosevelt was standing with his son, Kermit.

"He has let them take away my child," Tosti is said to have shouted in English. "Now he shall pay for it."

Sailors seized Tosti, quickly mastered him, carried him below and, by the captain's orders, put him in irons. The incident, it is stated, is known only to Mr. Roosevelt and a few of his fellow passengers.

Tosti, after his imprisonment, refused for four days to eat, crying: "Roosevelt is trying to poison me."

The ship's doctor now must taste all food offered to Tosti before he will eat it.

BOYLE WAIVES HEARING

Alleged Kidnapers Have Day of Rest in Mercer Jail.

After a week of intense excitement, James H. Boyle and Mrs. Boyle, or McDermott, or Thurston, suspected kidnapers of Willie Whitla, have had one real day of rest in the Mercer (Pa.) jail. While the woman spent the time quietly reading, the man indulged himself in smoking.

It required but a few minutes for the preliminary hearing of James H. Boyle, charged with the abduction of Willie Whitla. Boyle said he did not want a hearing at all.

Boyle was fixed at \$25,000, which, it is said, Boyle has no chance of securing and the prisoner will be returned to the jail at Mercer on the first train.

Mr. McDermott, the retired fireman of Chicago, did not come to Mercer to see the woman he alleges answers the description of his missing daughter, Anna.

It is the opinion here that there are three more accomplices to be arrested.

REAR ADMIRAL CONVERSE DEAD

Succumbs to Uraemic Poisoning at Washington.

Rear Admiral George A. Converse died at his home in Washington of uraemic poisoning.

Although placed on the retired list several years ago, he was in active service at the time of his death, being president of the board of construction of the navy. He was confined to his home only a few days before his death, the immediate cause of which, uraemic poisoning, set in only a day ago.

It was under him as chief of the bureau of navigation that the battleship fleet of sixteen vessels which recently circled the globe was assembled. Previous to this he was head of the bureau of ordnance.

Archdeacon's Daughter Bride of Jap.

With Rev. H. H. Gowan as the officiating clergyman, assisted by Rev. A. Patterson, Gunjiro Aoki, a Japanese, and Miss Helen Gladys Emery, the daughter of Archdeacon John Emery of the Episcopal diocese of California, were married at Trinity church, Seattle. Archdeacon Emery, his wife and J. Sunadai were the only witnesses to the ceremony.

OPIUM BAR GOES UP THIS WEEK

All Forms of Drug Denied Admission Except for Medicinal Purposes.

After April 1 neither opium nor any compound containing or representing opium in any form can legally be brought into the United States or any of its outlying possessions except for strictly medicinal purposes.

Carrying into effect a law passed at the last session of congress embodying this restriction the secretary of the treasury issued regulations in which it indicated the term "opium" shall cover all of its forms. The term "for medicinal purposes only," used in the law, is declared to mean for the treatment or prevention of diseases of man or other animal. Smoking opium will be seized and destroyed as illegal importation.

Three Killed in Manitoba Wreck.

Three men were killed in a wreck west of Brandon, Man. The limited train of the Canadian Pacific, westbound, when four miles out of Brandon, took the wrong track at a point near Kemnay, on which was a freight, eastbound. The engineer, fireman and brakeman of the passenger train were killed.

Alliance Law and Order League

ITS PURPOSE:

To Secure Enforcement of Law. Maintenance of Order. Election of Honest Officials. Publicity of Municipal Matters. Economy of Administration. Promotion of Decency. Suppression of the Liquor Traffic. A Greater and Cleaner City. Morally and Materially.

This space paid for at regular rates and publisher assumes no responsibility for any statements made herein.

Aurora, Nebr., March 22, 1909.

Mr. Ira E. Tash, Postmaster, Alliance, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

In your letter of recent date you say that the temperance people of your town are making a hard effort to keep Alliance "dry." I did not know that the saloons had been voted out and the news was gratifying. I very much hope for the prosperity of your city and the welfare of its people that you will be successful in your

efforts to keep Alliance a "dry" town.

As you no doubt know Aurora has been dry for many years and notwithstanding the croakings of the pessimists and the arguments of the saloon supporters we are prosperous here and under no circumstances would a saloon be voted into Aurora during the present generation of its citizenship. For a time after we abolished the saloon, we had trouble with bootleggers and holes-in-the-wall, but that is over. There is no drunkenness upon the streets no cases in the police court, the city jail has been abandoned and everyone, generally speaking, is satisfied with the present drouth. It is remarkable to me that many of our most level headed business men who once favored the saloon and believed that the license system was the only good method for controlling the liquor traffic are now strong advocates of temperance and vote now against the saloon as eagerly as they voted for it years ago. It simply evidences the fact that it only requires actual experience to test and prove the virtues of a saloonless regime in the city government.

Notwithstanding that this school district gets no license money, we have just built one of the finest high school buildings in Nebraska. Our teachers are being well paid in spot cash and the affairs of the district are in flourishing condition.

There are many things I might speak of but it would require time and labor. Alliance will surely make a mistake if its voters say "wet" this spring. In many respects Alliance and Aurora have points in common. Both are railroad towns, they are of similar size, their people are much alike. Aurora's experience with and without saloons should apply to Alliance, and Aurora has successfully proven that a city can thrive, expand, foster and promote public enterprises, conduct good schools, build permanent homes, raise the morals and protect personal property without the aid of a dollar of saloon money.

Very truly yours,
J. G. ALDEN, Postmaster.

We received the following article from a prominent Alliance business man who requests that his name be not published. He has given us his name, however: "I noticed an article in last week's issue of the Herald by Mr. John Pederson, advocating the re-establishment of the liquor traffic in Alliance. He writes well, fully as well as the best trained writer of our land could write in defense of the liquor traffic, for when we come to think about it, and look the subject squarely in the face, there is not much or anything really, that can be said in its favor.

From a business standpoint, and that is about the only standpoint from which the advocates of saloons view the subject, there would be practically no advantage. The advantage claimed will not bear sound reasoning and investigation. The advantage, if any would be only to the four or five saloon owners and their employees. The assertion made by the saloon advocate that the depression in business among merchants and other business men for the past several months, is unreasonable, and anyone capable of thinking for himself knows it.

The panic which occurred over a year ago throughout the country, has been having its depressing effects on business in towns everywhere, many towns have been affected much worse than Alliance, and where they had plenty of saloons too. In consequence of the general depression in business, the railroad working force in the train service in and out of Alliance was reduced, the shop and roundhouse forces were cut down more than half, and sometimes three fourths, which of course reduced the pay-roll from ten to fifteen thousand dollars

a month hence noticeable depression in business circles, due to the keeping out of circulation among our merchants of that much less cash each month. Saloons are profitable to nobody except the men who run them. According to the best authorities and the latest scientific knowledge on the subject, alcoholics should not be sold as beverage. They have no place as food or tissue builder, they do not help or strengthen the physical or mental powers in any way whatever, but on the other hand, they tend to tear down and destroy the human body and mind, thereby shortening the length of natural life according to extent of indulgence.

Alcoholic liquor is not even recognized any more as useful medicine by the latest and best medical authorities. As to the liberties and rights of men about which Mr. Pederson seems so solicitous: These liberty-loving men—too often men who work for daily wages and have families—stand at the bar of the saloon and spend their hard earned dollars for that which does them not a particle of good. Much better it would be if they spent their money, several dollars a week for better food, clothing, furniture and books for their wives and children, instead of squandering it for their own selfish and harmful enjoyment. How about the rights and liberties of the wives and children of these men who keep up the saloons, are they infringed upon? How about the rights of the grocerman, the clothing man, the drygoodsman, the furniture dealer, the druggist and the doctor? All of whom have to carry the saloon customer on their books month after month and year after year, while the saloon keeper gets his ready cash?

Mr. Pederson, and others of your faith, we are here to inform you, that the people all over this broad land are waking up to these matters and in the not far distant future, a town with a saloon will be considered away behind the times and finally saloons will be things and evils of the past.

Let Alliance continue to show her progressiveness and not take a step backward this spring. Keep the saloons out.

For Mayor.....E. M. Hampton
For Clerk.....F. A. Pierson
For Treasurer.....C. W. Brennan
For Police Judge.....W. S. Ridgell
For Councilman, 1 ward.....J. Rowan
For Councilman, 2 ward.....S. Tillet
For Members School Board.....
Robt. Graham and D. W. Hughes

THE SALOON ARGUMENTS:

"You will drive trade away from Alliance under the dry policy." "You cannot run the city; cannot run the school district without the saloon without the Saloon Blood Money."

The first argument has been very forcibly answered by the petitions signed in Alliance territory. We really believe that four-fifths of the farm and ranch men are in favor of a dry policy.

We have proven to the saloon element that the two last arguments are without foundation. We have run our city and school district the past year successfully without any saloon money. No creditor of the school dis-



EX-SENATOR PATRICK, of South Omaha, who will lecture at the Phelan opera house next Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock.

tribut, or of the city, has had to dis-courte his claim one penny. What is Your Next Argument?

Farmers and Ranchmen, you have shown your interest in the Alliance situation by signing the petition for a continuance of the dry policy. Please give your signature special emphasis by coming to Alliance on April 6th, and working all day at the polls. It is your right to do this.

You help pay the costs of all murder and other trials, produced by the saloon; and statistics show that the saloon produces 90 per cent of crime, where do cattle and horse thieves flourish most in wet or dry territory?

Fathers, if you vote for the saloon who will patronize it? Your boys or your neighbor's boys will. If you help license the saloon, who will your daughter marry? You know that the saloon takes good, clean, pure boys and changes them into careless, indolent, vulgar, worthless men. Is this the kind of a man you want your daughter to marry? If not, why do you vote for a saloon ticket? We have plenty of saloon production in Alliance now. Do you want more? Stop and think.

The railroad men do not want the saloons. The farmers and ranchmen are almost unanimous in their requests for no saloon policy in Alliance. Who supports Alliance? Who have the right to express themselves on this question? Whose boys and girls are in danger? Why should any business man vote and work for saloons in Alliance? The Echo answers, "WHY"?

Have you noticed how few wrecks and accidents the Burlington has had in Alliance territory the past year? Thin kof this and answer "WHY"?

The following resolution adopted at a union municipal caucus held at Broken Bow, Nebr., on March 16th, 1909, will speak for itself.

"After an experience of more than ten years as a non-saloon city, during which time our population has doubled and property values have gone far beyond expectations; we express our selves satisfied with this condition and pledge the nominees of this convention against the issuance of a saloon licenses and druggists permits, and to use the most stringent methods to wipe out the use of all intoxicants and prosecute to the limit the bootlegger where ever found; and to that end we recommend that the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors of any kind be not submitted to a vote."

Some of the saloon supporters of Alliance claim that we will destroy property values in this city if we continue the dry policy. Ten years is a fair test and Broken Bow says "property values have gone far beyond expectations." The same will be true of Alliance under a continuance of the dry policy. This has been proven by a number of Nebraska cities and town

Why has William returned? Have you seen his Queen Snow? She must be here too. They seem to be inseparable.

Fathers, do you want "Billy" and his "Queen" to say what kind of government we shall have in Alliance. Do you want your boys and girls to follow their examples? If not, say so at the polls Tuesday, April 6th.

They say Ephraim intends returning too, if the city goes wet.

Farmers and Ranchmen are invited to be in Alliance on Saturday, April 3rd, to view the great Temperance parade to be given by the city Sunday schools.

Our Normal School bill seems to be assured. The fight for the location of the school will be between, Alliance-Cawford, Candron and other Northwest Nebraska towns. Can Alliance afford to re-instate the saloon and lose the Normal School?

Which is the more valuable institution for Alliance? Please think and answer by your ballot.

The qualifications of a voter in the coming city election are six months residence in the state and three months in the city.

The Law and Order League wants all qualified voters to vote as their conscience dictates; but warns illegal voters not to attempt to vote. One man was arrested last year on the charge of illegal voting the League proposes to arrest and prosecute every person that casts an illegal ballot in the city election this year.

Do not attempt to cast an illegal ballot. See Sec. 8902 of Cobbeys 1907 Statutes.

HALL OF ALLIANCE DIVISION NO. 622, BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS, ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA, MARCH 25th 1909.

I Henry Renau, Secretary of said Division hereby certify, that at the regular meeting of said division No. 622, held on this date the following pre-amble and resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted.

"Whereas, It has been demonstrated to our entire satisfaction, during the past year, that the no-saloon policy adopted at the last annual municipal election, has been of great benefit both morally and financially to the members of our order, the community in general, and conducive to "Sobriety" the motto of our organization.

Therefore, Be it resolved by Alliance Division, No. 622, B. of L. E. that we heartily support, the no-saloon policy and the candidates for Mayor and members of the council, on the "dry" or no-saloon ticket at the city election to be held April 6th, 1909."

HENRY RENNAU, F. A. E.

Comparative statement of postal receipts at the Alliance Post Office, between the year ending March 31st, 1908 and the year ending March 31st, 1909 pro-rated.

Receipts for year ending March 31st, 1908,	11,215.35
Receipts for year ending March 31st, 1908,	\$10,944.67.
Net gain,	271.68.
Gain in per cent 3 1-3.	
Dated Alliance, Nebr., March 27th, 1909.	

IRA. E. TASH, Postmaster.

GROCERIES AND MEATS



Oh! Ham

We don't sell just "Ham." We sell Armour's "Star." The ham of hams—"The Ham what am."



Jas. Graham

"ON THE CORNER"