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NEBRASKA NEWS

Escaped Convicts Rounded Up by Posse and Two Killed.

YOUNG FARMER THIRD VICTIM

Driver, Whose Services Were Impressed by Bandits, Shot in Running Fight Near Omaha—Third Desperado is Made Prisoner.

CHRONOLOGY.

Thursday—Shorty Gray, John Dowd and Charles Morley escape from Nebraska penitentiary at Lincoln early in afternoon, after killing Warden James Delahanty, Deputy Charles Wagner and Usner A. G. Heilman.
Friday—Having terrorized Mrs. J. E. Dickman and her young son at her home near the penitentiary the night before, the three murderers force the boy to drive them through Lincoln at 3 o'clock in the morning. Chief of Police Hunter helps the milk wagon, in which they were riding, out of a snowdrift, not knowing the escaped convicts were inside with guns pressed against the boy driver's back. The three men escaped into the railroad yards north of Lincoln.
Saturday and Sunday—Arriving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hall, five miles northeast of Havelock late Friday night, the three murderers compel the couple to keep them until 10:30 o'clock Sunday night, binding the man and woman with cords when they leave.
Monday—Sometime in the night the three outlaws break into a hardware store at Murdock, thirty miles northeast of Lincoln, securing a change of clothes, shaguns and ammunition. They proceed on foot to South Bend on the Rock Island tracks, where they steal a handcar and ride to Meadow, where they threw the handcar into the river. Force farmer named James Blunt to give them breakfast and then force his son to drive them away in a wagon. Posse surround them on all sides, and a desperate fight ensues three and one-half miles from Gretna. Gray, Dowd and the innocent farmer, Roy Blunt, killed in the battle, and Morley captured.

Omaha, March 19—Bloody and came to the man hunt that has been in progress since Thursday of last week, when three desperate convicts literally shot their way out of the Nebraska penitentiary at Lincoln, posess that were on their trail having rounded them up southeast of Gretna, in Sarpy county. In the battle that followed, two of the outlaws were killed and the third was captured.

Roy Blunt, a farmer, who was driving the convicts toward Omaha under duress, was also killed, but whether by one of the posse or one of the desperados is not definitely known. Morley, third of the trio, was taken by the pursuers and returned to Lincoln.
To John Briggs, chief of police of South Omaha, is given the credit for killing the two bandits and capturing the third.

WINNING FIGHT.

The battle came on early in the afternoon after a chase that had taken up most of the morning. Definite word of the whereabouts of the murderous trio was obtained by the police of the state early on Monday morning, when word was sent out from Murdock, in Cass county, that on Sunday night a hardware store there had been broken into and clothing and arms secured by men who answered to the description of the men who had escaped from the penitentiary, and who had last been heard from on Thursday night, when they forced a boy to drive them into Lincoln and through its streets in a milk wagon. While the police of Omaha, Lincoln and South Omaha were preparing to celebrate the arrival of the desperados, the sheriffs of Lancaster, Cass and Sarpy counties were getting posess ready for pursuit, and the man hunt was begun without any delay.

A telephone message told of their having visited the farm house of Roy Blunt, about three miles northwest of Springfield. Here they demanded breakfast, and enforced their orders by threats of murder. After breakfast Blunt was compelled to hitch up a team and drive the bandits toward Omaha. As soon as he could Mrs. Blunt ran to the home of her father, Peter Peterson, and from there the news was telephoned.

The South Omaha police were first to encounter the wagon in which the convicts were riding. The pursuing farmers soon came up, and the battle was joined. The murderers lay concealed in the wagon box, and undertook to carry on their fight from that position. Roy Blunt, who was driving the wagon, jumped to run for cover and was shot, being mistaken, perhaps, for one of the convicts. The battle was of short duration, as the fire poured in upon the wagon from the posess was too hot.

Adam Sloop, deputy sheriff of Douglas county, says that Chief Briggs of South Omaha's police force, killed both Dowd and Taylor. It was reported here that Briggs was wounded, but this later proved incorrect. Morley was captured.

RUSHING IN THE CANDIDATES

Political Managers Hustling to Get Their Lists Complete.

Lincoln, March 19—Secretary of State Walt is the busiest man in the state house and there is every prospect he will continue to be thoroughly occupied until after 6 p. m., when the time expires for filing for places on the primary ballots.
Up to the present the Democrats are short a candidate for elector in the Second district and Secretary Matthews of the state committee was working overtime trying to get things fixed up. It had been arranged that Sophus Neble of Omaha should file for the place, but he has neglected to do so up to the present. Matthews said he thought the filing would be here in time, but if it was not they would have someone else ready at the last minute.
The Taft and L. Pellette delegates have all made their filings and assurances of the petitions.

Kicked to Death by a Horse.
Jacob Eakin, residing near Madison, was kicked by a horse and was instantly killed. He was struck in the chest, just over the heart, and with such force that his body was hurled against the barn door, breaking it from its hinges. The unfortunate man was sixty-eight years of age and leaves a widow and three sons.

NEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

Growth of German Evangelical Lutheran Immanuel Congregation and Parochial School

LOCATED ON SWEETWATER AVE.

The German Evangelical Lutheran Immanuel's congregation of this city, having bought a lot some time ago on the corner of Yellowstone Ave. & 7th Sts., has decided to erect a church building on this site.
The Nebraska District of the German Evangelical Lutheran church has been doing mission work in this city for the last twenty years. Services were conducted up to last year by Lutheran pastors from Hemingford, at first in the country some four or five miles from Alliance and later in the city in various localities. But owing to this fact the mission among German Lutherans in Alliance made slow progress.

Last year, however, the present resident pastor, Rev. Titus Lang, was placed in charge of the mission, he coming here from California in March. Soon after a Sunday school was started, the congregation was organized in July, services were conducted regularly every Sunday morning and in September a German-English Lutheran parochial school was established, which under the care of an efficient teacher has been a success and now has 21 pupils.

The Drake building at 519 Sweetwater Ave., which has been leased to temporarily house the school and the congregation during its meetings, has become too small, and the congregation, greatly encouraged by such remarkable success, now intends to erect a building in which the school and the services can be properly and comfortably conducted, hence thereby to increase its membership and to improve its mission for the benefit of all German Lutherans in this city and its vicinity and for the good of the city in general. The building is to be 40x24 feet and 17 feet high.

ATTENDED BIENNIAL RECEPTION

Alpha Tau Omega of Nebraska State University.

While in Lincoln last week, Earl D. Mallery had the pleasure of being present at the biennial reception of the Alpha Tau Omega held Friday night at the Lincoln Hotel. Mr. Mallery is one of the alumni of the above named fraternity. Following is an account of the party taken from a Lincoln exchange:

Seventy-five couples attended the biennial formal party of Alpha Tau Omega, held Friday night at the Lincoln Hotel. The company was chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Towle of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. McKelvie, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Reynolds, Professor and Mrs. P. M. Buck. The ball room was decorated with palms. A lattice work of acacia pine and flowers was placed in the middle of the hall and the programs were given out at the entrance of a sort of lattice work cottage. Leather slipper bags were given as favors to the ladies. A novel grand march opened the program of dances. The alumni present from out of the city were John Towle of Omaha, C. E. Hooper of Cameron, Pa., E. D. Mallery of Alliance, W. C. Hutchinson of Omaha, E. S. Munson of Aurora, C. R. Jackson of Denver, L. G. Bratton of Omaha, R. F. Flower of Minden, T. Reynolds of Alberta, Canada, Geo. Dole of Blair and R. E. Weavering of North Bend.

George Behner, one of The Herald's subscribers in the northwest part of the county, was in Alliance this week on business. He came down from Hemingford on the train Tuesday, returning yesterday. Mr. Behner informs us that feed is getting very scarce in his neighborhood and that unless the snow goes off soon there is liable to be a heavy loss of stock.

A. D. Weir of Canton made final proof on his claim in the edge of Sioux county today. His witnesses were J. W. Scott and Garfield Ball. They will return to Hemingford on 43 today, thence drive home.

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DECLAMATORY CONTEST

Alliance, Bridgeport, Scottsbluff and Dalton and Sidney Will be Represented

WINNERS REPRESENT DISTRICT

The annual contest of the North Platte Valley High School Declamatory Association will be held in the Phelan opera house at Alliance, Friday, March 23, commencing at 8 p.m. Alliance, Bridgeport, Scottsbluff and Sidney will each have three representatives, and Dalton one. The winner in each of the three classes oratorical, dramatic, and humorous, will represent the district in the state contest, the time and place of which have not yet been decided upon.
Alliance will be represented as follows: Oratorical class, Fred Sweeney; dramatic, Pauline Montgomery; humorous, Leone Mallery.

It is expected that large delegations of visitors will be present from other towns represented in the contest, and Alliance teachers, students and citizens may be depended upon to do themselves proud in giving them a royal entertainment while here.

To defray the expense of the contest an admission fee will be charged, 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for school children.

DAILY DOING NICELY

"How are you getting on with the daily paper?" is a question frequently asked us the last few days. To one and all we will say that we are getting along nicely with it, but the extra work is taxing our force to the limit. We had expected it would make a great deal of work, which with the usual large amount of printing we have to do would crowd us hard, but in some respects it has made more work than we had anticipated. As a consequence we have not been able to make it just what we wished, but with additional help we expect to improve it as the days go by.

FOUR MORE FAMILIES COMING

E. T. Kibble Makes Deal That Will Bring More People

As will be seen by a notice elsewhere in this issue under the head, "Breaking Wanted," Trabert brothers of Milford have purchased large tracts of land near Alliance through E. T. Kibble and will operate a gas tractor breaking outfit. We are informed that this will mean an addition of four families to the population of Box Butte county and we are sure that our readers will join with us in giving them a heart welcome.

Dr. Chas. E. Slagle has opened an office on the second floor of the Phelan opera house block in the rooms formerly occupied by the United States Land Office. This is a convenient location, and the rooms are commodious enough to make him a fine office.

SPECIAL W. C. T. U. MEETING

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the First Presbyterian church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A railroad program will be rendered. Railroad people are especially invited.

We have a clipping from the Boone Daily Republican of Boone, Iowa, regarding Earl B. Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spencer of this city. Mr. Spencer is attending school at Boone. He and E. R. Gobrecht were hosts last Friday evening at the Y. M. C. A. of the above place at a party given in honor of one of the departing members. Mr. Spencer had been a room mate of the honored guest and a speech was given by him regarding their friendship.

JUDGE AND COURTHOUSE

Judge Thornton L. Massie, Who was Killed on Bench; Courthouse, Scene of Crime.



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PLAN SOCIALISTIC TEST

French Deputy Proposes to Organize Colony in Morocco.

Paris, March 19—A remarkable scheme of Deputy Lucien Deslinieres for the colonization of Morocco by socialistic means is at present occupying a large share of public attention.
M. Deslinieres' chief argument is the virtual failure of Algeria as a colony, only 21,000 French people having settled there as a result of an expenditure of \$800,000,000.

Agriculture is at a standstill there, he points out, while manufactures do not exist, despite the cheapness of coal. He attributes this to the defects of the capitalist system and has submitted to the United Socialist party the draft of a bill for the creation of a Socialist colony in Morocco at a cost to the French state of only \$20,000,000.