



UNION PACIFIC PUBLICATION TELLS OF FAMOUS TRAIN ROBBERY

In the November issue of Our Family Bulletin, published by the Union Pacific Family, the following story is retold for the information of the Union Pacific employees. It is worthy of being reprinted far and wide:

Pensioned Engineer George A. Austin of North Platte, who was recently in the Bulletin office, is still wearing the gold watch that was presented to him by the old Pacific Express company, on account of the part he played in frustrating the robbers who held up train No. 8 near Brady Island, Neb., August 21, 1895. This robbery was formerly known among the railroad men as the "Buttermilk Hill" hold up.

"The train was eleven hours late and passed through Brady about 1 o'clock in the morning. A few moments later Mr. Austin was surprised to hear the fireman exclaim 'Look out! Don't shoot!' On turning around, he saw two bandits on the coal in the tank with Winchester rifles leveled at them. He at first supposed that they were ordering him to stop, and started to shut off, when they directed him to proceed eastward till they came to a deserted house near the track.

"Austin and his fireman, Tom Duke, were taken back to the express car, where Austin was directed to uncouple the train. Under pretense of attempting to do this he consumed a large amount of time, finally claiming that he could not accomplish the task, his object being to delay the game as much as possible in the hope that succor might come. Occasional rifle shots kept the passengers inside. The headlight had been shot out.

"One of the bandits then ordered him to knock on the door of the express car, which he was compelled to do, stopping long enough to avoid a possible bullet from the messenger. When the door was opened one of the robbers went inside, held up the messenger, McCarl, and compelled him to open the local safe, which fortunately contained only \$12.80 in money. He then ordered the messenger to open the through safe, which, of course, he was unable to do, on account of which he came near losing his life. The bandit accordingly set to work to dynamite the safe.

At this time the other robber was holding Austin and Duke in the borrow pit, where they were lying flat to avoid danger from the coming explosion. During this period Austin's head was working. He asked his guard for permission to go back to the engine, explaining that as he had been away from it for some time there was danger of the boiler blowing up. This permission the bandit refused to grant, but finally allowed the fireman to go.

"The fireman readily comprehended Austin's design and presently Austin's trained ears caught the sound of hissing caused by uncoupling the air hose. A moment later the fireman started eastward with the engine as fast as she would run to spread the alarm.

"In the meantime the through safe

had been dynamited, with the result that the outer door was blown off but the inner door held firm. The bandits, now that the engine was gone, dared wait no longer, but ran to the vacant house near where their horses were tethered, cut through the straps with their knives and started northward through the darkness.

Fireman Duke ran to Gothenburg, gave the alarm and returned in a short time with a large posse.

The robbers in their wild flight finally ran into a barbed wire fence, disabling one of their horses. The two of them then mounted the other horse on which they rode until it gave out and they were forced to continue on foot. A few days later they were captured while bathing in a stream. They were given ten year sentences.

Among those participating in the chase were: William T. Canada, chief special agent; John Keith a large ranchman living at Sutherland, Neb. (A close friend of Buffalo Bill); "Bob Sutherland, Assistant Superintendent T. C. Kellher, now Special Agent for the Illinois Central at Chicago; and Pete Linard, an officer of the law, at that time known by the sobriquet of "Rattlesnake Pete".

The entire loot of the robbers consisted of \$12.80 and some checks and non-negotiable papers.

If they had succeeded in opening the through safe, the story would have been a different one; however, the boldness of the affair attracted much attention and the press was filled with accounts of it for many days afterward.

The engine was No. 842; built in the Union Pacific shops at Omaha.

The writer of these lines, then a cub claim agent, was on this train with Colonel Keith from Sidney to Sutherland, where they alighted and went to bed. About two a. m. they were routed out of bed by a messenger with the news that the train had been held up at Brady. Colonel Keith was wanted on account of his great knowledge of the topography of the county. A special stop was made by the fast mail to take us on board, and we arrived at the scene about daylight. The writer has always regretted having missed his only opportunity to be able to boast of having been one of "those present" at a famous hold up.

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850 DISASTER DEATH TOLL FOR ONE YEAR

Red Cross Gives \$1,871,000 Relief When 65,000 Families Are Made Homeless.

Forty-three disasters, resulting in the death in the United States of 850 persons and the injury of 2,500 called for emergency relief measures and the expenditure of \$1,871,000 by the American Red Cross during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, says an announcement based upon the forthcoming annual report of the Red Cross. These disasters caused property damage estimated at \$30,000,000, affected sixty-seven communities and rendered 65,000 families homeless.

The year's disasters were of varying types, including several which previously had never been thought of as falling within that classification. The Red Cross furnished relief in seventeen fires of magnitude, five floods, seven tornadoes or cyclones, one devastating storm, three explosions, including the one in Wall street; one building accident, two typhoid epidemics, the most serious being that at Salem, Ohio, which affected 9 per cent of the population; one smallpox epidemic, in the republic of Haiti; one train wreck, the race riot at Tulsa, Okla.; the famine in China, emergency relief in famine among the Indians of Alaska, the grasshopper plague in North Dakota and an earthquake in Italy.

Pueblo Most Serious
By far the most severe of the disasters in the United States during the period covered by the Red Cross report was the Pueblo flood early in June, 1921. The rehabilitation problem confronting the Red Cross in Pueblo was one of the most difficult in recent years. When the first news of the horror was flashed throughout the country, the American Red Cross National Headquarters responded with a grant of \$105,000 for relief work. Governor Shoup of Colorado, appreciating the long and successful experience of the Red Cross in organizing disaster relief work, placed the entire responsibility for the administration of relief in its hands.

In response to appeals from President Harding, Governor Shoup and other governors of western states and through local chapters of the Red Cross and other community organizations, public-spirited citizens brought the total contributed for Pueblo's rehabilitation to more than \$325,000.

The terrible havoc wrought by the flood waters is a matter of record. More than 2,300 homes were affected and 7,351 persons were left homeless. Estimates of \$500,000 as an absolute minimum for rehabilitation were made by Red Cross officials in charge of the relief work.

Fast Work in Wall Street
The Wall street explosion was notable in that relief workers of the Red Cross were on the scene twenty minutes after the disaster occurred. The race riot at Tulsa also was unique in disaster relief annals in that outside of a small emergency relief fund contributed by the Red Cross, the only relief measures outside the city consisted of the service of social workers, nurses and a trained executive whose object was to assist local forces in directing their own efforts.

In decided contrast with the previous year, only one tornado assumed the proportions of a major disaster. This occurred on April 15, in the border sections of Texas and Arkansas

with the city of Texarkana as the center. The significant feature of this disaster relief work was the fact that it covered so much rural territory as to make necessary a large number of relief workers.

The famine in China, necessitating relief expenditures totalling more than \$1,000,000 by the American Red Cross was by far the most serious of the foreign disasters in which the Red Cross gave aid.

Builds Up Its Machinery
In connection with the administration of disaster relief measures, an increasing effectiveness on the part of the Red Cross to deal with emergencies was manifested during the past year. In 328 Chapters of the American Red Cross there have been formed special committees to survey the resources of their respective communities and to be prepared in case of disaster. In others of the 3,402 active Chapters, a network of communication has been formed through which instantaneous relief may be dispatched to any part of the United States.

That its work in this field may be continued with ever greater effectiveness, the American Red Cross is appealing for widespread renewal of membership during its Annual Roll Call, to be conducted this year from November 11 to 24.

NOTICE
The next Lincoln County teachers examination will be held in the usual places, Saturday, December 3rd. Alleen G. Cochran, County Superintendent



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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of attachment issued out of the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska on the 9th day of November, 1921, wherein the First National Bank of North Platte was plaintiff and P. E. Burnett, defendant and by virtue of said attachment I levied upon three hundred and forty (340) boxes of apples the property of said defendant and by virtue of an order issued by the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on the 12th day of November, 1921, I will on the 26th day of November, 1921, at two o'clock P. M. of said day at the North Platte Equity Store, 209 East Sixth Street, in North Platte, sell said property heretofore attached in said action at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said attachment, the amount due thereon in the aggregate being the sum of \$345.03 and accruing costs.
North Platte, November 14, 1921.
A. J. SALISBURY,
Sheriff of Lincoln County.

NOTICE OF FINAL REPORT

Estate No. — of Charles F. Idings, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested in said Estate, take notice that the Executrix has filed a final account and report of her administration and discharge as such Executrix, which have been set for hearing before said court on Dec. 1, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m., when you may appear and contest the same.
Dated Nov. 3, 1921.
WM. H. C. WOODHURST,
County Judge.

(John Grant, Attorney.)
NOTICE OF PETITION

Estate No. 1857 of Edward P. Rehausen, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. The State of Nebraska. To all persons interested in said Estate take notice that a petition has been filed for the appointment of Sarah Rehausen as Administratrix of said Estate, which has been set for hearing herein on Nov. 29, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m.
Dated November 8, 1921.
WM. H. C. WOODHURST,
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Dated this 19th day of November, 1921.
(Signed) A. J. TRACY.

NOTICE OF TAKING UP ESTRAY

Taken up by the undersigned on section 24, southwest quarter 14-31, west of Cody Ranch, County of Lincoln, State of Nebraska, on the 5th day of November 1921; team of brown mules with light noses. One mule has piece of old rope around neck. Owner call at this office, pay for this notice and take animals.
Dated this 14th day of Nov., 1921.
Signed, W. J. THOMAS.
921 W. 2nd.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate No. 1854 of Mary Facka, deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, ss: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said Estate is March 23, 1922, and for settlement of said Estate is November 18, 1922; that I will sit at the county court room in said county on December 23, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m., and on March 23, 1922, at 10 o'clock a. m., to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.
Wm. H. Woodhurst, County Judge.

(D. E. Harper, Attorney)
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate No. 1849 of Mary Stella Shelly, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. The State of Nebraska, ss: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said Estate is Mar. 6, 1922, and for settlement of said Estate is Nov. 2, 1922; that I will sit in the county court room in said County on Dec. 6, 1921 at 10 o'clock a. m., and on March 6 1922 at 10 o'clock a. m. to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.
Dated Nov. 2, 1921.
WM. H. C. WOODHURST,
County Judge.

(Geo. N. Gibbs, Atty.)
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate No. 1845 of Sebastian Schwaiger, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. The State of Nebraska, ss: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said estate is March 1st, 1922, and for settlement of said Estate is October 28th, 1922; that I will sit at the county court room in said County on December 1st, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m. and on March 1st, 1922, at 10 o'clock a. m., to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.
Dated October 28th, 1921.
WM. H. C. WOODHURST,
County Judge.

(Hogland & Carr, Attys.)
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate No. 1848 of Charles J. Brand, deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. The State of Nebraska, ss: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said Estate is March 6, 1922, and for settlement of said estate is November 1st, 1922; that I will sit at the county court room in said County on December 6th, 1921 at 10 o'clock a. m. and on March 6th, 1922 at 10 o'clock a. m. to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.
Dated November 1st, 1921.
WM. H. C. WOODHURST
County Judge.

