

CROW TO GET NEW TRIAL

EX-POSTMASTER OF OMAHA HAS SECOND CHANCE

Court Freed Previously in Admitting Evidence—More Motor Cars

OMAHA, Neb.—Joseph Crow, ex-postmaster of Omaha and foreman of the federal grand jury, which indicted Ware, has been granted a new trial.

Crow was convicted last spring of having furnished certain grand jurors free railroad transportation with the purpose of influencing them not to find a true bill against Ware, who is the cattleman subsequently convicted of conspiracy to defraud the government of its public lands in Hooker county.

The chief ground in the motion for a new trial for Crow was that the court erred in admitting testimony as to statements and opinions expressed by Crow in the grand jury room.

Two Trains in a Smash-up

LONG PINE, Neb.—The first section of Northwestern passenger train No. 5 from the east, collided with a freight engine in the Long Pine yards at 1 o'clock in the morning. The passenger came in two sections, the first section being reported twenty minutes late. The freight engineer on the freight engine saw that No. 5 was reported twenty minutes late and not knowing about the first section, thought that he had twenty minutes time to get water. He accordingly drove his engine on the main track up to the water tank and filled up with water and he had just filled up when he was struck in the rear by passenger train No. 5 coming in at a fairly high speed. The force of the collision was so great that it drove the freight engine which had its brakes set, a distance of 200 yards up the main line and tore a large hole in its water tank. The pilot of the passenger engine was all smashed and the front end of the engine was smashed up. The passenger engine was derailed and the train was delayed for about two and a half hours. The passengers received no heavy or serious injuries, though very few of the passengers in the first three coaches escaped without some injury. The fireman on the freight had a very narrow escape. He was on the tender when the collision occurred and the force of it sent him fully fifteen feet in the air and coming down he fell in a man-hole, getting a wetting, but escaping without a scratch. If it had not been for the holes punched in the tender by the engine of No. 5 he would have drowned.

Boy's Leg Is Torn off

HUMBOLDT, Neb.—A distressing accident occurred in this city when Master Irvin Kianey, the seven-year-old stepson of William Ward, a farmer northwest of town, attempted to climb into a passing spring wagon for a ride, and in some manner caught his foot in the wheel, tearing the limb off at the knee. The lad was attending the city schools but during the noon intermission had gone several blocks up street and was attempting to catch a ride back when the accident occurred. Mr. Hisky, owner of the wagon, was driving along at a rapid jog with two or three companions and knew nothing of the lad's attempt to climb into the vehicle until he made an outcry and they turned to see him clinging to the back of the rear seat, then falling to the road where he lay helpless, with the amputated leg lying a short distance away. The boy made very little outcry over the injury and was removed to a nearby house here the surgeons came and amputated the limb a short distance above the knee. Unless some complications ensue the victim will likely recover from the effects of the shock, as he has been proved a decidedly nifty stock in the past few years. He sustained a broken jaw and badly lacerated face about a year ago when he was kicked in the face by a horse and compelled to wear a metal brace on the jaw for many months. He is also the youngster who a few months prior to the above accident handled a thirty-two calibre revolver and shot his cousin, five-year-old Ernest Parker, in the abdomen, the latter being compelled to submit to repeated operation for relief.

Mutilated Body in Park

ESSEN, Prussia.—A great sensation has been caused here by the murder of Miss Madilene Lake, daughter of an English army officer whose body terribly mutilated, was found in the city park.

CAUGHT IN A MINE

SEVENTY-FIVE MEN ENTOMBED AT POCAHONTAS, W. VA.

Explosion Closes Opening

WORKING UNDERGROUND SAID TO BE ON FIRE

Great Excitement Around the Mine. With Crowds Surrounding Pit—Four Killed in a Furnace Blast

BLUEFIELDS, W. Va.—As the result of an explosion in the West Fork mines of the Pocahontas Collieries company, where the explosion of 1900 occurred which Superintendent O'Malley and fourteen others lost their lives, seventy-five men are supposed to be entombed. Two rescue parties have entered the mine, and two men named Dolbert and Godsap, have been rescued and revived.

The mine is reported to be on fire and the work of rescue is retarded. The cause of the explosion is not determined.

Great excitement prevails in the neighborhood of the mines. Crowds of men, women and children remained about the shaft mouth anxiously awaiting news of relatives and friends among the missing.

The explosion took place in what is known as the St. Paul entry of the mine. Reports of the number of entombed men vary from sixty to one hundred men. The lack of brattice cloth helps to retard the rescue work and a carload of it is being hurried forward on a special train from Bluefields. The definite results of the explosion will not be known for perhaps some time.

The force of the explosion was hardly noticeable at the mine's mouth as the entry in which it occurred is two and a half miles in the mountains. A number of men in the south mine were almost suffocated before they were rescued.

Killed in Blast Furnace

BALTIMORE, Md.—Four men were killed and eight others injured, two perhaps fatally, in an accident at the works of the Maryland Steel company at Sparrow's Point. Three of the dead are negroes. The victims were overwhelmed by a rush of flaming gas and coke from a hole in one of the blast furnaces, caused by the forcing out of its socket of a casting which holds the compressed air pipe. The men had just put in a new air pipe and the blast had been turned on about ten minutes when the accident occurred. The officials of the company, after an investigation that no unusual conditions caused the accident. They were at a loss to account for it. No explosion occurred, and the furnace was not damaged.

PUEBLO.—At an early hour a "blowout" at blast furnace E of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company's steel works in this city caused the instant death of two men, and two others were so badly injured that they cannot live. The explosion is supposed to have been due to gas. A fifth man was believed to have been caught in the falling debris and crushed, but this has not been definitely established. An eye-witness says he does not believe more than five persons were hurt, notwithstanding exaggerated reports sent out. Details as to the exact cause of the explosion are lacking. The furnace has been in operation only a year, and cost about one million dollars. It is not known how badly it is damaged.

The names of the dead and injured are not yet known.

Another of the victims died at the hospital. It is said all five men are foreigners.

Street Car Jumps the Track

CLEVELAND, O.—Three were fatally and seventeen more or less seriously injured when a street car bound for Euclid Beach jumped the track at a sharp curve at the foot of Nickel Plate railroad trestle north of Windmere. The car was going at high speed and after thumping the ties for twenty feet plunged into the bank and half overturned. About eighty passengers were aboard and a panic reigned. It is said the accident was caused by the motorman losing control of the car and the brakes refusing to work.

Transport Thomas on Fire

MANILA.—The transport Thomas is on fire. The fire originated in the hold, where there are 6,500 bales of hay. It is thought that the only hope of saving the vessel is in sinking her.

NEBRASKA NOTES

A party of railroad engineers is encamped near Papillion.

Ray Baird of Cedar Rapids has purchased the Belgrade Herald.

The residence of Charles Davis of Norfolk has been partly destroyed by fire.

Blackleg is making its appearance among the calves in the vicinity of Peru.

Blessing & Tankersky of Peru have nearly finished picking their eighty-acre crop of apples.

Governor Mickey has been in Florence where he was looking after the lease of an 800-acre farm.

W. L. Cooper of Havelock succeeds Thomas Kempster as storekeeper for the Burlington at Plattsmouth.

Several loads of new corn were marketed in Beatrice. The corn was of good quality and brought 35 cents.

The machinery for sinking the oil wells at Beatrice has arrived and the work will be commenced at once.

The Rev. John Arnold has resigned as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Schuyler and will attend Princeton university.

D. D. Dunn of Beatrice recently injured one of his fingers and had it amputated. Blood poisoning set in and he may have to lose the hand.

Mrs. Mary A. Latky, of Lexington has been elected to succeed herself as grand lady of the Degree of Honor, which held its annual session there.

The students of the Fremont high school are making preparations to publish a school magazine. The first issue of the "Rustler" will appear soon.

Two Platte county people have just been discharged from bankruptcy by the federal court—namely Carl John Ahlgren of Genoa, and Garrett Hulst of Columbus.

Upon complaint of Robert Hongland, made in Judge Walker's court at Beatrice, J. S. Nelson was arrested on the charge of stealing wood from complainant's yard.

Francis F. Rhyon, a pioneer of Battle Creek, died there recently. He was well known in that vicinity, having been a mail carrier for twenty-five years.

The University club Beatrice gave a farewell reception to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hall, who will make Lincoln their home. The reception was held at the home of Miss Upson.

A freight train on the Burlington jumped the track near Morefield and some of the cars went down the embankment with the caboose. Conductor Dobbs and brakeman Shaw were slightly injured.

Samuel Cass, of Columbus, has an apple tree which will bear two crops of apples if the frost does not prevent. The tree was in bloom about two weeks ago and is now loaded down with small apples.

Katie Quinn, the eleven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Quinn of Beatrice, who was just recovering from diphtheria, died of heart failure. Another case of the disease was reported in the family of John Engle in West Beatrice.

Mrs. Barney, whose husband, O. O. Barney, recently disappeared from Filley after assaulting L. C. Caley with a billiard cue, has gone to Topeka, Kas., to join Mr. Barney, who is employed in a barber shop at that place.

Hugh Elliott of Beatrice has purchased an English shire draft horse of Joseph Watson, who has just returned to Lincoln from England with forty head. The animal is valued at \$7,000 and is one of the finest draft horses ever brought to Nebraska.

J. W. Good, who has been in the clothing business in Chadron for fifteen years, sold out this week to O. J. Schweiger & Co., the latter moving there from Omaha. Mr. Good owing to the condition of his health, will devote his time to overseeing his large ranch.

The Beatrice Electric company, which recently installed some new machinery in its plant at Beatrice is making a change from 125 to sixty circuits. It will take several days to make the necessary connections, but the new system will be a great improvement over the old.

A coal shed back of the Fremont Gas company's plant caught fire recently and was almost entirely burned. The company had several carloads of coal in it which was pretty well burned before the department succeeded in extinguishing it. The origin of the fire is unknown and may possibly have been caused by spontaneous combustion. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

A BIG BALLOON RACE

SIXTEEN CARS START ON LONG VOYAGE FROM PARIS

Competition for James Gordon Bennett Cup for International Aeronautes—Million People Witness Start

PARIS.—Sixteen balloons averaging over 2,000 cubic metres capacity each and representing seven countries sailed away from the Tuileries gardens, in the heart of Paris, in the first competition for the Golden Bennett cup for international aeronauts.

The contest was primarily a long distance race. The date had been carefully selected when the prevailing winds are from the west in the hope of giving the aeronauts an opportunity to break the records of Count De la Vaulx, made in 1900, when his balloon landed in Kolycheff, Russia, having covered a distance of 1,185 miles in thirty-five hours and forty minutes. But the wind was light, hardly more than eight miles an hour and from the east. The rules of the contest, however, provided that in case of unfavorable atmospheric conditions the judges could, at their option, make the test of endurance to remain in the air.

Nevertheless, as a spectacle the event was a brilliant success. It is calculated that over a million people saw the balloons as they sailed away.

Train No. 42 Kills Man

ANSLEY, Neb.—George Brown and Edward Applin, both of Ansley, while crossing the B. & M. track three miles southeast of Mason City with team and buggy, were struck by fast train No. 42, eastbound. Brown was instantly killed and Applin seriously injured. The team was cut to pieces.

The place where the accident happened is a dangerous place. The train approaching from the west comes out of a deep cut and was not seen until the team was on the track. The occupants of the buggy were in the act of jumping when the train struck them. The train was stopped and the body of George Brown, and Edward Applin, who was thought to be seriously injured, were taken to Litchfield. The dead man's skull was crushed and a leg broken. Mr. Applin's head was bruised and his dislocated but he will recover.

George Brown was manager of Dierk's lumber yards at this place, and leaves a wife and two small children. Edward Applin is a printer and resides with his parents here.

May Result in Total Loss

HONOLULU.—The United States army transport Sheridan, which ran aground on Barber's point, at the southeast extremity of the island of Oahu, was floated with the assistance of the transport Buford. While both vessels were on the way to this port, it became apparent the Sheridan was about to founder, and she was beached. She was driven on the beach at the entrance of Pearl harbor, where she is now in a worse position than before. After she had been beached she took a heavy list. When she had proceeded about eight miles from Barber's point, half the distance to this port, her lines attached to the Buford and the tug Manning were suddenly cast off. Her bow was pointed toward the shore and she was beached in a position which is difficult to reach. The Buford, Manning and other tugs are standing by to render all the assistance possible.

It is believed that a big hole was torn in the hull of the Sheridan when she was coming off the reef, and it is predicted that she will be a total loss.

Unknown Steamer Is Lost

PORT HURON, Mich.—An unknown steamer foundered with its entire crew in Lake Huron off Sandusky during the "northwester." The tragedy was witnessed by the crew of the passenger steamer City of Harbor Beach some time later. The Mackinaw was some distance away when the unknown steamer foundered and cruised about in the vicinity for some time in the hope of rescuing some of the crew, but in the darkness and storm no trace of them could be found, nor any clue to the identity of the vessel.

Harry Thaw Despondent

NEW YORK.—Harry K. Thaw, The American says, despite the efforts of his relatives to bring hope and sunshine into the gloomy tomb, is breaking down physically and is melancholy, fretful and irritable.

FLOGGED TO DEATH

PUNISHMENT METED OUT TO RUSSIAN PEASANTS

Cossacks Ordered Beatings

TWENTY-THREE GOOD AS BUTCHERED BY TROOPS

Over a Hundred Mutilated and Every One Innocent—Constitutional Democrats Succeed in Meeting

KEERSON.—Ninety-seven peasants were tried here on the charge of having devastated the estate of M. Krivoshein formerly minister of railroads. Sixty-three were sentenced to imprisonment, while thirty-four were acquitted.

The trial brought out a recital of the horrible atrocities committed by the authorities upon the accused. The chief of the district, accompanied by a detachment of Cossacks, reached the estate soon after the devastation. All the peasants on the ground were at once gathered in. No investigation was made. The chief instructed priests to administer the last sacrament to the peasants and then ordered the Cossacks to beat them all to death. The butchery lasted for four hours. Twenty-three peasants were killed and 135 were mutilated. The Cossacks then thoroughly tired out, compelled the peasants to continue the flogging and men had to beat their own brothers, sons and fathers. The victims of this slaughter were innocent, those really guilty having escaped by flight.

In spite of these revelations the court found sentences as related above.

City of Fremont Will Lose

FREMONT, Neb.—The city council has a problem in finance to solve. It issued bonds of \$50,000 for a new municipal light station and now after the papers have been sold it learns that the plant cannot be built till next spring because the season is so late. It issued bonds of \$10,000 and after the money had been realized on the papers, delays were encountered in buying material and the water works extensions it was proposed to make, had to go over to spring. This makes \$60,000 that the city has that it can apply to no immediate use.

An effort is being made with the company that bought the light bonds to have the sale withheld till spring. The company will be paid a bonus for its trouble if it is ready to make such a deal. If this cannot be done, then it is proposed to place the money at interest at the best figure that can be obtained. It is figured that at best there will be a considerable loss, since the bonds draw interest at six per cent.

Catch "Jack the Hugger"

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb.—Albert Hunger the fifteen-year-old son of a local restaurant keeper, was arrested on the charge of assaulting a young lady named Miss Bertha Clintberg. Some time ago while Miss Clintberg was on her way home she was attacked by an unknown party, who pushed her off an embankment and later choked her almost to insensibility. Investigations since made by the police resulted in the arrest of young Hunger, who at first denied any knowledge of the occurrence, but upon being more closely questioned he made a complete confession. He also told of numerous other instances where he had frightened women on the streets, and the police officers believe that in his arrest they have captured "Jack the Hugger" whom they have been seeking for some time.

Dowie Changes His Mind

CHICAGO.—A few hours before the time of his intended departure for Mexico, John Alexander Dowie decided to remain in Zion City indefinitely. The sudden change of plans caused great surprise in Zion City, where it had been commonly reported that Dowie was going away to make a final effort to regain his health.

Two Cabinet Vacancies

WASHINGTON.—Two retirements from the president's cabinet are slated for the coming winter. They will be those of Attorney General Moody, whose resignation will become effective about the first of December, and that of Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, who according to present intentions will retire in February.