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BIG MUDDY CLAIMS VICTIM SUNDAY

GEORGE HOBSON DROWNED IN WATERS OF THE MISSOURI RIVER LAST EVE.

FALLS FROM THE FERRY BOAT

While in the Throes of an Epileptic Fit—Body Recovered More Than an Hour Later.

From Monday's Daily.

The old Missouri river, the scene of countless tragedies and deaths, has added another victim to the list of those who have perished in its cold and relentless grasp, in the person of George Hobson, a well known young man of this community.

The drowning occurred shortly after 6 o'clock last evening, when the young man fell from the ferry boat on which he was crossing the river, and in a second's time had disappeared beneath the waters of the stream and did not again reappear until several hours afterward. Mr. Hobson had been spending the afternoon along the river banks near the Burlington bridge and when the ferry operated by John Richardson, started across to the Iowa side of the river he came on board the boat and seated himself on the apron on the rear of the ferry boat.

The owner of the boat and the passengers were not aware of anything being the matter with the unfortunate young man until one of the ladies sitting a short distance from Mr. Hobson saw him suddenly fall from the boat into the river and he was instantly lost to sight. The alarm was given and Mr. Richardson, the owner of the ferry threw a plank over the side of the ferry near where the hat of the unfortunate man could be seen floating and Claude Richardson also put out in a skiff, hoping to catch some sight of the body of the young man and effect his rescue, but the body failed to come to the surface and as the accident occurred in the middle of the river where the current is the swiftest it was only a question of a few minutes until the body would be swept away.

Sheriff C. D. Quinton was notified and at once hastened to the scene, where the rescuers had been attempting to try and find some trace of the body, but without success and it was necessary to abandon the efforts at that time, leaving the murky waters of the treacherous stream with another victim added to the long story of deaths caused by the river.

The father of the drowned man, J. W. Hobson, with one of the brothers, came to the river some time after the accident and after the searchers had abandoned the effort to secure the body. Securing grappling irons from Mr. Richardson at the ferry, Mr. Hobson and son, proceeded out in a skiff and after a long and tiresome search with the grappling irons in the waters of the stream, succeeded in bringing the body to the surface and it was then taken ashore, but as the body was not found until 7:30, all traces of life were extinct.

George Hobson was aged twenty-nine years and has made his home in Plattsmouth practically his entire lifetime and was highly esteemed by those who knew him best. For years he has been affected with epileptic fits and these have grown more frequent of late years and it was undoubtedly the visitation of one of these attacks that caused the young man to fall from the ferry boat.

To mourn his death he leaves the parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hobson, four sisters and two brothers, Mrs. Alfred Edgerton, Jr., Mrs. Lydia Moore, Eva and Lillian Hobson and Marion and Dewey Hobson.

To the bereaved parents and sisters and brothers the deepest sympathy of the community goes out in this tragic ending of the life of the son and brother.

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RETURNS FROM THE WEST

From Saturday's Daily.

Last evening Attorney D. O. Dwyer returned home from a week's visit in the western portion of the state and also in Colorado. Mr. Dwyer was called to Sidney, Nebraska, where he had a number of cases in the district court and while there had the opportunity of looking over the city and country surrounding it and is of the opinion that that portion of the state is advancing in great strides with much building going on and the land values constantly increasing. The men who came out there at an early day and purchased land have grown rich on the increasing valuation.

Finishing his business at Sidney, Mr. Dwyer took a trip down to Burlington, Colorado, where one of the biggest land booms in the west is taking place, and found the country alive with visitors looking for opportunity of securing land, and the entire country presenting the appearance of great prosperity and success.

FORD SEDAN ABANDONED AT BRIDGE

By Man and Woman, who Secured Passage to Omaha—No Clue as to the Owner.

From Monday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon Sheriff Quinton was called out to the Platte river toll bridge by the information that a Ford Sedan had been abandoned near the bridge on Saturday and left standing there. From what could be learned of the case, it seems that the car had run into a ditch on Saturday and been badly damaged, and the passengers, a man and a woman, after working with the car for a short time, had secured the services of a passing car and been taken to Omaha, where they desired to be taken to one of the hotels near the passenger depots.

Since that time no word has been received of them and the car was brought back to this city by the sheriff to await the claimants. The damage to the car was largely in the bending of the "wishbone" and it was with difficulty that the machine was towed back into the city.

PLEASANT RECEPTION.

From Monday's Daily.

On Saturday afternoon the pleasant home of Mrs. C. H. Parmele on Vine street was the scene of a most enjoyable gathering when the hostess received a large number of the old friends and neighbors.

The rooms of the home were tastefully arranged with floral decorations, adding a pleasing touch to the scene where the old friends met with this estimable lady.

Mrs. Parmele was assisted in receiving and entertaining by her daughter, Mrs. S. H. Twood, of Liberty, Missouri, her granddaughter, Mrs. Reece Hastin, of Omaha, and Mrs. J. N. Wise of Omaha.

During the afternoon light refreshments were served by Mrs. Geo. O. Dovey and Miss Mary Catherine Parmele, granddaughter of Mrs. Parmele, furnishing a most pleasing ending of a delightful afternoon.

The occasion was very much enjoyed and the opportunity of spending the few hours with the hostess was one that the many friends will long pleasantly remember.

DEPARTS FOR CHASE COUNTY.

From Monday's Daily.

Last evening W. E. Rosencrans departed for Chase county in company with thirty-six land seekers to whom he will show the splendid farming lands of Chase county. The trip was made in a private Pullman car which is placed, entirely at the disposal of the landseekers and which will be sidetracked at Imperial and be the home of the party while looking over the lands near that city. The members of the party are looking forward to a most interesting trip investigating the lands of the western portion of the state.

TURKEYS FOR SALE.

Three full blooded brown turkey gobblers for sale. George A. Shradler, Nehawka, Neb. 13-4tw

LOCAL BOY CHOSEN DELEGATE TO MEET

AUBREY DUXBURY TO ATTEND NATIONAL CONVENTION OF AMERICAN LEGION.

STATE CONVENTION IS OVER

Having Been Held in Omaha Friday and Saturday—Goes on Record for Military Training.

From Monday's Daily.

At the state convention of the American Legion held in Omaha on Friday and Saturday, Aubrey Duxbury, one of the delegates from the Hugh Karnes post of this city was selected as a delegate to the national convention of the order to be held at Minneapolis in November, being one of the representatives from the First congressional district.

The convention also selected their officers for the ensuing year, Earl M. Cline, of Nebraska City, being elected president; F. C. Warner, of Norfolk, vice-president and Frank Perkins, of Fremont, treasurer. The secretary will be named later by President Cline.

The convention refused to endorse speeches made by Governor McKelvie on the ground that they were largely devoted to a defense of his code bill and also refused endorsement to the remarks of John G. Maher, retiring president, owing to his references to the "narrowness" of the West Point military system.

The committee on resolutions had prepared resolutions endorsing universal military training, which were accepted by the convention after the resolution was amended so as to take the control of the training from the hands of the general staff at Washington.

Resolutions were also passed asking for the deporting of aliens who had offered non-citizenship as a ground of exemption and also favored an investigation of the alleged conscientious objectors, regarding their release, pardon and honorable discharge from the army.

Resolutions were passed pledging the organization to maintain the graves of the fallen Americans, who had served in the world war as fitting monuments to the nation.

In regard to the use of the English language in the instruction of the children of the nation, the convention was unanimous in passing the resolution.

COUNTY ORGANIZATION IS PERFECTED

Chairman James M. Robertson Selects Roosevelt Memorial Representatives Yesterday.

From Saturday's Daily.

Chairman James M. Robertson, of the Roosevelt Memorial association, has completed the plans for the carrying out of raising the funds desired for the purpose of filling the quota assigned to Cass county and which will go toward the erection of a monument to the late president at Washington and also for the purchase of the Roosevelt home at Oyster Bay, New York.

The amount assigned to Cass county is quite small, \$1,438, and it is expected that as soon as the precinct leaders have their campaign inaugurated the amount will be secured in a few days. The committee on speakers selected by Mr. Robertson consists of C. A. Rawls, chairman; District Judge J. T. Begley, J. P. Falter, Hon. R. B. Windham, C. E. Tefft, of Weeping Water. The committee assigned to the work with the ladies of the county is headed by Mrs. William Baird of this city. To carry out the work in the schools, Miss Alpha Peterson has been named as chairman, while to organize the Boy Scouts Rev. A. V. Hunter has been selected. The various precinct chairmen selected are as follows:

Tipton, Ed Carr, Eagle; Green-

wood, Mrs. Dale Boyles, Alvo; Salt Creek, John McEford, Greenwood; Stove Creek, L. A. Tyson, Elmwood; Elmwood, Harry McDonald, Murock; South Bend, John Campbell; Weeping Water, Edward Dowler, of Weeping Water; Center, Carl M. Day, Weeping Water; Louisville, C. E. Wood, Louisville; Avoca, Elmer Hallstrom, Avoca; Mr. Pleasant, Wilson Gilmore, Nehawka; Eight Mile Grove, Paul Roberts, Cedar Creek; Nehawka, J. M. Palmer, Nehawka; Liberty, F. H. McCarthy, Union; East Rock Bluffs, George Ray, Murray; West Rock Bluffs, Glen Boedeker, Murray; Plattsmouth, A. A. Wettenkamp; Plattsmouth City, 1st ward, W. F. Gillispie; 2nd ward, F. F. Buttery; 3rd ward, Oliver Hudson; 4th ward, George L. Farley; 5th ward, James B. Higley; Weeping Water City, Clark Newton.

Miss Bernese Newell has been designated by Chairman Robertson as the treasurer of the Cass county campaign committee.

A TREAT FOR MUSIC LOVERS OF THE CITY

VISIT OF DAVIES LIGHT OPERA CO. AS OPENING NUMBER OF LYCEUM COURSE

ENGLISH OPERATIC NUMBERS

Instead of "High-Brow" Foreign Language which None Can Readily Understand.

From Monday's Daily.

The appearance of the Davies light opera company in this city on Tuesday, October 28th, as the opening number of the lyceum course, under the auspices of the high school glee club and the commercial club gives promise of being one of the most enjoyable high class musical attractions that has appeared in the city for many seasons. This company numbers some of the best of the grand opera stars and their artistic rendition of the various selections have won warm approval from audiences in the cities where they have appeared. This company presents the operas in English which has made them more popular and enjoyable to the amusement loving public of the nation. Mr. Davies, the head of the opera company is a staunch believer in the English spoken opera. In speaking of his efforts in the line of presenting the operas in the language of the country in which they are given Mr. Davies says "I think all musical critics and observing people will be ready to admit that the presentation of the operas in English has improved the musical taste and love of good music to a remarkable degree in this country."

A few years ago the public thought of the opera as an exclusive form of enjoyment for the rich only, but with the production of the opera in English it has been placed within the reach of all the music lovers of the nation.

Associated with Mr. Davies are eight artists who present extracts from such operas as "Olivette," "Pygmalion and Galatea," "Mascot" and "The Mikado." The extremely low price for the seats for the season enables anyone to have the opportunity of not only enjoying this one excellent company but also the entire season program.

TO ATTEND SCHOOL.

From Monday's Daily.

The society department of the Omaha Bee of yesterday contained a very interesting item of the departure of Miss Pauline Richey of that city for St. Louis where she is to attend the Lennox Hall school for young ladies during the coming winter. Miss Richey is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Richey, formerly of Louisville and a niece of E. J. Richey, Mrs. Fannie Dickson and Miss Mae Richey of this city. The young lady is a graduate of the Central high school of Omaha, where she was one of the most popular ladies in the graduating class and has been very prominent in the younger social set of Omaha.

Fancy stationery at this office.

BURGLARS ARE WOUNDED TRYING TO FLEE

ATTEMPT TO ROB STORE OF F. H. NICHOLS AT LOUISVILLE MEETS WITH DISASTER.

TWO OF MEN BADLY WOUNDED

Postmaster of Louisville Stops Robbers With Shot Gun and Forced to Shoot Two of the Party.

From Tuesday's Daily.

At an early hour this morning the city of Louisville was again visited by the gang of burglars which has operated there successfully in the past but this time the robbers came once too often and as a result of the battle with the citizens of that place two of the gang are in the Clarkson hospital in Omaha suffering from serious gun shot wounds.

The gang composed of three men at an early hour in the morning secured entrance to the general store of F. H. Nichols and were in the midst of packing away their booty to make their getaway when discovered by William Stohlman, Jr. Mr. Stohlman had been at Murock and returning home at about 2:00 o'clock this morning started to go to his room when he saw a light in the Nichols store and glancing through the front windows saw three men in the interior of the store striking matches and sorting over the goods. He at once notified Mr. Nichols and the central at the telephone office called a number of the business men who arming themselves with shotguns hastened to the scene. A posse was hastily organized by Marshal Charles Reihart and the store building surrounded and Mr. Reihart approaching from the rear of the building called upon the men to surrender. At the sound of the marshal's voice the three men broke the glass in the front door of the store and made their exit into the main street of the town and proceeded to take to flight, being fired at by Mr. Nichols and Wm. Stohlman. Two of the men James King and C. G. Thompson ran up the street in the attempt to escape and had only proceeded a short distance when Postmaster Fred H. Ossenkop appeared in front of them and called upon the two men to stop and on the attempt of King to escape by running between two buildings the postmaster fired at him with a shotgun and wounded him in the hip causing him to fall and be captured and as Thompson started to run Mr. Ossenkop stepped his progress by a shot which struck him in the left ankle splintering it very badly and stopping his attempt to get away. The third member of the trio of robbers was a young lad named Walter Miller of Chicago, who states he is but seventeen years of age.

The man King states that his residence is Lafayette, Indiana, and that he is an ex-soldier while Thompson states that he is a former sailor but gave no home address to the authorities.

Sheriff Quinton was notified by telephone of the robbery and started at 2 o'clock for Louisville and on his arrival there took charge of the three men. King and Thompson were taken by the sheriff to the Clarkson hospital in Omaha for treatment as their wounds are quite serious while the younger member of the gang, Miller, has been lodged in the jail at Louisville pending the return of the sheriff to bring him to Plattsmouth to be placed in the county jail.

The three men are undoubtedly the same gang that operated in the robbery at the store of W. F. Diers in Louisville on last Monday night as the man King had on a pair of shoes that Mr. Diers identifies as a pair stolen from his store. At the time of the robbery at the Diers store the men left the empty shoe boxes behind them and it was through the means of these boxes that he owner was able to identify the stolen shoes. The men were also identified by Mrs. W. L. Nickels and Smith Hines of Spring-

field, as being the men who were at the Springfield depot last Monday morning and completes the connection of the men with the former robbery.

The prompt action of the Louisville citizens is to be commended and it will be rather unhealthy in the future for any burglars to visit our neighboring city where such crack shots make their home.

TAKEN QUITE SICK

From Saturday's Daily.

Mrs. H. B. Marshall, of Lincoln, who has been in the city for a few days visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. R. Cole and family, has been taken quite seriously sick and it has been necessary to secure the services of a trained nurse from Omaha to take charge of the patient.

IT'S COSTLY TO HAVE ANY LIQUOR

As Even Less than a Pint May Get You in Bad—State Prohibition Officer is Here.

From Monday's Daily.

This morning in county court, Charles Tilton received a fine of \$100 and costs, amounting to \$105.70, as the result of a complaint filed against him by Karl Schmidt, Jr., a special agent of the state, who has been in this city for some time looking over cases of possession of liquor. The offense as charged occurred on September 28th, when the state agent made the discovery, as he claims, "The amount of liquor consisted of merely a very small amount, less than a pint, but which was sufficient for the state agent to make his complaint upon."

Another case of the possession of the sparkling liquor was reported when Officer Henry Trout took into custody Saturday evening George Jacks, against whom a complaint as to being in a state of intoxication was filed. The defendant put up a cash bond of \$13 to cover the costs in the case. The case has not as yet come to trial in the court of Judge M. Archer.

VISITS IN THE CITY.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Last evening James R. Hunter, wife and children arrived in the city from their home at Casper, Wyoming, for a visit over night here with their relatives and friends. Mr. Hunter, who was formerly employed in the Burlington store department in this city has become one of the leading representatives of this system on the lines west and is now located at Casper as division storekeeper and his advancement along the ladder of success is certainly a pleasure to the many friends in this city. Mr. Hunter is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hunter of this city.

Read the Journal for all the news.

RUMORS OF POOR WATER UNFOUNDED

CONDITION OF DRINKING WATER SUBJECT OF MISLEADING REPORTS LATELY.

THERE'S NO CAUSE FOR ALARM

The Plattsmouth Water System Being Free of Germ Laden Water—Always Has Been.

From Monday's Daily.

For the past few days reports have been circulating over the city in regard to the condition of the water supply of the city, applying to the healthful condition of the water, and in a great many cases these reports have apparently needlessly alarmed users of the city water.

The circumstances in the case as far as can be learned are that some time ago Dr. R. P. Westover, city physician, was requested to send samples of the water from the drinking fountain at the Burlington station to the office of the surgeon general. This request was complied with and last week a report was received in which the surgeon general's office stated that the water did not come up to the requirements of the interstate quarantine regulations and in accordance with this report the use of the drinking fountain was discontinued.

At the time the samples of water were submitted the system of filters in use at the water plant pumping station were being changed and this had caused a very unsettled condition of the water which doubtless caused the tenor of the report.

Since the time between the sending away of the samples about a month ago and the present time, the water has improved greatly and is now in excellent shape. The fact that no cases of disease have appeared in the city that might be caused from the use of the water without boiling, it is evident that these reports as to the condition of the water are without foundation or fact. This city has always been very fortunate in having an excellent water system and one that has been free from all germ laden water and is still in that condition.

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