

FALL CAUSES DEATH

Prominent Fairmont Citizen Receives Fatal Injuries.

HIS BREAST BONE WAS RUSHED IN

Five Young Men Arrested at David City for Assault and Robbery Dismissed—Sequel to a Kansas Murder—Notes

Friday morning Thomas Green, treasurer of the Fairmont Creamery company, while looking up some records in what is known as the old skating rink, in some manner fell from the loft to the floor crushing in his breast-bone and causing a lesion of the lungs and heart, which caused his death in thirty minutes. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon. It was conducted by the Masonic fraternity, of which Mr. Green was an honored member. Mr. Green had been a resident of Nebraska for about twenty-two years, and his death has greatly afflicted the whole community, his business associates and his family.

DO NOT NAME DATE.

Fusionists Waiting for Republicans to Announce Day of Convention.

At a meeting of the populist and democratic state central committees, held in Lincoln March 18, the chief subject discussed was the date of the nominating conventions. It was the sentiment quite generally expressed that the question of the date of the state convention should not be determined immediately, but should be left to the chairman to determine after the republicans have announced their date. In this way the fusionists will have the advantage of knowing the strength of the entire republican ticket, and the causes of internal fights. They will thus be able better to make up their platforms and construct their ticket.

A goodly number of populist editors from all over the state were in attendance.

Illegal Fishing.

Chief Deputy Game Warden Simpkins sprang from the rear end of the state fish car at the Elkhorn depot in Omaha as it was pulling out for a trip along the Elkhorn river to distribute trout in the stream. His reason for haste was the sight of two men with a large string of fish. He had them arrested for having more than the legal number in their possession and a complaint will be filed. The men were Meyer Vine and H. Brown. They had 300 fish which weighed from half a pound to eighteen pounds each. Although the men said they secured them across the river, Mr. Simpkins thought the catch had been gathered in nets. The open season for fishing begins April 1 and closes October 31, but the law provides that no one shall have in his possession more than fifty fish. A fine of \$5 for each fish is prescribed for this violation of the law.

Dismissed the Case

The preliminary hearing of Thomas Garban, Henry Garban, Edward Doty, Harry Ingalls and Fred Ingalls, charged with assaulting and robbing Ernest Schneller in Rising City on the night of March 8, was concluded in county court by Judge Skiles dismissing the case.

From the testimony introduced at the trial, it seemed that Schneller, who claims to be a doctor, was conducting a patent medicine show at the opera house. During the performance the doctor made some remarks casting reflection on the Garban boys. The boys resented the insult by meeting the doctor on the street after the show and giving him a good thrashing and in their rage used the doctor more severely than was necessary to accomplish their purpose. The evidence wholly failed to prove that any robbery had been committed. Public opinion in Rising City is divided on the matter.

Guilty of Criminal Assault.

P. Courney Richards, tried in the Lancaster district court, was declared guilty of criminal assault upon Marie Magdanz, his stepdaughter. The jury recommended him to the mercy of the court. Under the law Judge Holmes may impose a penalty of from three to twenty years. The jury deliberated on the case about four hours before agreeing. A recommendation for mercy was made for the benefit of those jurors who did not feel that the evidence was sufficiently strong to warrant a severe sentence, and who for a time were inclined to favor an acquittal.

Shot in Dance Hall.

Edward Stewart shot Daisey Smith twice with a revolver in a Lead, S. D., dance hall. Both shots took effect, one in the left hand and the other in the arm and breast. The latter is regarded as dangerous. It passed through the muscles of the right arm and penetrated the lung. The woman is still living, and there are chances of her recovery. Stewart is in the county jail at Deadwood. They are both colored, and the shooting is the result of a jealous quarrel.

River and Harbor Bill Passed

The house passed the river and harbor bill, which has been under consideration throughout the week. Although several minor amendments were adopted, not a single dollar was added to the measure, and, as passed, it carried exactly what it did when it came from the committee. Mr. Sulzer (New York) attempted to force a record vote on the final passage of the bill, but only three members, Messrs. Smith (Iowa), Fitzgerald (New York) and Cochran (Missouri) supported him.

INSURGENT SURRENDERS

Commander of the Rebel Forces on the Island of Samar.

General Lukban's efforts in influencing Guevara, who recently issued a proclamation declaring himself the successor of General Lukban in the island of Samar, to surrender, have been successful. Both General Smith, in command of the United States forces in the island of Samar, and Guevara have agreed to an armistice to facilitate the collection of Guevara's men with their rifles when the formal surrender will be made. The arms will be paid in at the fort. General Smith cables that Guevara has 400 rifles and guarantees the absolute peacefulness of his men.

General Chaffee is greatly pleased with what he considers closing the active insurrection. The resistance in Batangas and Laguna provinces is practically over. There are daily surrenders there of men and guns. The insurgents have been completely starved into submission by General Bell's aggressive tactics in preventing any exterior assistance from reaching them.

Some surprise is expressed at the number of rifles to be turned in by the men under Guevara, as it was thought there were but 200 in Samar.

LINCOLN SELECTED.

And June 18 Fixed as the Date of the Republican State Convention.

The republican state central committee fixed on June 18 as the date for the next state convention. Lincoln was selected as the place by a vote of 20 to 5. The representation was based on the vote for Judge Sedgwick last fall in a ratio to provide for 1,980 delegates.

An unusually full attendance of committeemen marked the meeting, which had little difficulty in determining the questions in hand. A host of candidates for congress from the various districts of the state, with many politicians who had no interest for themselves, making the occasion one to recall the lively scenes of the recent senatorial contest. The best of feeling prevailed, the committee session being marked by complete harmony.

Miles Threatens to Resign.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles told the senate committee on military affairs that, if the bill introduced by Senator Hawley at the instance of the war department for the organization of a general staff for the army should become a law, he would decline to longer hold his commission.

The reason he gives is that the bill is utterly subversive of the interests of the military establishment, and he said that he would not be a party to such a proceeding to the detriment of continuing to hold his commission. The statement was made in a committee, which was held closed doors. General Miles touched on subjects connected with the military.

Murderous

Five miles east of the town of Ysleta, two unknown men were killed. Frank Hartman, a well known man, shot Hartman's wife, causing a fatal wound and seriously wounded his daughter.

No motive is known. The two men rode up to the Hartman home and asked to remain all night. Without waiting for an answer, one of the men shot Hartman dead. Mrs. Hartman, who soon came upon the scene, was shot in the head and one of the men attacked and struck the daughter with an ax. Then they rode away. When the alarm was given no trace of the men could be found.

Killed by a Train.

Two boys, aged 15 and 17, members of a party of three, who were tramping across the country, were run over and horribly mangled by a train at Ysleta, Tex. They were asleep on the tracks.

The third boy, Freddie Winchester of Brunswick, Ga., escaped and states that the name of one of his companions was J. J. Johnson of Abilene, Tex. The name of the second boy he does not remember, but his home was in Los Angeles.

Negro Whipped to Death.

The dead body of Oliver Wright, a negro, was found near Higbee, Mo. His back and arms were one mass of scars and bruises and his clothing was torn to shreds and scattered for a hundred feet along the road. Everything indicated that a death struggle had taken place. It is generally believed that he was whipped to death, and all evidence goes to show that such was the case, but who the parties were or why they killed him is not known.

Doctors Bills for Treating McKinley.

The bills of the physicians who waited upon McKinley have been turned over by Senator Hanna to the chairman of the finance committee of the senate and the appropriation committee of the house. They appropriate \$50,000.

Use Chloroform.

Thieves broke into the home of Rev. John Ferguson at Newton, Ia., and chloroformed Mrs. Ferguson, giving her so much of the drug that for a time her life was despaired of. Nothing of value was taken.

In a general fight in a "joint" owned by Henry Schultz in the Toad-A-Loupe section of Kansas City, Kan., George Thompson, aged 38, was killed, like Patton was dangerously stabbed and William Inskip was seriously stabbed and beaten. The two wounded men are under arrest charged with Thompson's murder.

Louis Chamberdon and his wife, who lived at McDonald, Pa., were struck by a train and killed. The couple had been visiting and were on their way home when the accident occurred.

PARYLETIC STROKE

Aged Sexton Found in Unconscious Condition.

STARTED TO LIGHT FIRES AND RING BELL

Negro Lynched in Alabama—Engine Blows Up With Fatal Results—Alleged Horse Thieves Captured at Grand Island—Other News.

Alex Martin, aged 66 and sexton of the Baptist church of Blair, Neb., was found in the basement of the building in an unconscious state. He started over early in the morning, as was his custom, to light the fires and ring the bell, but when it was found time for the last bell to ring and the first had not been rung an investigation was made. Mr. Martin was found on the woodpile, in the basement, bruised about the face, evidently having fallen over from an attack of paralysis. His condition is extremely critical.

FIGHT WITH OUTLAWS.

Trouble Between the Lawless Element and Citizens of a Texas Town.

For the past two weeks there has been an epidemic of burglaries and lawlessness at Lytton Springs, Tex., and it developed that the law-breakers have organized into a sort of vendetta. Reports from Lytton Springs were that there had been trouble between the lawless element and the citizens. The outlaws are said to have assembled shortly after midnight and began their maneuvers by shooting into the Palmer house, which seems to be their central point of attack. The citizens turned out in pursuit with bloodhounds. The dogs were killed by the outlaws and it is reported the outlaws are surrounded at Holler's tank. They are said to be entrenched behind a dam, bidding defiance to the citizens' posse. Two of the posse have been injured and it is thought that the outlaws have suffered some, as quite a number of shots have been exchanged. A posse of citizens left Austin for the scene of attack and it is thought that the outlaws will be captured.

In Jail for Abusing His Family.

Fred Benton of Omaha, who for the past four years has been engaged in the crayon portrait business, was arrested on the charge of wife beating. When placed in jail he broke down. The arrest was the result of an investigation made personally by Mayor Moore. Mrs. Benton recently wrote a letter to her mother in Chicago, asking that she and her four children be removed from Omaha. The mother forwarded the letter to Mayor Moore. Neighbors assert that Benton has beaten his wife eight times during the past seven months that they have lived at 1756 Leavenworth street. The mayor found the wife and children without food.

Alleged Horse Thieves Arrested.

Two men giving their names as Hendrickson and Saper are held at Grand Island under arrest on information from the sheriff of Deuel county, charged with stealing two carloads of horses. The sheriff of Deuel county arrived, but went back for more evidence, the horses also being held. Both men had big revolvers on their persons, but Sheriff Taylor nipped them in the caissons as the train was entering the city, and they made no resistance.

Unable to Furnish Reinforcements.

The rebels have captured the prefectural town of Kam Chou, in the province of Kwang Tung, and have seized the arsenal and granaries. The mandarins of the garrison fled and appealed to Canton for reinforcements. The viceroy of Canton replied that it was impossible to further deplete the Canton garrison and urged General Ma to make the utmost efforts to put down the rebellion.

Went Through the Roof.

Samuel Truax, who has been confined in the Butte, Neb., jail since the 2d of March, charged with selling mortgaged property, and who was chased all over Oklahoma and finally rounded up at Battle Creek, Neb., broke jail in an unaccountable manner. He got out of the steel cage and went up through the roof. He left no clew and the sheriff has no trace of him.

Family of Three Found Dead.

James Towns, his wife and their 8-year-old daughter were found dead in bed at Chicago. They had been asphyxiated by gas from the kitchen range. A plug had been removed from the range, and the man's arm was thrown over the child, apparently holding her down. These circumstances are cited by the police as evidence of a double murder and suicide.

Fails to Convict.

Judge Burroughs, in the Madison county, Illinois, circuit court, discharged the jury in the case of John Fairman, charged with making threats to destroy property of certain farmers if money was not sent the signers, who styled themselves "Invincibles." The jury was out sixty-eight hours and could not reach an agreement.

Playing Jesse James.

Will Martin, aged 13 years, of Sedalia, Mo., was fatally shot in East Sedalia by Edgar Allen, a playmate of his own age. A Jesse James company was in Sedalia last week and a number of young boys were reproducing the play in a barn, having an audience of about fifty boys. Allen was playing the part of "Jesse James" and Martin that of a detective. When the latter attempted to capture the bandit, Allen took a shot at Martin with a .38-caliber revolver, the ball entering Martin's head near the right ear and passing out on the opposite side.

ATTACKED BY MOROS.

One Signal Corps Man Killed in the Engagement.

Brigadier General George W. Davis, stationed at Zamboanga, island of Mindanao, reports that a detachment of the signal corps consisting of seventeen men has been attacked by two hundred Moros near Parang-Parang, Mindanao.

One of the signal corps men was killed. The Moros captured the transportation of the detachment, including four pack mules.

The United States transport Buford has arrived at Manila. She has on board a detachment of the Twenty-seventh infantry, a squadron of the Eleventh cavalry and fifty pack mules.

There have been four more cases of cholera, and two more deaths from the plague are reported. The health authorities believe that their rigid precautions have averted an epidemic.

As General Chaffee did not want the men of the Third infantry to run the risk of cholera as a result of contact with the city, that regiment has already been taken aboard the United States transport Grant, which will sail for San Francisco one week ahead of her scheduled time.

Convicts Cremated.

Five county convicts were burned to death while attempting to burn their way out of prison at Koscusko, Miss. They set fire to the stockade house in which they were confined and the building burned so rapidly that escape was impossible and they were cremated.

They were Bob Burt, Phil Newell, Jim Culberson, Amos Ralford and Jones, all negroes.

The prisoners were let out to Robert Campbell, county contractor, whose farm is situated sixteen miles west of Koscusko, and all were charged with minor offenses.

Engine Blows Up.

A helper engine on the westbound freight train No. 206 blew up while going up Lake hill, seventy miles west of Ogden.

William Wilton, engineer, of Ogden, E. A. Uphoff, brakeman, and an unknown tramp were killed.

Fireman Roy Munsey was terribly burned and will probably die from his injuries.

The engine was a new compound. The cause of the explosion is not known. Traffic was blocked for about two hours.

Women Prisoners Get Away

Four women prisoners broke jail at Fort Scott, Kan., and were captured. One, Birdie McCarty, charged with being a horse thief, was found hidden under a blanket in the bottom of a wagon being driven by Peter Sheffey, twelve miles away. The others were captured near Hammond after being chased for three hours.

The women confessed that Sheffey, Red Taylor and Charles Snyder, all of whom have been arrested, assisted them in picking the locks of the jail door.

Expired With Secret Untold.

Joseph Hopkins, the alleged bank robber shot by "Dan" Apley in Chicago, is dead. He was delirious during his last hours, and a shorthand reporter was kept at his bedside to catch his ravings in the hope that he might say something which would furnish a clew to the postoffice robbery of last summer when \$74,000 in stamps was taken.

For the Relief of Veterans.

Congressman Mercer has introduced a bill for the relief of the soldiers of the civil war who as veteran volunteers re-entered the service and were afterwards discharged to receive promotion and commissions as officers. The bill provides that they shall be paid all installments of veteran bounty which were withheld from them on account of their being so commissioned.

Negro Lynched.

Bill Zeigler, a negro charged with an assault on a little white girl, was lynched seven miles below Troy, Ala. At a preliminary hearing the negro was bound over to the grand jury. The sheriff started to town with the prisoner, but was overpowered by the mob. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict that the negro came to his death at the hands of unknown persons.

Wife Shoots Husband.

During a quarrel at the supper table Liberty Kempf, a well known business man of Washington, Ind., choked his wife. The woman managed to get a revolver and fired five shots at her husband, one bullet penetrating the brain. Kempf died in a few minutes. The wife told her story to the police and has not yet been arrested.

Baffled the Doctors.

One of the strangest medical cases in the history of La Crosse terminated in the death of Mrs. Frank Wichman, who had been in a trance for the past seven days. During that time she had taken no food or water, and was apparently dead. Her case baffled the physicians.

Does Not Want It.

Joseph H. Manley announced that for business and personal reasons he had declined to accept the position of first assistant postmaster general, tendered him by Postmaster General Payne.

Musicalian Drowned.

J. H. Hahn, director of the Detroit conservatory of music and a musician widely known throughout the country, was drowned at Englelake, his country home at Carey lake, near Constantine. Mr. Hahn was formerly president of the music teachers' national association.

Murderer Sentenced.

Albert Smith was sentenced to twenty-five years' imprisonment for the murder of Bruce Martin, committed six weeks ago at Des Moines, Ia.

HE LEVIED TRIBUTE

Fake Detective Held Up Picnic Resort Near Grand Island.

WILL BE PROSECUTED FOR BLACKMAIL

Young Man Living Near Benkleman, Neb., Hangs Himself—Columbus Elopers Marry in Denver—Fleck, the Linwood Liverman Bound Over.

Two men, one of whom gave his name as Bill Jones, called at the Midway, a picnic resort and saloon two miles southwest of Grand Island, and called for beer. They represented themselves to be members of the club called "The Midway" and were given the beer. Then the man "Jones" showed the star of a detective and demanded \$10 of Mr. Sanders, the proprietor, or he, the detective, would report and prosecute Sanders. Sanders paid the \$10, taking a receipt. From this place the men went over to Lion Grove, also a club affair, running, as is the Midway, without a license, other than the government license, and made the same demand there. The one had given the name of a certain member, as was the case at the Midway, but the other's effort to buy beer was refused, with the explanation that he was not a member. However, the former made the demand and was told that he would be seen at a place where the thermometer never falls below 110 in the shade. It is expected that the men, who are said to live in Grand Island, will be arrested and prosecuted for blackmail.

Must Have Full Benefits.

Representatives Stark, Neville and Robinson had a conference with Mr. Mondell and Mr. Shafroth of the irrigation committee and made a proposal to them that if they would consent to adding a section to the irrigation bill providing that no public work which should be constructed under the proposed act by the direction of the secretary of the interior should permit the diversion of any water from the watershed of the South and North Platte river, in that event they would support the bill. The committee will take up these questions and Nebraska fusion members believe some action will be taken along the line suggested by them and that with this provision in the bill Nebraska will get her full share of the benefits of the proposed irrigation enterprise.

Speaker to Have Opposition.

Senator O. B. Courtright of Waterloo, Ia., is announced as a candidate for the republican nomination for congressman in opposition to Speaker Henderson and will make a fight for control of the coming congressional convention. This means that for the first time since he was sent to congress by the republicans of the Third district in 1882, Colonel Henderson will find it necessary to contest with an aspirant for his seat.

For ten years the nomination has come to him by unanimous vote of the delegates and only once or twice has there been the remotest indication of opposition.

Lost Baby Finds Way Home.

A bit of a child, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greenfield, residing five miles in the country, wandered away from the home of a relative in Grand Island and became lost. A diligent search was begun, the police force aiding, and for two hours the little one was hunted high and low. Finally a messenger was sent out to the Greenfield home and the little girl was found to have arrived there just a few moments before the messenger arrived, having walked the entire distance. She had become lost as to the city, but knew her way to her home in the country.

Tender of Manila Mission.

According to advices, says the New York Herald from a well-informed authority in Rome, the pope has offered the nomination of the archbishop of Manila to Bishop Sebastian Gebhard Meisner of Green Bay, Wis.

As stated in the Associated press dispatches recently, the Spanish archbishop of Manila, Mgr. Nozalada de Vila, has resigned the see and will retire to Spain, as did the Spanish prelates in Cuba when the United States took possession there.

First Statue of McKinley.

The first statue to President McKinley has just been delivered in plaster to a foundry at Florence, R. I., where it will be cast in bronze at once and be ready to be unveiled at Muskegon, Mich., on memorial day.

The sculptor was well equipped for the undertaking, as he had made a bust of the late president and has all necessary measurements which he had made at a sitting Major McKinley gave him.

Guest at White House.

Mr. T. Estrada Palma, the president-elect of Cuba, met President Roosevelt in his official capacity for the first time when the former was the guest of honor at an informal dinner at the White house. The affair was intended as a mark of courtesy to President-elect Palma, who expressed his high appreciation of the honor shown him.

Has No Thought of Resigning.

Secretary Hitchcock has returned to Washington from St. Louis, where he was called by the serious illness and subsequent death of his brother. He denied that he had any intention of resigning his cabinet portfolio or ever had contemplated retiring.

Official contradiction has been received at the state department of the report that Powell Clayton, Jr., son of Ambassador Clayton, and former military attaché to the United States embassy at Mexico, was refused to leave his post because of his refusal to fight a duel.

EXPOSURE PREDICTED.

Scandal Said to Exist in the Treasury Bureau.

Among members of the house, republicans as well as democrats, it is quite freely predicted that exposures are in prospect which will shake the treasury department down to its very foundation. The immigration bureau is not the only one involved, but scandals are hinted at and said to exist in all bureaus of which Assistant Secretary Taylor is in charge.

An official, who has charge of a certain line of contracting at a salary of \$2,000 annually, is said to be building a \$50,000 residence.

Commissioner of Immigration Powderly seems to have more friends and backers than was apparent when the announcement was first made that the president had determined upon his removal. Those in touch with immigration bureau affairs declare that he was not only cognizant of the Ellis island scandal, but that he insisted on the investigation, at which time alleged revelations of corruption were suppressed by Taylor.

A number of republican congressmen have signified their intention of calling on the president to make the situation clearer to him and advise the removal of Taylor rather than Powderly.

Liveryman Has His Hearing.

Madison Fleck, the young liveryman from Linwood arrested on a charge of carelessness in pushing the two women from the Platte river bridge, whereby they were drowned, was arraigned before County Judge Wells in Schuyler, Neb., and bound over to appear at the next term of the district court. It was feared that some trouble regarding the prisoner's safety might have occurred had the county not seen fit to hold the accused in custody. Nearly 200 people, friends of the unfortunate victims and the accused from Butler county attended the preliminary hearing. Young Fleck provided for his defense some of the best legal talent in this part of the state.

Gored by a Buffalo.

News has been received of the death of Richard Rock, an old time and widely known scout and frontiersman, at his ranch near Henry's lake, Montana.

Rock was gored to death by a buffalo which he had raised. Rock was one of the scouts with the ill-fated Custer expedition and is said to be the man who gave Custer information of the presence of the Indians under Sitting Bull in the valley where the crafty chieftain had encamped. Rock advised the general to wait for the coming of Reno before attacking.

A year or so ago Rock was sent by the government into Yellowstone park to count the buffalo remaining there.

Funston Moves to Denver.

General Frederick Funston arrived from the east and will go to Iowa, Kan., to visit relatives. General Funston will return to Kansas City and leave for Oakland, Cal., to bring Mrs. Funston and the baby to Denver, where the general will make his headquarters while at the head of the department of the Colorado.

Bicycle Causes Her Death.

Katy Clagg, aged 30 years, of Erie, Kan., was instantly killed and Lydia Schaeffer, aged 18 years, of Paola, Kan., was internally injured in Kansas City as the result of being struck by a bicycle ridden at a high rate of speed by Charles Johnson, aged 16, who was racing with another cyclist. Miss Clagg's neck was broken.

Boy Hangs Himself.

Roscoe Wilson, the seventeen-year-old son of Robert Wilson, living five miles west of Benkleman, Neb., committed suicide while in the field plowing by hanging himself with a halter rope on a hayrack. The cause of his action is unknown by relatives and friends as he seemed to be in good spirits when he left the house.

Sail for Europe.

Boer Delegates Wolmarans, Wessels and Debruyen sailed for Europe on the steamer La Gascogne. While they got small comfort from the officials at Washington, they are satisfied there is a strong undercurrent of sympathy among the American people for their cause.

White Man Kills Negroes.

E. J. Armsted, former tax collector of Montgomery, Ala., and at one time one of the wealthiest men in Alabama, today shot and killed Mary Hansen, a negroes, and then committed suicide. It is believed Mr. Armsted was temporarily insane, as he had been drinking heavily recently.

Killed by Train.

The eastbound limited passenger train on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad struck a buggy containing Ed Carlson and Nels Nelson, killing both men instantly. The tragedy occurred on a road crossing west of Valparaiso, Ind., and was caused by the horse balking on the track.

Blows His Head Off.

John Leshler held a stick of dynamite under his chin at Fort Scott, Kan., and deliberately exploded it, the charge blowing off his head and an arm. He had been drinking and, telling his wife he proposed to kill himself, went to a vacant house near by and committed the deed.

Resign in Body.

The entire police force of Helena, Mont., resigned as a result of orders which they say were issued by Mayor Frank J. Edwards, who is a candidate for re-election. The republican primaries are to be held Thursday and the police assert they were personally instructed by the mayor to attend the primaries and arrest all anti-Edwards republicans and their resignations followed. Friends of Mayor Edwards deny the statements of the police and advance charges of bribery.