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RED CLOUD - NEBRASKA

TRAIL OF CONVICTS

TRACED FROM PEN TO A POINT IN LINCOLN.

SEE SEARCH OF HAY STACK

Rode Through Storm in Milk Wagon
—Chief of Police Hunger Has Narrow Escape—All Track Lost.

Lincoln—The first definite clue indicative of the movements Thursday evening of the convicts who murdered Warden Delahanty and his two assistants that afternoon came to light Friday evening, when it was made known that they had been sheltered at the home of Joseph Dickman, bookkeeper and dairyman, living at 2709 Van Dorn streets. The three half-frozen men in convict garb came to the house at about 3:30 Thursday afternoon, threatening Mrs. Dickman and the hired man and cautioned them not to make an outcry. They received supper there and were taken at about 10:30 o'clock to Twentieth and R streets, where they were last seen.

When the storm raged outside, the three hunted men remained in the Dickman home. A telephone call received at the penitentiary drew the sheriff and a posse, including Sam Melick and City Detective Schmitt to some haystacks about two blocks from the Dickman place. The informant of the sheriff had seen three men making toward the stacks. The posse searched the stacks and the immediate vicinity. When the searchers were exhausted by their efforts in the deep snow, and decided that the clue had proved fruitless, they debated whether to proceed to the Dickman home, whose brilliantly lighted windows a quarter of a mile away invited them, or to go an equal distance to the home of Bishop Thien. It was decided to go to Thien's residence, as it was known that there was a telephone there and the officers hoped to secure a train back to town.

The posse left at about 9 o'clock. At 10 o'clock the three convicts, their prison garb covered from sight by blue overalls commandeered from the Dickmans, hidden from sight in the interior of a milk wagon driven by one of the boys, started for the city. Before leaving Mrs. Dickman was warned:

"Now, no telephoning or calling for help. If you do, the first man who gets his is this boy of yours. If you tell the police anything about this, we'll get you." The terrified woman again promised silence.

On the journey to town the convicts talked about blowing up the governor's mansion, but were dissuaded by the boy, who said that the drifts were too deep. Finally the overloaded wagon was stuck in a drift at Twenty-third and Randolph streets, Chief Hunger was returning from the police station at about 11 o'clock. He saw the wagon in the drift and glimpsed the boy driver in front. He asked the young man if he needed help.

"Yes," said the lad, a revolver touching his ribs. He had been asked who the man approaching them was and had replied that it was the chief of police.

"You tell him who we are or that we're here and you will go first and hunger after you," Gray told him.

From the inner recesses of the milk wagon the revolver of "Shorty" Gray, from whom Usher Heilmann had probably met death earlier in the day, covered the chief. Luckily for him he did not see the men cowering behind the driver's seat. He seized the heads of the horses, led them past the worst of the drift and then told the boy that by proceeding up the next alley he should reach the paved streets without encountering any drifts.

The convicts with their captured vehicle took the course which the officer of the law had unknowingly pointed out to them. They proceeded to a paved street, drove north through town and finally reached a lumber yard near the corner of Twentieth and R streets near the Rock Island tracks.

Low Fares to Conventions.
Chicago.—Fares to the democratic national convention in Baltimore and the republican national convention here have been fixed at 2 cents a mile at a meeting of the Central Passenger association.

Wichita, Kan.—When the city refused to repair a bad sidewalk that had been impassable for two years, twelve women laid a new walk with brick and mortar.

Lincoln.—Former County Treasurer William McLaughlin of Lancaster county died Saturday morning at his home here, after a long illness which confined him to his bed for the last six months. Mr. McLaughlin was 72 years of age. He has been a resident of Lincoln for nearly forty years, and one of the best known residents of Lincoln.

Director General John Barrett of the Pan-American union says the United States cannot be too careful in guiding its official and popular attitude towards Mexico.

TOOK CARBOLIC ACID

TECUMSEH SUFFERING FROM A HARD COAL FAMINE.

NEWS FROM OVER THE STATE

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska and Vicinity.

Lincoln.—Mrs. Vella Scott, a young married woman employed at the Y. M. C. A. building as a telephone operator, committed suicide Wednesday night by swallowing the contents of an ounce bottle of carbolic acid. The act is thought to be the result of long brooding over marital troubles.

Coal Scarce at Tecumseh.
Tecumseh—Tecumseh is suffering from a hard coal famine, the dealers having sold out the present supply long since. They are endeavoring to get a new supply, but so far without result. At Cook, ten miles away, the dealers still have coal, and several families have sent teams over from Tecumseh for a supply. A four-horse-hitched rig can make the trip to Cook and return with a ton of coal in a day.

Dropped Out of Sight.
Havelock—Arthur G. Harris, residing at Twenty-seventh and W streets disappeared Wednesday, and since that time he has neither been heard from nor seen by friends. He was employed at the Havelock shops of the Burlington. He left home at 6:11 Wednesday morning to go to work. That was the last seen of him.

Insane Over Religion.
Fremont—Temporarily insane over religious subjects, Morris Christensen, a car repairer, heated a poker till it was red hot and then announced that he would kill his young wife and infant child. Mrs. Christensen escaped to the home of a neighbor with her child.

Prizes for Corn Growing.
Hastings—Adams county boys will grow corn this year if inducements count for anything. Three separate cash acre contests are open to them, with the entrance of the offer of W. H. Lanning of this city. Any boy may win first prize in all three, a total of about \$145.

Clay Center.—Excelsior lodge, No. 15, Knights of Pythias, held a banquet here in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary, at which 140 covers were laid. The rink, where the banquet was held, was beautifully decorated in the lodge colors.

NEWS FROM THE STATE HOUSE

Clyde Wright, state secretary of the socialist party, has filed for governor on that ticket.

Secretary Mellor of the state board of agriculture has received a contract from A. Liberati for the fourth engagement to be filled by his troupe of musicians at the Nebraska state fair.

Registrar Redmond of the Wayne state normal school is being talked of for the democratic nomination for the lower house of the legislature. Mr. Redmond is a former member of the legislature, having been elected from Nemaha county four years ago.

The Nebraska state board of health has succeeded in renewing reciprocal relations with the South Dakota board, whereby physicians who are examined and licensed by the Nebraska board may be admitted to corresponding privileges in South Dakota without further examination.

Governor Aldrich has, since his election to the office of governor, received callers at any hour of the day and frequently at night, but he finds that he cannot attend to his official correspondence if he continues this practice. He has announced that he will require one hour, from 9 to 10 in the forenoon, to attend to correspondence.

Secretary of State Wait has received a letter from Daniel Chester French, the designer of the Abraham Lincoln statue, stating that the bronze founders have hastened the work of casting and the statue will be completed the first week in April, so there is no doubt of its being ready to unveil May 15 or earlier if the state commission desires an earlier date.

State Superintendent Delzell has completed all arrangements for junior normal schools to be held at Alliance, Alma, Broken Bow, Geneva, McCook, North Platte, O'Neill and Valentine from June 3 to July 26.

Those in charge of the campaign for raising a half million dollar endowment for the Nebraska Wesleyan university have adopted an unique series of letters which are being reproduced in the Lincoln daily papers. A concerted action of the 64,000 Methodists of the state is being planned.

By petition of 5,319 voters filed with the secretary of state, the name of Victor Rosewater will go on the primary ballot as candidate for republican national committeeman. Mr. Rosewater is editor of the Omaha Bee, and a present member of the committee, on which his wide acquaintance with public men has brought him important assignments including a place on the executive committee, and on the committee on arrangements for the Chicago convention. His petition is the largest ever filed for this position.

MARCH WINDS



SEEKS LIFE OF ITALIAN KING

DANGER OF MONOPOLY IN WATER POWER GRANTS.

Victor Emmanuel of Italy Target for Assassination—Big Business Reaching Out for Water Power.

Washington.—Concentration of control over water powers by large interests in important localities is increasing so rapidly that Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, has reported to President Taft that the government should preserve title to the remaining power sites and develop them to prevent a possible monopolization of public utility companies. Commissioner Smith directs particular attention to the increasing affiliation of water power concerns and public service agencies, such as street railways and lighting corporations, and oftentimes banks as well. The connection between such concerns he regards of serious public significance. The concentration of control over water powers, the commissioner declares, is exercised partly by direct ownership of stock, but mainly through interlocking directorates.

Attempt on Emmanuel's Life.

Rome.—A vain attempt was made Thursday to assassinate King Victor Emmanuel. Antonio Dalba, a youthful anarchist, who says he belongs to do band, fired three shots at the monarch, but the latter was not injured, nor was Queen Helena, who was driving with him in a closed carriage to attend a service commemorative of the birth of his father, the late King Humbert, who died in 1900 at the hands of an assassin. An officer of the king's guard, Major Lang, was wounded in the head and fell from his horse. A second bullet went wild and a third struck one of the royal horses. An infuriated populace fell upon Dalba and beat him almost into insensibility, but he was finally rescued by the police.

Passengers Snow Bound.

Eagle, Neb.—Mrs. W. J. Bryan, in company with a number of other passengers, is snowbound on a Missouri Pacific passenger train three miles east of here. George Gion, the wrestler, is one of the passengers. The train is a double-header, and both engines are dead and there is little possibility that the train will be extricated from the heavy drifts until the storm lets up.

Federation of Federations.

Chicago.—New plans have been completed for the organization of a gigantic federation of all shop employees on every western railroad under the system federation. The main organization will be a federation of federations. A meeting at which this organization will be perfected will be held in Kansas City, April 15.

For Bridge at Sioux City.

Washington.—Congressman Stephens has introduced a bill providing for the construction of a bridge across the Missouri river at South Sioux City.

Washington.—Congressman Stephens has introduced a bill to give the court of claims jurisdiction over the claim of the Nebraska Santee Sioux Indians for their annuities due them under their treaties with the government. These claims have been pending before the department of congress for many years, and it is the desire of the committee on Indian affairs of the house and senate to have the matter settled. The bill is similar to one now pending before the senate.

Will Bunch the Dynamite Cases.

Indianapolis, Ind.—All the defendants indicted for violation of federal statutes governing transportation of explosives must go to trial in one case on October 1, according to the final ruling of Judge A. B. Anderson.

To Fight for Restoration.

Peking.—General Sheng Yuan, who under the empire held the post of governor of the province of Shen-Si, is marching at the head of 10,000 troops from the province of Kansu to Peking to restore the emperor to the throne.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

The Keith county fair will be held at Ogallala, September 24, 25 and 26. Lincoln is to have a city market. The women of Rosalie have organized a woman's club. Peter Zumbrun, a gardener farmer living near Columbus, was bitten by a dog and died within thirty minutes. Clarkson—The old commercial club at Clarkson, which has been dormant the last five years, has been revived. The village council has passed an ordinance fixing a fine of \$25 on any person conducting a dance hall in Peru. The Farmers' Elevator of Neligh has closed up business for the year and declared a dividend of 10 per cent.

The Rev. Mr. Pugsley, called the "Canadian Cyclone," is holding successful meetings at the Baptist church at Wayne.

The Garrison Methodist Episcopal Sunday school has rented a building which will be used as a reading and rest room.

William Spradling, an old resident of Auburn, was found dead in his room, death having resulted from heart failure. A hard coal famine has struck Tecumseh. The dealers have completely exhausted their supplies and say they can get no more.

An epidemic of chickenpox prevails at Oxford. No severe cases have occurred, and comparatively little other sickness prevails.

Parties from Iowa are negotiating with the Pawnee City Commercial club for the building of a modern fireproof hotel for that place.

Ike Bower, a farmer living several miles south of Fairbury, shot a large American eagle measuring seven feet from tip to tip of wing.

Wymore claims to have the champion egg sucker of the state—Harry Campbell—who ate twenty-four raw eggs at one sitting recently.

The city of Holdrege will vote on the liquor issue as a result of a petition signed by eighty leading business men presented to the city council.

While playing around a building under construction at Omaha, Wilbur Salem, aged fourteen, was struck on the head by a falling timber and killed.

Driven to despondency through his inability to find work, Alexander Bernstein, an 18-year-old Omaha boy, shot himself through the head at his home, lying instantly.

Mrs. Cyrus Black, wife of former State Representative Black, editor of the Enterprise, died at her home at Hickman after a lingering illness from Bright's disease.

As a result of a series of revival meetings at Beatrice, in charge of Rev. Mr. Lowry, 551 converts professed religion. The total attendance amounted to 63,000.

After having been without a minister for a year, the Christian church at Plattsmouth has called the Rev. A. L. Zink, who was a pastor at Colorado City, to the charge.

The ladies' aid society of the First Presbyterian church of Alliance has decided to remodel the kitchen and church parlors and are giving a series of suppers to defray the expense of the work.

Special services were held at all of the four Protestant churches at Fairbury, Sunday evening, for railroad men. Special music was given. Each minister preached special sermons on railroad life.

Cotner university won the triangular debate held by Doane, Bellevue and Cotner. This is the second year consecutively that Cotner has won and makes the third inter-collegiate victory in this line of work this year without defeat.

Students of the Grand Island college will undertake, with the assistance of some experienced workmen, to build a gymnasium of cement blocks 60x80 feet in dimension. Work is to be commenced as soon as the snow is off the ground.

A petition signed by over nine hundred Lincoln citizens has been filed with the board of education asking that the teaching of German be started in some of the ward schools next fall and that this matter be considered in connection with next year's budget.

The fifty Oregon trail markers ordered by the last legislature are now completed and will be set in place as soon as the weather permits. An additional twenty-five markers are being planned and will be placed some time during the summer. The shafts are all alike, each one bearing the inscription, "Oregon Trail, marked by the state of Nebraska, 1912."

A large power canal will be constructed by Lincoln capitalists on the Loup river in Nance and Platte counties, and power stations established at Genoa and Columbus.

Last year proved so successful to growers of sugar beets around Scotts Bluff that the field men for the factory are this year swamped with applications for acreage. Last year there was about 11,000 acres grown, and this year there is already 15,000 acres signed up, with others still looking for available lands.

Ten deeds to farms were filed with the county recorder at Nebraska City in one day, the total consideration being \$146,820. They were all farms in Otoe county. This is the largest day's real estate transfers made in the county in some time.

In order that the teachers who attend the annual convention of the E. C. N. T. A. may visit the Fremont schools and see them in operation, the spring vacation, which was set for the last week in March, will be postponed till the first week in April. Visiting teachers will be invited to inspect the schools Thursday, March 28.

Summer Wear.
Patrick worked for a notoriously stingy boss and lost no chance to let the fact be known. Once a waggish friend, wishing to twist him, remarked:
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