

CHANGE THEIR MINDS

FUGITIVES WON'T RETURN TO NEW YORK WILLINGLY.

Attorneys Will Make Desperate Efforts to Keep the Brother-in-Law and Sister of Nan Patterson Out of the Tolls of the New York Law

A Cincinnati special says: That J. Morgan Smith and wife would resist extradition to New York where they have been indicted for conspiracy with Nan Patterson, Mrs. Smith's sister, was made evident Friday afternoon.

It is alleged in the writs that the Smiths are held without warrant; that no charge has been placed against them, and that there is no authority in law for the detention of either husband or wife.

When arrested Thursday the two were simply "on suspicion," but Friday, when it was thought a writ of habeas corpus would be sought, Chief of Detectives Crawford filed in police court an affidavit charging Smith with being a fugitive from justice.

During the afternoon Detective Quinn, of New York, who arrested Nan Patterson last May after the shooting of Young, and who is well acquainted with the Smiths, called at the central police station and formally identified the Smiths as the persons named in the New York indictments.

The writs are returnable before Judge Spiegel in the common pleas court Monday.

OHIO BANK LOOTED.

Employees of a Lorain Bank Short Ninety Thousand Dollars. The Citizens' Savings Bank, of Lorain, O., did not open for business Friday.

The following notice was posted on the door of the bank:

"This bank is closed for business." The affairs of the bank have been placed in the hands of T. F. Fancher as assignee.

While the directors are extremely reticent, it is known the closing resulted from the defalcations by three of its employees and that the sum taken aggregates \$90,000.

President Honecker stated Friday that the defaulting employees had agreed to turn over everything of value they possessed to the bank.

Speculation in stocks is given as the cause of the shortage.

BIG PRAIRIE FIRE.

Swept Over a Large Portion of the Rosebud Reservation.

Reports received at Omaha, Neb., from Bonesteel, S. D., and other points on the Rosebud reservation tell of a serious prairie fire sweeping across the reservation.

Near Niobrara, Neb., many homes and thousands of dollars' worth of hay have been destroyed. In a home containing eight children one was fatally burned and the entire family narrowly escaped death.

Bridegroom is Murdered.

At Malone, N. Y., Sumner Hazen, bridegroom of a week, and John Hall, his wife's brother, are dead as the result of an exchange of pistol shots at Hall's home Thursday night.

Bullets Kill Two.

At Collinsville, Ill., in a three-cornered shooting affair Mrs. John Berta and Barney Vosslo were killed and John Berta, husband of the woman, was slightly wounded, and was released from custody on the verdict of justifiable homicide.

Wreck in North Dakota.

Pat Riley, a traveling man for Armour & Co.; Henry Doyt, of Bowling Green, O.; and David Simons, of Montana, were killed, and another man, name unknown, injured in a stock train wreck near Medora, N. D., on the Northern Pacific road.

Old Grain Firm Suspends.

Everingham & Co., one of the oldest commission firms on the board of trade at Chicago, ordered its trades closed on Friday. The failure of customers to meet obligations and poor business were the reasons given for the suspension.

Sioux City Stock Market.

Friday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Butcher steers, \$1.25@5.50. Top hogs, \$5.20.

Many Claimed by Death.

A New York special says there were eight deaths Thursday in Manhattan from cerebro-spinal meningitis, against six on Wednesday. Since noon Saturday there have been 107 deaths from this disease in the entire city.

Great Sebastopol Blaze.

The warehouses of the Russian Steamship Company at Sebastopol burned Friday. The conflagration, which was of incendiary origin, did a great amount of damage.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Report in Paris that Russian Ruler Shot Himself.

A Paris special says: An unofficial rumor from St. Petersburg was published here on Thursday to the effect that Emperor Nicholas made an attempt to commit suicide and wounded himself in the hand. The rumor further says that the emperor's design was frustrated by the intervention of his mother, the empress dowager.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Petit Journal states that Chinese bandits have cut the Chinese eastern railway at several places, preventing the arrival of Russian reinforcements.

Officially the authorities at St. Petersburg continue to deny that Russia has made any proposals to Japan. This is literally true, as Russia has only made known the negative conditions, leaving the intermediary to convey these conditions on its own responsibility to Japan.

Diplomats in St. Petersburg are convinced that something is in progress, but none of those in a position to know will acknowledge they are aware of what is being done.

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TRIAL OF WIANAND.

Mother of Murdered Woman Goes on the Stand.

In the trial of Henry Wianand for the murder of his wife at Denver, Colo., Mrs. A. Ashley, mother of Mrs. Henry Wianand, read to the jury letters sent her by Wianand after the latter separated from his wife. In them he says he will "lead the game" and secure Clarence, the boy, or no one would get him.

W. J. Ashley, Mrs. Wianand's brother, almost overcome with emotion, told how he attacked Wianand during the fatal shots had been fired. Wianand during the struggle told the witness to kill him.

AGED WOMAN ASSAULTED.

Body Was Horribly Mutilated at Ottawa, Kan.

Mrs. Caroline Jones, aged 72 years, of Wellsville, Kan., was attacked at a sanitarium at Ottawa during the night by some unknown person and perhaps fatally wounded. Her skull was fractured with an ax and her body was horribly mutilated.

The mutilation of the body was similar to that in the Nickum murder case in Topeka last year, when Mrs. Nickum, who kept a boarding house, was mysteriously murdered and the body fearfully slashed. No motive for the attack on Mrs. Jones is known, and there is no clue to her assailant.

DOMINGO IS WELL PLEASED.

Action of United States Government Has a Favorable Effect.

San Domingo advises state that the news of the acceptance by the government at Washington of the proposition of the Dominican government that the United States assume control of the finances of that republic, with the view of settling aside a portion of the revenues for the payment of its debts, pending definite action on the part of the American senate, has had a most favorable effect.

The opinion is expressed that the action taken by the authorities at Washington will change the situation completely.

No Railroad Pool.

The proposed pool of western railroads, says a Chicago dispatch, for the division of convention business moving between Chicago and the Pacific coast, has collapsed. All of the roads will act separately, as they have done in the past, in getting convention business, and there will be no limit on the number of free tickets given to delegates to secure business.

Soldier's Trial for Murder.

The trial of Frank O'Connor, a young soldier of the Thirteenth United States infantry, on a charge of murder was commenced Tuesday before a jury in Superior Judge Cook's court at San Francisco, Cal. O'Connor is charged with killing Arthur Oliver, a former colored soldier.

Bankrupt Must Pay Alimony.

The supreme court of Ohio, in session at Columbus, holds that a discharge in bankruptcy under the national law does not release a divorcee from the payment of alimony decreed previously by a state court.

Coffin Nails Banished.

At Madison, Wis., the Wisconsin senate Wednesday passed an anti-cigarette bill, which absolutely prohibits the sale or manufacture of cigarettes or cigarette paper. The bill now goes to the governor.

Double Illinois Tragedy.

At Marshall, Ill., William J. Cruse killed Frank Livix, his brother-in-law, at the latter's home Wednesday, and then committed suicide. Cruse claims that Livix's family influenced his wife to leave him.

Bandit Chief Invited.

The governor of Tangier, Morocco, has dispatched an invitation to Raisuli, the brigand chief, to come in with his principal tribesmen to meet Emperor William.

WRECK ON GREAT NORTHERN

Train Strikes a Rock in Boulder Canyon.

A Great Northern passenger train westbound from St. Paul was wrecked just east of Basin, Mont., Thursday afternoon, presumably by the engine striking a rock that had slipped down the mountain side. The train was running along the canyon of the Boulder River when the engine struck the obstruction. The locomotive was thrown from the track, landing in the nearby river, badly wrecked. Engineer John Webber was instantly killed and Fireman Davis had an arm and a leg crushed. Only the engine and tender left the track, the passengers escaping with a severe shaking up. Traffic was delayed several hours.

A Winnipeg, Man., special says: The third section of a Canadian Pacific home-seeker's excursion train is reported to have been ditched.

A wrecking crew and doctors have left Rat Portage for the scene of the wreck.

The last report says none of the passengers was seriously injured.

The following is the official statement of the Canadian Pacific Company:

"Thursday morning a colliery extra train, westbound, consisting of twelve coaches, was derailed near Dryden by a broken rail. Eight coaches were derailed and several passengers cut and bruised, none seriously."

The locomotive of a freight train on the Mexican Central exploded near Ciudad Juarez, Mex., killing Fireman Sim Sanders, blowing him 200 feet away, and fearfully injuring Engineer John Santano, all of Chihuahua.

MINERS TO STRIKE.

Sixty-Five Thousand to Quit in Pennsylvania.

The operators and miners of the central bituminous district of Pennsylvania, after being in conference in Altoona all day continuously since March 16 endeavoring to agree upon a wage scale to go into effect April 1, adjourned finally without coming to an agreement.

The failure to agree means a suspension of work by the 65,000 organized miners of the district at the end of the month. When the joint scale committee met Wednesday the operators stood up on their proposition for a 10 per cent reduction of the first half of the approaching mining year, and the present scale, based on 42 cents for pick mining for the second half of the year. The miners' ultimatum demanded a renewal of the present scale for the full year. No agreement being possible, the scale committee adjourned finally.

OWE FIVE MILLIONS.

The Liabilities of "Get Rich Quick" Concerns are Large.

Senator Bradley, receiver of the Searcy Cotton Company at Philadelphia, has secured an unexpected asset in the form of an \$8,000,000 draft. The money came from the "get rich quick" concern's Liverpool branch. The draft was mailed before the Storey Company was forced by the authorities to go out of business.

Postal inspectors said that there would be no difficulty in proving that the Storey Company and the President Investment Bureau were affiliated.

Compulsory Education in Russia.

One of the best signs of the times at St. Petersburg is the announcement that in a fortnight the ministry of public instruction will undertake the elaboration of a plan for a compulsory system of primary education. Representatives of the schools in the principal cities are invited to participate in the drawing up of the plan.

Forest Fire in Ohio.

More than 500 acres north and west of Coshocton, O., are being swept by forest and prairie fires, which are still raging. Men, women and children have done nothing for twelve hours but fight the flames. Miles of fences and acres of forests have been burned, but no dwellings have been burned.

Wife Slays Husband.

Michael Novackovich, an Austrian laborer, at Pittsburg, Pa., was murdered while sleeping in bed Thursday morning by his wife, Annie. The crime was a brutal one, the woman using a hatchet. The cause assigned for the crime was revenge for ill treatment by the husband.

May be Trouble in Hayti.

The cruiser Brooklyn, due at Guantanamo Friday, will be ordered upon her arrival there to proceed to Port au Prince, Hayti, in response to the request of the state department at Washington after receiving a cablegram from Minister Powell saying trouble was impending there.

Makes 23 Knots an Hour.

The new cruiser Vestebek, the first turbine propelled vessel of the German navy, ran her trial trip from Kiel to Swinemunde, Germany, 180 sea miles, at 23 knots an hour. The naval commission aboard accepted the vessel during the run.

Negro Outrages Caught.

Charged with holding up and assaulting Mrs. Belle McNeil, a white woman, six negroes of Uniontown, Pa., have been arrested and held to await a trial at court. The crime was one of the most daring ever committed in Uniontown.

Blows Himself to Pieces.

Joseph Hogist, aged 25, committed suicide at his home near Mahanoy City, Pa., Wednesday night by blowing himself to pieces with a stick of dynamite. His body was blown to fragments. He had been married six months.

Fire in Ohio University.

The science hall at Dennison University, at Granville, O., burned early Thursday. The loss is nearly \$100,000. The most delicate measuring instruments known to science were destroyed.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Omaha Street Car Crew Held Up—Take Nothing but Company Money—After Securing the Cash Men Disappear, Leaving No Clue.

When the street car on the Dodge Street line reached Thirtieth and Bristol Streets, Omaha, Sunday night at 12:30 two men, with masks and with revolvers, surprised Conductor D. A. Hood and demanded his money. With uplifted hands Hood was compelled to stand and let the men relieve him of all the cash he had in his pockets and also a revolver.

"Have you any money of your own?" asked one of the men.

"A little of it belongs to me," he replied. "82.75."

"We want only the company's money," the man said, and he handed the conductor the amount he claimed as his own.

One of the masked men then examined the revolver, and removing all the cartridges, said:

"I guess that gun isn't very dangerous now, so you can keep it, too."

Apparently no attention was paid to the motorman. There were no passengers on the car.

Keeping the car men on the anxious seat by threats of what they would do if any attempt was made to move until told it would be all right, the masked men delicately backed off into the darkness and disappeared.

As speedily as possible the car was run back to the barn and word sent to the police station with as good a description of the robbers as the car men could give. The whole affair occupied only a few minutes and the conductor was so busy doing what he was told to do that he was unable to give anything but a very general description of the men. Their disguise and masks prevented an accurate description, excepting that of height and general size of the men.

Detective Pattullo and Officer Dan Baldwin promptly went to the scene of the robbery and endeavored to get some trace of the highwaymen, but no trace of them could be found. They had a good start and evidently had the whole affair carefully planned.

MUST APPEAR FOR TRIAL.

Declaration of State's Attorney Regarding Smedley Case.

County Attorney Caldwell declared Monday at Lincoln that unless Mrs. Scott Smedley and her husband appear for trial the next day he would start an action to have the bond forfeited. This is the latest phase of the alleged bookmaking of farmer Joseph Wells by Mrs. Smedley. He had her arrested, filed a complaint charging her with grand larceny and then signed her bond. Then he went to Denver with her.

Smadley claims he thought his wife was rich and Wells was the guardian of her estate.

Railroad Men Have Close Call.

Yardmaster Lea, Switchman Black and Helper Lewis had a narrow escape from being fatally burned at Ravenna Wednesday. They were sitting in the switchman's house when sparks from a passing engine set fire to the place. They were inside. Some oil is kept there and in an instant the inside of the building was ablaze. Lea escaped with a slightly injured face. Black had his hair badly singed, the coat of Lewis caught fire, but was thrown off and he escaped unharmed.

Passes a Confederate Bill.

A young man came into Huebner's racket store at Pierce, bought 5 cents' worth of goods and handed out what the clerk thought was a \$10 greenback, but it proved to be a \$10 confederate bill. The young man who passed the confederate bill goes by the name of Henry Cross, and lives near Center, Knox County. Some think that young Cross did not intentionally pass the bill. Cross has not been arrested.

Fight Over Ball Game at Papillion.

While playing ball a quarrel ensued between some young boys at Papillion, and George Boyer is suffering from a large cut over the heart at the hands of the young son of Louis Hutter. It is not known what the quarrel was over, but young Hutter used a big butcher knife on Boyer. Six stitches were required to sew up Boyer's wound and now he is resting as easily as could be expected.

Fooled with a Cigar Cutter.

A young colored woman named Sallie Catrell, of Omaha, while in a drug store became interested in a cigar cutter on the show case, and to learn how the machine worked, pressed one of her fingers into one of the holes. She drew the finger out with an accompaniment of screams. The point of the finger was cut off as neatly as if it had been a cigar.

Vetoed by Mickey.

Gov. Mickey Wednesday evening sent to the house his veto of the McMillen bill for the regulation of the practice of medicine in the state, better known as the anti-Christian Science bill. The governor says in his veto he believes the bill to be in violation of the constitution, which demands religious toleration and freedom.

Ditch Changes Hands.

After negotiations covering nearly half a year, the transfer of the Sutherland and Paxton irrigation ditch from the Sutherland and Paxton Land and Irrigation Company to the stockholders was made Tuesday. A new company has been formed and it is called the Keith and Lincoln Counties Irrigation Company, with a capital stock of \$75,000.

Fell Down Stairs.

Miss Mabel Grimes, employed with the Bishop Millinery Company, at Beatrice, stepped backward off an unprotected stairway in the rear of the millinery store and fell a distance of six feet, breaking her left collar bone. She also sustained severe bruises about the body.

H. C. Mahanna Dead.

H. C. Mahanna, for fifteen years superintendent of the South Platte lines of the Northwestern Railroad, died at his home in Fremont Monday, aged 60 years.

QUARREL ENDS IN KILLING.

Father Sees Son Stabbed to Death, but Unable to Assist Him.

As the result of a quarrel in Butte Wednesday a fatal affray occurred three miles west of Badger Thursday afternoon. Myron Irwin, Bob Rumsey and the Carins quarrelled Wednesday and Irwin and Rumsey are reported as saying they would fix Robert Carins when they caught him on the other side of the river. A prairie fire Thursday afternoon near Irwin's ranch brought together two crowds and Robert Carins, being separated from his crowd, was held by Rumsey while Irwin stabbed him twice. One thrust struck his heart, the other entered the abdomen. He died in thirty minutes.

Carins' father saw the affair from a distance and when the assassins finished they jumped in a buggy and started toward Dunsmuir, with Carins, Sr., in pursuit, but he was called back to assist his dying son.

The sheriff of Holt County has been notified and a posse of friends of the dead boy is in hot chase. Should they catch his slayer it is very likely a lynching will follow.

THE KIRKMAN CASE.

Prosecution Rests After Submitting Sensational Testimony.

When the court martial which is trying Capt. George W. Kirkman, met Tuesday, witnesses for the defense were called. The prosecution rested its case on Saturday evening, sensational evidence bearing on the relations between the accused and Mrs. Chandler having been given by a large number of witnesses. While the proceedings are conducted in absolute secrecy and nothing is permitted to leak out as to the details of the evidence, it is known that a very strong case has been made against Kirkman. The captain, however, insists that he is able to make a complete answer to all the charges. He will conduct his own defense.

Members of Company I are not permitted to leave the fort while the trial is in progress, orders having been given that every soldier shall hold himself ready in the event that he should be called upon as a witness.

MRS. SMEDLEY AT SEWARD.

Under Name of Willets She Was Married to Present Husband.

Mrs. Edith Smedley, the woman who was alleged to have received \$10,000 from Joseph Wells, of Ulysses, recently was married to Smedley on Dec. 17, 1904, by County Judge Leavens, at Seward. She was married under the name of Willets.

A few days previous to the ceremony she opened her pocketbook on the street, during a high wind, and a large roll of bills was blown in every direction in such a manner that most of them were not recovered.

Seriously Hurt in Runaway.

Mrs. J. C. Bowen, wife of a leading citizen and business man of Broken Bow, was seriously injured in a runaway Thursday. The animal suddenly took fright and started to run, dodging over every obstacle that came in its way. The buggy finally came in contact with a stack of timber several feet high and Mrs. Bowen was thrown out and dragged several yards. The injured woman was taken to a residence, where it was found she had sustained a compound fracture above the right ankle. It is also feared she may be injured internally.

Automobilist Hurt.

At Fremont Jerome Porterfield was Thursday thrown out of an automobile and quite badly injured. A good sized dog rushed out in front of the machine and was struck squarely amidship. In some mysterious way the dog got tangled in the gear, the machine throwing Porterfield out, and as he was going quite fast at the time he was badly bruised.

Robberies at Nebraska City.

Sneak thieves stole a trunk from the Missouri Pacific passenger station at Nebraska City Saturday night and carried it to a box car, where the trunk was broken open and the contents scattered in the car. The police were notified and while searching through the railroad yards for the trunk found three box cars that had been broken into and from one car a number of pairs of patent leather shoes had been stolen.

Beatrice Woman Fatally Burned.

Mrs. Lou Younklin, a widow was probably fatally burned at Beatrice Wednesday afternoon. She was burning rubbish in the yard when her skirts caught fire and her clothing was almost entirely burned from her body before the flames were extinguished. She is past 60 years of age and her recovery is doubtful.

Wagon Upset.

While Rowdie Neal, a young farmer living three miles southwest of Stella, was returning home with a load of wood the wagon upset and pinned him under the load in such a manner as to break his collar bone.

Awarded \$700 Damages.

In district court at Plattsmouth Eugene A. Levi, of Nebraska City, received a judgment against the Rock Island Railroad Company for a little more than \$700 for damages to two thoroughbred horses caused by delay in shipment.

Sheriff After Elopers.

Jos. Skliansk, a school teacher, eloped with Fanny Richardson, aged 15 years, a daughter of Thomas Richardson, of Grand Rapids, Sunday night. The sheriff is in pursuit.

Severe Electrical Storm.

A severe electrical storm of about an hour's duration passed over Broken Bow Monday afternoon. Very little rain fell. As near as can be ascertained no damage was done.

Damaged by Fire.

Late Saturday night fire damaged the Nebraska City steam laundry to the extent of \$500. The fire started in the boiler room and was extinguished before it could communicate to the main building. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

Gets a Rhodes Scholarship.

Arthur H. Marsh, of Blair, has been awarded a Cecil Rhodes scholarship for Oxford university. Marsh is 21 years old, a student in the University of Nebraska, and expects to be a minister.



Tax Commissioner Fleming has just completed a tabulation to show how the new revenue law has affected the different classes of real and personal property in the state during the first year of its operation, 1904, as compared with the results achieved by the old law the year previous. He has multiplied the assessments so as to bring them to a full valuation and finds that the assessment on "invisible" personal property in the state has been increased from \$96,391,584 to \$121,620,800, or nearly doubled. This classification includes bonds, stocks, warrants, money, credits, mortgages, franchises, annuities and royalties, shares of stocks and property of corporations, stock of banks, diamonds, jewelry, etc. Mortgages account for \$22,500,075 of the advance and credits about as much, money \$5,000,000, royalties and annuities, \$70,000, and diamonds and jewelry about doubled or raised to a total of \$453,950. Bonds, stocks and warrants decreased about \$100,000. The visible personal property, such as merchandise, household goods, farm machinery and implements, live stock, and the like, increased from \$170,534,526 to \$217,946,195. Railroads, including franchises, kept pace with the advance, the old figures being \$165,709,676 against \$230,887,810 in 1904. Land jumped in assessed value from \$721, 114,888 to \$887,195,815, most of the advance being on improved farm lands which went from \$128,000,000 to \$515,000,000. Unimproved country lands went down from \$34,000,000 to \$67,000,000 and city property, including both improved and unimproved lots, increased from \$19,000,000 to \$29,000,000. The total figures show that on a full valuation basis all property in Nebraska was assessed at \$1,477,450,080 in 1904 against \$1,130,750,275 in 1903.

If all the appropriation bills pending before the governor and legislature are enacted into law the total appropriation for the twenty-ninth session, exclusive of the temporary school funds, will amount to \$3,858,978,74, and after deducting the aggregate of temporary university and other special funds, \$770,712,96, and the estimated general fund receipts \$2,819,244,71, a net increase is shown in the state debt of \$269,021,07, bringing the total state debt up approximately to \$2,500,000. The total appropriation two years ago amounted to \$3,740,280. Of the appropriations made this year some, such as the \$200,000 for the kindergartens, and the live stock pavilion, advocates of the measure claim they should not be classed as liabilities in the strict acceptance of the term, but Gov. Mickey takes the view that they are nothing else. They go to swell the general total and figure ultimately as nothing but obligations.

Having blighted all hopes thus far for anti-railroad legislation by killing off every bill of that character which has come up for action, the lawmakers are not inspiring any great expectations for the passage of any of the railroad commission bills, one of which properly drawn, the public had longed to have enacted into law. Cady's principal bill has passed the senate, that is true, but as its way through the house is more devious and complex it manifestly is fraught with greater uncertainty. Senator Cady is doing his utmost, with the aid of a few other members, however, to secure the final passage of this measure, and has hopes of success. If he does win, that will be the only law enacted by this legislature even bordering on freight rate legislation.

The legislature snatched time from a busy day Friday in which the last vestige of a railroad rate bill was obliterated, to fix Thursday noon, March 30, as the time for final adjournment. A joint resolution to this effect was adopted by the house and senate. This does not, however, make it positively certain that the twenty-ninth session will adjourn sine die at this hour, for as is the case with nearly all legislatures when the time comes to quit, many measures are likely to be on hand and the tradition of stopping the clock is liable again to be brought into vogue. However, the members as a whole seem quite anxious to get through just as soon as possible.

The state is about \$2,000 better off as a result of the discovery by Deputy State Auditor Anthes of some bookkeeping in the office of the auditor. Incidentally, Custer County is to the bad just this amount and an inquiry from the county clerk of Custer County regarding the amount of money that county had paid to the state for the support of Albert Merschinger, insane, led to the discovery.

While Thursday, March 30, has been fixed as the time for final adjournment of the legislature, conditions indicate and members believe the end will not come before Saturday. This is because of the large volume of work yet to be done. However, aside from the various appropriation bills, few pending measures are of