

A NEBRASKA EX-CONVICT

THE MAN MYSTERIOUSLY MURDERED AT MITCHELL.

RELEASED AT LINCOLN JUNE 21

Was About Thirty Years of Age and a Cripple—Thought That He Was Murdered by Tramps for a Small Sum of Money.

Murdered less than a month after the expiration of his sentence in the Nebraska state penitentiary was the fate of James Burke, a crippled tramp and burglar. Intelligence to that end has been received by the Lincoln police from Mitchell, S. D.

Burke was sent up from Lincoln county for burglary three years ago and was released June 21. He remained in Lincoln for a few days and about three weeks ago announced that he was going to visit his sister. He said he intended to reform. He was about thirty years of age and a cripple, the left leg being cut off about six inches below the knee.

When he left Lincoln he had a small sum of money on his person, and it is believed that his murderers killed him in their effort to obtain his cash. The story from Mitchell, S. D., is to the effect that Burke was in company with two other hoboes in the railroad yards drinking beer. Another party of tramps was camped not far away. The second gang of hoboes heard a volley of shots and started in the direction from whence the sounds came. Arriving at the place where the trio of tramps had stopped a short time previous, the party found Burke dead from bullet wounds. His two companions had fled.

A posse was soon organized and started in search of the two older members of the gang. Both were subsequently captured at a small village not far from Mitchell and were taken to the last named city and placed in jail. One gave his name as Vey and the other as Williams. Both professed their innocence when first taken to jail, saying they knew nothing of any murder. Later, however, Vey confessed that he knew something of the shooting that put Burke out of existence and declared it was his pal, Williams, who used the gun. Vey insisted that he was innocent of any crime whatsoever. Williams then made a similar confession, saying that he was the innocent one of the two and that Vey killed Burke.

In the clipping from a Mitchell newspaper there is nothing to indicate the date of the killing, and there was nothing in his effects to indicate that he came from Lincoln except that the card in his pocket mentioned South Seventeenth street and the authorities discovered that there was such a street in Lincoln. That prompted communication with the Lincoln police.

One peculiarity about the dead man was the large number of India ink designs tattooed upon his person.

Burke's conduct in prison was all that could be desired and he won the friendship of his boss, A. T. Johnson. He told of a mother and sister and the home he left many years ago. When asked why he did not write to his folks he declared he was ashamed of himself and his past life. He had not written home for many years and it is possible that his mother and sister will never know what became of him.

Warnerville Items.

Miss Ruby Sleeper has been working for Mrs. Ernest Luebecke the past two weeks.

Miss Grace Hills of Norfolk visited last week with her friends, Miss May Warner and Misses Louise and Virginia Lodge.

Mrs. Fred Terry and Mrs. O. A. Sleeper visited Mrs. Ernest Luebecke Wednesday of this week.

Miss Ethel Sewell is entertaining friends from Bassett, Neb.

Misses Louise and Virginia Lodge spent Friday and Saturday of last week visiting Miss Grace Hills and Miss Lulu Evans of Norfolk, and attending the carnival.

Miss Esther Tannehill of Cloverdale farm entertained a party of friends Thursday.

Miss May Warner visited friends in Norfolk last week and enjoyed the carnival.

The Omaha Elevator company opened their elevator here last week with Zell McGinnis as manager.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lodge and family spent Sunday at the home of G. W. Evans in Norfolk.

The M. W. A. of Warnerville will give a dance in their hall Friday night. C. E. Rouse of Norfolk will furnish the music.

Battle Creek.

A. P. Brubaker, our harness maker, had some experience Saturday. While he was fixing a buggy top in the back yard of his business place a 13-year-old boy entered his shop and gave the till a lift of \$17.00. When he came back to the shop he saw the drawer open and noticed the loot. The same day he caught the boy and gave him a sweat box speech. Finally the lad produced \$11.00 and some cents and his father settled for the balance. We have some more of that sort of boys in our town.

Mrs. Lizzie Carrabine and three children went to Norfolk Wednesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Wade.

Doc Schwenk was here Wednesday on business from Fremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wolff of Hadar were visiting here the first of the

week with their daughter, Mrs. W. B. Nierst and family.

Mrs. James Cossairt is here this week from Platte Center visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moore.

County Surveyor A. J. Thatch of Madison is here this week on business with his instruments.

J. W. Kovalek was visiting old friends here Wednesday.

Adam Dorr of Emerick was visiting here Monday with Herman Eueker.

Frank Duheek of Emerick took his little son to an Omaha hospital Monday for an operation in his mouth.

P. A. Wright and Lambert Kerbel were Tilden visitors Monday.

Mrs. Peter Anderson and daughter, Misses May and Grace, who have been visiting here two months with her father, E. G. Dennis, departed Tuesday for their home at Fort Collins, Colo.

Tom Evans shipped one carload of old iron again Wednesday.

G. R. Seiler of Norfolk and Mayor Smith of Madison were here Tuesday on business.

Lorenz Thomsen of Antelope county was visiting here Wednesday with his brother, M. L. Thomsen, and family.

NORFOLK BOYS OUTCLASSED

Game at Neligh Yesterday Afternoon Scarcely Interesting.

Neligh, Neb., July 27.—Special to The News: The ball game yesterday between Neligh and the Norfolk Brownies was anything but interesting, the Norfolk boys being outclassed in every respect by the home team. However, great credit is due to the Brownies battery for holding the Neligh boys down as they did, and for such young players they are certainly stars. Following is the score by innings:

Neligh 0 7 0 1 1 4 3 2 7—25
Norfolk 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1—2

Batteries: Norfolk—Estabrook and Hoffman; Neligh—Alstott and Stringfellow. Base hits: Neligh 18, Norfolk 3. Struck out by Alstott 13, Estabrook 9.

Arrangements were made before the departure of the visitors by E. B. Kauffmann of Norfolk for a return game next Tuesday, which will be played at Norfolk. The Neligh Sluggers will then try to take a fall out of the Brownies.

The Norfolk boys were defeated in a very one-sided game at Neligh yesterday by a score of 25 to 2. Although the boys went up against the first team of Neligh they did fairly well. Neligh had a regular league pitcher, the one who pitched the game here for Stanton two years ago, who won the championship for Stanton, and the Norfolk boys could not connect with his curves. The Neligh players hit Estabrook at will.

But the boys are satisfied and say that Neligh showed them the best time they have had in a long while, treated them royally and paid all their expenses.

While there the boys arranged a game with the Neligh Juniors, the team which played the twenty-one inning game, which will take place here some time in the near future. It will evidently be a very close and interesting game.

DR. SINGER IS NOW HERE

NEW ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT HAS ARRIVED.

FAMILY COMES IN A FEW DAYS

Successor to Dr. Nicholson Came to Norfolk Last Night and is Getting Run of New Work Today—Is a Nerve Specialist.

Dr. H. Douglas Singer, the newly appointed assistant physician at the Norfolk hospital for the insane, arrived in Norfolk last night on the second section of the Black Hills passenger train, and went to the hospital this morning to get the run of the work which will devolve upon him when his predecessor, Dr. Nicholson, steps out on Monday. Dr. Singer had just been in Lincoln, where he received his commission and instructions from Governor Mickey.

Dr. Singer is a comparatively young man, tall of stature and with black hair and eyes. Mrs. Singer and their two children will follow from Omaha within a couple of days.

The new assistant physician is a specialist in nervous diseases and no doubt has taken the position here as much for the experience to be gained from the work as for anything else. He stands very high professionally in Omaha and the state. He was educated in Germany.

In speaking of the hospital matter, Dr. Singer said that he thought it was a misfortune all around that the affair had become so entangled, but he was evidently glad that his part of the matter has been satisfactorily settled by the voluntary withdrawal of Dr. Nicholson.

Never Sent a Man to the Hospital.

During the Spanish-American war I commanded Company G, Ninth Illinois Infantry. During our stay in Cuba nearly every man in the company had diarrhoea or stomach trouble. We never bothered sending a man to the surgeon or hospital, but gave him a dose or two of Chamberlain's Cholera, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and next day he was all right. We always had a dozen bottles or more of it in our medicine chest—Obra Havill. This remedy can always be depended upon for colic and diarrhoea, and should be kept on hand in every home. For sale by Leonard the druggist.

FL. NIOBRARA RETAINED

HAS NOT BEEN ABANDONED AS CURRENTLY REPORTED.

LETTER FROM SECRETARY TAFT

Advises Congressman Kinkaid That There is No Truth in the Statement That Ft. Niobrara is to be Abandoned by the Government.

O'Neill, Neb., July 27.—Special to The News: The report has become current that Fort Niobrara, near Valentine, in Cherry county, is to be abandoned as a military post. The removal of the colored troops stationed at Fort Niobrara to posts in Texas has been taken as an indication that the place was to be abandoned as a military reservation.

This report is denied in a communication from William H. Taft of the war department to Congressman Kinkaid of the Sixth district. Secretary Taft sends the following to Judge Kinkaid:

"War Department, Washington, July 15.—My Dear Judge Kinkaid: There is no truth in the statement that Ft. Niobrara is to be abandoned as a government military reservation. On the contrary, it will be retained for military purposes, especially that of encampment. I have just directed the allotment of about \$300,000 for an addition to Fort Robinson. Very sincerely yours, "Wm. H. Taft."

Political opponents have endeavored to attach some blame to the Nebraska delegation in congress for the alleged abandonment of Ft. Niobrara, but through the efforts of the congressman in the Sixth the post has been retained, as it was slated for abandonment three years previous to Judge Kinkaid's election to congress.

CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

Thumb, Finger and Collar Bone Broken at Ainsworth.

Ainsworth, Neb., July 27.—Special to The News: Yesterday afternoon Geo. Debus caught his hand in a blader and his forefinger and thumb were badly mashed. When he was running the binder something went wrong and in trying to fix it his left hand was caught in the wheels and badly injured. Dr. H. C. Smith dressed the wound.

William Luse, south of town, was in a wagon with an unbroken team, when they got the best of him and ran away, running in a circle. His wife being of a quick mind, ran in front of the team and caught them by the bits and stopped them, but in so doing she sustained a fracture of the collar bone. Dr. G. O. Remy attended the fracture. Yesterday Capt. Harry Hankins of the Salvation Army, 399 State street, Chicago, left here for Long Pine. He is here looking after unfortunate children and to furnish them homes. His business is surely laudable.

CHILD'S HAND MANGLED

Boy Two and a Half Years Old Gets Caught in Machinery.

Atkinson, Neb., July 27.—Special to The News: A very serious accident happened to the young child of F. Boether of Green Valley. While he was out with the men he got his hand into some machinery and the index and large finger on the right hand were so badly mangled that it is feared he will lose both. The child is only two and a half years of age. He was immediately brought to town and placed under the care of Dr. Douglas, who says it is a very bad case and he is yet unable to tell whether the fingers can be saved.

The immediate vicinity of town is very much in need of rain, although it has come on all sides. Some places need it much worse than others. Clouds come up with all appearance of rain and pass to one side or the other. Yesterday was one of the warmest of the season.

Mr. Clay and son Roy of Long Pine spent the day in Atkinson, taking in the sights. Mr. Clay is the new watch inspector for the Northwestern.

Geo. Brooks and wife of Winnetoon are visiting friends in this place for a few days.

The belated Black Hills train, delayed on account of the wreck, passed through last evening, three hours after readers of The Norfolk News had read of the same in the paper.

Columbus Amusements.

Columbus Telegram: A special excursion train to Humphrey, a prize fight and a ball game with whiskers on it, all under one and the same management, are on the bulletin designating the amusement features for Columbus next Sunday, July 29. The excursion train will leave here in the morning and return in the evening, which will enable all its patrons to witness the other great events of the day and get home if they want to. The railroad company has been glad to make a special rate for this occasion. The prize fight is to be a three-round bout between Jerry Carrig, ex-captain of the old court house Originals, and Joe Ducey, acting captain of the Lindsay amateurs. A year ago the Originals and Amateurs played ball at Humphrey, and Carrig and Ducek have been sore at each other ever since. This fight will be pulled off according to the old-fashioned duelling rules of France, from which nationality either of the combatants has inherited his fighting instincts. After the fight Captain Carrig will lead upon the duelling ground, which by a few magical

passes will have been converted into a modern baseball diamond, an aggregation of players real hard to beat, and for two hours they will be given a chance to play rings around the semi-professional team from Lindsay, of which Ducey is principal backer. Such well-known players as Dojan, Lohr, Elias, Cap Anson, Larry Lejole and Kid Nichols will be on the bench for the locals, and from Lindsay The Telegram has received information that the locals will meet a set of foremen worthy their steel. Already standing room on the excursion train to Humphrey is selling at a premium. From Humphrey comes word that great preparations are under way for the reception to the visitors, and all indications point that when the elephant goes round the ring and the band begins to play there will be a stupendous crowd to climb the high seats.

SONS OF HERMAN PICNIC

PLANS MAKING FOR A BIG TIME ON AUGUST 19.

FOURTH ANNUAL EVENT OF KIND

Speakers of the Day Will Include the Grand Presidents of Nebraska and Iowa—Norfolk Lodge is the First in Nebraska.

The Sons of Hermann, Norfolk lodge, No. 1, are planning to give their fourth annual picnic at Freyhalter's park on Sunday, August 19, when visitors are expected from every lodge of the order in Nebraska. The local members who are giving the picnic are planning to make this the greatest event of the kind ever held in the state. Speakers for the day will be John Mattes of Nebraska City, grand president of the order in this state, and A. C. Lutze of Sioux City, grand president of Iowa. At this time the new banner, recently received by Norfolk lodge, will be dedicated. Work has already commenced upon a special program which will last from 10 o'clock in the morning until night, and this will consist of speaking, singing, recitations and exercises by the children, band music, etc.

Norfolk lodge, No. 1, Sons of Hermann, is the first lodge of the order to be established in Nebraska, and this was done April 20, 1895. The local lodge now has the largest membership in the state, numbering 139, and the members will take a pride in showing their visitors a good time on the occasion of their fourth annual picnic.

CONSTITUTION AN IMPROVEMENT

Elks Will be Greatly Benefited by the Denver Meeting.

Elks who have returned from the grand lodge in Denver believe that the organization of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will be much more efficient and satisfactory after the adoption of the new constitution which was recommended by the Denver meeting. The new constitution will not go into effect until after the next annual meeting in Philadelphia, because all the lodges must vote on it. But it will be adopted without a doubt, is the opinion of those who know its provisions.

It is substantially the same as that of the United States, putting the government in the hands of three branches—executive, legislative and judicial. The grand exalted ruler will be the executive, as at present. The individual lodges will have legislative authority through their delegates, and a new office, that of grand justice, will be created as the judicial branch. There will be five grand justices who will meet together to form the grand forum. They will have power to settle all differences of opinion, acting as a board of arbitration and a court of highest appeal.

Under the present constitution the government is bulky and unwieldy. There is one central head, the grand exalted ruler, and under him are a number of 'vices,' whose jurisdiction is more or less indefinite.

Notice.

To Whom it May Concern and Particularly to Orin J. Showers:

Be it known that M. C. Hazen on the 7th day of November, 1904, purchased at public sale at the treasurer's office in Madison county, Nebraska, of the then treasurer of said county, for the delinquent taxes of 1903, the following described property, taxed for said year in the name of Orin J. Showers, to-wit: The NE 1/4 of lot 5, block 5, Pasewalk's addition to Norfolk, in Madison county, Nebraska, the said purchase being evidenced by certificate of tax sale No. A216, and the taxes on said land for the years 1904 and 1905 having been paid by the undersigned on said certificate, therefore, notice is hereby given as required by law that the time of the redemption of said real estate from said tax sale will expire on the 7th day of November, 1906, that immediately thereafter the said M. C. Hazen will apply to the treasurer of said county for a deed to the above described property. That the person in whose name the title to said land now appear of record in the register of deeds office in said county is Orin J. Showers, and no person is in the actual possession or occupancy of said land. Dated this 11th day of July, 1906. M. C. Hazen, Owner of Certificate.

To really "make the break" and look for a better job requires a little nerve—and a little adv.

GREGORY COUNTY FAIR

TO BE HELD DURING SEPTEMBER AT BONESTEEL.

GROUNDS WILL BE PURCHASED

Work is Progressing Nicely and the Fair Promises to be a Success—The Lucas Park, so Long Used for Amusement Purposes, Decided Upon.

Bonesteel, S. D., July 27.—Special to The News: The friction and strife that had crept into the fair project in Bonesteel and which for a time looked as if it would jeopardize the success of the fair, has all been satisfactorily settled and all parties to the controversy are now out with their coats off working and boosting for the big show which will be pulled off during the middle of September and continue for three days.

It has been determined to purchase the Lucas park, which consists of forty acres of land adjoining the town on the north for the sum of \$3,000, upon which very favorable terms have been secured. The track will be placed in splendid condition for racing and buildings necessary for the holding of a fair and a race meet will be erected at once.

The board of directors which has been determined upon and who will have charge of the management of the fair this year are as follows: J. J. Bonekemper, A. P. Hendrickson, J. O. Whiooughby, A. R. Doman, Dike Powell, R. E. Fish, A. E. Kull, C. J. Dickson, S. M. Lindley, J. M. Biggins, S. F. Lucas.

WEST POINT.

Cuming County Corn Has Reached the Roasting Ear Stage.

West Point, Neb., July 30.—An ordinance was passed at the last meeting of city council granting to the Chicago & Northwestern Railway company the right to maintain a system of private waterworks. The ordinance grants the railroad the right to build and maintain a system of waterworks, to build a pumping station west of the track on North street, to lay water mains along Mill street, and erect a water tank in the southeast corner of the depot grounds.

Enoch Wetzel, an aged pioneer settler who has retired from the farm and is living in town suffered a very severe stroke of paralysis while picking cherries in a neighbor's orchard. He accidentally fell to the ground from the tree. Upon being carried to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Rinehard, he suffered a second stroke. Owing to his advanced age fears are felt for his recovery.

Gordon Neligh, who has been employed as assistant at the Northwestern passenger station at West Point, has been promoted and will assume a position in the railway offices at Norfolk.

The intensely hot weather of the past week has been of immense benefit to growing corn which is making a phenomenal growth. Many fields have corn sufficiently advanced for roasting ears. This is especially true of the light sandy soils, south and east of West Point. The corn on heavy bottom lands is not nearly so good or so far advanced as the planting on rolling lands. The harvest of small grains is now at its height. Some threshing of winter wheat and rye has been done showing an average results of thirty bushels winter wheat and eighteen of rye to the acre. Potatoes will be a good average yield.

A young man named Joseph Ceclre, living near Beemer, and who was married only in June last was arrested by Sheriff Malchow and lodged in jail on a charge of abandonment.

Henry Hunker, jr., son of one of the pioneer lumbermen and capitalists of West Point, has been engaged as assistant clerk in the First National bank of West Point. He is a brother of Representative F. D. Hunker.

Joseph Stallboreis has purchased the interest of his partner, Alex Herold, in the meat market and will hereafter conduct the business alone.

The number of deaths and births in Cuming county for the month of July are reported by Deputy Registrar Krause to be as follows: Births, 12; deaths, 5.

Edward Rosewater was in West Point yesterday on his way home from the Madison county republican convention.

RENT PAYS FOR LAND.

Fertile Sections of the Southwest, Where Land Sells for \$15 and Rents for \$5 Per Acre.

One of the remarkable things about eastern Arkansas and northern Louisiana is the fact that cleared land rents for \$5 per acre cash, and can be bought for \$7.50 to \$15 per acre. It costs from \$6 to \$10 an acre to clear it. Other improvements necessary are slight and inexpensive.

The soil is rich alluvial, or made. It produces a bale of cotton per acre, worth \$15 to \$60. This accounts for its high rental value. Other crops, such as corn, small grains, grasses, vegetables and fruits thrive as well.

Alfalfa yields 4 to 6 cuttings, a ton to a cutting, and brings \$10 to \$16 per ton.

In other sections of these states, and in Texas as well, the rolling or hill-land is especially adapted to stock raising and fruit farming. Land is very cheap, \$5 to \$10 per acre; improved farms \$10 to \$25 per acre.

The new White river country offers many opportunities for settlers. High, rolling, fine water—it is naturally adapted to stock and fruit raising.

Can be bought as low as \$3 per acre.

See this great country for yourself and pick out a location. Descriptive literature, with maps, free on request.

The Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain System lines sell reduced rate round-trip tickets on first and third Tuesdays of each month to points in the west and southwest, good returning 21 days, with stop-overs. For descriptive literature, maps, time tables, etc., write to Tom Hughes, traveling passenger agent, Omaha, Neb., or H. C. Townsend, general passenger and ticket agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Affects Liquor Interests.

Congress has just passed a new law affecting the liquor interests, that will extend a helping hand to the legitimate, legalized liquor dealers of the whole country. The law provides that collectors of internal revenue shall furnish to prosecuting attorneys certified copies of liquor licenses issued by them. This means that the road of the "blind pig" and drug store saloon whisky sellers will be strewn with rocks in the future. It will be a weapon by which the prosecuting attorneys can get evidence against the blind pigs, as the possession of a federal tax receipt will be prima facie evidence of illegal sales. The blind pigger will thus be placed between two fires. If he is not entered on the lists of federal taxpayers the revenue officers will be on his trail. But in case he is entered on the federal tax list, while he will avoid the wrath of Uncle Sam, the new law will force the collectors of internal revenue to furnish the list to the local authorities and that will be prima facie evidence against him.—Omaha Protector.

Legal Notice.

Hannah E. Green, formerly Hannah E. Pepper, will take notice that on the 26th day of July, 1906, Emma Long, plaintiff herein, filed her petition in the district court of Madison county, Nebraska, against said defendant, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a decree quieting and confirming title to lot twelve (12) Horra Suburban lots to the town of Norfolk, in Madison county, Nebraska, in the plaintiff as against the defendant and all other persons for the reason that the plaintiff and her grantors have had and enjoyed the open, exclusive and notorious possession of said premises for more than ten (10) years last past as the owner thereof, adversely to the defendants and all other persons. Plaintiff prays for a decree quieting the title to said premises in her as against the defendant and all other persons.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 3rd day of September, 1906.

Dated July 26, 1906.

Emma Long, Plaintiff.

The Doctor Away From Home When Most Needed.

People are often very much disappointed to find that their family physician is away from home when they most need his services. Diseases like cramp colic and cholera morbus require prompt treatment, and have in many instances proven fatal before medicine can be procured or a physician summoned. The right way is to keep at hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. No physician can prescribe a better medicine for these diseases. By having it in the house you escape much pain and suffering and all risk. Buy it now; it may save life. For sale by Leonard the druggist.

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