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SCENES AT HEROES' GRAVES

Memorial Day Fittingly Observed Throughout the State of Nebraska.

MANY TRIBUTES TO SILENT VETERANS

Distressing Incident of the Services at Peru–Explosion of a Blank Shell Disfigures a Young Man–Details of the Day.

Lincoln, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was observed here this afternoon with the usual ceremonies, nothing occurring to mar the impressiveness of the occasion. Hon. I. W. Lansing was the orator of the day. In concluding his address Judge Lansing said: "Not to the departed heroes alone should we confine the acknowledgment of our debt of gratitude. Let us do justice to the living, and all the justice you do them you must do this side of the gates of the great necropolis. When they are dead they cannot count the number of carriages at their obsequies, nor rise up to notice the polish of the granite shafts above their heads and read the beautiful epitaph inscription.

"No, no, ladies and gentlemen, post mortem honors can never pay for ante-mortem suffering and want. Equally brave upon the battlefield were those who live with those who die; equally ready to seal with their blood and lives their devotion to the principles which summoned them to the front when all was at stake. Many of them left limb and health on the arena of battle. Let not the American people forget the living boys in blue, the Grand Army of the Republic. Let the lesson of the hour be, 'do justice to the living.' They won't be with us long. The Grand Army of the Republic receives no recruits–they see no new faces. Slowly but surely they are going to the silent and eternal camping ground of the dead. Last year 21,000 of their number changed the suit of blue for the celestial white. A few more years will sepulcher the living of today. They are on the last grand march. Calmly and bravely they are meeting the final conqueror. I fancy I can see the old veterans gather in one mighty battalion and peering up into the blue vault of heaven, seated at the right of the great white throne they see the immortalized form of their loved commander-in-chief, and I can hear breaking forth from that vast multitude the old time shout: 'We are coming, Father Abraham, three hundred thousand more.'"

Broken Bow's Tribute.

Broken Bow, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial services were held in the opera house here yesterday. Rev. W. S. Sayers of the Episcopal church preached the sermon. A memorial service was also held in the evening at the Presbyterian church, addresses being delivered by J. R. Dean and Rev. Byron Beal. Three poems were read by Miss E. Griffith, Fannie Sutton and Delia High. Today a large crowd assembled in the opera house at 3 o'clock and listened to an able address by Captain W. C. Henry of Fairmont, after which the procession formed and marched to the cemetery. It consisted of C. C. Washburn post, Grand Army of the Republic, with about sixty men in ranks, the hook and ladder company, Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corp, and citizens in carriages, making a procession over a mile in length. The impressive services of the Grand Army of the Republic were conducted by Washburn post, after which the procession returned to the city and disbanded.

At Grand Island.

Grand Island, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day services took place at the Bartenbach opera house this afternoon. The house was filled to the utmost capacity. Able addresses were made by ex-Governor A. A. Batt, C. F. Bentley, J. White and Rev. T. C. Clarke. They were interspersed with appropriate music. The decoration of graves took place in the morning.

Holdrege, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–The Grand Army of the Republic of Glover post, No. 11, celebrated in great style today. After marching through the principal streets headed by the Holdrege cornet band, the Grand Army of the Republic and civic societies following, the procession proceeded to the opera house, where Hon. G. N. Clarke of Hastings addressed the audience at length on the history of the country and the duty owing from the country to the survivors. The city was full of people today, and the houses were well decorated.

Passed Pleasantly at Lyons.

Lyons, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Decoration day was observed here with due ceremonies. Dr. Maxfield of Omaha delivered an address to the school children and the members of the various organizations this morning at the school house yard, where a flag was raised by the children. They then went to the cemetery and decorated the graves. The procession was over one half mile long. Rev. Lewis Curts of Chicago delivered the memorial address at the rink this afternoon to 500 people. The day was beautiful and all the exercises passed off pleasantly to all.

Harrington, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was appropriately observed in this city. An unusually large crowd was in town. The city was decorated with flags and banners. Benjamin M. Weed delivered the oration. The veterans used Lubelly & Co.'s warehouse which is the most spacious building in town. This was filled to its utmost capacity, many of the people being obliged to stay in the street. The program consisted of speeches and music. The veterans gave a dinner for their benefit.

On the Banks of the Blue.

Crete, Neb., May 30.–[Special to The Bee.]–Decoration day was observed in the usual way here. Union memorial services were held in the Methodist Episcopal church yesterday, where Rev. Mr. Guild preached a very appropriate and eloquent sermon. Today at 1 o'clock the procession consisting of all the children of the various schools, some cadets and some of the local secret societies, marched to Riverside cemetery, where all the graves of the fallen heroes who have their last resting place on the banks of the Blue, were profusely decorated by the ladies of the Relief Corps. In the afternoon the memorial oration was delivered by Hon. James W. Dawes at the opera house to a large audience.

Fittingly Observed at Sutton.

Sutton, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was fittingly observed at Sutton by a very large number of people who participated in the public services at the opera house and also at the cemetery. They brought large quantities of flowers and evergreens to decorate the graves of the dead soldiers. The vocal and band music was much finer than that of the preceding year, which is saying a good deal. Services were opened with an eloquent and touching prayer by Rev. Mr. Crowe of the Methodist Episcopal church. Hon. Thomas Majors delivered an oration which was applauded throughout, especially when reference was made to the influence and deeds of the women of the war. The city is profusely decorated with flags and national colors.

Fremont's Memorial Service.

Fremont, Neb., May 30.–[Special to The Bee.]–Nearly all the churches in the city and many of the civic organizations united with McPherson post Grand Army of the Republic yesterday in memorial services at Love's opera house. The building was literally packed with those desiring to pay tribute to the nation's heroes, even the standing room being occupied. Company E, Nebraska National guards, Canton Fremont No. 4 Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Pawnee tribe of Red Men and several fire companies attended in uniform, while McPherson post turned out with eighty old soldiers in line. The ceremonies consisted of singing by the united church choirs of the city, invocation by Rev. W. H. Bross, reading of the Grand Army of the Republic general orders relative to Memorial day, scripture reading by Rev. N. Chesnut, prayer by Rev. W. H. Tate, memorial sermon by Rev. J. C. Quinn, D. D., and benediction by Rev. J. W. Robinson. The exercises were very impressive. The address of Dr. Quinn was listened to with the closest attention and pronounced a masterly effort. The memorial anthem was especially worthy of note. It was set to music by Prof. Roy Smith of this city, who, using "America" as his theme, worked out a splendid production. The solo singing was by Mrs. Fred Nye of Omaha.

Today the occasion has been observed with profound respect, there was a grand parade this morning, participated in by many societies in uniform, two hundred students from the Normal college, and many officials and citizens. Services were held in the opera house, during which Captain Stickell of Hebron delivered a masterly oration. This afternoon the Grand Army of the Republic and firemen marched to the cemetery and decorated the graves of their dead comrades with appropriate ceremonies.

Beatrice Handsomely Decorated.

Beatrice, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Elaborate preparations were made for the observance of Decoration day in the matter of parades, but rain setting in at noon nearly spoiled the calculations. The city was handsomely decorated with bunting, and business was generally suspended. Hon. John L. Webster delivered the memorial oration before a very large audience in the Auditorium.

In the course of his remarks Mr. Webster said: "To you of the Grand Army the record of the war is a vivid reality and a soul stirring memory. To you of a later generation it is history only. To the old soldier this day recalls this reality and memory and to the rest it unfolds the pages of history. We turn over the leaves to read between the lines more than shows on the printed page. We stand in silent reverence while sweet flowers of love and remembrance are spread over the graves of the dead. In those days of warfare the flag was the emblem that led the brave men on to victory or to death. The patriotic songs and the star spangled banner always move and thrill an audience. But these songs and these waving banners leading a marching army with bayonets glistening in the sunlight possessed a power that the pen cannot picture and words are inadequate to describe. Martial music and the flag were the two things which made men brave in places of danger and of death. These two things created a love of country and created the army.

"This is the day that we meet to express our reverence for the dead. At such times great thoughts come to us like the flash of meteors. Sublime emotions well within our bosoms. We have a country that we love, for which we would lay down our lives, and we meet to worship the memory of our dead, who secured to us our liberty by the sacrifice of their life's blood. They fought for that American liberty which subjects the brutalities of force to the victories of intellect; for that American liberty which holds all men to be equal and all men to be brothers. They fought for that American liberty which knows no law but the express will of the people and no rulers but those selected by their own choice and for the grandeur of that flag which is the pride of every American heart.

"The fathers of the revolution have left to us a rich inheritance. We are the custodians of the free country for which they fought and died. Liberty and prosperity are ours today. The old soldiers have preserved to us a government for which we must lift paeans of thanksgiving while we labor for its preservation. The future of this government is left with us as a sacred responsibility. We used to speak of England as the strongest nation on the globe, today the nations of the earth are looking toward America as the great country of the present and of the future.

"After the war was over we brought back each state and put it in its old place on the blue of the American flag. Every star beams there with equal luster and all form one grand constellation for the upbuilding of the union. It is the hope of our great future in this country that to the last our citizens may be sitting under one flag, that the latest generations of men may be able to see through the telescope of the future the place of America still her own as the strongest, most enlightened, most liberty-loving people on the face of this globe."

Following the adress Rawlins post, band and drum corps marched to the old cemetery, where the formal decoration of the graves was observed under the Grand Army of the Republic ritual.

Sad Incident of Peru's Services.

Peru, Neb., May 30.–[Special to The Bee.]–This morning as the Normal band and cadets were falling in to march to the depot to meet the orator of the day, Cadet John Welsh recklessly snapped his rifle in the face of Joseph Gillilan, one of the band men. The gun was loaded with a heavily charged blank cartridge, which exploded, filling Mr. Gillilan's face and eyes with powder and wads. The wound is a painful one and only the most skillful care can prevent disfiguration for life. Of course, no one knew the gun was loaded.

Memorial day was celebrated here today by exercises in the Methodist Episcopal church at 4 p. m. Rev. Van Fleet delivered the address. The exercises were under the management of Martin A. Shewell post, Grand Army of the Republic.

Stratton, Neb., May 30.–[Special to The Bee.]–Kendall post of the Grand Army of the Republic celebrated Memorial day at this place today in due form. The oration was delivered by Hon. W. M. Robertson of Madison. This was followed by decorating the graves of the numerous dead in form, by forty-four little girls. This exercise was very touching and impressive.

Exercises at O'Neill.

O'Neill, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–A slight rain this morning only served to lay the dust nicely for the carrying out of the exercises today. The court house was crowded at 2 o'clock. Hon. James Whitehead of Broken Bow, orator of the day, spoke for an hour, being frequently applauded during his remarks. The procession formed at the court house and marched through the principal streets. It was composed of Grand Army veterans, Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows, citizens on foot and in carriages, making a line over a mile in length.

Hastings, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was feelingly observed in Hastings. The streets were decorated with flags and bunting and, on request of the mayor, the business houses were closed during the time of the exercises. A large procession of civic and Masonic societies proceeded to the cemetery, where brief exercises were held. On the return to the city Prof. W. E. Andrews delivered the oration at the tabernacle at Lincoln avenue and Fourth street.

Nebraska City, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Observance of Decoration day was general in this city. All business houses were closed and everyone joined in the service. The procession was headed by the band, and included ex-confederate and union veterans, company C, Second regiment, Nebraska National guards, school children, firemen, secret societies, and citizens in carriages. It was the finest display ever seen on similar occasions in this city. Buildings on the line of march were handsomely decorated. At the city park Hon. John C. Watson delivered an address. Rain interfered with the last part of the services. Committees visited Wicka cemetery and appropriately decorated graves of the nation's dead.

Laudanum Caused His Death.

Salt Lake, U. T., May 30.–Prof. Anton Haeflo, author of several notable works on nihilism, was found in a dying condition in his room yesterday and ten minutes later breathed his last. Death was due to laudanum poisoning, but whether taken for suicidal or medicinal purposes cannot be learned. Deceased was a native of Switzerland, aged 45, and leaves a wife and five children destitute.

Ran Into a Washout.

Paris, Tex., May 30.–Train 32, a freight on the Texas Pacific, ran into a washout near Moore Springs, demolishing the train. William Hope, the fireman, was fatally crushed, as were also two negroes, Isaac Johnson and Joe Williams, who were stealing a ride. Some fifty head of cattle were also killed.

GETTING DOWN TO THE FACTS

Further Particulars of the Monday Morning Tragedy.

JONES' CONDITION STILL CRITICAL

Result of the Coroner's Investigation–A Revised History of the Entire Affair–Statements from the Various Participants in the Shooting.

The shooting and probable killing of W. M. Jones, manager of the Sandwich Manufacturing company, was almost the only topic of conversation on the streets yesterday. The wide acquaintance of the unfortunate man and the universal respect in which he was held caused a great interest to be taken in the case, and the question, "How's Jones?" could be heard on all sides.

A council of physicians was held at noon, but it was not thought best that any official statement of his condition should be made at that time, and it was decided to wait until later in the day.

At 2:45 o'clock yesterday morning, before the patient was placed under the influence of opiates, he gave his ante-mortem statement, and the questions and answers were taken down under the supervision of the coroner, exactly as they were spoken. The following is the conversation, which furnishes as much information as it will probably ever be possible to get from Mr. Jones:

"Had you been into Stella's?"

"Yes. I came out to get into the hack when they robbed me."

"Did they get your money?"

"Yes, and they got my watch."

"Why, your watch is here; they didn't get that."

"Well, three of them got hold of it."

"Who were the three?"

"There were three men there with the hack."

"Who went with you to Stella's? Who was with you before you went there?"

Knocked Him Down.

"Jimmie Maher went with me to Stella's place. He was with me before we went there. Jimmie came out with me, and the three men were standing by the hack. I don't think Jimmie had anything to do with the shooting. There were three when we came out of the door, out there on the walk. The hack driver he wanted me to give him $8 or $10 for the hack. I said no, and I was going to give him $1. I just reached my hand in my pocket for $1 when the man with a white hat on struck me and knocked me down. Then the other fellow shot me as I lay on the walk, when I was down. There was a big fellow with a black hat on; he shot me."

"Did you shoot at him then?"

"No. After they knocked me down and shot me I didn't know anything. I was pretty nearly paralyzed. I didn't shoot at all. I didn't have any chance to get my gun."

"What was Jimmie Maher doing when he was leaning over you up there on Park avenue?"

"I don't know. Jimmy might have taken my gun out of my pocket, I guess. I remember when I was picked up somebody took my gun out of my pocket. I got up after I was shot and walked a block to get away. I was crazed, pretty near. One thing, dead sure, I didn't fire a shot out of that gun tonight that I know of. I never got hold of it at all. I always carry it in my right hip pocket."

"How long have you been drinking, Harry?"

"Two or three days. If anybody got killed up there I wasn't next. The first thing that happened, almost, somebody knocked me down with a club or something. I was paralyzed. Everybody ran away and left me, and I got up and walked a block and then fell because I couldn't go any further. If I got hold of that gun I didn't know it, sure. I know d–d well I didn't shoot."

Threats of Lynching.

Popular indignation reached a great height when the shooting was heard of, and threats of lynching were freely made. The marshal and police grew rather nervous at the fiery language used by the citizens toward Maher and the rest of the gang that was thought to be implicated in the shooting with him, and during the day, in order to prevent any harm from coming to him, Maher was moved to a cell in the county jail and the sheriff was given instructions to see that he was given the safest cell in the building.

Maher was confined in the steel cylinder on the second floor of the county jail when he was called upon by a Bee reporter. When the cylinder was rolled around so that he could step out into the corridor of the jail he was at once seen to be in a nervous condition that was quite unusual for the daredevil Jimmie. During his entire conversation with the newspaper man, which lasted about a quarter of an hour, he trembled like a leaf and could hardly control himself sufficiently to talk intelligibly.

Maher's Statement.

"Jones was a friend of mine, and a gentleman," was his remark when he was told that some people believed him guilty of the shooting of W. M. Jones. "I presume he has given me $25 during the past winter, one or two dollars at a time. He and I were together at Stella Long's place, on Upper Broadway, and we thought we would take a couple of the girls out to the road house for a general good time. So we called up Welch's office and ordered a hack. The hack was brought up by Tom Callaghan, and he and Wade wanted Jones to pay $10 for the use of the hack on the trip. Jones wouldn't pay that much, and Wade, who took the hack from Callaghan, wouldn't let it go for less. Jones told him we wouldn't take it then. Wade then tried to get $1 out of him for the trouble of hitching up, but Jones refused to pay that either. Wade told him that he'd take it out of his hide, then. 'No, you won't take anything out of my hide,' said Jones, and he pushed Wade away. Wade then pulled his gun and fired at Jones and Jones returned the fire. I don't know whether it was Wade's first shot that did the job or not."

This story was gotten out of Maher by means of close questioning, as he was induced to talk at all with considerable difficulty. Callaghan, the hack driver, gave himself up to the police immediately after the shooting. When the trouble occurred he was going to take part in it, but Maher, he says, hit him across the head with a cane he had in his hand and informed him he wasn't in it. He immediately struck out up Broadway and First street to the residence of Chief of Police Scanlan, where he gave himself up for safe keeping. His reason for doing this, he said to a reporter, was that he saw there was going to be trouble and he didn't want to have anything to do with it. He told Chief Scanlan that Maher chased him all the way up to his house, but the chief was of the opinion that what Callaghan took for the patter of Maher's feet was the beating of his own heart. Callaghan was unable to tell much of the particulars of the shooting and said that Wade was the only one he saw doing any shooting.

Mike Kildare's Story.

Mike Kildare, whose name has been connected with the tragedy, was very anxious to detail to a Bee reporter all he knew concerning Mr. Jones and himself prior to the shooting. He says Jones had been a frequent visitor to his (Kildare's) saloon for several months past, and that there was the most cordial friendship existing between them, which was frequently strengthened by Jones' offer to assist him and his partner financially if such help was ever required. He says that Jones began drinking in the Opera House saloon on Friday afternoon, and drank to such an extent that it was necessary for him to go home. He did not show up again until Saturday noon, when he resumed his potations. During the afternoon Mike says Jones asked him to drive him down to the Sandwich offices until he finish d up a little business and paid off the men. They drove down and Jones found that there was not enough money on hand to pay the men, and he came up town again in Kildare's buggy and went to the bank and got more cash. After this they drove down on Lower Broadway, and when near the bridge Jones suggested that they go on over to Omaha and get a drink or two. This was agreed to, and Kildare says they visited four or five saloons and returned to the Bluffs early in the evening. Jones went to bed early, and Kildare says he did not see him again until Sunday noon, when he showed up at the Opera House saloon and drank until about 1 o'clock, when he went home. The next he saw of him was when he had returned from the lake with his wife, and he then simply bowed to him across the street.

Kildare bitterly denounced as untrue the statement that he enticed Jones from his wife, and says the story about the man wanting to see him at the Ogden house was coined by Jones as an excuse to get away from his wife, and that after seeing him return from the lake he did not meet him again until after 8 o'clock when Jones came into the Opera House saloon in company with Jim Maher. After drinking there they visited the Mint and then Kildare left them about 9 o'clock, and heard nothing more about him until he read the account of the tragedy in The Bee.

Mrs. Jones.

When The Bee reporter at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning went to the rooms in the Merriam block and aroused Mrs. Jones and acquainted her with the fact that her husband had been injured and desired to have her come to him, she exclaimed: "O, God, has Harry been shot?" and then when a portion of the real facts were imparted to her she cried bitterly. "Oh, why did he not heed me! Why did he go away with that terrible man?"

When asked what man she referred to, she named Mike Kildare, and told the story printed in The Bee yesterday morning.

Mrs. Jones is a woman of about 35 years of age, of French origin and has been living with Jones for several years. When he first became acquainted with her she was unable to speak the English language. She seems to be devotedly attached to him, and for the purpose of being near him she has mastered shorthand and typewriting and has been his private secretary in his office in the Sandwich building. He became acquainted with her in Sandwich, Ill. They have no children.

The Inquest.

The coroner began his official inquiry into the case at 5 o'clock, before a jury composed of W. H. Robinson, Justice Swearengen and O. H. Lucas. Officer Murphy was the first witness examined and he told about hearing the shots about 12:45 and the subsequent discovery of the body of Wade and the wounded man. He said he recognized Jones as soon as he saw him as a gentleman whom he had seen in company with Jimmy Maher several times during the evening in various saloons on Broadway, including the Opera House saloon and the Court, the dive run by Frank Carroll, and saw them last about 11 o'clock going up Broadway in the vicinity of the Pierce street houses of prostitution. He saw Wade, the slain hack driver, several times during the evening, sometimes on a hack, driving, and the last time on the sidewalk on Broadway near Park avenue, half a block from where the tragedy took place.

Officer Kemp testified that he heard shots about 12:45 when two blocks away from the scene and was the first man on the ground where Wade was lying. The man was in the last tremor and expired while the officer knelt down beside him. The revolver was still clutched in his half opened hand.

Other Witnesses Testify.

Officer H. Peterson testified that he had seen Maher and Al Noack in Neumayer's hotel after the shooting and arrested Maher, but did not arrest Neack, as Chief Scanlan had not told him he was wanted.

Stella Long testified that Maher and Jones came to her place at 7:30 p. m. and stayed until after midnight. She rang up a hack for the two men at their request shortly before midnight, and as soon as the carriage came the two men left. She saw no trouble between them and didn't see Maher have a gun or sling shot. When the hack came she heard no dispute over the question of the payment of hack fare. The men drank during the evening, but were not drunk. When she heard the shooting she forbade the girls going out.

Edna Stewart, one of the inmates of the Long place, said that during the evening the two men seemed decidedly friendly. She saw Jones count out three or four bills on his knee, and when Maher asked him what he was doing it for, he replied that he was seeing how much he had to spend. She heard them talking with Wade about the price of a hack drive to the road house, but heard the hackman say nothing about being paid for the trouble of bringing out the hack. She searched Maher's pockets for cigarettes, and was certain he had no gun in his pockets unless in his inside or one outside pocket. After the men had left she heard some one say: "Let her go, let her go," and between the exclamations three shots were fired in rapid succession. After that she saw two men run through the yard. One of them, who was Jones, fell over a fallen tree, and his companion, Maher, helped him along.

Minnie Day, another inmate, heard Jones say he thought he ought to pay the hack driver something for his trouble after he had decided not to use the hack, but Maher told him not to pay anything. There was nothing said in the house on the subject while the hack driver was present. There was not an angry word spoken. She also heard the exclamations, "Let her go," that the preceding witness told of, and thought it was Maher's voice that made them.

Wade's Record.

Jack Wade, the fellow whose heart was pierced, was a Texas cowboy who came here about six weeks ago and took a position as hackman for Welch. Little seems to have been known about him only that he had the reputation of being a tough customer and hanger on at the Pierce street house of prostitution where he was so well known that the first identification of the body as it lay stretched out on the pavement after it had been viewed by scores of men was by a couple of prostitutes of Miss Long's establishment. They instantly recognized the features of the dead man although the light from the Methodist church electric light tower did not shine full upon his face. When questioned they said he had not been on the row during the night. The face of the man was certainly villainous enough to bear the assertion made that he was a tough, although there are others who claim to know him well who assert that he was neither a tough nor a Texan, but has lived for the past two and a half years at Atlantic, Ia.

The post mortem examination this morning showed that a 38-caliber bullet had severed the right auricle of the heart, causing almost instant death.

Missed Their Prey.

The gang of thieves who had marked W. M. Jones for their legitimate prey Sunday night also made an attempt to hold up R. T. Bryant, a prominent resident of Benton street, Sunday night, but were prevented from carrying their design into execution by the nerve displayed by Mr. Bryant and the toughness of a club he carried in his hand. Mr. Bryant was on his way home along Washington avenue about 10 o'clock when he happened to hear a light footstep behind him. He had seen two men standing in the road a short distance down the street, and it at once occurred to him that something was about to happen. He turned suddenly and found himself confronted with the two men, who had stolen on tiptoe until within a few feet of him. As he turned Mr. Bryant raised a stout hickory cane he was carrying, and as the state of affairs occurred to him he said, "Well, boys, you'd better let this job out."

"By G–! That's Rube Bryant," said one of his assailants in a whisper to his pal; and the two started off down street on a dead run. Mr. Bryant was perfectly willing to let them go, and made no effort to prevent them. He is confident that robbery was the motive of the two men, and that they were creeping up behind him to sandbag him.

Mr. Jones was under the influence of opiates all day yesterday, as it was found necessary to keep him in that condition in order to prevent the terrible pain which he suffered as soon as he became conscious. During the afternoon he had a very bad time, vomiting a great deal. In the evening he was resting easily, and the physicians

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SACRIFICE OF THE FLOWERS

Columbia Makes Fragrant Offerings at the Altar of Heroism.

AMERICA'S FALLEN BRAVE REMEMBERED

Blossoms and Blooms Make Bright Their Graves–Deep Graven on Memory's Tablets is the Record of Their Noble Deeds.

Rochester, N. Y., May 30.–Never before has Rochester been so crowded; never before has it entertained so distinguished a company. All business is suspended. It is estimated that 250,000 people took part in various demonstrations. The president was enthusiastically received everywhere and was compelled to bow acknowledgments to almost continuous cheering. The weather was bright.

The feature of the day was the dedication of the monument in Washington square in honor of the soldiers and sailors of Monroe county who died in defense of the union. The city everywhere was gay with bunting. President Harrison, Governor Flower and the other distinguished guests arose early and took a nine-mile ride on an electric car, escorted by a large party of gaily decorated bicyclists, to Ontario Beach for breakfast. Returning to the city, the president and the governor held a public reception from 10:30 till noon.

The unveiling was preceded by a review parade, consisting of war veterans, German-American societies, school children and miscellaneous civic societies.

At the appointed time, in the presence of a great throng the monument was unveiled with imposing ceremonies. General Reynolds made a short introductory address, President Hill of Rochester university delivered an oration, Samuel A. Lowe read a poem and President Harrison and Governor Flower each made an address.

OBSERVED IN IOWA.

Thousands Listen to Patriotic Speeches Throughout the State.

Boone, Ia., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Several thousand people attended the memorial exercises here this afternoon. There was a lengthy procession and addresses by Rev. Lloyd of Ottumwa and Hon. A. J. Holmes of Boone.

Missouri Valley, Ia., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–The largest gathering for Decoration day exercises in this city occurred here today. Belden post had charge of the exercises, which were most elaborately planned and executed. Hon. Charles MacKenzie of Dunlap delivered the formal address.

Fort Dodge, Ia., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Fort Donelson Grand Army of the Republic post conducted appropriate memorial day exercises here today. General Smith D. Adkins of Freeport, Ill., delivered an address, full of the fire of patriotism. He was listened to with eager interest by 2,000 people.

Creston, Ia., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–The day has been devoted to honoring the memory of the nation's dead here. Fully 2,000 people were in the Decoration day procession, including posts of the Grand Army of the Republic and civic societies. The ceremonies were beautiful and impressive.

Sloan, Ia., May 30.–Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was duly observed in Sloan with services at the Congregational church. The church was elaborately decorated with flowers, flags and bunting. Rev. Mark Darling of Sioux City delivered the oration. He spoke as only an old veteran can speak. The procession formed at 2:30, marched to the cemetery and decorated the graves.

At St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., May 30.–Memorial day was observed here in about the usual manner. There was a parade by Grand Army posts and Sons of Veterans, after which they and several thousand citizens went by railroad and steamboat to Jefferson barracks, the army recruiting station, twelve miles down the river, where the remains of some 15,000 union and confederate soldiers lie in one of the national cemeteries. Here a national salute was fired, the ritual and services of the Grand Army performed and brief addresses delivered, and all the graves in the cemetery decorated with flower wreaths and other emblems of affection and respect.

The statues of General Grant on Twelfth street, General Blair in Forest park, General Lyon in Lyon park, and the grave of General Sherman in Calvary cemetery, received special decorations. Other graves in the city were well remembered and strewn with flowers.

The day was generally observed as a holiday and all public business was suspended. The Merchants and Cotton exchanges and banks were also closed.

Harrison Men Not Particular.

Chicago, Ill., May 30.–John C. New, consul general at London, and one of President Harrison's trusted local lieutenants, reached Chicago today enroute to Minneapolis. Speaking of the permanent chairmanship of the convention, he said:

"Mr. Harrison's friends have no candidate. Any one of several candidates suggested would be acceptable. Major McKinley, who has been mentioned, would suit us all."

The executive committee of the republican national committee will be here tomorrow, and may have some suggestions to make to them as to the appointment of a temporary chairman of the convention, which is in the hands of the committee.

At Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 30.–Despite the rain and mud the Grand Army of the Republic posts decorated the soldiers' graves at the various cemeteries today. The main feature of the day was the unveiling of a monument over the grave of General Kilburn Knox, late commander at the Soldiers home, in the home cemetery.

Remembered at Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., May 30.–Memorial day was fittingly observed throughout this state and city today. This morning the members of the Grand Army of the Republic decorated the graves of their dead comrades. In the afternoon there was a procession followed by a patriotic memorial concert at the Detroit rink, at which addresses were made by prominent men.

In New York City.

New York, May 30.–In spite of rain Decoration day exercises was carried out according to program. The day began with a parade of regular troops, reserve artillery and the Grand Army, after which the Grand Army men proceeded to the various cemeteries and decorated the graves of their comrades.

Deluged by Rain.

Wellington, Kan., May 30.–The most terrible rain storm that ever visited this section fell this morning, adding to the misery and distress of the already sorely afflicted inhabitants, the rain ruining what was left of the unroofed stocks of goods.

Fearful Death Rate From Cholera.

Calcutta, May 30.–The cholera epidemic at Serinagur, in the vale of Cashmere, continues its terrible course. In the last four days, out of 1,731 persons attacked, 990 have died.

Lunched with the Czar.

Copenhagen, May 30.–The king and queen of Denmark and prince and princess of Wales lunched with the czar of Russia on board his yacht today.

Unveiled a Monument to A. P. Hill.

Richmond, Va., May 30.–A monument to the memory of General A. P. Hill of confederate fame was unveiled here today with great pomp and ceremony. The decorations consisted of national, state and confederate colors. The procession was an hour and a half passing a given point. At the monument about 1 o'clock, when [illegible] H. Thomas A. Brander called the vast assemblage to order, General James A. Walker, commander of the Stonewall brigade, the orator of the day, delivered an eloquent address and the monument was unveiled amid the plaudits of the assemblage.

At Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., May 30.–Memorial day was duly observed here. In the morning the Grand Army posts decorated the various cemeteries and strewed the graves with flowers, not forgetting the 7,000 confederate dead at old Camp Douglass. Arrangements had been made for a parade this afternoon. Rain began falling at 1:30 p. m. but despite the fact that it continued during the afternoon the program was not interfered with.

Advices to the Associated Press from various points indicate that Decoration day was generally observed after the usual formula.

Observed in Colorado.

Holyoke, Colo., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Despite a steady rain all day and an almost impenetrable gloom the memorial services at this place were the best conducted and the most impressive ever held in the city. Early this morning flags were flying at half mast from all the principal buildings in the town. At 2 p. m. the parade was formed, consisting of the Holyoke cornet band, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Womens Relief corps, citizens, Sons of Veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic boys. That part of the procession formed by the Womans Relief corps was a beautiful sight, as each lady bore a huge bouquet or wreath made from the many Colorado flowers to be found on the plains.

At Plattsmouth and Gothenburg.

Plattsmouth, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was observed in this city by a general closing of business houses and a great parade to the cemetery, where an eloquent address was delivered by Rev. L. F. Britt. The demonstration was one of the finest in years.

Gothenburg, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Decoration day exercises were observed by Thomas Martin post. An interesting address was delivered by S. A. Giffin. There were also recitations by school girls and fine music by the silver cornet band and the Glee club. The weather was cool and attendance large.

Nelson, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was appropriately observed here today. Exercises were held in the court house, participated in by the Grand Army of the Republic post here, Sons of Veterans, and Nebraska National guards. N. L. Gadd of Broken Bow was the orator of the day and delivered an eloquent address. After the exercises the crowd proceeded to the cemetery and decorated the soldiers' graves.

Table Rock's Home Talent.

Table Rock, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial exercises were held in the park. Home talent was made use of, the oration being delivered by Rev. J. H. Person. The procession was lead by the Table Rock band and included the post, Relief Corps, Sons and Daughters of Veterans, school children and citizens. The rain held off until the services were completed and then came down in torrents. Yesterday union services were held in the Methodist church. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. H. Niles.

Columbus, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Memorial day was appropriately observed in this city by the Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps. The opera house where the services were held was crowded. Judge W. N. Hensley acted as orator of the day and made a scholarly address.

Stuart, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Fitting decoration services were held here today. Colonel B. W. Johnson delivered the oration at the opera house. The procession to the cemetery was larger than it has been for a number of years. The Stuart camp, Sons of Veterans, armed and uniformed, participated, adding greatly to the merit of the ceremonies.

Valentine and Fort Niobrara.

Valentine, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Valentine and Fort Niobrara joined forces in fittingly observing Memorial day. At 9 o'clock the school children gathered at the school house and, headed by the band, paraded the streets to the Methodist church, where appropriate literary and musical exercises were held. Afterward all returned to the school house, the scholars singing "The Star Spangled Banner" while the national colors were raised over the building for the first time. This closed the exercises here.

At 1 o'clock the people assembled at the court house, where the school children were loaded into carriages and taken to the fort, followed by the Grand Army of the Republic post and a large number of the citizens from Valentine and the surrounding country. Arriving within a short distance of the fort they were met by General E. A. Carr with staff and six troops of the Sixth cavalry and two companies of the Eighth infantry, which led the march to the cemetary, the troops forming a hollow square around the same. The veterans formed in line and with the school children marched to the graves where after prayer by Post Chaplain Nave the Grand Army of the Republic funeral service was read and the graves strewn with flowers by the children. During this time the minute gun was fired at regular intervals. The Sixth cavalry band interspersed the exercises with appropriate music. The ceremonies closed by firing the usual volleys and sounding taps. The Grand Army post and citizens feel very grateful to General Carr for so kindly supplying the transportation.

Appropriate Ceremonies at Blair.

Blair, Neb., May 30.–[Special Telegram to The Bee.]–Appropriate ceremonies were held here today under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic. About 1,500 people were in attendance at the cemetery. The procession was formed at 1 p. m. by the general marshal of the day, E. C. Jackson. The procession consisted of the band, Sons of Veterans, fire department, Odd Fellows in regalia, Grand Army of the Republic post, followed by citizens, teams, etc. At the cemetery appropriate ceremonies were observed by the post. The graves were decorated and new grave stones placed at the head of the departed veterans that had none. After returning to town Germania hall was packed to listen to an oration delivered by Judge Scott.

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Appropriate Services Held–Logan's Tomb Buried in Flowers.

Washington, D. C., May 30.–Memorial day was observed here in the usual way. Appropriate exercises were held at the Arlington and the Soldiers' Home cemeteries and the graves of 30,000 soldiers buried in and about Washington were decorated, as were the monuments of the union leaders in various parts of the city.

At the conclusion of the services at the Soldiers' Home the soldiers and civilians marched to the tomb of General John A. Logan, which was decorated with a profusion of flags and flowers. Later in the day special services were held at Logan's tomb under the auspices of Logan camp, Sons of Veterans, Illinois Republican association and other organizations. The program included addresses by Senator Cullom, Hon. A. C. Matthews, Hon. Frank W. Palmer, General G. B. Raum and Hon. T. B. Coulter, and poems were recited by General A. Gilliland and Colonel Noyes. Mrs. Logan was present at the ceremonies.

Steamer Arrivals.

At Antwerp–Nordland from New York.

At Queenstown–Brittanic from New York.

At New York–Ethiopia from Glasgow and Amsterdam from Rotterdam.

At Moville–State of Nevada from New York.

At New York–La Champagne, from Liverpool.

At Havre–La Gascogne, from New York.

At Lizard–Passed–Aller, from New York.

PLUNGED INTO THE RIVER

Another Disastrous Wreck on the Santa Fe Near Chicago.

ONE KILLED AND NINE SERIOUSLY HURT

While Running at a High Rate of Speed the Engine Strikes a Cow and Calf and is Hurled Down an Embankment.

Chicago, Ill., May 30.–The wreck of the Red express from St. Louis to Chicago, on the Santa Fe road, which occurred a mile and a half south of Lemont, a small quarry town, about twenty miles from Chicago, last night, resulted in the instant killing of the engineer, W. A. Isabelle, the serious injury nine passengers, and the slight injury of five more.

The names of the seriously injured are:

Charles L. Elder, right side bruised.

Mrs. Charles L. Elder, his wife, face cut.

Charles H. Fahning, head bruised.

J. J. Allen, leg injured.

Mary Kilpatrick, injured about the hips and internally.

Bella Freeley, back injured.

Mrs. Maria Bissell, head and back injured.

The above are all Chicago parties.

Mrs. R. Eningley of St. Louis, cut about the face and head.

C. S. Duke, Peoria, left arm cut and badly bruised.

Of these, Mrs. Bissell was the most seriously injured and is likely to die.

The injured were conveyed to this city by a special train, arriving at 3 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Bissell and Mrs. Kilpatrick were taken to the Mercy hospital. The others were removed to their homes by a number of ambulances. Mrs. Eningley of St. Louis was left at the American house, Lemont.

It is stated by the passengers that at the time of the accident the train was running at a high rate of speed to make up lost time. At the point before mentioned the engine and tank jumped the track, and after running a short distance on the ties rolled down the embankment into the Des Plaines river. The baggage car was landed on its side; the smoker followed, breaking the coupling with the sleeper. The latter tumbled with fearful rapidity down into the river, with the engine and tender. The panic and confusion which ensued made more difficult the task of attending to the wounded and of rescuing the occupants of the sleeper from their perilous position. Fortunately the depth of the water was not sufficient to completely submerge it, and with such assistance as the trainmen could secure the passengers were taken out through the windows.

The Santa Fe officials claim, however, that the train was not running at an excessively high rate of speed, and that the indirect cause of the mishap was a sharp curve which rendered it impossible to see the obstruction till too late to bring the train to a stand.

Passengers injured in the Santa Fe railway wreck last night, near Lemont, have been sent home. It is believed none were fatally hurt.

HARRISON'S SOUND VIEWS.

His Attitude on the Silver Question One That Will Meet with Favor.

Washington, D. C., May 30.–Secretary Foster today expressed himself as follows regarding the political situation and the attitude of the president on the silver question:

"The present movement favoring Blaine for the republican nomination for president has its inception mainly with the people whom the president has disappointed. I do not underrate Mr. Blaine's popularity with the masses. Because the opponents of the president are unable to unite upon a candidate they take advantage of Mr. Blaine's popularity and undertake to force him to ignore his solemn asservation that his name will not go before the convention.

Would Make Blaine a Weak Candidate.

"I do not believe that Mr. Blaine has given encouragement to this proposed use of his name. To nominate Mr. Blaine now is to run the risk of his declination, which, if it comes, utterly ruins all hope of party success. It seems to me that an acceptance by him after the struggle that will have to be made to obtain the nomination will surely make him a weak candidate.

"The time has been when Mr. Blaine could have had the nomination with substantial unanimity. The president has not been so desirous for the nomination as most people think. He has permitted his name to be used, because, since Mr. Blaine's declination, it seemed to him that he was largely the choice of his party friends, the only condition that induced him to consent. Can any sane man now doubt for a moment that he can refuse further consent to the use of his name? I believe he has a majority of the convention, and I hope, notwithstanding all the noisy demonstration against him, to see him nominated by acclamation.

Only Argument of the President's Enemies.

"The only argument used against the president is that he cannot be elected, yet all admit that his administration has been a complete success. He has succeeded in securing the confidence of his countrymen of all shades of opinion to a greater extent during his administration than nine-tenths of the presidents before him. Every interest, both great and small, feels perfectly safe in his hands. The public know that he is honest and possesses ability of a very high order. He has been through the ordeal of one campaign, which was begun without much enthusiasm, but which grew day by day. His utterances are always remarkable for good sense and admirable statesmanship. He will strengthen himself, if that be possible, by every utterance he makes. We know he will emerge from the struggle without a blunder. Tell me, if you can, where such a candidate is weak in any sense. He has disappointed people, and who has not? He has made mistakes in appointments and he admits it, and he hopes to be able to correct some of them.

"In what I have said I have not alluded to what appears to be a real opposition to him by the people of the silver states. For some reason that I cannot understand he is classed by them as a 'gold bug.' Unless all men are to be classed as 'gold bugs' who do not believe that it is a safe policy of this country, single handed and alone, to adopt the policy of free and unlimited coinage of silver, President Harrison is as far from favoring a single gold standard as is Senator Teller. It has been a part of my business under his direction for more than one year to do the preliminary work of arranging for an international conference on the subject of silver, believing that through it the troublesome question will be settled to the satisfaction of all concerned. I quote the following as an utterance of his in the correspondence relating to this subject:

Harrison on the Coinage Question.

"It is the opinion of the president and, as he believes, of the people of the United States with singular unanimity, that a full use of silver as a coin metal upon a ratio to gold, to be fixed by an agreement between the great commercial nations of the world, would very highly promote the prosperity of all nations and of all classes of people.

"This is but a sample of many utterances of his of like import. How can the charge that he is a gold bug be made in the face of his officially declared position in accord with the one just quoted.

"This government has received notice that France and Germany will send delegates to the international monetary conference, which assures its assembling. It is understood that the correspondence on the subject will be sent to the senate during the present week."

Killed Four.

Paris, May 30.–A boiler in d' Arblay's mill at Corbeil exploded this morning, killing four employes and wounding thirty, and destroying the mill.