

McCLURE'S SUMMER HAIR CUT

Behind the Bars at Lincoln for Fifteen Floating Years.

CONVICT TRAIN ROBBER TELLS HIS TALE

His Gang Was Ready to Hold Up the Express When the Police Nailed Him—

Benjamin was a Pinkerton Detective—The Story.

The rates of the Nebraska penitentiary have closed behind Train Robber McClure and he has commenced serving out his fifteen years' contract with the state, having been placed behind the bars by Jailer Theodore Bennett yesterday.

Bennett and his man went down to the state workhouse on one of the early trains, and on the way McClure unbosomed himself to some extent by declaring that at the time when the members of the gang were taken by the Omaha detectives it was the intention to rob the St. Louis express, at or near West Side, that very night.

The gang, McClure said, was organized some months ago and, at the time, he protested against taking in Benjamin, believing that he was a Pinkerton and that his joining was simply a ruse to land the whole crowd behind the bars.

McClure felt very hard toward Judge Scott, who gave him fifteen years, the full limit of the law, remarking that there was no reward for honesty offered by the courts of Douglas county, the main object seeming to be to make an example of every man who wanted to do the square thing.

Having relieved himself of this fairy tale, Mr. McClure shut up like an oyster until the grim wall of the workhouse hove in sight, when with a sigh he said: "If I had never given up and pleaded guilty, either Benjamin or I would have died, for if I had ever caught him giving the law the slip, that moment there would have been revolvers for two, and the man with the drop would have been the one who would have remained to tell the tale, but as I have been quiet man with a gun, I am of the opinion that I would have been that man."

On the way down Bennett tried to have his prisoner reveal his identity, but this he positively refused to do. He said that he had a father and an aged mother, both of whom were respectable people, residing in one of the eastern towns, and that so long as he withheld his name from the public he would not bring them into disgrace.

Judges Taking to the Woods. With the approach of the present heated term most of the judges of the district court and the lawyers have hied themselves to the mountains and the sea shore, leaving the court rooms deserted and the walls comforting themselves that they will hear no more legal eloquence until about the middle of September.

Yesterday Judge Ferguson was the only member of the judiciary who is on the bench and about all that he is doing is hearing expert testimony in a few cases, which he finished yesterday afternoon. Sometime during the week he will pass upon the law that applies in the Olmstead-Williams commission case, a test case, after which he will seek the cool and seductive shade of some big pine tree in the mountains.

Judges Davis, Ogden, Hopewell and Keyser have finished up all of their cases and have gone hence. Some of the gentlemen have gone to the mountains, some to Colorado, some to Chicago, while others have bought a stock of palm leaf fans and are on the shady sides of the mountains right here in Omaha.

Judge Walton has covered the ground in the evidence in the case of Wyman, receiver of the Nebraska and Iowa Fire Insurance company, against Williams, who has sought the seclusion of his Washington country farm, where he will remain until July 20, when he will come to the city and near arguments in a few days for a new trial, his decision in the insurance case will not be rendered until the beginning of the September term of the court.

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Major Balcombe Suggests a Plan of Going on with the Paving.

Major Balcombe has an idea that because the case in the supreme court will not be decided until September it is not necessary that paving be abandoned. He said yesterday morning:

"If the property owners on any street desire to have the same paved, all that is necessary for them to do is to proceed in a regular way, and in accordance with the decisions of the court thus far. They can secure a majority petition asking the council to order the street paved. When this is received the council can order the same paved and give by ordinance the owners thirty days in which to designate material. As Public Works can be ordered to advertise for bids on the material selected and award the contract, which when approved by the mayor and council, will permit the contractor to proceed with the work."

"The tying up of the case in the supreme court need not prevent the property owners proceeding if they really desire any paving done."

While the major's ideas, if carried out, would delay matters a little more than a speedy decision from the court would have, yet in view of the fact that the case cannot be decided until September it would, as matters now stand, be the speedier way to solve the question. Contractors are at work upon four streets and only a few days will be required to complete them. This will practically finish up the paving for the year unless new districts are created and ordered paved. A very few men are employed on those streets, and the number who have in the past been upon the pay rolls of the paving contractors and now idle is very large. Fourteen streets are being graded and four main sewers being constructed.

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AFTER RECEIVER RUST.

Legal Complications of the American Water Works Company. Few people are thousands who daily consume Missouri river water are aware of the complications and legal wrangles that hedge about the great plant that furnishes the supply of aqua pura for the twin cities of Omaha and South Omaha.

There was an interesting three-cornered scrap in the federal court yesterday morning which resulted in giving the legal status of the water works case another turning. Attorneys Congdon, Webster and Ottum were the three legal lights representing distinct and diverging interests all vitally concerned with the distribution of the moneys that arise from the natural income of the American Water works company.

Mr. E. Hyde Rust of New Jersey was appointed last fall as receiver for the entire property owned by the American Water works company, including both the Omaha and Denver plants. Yesterday morning Attorney John L. Webster appeared in the United States court and filed a petition asking for the removal of Mr. Rust. It is claimed that Mr. Rust induced certain stockholders to take up interest coupons to the amount of \$250,000, and that he promised that just as soon as he had money enough on hand derived from hydrant rentals, that he would redeem them. It is said that he now refuses to do as he agreed, but instead of redeeming these coupons held by stockholders, is applying the income of the plant to other uses.

That part of the petition asking for the removal of the receiver was not acted upon, but will be considered no doubt when the report called for has been submitted.

Mr. Congdon wanted to get an order from court directing that a part of the proceeds from the hydrant rentals be disbursed in the payment of a note of \$10,000 due the E. P. Ellis Manufacturing company as a balance on the immense engine which was purchased two years ago by the water works company. He argued that the company should pay this particular debt for the reason that without the use of this particular piece of machinery furnished by his client it would be impossible for the plant to bring in any revenue whatever. He said the engine had been paid for nearly two years and patience had ceased to become even endurable in the case.

Receiver Rust was seen by a Bee reporter last evening, but he was somewhat reticent. "I have not seen the petition filed by Mr. Webster," said the receiver. "Until I have I do not care to say much about the matter. I presume this is but another phase of the unpleasantness that has so long hovered over this splendid property. The Omaha water works plant is an excellent property. If it were only out of this unfortunate legal complication. When I have read Mr. Webster's petition I shall probably be in condition to say something bearing upon the charges that he has seen fit to make."

DIED SUDDENLY.

Hotelkeeper Ewalt Found Dead in a Toilet Room. Yesterday morning at 4 o'clock H. Ewalt, proprietor of the Gault house at Eleventh and Farnam streets, was found dead in a bath room at his Farnam street lodging house. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause of the sudden death.

According to the story of William Emery, the night clerk, Mr. Ewalt arose at 3:30, passed through the office and into the toilet room up to 4 o'clock the proprietor had not returned to his bed and the clerk, thinking that possibly he might have been taken sick, went to the door and called.

As there was no answer the clerk became alarmed and called for help. Several of the employees of the house responded and after procuring a stepladder a man climbed into the room through a transom, Mr. Ewalt was dead, and word was sent to the coroner.

From all indications the deceased died from heart disease, and it is highly probable that the coroner will hold an inquest. Louis Hertzog, who lives at 510 Main street, Buffalo, N. Y., a nephew of the deceased, has telegraphed Coroner Malt, saying that he would come at once to take charge of his uncle's body.

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AFTERMATH OF THE FOURTH.

Young Leon Cremer Injured by a Shot from an Unknown. Although a few days late another Fourth of July accident has put in its appearance and has taken a prominent place in the list of casualties. The victim of circumstances is Leon Cremer, the 16-year-old son of Major Cremer, who resides at Twenty-first and Webster streets.

On the evening of the Fourth young Cremer was walking along Douglas street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth, when a pistol was fired in the vicinity. Cremer felt a stinging sensation in one of his legs, but thought nothing of the matter until he saw the blood running out of his shoe. Shortly afterward sharp pains went chasing each other up and down the leg, and young Cremer was driven home and put to bed.

The attending physician informed the young man that he had been shot and that he had a pretty bad flesh wound. Yesterday the ball was removed and the sufferer is getting along very nicely. Who fired the revolver is unknown, and whether it was intentional or accidental is not known.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Ed Nash Carries a Lead Souvenir in His Left Leg.

COARSE WORK OF AMATEUR BURGLARS

South Omaha Postal Service—Mr. Crane Shocks the People by Appearing in Public, Wearing His Underclothes and a Smile—Gossip.

Ed Nash is carrying a large sized bullet around in his left leg this morning as a result of his resisting arrest by Captain Austin last evening.

About 7 o'clock in the evening Mrs. Bradley showed up at the police station with her face badly bruised and claimed that a gang of toughs on the hill near the corner of Thirty-third and L streets had assaulted her. Chief Beckett was at the station at the time and gave orders to Captain Austin to go up and arrest the whole gang. Austin went and when he arrived he found about a dozen men in the neighborhood. He told them that he had come to arrest them and that the whole party could consider themselves under arrest.

"The whole of police force couldn't take us," shouted some one, and at that the captain took hold of Nash, who was nearest to him, and started to drag him. Nash broke loose and started to run. Austin cried out to him to halt, but he refused, and the officer fired. The bullet entered the left side of his chest and he fell. The crowd scattered at this, but Austin succeeded in getting James Riley, John Benken, Ed Martin and William Stone. Nash was taken to Emhart's office, where the doctor probed for the bullet, but was unable to get it, as it had passed on down the leg beyond reach for the moment.

The other prisoners were taken to the station house and turned over to Officer Thomas. Riley, who was searching the men, Benken, who had been shot, slipped out of the side door and escaped.

The prisoners say that none of them as yet knows who shot him, but it was her own husband who did it.

Nash's wound is not serious, and he will probably be arraigned with the rest of the men this morning.

Crane's Cienfuegos Case.

Jim Crane has some peculiar ideas when on a toot. On Thursday noon he filled up on various liquors and started out for a big celebration. When he reached the corner of Twenty-fourth and Brown streets he concluded that it was stripped too warm to wear clothing, so he emptied out his coat, pants and vest and started for Bellevue on foot in his underclothing. Officer Kroeger found his clothes and took them to the police station. Crane avoided the eye of an officer until he reached the outskirts of the city. After lying around in the rural districts until last night Crane walked into town and demanded his clothes. There was no money to pay for them, but he left a good watch and some papers. His garments were handed over and Crane promised the police that he would go on a sober lay for the next year.

Cracked Several Trunks.

A well dressed young man walked into the Delmonico hotel and registered as Charles Norte, North Platte, Thursday night. He was assigned to a room and settled his bill for bed and breakfast. This was the last seen of him about the office. The next morning he slept until every one had left the room and gone to work. The young fellow then took a stroll through the rooms on his floor and cracked several trunks, taking such articles as belonged to the guests. He was not very particular. It seems, for he only got away with three gold rings and a revolver. The rings belonged to a private and the revolver to a man named Meeks. The thief escaped without being arrested, as the matter was not reported until after he had left the city.

Coarse Work.

Some bold but bunglesome jobs of burglary have been committed in South Omaha within the past two weeks. The indications are that the work is being done by novices, but the petty thieving is no less annoying. A number of residences have been entered, but the thieves only succeeded in getting some articles of household jewelry. Charles Hinz' grocery store at the corner of Twenty-fourth and I streets was broken into and several dollars worth of cigars and tobacco taken. The thieves entered by prying open a window that leads to the cellar. Once in the cellar the rest was easy. The night police force and the charge of Captain James Austin will make unusual efforts to single out some of these young burglars and if caught they will be severely punished.

South Omaha Postal Service.

The business transacted at the South Omaha postoffice during the month of June was as follows: Amount of registered letters dispatched 496. Amount of registered letters received 510. Stamps, stamped envelopes, etc., sold during the quarter 197.83. There were 63 domestic orders sold, amounting to 5,835.49. Domestic orders paid 5,835.49. Postal orders sold 660.19. Postal orders paid 660.19. There were seventy-nine Internats. Postal orders sold, amounting to 1,529.86. Five international orders 124.06.

On the Installation Plan.

The team hitched to Brewer & Sloan's delivery wagon broke loose from where it was hitched at Twenty-fourth and I streets yesterday evening, and made a lively run away while it lasted. The wagon was loaded with furniture at the time, and several pieces were thrown out and scattered along the street. One wheel was torn from the wagon and one horse was pretty badly injured. All of the furniture was new, and several pieces were smashed into kindling wood.

Lowden's Bad Luck.

Bob Lowden, pressman at the Daily Stockman office, met with a painful accident last evening. He was working about the press when his left thumb was caught and completely crushed. Dr. Slabaugh dressed the member for him and says he thinks he can save it entirely. Bob, however, will have to carry his arm in a sling for a couple of weeks at least.

Magie City Gossip.

Jake Jaskalek has gone to Ohio. John Forbes of the Cudahy force is in Chicago. L. Daniels, the mail carrier, is on the sick list.

Dr. A. E. Dickinson started for Chicago yesterday. Henry Whelan is back from a trip to Livermore, Ia. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Griffith are home from a visit to Sioux City. Patrick Casey and wife have gone to Albany, N. Y., to reside.

John S. Knox, president of the American Rolling Stock company, is east. Thomas W. Talbot, superintendent of the Omaha Packing company, has gone east. Mrs. Hawkins of Lexington, Neb., is visiting at the residence of Rev. C. N. Dawson. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Young have moved to Moorland, Ia., where they will reside in the future.

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