

FOUGHT THEM WITH A RAZOR

Thrilling Experience of an Omaha and His Wife with Robbers.

HINTS THAT STELLMACHER WAS MURDERED

Ida Wright's Strange Infatuation with a Beatrice Othello—News Gathered at Police Headquarters and Elsewhere—Judge Herka's Usual Grit.

Mr. McMullin, a mechanic in the Union Pacific shops, had a lively experience on North Sixteenth street Wednesday night. He came down town with his wife, who did some shopping. He stepped into a barber shop and got his razor, which he had left to be honed. Subsequent developments show that this was a lucky thing for him.

It was rather late when they started home and the streets were about deserted. As they were approaching Chicago street a man they were approaching charged at them and they were told to throw up their hands or he would shoot their heads off.

McMullin drew his razor and started after the fellow, who disappeared in a dark alley. A little further on McMullin met another pedestrian, who wanted to know what the man had done. Mr. McMullin said he was telling the second man about it he was joined by another to look looking tough, who closely resembled the first highwayman, and the two attempted to rob him of his watch and a sum of money which he had.

The men were advancing upon him when they heard some one rapidly approaching. They then took to their heels.

Mrs. McMullin was so badly frightened that her husband could not follow the bold thieves, and they made their escape.

It is thought that the would-be robbers are part of a gang of thugs who are operating in that vicinity, and that they were lying in wait for some one else whom they knew carried a considerable sum of money. Officers are working on the case.

HINTS OF FOUL PLAY

Darl Stellmacher's Friends Want His Recent Mysterious Death Investigated.

The friends of Carl, alias Herman Stellmacher, the man who is supposed to have committed suicide in the basement of the Cunningham block on Thirteenth and Jackson streets, are of the belief now that the man met with foul play. They are instituting a vigorous investigation and will have the body exhumed for an autopsy. Stellmacher was favorably known among the German and Bohemian people and has been known to have had large sums of money at various times. They think that he was either murdered for his money or by an enemy.

They are anxious to learn how his dead body was found in the basement, which is well nigh inaccessible only through the door. That door was locked with a padlock from the outside. Several friends of the dead man visited the police station yesterday and after hearing both stories, the officers in charge detailed some of their men to work on the case. A reporter for The Bee visited Nick Yeager, the saloon and restaurant man on lower Farnam street, yesterday and heard his version of the matter.

Mr. Yeager said: "I have known Stellmacher for more than two years and he has always received his mail at my place. Most of it came from Dubuque, Ia., and Chicago. He never had any trouble and was free from all care. He has had \$200 at any time in my safe and if he wanted money at any time he always got it of me. Last Wednesday a week ago I dropped in on him at his shop on Jackson streets and found him at work in a customer. I came on up town and he followed me up to my place. He borrowed some money, saying that he needed it to pay off some indebtedness on his business. I gave him the money and that is the last I have seen of him. When I went into his shop on Wednesday there was no staple and hamp lock on the outside of the door, but when he was found dead there was one there and Stellmacher was found inside dead. This looks suspicious to me for it is almost impossible for anyone to get into the place without going through the door. I don't think that Herman committed suicide, because he had a good many friends who would assist him financially. He thought a good deal of his business and his furniture was thrown out Thursday afternoon and he was not found until Monday night. I lent him money Wednesday to prevent his having any trouble with his indebtedness. He had not taken a drink for a month, and was a man who knew his business when he was in the street. He had letters and valuable papers in a drawer in his furniture, but now those papers have disappeared, and no one knows where they are. The whole thing looks strange to me."

Charles Schank, who works at Eleventh and Dodge, says he is satisfied that the man did not commit suicide, and the saloon keeper at this corner says he found Stellmacher in the act of carrying the body away to ascertain the cause of death.

As has been published in The Bee, Herman Stellmacher disappeared from his usual haunts on or about July 12. His goods and chattels were evicted from his shop at Thirteenth and Jackson streets by a constable named John Dingman, who serves notices from Justice Brandeis' court.

Dingman was arrested and fined \$2 and costs for obstructing the sidewalk with the goods. The goods were put in a store room in the Cunningham block, and Stellmacher's body was found by Officer Burr and Sergeant Whalen Monday night. The body was in such an advanced stage of decomposition that Coroner Maul was compelled to bury it at once. A jury was empaneled, but as no inquest has been held, the friends of the deceased will not lift the matter and decide whether or not their comrade has met with foul play.

BEFORE HIS HONOR

Judge Herka Has a Nice Lot of Tough Customers. The police roundup Wednesday night was rather slim, consequently the "chert" that was driven up before the judge yesterday morning contained only a few vagrants and drunks. All of the latter class of offenders were compelled to pay \$3.00 into the treasury or go back to the bull pen until their time was out. Fred Backus was locked up on suspicion and Sergeant Sigwart who appeared against him, claims that the man keeps a Japanese prostitute and induces men to visit the house. Once inside the house the woman gets the visitor drunk and Backus robs him. His case was continued.

An old time hard worker and porch cumber, who is known to the police as James Kennedy, appeared before the court to answer to the charge of being a suspicious character. After Kennedy had entered the plea of not guilty Sergeant Ormsby told the judge that for two years past Kennedy had been trying to kill his life. He recommended that the court let him down easy. In face of the facts in the case the prisoner was discharged.

Lizzie Payne, the colored courtesan, who cut William Bell with a knife last night, was fined \$10. She talked hard for her liberty, but the judge said "money talks," and as the girl didn't have the coin she was taken below.

For filling up a vault which had been ordered cleaned, Nick Marlon was fined \$10 and costs. Ed Thomas paid \$17.50 into the police court fund for fighting.

The case against Danley D. Davis, who was charged with obtaining \$86 from Mrs. Hirsline Petersen, was dismissed, the prosecuting witness paying the costs. When the complaint was filed it was alleged that Davis represented to the complainant that he was the owner of a 200-acre farm, and that he was madly in love with her. Hirsline on these statements the money was advanced.

Robbed a Nation. Some one with a well-fitting key entered Moyman's saloon on Fourteenth street

night before last and took \$70.00 of the cash register, besides possessing himself of something like \$50 worth of whisky. The victim expects to find the gentlemanly thief, inasmuch as the brand of whisky stolen is said by only one other house in Omaha.

IDA'S OTHELLO.

Romance of a Beatrice Girl Who Eloped with a Colored Admirer.

Ida Wright, a white girl about 17 years old, is detained at the mayor's office in the police station under a charge of vagrancy and suspicion.

The girl is fairly good looking and says she wants to secure a place where she can earn a living, and the authorities will endeavor to assist the girl.

The story told by the girl is a peculiar one. She said she had been living in Beatrice with an aunt and uncle and was to work in a restaurant. There she met James Steward, a colored waiter, whom she alleges, took advantage of her, and then persuaded her to come to Omaha, saying he would marry her on their arrival here. He left the girl with some colored people on North Twelfth street, and went to Council Bluffs, where, it is said, he is now working in a Broadway saloon.

It is claimed that he left Omaha to evade the officers of Blair, who want him on the charge of forging a check on a merchant there.

Since then, it is asserted, the girl has been going over to Council Bluffs to visit her dusky admirer and has been living with colored people on this side of the river. The police concluded to arrest the girl and she told Mattson Cunningham yesterday that she had lost her infatuation for Steward and if she was given a chance she would reform.

The police will aid her in her good intentions. The girl is an orphan and it is believed that by kind treatment she could easily be induced to lead a better life.

AFTER BREAKFAST

To purify, vitalize and enrich the blood, and give nerve, bodily and digestive strength, take Hood's Sarsaparilla. Continue the medicine after every meal for a month or two and you will feel "like a new man." The Hood's Sarsaparilla is proven by its thousands of wonderful cures. Why don't you try it?

Hood's Pills cure constipation. They are the best after dinner pill and family cathartic.

Go see balloon tonight. Telephone C. W. Hull Co. for prices on hard coal. Summer delivery.

MIDST PINE-TREE HILLS

Twenty hours ride via the Burlington Route lands you at Hot Springs, S. D., where you can bathe in a magnificent plunge bath or a \$30,000.00 bath house, have the choice of scores of charming drives, enjoy the most beautiful scenery that an altitude of 3,400 feet above sea level insures and live in a hotel which would be a credit to any American city of 200,000 people.

Best of all, you are eternally cool. The Burlington Route's 10:15 a. m. train from Omaha carries a sleeping car for the Black Hills.

Reduced rate tickets on sale July 15 to August 15. City ticket office, 1324 Farnam street.

AMES MOVED TO 1617 FARNAM

A week's holiday at Hot Springs, S. D., best reached from Omaha by the Burlington routes, 10:15 a. m., Black Hills express.

Found trip tickets at the one way rate on July 15 to August 15. Through sleeping car from Omaha daily.

See the city ticket agent at 1324 Farnam street.

WHEELS IN HIS HEAD

Complaint of a Young Man Against the Postoffice Management.

A well-dressed, gentlemanly appearing young man stepped into Assistant Postmaster Woodward's office yesterday morning and introduced himself as the son of Postmaster General Bissell. He said that he wanted to call attention to one thing, and that was that the general delivery windows were not opened early enough in the morning, and he would have to ask that they be opened half an hour earlier than is now the custom.

It occurred to Mr. Woodward that the stranger was proceeding in a rather unusual course for the son of an official of the standing of the postmaster general, or for any one with any authority, and he asked to see the father's credentials. He stated that he was a son of a merchant and had left his credentials with the mayor, on whom he had just called to have a house containing the sale of a lot of bonds. He said that as soon as he finished the tour on which he is now engaged he was going to London and Paris on a mission for the government, looking to the placing of a lot of government bonds in the money markets of the old world.

He complained of the assistant postmaster on the general appearance and conduct of the office, and finally took his departure, not forgetting, however, to again call attention to the general delivery windows. "Crazy as a bedbug," remarked Mr. Woodward as the fellow passed out, and then turned again to his work.

There are three things worth saving—Time, Trouble and Money—and De Witt's Little Early Risers do it. These little pills will save you time, as they act promptly. They will save you trouble as they cause no pain. They will save you money as they economize the doctor's bills.

TOURS IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS

The "Scenic Line of the World," the Denver and Rio Grande railroad, offers to tourists in Colorado, Utah and New Mexico the choicest resorts and to the transcontinental traveler the grandest scenery. Double daily train service with the high mountain sleepers and tourist's cars between Denver and San Francisco and Los Angeles.

WORLD'S FAIR VISITORS

Should continue their trip to Utah and the west. The magnificent scenery, the grand canyons and waterfalls are inspiring. In the west you can find health, wealth and happiness; it is a large sanitarium, and is best reached by the Rio Grande Western railway. See that your tickets read both ways via that road which offers choice of three distinct routes and the most magnificent scenery in the world. For copies of pamphlets, etc., write to J. H. Bennett, Sault Lake City, U. T.

CHEAP EXCURSION TO THE BLACK HILLS

July 15 and daily thereafter round trip tickets from Omaha to Hot Springs and Deadwood will be on sale on one fare for the round trip.

Write city ticket office, 1401 Farnam street.

THROUGH SLEEPERS DAILY FROM WEBSTER STREET STATION

Mrs. Salmon Woolinski, aged 70 years and a widow, has lost all confidence in humanity and has come to the conclusion that the milk of human kindness is much thinner than water.

Two years ago she decided to her son a residence on South Twentieth street and at the same time gave him \$500 the cash conditioned that he would care of her and furnish a home until death claimed her for its own. Shortly thereafter he commenced a system of persecution until yesterday, when he brought her to the county jail and asked that she be placed behind the bars, maintaining that she was crazy.

The old woman denied the charge in the most positive terms as she told the jailor of the cruelties that she had suffered. Jailor Bennett refused to take her to the jail, arguing that he had no authority for depriving her of her liberty.

FALCONER'S COST CASH SALE

Or Great Sale Has Been a Phenomenal Success, Goods Have Been Cut

AS FAST AS SCISSORS COULD BE APPLIED

Many Remnants Have Accumulated. We Want to Get Rid of Them All Today—No Matter What They Cost We Will Put a Price on Them

That will be irresistible. REMNANTS 24C PER YARD. Remnants of best calicoes, challis and madras cloths all go today at 24c per yard.

REMNANTS AT 50C. Remnants of all our gingham, 20c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 70c, 80c, 90c, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00, 10.50, 11.00, 11.50, 12.00, 12.50, 13.00, 13.50, 14.00, 14.50, 15.00, 15.50, 16.00, 16.50, 17.00, 17.50, 18.00, 18.50, 19.00, 19.50, 20.00, 20.50, 21.00, 21.50, 22.00, 22.50, 23.00, 23.50, 24.00, 24.50, 25.00, 25.50, 26.00, 26.50, 27.00, 27.50, 28.00, 28.50, 29.00, 29.50, 30.00, 30.50, 31.00, 31.50, 32.00, 32.50, 33.00, 33.50, 34.00, 34.50, 35.00, 35.50, 36.00, 36.50, 37.00, 37.50, 38.00, 38.50, 39.00, 39.50, 40.00, 40.50, 41.00, 41.50, 42.00, 42.50, 43.00, 43.50, 44.00, 44.50, 45.00, 45.50, 46.00, 46.50, 47.00, 47.50, 48.00, 48.50, 49.00, 49.50, 50.00, 50.50, 51.00, 51.50, 52.00, 52.50, 53.00, 53.50, 54.00, 54.50, 55.00, 55.50, 56.00, 56.50, 57.00, 57.50, 58.00, 58.50, 59.00, 59.50, 60.00, 60.50, 61.00, 61.50, 62.00, 62.50, 63.00, 63.50, 64.00, 64.50, 65.00, 65.50, 66.00, 66.50, 67.00, 67.50, 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