

THREATEN GOVERNOR'S CHILD

Bold Attempt Made to Kidnap One of His Little Girls. PLOT HATCHED BY CONVICTS FOR REVENGE

Warned by a Trusty, but it Was Not Believed Any Attempt Would Be Made in Daytime in Public Place.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Sept. 26.—(Special.)—An unsuccessful attempt was made yesterday afternoon to kidnap Elizabeth Mickey, the 8-year-old daughter of Governor Mickey, while she was at play with a number of girls of her own age in the front yard of the executive mansion.

It is believed, and there is evidence to substantiate the belief, that this was the result of the scheme on the part of a number of convicts at the state penitentiary who desire to wreak vengeance upon Governor Mickey because he refused to interfere in the case of murderer Rhea. The man who made the attempt is thought to be an ex-convict recently released. The little girls could give no description of him other than that he was a large man with closely-cropped hair and a stubby beard. He was dressed in the garb of a workman.

That such a deed was contemplated by the convicts was reported to Warden Beemer three weeks ago, and again the morning before the attempt. The warden reported each time to the governor. The informant was a trusty and he told Warden Beemer that immediately after the hanging of Rhea the convicts began to discuss some means of getting even with the governor. It was finally decided that the attempt would be made by one or more of the convicts whose terms would expire soon. When the matter was first reported to the warden he placed little credence in it, thinking that possibly the convict was trying to curry favor. He reported to Governor Mickey, however, and the two discussed whether to call in the police, and finally decided not to do so, the governor agreeing to keep a sharp lookout. The matter was then reported to Warden Beemer that the attempt was sure to be made, and asked him to warn the governor. This so excited Governor Mickey that he decided to take the children into his confidence.

He arrived home after the man had already tried to steal the child. The governor tried to keep the matter quiet, but it leaked out this morning. At present he is using all precautions to prevent a second and possibly a successful attempt.

Mother Nearly Frantic. Governor Mickey has five children at home, three boys and two girls, ranging in age from 4 to 14 years. None of these is allowed to leave the yard after dark and the little girls are never out of sight of their mother, who is nearly frantic with fear, lest one of them should be stolen. The children have all been told, and while the little girls are too young to understand what it means, the other children are remaining at home constantly.

The trusty reporting to Governor Mickey that the children of a minister who worked to prevent Rhea from getting a pardon were also to be kidnaped.

While Governor Mickey is worried and fears that the convicts' story is true, there is yet a chance that it may not be. It was suggested yesterday to Warden Beemer that he should secure favors at his hands, or at the hands of the governor, and it was for that reason he talked and friends of his on the outside made the attempt to give credence to the story.

On the other hand there is no question but that the convicts were considerably worked up over Rhea hanging and felt revengeful toward Governor Mickey. Among the most desperate of them Rhea appeared as a hero, for his abuse of the guards and for his utter disregard of rules and regulations of the prison.

Porter Given Ten Days to Answer. William F. Porter, formerly secretary of state and member of the Marks and Brande commission, has ten days in which to tell the district court why he hasn't "put it back." It refers to the \$1,518.85, which Porter received as a member of that committee, and which the supreme court said he should put into the treasury. Attorney General Frost secured a reinstatement of the case before Judge Frost. The court entered an order for an answer to be filed in ten days.

When the suit was originally brought in this court Porter's bondsmen as secretary of state were also made defendants. Counsel for the defense filed a demurrer claiming that the fees were not collected by Porter by virtue of his office as secretary of state, but as a member of the marks and brands committee. It appeared that the collections exceeded the amount sued for, and that a considerable sum had been paid out for clerk hire to keep the records of marks and brands. The demurrer to the petition was sustained in the district court and the attorney general carried the case to the supreme court.

The latter recently sustained the decision of the lower court so far as it related to the bondsmen, but reversed it as to Porter, remanding the case against him for further proceedings in the lower court. It held that the sum expended for clerk hire had been properly expended, but that Porter must account to the state for all fees received in excess of that expense. It released the bondsmen on the ground that the collections of fees involved was not constitutional duty contemplated in the giving of his bond.

Attorneys say that they do not see that Porter has any other answer to make

under the ruling of the supreme court except to put the money back into the state treasury.

See for Wolf Bounty Claim. In the case brought against Auditor Weston by the Lincoln Safe Deposit company to require him to pay the company \$28 under the wolf bounty appropriation, the attorney general has filed a demurrer. In his petition the plaintiff sets up that some years prior to the filing of its appeal from the action of the state auditor parties in various parts of the state had killed wolves and thereafter made proofs and took to the respective counties in which the animals were killed, and that more than two years after such certification had filed their certificates in the office of the state auditor, but there was at that time no appropriation from which they could be paid. Afterward the claims were assigned to plaintiff for consideration, and at the last session of the legislature an appropriation of \$40,000 was made to meet the wolf bounty claims.

The plaintiff alleges that the committee on claims of the last legislature was furnished a list of wolf bounty claims on file in the office of the state auditor, which list included the claims involved in this appeal, that the appropriation was sufficient to pay all such claims and was so appropriated in contemplation of the payment of all such items then pending. But when they were presented to the state auditor \$100 of the \$28 were rejected because the certificates of the county clerk had not been presented to the state auditor within two years of their certification. A schedule attached to the appeal shows that of the 28 wolves and coyotes, fifty-nine are alleged to have been killed in Kimball county, forty-two in Cherry, sixty-eight in Deuel, forty-three in Thomas, thirty-eight in Gage, thirty-one in Boone, three each in Buffalo and Lancaster and one in Knox.

Judge Cornish has the demurrer under advisement. The school and home libraries of Nebraska are the objects of especial concern on the part of the Library commission. In order to stimulate the growth and influence of these libraries, the commission has just printed and distributed 15,000 copies each of two circulars entitled "List of Books Suitable for Presents for Children," and "Suggestions for the Observance of Library Day in the Public Schools of Nebraska, October 1, 1903."

It is intended that these circulars shall reach every teacher in the state. Governor Mickey left this evening for Osceola, where he will spend Sunday and incidentally deliver an address at the dedication of the Swedish Baptist church of that place.

J. A. C. Kennedy, a fusion member of the house of representatives from Douglas county, of the late session, has tendered his resignation to Governor Mickey, and it has been accepted. Mr. Kennedy resigned to take the place of deputy under County Attorney English.

Peculiar Accident Happens to Man. HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—A peculiar accident happened to George Ritchison this morning which will lay him up for some time. A horse fell down in the stable and got its front feet tangled in the manger so that it could not get up. Mr. Ritchison came to the animal's assistance and succeeded in releasing it. Freed, the animal arose violently so that the man was thrown under the manger, and in turn was unable to arise. The horse trampled upon Mr. Ritchison's legs and when he was released he was unable to walk. Upon examination the physician found that the animal arose violently so that the man was thrown under the manger, and in turn was unable to arise. The horse trampled upon Mr. Ritchison's legs and when he was released he was unable to walk. Upon examination the physician found that the animal arose violently so that the man was thrown under the manger, and in turn was unable to arise.

Grain Destroyed by Fire. PAPPILLION, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—About 10 o'clock last night fire consumed four stacks of oats and one of wheat on the farm of Peter Eibers, five miles southwest of Pappillion. A threshing outfit that had been working there during the day was also badly damaged, the separator being ruined. The loss will be heavy and it is not known whether there was any insurance. The cause of the fire cannot be ascertained, but it is thought to be the work of an incendiary. The grain burned so rapidly that nothing could be done to save it.

Beatrice Council Elects Officers. BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—Beatrice council No. 124, Knights and Ladies of Security, met last night in regular session and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. Mary B. Stewart, president; Mrs. E. C. Fox, first vice president; Mrs. Hattie Johnson, second vice president; Mrs. Anna Horner, prelate; Mrs. Della Burlington, financial and corresponding secretary; Mrs. N. A. Scott, treasurer; Mrs. Jennie Walker, conductor; Mrs. Lucy Ayers, inner guard; T. V. Rhoads, outer sentinel. Officers will be installed at the first meeting in October.

Has Experience with Rattler. HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—Ada Garver, a school teacher, who teaches six miles west of town, has some experience with a rattler Thursday. When school was dismissed at 4 o'clock and the pupils opened the door preparatory to leaving the building they found the reptile coiled in the hall. Teacher and pupils were for a time bewildered, after which Miss Garver seized a spade which had been left in the building by a man who had been removing stumps from the school ground and, opening the door a little, brought the implacable snake to the open air. She bravely bore down on the writhing snake until it was despatched by the pupils.

Prominent Horseman Visits State. BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—George Stettendorf of Cleveland, O., accompanied by his wife, passed through the city yesterday enroute to Hebron, this state, to visit relatives. Mr. Stettendorf is a prominent horseman of Cleveland and raised Jolly Dillard, the mare which recently trotted nine miles in three hours ago he sold the mare for \$5,000. He still owns her dam, including a string of fifteen fine horses. Mr. Stettendorf is a member of the Cleveland Roadster Driving association.

Fight for Judge is Warm. BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—The district judgeship fight is warming up in earnest, but there is little doubt but that the republican candidate, Hon. A. H. Babcock of this city and Hon. C. F. Hays of Falls City, will win hands down. The opposition is trying in every way, shape and form to defeat the republican nominees, but as far as Gage county is concerned it will roll up a good round majority for Babcock and Hays.

Declines County Attorneyship. SCHUYLER, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—C. J. Phelps was appointed county attorney by Mayor Arnold, vice F. J. Everett, who resigned recently on account of his removal to Kearney. Mr. Phelps declined the office, stating that there seemed to be a disposition to criticize everything that would be undertaken, and that he had enough of his own business to keep him busy.

Blasts Heavy Rocks. NEHALAWKA, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—Gus Road, forman in the Van Court quarry here, yesterday fired the heaviest blast ever fired in these quarries. Stones weighing five or six tons were thrown fifty feet in the air, and about sixty-five cars of rock were thrown out.

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TESTIMONIALS Prof. Henry makes sworn statement that work done for him by the Union feels natural and entirely satisfactory, and after going to five dentists in Omaha found our prices about one-half what they demanded.

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TESTIMONIALS I G. Alexander makes sworn statement and says work done at the Union was highly satisfactory and has sent all his friends here since, and after investigating found prices charged were from one-third to one-half what other dentists demanded.

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MRS. MONETTE NOT CHOSEN

C. A. Goss' Candidature Prevents Her Election as Delegate. METHODISTS CAST NINE BALLOTS

Stubborn Contest for Third Place, Which is Finally Secured by F. J. Saylor of Neligh—Plans for the Semi-Centennial.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—The Methodist Episcopal lay conference yesterday turned down Mrs. M. J. Monette of Omaha, who was a candidate for the general conference. Omaha delegates were divided, C. A. Goss of that city also having considerable support. On the first ballot Bernard Payne of Grand Island received 51 votes, F. J. Saylor of Neligh 21, G. C. Barnes of Albion 14, C. A. Goss of Omaha 24, M. C. Hazen of Norfolk 41, M. E. Smith of Osmond 10, and Mrs. Monette 24. Messrs. Payne and Hazen were declared elected. Eight more ballots were taken before the third delegate was chosen. Mrs. Monette's friends made an ineffectual attempt to induce Mr. Goss to withdraw, but he declined to do so, and his supporters stuck by him to the close of the eighth ballot Mrs. Monette withdrew her name and her friends who had stood by her for eight ballots cast their votes for Mr. F. J. Saylor of Neligh. Had the Omaha delegates been united for Mrs. Monette she would have been elected. In the opinion of many delegates the real object of Mr. Goss' candidacy was to defeat her.

Resume of the Conference. The actual business of the conference, with the exception of the announcement of appointments, which will be given out Monday morning, was completed this afternoon. Tomorrow occurs the ordination of deacons and elders and the annual memorial service. The devotional exercises this morning were conducted by Rev. J. B. Leedom of Battle Creek. After the singing exercises and the reading of the minutes the lists of supernumerary and supernumerary clerymen were considered. Rev. H. L. Robinson, Rev. E. Marquette and Rev. Oscar Eggleston were transferred to the active list from the supernumerary list and the question of the support of the supernumerary clerymen who were in need of assistance was considered at considerable length. Mr. E. E. Sula was recommended for deacon's orders and Rev. H. G. Kemp for ordination as elder. Rev. H. L. Powers was chosen conference evangelist.

Wayne Gets Next Conference. Wayne and Lyons each wanted the next conference and had strong and active advocates on the floor. Wayne won by a majority of 4. Rev. A. P. George, D. D., spoke on Sunday school work, urging upon the clergyman the necessity of more liberal gifts from their parishes for this important work. The conference then adjourned to 4 p. m., at which time several reports from committees were submitted. This evening the anniversary meeting of the Women's Home Missionary society was held. Mrs. J. B. Leedom and Mrs. Anna Hoobee Woodcock were the principal speakers.

The venerable Bishop Andrews has presided at each session but one of the conference and his conservative influence in shaping clerical legislation has several times showed itself. The attendance of Fremont people at the conference, even at the morning business sessions, has been much larger than was anticipated.

SAYS STATE WILL AID OMAHA

Lincoln Man Writes to The Bee that Farmers Want Fair Grain Rates, Too.

LINCOLN, Sept. 26.—To the Editor of The Bee: Picking up a copy of The Bee I was pleased to note the activity being manifested in stirring up the question of grain rates to Omaha. Shippers have long been complaining that other people appear to be discovering. The farmers of the state might be of considerable assistance to Omaha at this time if the proper effort is made to get together. The Farmers' Cooperative company of Omaha represents several thousand farmers, members of a strong corporation, operating over twenty grain elevators and getting ready to operate more. This association should be organized in behalf of fair rates. The showing of discrimination made in a recent issue of The Bee should rouse a spirit of resentment against the companies that have been nourished by Nebraska, and now repay its kindness with such shameful treatment of its chief city. Congratulations are due The Bee for its support of the Omaha grain market. J. M. BALL.

BANK ROBBER IS SENTENCED

James Kennedy is Sent up for Seven Years and Still Maintains His Innocence.

SCHUYLER, Neb., Sept. 26.—James Kennedy, whose trial for the Rogers' bank robbery last winter was recently completed here, resulting in his conviction, was sentenced to seven years at hard labor in the penitentiary, no part of which is to be in solitary confinement. When asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed he replied: "Nothing, only I am innocent." His wife was with him throughout the trial and at the time of passing sentence upon him, and at all times each took matters very coolly. Kennedy was hurried off to the penitentiary and the closest surveillance was maintained over him while enroute, as he has the reputation of being so prompt and daring that it was deemed the better part of wisdom not to give him the slightest opportunity to escape. While the circumstances were very strong against him, there are many who feel that he should not have been convicted.

KILLS AN ARMY OF RATTLES

Farmer Destroys Two Nests of Thirty-Eight and Kills All but One of the Snakes.

YORK, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—C. E. Seeger, a farmer living south of McCool, near the Fillmore county line, while plowing uncovered two nests of rattlesnakes. Mr. Seeger succeeded in killing all except the largest, which was a full grown rattler. In the nest were some very small snake eggs, from which when broken came little snakes as full of fight and activity as if they were a year old.

COUNTY TICKETS ARE NAMED

Republican Conventions Are Held at Various Points in Nebraska and Harmony Prevails.

HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—The republican of Adams county met in convention today and nominated a complete county ticket without a single hitch in the proceedings. The attendance was large and much interest was manifested for the good of the republican party. The nominees are as follows: For clerk of the district court, Peter W. Warner; Judge, L. J. Capps; sheriff, John W. Hill; treasurer, E. N. Hames; county clerk, W. H. Davis; superintendent of public instruction, W. A. Julian; assessor, Dave Barlow; surveyor, C. A. Hartwell; coroner, Dr. Perkins; Mark Levy was elected chairman of the county central committee and James Crowley secretary.

DOANE COLLEGE RECEPTION

New Students Are Given Chance to Become Acquainted at Annual Entertainment.

CRETE, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—The annual fall reception tendered to the new students at Doane was held in the college chapel last night. As this is one of the most important social events of the college year it is largely attended by the people of Crete as well as by the students. Last night was no exception, as the chapel was filled with students, members of the faculty and townspeople. Those present spent an enjoyable time in forming new acquaintances and in listening to a musical program, consisting of a violin solo by Prof. R. L. Dick, an instrumental solo by Miss Nellie Krainek and vocal solos by Prof. W. G. Reynolds, George Ireland and Miss Mattie Knapp. Each number was heartily encored and the program ended with the singing of "Here's to Good Old Doane," by all present.

Escaped Lunatic is Sent Back

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special.)—Charles Spencer, a patient who escaped from the Asylum for the Insane at Lincoln, was found wandering around near the Burlington bridge and taken back to the asylum. He was sent there from this county about two years ago.

Swath Engine Strikes Old Woman

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Mary Comerford was struck by a Burlington switch engine this afternoon on South Fifteenth street and seriously injured. Owing to her advanced age her recovery is doubtful.

MAKE FIGHT FOR NEW BRIDGE

Schuyler Citizens Employ Attorney to Conduct the Struggle on Basis of No Bridge No Pay.

SCHUYLER, Neb., Sept. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Citizens of Schuyler have arranged with Mr. James Gadsden that he shall take up the fight with the county commissioners for the rebuilding of the wagon bridge across the Platte river, which was carried out by the ice last spring. The agreement with Mr. Gadsden, it is reported, is that if he is successful he is to receive \$500; otherwise, nothing.

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