

Governor Stops Electrocutation of Condemned Man

Action Taken When Informed Convict Was Promised Life Term If He Pleaded Guilty.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 30.—Governor McRae last night stopped the electrocution of Amos Ratliff, confessed slayer of Miss Winford Frasier several weeks ago, when informed that Ratliff had confessed to the crime on promise of a life sentence.

Judge W. A. Dickinson and Prosecuting Attorney Nance at Eureka Springs will conduct an investigation of a report already confirmed here that \$250 had been deposited in a Little Rock bank to be paid Claude Fuller, an attorney, when Ratliff's life is saved. Ratliff's execution was set for this morning.

Mrs. Hicks Riley, wife of a convict, yesterday stated here that she furnished the \$250 and that it was to be paid to Mr. Fuller when Ratliff's sentence had been commuted.

According to a statement filed in the governor's office some time ago Ratliff's crime was one of the most atrocious ever committed in North Arkansas.

Pawnee County to Guard Against Winter Crime Wave

Wymore, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Sheriff Emery has sent a letter to all village boards in the county suggesting that they employ all the means at their command to protect the lives and property of their people. The sheriff states that it is the opinion of police authorities that the coming winter will see an increase in the depredations of criminals. Sheriff Emery suggests that the village marshal of each town be on duty at night and sleep day times, that an alarm system be provided, and that a number of citizens be organized who can be called upon promptly in case of need.

Pioneer North Platte Merchant Reopens Store

North Platte, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Julius Bayer, who was engaged in the mercantile business in this city for 27 years, but disposed of his store three years ago, has reopened a clothing and furnishing store in one of the several business buildings which he owns.

4,500 Shell Band Stand Constructed at Columbus

Columbus, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The new shell bandstand, costing \$4,500, is about completed. Authorities on acoustics were consulted in the construction of this building. Its location, in the heart of the city, has added much to beautifying the community.

Sextet of Winning Fiddlers at "1845 Jazz" Contest



Six prize-winners in the Y. M. C. A. old fiddlers' contest; left to right: Joseph C. Green, Josiah Petty, Andrew Comstock, E. A. Gallup, John Holder and Jesse McCarty.

Eighty-three-year-old Samuel Ward, 252 Marcy street, "stepped off a few" at the annual Old Fiddlers' contest in the Y. M. C. A. Thursday night just to show how they danced back in 1845.

A gray-haired fiddler, almost as old as Samuel, furnished the music, aided by the audience, which stamped and clapped in time with the music.

In fact the jazz music of 1845, played by fiddlers ranging in age from 60 to 91, kept the audience of several hundred people stamping most of the time.

"Arkansas Traveler" and "Turkey in the Straw," played with numerous variations, were favorites with the old fiddlers.

Divided into Two Classes.

The fiddlers were divided into two classes: those 70 or over and those who had not yet reached the three score and 10 mark.

George W. Campbell, in charge of affairs, presented each fiddler and kept things going merrily. H. G. Kiddoo, 1102 Marcy street, besides contributing with his violin, took the role of a Swede comedian, and ob-

tained laughs and applause, especially when he swung into a swift clog dance.

Winners in the "70 or over class" were: Josiah Petty, 82, of Perry, Ia., first prize; Andrew Comstock, 76, of Gretna, Neb., second prize; E. A. Gallup, 70, 1503 Binney street, third prize. "Uncle Joseph Green, 91, of 1545 Park avenue, the oldest fiddler of 'em all, won a cash prize.

"Under 70" Class.

John Holder, "over 50," won first prize in the "under 70" class. He lives in Council Bluffs. Jesse McCarty, 64, Bellevue, Neb., won

second prize and C. G. Sayre, Eighteenth and Chicago streets, won third prize in this classification. Prizes were gold, silver and bronze medals.

Others participating in the contest were J. S. Silcott, 63, Fifty-third and Spalding streets; Nimrod Tishcer, 75, 115 North Twenty-fourth street; H. G. Kiddoo, Samuel Ward, F. M. Henderson, 62, 3015 South Seventeenth street; W. J. Morrison, 67, Springfield, Neb.; W. W. McGill, 60, Wisner, Neb.; Dr. H. P. Holmes, 64, Florence, and E. T. King, 58, 713 North Twenty-second street.

France Prepares To Honor Pershing

Paris, Sept. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—The French government has arranged one of the most elaborate and impressive ceremonies since the armistice for next Sunday morning when General Pershing places the medal of honor voted by the United States congress on the tomb of the unknown soldier of France.

Plans announced today by the War department, include an extensive military review of all the chief branches of the French army, to be led by a composite battalion from

the American forces in Germany. The battalion, which has undergone rigid training for the event, will arrive in Paris with General Pershing tomorrow.

President Millerand, Premier Briand, Marshal Foch, members of the cabinet, the senate and chamber of deputies and nearly all the French military leaders who now are in France will participate in the ceremony.

Pawnee City Farmer Injured When Struck by Train

Pawnee City, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Sam Small, retired farmer of this city, was struck by a Rock Island passenger train as he was crossing the tracks on his way to Steinauer. A sharp curve hid the approach from view and he drove onto the crossing before seeing the approaching train. His car was badly damaged, being knocked into the ditch, and Small was cut up considerably.

Pawnee County Farmer to Exhibit 1,100 Pound Hog

Pawnee City, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Robert Smith, farmer living south of here, has a hog weighing 1,070 pounds, which he will exhibit at the Pawnee county fair next week. This is the weight of an ordinary hog. It is a Poland China and is bigger than any hog exhibited at any fair around here thus far.

See Want Ads Produce Results.

Southern Holt County Is Swept by Prairie Fires

O'Neill, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Prairie fires starting south of O'Neill and Atkinson during a heavy gale from the north burned over considerable territory in southern Holt county, and destroyed much hay before they could be controlled. The fires are supposed to have been started by hunters.

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Escaped Iowa Convict Held on Murder Charge

Minot, S. D., Sept. 30.—North Dakota may witness a legal hanging as the result of the disclosure that Charles Wellfag, the man arrested and charged with the recent killing of Julius A. Neilson, night policeman at Kenmare, N. D., is Harry Smith, who escaped last December from the Iowa state prison, where he is serving a life sentence for the murder of a sheriff and his son.

"Sunset Social" Is Held By North Platte School

North Platte, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The annual "Sunset Social," at which the guests were men and women 70 years or older, was held at the Christian church. About 70 attended. Following the dinner a program of short addresses and music was given. These socials were inaugurated by the religious organizations several years ago.

U. P. Freight Traffic Is As Heavy as Road Record

North Platte, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The movement of cars over the Union Pacific through the North Platte yards during the past week has been as heavy as at any time in the history of the road. During one 24-hour period 37 east-bound freight trains were marked out. The bulk of the eastbound traffic is green fruit.

Hospital Facilities at Columbus to Be Improved

Columbus, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Building material for the addition to the St. Mary's hospital, is on the ground and work will be pushed as fast as weather conditions will permit. The cost of the improvement and addition is \$150,000. The Evans hospital is about completed and will soon be ready for use. It cost \$150,000.

Auburn Printer Wants To Get Wife With \$40,000

Pawnee City, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—John Worall, 65, of Nehama, wants a wife with \$40,000. He is not particular what she looks like, just so she has this amount of money. He offers a commission of 10 per cent to anyone who will produce for him such a mate. He is a printer by trade.

North Platte Rotary Club Urges Boys to Go to School

North Platte, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The Rotary club of this city has started a "Keep the Boy in School" campaign and is making a liberal use of the advertising columns of the papers as well as doing personal work. Members of the club say results are being obtained.

"Good Roads" Advocates Visit at Bloomfield

Bloomfield, Neb., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The Norfolk "Good Roads" boosters visited Bloomfield. There were more than 50 cars in the party and two bands furnished the musical inspiration. Nearly 1,000 people were on hand to listen to the talks on better highways made by a number of the caravan's speakers. They came here from Verdigr.

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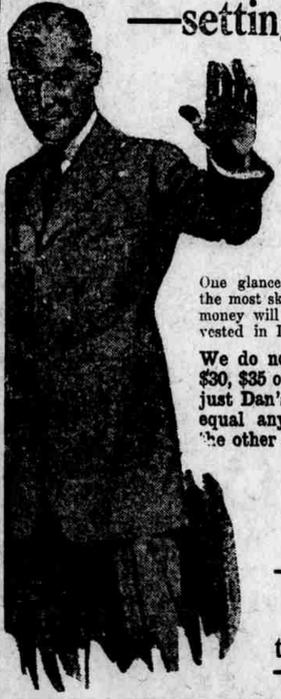
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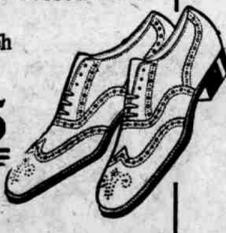
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