

# The Farmers Leader

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## ROBBERS CAPTURED

### "MISSOURI KID" AND GEORGE COLLINS ARRESTED.

The "Kid" Made a Desperate Struggle, but Was Overpowered—Nearly \$9,000 Found on the Men—Supposed to be U. I. M., Mr. Robbins.

Hartford, Conn., William Rudolph, known as the "Missouri Kid," and Geo. Collins were arrested here Sunday by officers of a detective agency and the Hartford police. The men are wanted for a bank robbery at Union, Mo., committed December 27.

Private Detective Schumacher of Chicago was killed when he went with three deputy sheriffs to the house of Rudolph's parents. In a search of the Rudolph house a scrap of paper was found, upon which was written "Geo. Collins, Hartford, Conn." The Hartford police learned that Collins had formerly been in the reform school at Meriden, Conn.

Rudolph and Collins have been in a few weeks, but were not located until Saturday, when Rudolph was seen on the street. The detectives wanted to get the men together, and would not risk getting one to fear the other would get away. Sunday afternoon they were located, and a force of officers gathered. Collins and two other phobers named LaPlant came out of the house, and were seized without any trouble.

The "Missouri Kid" remained in the house, and Detective Dougherty and Detective Farrell of this city went after him.

They went into the room with revolvers drawn. Rudolph reached under his overcoat for his gun, but Dougherty was upon him before he could pull it.

The men had a struggle in which Dougherty was bitten in the neck, but the "Kid" was subdued.

In all \$8,885 was found in the rooms and on the prisoners. About \$3,000 was in gold.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED

### Anti-Vaccination Cause Ties up at Three Hours.

Terre Haute, Ind.—An order was issued by the health board Saturday closing the public schools until the case brought against the health and school authorities by the anti-vaccinationists is heard in the circuit court March 5.

Until a temporary restraining order was issued Friday morning all unvaccinated children were excluded from the public schools, on account of the small-pox epidemic, the principals standing at the doors of the different buildings to bar the entrance of children coming unvaccinated. The boys and girls were compelled to leave their homes to satisfy the principals that the vaccination operations had been successful.

To avoid having their children excluded the anti-vaccinationists carried the matter to the courts, which resulted in the temporary restraining order being granted.

## STILL DANGER AT ITHACA.

### All Citizens Are Urged to Take Their Water Boiled.

Ithaca, N. Y.—The board of health refuses to assume responsibility for a statement recently made to the effect that it was safe for the students of Cornell to return to Ithaca, and has passed resolutions declaring that it deems the condition of the Ithaca city water such that it is absolutely essential for residents to secure such water and lodging as will guarantee that no unboiled water from that source shall enter the stomach, and that it looks upon the chance of secondary infection from the numerous cases of typhoid fever now in the city as a new and serious source of danger.

## SITUATION IS SERIOUS.

### Water Covers Area of Ten Miles in Arkansas Lowlands.

Memphis, Tenn.—The Mississippi River is at a standstill at this point, the gauge Sunday marking thirty-four feet. The water covers an area of ten miles in the Arkansas lowlands opposite the city, all over this state and the surrounding states. Many farmers have left their homes, and stock has been placed on high ground.

A special flood warning issued by the local weather bureau says that it is probable the flood in the lower Mississippi valley may continue during the next ten days or two weeks.

## Six Injured in Pennsylvania.

Brownsville, Pa.—Six persons were seriously injured and a number slightly hurt in a collision between local passenger train No. 14 and a light engine on the Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania Railroad at the junction near here Saturday. The collision was head on and in the impact several passenger coaches were thrown from the track.

## Blizzard in Colorado.

Denver, Colo.—A blizzard raged Saturday all over this state and the temperature is falling. The snow, which already covers the eastern portion of the state, is being carried by a high wind into the railroad cuts and the railways are putting forth every effort to keep their lines open.

## Wisconsin Suffers from Cold.

La Crosse, Wis.—A blizzard reached here Saturday night and left the city shivering from intense cold. The temperature dropped 30 degrees.

## Potter Case is Settled.

Schenectady, N. Y.—The Potter case has been settled by the painters' union abandoning its position and William Potter will be allowed to go to work as a union painter and at the same time remain a member of the militia.

## Gen. "Baldy" Smith Dead.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Gen. William Farar Smith, better known as "Baldy" Smith, one of the prominent figures of the civil war, died at his home in this city Saturday night. He was in his 80th year and was born in St. Albans, Vt.

## Passengers Shaken Up.

Sedalia, Mo.—Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 9, the fast express from St. Louis to Kansas City, crashed into a southbound Missouri, Kansas and Texas freight train at the crossing of the tracks in the suburbs here early Sunday morning. The passengers were badly shaken up, but no one was seriously hurt.

## Turks Suffer Repulse.

London.—News has been received of an engagement between Turkish troops and bodies of Macedonians. The Turks suffered a repulse. After the fighting thirty-two dead and many wounded men were found.

## A BRUTAL MURDER.

### Buffalo Man Has His Brains Beaten Out.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Edwin L. Burdick, president of the E. L. Burdick Company and of the Buffalo Envelope Company, was murdered Friday at his home.

The story at first advanced, that the crime was the work of burglars, has been abandoned, while the police claim to have several important clues, no arrests have been made.

The body was found by the servants in the smoking room Friday morning on a couch, covered with a rug and a number of pillows. The couch was saturated with blood, and the walls and floor were bespattered with brains and blood. The head was crushed with some blunt instrument, and two fingers were broken.

According to the police, the fact that nothing of value is missing and that the doors and windows were locked, disposes of the theory of robbery, as well as that the murder was done by an unknown intruder. No weapons were found anywhere.

The police theory is that Burdick answered a call at the door, admitted some one well known to himself and took the visitor to the smoking room for a talk. The force of the blows that killed Burdick, were such as to cause a woman delivered them.

Mrs. Burdick, the murdered man's wife, left home two months ago, with the intention, it is said not to return. Last December she was in the city, and was filed by Burdick.

What connection Burdick's domestic trouble may have with the crime the police do not presume to say.

## MURDER AT BENECLARE, S. D.

### H. Stegald Shoots and Kills Frank Bowen.

Sioux Falls, S. D.—H. E. Stegald, agent of the Illinois Central Railroad Company at Benclare, a little town a short distance east of Sioux Falls, Friday shot and instantly killed Frank Bowen, a grain buyer at that place and owner of the Benclare townsite.

The tragedy took place in the depot waiting room. Bowen's young son was present.

Stegald was arrested by Sheriff Huston and brought here and lodged in the county jail.

The murder, it has developed, was the result of a dispute over demurrage charges on a car. Thursday Bowen and Stegald had a heated discussion over the matter, and the former threatened to kill the agent, but left the railroad office without attempting to carry his threat into execution.

## P-ANS TO HELP STARVING.

### Czar of Russia Will Aid Famine Stricken Finns.

St. Petersburg.—The czar has personally intervened in behalf of the famine-stricken Finns and has ordered extensive relief work to be started without delay.

Besides the immediate construction of the proposed Idensalmi Karyana railroad, which will cost \$700,000, he has sanctioned the expenditure of \$300,000 on the Uleaborg Tornea line, the raising of a \$2,000,000 loan for other railroad construction, the establishment of a bank with a capital of \$800,000, which sum is to be used in making loans to peasant farmers, and has approved of an appropriation of \$140,000 for public works.

The plans attribute the czar's action to the steps taken in America to relieve the distress existing in Finland and to Ambassador McCormick's inquiries on the subject.

## WOMEN BURNED TO DEATH.

### Several Others May Have Perished in Fire at Lowell, Mass.

Lowell, Mass.—Mrs. Sarah F. Kirtledge, correspondent of the Ladies' Home Journal, Saturday Evening Post and other periodicals, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Burbank block, used for business, lodging house and social purposes early Friday.

There were seventy-five lodgers in the house. There were a number of narrow escapes, several persons sustaining burns and other injuries.

## MICHIGAN BANK ROBBED.

### Cracksmen Secure Over \$4,000 in Raid at Cedar Springs.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Two robbers blew open the safe of Hubbard's private bank, at Cedar Springs, during Thursday night and secured between \$4,000 and \$5,000. They obtained admittance to the bank by means of a key. They stole a team from a livery stable, and the team, in the morning, the sheriff found the team loose in the street here. The robbers have not been captured.

## Three Men Killed.

Cherokee, Kan.—The press mill of Laffin & Rand Powder Company's works, eight miles south, exploded early Friday, killing three men and injuring fifteen others, three fatally. The explosion is the fourth since the establishment of the works in 1880.

## Fatal Fight at a Dance.

Covington, Ky.—At a dance at the home of Sarah Anderson here a fight arose among the guests, and James England was fatally shot. Shelby Wilhoit and Harry King were slightly wounded.

## Robbed at Postoffice.

Garrett, Ind.—Robbers Thursday night blew the postoffice safe here and carried away \$1,000 in cash and \$300 in stamps. The robbers escaped.

## Colima Still Active.

Colima, Mex.—The volcano Friday poured forth a quantity of white, hot matter, but there was no outflow of lava till late at night, when great quantities flowed down the sides of the volcano. Earthquakes are reported at Acapulco and other points, but there was no loss of life.

## Imperial Troops Slain.

Pekin.—Advises received here Friday show 500 imperial troops were caught February 16 in ambush in Yang Lung pass by rebels of the province of Kwang Si, south China. All the soldiers were killed.

## Explosion in Palace.

Vienna.—An explosion in the cellar of the imperial palace Friday, caused momentary excitement, but it was ascertained that it was due to the accidental ignition of some sporting ammunition. A couple of workmen were injured.

## Pingree Driven to the Wall.

Detroit, Mich.—Frank C. Pingree, one of the directors of the City Savings Bank, said Friday: "I shall either file a petition in bankruptcy or make an assignment as a result of the failure of the City Savings Bank and the losses I have incurred as one of the bondsmen of Cashier Andrew."

## Instantly Killed by a Train.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—Samuel Knott, vice president of the Knott & Van Arman Manufacturing Company, of this city, was instantly killed by a train on the Pennsylvania Railroad while on his way to his office Friday morning.

## GIRL TEACHER USES FISTS.

### Captain of Football Team and Another School Boy Are Worsted.

Pawtucket, R. I.—Miss Mary L. Rogers, a graduate of Wellesley, Wednesday punched the six foot captain of the high school football team in the nose so hard that the blood came and thumped and another school boy was injured. The girl and the young man went home with their parents with their right eye blackened. All this Miss Rogers did without other weapons than the fists with which nature provided her.

It is at once apparent because Miss Rogers was a "new" teacher. It was her first day with the high school class and the evidence at hand tends to show that the brawny youths of the class thought it eminently proper to give her a lesson.

The school committee is investigating the affair. Miss Rogers did not go back to her class Thursday, and the two boys have been suspended.

## TWO POSTOFFICES ROBBED.

### Safe at Mexico, Ind., is Blown Open and Robbers Escape.

Peru, Ind.—Mexico, a town five miles north of here, was shaken as if by an earthquake early Wednesday morning by a heavy explosion in the postoffice, which wrecked the safe and blew out the front of the building. A score of people who rushed out saw five masked men, heavily armed, walk away with money and stamps amounting to \$50.

The witnesses were so frightened that they made no attempt to stop the thieves, who took a hauler and went east to Denver, where they robbed another post-office of \$75. The robbers left their hauler at Chili, east of Denver. It is believed they are Chicago and other post-offices in the vicinity recently.

## FISH TUGS FAST IN ICE.

### Their Crews Have Been Prisoners for Two Days.

Grand Haven, Mich.—The fish tugs Dorado and the tug port to lift nets, are imprisoned in an ice field three miles off the harbor pier. They have been unable to move since late Wednesday afternoon and are constantly sounding distress signals. There is an open channel between the ice field and the shore, preventing the crews from communicating with the land. Tugs left port Thursday morning to attempt to release them. There are seven men on each of the imprisoned tugs. A slight movement of the ice will, it is feared, crush the small craft and sink them.

## MURDER ON THE RANGE.

### "Kid" Rich Killed by a Stranger Near Cherry Creek.

A Pierre special says: Sunday night Ed Hunter, an Indian living on Cherry Creek, about seventy-five miles west of here, came in and reported the murder of his brother-in-law, against Rich, better known as "Kid" Rich all over the range country.

The report is to the effect that late Friday evening some one rapped at the door of a house and a door was opened by James Cavanaugh, a relative of Rich, someone stepped back in the darkness and asked for "Kid" Rich went out, and after a short conference with the stranger came back and reported the murder of his brother-in-law. The man who shot Rich, someone stepped back in the darkness and asked for "Kid" Rich went out, and after a short conference with the stranger came back and reported the murder of his brother-in-law. The man who shot Rich, someone stepped back in the darkness and asked for "Kid" Rich went out, and after a short conference with the stranger came back and reported the murder of his brother-in-law.

## MORE EMPTY COFFINS FOUND.

### Knoxville Court Commission Discovers Additional "Fake" Burials.

Knoxville, Tenn.—The county court investigating committee Thursday morning discovered its work of examining graves in the county pauper cemetery. Twenty-eight coffins were exhumed, and of these 20 were found to give no evidence of ever having contained bodies. These were buried in 1907. The committee intends to open about 1,000 graves in all.

Jim Goins, the negro charged with the "fake" burials for money, swore he had taken coffins to the county cemetery knowing they were empty. W. C. McCoy, the undertaker employing Goins, denies knowledge of fraud.

## CAPTURES MAN WHO SHOT HIM.

### Farmer Twice Wounded by Fugitive Burglar Knocks Him Down.

Lester, Minn.—William Rattiff, aged 22 years, for whom a reward of \$50 was offered for his capture, was captured Thursday night at the home of Lewis Ballman, a farmer, and demanded money. Ballman gave him \$10. Rattiff asked for more, and fired twice upon Ballman, wounding him under the right eye and in the breast. The farmer knocked his assailant down with an ax, and with the help of his wife and hired man, bound him.

## ANN ARBOR SHORT OF COAL.

### Only Three Days' Supply at the University.

Ann Arbor, Mich.—It was discovered Thursday that there was a shortage of coal in the university, the regents will be called on to order more. The regents will be called on to order more. The regents will be called on to order more.

## RETURN LOST JEWELS BY MAIL.

### Diamonds Valued at \$1,000 Taken from Woman Strangely Restored.

Memphis, Tenn.—Jewels valued at \$1,000, which mysteriously disappeared from the residence of Miss Evelyn Jordan, a local society leader, five weeks ago, were returned to her Thursday, loosely wrapped in an unsealed box, mailed in this city.

The package bore no postmark and had no address other than the number of Miss Jordan's residence. Postoffice officials located the address in the city directory. Three diamond rings, a diamond sunburst, and smaller jewels were in the box.

## Ex-Governor Ordered to Jail.

Seattle, Wash.—Ex-Gov. Eugene Semple, president of the Seattle and Lake Washington Waterway Company, was Thursday ordered to the county jail until he complies with an order of the grand jury to produce certain records of his corporation before the body. Ex-Gov. Semple is now in the custody of the sheriff.

## Women Marries Adopted Son.

South Bend, Ind.—Barbara Bell, aged 58 years, and Joseph Hawkins, aged 24, were secretly married here. They reside at Flora. Miss Bell twenty years ago, adopted Hawkins as her son, taking him from a soldiers' orphan home.

## Holdup Man Shoots Policeman.

Denver, Colo.—Policeman John Ritchie was dangerously wounded trying to arrest a lone highwayman operating in a saloon when Ritchie entered. The robber shot him in the neck and escaped.

## Alleged Train Robber Arraigned.

Butte, Mont.—George Cole, the alleged train robber, faced eight different counts in as many bills of information filed against him Thursday. Most of the charges are assault in the first degree on the persons of George Ott and other members of the train crew, who, it is charged, were shot by Cole.

## Case Plow Works Scored.

Racine, Wis.—Fire threatened the entire plow works of the J. L. Case plow works Wednesday night and did cause a loss estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000, all covered by a blanket policy. Four of the main departments were destroyed.

## WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

### NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

## Wreck on Northwestern—One Man Killed and Several Injured—Broken Rail Caused Accident—Injured Are Taken to Redfield.

A Huron special says: One man was killed and thirteen others more or less seriously injured in an accident near Redfield Monday morning on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad.

The dead man is Fred B. Bopp, vice president of a bank at Hawkeye, Ia. The seriously injured are P. H. Crabs, member of the state legislature from Brown County, T. H. Lattimore of Chicago, P. W. Keely of Aberdeen, Milla Murray of DeKalb, Ill., Lillie Bistad of Callender, Ia., Charles Crook of Aberdeen.

Others less severely hurt are T. H. Cameron of Aberdeen, James E. Blair of Sioux City, Ia., W. H. Ottaway of Wisconsin, Rev. E. L. Wendell of Centerville, S. D., J. W. Collier of Belvidere, Ill., Bert Mosher of Milford, S. D.

The smoker and one coach left the track and turned over into a ditch. Mr. Bopp was sitting in the rear car and was thrown out of the window and instantly killed. The most severely injured were taken to Redfield for medical attention. The accident, the cause of which is not known, but is supposed to have been a broken rail.

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## MOONSHINING IS CHARGED.

### Missouri Man Arrested at Sioux Falls.

A Sioux Falls special says: Chief of Police W. H. Mastin, sworn in as a special deputy United States marshal for the occasion, accompanied by W. J. Howland, deputy internal revenue collector for South Dakota, Sunday made an important capture in this city in the person of Bastian Giesman, who is wanted in Missouri on the charge of distilling in Jackson County, that state.

The arrest was made by authority of a telegram from the United States marshal for Missouri, and on a warrant issued by United States Commissioner D. J. Conway of this city.

## FOR IOWA BUILDING AT FAIR.

### Des Moines Firm's Bid on the Work is Accepted.

A Des Moines special says: The building committee of the Iowa commission of the St. Louis exposition opened bids for the construction of the Iowa building Wednesday. There were ten bidders, the lowest being E. W. Nichols & Co. of this city, at \$3,493, which was \$11,000 lower than the highest bidder.

The company agrees to make use of Iowa labor only, and to use Iowa materials so far as possible in the construction of the building.

## Cut Off His Own Finger.

A Watertown dispatch says: Peter Sherer, living eight miles south of the city, demonstrated that he is a nifty man. The middle finger of his left hand got caught in a clamp in a patent hay fork and the bone was crushed. It was impossible to extricate the finger, and as there was no help near Mr. Sherer, he cut off the injured member, using a pocket knife to do the work. He then left the finger in the fork and came to town and a surgeon dressed the hand.

## Giesman Case Continued.

A Sioux Falls special says: The preliminary examination of Bastian Giesman, the alleged Missouri moonshiner, who was captured in this city last Sunday, has been continued until March 4 in order to allow the federal authorities of Missouri to get the witnesses together and have them in Sioux Falls in time to testify against the prisoner.

## Mr. Burlingame Saw Frogs.

Ed Burlingame, a reliable resident of Miller, reports the finding of six live frogs that came hopping out of a cave one warm afternoon recently. As Mr. Burlingame is a weather prophet, he says early appearance of frogs means that winter will soon give way to balmy spring.

## Extradition for John Barkel.

A Pierre special says: Gov. Herreid Saturday granted extradition papers to Sheriff McDonald of Morton County, North Dakota, for John Barkel, wanted on a charge of grand larceny.

## Death of an Aged Woman.

Mrs. Annetta Rynders, aged 73 years, died at Huron Saturday morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. Hubbard, of heart failure. She was a native of New York.

## Arrested on a Serious Charge.

A Huron special says: Sheriff Webber of Sanborn County, was here Saturday afternoon and took charge of a young man named J. N. Stroup, wanted in Woonsocket to answer to the charge of obtaining money and goods under false pretenses.

## Col. L. P. Stone Dead.

A Deadwood special says: Col. L. P. Stone, a veteran hotel and restaurant keeper of Deadwood, died in a hospital here of pneumonia. Col. Stone was a native of Kentucky.

## Filing Around Pierre.

O. A. Swartwood of Valparaiso, Ind., will take charge of the Christian Church at Miller as pastor March 1. He has a home west of Pierre and wants to locate here, including professional people of the east, including young teachers, are filing on land east and west of the river, then seek employment for a time in nearby cities and towns, though complying with the lenient government land laws.

## Dies at Ninety-Six.

John Kieser, one of the oldest settlers of Pukwana and Brule County, died early Monday morning at the age of 96.

## FEAR GRASSHOPPER SCOURGE.

### The Black Hills Territory May be Visited by Them.

A Belle Fourche dispatch says: Ranchmen and others in this vicinity are somewhat alarmed over a recent bulletin issued by the department of agriculture that eastern Montana, northeastern Wyoming and western South Dakota were threatened with a plague of grasshoppers.

The insects were thick in Montana last summer, and it is feared that they may multiply to such an extent as to menace the vegetation in another summer.

The tongue disease seems to have been arrested among the cattle of this range. It appeared in only two or three herds, and there have not been any deaths for three weeks. It was feared for some time that the foot and mouth disease, which had created such havoc in New England was making its appearance, but this apprehension has been allayed.

## PAYS CLAIM 100 YEARS OLD.

### Gregory County Man Collects Claim Arising in 1799.

A Fairfax special says: T. J. Thompson, a well known resident of this (Gregory) County, has just received from the United States government a draft for between \$34 and \$35 which, owing to the interesting and unique story connected with it, he will probably have framed and hung in the place of honor in his domicile.

During the French-American war of 1799 Thompson's great grandfather had two ships destroyed by the French, and he put in a claim for damages for the loss of them.

The draft just received is the first installment on the payment of the claim, which has thus been pending for more than a century.

## WILL NOT RECEIVE THEM.

### Board of Regents Repudiates Giddings' Charges Against Cook.

A Pierre special says: Charles N. Giddings of Spearfish has begun a series of open letters to the state board of regents of education, attacking Prof. F. J. Cook of the Spearfish normal school, and in that relation the board, in session in this city Thursday, adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That this board declines to receive or place on file the printed circular attack of Charles N. Giddings upon President Fayette I. Cook, of the Spearfish normal school, he having been, by this board, fully exonerated from said charges upon a full hearing of all the facts, and we do severely recondem and condemn such a method of attack upon an executive head of a state educational institution."

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