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NEW YORK BURGLAR PUTS HIS VICTIM TO SLEEP.

Cuts Valuable Diamonds from Subject's Ears—He Then Sets Fire to the Woman's Wardrobe and Makes His Escape.

New York: Putting their victim under the influence of chloroform, while she slept, two burglars Saturday secured \$1,000 worth of diamonds from Mrs. Bertha Cohen in her home on Fifth Avenue.

So skillfully did the burglars operate that Mrs. Cohen's mother in an adjoining room heard no noise and the victim herself had no knowledge of the robbery.

Then it was discovered that a fire had been started in a wardrobe. This was extinguished by firemen who at first thought that the burglars might have set fire to the place accidentally, but after a thorough examination Fire Marshal De Milgion said that there was nothing combustible in the wardrobe and a fire must have been deliberately started by the intruders.

DEATH OF GEN. BLACKMAR.

Head of G. A. R. Passes Away at Boise, Idaho.

Boise, Idaho, July 25. Gen. W. Blackmar, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, died Sunday of interstitial nephritis.

Gen. Blackmar's wife was with him during his illness. The body was embalmed and taken to the home of the family at Boston.

The general arrived here on July 10, on a tour during which he intended to visit Grand Army posts throughout the northwest.

He was ill when he arrived and gradually failed. The announcement of his death was kept from the public at the request of his wife.

Gen. Blackmar was born on July 25, 1841, at Bristol, Pa. He enlisted in the Fifteenth Pennsylvania cavalry and subsequently joined the First West Virginia.

He served with distinction throughout the war.

DIE IN KENTUCKY FEUD.

Father and His Two Sons Are Shot and Killed.

Lee City, Ky.: Three men were killed on Holly creek, near here, Saturday as the result, it is believed, of a feud of long standing.

The deceased are Frank Smith, aged 60, and his two sons, William and Maunred, aged respectively 20 and 21.

Scott McQuinn is said to have admitted killing all three.

The trouble arose Saturday while the two Smith boys were returning home from Wilhurst. Their path led past the McQuinn home, which is on the county road.

It is believed that Frank Smith, father of the two young men, heard the shooting and hurried to the scene with his rifle.

His body was found close to those of his sons.

HIGHWAYMAN CAPTURED.

He Got \$5,000, but Had It Only Five Minutes.

Birmingham, Ala.: L. D. Barr, paymaster of the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company, was held up by two masked highwaymen Saturday afternoon on the railroad between Littleton and Flat Top and relieved of \$5,000, which was to be used in paying the men.

Less than five minutes afterwards Detective George Bodecker, Policeman Joseph Nix and Charles Pickard, a Flat Top guard, had shot and killed one of the highwaymen and recovered the money.

The other robber effected his escape.

WANT INDEPENDENCE.

Koreans Will Seek President Roosevelt's Good Offices.

Honolulu, July 25. A Korean minister here raised a fund to send Mr. F. T. Yen, a Korean Methodist minister, to Washington to see President Roosevelt for the purpose of asking that efforts be made by the United States in the forthcoming peace negotiations to bring about an agreement by which the Korean nation will become independent within twenty years if it shows fitness for self-government.

VICTIMS OF THE HEAT.

New York: Despite the slightly lower temperature and a brisk northwest breeze the deaths from heat Saturday reached the highest number of the summer, for there were 23 victims. This is accounted for by the fact that the humidity of the last week has weakened the constitutions of many persons, who succumbed.

Wm. M. McFarland Dead.

Minneapolis, Minn.: William M. McFarland, formerly secretary of state of Iowa, dropped dead in the Chicago Great Western Railway station in St. Paul at 11:30 o'clock Saturday night. Heart failure, induced by the intense heat, was the cause.

St. Louis City Stock Market.

St. Louis City: Saturday's quotations on the St. Louis city stock market follow: Cows and heifers, \$1.50/63.25. Top hogs, \$5.60.

Vrooman Is Acquitted.

Kansas City: Howard Vrooman, brother of Walter Vrooman, promoter of the defunct Western Co-Operative Association, was acquitted of the charge of assaulting with intent to kill Harry J. Stoops and his brother, James T. Stoops, at their home in this city on June 15.

Killed in a Riot.

Lodz: Three persons were killed and six injured by a riot fired by Cossacks during the anti-government demonstrations in Kamienska Street Saturday afternoon.

Dr. Zorn Is Convicted.

Kansas City, Mo.: Dr. Louis Zorn, a dentist, who in 1903 shot and killed Albert Schrest, his tenant, was Saturday found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary. The murder was cold-blooded and unprovoked. Zorn is 50 years of age.

Accused of Poisoning His Wife.

Atchison, Kan.: A. P. Peasley, the magnetic healer whose wife died Wednesday evening after having taken a powder supposed to have been sent by a physician, was arrested Saturday night, charged with poisoning her.

SIX KILLED IN WRECK.

Railway Accidents in Iowa and Illinois.

Marshalltown, Ia.: Three men were killed and probably fatally injured Friday in a freight wreck on the Iowa Central Railroad near Richland, Keokuk County, Ia. The dead are Jesse Long, engineer; William West, fireman, and Samuel Woodsey, brakeman.

The injured are C. K. Williams, engineer, and W. L. McMahon, fireman. A car of oil took fire, the tank exploded and burned the bodies of the killed men to a crisp.

The fire destroyed a bridge over a creek on which the wreck occurred and burned six cars.

All the dead men lived in Oskaloosa. Chicago: A Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railway passenger train, leaving St. Louis at 11:30 Thursday night, collided Friday with a suburban train at Stoger, Ill.

Three persons were killed and sixteen injured. Some of the injured may die. The dead are James Lyke, engineer of the suburban train; Ovege Epstein, Chicago, and Charles Horn, Crete, Ill.

The seriously injured are John Miller, Chicago Heights, Ill.; Ferdinand Horn, Chicago, back and head injured; James Crooks, Chicago; Dwight L. Wood, brakeman; A. Gilmore, engineer of the St. Louis train, and F. H. Ross, Chicago.

The cause of the collision is said to have been an open switch, which let through train onto the siding on which the suburban train was passing.

That the switch which caused the wreck was opened by some one either carelessly or with malicious intent is the theory of the officials. Search is being made for a laborer at Stoger upon which the accident rested. The man disappeared soon after the wreck. A warrant has been sworn out for his arrest.

TRACTION ENGINE EXPLODES

Four Men Injured, One Fatally.

Near Lincoln, Neb.: Four men were injured, one fatally, by the explosion of a traction engine at West Lincoln Friday night.

The injured are Will Allison, engineer, Mayville, Mo., legs broken, abdomen cut and whole body scalded; fatal; Fred Howard, West Lincoln, badly scalded and bruised; Frank Kirkham, Alva, Ia., scalded; Phil Thompson, Lincoln, scalded.

The water ran low in the boiler and the explosion took off all four of the men's feet. The engine was removed to St. Elizabeth hospital. The engine, which belonged to John Flater, was completely wrecked.

PENNSYLVANIA ENTERS DENIAL

Harrisburg Wreck Was Not Caused by Negligence.

New York: Denying that the wreck of its fast passenger train near Harrisburg, Pa., on May 11 last was caused by dynamite or due to negligence of employees, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company filed answer in the United States district court to a suit recently brought by Harold F. Taylor of this city, who asked \$50,000 damages for injuries received in that wreck.

Mr. Taylor in his complaint stated that he was compelled to walk a long distance in his bare feet, and his hearing lost by the explosion, was practically lost.

CHARLES MAY TAKE CROWN

Danish Cabinet Favors Him for Norway's King.

Copenhagen, July 25. Friday's cabinet meeting it developed the ministers were in full agreement that Prince Charles of Denmark should accept the crown of Norway if King Oscar and the other courts most nearly concerned expressed their approval.

King Christian and the Danish royal family are favorable to Prince Charles becoming king of Norway.

Quarrel Over School Books.

Andarko, Okla.: P. C. Renfrow and Thurston Plowman were killed Thursday at Cowgar, in Lone Rock Township, in a quarrel that is said to have arisen over school matters, according to word received by the sheriff, who has sent officers to the scene. The dead men were members of the school board.

Draws Fatal Black Ball.

Marquette, Wis.: That he drew the black ball in a duel by lots with a German army officer and that he will be found dead as a result is the substance of a letter just received by a friend of Yvetta F. Taylor of this city, who appeared July 4. Von Task, who is a young man, was a bookkeeper.

Passenger Goes Overboard.

Honolulu: When the steamer Manchuria arrived Friday it was reported that Walter Sullivan, a passenger, had disappeared overboard Thursday night. It is not known whether or not his disappearance was due to accidental causes.

Thirty Mutineers Shot.

London: The correspondent of the Chronicle at Kustenji, Roumania, says that according to a sailor belonging to the crew of the battleship Kniaz Potemkin, thirty of the mutineers who surrendered have been shot.

Moorish Pretender Defeated.

Tangier: The imperial forces have won a victory over the Moorish pretender near Ujda, in northeast Morocco. The pretender escaped, leaving 180 men dead. The sultan's troops captured many prisoners.

Salaries of Envoys \$200 Per Day

St. Petersburg: The salaries of the Russian peace plenipotentiaries have been fixed at \$200 per day each, besides an allowance of \$7,500 for traveling and other expenses.

Respite for Murderer Bailley.

Kansas City: Edgar Bailley, under sentence to be hanged here for the murder of an unknown man during a strike of union hack drivers in this city, has been granted a respite of sixty days.

Recieves Fatal Burns.

Dubuque, Ia.: Mrs. J. P. Merkes, wife of a grocer, had her dress enveloped by flames from a stove and was badly burned that she is hovering between life and death. Her skin was all burned from her body.

Wounded Under Fallen Building.

Winnipeg, Man.: During a high wind storm at midnight, following a severe rain and electrical storm, the walls of a brick building in the course of construction on James Street were blown down and several people buried beneath the ruins.

Least Peary Fined \$500.

New York: An attempt to detain Peary's Arctic ship Roosevelt has been made by persons who notified the treasury department that the vessel had left Greenland, Me., for New York without her clearance papers. The government officials promptly imposed a fine of \$500.

Fierce Race Riots.

New York: "San Juan Hill," the district bounded by Amsterdam and West-Third Streets and Sixty-second and Sixty-third Streets, so-called because of its notoriety as a battle ground, was the scene Friday night of a fierce race riot which required 250 policemen to quell.

THIRTEEN DIE OF HEAT.

Nights Are as Hot as Days in New York City.

New York: Thirteen died attributed to the hot weather were reported in New York Thursday. A score or more of persons were overcome in Brooklyn by the heat and are under treatment in the city hospitals.

Despite the drenching rainfall during the forenoon and scattered showers through the day the thermometer rose to a maximum of 85 degrees. During the afternoon the drop was more decided than for the past five days, and a night of strong westerly breeze brought a share of relief.

The high humidity and the condensation throughout the night of temperature, varying only slightly from those of the hottest hours of the day, have caused the best vitality attending the present hot spell in this city.

PUNISHMENT FOR INSULT.

Orangemen Who Trampled on American Flag to Be Suspended.

Boston: Dr. Henry Hull, supreme grand master of the Orange institute, announced Thursday that he has taken official action looking to the punishment of all members of the order who were concerned in the insult to the American flag at London, Ont., Wednesday.

Dr. Hull has ordered the immediate suspension of every American member of the order who participated in the affair, and he has demanded that Supreme Grand Master Joseph of Canada suspend the Canadian members who tore down and trampled upon the American flag. Dr. Hull says that if his wishes are not respected he will suspend the lodges to which the Americans are accredited.

DEMOLISH CLOTHING FACTORY

Fifty-Six Striking Tailors in New York Start a Riot.

New York: One man was probably fatally injured, four were injured, and a riot of striking tailors and their sympathizers Thursday in Wallabout street in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn. It was not until the crowd had died down that the police dispersed the mob. Two arrests were made.

Newman, the owner of the factory, was the man hurt and will probably die. He was struck on the head by an iron bar in the hands of a striker.

MYSTERIOUSLY POISONED

Kansas Woman Takes What She Supposed to Be Medicine.

Atchison, Kan.: Mrs. Sarah Peasley, wife of A. Peasley, a magnetic healer, died from poisoning. Prof. Peasley says his wife had been ill for several days and he called in a physician. A boy, he says, appeared later and delivered a powder, saying the physician had sent it. Twenty minutes after swallowing the drug she died in great agony.

The boy has not been established and the regular physician says he did not send the medicine. A post-mortem will be held.

TEAR OUT RAILROAD TRACKS

Pennsylvania Employes Destroy Wash-bush Property.

Pittsburg, Pa.: Under cover of darkness Wednesday night a force of Pennsylvania railroad employes tore out the concrete freight business between the station and the Wash-bush road on the Pennsylvania and Wash-bush effectively cut off.

Exploring Expedition Sails.

St. Johns, N. F.: The sailing steamer Neptune sailed Wednesday for Halifax to embark the Canadian expedition to Hudson Bay. It will be north three months. The rival expedition of Mr. Hubbard and Dillon Wallace started from Northwest River into the interior of Labrador June 23. Mrs. Hubbard leading by four hours.

Sheriff and Police Indicted.

Meridian, Miss.: A sensation was caused in the circuit court Thursday when the grand jury reported true bills against the sheriff of the county and the entire police force of the city, charging violations of the statute requiring such officers to give information to the grand jury of any infractions of the law, of which they might have knowledge.

Cleared of Bribery Charge.

Troy, Mo.: After deliberating an hour and a half, a verdict of acquittal was returned by the jury in the case of T. Edward Alford, former member of the St. Louis house of delegates, charged with bribery in connection with the passage of the bill granting a franchise to the St. Louis and Suburban Railway Co.

Gov. Roach Gives Up.

Topeka, Kan.: Gov. Hoch has concluded that he cannot compel T. Kelly, Edward Alford, former member of the St. Louis house of delegates, charged with bribery in connection with the passage of the bill granting a franchise to the St. Louis and Suburban Railway Co.

Falls to Get Mutineers.

St. Petersburg: Russia has abandoned the idea of trying to secure the extradition of the men of the battleship Kniaz Potemkin who mutinied.

Baltimore Building Falls.

Baltimore: The Glenn building, a small office structure, collapsed Wednesday, killing two persons and injuring one.

Cities Must Be Cleaned.

Havana: President Palma has vetoed the action of congress which continued in effect the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30 last. His reason for doing so is that the budget did not include any provision for the sanitation of cities.

Sixty Days Respite for Bailley.

Kansas City: Edgar Bailley, under sentence to be hanged here for the murder of an unknown man during a strike of union hack drivers in this city, has been granted a respite of sixty days.

Windstorm at Omaha.

Omaha, Neb.: A severe storm of wind and rain struck the city Thursday night, doing considerable damage. Cellars were flooded, trees blown down and signs and small buildings damaged. About 10 o'clock the wind reached a velocity of 64 miles an hour. An inch of water fell in thirty minutes.

Flour in Poor Demand.

Minneapolis: Fully 800 Minneapolis flour mill employes are idle, owing to the fact that nine and one-half of the twenty-two mills are shut down. The shut down is indefinite, owing to poor demand for flour.

WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Clad in Stars and Stripes—Truels Madsen's Comical Escape in the Flood—His Clothes Swept Away. He Wore the Flag in Lieu of a Shirt.

A Pierre special says: Comedy was mingled with tragedy in the Bad River flood.

Truels Madsen, the rafter, known to every commission firm in Chicago and Sioux City as "T. M.", wrapped his stock brand, first came near the tragedy followed by the comedy in his experience at his ranch thirty miles up the river. One day, from St. Paul, attempted to cross the swollen stream in a boat and had barely started when their boat was swung against a tree and swamped.

They caught the branches of the tree, and as the stream was rising "T. M." wrapped a tarpaulin about a wagon box and after anchoring it to a tree with a long rope swung out into the stream with it to rescue the boys in the tree. Before starting on his perilous trip he removed all his clothing to be ready for emergency, and the boys followed his example before tempting fate in his clumsy craft.

The water was rising and on reaching shore it was found that the clothing of the rescuer had been swept away and the stream in his absence. Several young men had gathered at the ranch for a Fourth of July celebration, and by dividing up the boys were partially fitted for the Fourth of July.

As a part of their celebration they had raised a flag staff and were floating the stars and stripes, and nothing else being in sight the flag was hauled down and fastened to a pole. He was there furnished with a pair of ranch-manufactured trousers made from the burp of an old wool sack, and with that outfit, hatless and shoeless, he put in the time until he could send to his home in Pierre for the things he would not venture into the city wearing his patriotic flag suit.

THREE NEW TOWNS.

Reliance, Colona, and Selkony Will Be Born.

The first town west of Oacoma on the new extension of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul is to be located on land owned by C. C. Herron, and the railroad town will be named Selkony in his honor. The postoffice department, however, objected to this on the ground that the similarity of Herron to Huron might cause confusion in the mails. He has, therefore, been asked to name the town Reliance. The two new towns north of Armour, on the new extension from that place, will be Colona and Stickey in the order named.

Stickney will be the terminus of the extension for a time, as it may be the best of the best of authority, although it has been believed that the line would go through all the way to Plankinton.

BAD TRIO CAPTURED.

Three Men with a Complete Set of Burglars' Tools Arrested.

Last Friday section men on the Rock Island Railway near Elkton found three 44-caliber revolvers, dynamite and fuses planted along the track and notified the marshal. The latter watched the spot for several days and finally arrested three men who had a full kit of burglars' tools.

They were taken to Brookings, but as yet Sheriff Campbell has not been able to trace any crime they have committed. When they were photographed they twisted their faces all out of shape, but the officers succeeded in getting pretty fair pictures of the trio.

Fogal Storm on Rosebud.

A Fairfax dispatch says: One man was killed, fourteen seriously hurt and many buildings wrecked in towns on the Rosebud reservation in a wind storm Thursday. Roy McFadden is dead at St. Cloud. His wife and two children were injured at Herrick and eight people hurt. Six were injured at Burke, where a horse collapsed, hurting Jim Jensen, wife and boy. The wife and baby may die.

Good News for Brides.

An item has been going the rounds of the state press that under the new vital statistics law it is necessary for both parties to appear before the clerk of courts in an application for a marriage license. This report has been corrected, as the vital statistics, nor in any other act of the late legislative session.

Killed by Lights.

James Deacey, aged 45 years, was struck by lightning and killed in a school house on Spring Creek Tuesday night during a severe storm. He and two other men, directors of that school district, were holding a meeting in the building at the time. The other men were stunned.

Farmers' Institute Well Attended.

The South Dakota farmers' state institute, held at Sturgis Thursday, was largely attended, notwithstanding the fact that farmers are very busy at this time. The lectures and demonstrations were excellent and instructive.

Union County Pioneers Picnic.

The Union County old settlers' picnic will be held on Sunday, Aug. 31, in the city of Mitchell. The picnic will be at the city of Mitchell. It is expected a big crowd will attend.

Drowned in a Creek.

Verne Torrance of Deep Creek, near Pedro, was drowned while attempting to cross the creek on horseback. In some manner the horse slipped and Torrance was thrown.

Drowned in Bad River.

Fred Rus, a young man, who recently came to Pierre from Indiana and has been doing carpenter work, was drowned in Bad River late Thursday evening. He was out with a fishing party and went in for a swim.

\$28,750 from Uncle Sam.

The state treasury at Pierre has received from the national government, in aid of the agricultural college, an annual check for \$28,000 from the Morrill fund and a quarterly check for \$7,750 from the Hatch fund.

Population at Brookings.

The census just completed gives Brookings 3,216 population. This does not include the college students or transients, which would make a total of nearly 3,700. There are 1,024 children of school age in the city. The population shows an increase of 40 per cent since 1900.

Married the Girl.

Guy Harrington, a farm hand, was arrested Wednesday morning on a serious charge made by Miss Rose Fenton. Harrington was placed in jail, where he is held, until a family supply. During the afternoon he sent for the girl and they were married.

CROP OUTLOOK IMPROVES.

Conditions Are More Favorable in South Dakota.

The South Dakota weather and crop bureau's bulletin, issued from Huron, says: The week was cooler than usual for the time in the season. There were generous rains the fore part of the week, and much in excess of needs. Fair weather prevailed the latter part of the week, with favorable temperature for small grain and the outlook for all crops was improved.

In parts of the Sioux and Vermillion River valleys and the extreme lower portion of the James River valley crops on bottom lands were materially damaged by flood water.

On the whole, the condition of wheat has improved, it has made favorable progress, is generally heading and healthy, and the outlook is good, though in a number of eastern fields there is some red rust.

TROLLEY LINE IN HILLS.

Company Incorporated at Spearfish to Develop Water Power.

A trolley line between Spearfish and other valley towns and the northern Hills seems assured. A company known as the Black Hills Traction Company has filed its incorporation papers with the county auditor and is prepared to put through an immense scheme. This will include not merely the building of the trolley line between these cities, but also the development of an immense water power on Red Water.

Henry Watts, a prominent citizen, and J. F. Summers, banker, both of Spearfish, are president and vice president, respectively, of the new company. It has been capitalized for \$400,000, and \$250,000 is already in the treasury.

Operations will begin immediately, and it is hoped to have the plant in operation before snow flies.

SALOON MEN MAKE FIGHT.

McIb III Feeling Has Been Aroused at Sioux Falls.

The fight on the part of a number of business men of Sioux Falls to put out of existence the Enger saloon, which is located close to the place of business, and which is being run in violation of the state law, is liable to create considerable bad blood.

This action is liable to cause considerable trouble all over the state. It is the same block or the block adjoining that in which a school is located is good eighteen of the twenty-six saloons in Sioux Falls are running contrary to law.

While the prohibition laws have not taken effect the fight so far it is known they are keeping close tab on the situation.

POSTOFFICE ROBBERS CAUGHT

Two Men Who Robbed the Loomis Postmaster Confess.

The two robbers who held up the postmaster at Loomis on June 29 were arrested in Minneapolis a few days ago and confessed their crime. They are John Bell and Glenn Waldorf. A portion of the money was found at the home of Bell's father, near Loomis, and Sunday the father was arrested and placed in jail at Mitchell, being held on the suspicion that he was implicated in the deal. The two men were held in bonds of \$3,000 and will be tried at the term of federal court in Sioux Falls in October. They were anxious to take their sentences right away.

OTHERS ARE STILL MISSING

Keown Dead in the Fort Pierre Flood Number Seven.

A Pierre special says: Up to the present list of known dead in the floods in the western part of the state comprises seven persons. They were Arthur Austin at Midland; Joe Brauke, at Verme; Wheeler boy, near Fort Pierre; Verne Torrance, at Pedro; Perry Higgins, at Elk Creek; Torgerson, at Mitchell; and about a dozen people whose places were swept away by the floods have not been located, and searching parties are out to find if they are yet alive. It will be a week or more yet before all are accounted for.

Targeons Sent to Jail.

The Targeons had a hearing before Judge Johnson at Elk Point on the charge of contempt of court, in that they committed a trespass on the land of Mrs. Steve Adams, in Big Sioux Township. They were proven guilty, and Fred and Valere Targeons were sentenced to ninety days in jail, and N. Targeon, their father, was sentenced to fifteen days in jail.