

TRAGIC FATE OF JOSEPH GALLAGHER

Fergus County Commissioner Dies as Result of Terrible Burns Received--Sorrow Throughout the County

County Commissioner Joseph Gallagher died at 4:15 o'clock Friday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prouett at Hobson, as a result of the burns he received Thursday evening in saving his wife, whose clothing had been set on fire by an explosion of gasoline she was using to clean some articles of apparel. Shock was the immediate cause of death.

Particulars of Tragedy.
It seems that Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher were preparing to leave Saturday for California, to be gone several weeks, and Mrs. Gallagher was engaged in cleaning some of her apparel preparatory to packing. She had a vessel of gasoline, which was on the stove. This exploded and the flaming liquid was scattered all over her clothing. Mr. Gallagher, who was in an adjoining room, instantly rushed to his wife's assistance. She had rushed to a bed to wrap some quilts about her and Mr. Gallagher assisted her, the blaze being extinguished, so far as her clothing was concerned, although she was quite badly burned before this was accomplished. In aiding his wife, Mr. Gallagher's clothing caught fire and he went out doors, quickly putting out this blaze. He then went back into the house to assist his wife out in doing so he walked right through the flames that were leaping up in the room where the explosion occurred. This once more ignited his clothing, on which there was more or less gasoline, and this time he was terribly burned, the injuries covering practically the whole of the head and body, the clothing being burned almost entirely away. All this occurred in a very short space of time, and when help arrived the damage had been done. Both Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher were removed to the home of Mrs. Gallagher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prouett, where medical aid was given, everything possible being done for them.

Shock Too Great.
Owing to the area covered by the burns and their depth, Mr. Gallagher suffered from extreme shock and the physicians attending had very little hope that he could survive. Mrs. Gallagher is reported to be in a rather serious condition, but her recovery is fully expected.

Mr. Gallagher's Career.
Joseph Gallagher was a native of Oregon, having been born just north of the California line. Before coming to Fergus he had spent much time in northern California. He came to this county a number of years ago and first engaged in sheep shearing, perhaps his first work in this line being at the old Huntoon ranch near Utica. He was industrious and ambitious and prospered. Later he bought an interest in the Moore Mercantile company and became manager of that store for a time, giving it up to engage in ranching between Hobson and Utica. A couple of years ago he engaged in the auto business at Hobson. He was an excellent business man and accumulated considerable property. He married the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prouett, residing at Hobson, and his two sons, aged about 14 and 12 respectively, survive him.

County Commissioner.
Mr. Gallagher was elected county commissioner in the fall of 1910 for the six-year term, which would have expired the first of January, 1917. Under the law the vacancy on the board will be filled by appointment by Judge Roy E. Ayers.

Mr. Gallagher was, of course, widely known all over the county and was recognized by everyone as a man of ability and the highest integrity. His tragic death is universally deplored.

An immense concourse of people assembled at Hobson Tuesday afternoon to pay the last tribute of respect to the memory of the late Joseph Gallagher. A stream of autos poured into Hobson all during the morning, hundreds of them making the trip from Lewistown, Stanford, Moore, Garnett and the Buffalo section, while many other localities were represented.

The services were held at 2 p. m. at the Hobson church, which, of course, was only large enough to accommodate a very small portion of those who had gathered.

The services were very impressive, and Rev. George Edwards of Great Falls, who conducted them, delivered an address that gave all the consolation words could offer. He paid a splendid tribute to the high character of the decedent.

The pall bearers were Ben McLeod, James L. Martin, Patrick Flanagan, G. W. Cowan, Bert Melchert and James Raw.

One of Mr. Gallagher's brothers arrived from California in time for the service. Another brother came in late in the afternoon and the interment in the Phillips cemetery was deferred until his arrival. Mrs. Gallagher is reported as recovering nicely from the burns she received during the fire last week but the death of her husband proved a very heavy blow to her.

Home Is Destroyed.
The bungalow home of Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher was burned to the ground, very little of the contents being saved.

TO CO-OPERATE WITH SCHOOLS

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION FORMED AT WELL-ATTENDED MEETING.

REV. H. P. CREGO IS PRESIDENT

At a meeting marked by gratifying attendance and an enthusiastic spirit, a Parent-Teachers' association was organized at the Lincoln school building Tuesday. Those who attended came because they were deeply interested, and organization was effected with whole-hearted intelligence of the purpose and aims of a parent-teacher association in this city.

Both general and sectional organizations were completed last evening, officers being elected and a constitution adopted. Officers of the general association were chosen as follows: Rev. H. P. Crego, president; E. C. Russell, vice president; Miss Myrtle Wright, secretary; Miss Lillian Doering, treasurer. These officers, with Superintendent A. A. Franke, will form an executive committee, which will arrange programs and take general charge of all other matters.

Three Sections.
The three sectional organizations were divided according to the schools in the city, one for the Lincoln, Garfield and Hawthorne respectively. Officers for the Lincoln community are: Mrs. E. C. Russell, president; Mrs. E. H. Holmboe, vice president, and Mr. J. W. Vogel, secretary treasurer. For the Hawthorne: Mrs. O. F. Wasmansdorff is president, Miss Beulah Meek, vice president, and Mrs. Jack Briscoe, secretary treasurer. The Garfield section has Mrs. J. S. Mayfield as president, Mrs. F. A. Jacobs as vice president, and Miss Pretlow as secretary.

Meetings will be held monthly from October until April, and it is planned that three of these shall be general. They will be held on the second Tuesday in each month, and each section will hold its own meeting and carry out its own ideas.

The purpose of this organization as adopted in the meeting of Tuesday evening is as follows:
To study the welfare of the child for the home, the school and for the community. To develop a spirit of mutual interest and understanding between parents and teachers and to intelligently co-operate in all matters pertaining to the interests of the children.

IMPROVEMENT IS RAPID.

Mrs. Leonard DeKalb, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is improving rapidly and able to see friends again. Dr. Stryker is the attending physician.

NEIL BANNON GOES WITH THE MILWAUKEE AS RATE CLERK

City Agent M. G. Martin of the Milwaukee has secured the services of Neil Bannon, who has been serving in capacity of traffic manager for the Chamber of Commerce for the past several months, as chief rate clerk for the Milwaukee freight offices here. Mr. Bannon is considered to be the best rate man in the state, and his possession of complete rate tariffs on all roads west of the Mississippi makes his services of additional value.

While Mr. Bannon will now be exclusively employed by the Milwaukee, he has consented to continue as consulting traffic advisor for the Chamber of Commerce.

END OF WAR WILL COME IN SPRING GERMANS BELIEVE

BERLIN, Oct. 8.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—"But by spring we shall probably have peace." This remark of one of the most highly placed and prominent staff officials in conversation with the Associated Press correspondent, may be taken as indicative of the view on the probable termination of the war held in German government quarters, or at any rate, in certain influential circles of the government. The person quoted is in a position which lends much weight to his opinion on the subject and the remark was made incidentally during a discussion of certain future possibilities in the Balkan situation.

Pressed to give a reason for his opinion as to the time when the war would end, the official replied that he based his expectations largely on the sound business sense of the British, "which would lead them to move for

Russia Will Issue Loan of Half Billion Dollars

PETROGRAD, Oct. 20.—(Via don, 2:11 p. m.)—The Russian government is preparing for the early issue of an internal loan of 1,000,000,000 rubles (\$500,000,000). The interest rate will be 5 1/2 per cent. The loan will run for a short term.

NEW WAREHOUSE WILL BE BUILT

GENERAL BROKERAGE COMPANY OF NORTH DAKOTA TO BUILD STRUCTURE THIS FALL.

BUILDING SHOWS GOOD TIMES

The General Brokerage company of Grand Forks, N. D., is planning for a new warehouse for fruit and groceries, to be built in Lewistown this fall and winter.

The new structure will be located across the street from the Milwaukee passenger station and will be two stories in height with a full basement below. The dimensions of the building will be 65x100 feet and either brick or stone will be used in the structure.

Wasmansdorff & Eastman are preparing the plans and it is likely that work will soon be commenced.

This warehouse, the new Catholic church, the Ford garage, which is under construction, the improvements on the high school, the many new houses, and the large amount of paving and sidewalk improvement done this summer, all point toward the rapid growth of the city and the beginning of better and more prosperous times.

GOSPEL MEETING AT MOORE.

The Christian church at Moore is making extensive preparations for a gospel meeting to begin Sunday, Nov. 14. The church has gone to great expense in getting ready for the meeting. The campaign is ready in every detail. E. E. David, the silver-tongued orator, will preach, and V. K. Allison will lead the singing. Other men are widely experienced in evangelistic work and are among the strongest men in the Christian brotherhood. The meeting promises to be the best ever held in Moore. The church has started a new building fund and will look forward to a new building.

GREAT FALLS MAN SUICIDES

GREAT FALLS, Oct. 11.—J. Henry Parker, who is said to have a wife and two children in North Powder, Ore., is dead from a bullet which he himself sent through his brain, after he had vainly tried to kill G. B. O'Hara and May Thomas, who were walking along the street together. Parker, who operated a cabaret here, was infuriated with Miss Thomas, who was employed by him. He had made several threats to kill her, she said, because of her refusal to discontinue going with other men. Earlier this evening he had warned her of an intention to shoot and she had complained to the police, who were looking for Parker when the shooting occurred.

Parker saw O'Hara and the Thomas woman across the street and shouting that he was the man he was after, commenced firing at O'Hara. Both started to run. Two shots were fired at O'Hara, both missing, and then two at the woman, with the same result. Parker then turned the gun on himself. He was rushed to a hospital, but died soon after reaching there.

FOR THE CENSUS.

Born, October 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Fisher of Forest Grove, a daughter.

EMBARGO ON ARMS

President by Proclamation Cuts off Villa's Powder Supply.

MEXICAN MATTERS

Rumors of More Executions of Mexicans, Implicated in Wrecking Train and Killing Three Americans, Current in Brownsville, but Could Not Be Confirmed—Thousand United States Troops Continue to Search the Country Near the Wreck and to Patrol the River for Bandits—Mexicans Did Not Cross River in Body.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.

President Wilson issued simultaneously today a proclamation establishing an embargo on the shipment of arms and ammunition to Mexico and an order excepting from the prohibition the recognized de facto government of which General Carranza is chief executive. The proclamation made it clear that the United States intends that no faction except the recognized one, particularly that of General Villa, shall obtain war materials from this country. The exception modifies the proclamation so that it virtually applies only to the border states of Chihuahua, Sonora and Lower California.

Orders will be telegraphed tomorrow to customs officials, consular officers, agents of the department of justice and the United States district attorneys on the border have been advised and instructions to co-operate probably will go to Major General Funston as soon as the state department informs Secretary Garrison just what the army is expected to do.

With the announcement that the Villa agency would be closed, it became known that the consulates established by the Villa faction in New York and other cities would be discontinued.

LOAN CARRANZA \$10,000,000.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 20.—New Orleans bankers announced tonight that as a result of the recognition of the Carranza government they closed contracts today to lend \$10,000,000 in gold to the Mexican administration. It was also announced that arrangements had been made to handle the entire Mexican sisal crop through New Orleans; that the sisal operators of Yucatan and Campeche were to erect a million dollar manufacturing plant here for the purpose of handling their raw product and that Mexican capitalists were to establish a new transportation line operating six steamers between New Orleans and Mexican gulf ports.

PEOPLE WILL TAKE ACTION.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Oct. 20.—Congressman John N. Garnier, as special representative of citizens and business interests in the Lower Rio Grande valley, left here tonight for Washington to appeal to the government for protection against Mexican outrages. Mr. Garnier said he had a plan which he believed would be effective in stopping depredations on the side of the border.

"If something is not done by the authorities in Washington, the people themselves will take action," said Mr. Garnier. "The wrecking of a train is regarded almost as the last straw."

MORE EXECUTIONS.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Oct. 20.—Rumors of more executions of Mexicans suspected of being implicated in the wrecking and robbing of a St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexico passenger train Monday night were current in Brownsville today. There was no confirmation from any source. The killing of 10 Mexican prisoners by the sheriff's office last night, the attention of peace officers, but have been charged to no specific persons. Officers directly connected with the sheriff's office were at their usual duties today while Texas rangers and

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Czar Finally Declares War Against Bulgaria

PETROGRAD, Oct. 20.—An imperial manifesto, declaring war against Bulgaria, appeared today under date of Oct. 18. It was accompanied by a communication reviewing the friendly services of Russia for Bulgaria in the past and pointing out the "treachery" of King Ferdinand.

SAYS TAILINGS DAMAGES LAND

JOHN M. WHITE'S ACTION AGAINST E. B. COOLIDGE IS NOW ON TRIAL.

TWO DIVORCES GRANTED BY AYERS

After an adjournment of a day the district court resumed its grand yesterday when the somewhat important case of John M. White against E. B. Coolidge was taken up. The plaintiff's case was pretty well in when court adjourned last evening and the case will probably go to the jury tonight. In this action Mr. White seeks to recover \$2,000 damages for injury to his ranch land.

That during the year following May, 1910, when Mr. Coolidge was operating the Cumberland mine at Maitland, he permitted tailings and waste from the mine to be carried down the stream and deposited upon Mr. White's land until the debris covered about 20 acres, from a depth of a few inches to three feet, rendering the land entirely unproductive and incapable of reclamation. This was meadow land, Mr. White alleges, having a value of \$100 per acre. Judge E. K. Cheadle is the plaintiff's attorney while Charles J. Marshall represents Mr. Coolidge. The jurors serving on the case are Frank DeCramer, C. J. Henderson, J. A. Stringfellow, Alex. Esh, Charles Carlson, A. C. Hillman, Henry Brink, Fred Skalkley, Charles Williams, B. M. Cooper, D. J. McIntosh and A. C. Dohrliel.

Granted a Divorce.

In the case of Mabel Schiller against Robert Schiller, a decree of divorce was granted on the ground of failure to provide and habitual intemperance. The parties were married at Lewistown in 1911.

A decree was granted in the case of Keturah Barbee against G. M. Barbee on the ground of general incompatibility. The parties were married at Grand Island, Neb., in 1882. E. W. Mettler represented the plaintiff.

ODD FELLOWS ELECT OFFICERS

GREAT FALLS, Oct. 20.—Odd Fellows meeting in Great Falls for the annual grand lodge elected officers today as follows: Grand master, W. H. Goodland of Butte; deputy grand master, J. E. Parker, Bozeman; grand warden, H. S. Draper, Missoula; grand secretary, R. W. Kemp, Missoula; grand treasurer, Phil Dodson; representative in the sovereign grand lodge, Wiley Mountjoy, Twin Bridges; members of the home board, for short term, J. M. Gaunt, Great Falls.

FORMER MONTANAN LIKES THE GOLD MINES OF OLD MEXICO

John P. Schmidt, of the First National bank, is the recipient of a letter from Edward P. Beadle, formerly a resident of Montana, and now making his home near Manzanillo, Mexico. Mr. Beadle started in mining work as a vanner helper under Mr. Schmidt, when the latter was superintendent of a large mining property in Empire, Mont., and is now actively engaged in the same line of work in Mexico.

WILLIAM W. WHITE FUNERAL FRIDAY

Well-Known Lewistown Business Man Passes Away After Long Illness--Masonic Fraternity in Charge of Service

FREEDOM FOR CY SPANGLER

GOVERNOR STEWART COMMUTES SENTENCE OF FERGUS COUNTY MAN.

HE KILLED LAWRENCE BOLAND

Cyrus Spangler's sentence has been commuted by the governor, which will entitle him to immediate discharge from the penitentiary.

Cyrus Spangler was convicted for killing Lawrence J. Boland at the former's ranch on McDonald creek on January 10, 1910. He was tried and convicted for murder in the second degree, and sentenced to 25 years in the penitentiary. Strong petitions, signed by representative citizens of Fergus county, have been presented to the governor with the result that his sentence was commuted to ten years, and credit for good behavior would entitle him to a discharge at the present time.

An Industrious Man.

Spangler was a quiet, industrious rancher living on McDonald creek, and was never known to have had any trouble with anybody. He was frugal and industrious, and had accumulated a ranch and a good sized bunch of cattle. On the day of the tragedy, Boland went to Spangler's ranch with a jug of whisky, which was one of the findings of Spangler, and a dispute arose about something with a final outcome of Spangler taking a gun and striking Boland over the head, which resulted in his death. It was thought at the time that Spangler had shot Boland, but an autopsy demonstrated that he had not been shot, but death resulted by Spangler striking him over the head with a heavy six-shooter.

One of the first to arrive at the scene after the affair had been reported was Tom Shaw, who lived a short distance from his place, and when he arrived on the scene, Spangler was lying on the bed in a drunken stupor and to all appearances unconscious to all that had happened.

Had Good Reputation.

Owing to the splendid reputation of Spangler prior to the trouble, a peaceful man and an industrious and frugal citizen, and the fact that Boland went to his place with the jug of whisky, which resulted in the intoxication of Spangler and a dispute over some land matters while no one else was present, was sufficient for to ask for executive clemency in commutation of his sentence.

Spangler is well to do, and the action of the governor meets with unanimous approval of the people of Fergus county, and especially those residing in the immediate vicinity where the tragedy occurred.

Spangler at the present time is 61 years of age, and undoubtedly will resume his residence on McDonald creek.

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FOUND IN BAD LANDS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—A specimen of the tyrannosaurus, 47 feet long and 18 1/2 feet high, was placed on exhibition today at the American museum of natural history. It was unearthed on Big Dry creek, in the Montana bad lands, by Barnum Brown, a fossil-hunter, who has discovered several specimens of the dinosaur. The tyrannosaurus is distantly related to lizards but has hind legs fashioned like those of birds. It roamed through the great basins of the west three million years ago.

MINE LOOKS GOOD.

Thomas Herbert, leaser of the Jackson coal mine at Forest Grove, returned yesterday morning to the mine after a business visit in Lewistown. Mr. Herbert is well pleased with the work being done at the property and some higher grade coal has just been tapped. He is now ready to market his product in Lewistown, as well as elsewhere. The building up of a big payroll at this mine would be another boost for home industry.

BUSINESS IS GOOD.

W. C. Reber of the First State bank at Grass Range, was a business visitor in this city Saturday. Mr. Reber states that wheat is coming in at a good rate now and business is in an excellent condition.

Wm. W. White died at his residence Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, after a long illness. Months ago Mr. White was stricken with Bright's disease and it could not be checked. He went east, stopping at the Battle Creek sanitarium for some time and going from there to Toledo, Ohio. Complications developed and a few weeks ago, with Mrs. White, he returned home. From that time on he made a gallant fight against the advance of the disease, realizing fully that it was only a question of time when death would claim the victory.

His Career.

Mr. White was a native of Joliet, Ill., about 48 years of age. He came to Lewistown from Chicago in 1893, to take a position with the Power Mercantile company. After several years in this employment he engaged in business for himself, continuing in this until a couple of years ago, when he became a salesman with the Montana Hardware company. He was employed with that concern until last winter, when he fell from a ladder in the store, seriously injuring his knee. Following this the serious ailments developed to a point that incapacitated him for his usual work.

Mr. White married in this city Miss Grace Stiles, whose father was prominent in the milling industry here in the early days. He is survived by a sister and two brothers, the latter being engaged in business at Joliet, Ill.

Mr. White was an excellent business man, noted for his unflinching courtesy and genial disposition. He made friends quickly, held them and died without an enemy in the world. He is survived by the widow and one son, Mrs. Stiles, mother of Mrs. White, arrived here a few days ago from the east.

The Funeral.

Arrangements were concluded yesterday for holding the funeral of the late Will White at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the Presbyterian church. The services will be under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity, the members of which will assemble at the temple at 2 p. m. The Knights Templar will turn out in full uniform as escort. Dr. W. N. Stevenson will deliver the address at the church and the Masons will conduct their ritual service at the grave.

ADVICE TO STOCKMEN.

E. C. Abbott, stock commissioner on this county, is in the city on business from his ranch on McDonald creek. Mr. Abbott says that about 60 per cent of the best cattle of Fergus county have been shipped, but that a good many owners made the mistake of shipping too early. He advises that all who can should hold their cattle for shipment until they are thoroughly hardened. Some of the soft stock, looking sleek and fine enough when it left Fergus, lost heavily in shipment.

MRS SULLIVAN TO LEAVE.

Mrs. Francis Sullivan left Monday for Billings, where she joined Mr. Sullivan, who has been there the past three months looking after the interests of the new Sullivan bakery, which recently opened there. Mrs. Sullivan is a very capable business woman and has taken an active part in the business since the establishment of it here, nine years ago, and much credit is due her for its success. She could always be found looking after the interests and the welfare of the business, giving it her entire time and attention. Her friends, who are numbered by the score, not only in Lewistown but throughout Fergus county, regret her departure and wish the best of success to both her and the Sullivan bakery.

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