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## TWO BRAKEMEN SHOT BY BUMS

MIDNIGHT TRAGEDY ON MOVING TRAIN  
NEAR VAIL

### ONE MAN DEAD ONE IS DYING

Two Negroes Arrested At Manilla Charge Each  
Other With Firing the Fatal Shots

Shortly after midnight on Saturday night two brakemen on the Chicago and Northwestern east bound freight Number 114 were shot during an encounter on a tank car soon after the train left the Vail yards. Two negroes, Henry Clark and Chesley Hubbard are under arrest and there is no question but that one of them fired the fatal shots.

Of the two brakemen, Lee C. Warner of Boone was killed almost instantly, for by the time the moving train stopped at West Side he was already cold in death. The other brakeman, Avla C. Brechtel still lives. He is in the Carroll hospital with a bullet lodged in his spine. He is completely paralyzed and while he may linger for some time it is said that his recovery is impossible. The double tragedy was discovered by the conductor of the train who missed his crew, started back over the train only to find them, the dead and the dying, lying prostrate where a coward's hand had shot them down in the blackness of the night.

The train was stopped at West Side and the body of Warner was removed. Three hoboos who were found on the train were arrested. They all told the same story that the crime had been committed by two negroes who had jumped from the train. Word was sent out all over the county at once and a drag net was thrown out for any stray negroes who might be found. Two suspects were arrested, one at Arion and one at Denison and on Sunday morning Clark and Hubbard were arrested by a Manilla officer.

The inquest over the body of Warner was held at West Side early Sunday morning. County Attorney Klinker, Sheriff Cummings and Jas. Sims, stenographer, making a quick automobile trip to be on hand. A. R. Patterson, John Malloy and Edward Peters were the coroner's jury.

Wm. McCarthy was the first witness. He testified to finding the body of Warner. He also testified that Brechtel told him they had been shot by a big fleshy nigger about one-half mile east of Vail.

Dr. C. L. Patterson testified to the wounds which had killed Warner. He said Warner was cold when he examined him when called after the train reached West Side. He said Warner was shot in the right shoulder, close to the neck, the bullet penetrated the

chest cavity, severed the aorta, struck the large chest wall and lodged in the kidney.

Geo. Williams, John Svec, Henry Kissock and G. T. Baker, all of whom were beating their way on the train, testified to hearing three or four shots fired and all of them laid the shooting to two negroes who had left the train. They described with fair accuracy the men arrested at Manilla. The body of Warner was taken to Boone for burial and Brechtel was taken to the Carroll hospital.

All the officers in the county were on the lookout for negroes with orders to hold any black man who might be found. Early Sunday morning two darkies walked into the Milwaukee depot at Manilla. They inquired about trains and bought tickets to Omaha. They then walked out into the yards and sat down on a pile of ties. It was here that they were arrested by Officer Buffington.

Word was at once sent to Denison. The fact that the men could not give a straight account of themselves and the fact that one of the men was seen to throw away a revolver when he was arrested made the officer sure that he had the right men.

They were brought to Denison and placed in jail. It was Sunday afternoon in the presence of Sheriff Cummings, County Attorney Klinker, two railroad detectives, Messrs. Stewart and White, and the editor of the Review that the two men told their stories admitting their knowledge of the crime, but laying the blame upon each other. Later Clark was taken to Vail where cartridges were found along the side of the track as he claimed they would be. He was then taken to Carroll where Brechtel identified him as one of the two negroes who had been on the train and said that he corresponded in build and size to the man who did the shooting. Hubbard was detained here on Sunday night and on Monday he was taken to Omaha to corroborate his story as told to the officers on Sunday afternoon. A colored man who was with them when the revolver was bought was brought back to Denison on Tuesday and the men who were beating their way and who heard the shots fired were held as witnesses.

**Henry Clark's Story**  
As he leaned against the bars of the steel cage on Sunday afternoon, Henry Clark was certainly a pitiable and wretched sample of humanity. He is the genuine African type, good sized, rather fleshy, black as the ace of spades, Negroid features, kinky wool, flat nose, with large spreading nostrils, lips an inch thick. He was thoroughly scared and cowed. His hands worked nervously his mouth was so dry that he spoke with difficulty and the whites of his eyes rolled with fear. Clark was told that he was under arrest in connection with the murder of Lee Warner and was asked if he wished to answer questions of his own free will, with knowledge  
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## DOCTOR ANSWERS HIS LAST CALL

PIONEER PHYSICIAN RESPONDS TO SUMMONS  
FROM ON HIGH.

### HUNDREDS OF HEARTS ARE HEAVY

Dr. W. B. Evans Dies of Apoplexy at Crofton, Nebraska, After Lingered Illness.

Dr. Evans had often said in his life time that he preferred friendship to money in any case, and that he had the friends he wished was shown when the Milwaukee train came in Friday evening bringing the form of him who had waved the goodbye he could not speak three weeks before and Saturday morning when the church could not hold the people who came to pay the last token of respect. People were there with tear-dimmed eyes as they recalled the hours he had spent in their homes relieving the suffering of themselves or of their loved ones. Quite a number of aged people whose doctor he had been for a long time were present, some coming from a long distance. Several times in the course of his sickness he had said that he was not afraid to die, that while he had made mistakes as all do that he knew he had relieved a great deal of suffering and that he had tried to live the Golden Rule.

Beautiful flowers were sent by the business men of the town and other friends. The Junior class of the Dow City High School sent a wreath of roses. The pulpit was draped and flowers arranged by the Royal Neighbors of which lodge Mrs. Evans is a member. The pall bearers were old friends, Dr. Beatty, Asa Dow, Thos. Rule, N. R. Wilder, Dr. Wright, Dr. McWilliams. The honorary pall bearers, N. P. Underhill, Edmund Howarth, Robert Bell, Jas. Tranter, Thos. Rae, Chas. Bullock.

From the words, "The Beloved Physician," Rev. Chas. E. Walsh preached a most beautiful and touching sermon from the first words to the conclusion, "Crossing the Bar." Many said that if Mr. Walsh had known Dr. Evans all his life he could not have preached a more appropriate sermon. The choir sang a favorite hymn, "Shall We Gather at the River?" and Dr. Tuttle of Grinnell gave a short address, taking as his theme that there are three people to whom we all owe social gratitude, our physician, our minister, our lawyer. The choir sang, "We'll Sing a Glad Good Morning, But Never More Good Night," while people passed to take a last look at their family doctor and friend. A long procession followed the hearse to the family cemetery south of town.

Warren Bourne Evans was born in Mechanicsville, N. Y., March 13, 1844, and died at the home of his nephew, Dr. D. D. Talcott, at Crofton, Neb., June 17, 1909. His early childhood was spent in Mechanicsville until about the age of seventeen, when he entered the Burr & Burton Seminary, Manchester, Vt., where he remained for about four years. He then became a student in a medical college in New York City, but was soon called home by the death of his father.

In 1871 he entered Iowa University, where he graduated from the college of medicine in 1873. He came to Dow City in 1877 where he engaged in the drug business and the practice of medicine. March, 31 1880 he was united in marriage with Miss Agnes Butler. They lived in Dow City for fifteen years, moving to Arion in 1895, where they have since resided. During this time he held many town and county offices. He was mayor and postmaster of Dow City for several years and held the same offices in Arion. He was also county coroner and U. S. pension examiner. Dr. Evans took a great interest in all political questions and was an untiring worker for the republican party and had the respect of his political opponents. The following are left to mourn his departure, the bereaved wife, a son, Dr. Frank, of Dixon, Neb., a daughter, Mrs. Byron Clow, of Omaha, a son, Burton, of American Falls, Idaho, the youngest son, Guild, who resides at home and a sister, Mrs. Wheaton, of Rupert, the youngest daughter, Bernice, having gone on before.

Fourteen years he was a sufferer from diabetes. After a heavy winter's work in his profession his health failed rapidly. Thinking the change of climate might be beneficial to his health he started for the west in April. Finding he was receiving no benefit he came home, reaching Arion about the middle of May. Three weeks ago

he went to the home of his son, Dr. Frank, of Dixon, Neb. Dr. Frank thought it would be better to consult a specialist and took his father to St. Joseph hospital in Sioux City. He remained there for some time and then decided to visit his nephews, Drs. Martin and D. D. Talcott, at Crofton, Neb., for a few days before returning to Arion. Just the evening previous to his death he spent the time in pleasant conversation with his friends in his usual genial manner. He rested well during the night until eight o'clock Thursday morning, when he suffered a stroke of apoplexy, passing away peacefully shortly after.

## DEATH OF MARY E. GRIFFIN

Well Known and Dearly Beloved Young Woman  
Yields to Death After Brief Illness

On Thursday afternoon, June 17th, after an acute illness of less than two hours duration Miss Mary E. Griffin was numbered among the dead. For some time she had been in poor health, suffering from stomach and kidney trouble. She was not considered dangerously ill, however, and the news of her death was a great shock to her many friends. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Thomas Griffin and was born in Memphis, Tenn., July 11th, 1864. She came to Crawford County with her parents in 1879 and had resided here since that time. She grew to be a helpful, faithful woman, ever ready to respond when sickness or sorrow made help necessary and she won for herself a distinct place in the affections of a large circle of friends.

Funeral services were held on Friday forenoon at St. Rose of Lima church, Rev. Father M. J. Farrelly officiating. The church was crowded with friends from many parts of the county who had come to pay their last tribute to a beautiful life of self-sacrifice, devotion and kindness.

## HARDING CASE CONTINUED

Judge Wright Grants Motion of Defense for  
Continuance Until August 19th

Judge R. M. Wright of Fort Dodge was on hand Tuesday forenoon prepared to proceed at once with the disbarment case against P. W. Harding. The defense was represented by Ex-Judge S. M. Ewlood of Sac City and Lou H. Salingier of Carroll. The defense first asked a continuance until July 12th. The prosecution stated that it was ready to proceed with the trial. Judge Wright said it would be impossible for him to hear the case on July 12th and the case was set for Friday, June 25th. Later on account of illness the family of the defendant and to enable him to secure certain depositions the case was continued until August 2 th.

## THIRTY FOOT FALL KILLS SULLY SERVOS

DEFECTIVE SCAFFOLD CAUSES FATAL ACCIDENT AT MAPLETON

### FIVE MEN FACE SUDDEN DEATH

Servos is Killed, Melton Badly Injured while  
Others Escape With Cuts and Bruises

At ten minutes of six, just a little before quitting time, five masons, working on the new Catholic church at Mapleton were thrown nearly thirty feet to the ground by a break in a defective scaffold. Leon (Sully) Servos, foreman of the bricklayers, stood on the north end under which the ledger board broke. He was thrown to the ground and the ends of heavy planks fell on his chest crushing it and inflicting injuries from which he died at half past seven the same evening. Lewis Servos, his brother escaped with slight bruises and was the first to get to his feet. He pulled the planks off from his brother, ran for a pail of water and carried the injured boy into the yard of the Catholic parsonage. Here other help was soon at hand and Sully was taken to the parsonage and made as comfortable as possible. He was fully conscious until the last moment and at his request religious consolation was extended him by the good priest. The injuries to Jerome Melton were also serious. His leg was broken, two ribs were injured and he sustained numerous hurts and bruises. A doctor and a nurse were called for him and he was brought to Denison on a stretcher on Friday. He has suffered greatly but it is thought that he will recover.

Two workmen from Warsaw, Wis., were also on the scaffolding one escaped with slight bruises and the other with a severe cut over the right eye. News reached Denison soon after six on Thursday and as soon as possible the wife, the mother and the mother-in-law of Leon Servos started across country in Robert Theobald's automobile. They reached Mapleton by 10 o'clock but their loved one had already passed away.

The afternoon train on Friday brought the remains of Leon Servos and the injured man, Jerome Melton. A large number of people were at the station. Mr. Melton's sons took him to their home and the body of Leon was taken to the home that should never again re-echo the sound of his footstep or ring with his merry laugh. Leon was a Denison boy, the fourth child of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Servos. He was born the 13th of July 1881. The greater part of his life was spent here, attending our schools and learn-

**A Grievous Disappointment.**  
The Review is greatly disappointed at the non-arrival of engravings of Dr. W. B. Evans and Leon Servos ordered from Baker Bros. Engr. Co. of Omaha in plenty of time for this issue. The portraits will be printed next week.

ing the trade of mason in which his father is a past master. He became an expert workman and commanded excellent wages. For the last few years he had acted as foreman and at Mapleton he was at the head of the brick-layers. He was married to Miss Alice Doidge and their home was a happy one. Leon was a companionable, whole-hearted, straightforward young man. He did his work well, paid his debts, provided for him home and was loyal to his friends. Besides his wife, he leaves a father and a mother, five brothers, three sisters and numerous other relatives to mourn his untimely and tragic death.

Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian church on Sunday afternoon and the large seating capacity of the church was filled to overflowing. Members of the A. O. U. W. acted as pall bearers and his fellow firemen acted as an escort of honor. Rev. J. James DePree, preached a tender, thoughtful sermon, full of words of comfort for those who mourned. The appalling suddenness of the tragedy cast a deep gloom over the community bringing one and all face to face with the problem of Death. The Review joins with the community in expressing its sympathy for those bereaved.

In the brief hour before his death Sully showed his thoughtfulness for others in his anxious inquiries as to the other workmen, his living messages to his wife and his admonitions to those who had been under him in the work.

Relatives from out of town were G. W. Servos of Iowa City, Mrs. Dave Reilly of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Banner of Council Bluffs, Mrs. L. P. Servos of Council Bluffs and Mrs. Mamie Watson of Vail.

**Card of Thanks**  
Mrs. W. B. Evans wishes the Review to voice her thanks and appreciation to the choir for the beautiful music and the many friends for the floral tributes and for the kind sympathy which has sustained her so greatly in her bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Strahan gave a six o'clock dinner on Saturday night as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Hart of Boulder, Col. Pink roses were the table decoration and a good dinner, such as Clinton county people seem to be masters of, was served and much enjoyed.

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