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EYE WITNESS' STORY

The Elkhorn Valley Flood as Told by One Who Saw the Disaster.

Narrow Valley Suddenly Became a Seething, Angry Torrent of Water.

Buildings Swept Away With Their Occupants Clinging to Roofs for Safety.

Keystone, W. Va., June 25.—The following story was told by an eye-witness of the great flood:

Keystone is the metropolis of the Elkhorn mining country. It has but one narrow street and because of the limited space many houses are built on piles or walls over the Elkhorn or close up against the mountains.

On Friday night at 11 o'clock a storm struck the mountain and for six hours rain descended in torrents. By 9 a. m. the narrow valley was a raging, seething, angry torrent. Houses, barns and bridges, live stock and human beings were swept away by the mighty current and dashed on the rocks or trees below. At the first warning many inhabitants took refuge on the mountain-side overlooking the town and river. More than a hundred people remained in the town to look after the women and children who did not escape early. The bridge leading to the depot was soon swept away. Then the angry waters rushed thru the only street in the town, and we found hundreds cut off from the mountain retreat. The National Hotel was made fast to telephone poles by means of lines and hundreds of lives were saved, but in attempting to cross the muddy, surging waters which swept like an avalanche down this street many lost their hold and in plain sight their friends were carried on into the river and drowned. Floating houses plunged and danced in the mighty stream with screaming women and children on the roofs. Hundreds of people were drowned in droves, struggling for life.

The Norfolk & Western railroad fell at this place gave way and more than a mile of track now lies in the bed of the river, while the large fills on either side are all gone. In fact, it is hard to tell how many miles of track and how many bridges have been swept away. The destruction is tremendous to the railroad alone.

The loss of life can not be estimated from here. Eight lives were lost here. Six bodies have been recovered at Eckman, two miles north of the mine, and were drowned at Shawnee and a good part of the town was swept away.

Will Start Trains Wednesday. New York, June 25.—Norfolk and Western officials in this city have received the following telegram from the general passenger agent at Roanoke, Va.: "Latest information as to the storm at Pocahontas coal fields shows a damage to property of \$300,000. Loss of life, sixty. No loss of passengers or trains. Expect to resume running trains Wednesday."

Number of Dead Not Known. Richmond, Va., June 25.—This morning the Dispatch correspondent returned from the scene of the Kepstone flood disaster. There is no possible way yet to estimate the loss of life and property. Hundreds of people are reported missing and a large number of dead bodies have been recovered. Everywhere debris composed of wrecked homes, demolished railroad cars, broken splintered household furniture, now and then the corpse of a victim. The financial loss is unobtainable, but it is estimated to be in the millions. The damage to the Norfolk and Western for miles are washed out and it is impossible to say when trains can be operated. Also the damage begins at Coaldale, Keystone and Burke wear the greatest sufferers.

Nine Houses Washed Away. Tazewell, Va., June 25.—At Cedar Bluff, west of here, nine houses and eight outbuildings were washed away. No lives were lost as far as is known. The town of Liberty was badly damaged.

KILLS SISTER AND SELF.

Shocking Crime of a Student at Harvard Dental College. Boston, Mass., June 25.—Richard Friedman, 25 years old, a student of the Harvard Dental College, shot and killed his sister, Miss Rosa Friedman, aged 21, in Chestnut street yesterday afternoon, and then committed suicide. He was insane from overstudy.

Rosa Friedman and her 17-year-old sister, Helen, both living at 31 McLean street, were walking down Chambers street. Samuel Prince, a boy who was walking behind them, says he noticed Richard Friedman, brother of the two girls, walking on the other side of the street, evidently following them. The boy saw Friedman take a revolver from his pocket and load the five chambers. With the weapon exposed Friedman continued to walk toward the Ashland street corner.

Just before the two girls reached the corner Prince says he saw Friedman rush across the street and attempt to get in front of his sisters. Both girls ran, with the brother following. Then Friedman discharged one shot and both girls dropped to the sidewalk.

Heavily looking around, Friedman turned the weapon upon his own breast and fired once. He examined his clothing hastily, seemed to think he had not succeeded in wounding himself, and fired again. Then he dropped to the sidewalk.

Clerks from the adjoining drug store rushed to the assistance of the wounded persons and thought all three had been shot. When the police ambulance arrived the driver found that, while Rosa Friedman and the man apparently were mortally injured, there was no wound on Helen. She was taken to a drug store and in a few minutes revived, as

she had merely fainted from fright. When the ambulance arrived at the Massachusetts general hospital with Friedman and Rosa the surgeon declared both were dead. The bodies were taken to the morgue.

Richard Friedman was insane. So says Dr. Frunson of 113 Chambers street, who knew him well. He was for a time a photographer, but for two years he studied dentistry at the Harvard dental school, and it is said his mind was affected by his work there. Failing to complete his course and unable to practice, he turned his hand to the real estate business. He had lived in various parts of the west end. His last habitation is not known, but it is believed to have been Temple street. He was unmarried.

Helen Friedman says her brother had talked about shooting them before, and they were afraid of him. Rosa had been the sole support of the family, it is said. She worked in a store on Washington street, and also taught in a public evening school. Richard blamed her for not providing for the completion of his studies at the Harvard Dental college.

FORGERY FOR \$20,000.

Akron Varnish Company the Victim of Its Treasurer. Akron, O., June 25.—Forged notes aggregating \$20,000 have been discovered by the Akron Varnish Company. J. H. McCrum, treasurer, has been missing for a week and is supposed to be en route to South America. It was supposed his accounts were straight. Letters have been received from the different banks with which the company does business showing forged notes to the amount the states are out. Action has been begun by the creditors asking that the property of the company be sold and the proceeds applied to the payment of the debts. No effort will be made to apprehend McCrum.

TRUE BILL AGAINST RUSSELL

The Earl's Trial for Bigamy to Take Place in House of Lords. London, June 25.—In the old Bailey court this morning the grand jury returned a true bill against Earl Russell for bigamy. The recorder announced that the trial will take place in the house of lords.

WALL STREET RUMOR.

Rumors Relative to the Shaky Condition of Certain Banks Were Numerous But Unconfirmed.

New York, June 25.—Wall street is full of rumors this afternoon concerning the condition of New York City banks. It was reported that a meeting of the clearing house association was held to take action concerning the reported failure of one institution, a Nation Bank, to make good a debit balance at the clearing house. None of these rumors could be confirmed officially.

Just before three Manager Sherer, of the clearing house, made the following statement: "Everything is all right with every bank in the association. No single institution has a debit balance."

Explorer Baldwin in London. London, June 25.—Evelyn B. Baldwin and four members of the Baldwin-Ziegler polar expedition have arrived in London. The expedition will leave for the Arctic about July 13 on its voyage north. The three vessels of the expedition—the America, the Belgica and the Fridtjof—will rendezvous there before that date. William Ziegler, the financial backer of the expedition, has gone to the continent.

Henderson in London. London, June 25.—Speaker Henderson and Henry White, secretary of the United States embassy, witnessed the inspection of the Yeomen Guard by the King in the garden of Marlborough House this afternoon.

After the inspection Henderson was presented to the king by Mr. White. They engaged in conversation, which lasted half an hour.

Ambassador Choate entertained the speaker at luncheon later in the day. A large number of distinguished persons were present in honor of the American speaker.

Bank Failure at Berlin. Berlin, June 25.—The Lokal Anzeiger estimates the liabilities of the Leipzig Bank, whose suspension was announced today, at \$5 to \$6 million marks; assets, \$3 million marks. The failure is said to be mainly owing to the bank's close connection with the Cassel Treber Troeknung Company, which has also failed.

Will Not Prosecute Welland. Leipzig, June 25.—The imperial court decided not to prosecute Dieterich Welland, who at Bremen last March threw a piece of iron at Emperor William, wounding him in the cheek. The physicians pronounce him an epileptic and he committed the assault while in an irresponsible condition.

Murder at Deadwood. Deadwood, S. D., June 25.—Charles C. Bennett, at one time president of the Deadwood Labor Union, was killed here last night by Michael Reedy. Bennett was struck in the face and felled to the ground by Reedy, his neck being broken in the fall. Reedy is in jail. The trouble arose over an old feud.

Rev. Joseph Cook Dead. Whitehall, N. Y., June 25.—Rev. Joseph Cook, a prominent historical writer, is dead of Bright's disease.

SHOOT TELEGRAMS. The jury disagreed in the case of Mrs. Jennie Gray, on trial at Pontotoc, Miss., for the murder of her husband, Joseph Gray, by poison.

Frank Nonnemacher, 21 years old, was crushed to death by a falling beam at a barn raising on his father's farm, near Fort Wayne, Ind.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Meier, 63 years old, died at Fort Wayne, Ind., from blood poisoning, caused by applying carbolic acid to a corn.

Henry Clark, proprietor, and five partners of a gambling house at Galesburg, Ill., were arrested by Marshal Hinman and fined.

George Milhous, a farmer of Blue Mound, Ill., dropped dead from heart disease yesterday in a hotel at Taylorville, Ill.

INVADE CAPE COLONY

Two Boer Commands in the Vicinity of Alwal North—Battle Imminent.

Scouts on Both Sides Exchange Shots—Local Forces Mobilized.

Details of the Recent Engagement at Reitzjunip—General News.

Barkly East, Cape Colony, June 25.—General Fouchet's two Boer commands have advanced beyond Glen Almond, ten miles southeast of Alwal North. Boer and British scouts have exchanged shots six miles hence. All the local defenses were being mobilized.

Capetown, June 25.—Details of the engagement between General Elliot's command and the fighting Boer command, show the British troops were not in strong force. The Boers returned the charge with great determination and after desperate fighting recaptured the conveyer.

Meanwhile the British arrived with reinforcements and the fighting was renewed. The Boers lay beneath the wagons and unflinchingly fired volleys between the wheels while their comrades were engaged in spanning and linking off the portion of the conveyer pushed in among the wagons using their bayonets freely. General Delarey was present and personally used a rifle. A man at his right was killed and a comrade on his left wounded. The affair ended in a series of hand to hand encounters and fierce melees. The Boers eventually withdrew off. One of Dewet's staff officers was wounded and taken prisoner.

LESSONS OF BOER WAR.

Russian Experts Say That Modern Maneuvers are Useless. London, June 25.—An interesting paper written by Jean de Bloch (the Russian counselor of state and member of the Russian ministry of finance) on the lessons of the Transvaal war was read at the united services institutions yesterday. M. de Bloch declared that the African war had proved that military service as practiced today was absurd and that the sacrifice made on the continent to support conscription was unnecessary.

The war showed that the theatrical spectacles called maneuvers were in no way related to real warfare. One of the most remarkable features was the constant impossibility of determining the enemy's position. This was not attributable to British defective reconnaissance, but to the new conditions of warfare. It was not mistakes made by the British nor the qualities of the Boers, who had shown an entire lack of rational strategy and tactics, which produced the results seen, but gunless powder and long-range, quick-firing rifles, which involved dispersion and invisibility to the degree unheard of formerly, and the possibility of providing the rifleman with a larger number of cartridges. The action of artillery in South Africa had been, generally, absolutely contemptible against an entrenched enemy.

The main lesson, continued Counselor de Bloch, was that a successful outcome of a war of aggression could not be hoped for against any power, still less against allied powers. No results could be obtained in a great European war. Consequently it had become impossible to wage war decisively.

GOING TO THE PHILIPPINES.

Several Notables Will Make the Trip on the Hancock. San Francisco, June 25.—The transport Hancock, sailing today for the Philippines, will carry Gen. Corbin, Western, Sternberg, McKibben, Senator Dietrich of Nebraska, Congressman Kahn of California and a number of teachers. Dietrich and Kahn are going to the islands to investigate the needs and conditions of the country and its people.

WAACHING TARIFF FIGHT.

England Keenly Interested in Russo-American Controversy. London, June 25.—English commercial economic experts are keenly watching the progress of the American-Russian tariff disputes, believing that they will have a most important bearing on international industrial questions. They think that America should vigorously participate in the endeavors here are being made to reach a settlement of the bounty problem, which affects her far more vitally than any other country.

Sir Neville Lubbock, the foremost British authority on sugar bounties, said: "While Secretary Gage has been freely attacked for having directed the imposition of countervailing duties, his position is undoubtedly correct. America is generally careful to be right before moving Russia is giving the largest bounty of any country in the world. I do not believe that Secretary Gage has been influenced by the sugar trust. In fact, the trust does not care very much for bounties, its chief object being to buy sugar in the cheapest market.

The public attitude is singularly ignorant as regards the sugar question. It frequently charges the trust with actions directly opposed to the trust's own interests. It is not difficult to understand the attacks of other interests. The steel men do not care how the sugar interests may be affected provided their own corns are not trodden on. America is in no danger to trouble from European countries, since investigation clearly proves the absolute correctness of her position.

"The most important question of the present moment is America's representation at the approaching sugar bounty conference at Brussels. On account of its refusal to sign the convention of the Ventura plaintiffs died in the jail here last night.

but if private assurances are forthcoming of his willingness to attend, it would be no difficulty regarding the invitation.

"The whole question is now much more important to America than before, because the troubles constantly arising from bounties in Europe are further complicated by a contest from the home market. It would be greatly to the advantage of the United States to join the conference and to use its best endeavors to get European nations to agree to abolish bounties."

FIRE ON POSSE.

Strike Situation at Matewan Assuming a Serious Phase. Huntington, W. Va., June 25.—A posse of deputy United States marshals led by A. C. Hufford, of Bluefield, were fired on yesterday by the strikers and forced to flee from the coal fields at Matewan. The marshals, under the leadership of A. C. Hufford, set out from Bluefield yesterday to reach the scene of the miners' riots. When they arrived within twenty miles of Thacker they found that they could proceed no further by rail on account of the flood. They struck out across the mountains, encountering almost unsurmountable difficulties, and late in the afternoon reached the end of their destination.

They began serving notices of the injunction which had been issued by Judge Jackson. A mob of strikers followed armed to the teeth with firearms. On all sides could be heard the cry, "Down with the government by injunction!"

Men threatened the deputies with their weapons, women called down the vengeance of heaven upon them and children hurled stones at them.

The posse, however, did not seem to be much interested than the heads of the institutions as specialists. The questions discussed relate to education and training of the unfortunates and defective, to reform those who are morally depraved and a restraining of dangerous classes. It has been suggested that there are many others who could participate in these conferences—judges of the district and police courts, members of boards of supervisors, leaders in charitable and reformatory work, state officers, county attorneys and others. The conferences are held in the most convenient places and are open to all who are interested in the subject. The public might easily be induced to take great interest. A paper had been read by Dr. Powell on the question of legislation to prevent the marriage of degenerates. Dr. Powell did not appear to advocate the marriage of degenerates. He stated that he had given briefly the views of those who hold different plans for preventing the stream of degeneracy which fills the almshouses and prisons. He presented the various arguments commonly put forward but expressed no definite or radical opinion on himself. As the discussion proceeded Professor Gage raised the question of the degenerates to who are the degenerates. If degenerates are to be prohibited from marrying, who is to decide who are degenerates and who are not and apply the law? Are we not all degenerate? Some of those present discussed the deaf and blind as in the class referred to. Others held that only degenerates are those in the prisons. Superintendent Rother emphasized pointedly against considering the deaf persons as degenerates or as defectives. He stated that deafness is not hereditary and that it is not a disease. It has been five families of teachers in the Council Bluffs school, both parents being deaf in each case, and none of their many children being deaf. Judge Robinson developed the real question before the conference, and that was that before any restrictive legislation is passed or other measures to stop the increase of the degenerate and defective classes, the public must be interested and aroused to the importance of doing something to protect society. Until this is done it is useless for specialists to discuss and make proposals. He suggested to legislators. This illustrates the idea that the conferences ought to be expanded.

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SITE IS SELECTED.

Location of the World's Fair at St. Louis Fixed in Forest Park—An Ideal Site. St. Louis, June 25.—Forest Park was today selected as the site on which to hold the world's fair in this city 1903, to commemorate 100th anniversary of the Louisiana purchase. The site contains 668 acres in the west or unimproved portion of Forest Park and 456 acres adjoining on the west and southwest. This is one-third more space than was used by the Columbian exposition in Jackson Park, Chicago. Forest Park is easily accessible from all parts of the city by both steam and electric railroads and topographically is an ideal site for the world's fair.

STRIKERS GO BACK.

Metal Trades Strikers Give Up the Fight. Cincinnati, June 25.—The Metal Trades Association at noon today made the official statement that 200 strikers had returned to work, and there are now a thousand at work in the various shops in the city. It is asserted that the men have returned to work without obtaining any concessions. The manufacturers say they regard the crisis as having passed and that the strike will soon end.

GENERAL STRIKE PROBABLE.

Indications That the Reading Trouble Will Spread. Reading, Pa., June 25.—Not a dozen of the thousand striking shopmen of the Reading Company returned to work today, as they had been urged to do by President Baer. On the other hand there were some accessions to the strikers' ranks. The situation is becoming grave and a general strike over the entire system is predicted.

FUNERAL OF YOUNG HAY.

The Body Arrives at Cleveland Today—Services This Afternoon. Cleveland, June 25.—The body of the late Adelbert S. Hay arrived here at noon today from New Haven, Conn. The casket was conveyed to Wade mortuary chapel in Lake View cemetery, where services will be held late this afternoon.

Postmasters Appointed. Washington, June 25.—The president appointed the following postmasters: Iowa—Sidney J. R. McKee. Nebraska—Hastings, Jacob Fisher; Humphreys, Henry Getzler; Lyons, T. B. Calnon. South Dakota—Britton, F. J. Brown; Elkton, Henry Hintz.

New President for Colby. Portland, Me., June 25.—Rev. Charles L. White, secretary of the New Hampshire Baptist state convention, was last night elected president of Colby College to succeed President Nathaniel Butler, who is to become a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago.

Hall Player Everett Released. Washington, June 25.—Manager Manning today released William Everett, captain and first baseman of the Washington American League base ball club. Dungan will play first base and Clarke will be made captain.

Wounded Burglar Dies. Mason City, June 25.—Shorty Smith, the burglar who was wounded by the Ventura plaintiffs died in the jail here last night.

THE CONFERENCE IDEA

Suggested That Conferences of State Institution Superintendents Expand.

Might Profitably Admit Other State and County Officials to Meetings.

Senator Allison as a Presidential Possibility—Tom Way in Warren.

Special to Times-Republican. Des Moines, June 25.—It has been suggested by one who has made a considerable study of the problem of care and control of the state wards and help of the superintendents and principals of Iowa state institutions and members of the board of control, ought to be expanded so that the benefits of these conferences could reach out in the direction of the people. For instance, at the last meeting of the superintendents, the discussion was held in which the people of the state as a whole are much more interested than the heads of the institutions as specialists. The questions discussed relate to education and training of the unfortunates and defective, to reform those who are morally depraved and a restraining of dangerous classes. It has been suggested that there are many others who could participate in these conferences—judges of the district and police courts, members of boards of supervisors, leaders in charitable and reformatory work, state officers, county attorneys and others. The conferences are held in the most convenient places and are open to all who are interested in the subject. The public might easily be induced to take great interest. A paper had been read by Dr. Powell on the question of legislation to prevent the marriage of degenerates. Dr. Powell did not appear to advocate the marriage of degenerates. He stated that he had given briefly the views of those who hold different plans for preventing the stream of degeneracy which fills the almshouses and prisons. He presented the various arguments commonly put forward but expressed no definite or radical opinion on himself. As the discussion proceeded Professor Gage raised the question of the degenerates to who are the degenerates. If degenerates are to be prohibited from marrying, who is to decide who are degenerates and who are not and apply the law? Are we not all degenerate? Some of those present discussed the deaf and blind as in the class referred to. Others held that only degenerates are those in the prisons. Superintendent Rother emphasized pointedly against considering the deaf persons as degenerates or as defectives. He stated that deafness is not hereditary and that it is not a disease. It has been five families of teachers in the Council Bluffs school, both parents being deaf in each case, and none of their many children being deaf. Judge Robinson developed the real question before the conference, and that was that before any restrictive legislation is passed or other measures to stop the increase of the degenerate and defective classes, the public must be interested and aroused to the importance of doing something to protect society. Until this is done it is useless for specialists to discuss and make proposals. He suggested to legislators. This illustrates the idea that the conferences ought to be expanded.

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BRUTAL CRIME IS CHARGED.

Two Peterson (N. J.) Girls Accuse Seven Men of Assault. New York, June 25.—Police and detectives scoured the woods and outlying country around Paterson Sunday in search of several men who, according to the story told by Della O'Brien and Bridget Dougherty, decamped the girls in the woods Sunday night, as they were returning from church, and assaulted them.

Paterson is aroused over the alleged crime, which, if the girls' story is true, rivals the Bosschier case. The girls were both under 20 years old. They are employed as housemaids and often attended church together in the woods. According to the story which the girls tell the police they started home from church Sunday night at 9 o'clock. On the way they entered a candy store in Main street and after making some purchases, they started to go home. As they left the store, the girls assert that Edward McMahon, a young man employed as a silk weaver, spoke to them and offered to accompany them home. Miss Dougherty was acquainted with McMahon and his offer was accepted. They walked along quietly until Rogers' woods, on the outskirts of the town, were reached. There it was suggested that the three should go thru the woods for a short cut to the girls' homes.

While in the densest part of the grove the young women state that McMahon gave a whistle, and that immediately afterward two men sprang out of thick brush, rushed upon them and threw them to the ground. The girls say that they were then bound and gagged in spite of their struggles, and soon after four other men appeared, and all seven joined in the alleged assault. The screams of the young women were heard by men passing the outskirts of the woods, who came to their rescue. Those who were said to have committed the assault, McMahon has been arrested. Both girls appeared in the police court, and after telling their story identified McMahon.

UNDER SERIOUS CHARGE.

St. Madison Physician Held for Attempted Murder. Special to Times-Republican. Fort Madison, June 25.—Dr. W. F. S. Murdy has been charged by Dr. C. F. Wahner with intent to commit murder and yesterday Dr. Murdy was bound over until Wednesday under bonds of \$500 by Justice Doerr. The charge is based on an assault made by Dr. Murdy on Dr. Wahner on Saturday night at the latter's office when Murdy assailed Wahner with a big cane and gave him several hard raps over the head. Dr. Murdy says that he did not intend to kill the man and was only venting a professional insult. The rumpus was over a case in Illinois, where Murdy had been called first and given a temporary dressing, which was removed by Dr. Wahner a very short time afterwards.

Albia Auctioneer Falls Dead. Special to Times-Republican. Albia, June 25.—Lem K. Pifer, of Albia, an auctioneer of considerable reputation, fell dead at Albia while crying a public sale of western horses. He was attempting to increase the amount bid on a horse when he suddenly exclaimed: "Boys, I am falling; catch me!" turned half around and fell forward on his face. He never regained consciousness and died within a very few minutes. By-standers rushed to his assistance as he spoke and raised him from the ground shortly after he fell. Dr. Eschbach arrived and after an examination said he was dead.

T.-R. BULLETIN

NOTICEABLE NEWS OF TODAY

The Weather. For Iowa and Illinois—Continued warm and generally fair.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS: Story of the Elkhorn Flood. Ohio Republicans Nominate Ticket. Boers Again Invade Cape Colony. Fighting in the Transvaal. Explosion Causes Serious Fire. Conference of State Institutional Managers.

PAGE TWO. GENERAL NEWS: Situation in Flood District. Gold From the Klondike. Wreck on the Erie.

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Lookers-on's Observations. Phases of a Chaplain's Work. Topics and Iowa Opinions. Iowa Items and News.

PAGE SIX AND SEVEN. CITY NEWS: Annexation Proposition Carries. Council Attempts to Obtain Peace—Good Roads Resolution Carried in Iowa.

Damage by a Fire. Lutheran Mid-Summer Celebration. Brief City News.

PAGE EIGHT. IOWA AND COMMERCIAL: Condition of the Markets. Tuesday's Market Quotations. Smallpox at State Center. The Busby Tragedy.

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Paterson is aroused over the alleged crime, which, if the girls' story is true, rivals the Bosschier case. The girls were both under 20 years old. They are employed as housemaids and often attended church together in the woods. According to the story which the girls tell the police they started home from church Sunday night at 9 o'clock. On the way they entered a candy store in Main street and after making some purchases, they started to go home. As they left the store, the girls assert that Edward McMahon, a young man employed as a silk weaver, spoke to them and offered to accompany them home. Miss Dougherty was acquainted with McMahon and his offer was accepted. They walked along quietly until Rogers' woods, on the outskirts of the town, were reached. There it was suggested that the three should go thru the woods for a short cut to the girls' homes.

While in the densest part of the grove the young women state that McMahon gave a whistle, and that immediately afterward two men sprang out of thick brush, rushed upon them and threw them to the ground. The girls say that they were then bound and gagged in spite of their struggles, and soon after four other men appeared, and all seven joined in the alleged assault. The screams of the young women were heard by men passing the outskirts of the woods, who came to their rescue. Those who were said to have committed the assault, McMahon has been arrested. Both girls appeared in the police court, and after telling their story identified McMahon.

UNDER SERIOUS CHARGE.

St. Madison Physician Held for Attempted Murder. Special to Times-Republican. Fort Madison, June 25.—Dr. W. F. S. Murdy has been charged by Dr. C. F. Wahner with intent to commit murder and yesterday Dr. Murdy was bound over until Wednesday under bonds of \$500 by Justice Doerr. The charge is based on an assault made by Dr. Murdy on Dr. Wahner on Saturday night at the latter's office when Murdy assailed Wahner with a big cane and gave him several hard raps over the head. Dr. Murdy says that he did not intend to kill the man and was only venting a professional insult. The rumpus was over a case in Illinois, where Murdy had been called first and given a temporary dressing, which was removed by Dr. Wahner a very short time afterwards.

Albia Auctioneer Falls Dead. Special to Times-Republican. Albia, June 25.—Lem K. Pifer, of Albia, an auctioneer of considerable reputation, fell dead at Albia while crying a public sale of western horses. He was attempting to increase the amount bid on a horse when he suddenly exclaimed: "Boys, I am falling; catch me!" turned half around and fell forward on his face. He never regained consciousness and died within a very few minutes. By-standers rushed to his assistance as he spoke and raised him from the ground shortly after he fell. Dr. Eschbach arrived and after an examination said he was dead.

OHIO TICKET NAMED

Governor Nash Renominated with Carl N. Nippert for His Running Mate.

Senator Hanna Made Permanent Chairman—His Speech Applauded.

Resolutions Favor Legislation to Control Trusts and Endorse Foraker.

Columbus, O., June 25.—The republican state convention reconvened at the auditorium at 10 o'clock today. The great hall was packed. The various committees made their reports. That on permanent organization selected Senator Hanna as permanent chairman and continued the rest of the temporary organization.

When Senator Foraker introduced Hanna as permanent chairman there was a great demonstration. Hanna returned his thanks for the honor and then stated that Foraker had already sounded the keynote and would continue to do so in the campaign, when all republicans in Ohio would be with him to a man. He eulogized Foraker's speech and his record in the senate and said all the people in Ohio were for his reelection, except Democrats.

He insisted that the coming contest in Ohio was one of national character and on national issues. It was the most