

CONVICTS LOOT MINER'S CABIN

Ate What They Could and Carried Food Away.

DIVIDED INTO TWO BANDS

OFFICERS EXPECT TO ROUND THEM UP SOON.

Placerville, Cal., Aug. 2.—A report has come in from the Old Consensus copper mine, now operated by the Rio Vista Copper company, near Fair Play, that during the night the cabin of George Eads, at the copper mine, was entered by four armed men. Eads was held up and the provisions in the cabin were taken away. The copper mine is about fifteen miles from the scene of the fight on Saturday and is on a ridge extending up and along the creek adjoining Paul's ranch near the Victory. It would appear that after the fight on the hill the convicts took no time in crossing the creek and striking for the ridge leading south in the direction of Fair Play. Sheriff Norman of Amador county thinks a posse is coming northward in pursuit.

EXPECT TO CORNER THEM.

Officers Believe They Have the Escaped Convicts Located.

Sacramento, Cal., Aug. 2.—A special to the Bee from Folsom says: Although it is one week today since the escape of the most desperate criminals at Folsom made a successful break for their liberty, the prison authorities are confident the fugitives will be taken before many more days. It is now a fact that two bands of convicts, of five and three members each, are definitely located, and it is thought they will soon be cornered and captured. All of the attention of the posse is now centered on either one or the other of these two groups, little attention being given to the convicts like Gordon and Robertson, who are believed to have wandered off by themselves. It being thought that these men will eventually wander into some small town and be captured by local officers.

FAKE REPORTS.

Desperadoes Were Not Seen in Vicinity of Dutch Flat.

Auburn, Cal., Aug. 3.—All reports concerning the escaped convicts being seen at Dutch Flat or anywhere else in this locality and that they have been seen to earth are found to be fakes. The report came from Dutch Flat last night that the negro, Sevis, and another convict had been seen in the cemetery there and that a posse had organized and exchanged a number of shots with the fleeing convicts and that in the mix-up young Wedgewood's gun had been hit by a bullet from Sevis' gun and broken. Sheriff Seena was at Lotus at the time and hurried to Auburn. Together with Deputies Coan, Depper and Hoffman he took the Ben local for Dutch Flat. A telephone message from the sheriff this morning says that the whole affair was a fake. The story originated in the fertile brain of Earl Burlingame, who reported that he saw the convicts in the cemetery. A party of young fellows went down there and fired several shots in the darkness and that was all there was in the story.

A DAY OF RUMORS.

Officers Sent Off on Many Wild Goose Chases.

Placerville, Cal., Aug. 2.—Today has been one of rumors in the case of the escaped Folsom convicts. Reports telling of actions of men supposed to be fugitives are being received at the sheriff's office from many quarters, but, as a rule, investigation discloses their worthlessness. This evening, however, Sheriff Boswell received from Sheriff Norman of Amador a telegraphic message to the effect that Deputy Sheriff Jackson had discovered the trail of the men who last night robbed the cabin of George Beasley, a miner, whose claim is located about two miles from what is known as the Copper Lead or Consensus river, and who killed the two militiamen near the Grand Victory mine Saturday night. The convicts compelled Beasley to cook them a dinner and robbed him of all his clothing and provisions. Leaving the cabin the party headed towards the Consensus and crossed it to the south side of the North Fork of the Consensus river. It was in this vicinity that Deputy Sheriff Jackson and his party struck the trail, and after thoroughly satisfying themselves that they were on the right track returned to Plymouth, Amador county, to secure reinforcements and supplies. It may be tomorrow before the posse

will be ready to take up the trail again. Sheriff Norman told Sheriff Boswell of this county that it was his belief that the convicts would endeavor to reach Nevada by way of Tioga Valley. A report which is said to have been received by Sheriff Boswell is that the convicts who were reported to have visited the ranch of a man named Mingo about seven miles southwest of Placerville, this morning and compelled the ranchman to cook breakfast for them. After leaving Mingo's ranch the convicts headed in the general direction of Grizzly Flat. Sheriff Boswell is of the opinion that the men who visited Mingo's ranch composed what has been known as the Weber creek party of convicts, and he believes that they will endeavor to go up towards the mountains, thus following the direction of those who fought the militia near the Grand Victory mine on Saturday night.

ALFRED LARSON BELIEVES HIS SISTER INNOCENT

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his gold buried, but when asked who the second man was seen in the camp on the fatal night she refused to affirm or deny that there was a man there. When her brother put a point blank question to her as to whether or not there was some one with her in the camp that night, and pleaded with her to answer him, and tell who that person was, Mrs. Hodge refused to make any answer at all.

Woman Was Not Alone.

"These facts," said an officer, "are proof conclusive that the woman did not murder Ryan alone. No person who did it alone would try to tell such a story as hers, and no person who was able to draw a complete diagram of the place could help but be able to tell what position and condition the body was left in if she did the deed. She can't tell this because she did not do that part of it."

Mr. Larson, the brother, is equally convinced that his sister did not do the deed alone. Said he: "From the stories she tells it is impossible that she could have committed the crime alone if she committed it at all. Everything indicates that she is abiding another one, but she absolutely refuses to tell all even to me. She will not tell me any more than she has others. She assures me, though, that she is perfectly confident that all will work out all right and tells me not to worry because when the time comes it will be cleared up. In fact, I do not know any more about the matter than you do. I am here to learn about it and look after the interests of my sister. I believe that she will tell after awhile."

"My sister left home about a year ago and went to California. Last January she met Cornelius Hodge and married him. I do not know him and have never seen him. I do not know what kind of a man he is or how he treated my sister. In fact I know nothing about him."

Mrs. Hodge will probably be taken before the justice at Murray today and arraigned on the charge against her.

FOREST FIRES RAGING.

Yosemite Valley, Cal., Aug. 3.—A big forest fire is raging tonight just outside of the Yosemite Valley and past the gateway guarded by El Capitan and Cathedral Rocks. Should the efforts of the fire fighters prove futile, the flames will take the valley and destroy the immense amount of timber. State Guardian Stevens has a large force of men at work fighting the fire, and it is hoped that the confines of the fire may be kept between the Coulterville roadway and the Merced river.

Forest fires have been quite numerous in the vicinity of the valley lately, and at Fort Monroe and another in the Hill country doing considerable damage to the valuable timber reserve lands held by the national government.

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KANSAS RIVERS AGAIN BOOMING

Caused by Cloudburst and Steady Downpour of Rain.

TOPEKA PEOPLE ALARMED

READY TO MOVE ON A MOMENT'S NOTICE.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 3.—Kansas streams, raised by cloudbursts at two points and steady downpours in other parts of the state during the past forty-eight hours, are tonight practically at a standstill and no further serious rise is expected. The biggest of these streams, the Kansas river, is rising slowly at the west of here, but at no place along its length is the water near the danger line. At Kansas City the Kansas river has risen over three feet in the past twenty-four hours and the Missouri is up two feet, but it must go several feet beyond this to do any material damage and as no further rains are reported from the west today a gradual fall is expected. There was some uneasiness at Argentine and Arrapahoe, suburbs of Kansas City, that suffered so seriously during the great flood, but it was unwarranted. The only damage likely at Kansas City is from driftwood so some of the temporary bridges erected here. The current is swift and men were out all day securing this drift clear of these structures.

ALARM AT TOPEKA.

People Facked Up and Were Ready to Fly.

Topeka, Kan., Aug. 3.—Four inches of rain Sunday morning flooded this city and North Topeka, doing hundreds of dollars' worth of damage in washing out pavements and flooding cellars. North Topeka suffered the worst. The water, owing to blocked up alleys and gutters, poured down the streets and poured down Kansas avenue like a mill race three feet deep, doing damage to goods in the stores. Many citizens who had been in the former flood tore up carpets, packed up a few belongings and fled across the river in any conveyance they could secure. Accompanying the rain was a severe electrical storm, the lightning striking several homes, but injuring no one fatally. The city street car lines had several culvert bridges washed out, delaying traffic during Sunday. The Union Pacific also suffered from washed out tracks.

The Kansas river has risen three and a half feet here and is now rising at the rate of two inches an hour. It is expected that another rise will come, as reports from up the river say the Smoky Hill river is rising fast. The Smoky Hill has risen eight feet in the last twenty-four hours. At Lawrence the Kansas river is three feet higher than it was Saturday.

Damage at Lawrence.

Lawrence, Kan., Aug. 3.—The water in the Kaw river here has fallen about a foot since last evening. The wash against the north bank of the new channel has caused much damage by reason of the swift current, and streets and buildings in North Lawrence have again been endangered by the continuing of the river. The north approach to the bridge has been so badly undermined that crossing by wagons was impossible today. Repairs will be made at once to restore communication between the two parts of the city.

Worst Over at Salina.

Salina, Kan., Aug. 3.—The worst of the flood resulting from last week's rain is over, although the Mulberry river rose several feet last night, and the lower part of the town is submerged. The Saline river is rising also and backing up, but it is believed that most of this water will be carried away before night. Eastbound trains on the Union Pacific are stalled here.

BOODLERS AT BAR OF JUSTICE

Missouri Sets the Pace for the Whole Country.

GUILTY WILL NOT GO FREE

SPECIAL GRAND JURY AT JEFFERSON CITY.

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 3.—A special grand jury to inquire into legislative boodles was impeached today by Judge Hazell. In the course of his charge to the jury Judge Hazell said: "The impression widely prevails in this state that dishonesty was practiced in certain measures pending before the legislature, that 'sland-bagging' was indulged in; that 'hold-ups' were common; that legislators resorted to questionable methods and criminal acts by accepting money from those who were interested in certain legislation. It is further the impression that these matters have not been probed to the bottom."

"We now charge you to make a thorough investigation of these matters against the legislative branch of the state government, as well as against the honorable members and officials who were interested in certain legislation. It is further the impression that these matters have not been probed to the bottom."

Representative Richard J. Collins of St. Louis, who is thought to know something about race track legislation, was summoned to serve as an examining witness. Colonel William H. Phelps, John H. Carroll and Fred Fleming have been summoned. Phelps wired that he would be at Jefferson City Thursday and will go from here to St. Louis, where he will probably go before the St. Louis grand jury. Carroll has not yet been located.

Carthage, Mo., Aug. 3.—A subpoena was today served on Colonel W. H. Phelps, the railway attorney, at his home here, ordering him to appear before the grand jury Jefferson City, now investigating charges of legislative boodling, on Thursday. Within the last two months several efforts have been made to serve subpoenas upon Colonel Phelps, but today was the first time that he could be found.

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Some Boodlers Sentenced and Others Placed on Trial.

St. Louis, Aug. 3.—The third trial of former Delegate Harry Faulkner, indicted and once convicted on the charge of bribery in connection with the Suburban boodle deal, began today in the circuit court, before Judge Douglass. Faulkner was convicted and sentenced to two years imprisonment on his first trial, but the supreme court reversed and remanded the case. The second trial last week ended in a hung jury. The surprise was sprung by the defense by summoning as witnesses former Delegates Charles F. Kelly, J. J. Hartman, Louis Decker and Ehrl J. Hennigan, who were all convicted of either bribery or perjury. In the circuit court today Judge Ryan sentenced Julius Lehmann, former member of the house of delegates, to seven years' imprisonment in the penitentiary on the charge of bribery in connection with the city lighting boodle deal. On request of County Attorney Folk the passing of sentence on Charles F. Kelly, former speaker of the house, and former Delegates Edmund Bensch and Charles Denny was deferred. Kelly was convicted of perjury and the others of bribery in connection with the same deal.

DAMAGE GREATER THAN WAS REPORTED AT FIRST

Butte, Mont., Aug. 3.—A Miner special from Livingston says that investigation shows that the damage done to the Northern Pacific big steel bridge across the Yellowstone river east of that city is much more extensive than first reported. The central pier of the bridge is so badly wrecked that it will have to be rebuilt. The balance of the structure is also out of alignment. The bridge was constructed at a cost of nearly \$100,000. No clew to the miscreants who attempted to dynamite the bridge has been discovered.

RIGHT TO ENJOIN.

Chester, Wyo., Aug. 3.—The state supreme court today handed down an important decision in the matter of interstate water rights. The court held that the priority of rights rule applied and that the district court of Sheridan county has jurisdiction to enjoin the diversion of streams in Montana where such diversion injures a prior user of water in Wyoming.

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