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JEFF WILEY, A MAN WHO HAS HAD SEVERAL EXPERIENCES WITH RICHARDS AND OTHER OFFICERS, SAYS EX-DEPUTY MARSHAL WENT TO MEXICO.

Jeff Wiley, a character in Des Moines, who is well known to the police there and has had several brushes with them and with the federal officers also, has recently returned to Des Moines after a trip to Texas and says that he rode 100 miles in Indian Territory with William A. Richards, the alleged fugitive from justice who is being searched for by Sheriff L. L. Bybee, of Knoxville, in the hope that he may clear up the mystery of the robbery of P. Sullivan, which took place January 2 at Hamilton. Wiley says that while on his way south about the time of the Hamilton robbery, a short time afterward, he met Richards on the train while passing through Indian Territory and they rode and talked together for 100 miles, and that Richards told him he was on his way to Mexico to look up a clue in a case on which he was working.

George M. Christian, United States marshal at Des Moines, was disposed to discredit the story, but said that Wiley ought to know Richards, inasmuch as the alleged fugitive had dealt with him on several occasions in his official capacity.

Wiley was positive in his declaration that he saw Richards and says that Richards did not appear to be at all concerned at meeting him and did not so much as intimate that he was trying to get away from Des Moines and Iowa officials.

The story seems probable inasmuch as it has been established beyond doubt that on January 9 Richards purchased a ticket in Omaha for El Paso. The report of the train conductors on following dates and of the auditor of the Rock Island road to whom reports were made by them show that the Richards ticket was presented and used to El Paso.

WEST POINT DEPOT BURNS.

Burlington Structure is Destroyed by Fire of Unknown Origin.

West Point, Feb. 5.—Fire of unknown origin, but supposed to have been started in the ticket office, destroyed the Burlington depot. Freight cars standing on the switch near by were pushed out of reach of the flames. Snow on the roofs of the elevator and on the nearby factories prevented these structures from being consumed.

BISHOP THANKS MAYOR.

Cosgrove Feels Gratified Over Results of Crusade in Davenport.

Davenport, Feb. 5.—Bishop Cosgrove feels highly pleased with the results thus far shown from his crusade against vice in Davenport. The order of Mayor Becker closing the 172 saloons in the city promptly at midnight has been gratifying to the bishop and he has taken occasion to visit the mayor and personally thank him for the order.

PICK GRANT MONUMENT PLAN.

Commission Appointed by Congress Chooses the Model.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 5.—The Grant memorial commission, appointed under the act of congress of 1901 to select plans for a monument to General Grant has decided to choose the model submitted by Henry Merwin Shady of New York. According to Mr. Shady's plan the central figure of the memorial will be a bronze piece representing the general on horseback.

REBELLION IN CHINA FOILED.

Arrest of Agent of a German Firm Blocks Plans for Uprising.

Hongkong, Feb. 5.—The Chinese commission of a German firm has been arrested at Canton in connection with the capture at that place on January 31 by the Chinese authorities of arms, ammunition and commissariat stores collected for the "reformers." The German consul has attempted unsuccessfully to obtain his release.

INDICTED FOR BANK ROBBERY.

Three Men Are Charged With Breaking the Abingdon Bank.

Galesburg, Ill., Feb. 5.—Eddie Quinn, John Butler and Edward Raymond, the three men who were arrested and charged with the robbery of the First National bank at Abingdon, January 2, when it is claimed they secured about \$5,000, have been indicted by the grand jury and are being held here to await trial.

FEAR FORTY MEN ARE LOST.

Fishers' Huts on Saginaw Bay Crushed by Ice.

Bay City, Mich., Feb. 5.—Forty fishermen are believed to have died in the storm which struck Saginaw bay Tuesday night. They were living in shanties on the ice. The storm was accompanied by a blinding swirl of snow and the waves crashed the ice upon which the huts were standing.

PORTRAIT OF PIONEER JURIST.

Des Moines County Gets Likeness of Judge C. B. Harrington.

Burlington, Feb. 5.—A portrait of Judge C. B. Harrington, one of Des Moines county's pioneer jurists, has been presented to the county by the county bar association and a number of the prominent business men.

WAGE CONFERENCE IS AT AN END

Coal Operators Serve Ultimatum That "Shooter's Bill" Must be Withdrawn.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., FEB. 5.—ALL NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE SOFT COAL MINERS AND THE OPERATORS OVER WAGES CAME TO AN END YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WHEN THE LATTER SERVED AN ULTIMATUM THAT THE "SHOOTER'S BILL," NOW BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE, MUST BE WITHDRAWN. THE OPERATORS TOLD THE MINERS' COMMITTEE THAT IT WOULD BE A WASTE OF TIME TO CONSIDER FURTHER THE SCALE FOR THE NEXT YEAR UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS. THE OBJECTIONABLE BILL PROVIDES FOR BLASTING AFTER THE MINERS HAVE LEFT THE MINES. THE OPERATORS SAY THAT IT WOULD GREATLY INCREASE THE COST OF MINING. THE MINERS, ON RECEIVING THE ULTIMATUM, WENT INTO SECRET SESSION. THE INDIANA SITUATION IS NOW THE CHIEF OBSTACLE TO A WAGE AGREEMENT FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 5.—In the senate today, after the passage of the bill to construct a bridge across the Allegheny river at Pittsburgh, Quay objected to the passage of further bills. By unanimous consent, McCumber moved to consider the house pure food bill and the motion prevailed by a vote of 40 to 18.

The House.

The house today sent the army general staff bill to a conference. The senate bill passed yesterday for expediting cases under the Sherman act was adopted. The postoffice appropriation bill was passed and the conference report on the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was adopted.

SENATORS BY POPULAR VOTE.

Colorado Legislature Proposes a Novel Scheme of Election.

Denver, Feb. 5.—A bill introduced in the legislature by Senator Bush provides that at the general election preceding the time for election of a United States senator, each political party may place on the ballot, the names of five or less candidates for the senatorship and binds the members of the legislature, under penalty of expulsion to vote for the candidate of their respective parties receiving the greatest number of the popular votes.

LIEUT. E. E. CARROLL MISSING.

Believed to Have Fallen Overboard While Enroute to Iloilo.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 5.—Word has been received here of the disappearance of Lieutenant E. E. Carroll from the transport Idabeh while enroute from Manila to Iloilo. It is believed that he fell overboard.

INSANE OVER HIS CORN CROP.

Farmer Worried Because 100 Acres of It Was Not Gathered.

Emporia, Kan., Feb. 5.—J. M. Blackwell, a well-to-do Lyon county farmer has been adjudged insane in the Lyon county probate court. His insanity is due to worry over his corn crop.

STUDENTS SUSPENDED.

Result of Flag Fight at Lawrence University.

Appleton, Wis., Feb. 5.—Twelve students of Lawrence university have been suspended as the result of the "flag" fight between sophomores and freshmen.

SNOW IN CALIFORNIA.

Fall Was the First in San Francisco for Many Years.

San Francisco, Feb. 5.—Unusually cold weather prevailed over California for the past few days and for the first time in many years the inhabitants of this city saw snow.

CHOATE RETURNS TO POST.

Ambassador at London Ends Leave of Absence in Egypt.

Cairo, Egypt, Feb. 5.—Joseph H. Choate, the United States ambassador at London, who has been traveling in Egypt on leave of absence, left here today for England.

TURKEY WANTS LIGHT.

Steps Taken to Discover French Attitude as to Macedonia.

Constantinople, Feb. 5.—The Turkish ambassador at Paris, Salih Munir Bey, has been summoned here to explain the attitude of France in regard to Macedonia.

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DEFENSE IS INSANITY

Jury in Case of Frank Williams Charged With Murder, Took Case Last Night and Has Not Returned Verdict Late This Afternoon.

The trial of Thomas I. Jebb, on the charge of forging the signature of Very Rev. F. W. Hoppman, to a note for \$120, began in the district court this morning. This is the first of the seven cases against the man, who was formerly the agent in this city for the National Life & Trust Co. of Des Moines, and who was arrested in December on the charge of forgery, preferred by Father Hoppman, rector of St. Mary's Catholic church. Since that time, several other alleged forgeries have been reported to the grand jury, and the result was that seven indictments were found against him. The cases are assigned for trial in rotation.

Williams Jury Out.

The trial of Frank Williams, the colored man from Keb who is charged with the murder of Frank Slater, another colored man who resided there, was finished shortly before 10 o'clock last night. It was delayed somewhat by the death of the mother of one of the jurors, and consequently a night session was held at the close in order that the case should go to the jury last night. No verdict has been reached at the time the Courier goes to press this afternoon, and attorneys are declining to surmise that the jury will find the defendant guilty of no more serious a crime than manslaughter.

The Jebb Case.

Thomas I. Jebb is being defended by Attorney W. W. Epps, and Seneca Cornell, the county attorney, is prosecuting the case. The greater part of the morning was taken up with a selection of a jury and shortly before the noon adjournment the introduction of evidence was commenced. Among the witnesses for the prosecution are: Father Hoppman, Calvin Manning, L. E. Stevens and several business men.

Claim Insanity.

The defense claims that Jebb is a victim of alcoholism, and will fight the case along this line. To this end, Attorney Epps secured the appointment of a commission of physicians, composed of Drs. S. A. Spillman, A. O. Williams and D. A. LaForce, who examined the defendant several days ago and reported to the court that he is subject to temporary attacks of a mild sort of insanity, but that during the greater part of the time he is sane and responsible. The defense will claim that it was during one of these attacks probably induced by heavy drinking, which was in turn caused by a depression on account of private affairs, Jebb committed the forgeries, if he did commit them.

The defendant is apparently untrifled, though he listens attentively to the questions asked the witnesses by the lawyers and pays close attention to the rulings of the court and even the minor matters connected with the hearing of the case. His wife, who has arrived in the city from Pittsburg, Pa., where the family resides, is in attendance at the trial.

DAIRYMEN ELECT OFFICERS.

Endorse Secretary Wilson's Efforts in Interest of Dairymen.

Cedar Rapids, Feb. 5.—The state dairy convention elected S. B. Shilling of Mason city president; W. B. Hanner of Hampton, vice president; P. H. Kieffer of Strawberry Point secretary; F. A. Leighton of New Hampton treasurer. A committee of three was appointed to promote an adequate dairy exhibit at the world's fair. Resolutions endorsing Secretary Wilson and the Iowa congressmen for their efforts in behalf of the dairy interests; in favor of a creditable exhibit at the world's fair, and the appointment of E. Sudebn of Elgin, Ill., as superintendent of the dairy exhibit were adopted.

RETURNS INDICTMENTS.

Sixteen Bills Result of Action of Davenport Grand Jury.

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ASKS FOR NEW TRIAL WHICH IS REFUSED—FILES MOTION FOR ANOTHER APPEAL AND IS ADMITTED TO \$1,500 BONDS—JURY OUT ON DAMAGE CASE.

Albia, Feb. 5.—(Special)—Three years in the penitentiary was the sentence pronounced on Tom Smith last evening by Judge Sloan, having been found guilty of manslaughter. An appeal of the case was filed and Smith was released on \$1,500 bonds.

Issues Statement That He is No Longer a Candidate and Claims This Move is Made in Interest of Two Republican Senators.

Delaware, Feb. 5.—After a long and bitter contest, J. Edward Addicks, who has for years been a candidate for the office of United States senator, has withdrawn from the race. In a statement issued this afternoon he makes formal announcement of his withdrawal and stated that this course is taken by him in the interest of two republican senators. The fight for the senatorship has been exceedingly prolonged and for a time it was thought that the anti-Addicks men and democrats would unite in the selection of one republican and one democratic senator from Delaware.

ARRAIGNED IN COURT.

Students Who Dug Up Hypnotist Brought Before Magistrate.

Keokuk, Feb. 5.—Three hundred students chasing a follower of the rudely awakened hypnotist down an alley, the preliminary trial of a number of college medics on charges of mischief and the assaulting of a newspaper man, are the latest developments in the now famous Cozad case, in which a sleeping hypnotist was dug up by a crowd of medical students. As yet the unfortunate sleeper seems unable to get any relief from the damages he received, the students stand together as one man and will not fasten the guilt on anyone and personal violence is being taken as a means of revenge.

DEATH OF MRS. BATTY.

Wife of Former Iowa Central Official Passes Away.

Oskaloosa, Feb. 5.—Word received in this city announces the death of Mrs. Estella Batty Burt, wife of Geo. S. Batty, former general passenger and ticket agent for the Iowa Central, which occurred in Los Angeles, Cal., January 11. Death was caused by tuberculosis, from which she has been suffering for several years.

ARIZONA OPPOSES COMPROMISE.

Does Not Want Statehood With New Mexico.

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 5.—The legislature has unanimously adopted a resolution declaring its opposition to the consolidation of the territory with New Mexico for the purpose of gaining statehood and has sent instructions to Delegate Marcus Smith to oppose this proposal of Senator Quay.

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