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## THE SMOKE HAS CLEARED AWAY.

And the Strip Shines in Pristine  
Glory.

## AFFAIRS AT LIVE ALVA.

Something About the Towns On the  
Northern Border.

## STORIES TOLD ON WAGON COVERS.

PRAIRIE SCHOONERS, LIKE THE  
TIDE, COME AND GO.

## THE WORK OF DEVELOPMENT.

The One Great Cry is for Rain—Lot  
Contests—Late Accidents—  
News From the Strip.

A boomer with unkempt hair and  
"sanded" optics sat on a claim in the  
strip.

He was fifty miles from water, but  
as he sat curled up round his stake he  
appeared happy—supremely happy, and  
in Salvation Army tones sang,  
"There may be flies on you and flies on  
me, but there'er no flies on Hoke  
and the strip."

This is the strip. There are many  
discontented people who made the rush  
and got nothing, but in the main all  
seem satisfied. The strip is a great  
country and will prosper.

The settlers are beginning to realize  
their position, now that the excitement  
has died away and the sandstorm  
abated. Every good claim has  
from two to five contestants and the  
poor ones are scarcely worth the govern-  
ment price of \$500. The great major-  
ity will, however, remain and get  
down to work as soon as the speculators  
and sight-seers leave.

People are going through here  
south-bound as thick as they did  
north-bound a week ago. Every train  
is loaded with people coming from the  
strip and a continual procession of  
wagons is coming in. Last night a  
wagon stepped into a south-bound pas-  
senger train packed with people and  
said: "Is there anybody here going  
back to Texas?" Every man and woman  
in the car got up. Many of the  
south-bound wagons bear inscriptions  
on their covers as follows: "Texas is  
good enough for us," "Going back to  
Dixie," "We're going where we have  
water if we don't use it," "Hog and  
honey is better than sand."

The people are deserting the Ponca  
townsite. Last night not more than  
200 people remained on the ground.  
Ex-Chief Bushyhead received his patent  
from President Cleveland this  
morning for 100 acres at Kildare. This  
is the first patent issued for land on  
the Cherokee strip. The Cherokee  
towns of Wharton, Cross and Kildare  
are booming towns, for the reason  
that people are sure of clear titles to  
their lots.

At Alva yesterday water was struck  
at thirty feet. For purity or abundance  
it cannot be exceeded in Oklahoma.  
It is clear as crystal and cold as ice,  
and wells are going down all over  
town. With what is conceded as being  
the most beautiful townsite in Okla-  
homa, a rich country and enterprising  
people, and a country sixty miles  
square and a land office town, the future  
of Alva is assured. The town is  
building rapidly.

## PRAIRIE FIRES RAGING.

New Outbreak of Flames in the Pawnee  
Reservation.

Reports received from the Pawnee  
reservation last night state that another  
prairie fire is raging there and that  
hundreds of settlers have been  
compelled to abandon wagons, tents  
and outfits and flee for their lives on  
their horses. Several dead bodies  
have been found and it is feared that  
many will perish.

## PROBABLY USED EALLOONS.

Some of the "Boomers" Reached Perry in  
Eleven Minutes.

Exactly at noon a party standing in  
front of the land office at Perry Satur-  
day with watch and telescope took  
note both of the flight of time and the  
approach of boomers. Exactly at 12:07  
a cloud of dust could be seen arising  
from the summit of the hills to the  
southeast along the line of the old  
trail which served the purpose of In-  
dian traffic in other days and now  
serves as the route of the stage line  
between Wharton and Stillwater. The  
cloud grew larger and soon the figures  
in it could be distinguished. They

were a troop of hard riders bearing to-  
ward the goal, apparently in the first  
quarter of a race. The cloud was the  
ground and the riders of those be-  
tween the first sight of the riders and  
their mad charge upon the prairie was  
indistinguishable. Bill Dalton's far-famed  
horse was in the lead with Jim Master-  
son as rider. It was 12:11 when horse  
and rider came upon the ground. The  
next in line of succession was John  
Martin, a cowboy, whose horse showed  
no more signs of heat or fatigue than  
that of Masterson.

## THE DUST NUISANCE.

Goods Being Destroyed by Flying Red  
Earth.

The dust nuisance must be sur-  
pressed. This is imperative, merchants all  
over the city are howling and they  
have a right to do so. Their goods  
are being damaged by the flying frag-  
ments of red earth, which creeps in  
not only at the doors but at every  
crack and crevice. The street sprink-  
lers should be pressed into service  
without further delay. There is no  
shortage of water in the city, far from  
it—there are thousands of gallons of  
water in Guthrie. Let it be used.

## A FIRST-CLASS CIRCUS.

Sanger & Lent Give Two Good Perform-  
ances in this City.

Sanger & Lent's circus exhibited in  
this city yesterday and gave two credit-  
able performances. The show tents  
were pitched near the Santa Fe tracks  
and the ubiquitous small boy was on  
hand early to see the cars roll in. Sanger  
& Lent do not make many pretensions  
as to menagerie, but for ringwork they  
have one of the best equipped combi-  
nations on the road. The circus has  
made good money this season, where  
other circuses have failed.

The entertainments given yesterday  
afternoon and evening were very mer-  
itorious and drew good crowds. Fea-  
tures of the performances were Juliette  
Hennett, leapers; James Messinger,  
cannon ball performer; Miss Stella  
Cornalia, bareback rider; Leo Ross,  
high flying trapeze; Signor Arcaris and  
sister, knife impalement; Bennett,  
Mason and DeLong, horizontal bars;  
Cornalia Bros (three) tumblers; the  
Martines, balancing and revolving  
ladders; Miss Martine, spring rope and  
E. DeLong and John, Morse's, stage  
Charles McMahon, jockey and bare-  
back rider, who has just joined the  
circus, is a phenomenon.

A feature of the side show is a baby  
lion, which was born July 25. The  
circus exhibits in Oklahoma City to-  
day. H. B. Hilton, pass agent and the  
manager of the show are genial gen-  
tlemen and know their business.

## GIVE THEM THE RUN.

THIRTY BUNS FIRED OUT OF  
THE CITY.

Confidence Men, Crooks, Shell Workers and  
Pickpockets Must Give Guthrie  
a Wide Berth.

Guthrie has no love for crooks and  
buns and the latter are rapidly catch-  
ing on to this hardened fact.

The last few days the city has been  
overrun with buns of all kinds, sizes  
and conditions and many citizens have  
suffered from their presence. The  
buns are either going to the strip or  
returning therefrom and manage to  
drop off at Guthrie.

Yesterday Officer Gebkey corralled  
thirty of the easy-living individuals  
near the depot and on pain of im-  
mediate imprisonment caused them to  
leave town on the first train. There  
was a great scramble, but they all  
pulled their freight. Keep the city  
clear of buns and loafers.

## FATAL PRAIRIE FIRE.

A Settler Loses His Wife, Two Children  
and \$1,400 in Money.

ENID, Ok., Sept. 20.—A terrible  
accident occurred six miles west of this  
place about 1 o'clock yesterday.  
Homer Tomlinson, who had settled on  
a claim at the place referred to, left  
his wife and two children at his new  
home to file his papers. While absent  
a prairie fire, fanned by the terrible  
southwest wind which has prevailed  
for the last few days, overtook his  
family, who were unable to run away  
from it. His wife and two children  
were terribly burned. Mrs. Tomlin-  
son and one of her children can not  
recover. The man had \$1,400 in his  
wagon on the claim, all of which was  
destroyed.

## The Booths Closed.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Secretary  
Smith yesterday afternoon signed the  
official order abolishing the booths  
along the Cherokee outlet. When the  
order was made for the booth system  
it was provided that they should be  
operated until such a time as the sec-  
retary of the interior abolished them.  
Dispatches from the officers in charge  
state that no more applications are  
being made.

If you are waiting for strip opening  
don't fail to buy your drugs, station-  
ery, etc., at Little's drug store, the old  
reliable corner Harrison and Second  
streets.  
223-1f

J. N. Conlter and E. M. Brown have  
bought a new stock of hardware and  
implements and will locate at Perry.  
245-3f

Book satulals, school crayons, black-  
board crayons and all the leading lines  
at the Capital City book store. 10-1

## LAYS OF A NEW BORN METROPOLIS

STRIDES TO THE FRONT OF THE  
CITY OF PERRY.

## THOSE RIGHT IN THE PUSH.

Many Fights Over Corner Lots But no  
Futilities.—Hard Luck of Private  
Judge Edwards' Notes.

Perry is still in the swim.

Many people are leaving, but double  
the number coming in. New towns  
are being laid off all around the land  
office, but there is but one Perry.

There are many men in the camp,  
and although they stick to their lot-  
teries, they are nearly all sick and are  
utterly worn out. A great deal of  
sickness exists, and there are no facili-  
ties whatever for caring for the invalids.  
The people are so busy that men  
lying in dirty blankets, the sun, suff-  
ering for water, receive no attention  
from passers by. The town is full of  
men who have no business there. They  
have no lots, nothing to sell and no  
means of making a livelihood, but they  
prowl around and steal what they can.

Superintendent Stockton saw a band  
of about a dozen men riding about  
town all day yesterday, looking into  
tents and freight cars. In the after-  
noon he was given a tip that they in-  
tended to hold up the express and  
freight offices. He divided his men into  
watches and had them patrol the  
depot all night, and probably frus-  
trated a robbery.

Building is beginning here and there  
over the townsite, but the unsettled  
condition of affairs makes building of  
business operations. Carpenters are  
getting \$7 and \$9 a day, Nails  
which cost 1 cent are selling for 1 1/2  
cents. Galvanized iron is selling for  
25 cents and all building material is  
proportionately high. What stores  
there are in operation are doing "business  
as usual," and the staple goods are  
sold at the regular market prices.

A tin cup of black sugar,  
sweetened with a little brown sugar,  
is a luxury which costs all the way  
from 25 to 25 cents, according to the  
supply. The town is a vast congrega-  
tion of tents of all sizes, in which the  
people live and do business. Fenti-  
ence as heavy stables, hay, collins, sal-  
mon and tin dishes, with cleaning  
implicity.

Yesterday witnessed the settlement  
of over 100 lot contests; that is, some  
of the holders pulled out and their re-  
maining commenced actual improve-  
ments. The town is already begin-  
ning to put on metropolitan airs in  
many ways.

The town of Wharton is growing  
rapidly. Robert Owen, attorney  
of the Cherokee Indians, and who is  
his general manager in townships,  
is overhauling the sale of lots at War-  
ton. Corner lots are selling for \$300  
and inside lots at \$150. There is a 100  
tract between Wharton and Perry,  
which has been filed upon by a Mr.  
Thomas Cook, who is reported to have  
arrived in the promised land a little  
sooner than the others. Buffalo  
Jones of Garden City, is the first ac-  
tual settler on this quarter. He rode  
fast horses from Orlando with one  
change. He planted his stake and  
built a house. This quarter is thickly  
settled. Seventh street is the main  
thoroughfare between Wharton and  
Perry. It will be bridged at the foot  
of the Perry townsite by the Richar-  
son lumber company. Another meet-  
ing was held at Perry yesterday to de-  
vise ways and means for an early city  
government. Addresses were made by  
Colonel Sam Overstreet, Colonel Sam-  
uel, Colonel W. H. Smith, and Col-  
onel John Knight. The meeting re-  
sulted in the appointment of the fol-  
lowing as enumerators: Chief, Col-  
onel Ed. Over, R. W. Dickerson, Ed.  
Patton, Ed. River, Major Ray, and C.  
P. McCabe. As it takes 2,000 names  
to make a city of the first class, the  
enumerators took the names of 3,000  
and forwarded them to Governor Ren-  
frow with a petition for a special ses-  
sion.

## QUEER ACTIONS.

THREE MEN ACT STRANGELY IN  
A STORE.

Set Fire to a Drawer and Used Clothing  
From H. T. Patton's Co's  
Store.

Yesterday afternoon three tough  
looking fellows entered the store of  
H. T. Patton & Co., presumably to  
purchase goods. One of the men en-  
gaged salesman McKay in conversa-  
tion while the two others went to a  
drawer containing socks and set fire  
to its contents. At this juncture J.  
M. Brooks entered the store and the  
men ran out. One of the toughs  
grabbed a suit of clothes as he left the  
place, but was chased and finally cap-  
tured and is now behind the bars. The  
other two men made good their escape.  
The actions of the men were very  
queer to say the least. Whether they  
were bent on robbery or arson, or  
both, is unknown. The police are  
looking for the pals of the culprit be-  
hind the bars.

Matinee Ovels.  
The celebrated fortune teller has  
returned to our town and will stay  
here till Monday, and not longer.  
Don't lose this chance. She tells  
your past, present and future, traces  
lost stolen or buried property. Ad-  
dress: 118 Second street, 1st floor, Mon-  
day noon. Consultations, ladies 50c, gent  
\$1.00. 248L

## Wanted to Rent.

I want to rent a four-room furnished  
house for a family of three or four  
and will pay a good price. For  
rent I want. Any one having such  
property will address P. O. Box 157,  
Guthrie.

## WANTED—A position as clerk or book- keeper in a bank at Guthrie or Perry.

I am a graduate of the Gem City Busi-  
ness College, Quincy, Ill., am 23 years  
of age and can furnish good refer-  
ences. Address: L. B. G.  
Madison, Ok.

## Mrs. A. P. Saunders wishes to be known to her friends and patrons her arrival in the city after a prolonged visit in the east where she has secured the latest styles in millinery and is prepared to suit the taste of the ladies of this city. Opening announced later on 111 Harrison avenue. 248f

Ladies calling this week Mrs. N.  
B. Rogers' hair dress 1/2 and to be  
worn wear Mrs. Rogers' hair  
will bring a free sample of hair  
dressing of great value. 1/2 cent  
cucumber and other articles upon  
Harris cut and curled 50c week,  
1/2 cent. 248f

## Aball in His Arm.

Joseph Steele Wounded By the Accidental  
Firing of a Gun.

While driving into the city yester-  
day Joseph Steele met with an acci-  
dent. Steele was with his family and  
was carrying a gun which was ac-  
cidentally discharged. The ball lodged  
in Steele's arm making an ugly and  
serious wound. Dr. B. L. Smith re-  
moved the bullet. Steele lives about  
twelve miles west of this city.

Closed a Stomach.  
A crazy man broke loose at the de-  
pot last night and caused a stampede.  
He rushed into the street, about 2:15  
a supply pin in his hand and was  
that he had been "communioned" by

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Near Whittier, S. C., the boiler of a  
saw mill exploded and Richard Nich-  
ols, James Neely, Ben McMahon,  
Gates McMahon, Jesse Gunter and  
Henry Smith were blown to pieces.

The contract has been awarded for  
the construction of two principal  
buildings for the mid-winter fair at  
San Francisco, the Manufacturers and  
Liberal Arts and Mechanical Arts  
buildings. The contract price of the  
two structures is \$1,725,000. The cash  
to be paid to the contractor amounts  
to \$175,000, with estate options of al-  
most \$200,000 more.

Parties going to the strip should re-  
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saw mill exploded and Richard Nich-  
ols, James Neely, Ben McMahon,  
Gates McMahon, Jesse Gunter and  
Henry Smith were blown to pieces.

The contract has been awarded for  
the construction of two principal  
buildings for the mid-winter fair at  
San Francisco, the Manufacturers and  
Liberal Arts and Mechanical Arts  
buildings. The contract price of the  
two structures is \$1,725,000. The cash  
to be paid to the contractor amounts  
to \$175,000, with estate options of al-  
most \$200,000 more.

Parties going to the strip should re-  
quire an accident policy of G. S. Har-  
man & Son, general insurance agents, 51

## BIG FOUR WRECK.

EIGHT KILLED OUTRIGHT AND  
A SCORE INJURED.

## ONE SECTION RUNS INTO ANOTHER.

Three of the Injured Will Die—The  
Trains Were Coming Too Close  
Together, and When the Danger  
Was Discovers It Was Too  
Late to Prevent the Dis-  
aster—A Blunder Made.

MANFERO, Ill., Sept. 20.—The second  
section of the Big Four express No. 4,  
southbound, crashed into the rear of  
the first section at 9:20 o'clock last  
night.

Eight persons were killed outright,  
thirty were fatally injured, and nearly  
a score were more or less severely  
hurt.

The engine of the second section ran  
clear through one sleeper and two  
couches. The dead are:  
CHAS. J. BROWN, of Dayton, Ohio.  
DAVID JACKSON, of Cincinnati, Ohio.  
W. F. POWELL, of Vienna, Ohio.  
L. L. SWANSON, of Louisville, Ky.  
BENJAMIN M. HARRIS, of Louisville, Ky.  
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The first section carried one Ohio  
& Mississippi sleeper for Louisville,  
one Ohio & Mississippi chair car for  
Greensburg, Ind., five day coaches and  
baggage and express cars. It had run  
about three miles south of Man-  
festo when a local train which was  
preceding it, slowed up and a fire-  
man was sent back to intercept it.  
The engineer on the first section  
obeyed the signal and drew his train  
to a standstill. The flagman of the  
first section to turn started for the  
rear, but the second section was fol-  
lowing so closely that he had gone but  
a few yards when around a sharp  
curve the headlight of the second  
section appeared. The first sec-  
tion was now at a standstill and the  
second section had not lessened its  
speed of thirty-five miles an hour. The  
engineer was partly responsible for this.  
The flagman jumped down the steep  
embankment just in time to save him-  
self from death. The engineer, as  
his locomotive rounded the curve, re-  
versed the engine. Seeing the hope-  
lessness of any attempt to check the  
speed of his train in so short a dis-  
tance he jumped down the embankment,  
and his fireman followed him.