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NIGHT RIDERS ONCE MORE IN THE SADDLE

Several Men Were Taken Out and Severely Beaten By Masked Men Last Week.

LAST ONE IN THIS COUNTY.

John W. Heath, a Hopkinsville Man, Taken From the Arcadia Hotel At Dawson and Whipped.

Dawson Springs. Ky.. Jan 25.—Night Riders invaded this town at 12.30 o'clock this morning. took J. W. Heath from his room in the Arcadia Hotel, carried him across the Tradewater river and severely whipped him. Heath is putting up tobacco for the association, but the night riders accuse him of buying a crop of pledged tobacco from Harp Menser, a grower of Christian county, outside the association and as an independent buyer which, it seems, is contrary to the rules of the organization. Mr. Menser was recently waited on by the so-called "Night Riders" and taken out and whipped.

The Night Riders seem to have come from Caldwell county, which is just across the Tradewater river, a mile west of the city. The first that was known of their presence here was the demand from some one outside the depot that the night operator Clyde Meadows should come out and go with them to the Arcadia hotel.

Mr. Meadows accompanied the men to the hotel and a volley of shots were fired opposite the hotel and a demand made that Mr. Heath come forth. They were not familiar with the location of Mr. Heath's room, and becoming impatient fired a volley in the hall of the hotel riddling the glass doors and interior with bullets.

N. L. Holeman, the proprietor, was at Madisonville visiting his mother who was ill, and Mrs. Holeman made her appearance and was asked to tell the location of Mr. Heath's room. She refused and they started through the hotel to make a hunt on their own account. As they went along they whooped and yelled and fired through the hall windows and transoms and finally located Heath, after frightening all the guests out of their wits and forcing most of them to crawl under their beds to escape the bullets.

Dr. A. W. Brasher, of Madisonville, father of John B. Brasher, opened his door to make an investigation, and hardly had he stuck his head out when one of the night riders opened fire on him, the bullet burying itself in the door just above his head.

Several of the night riders finally knocked heavily on Heath's door and demanded that he dress and come out, which he promptly did.

He was then taken in custody and taken across the bridge west of town and severely whipped and told that he would not be whipped again but should the same offense occur another time the extreme penalty would be inflicted.

The Rev. Welford Morgan, L. B. Lamson and Clyde Meadows, were compelled to accompany the night riders across the river and witnessed the punishment of Mr. Heath. He was ordered to make public and publish the fact that he bought about 1,700 pounds of tobacco from Harp Menser and paid $6 a hundred for it and if he did not do so they would treat him rougher than before. Mr. Heath promised to obey the instructions.

The town was taken charge of and the organization seemed to be perfect.

All of the night-riders were said to be masked and no one was recognized. No resistance was offered and their object was accomplished. This is the first visit from night-riders in Hopkins county. They were so well organized that at the bugle call all fell in line and the various squads were immediately brought together. No one was hnrt and little damage was done. The raiders were in town about twenty five minutes and numbered about fifty.

THE MENSER AFFAIR

News Reached this City a Few Days Ago.

The Menser outrage referred to in the Dawson telegram occurred in the northwestern part of this county. The particulars have not yet been learned, but the whipping followed close upon a midnight meeting held a week or ten days ago. Menser was called out and whipped and it is also reported that a youth named Pool was also called out and threatened, but not whipped, the same night. Another man was called for but was away from home and threats were left with his wife to be told him on his return. In this case the man's name is not known.

BUSY EVERY NIGHT.

Same Section Again Raided Saturday Night.

The night riders were again active Saturday night and visited Press Rogers, near Era, ten miles northwest of this city and whipped him in pretty much the same way Menser and Heath were mistreated. Rogers sold his crop of tobacco about a month ago to an independent buyer in this city.

This sale was made in advance of signed agreement entered into about three weeks ago by the independent buyers of this city, not to buy any association tobacco.

The buyer states that he had no knowledge that it was association tobacco, if it was. Rogers, however has been referred to as one of the men accused of selling pledged tobacco.

The night riders arrived at his

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HELD OVER TO U.S. GRAND JURY

Two Men Charged With Tearing Down Three Mail Boxes.

EVIDENCE NOT POSITIVE

Accused Say They Were Drunk On Night of Dec. 14.

Robert and Thomas Long, two young men of North Christian, were before U. S. Commissioner L. Yonts yesterday morning charged with having, on the 14th of December last, torn from the posts and scattering on the Greenville road three mail boxes.

There were quite a number of witnesses introduced but evidence, we learn, was altogether circumstantial. It is said the two men asserted that they were drunk, and from this statement, it would seem that they were too much under the influence of whisky to have committed the offense.

C. W. Vaughan, who is a blacksmith and has a shop on the Greenville road, testified, it is said, that the men stopped at his shop to get warm and that they did not appear to be very drunk.

Commissioner Yonts, after hearing the evidence, held over both of the accused to the U. S. Grand Jury. Their bond was fixed at $100 each, which was promptly made. The U. S. Court convenes next May at Owensboro.

IMPORTANT.

This space will have VERY INTERESTING READING ON NEXT THURSDAY, JAN. 30. Don't miss THAT DATE. If you are not a subscriber, order NOW a sample copy of JAN. 30. The fault is yours, not ours, if the above is neglected.

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BOTH GAMES

Won From Bethel Boys by S. K. C. Team.

The Bethel College basket ball team, of Russellville, lost both games played here with the South Kentucky College team last week. The score in the first game was 47 to 9 and in the second contest, 38 to 5.

After The Trust

The Kentucky Congressmen are girding their loins for an attack in solid phalanx on the tobacco trust. What they want is the repeal of the six-cent tax on tobacco so that the planters may finda market independently of the trust. Representative Rhinock introduced a bill yeserday afternoon to wipe out this tax. It or a similar bill will pass the house if it comes to a vote but Senator Aldrich is preparing to take up the cudgels again in the Senate to defeat legislation.

Mr. L. M. Cayce returned Friday from a business trip to Indiana.

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