

### ADMITS THE BURGLARY

ONE OF THE MEN ARRESTED IN IOWA SAYS HE DID THE JOB

Sheriff Tanner returned Sunday morning from New Hampton, Ia., with John Williams, who was held there on charge of robbing J. W. Berg's store in this city. Williams admitted robbing the store, and said the man Higgins, arrested with him in Iowa, had nothing to do with it. He claims he met Higgins in St. Paul after leaving here.

Williams confessed to the sheriff, however, that a man named Burns of St. Paul was with him in the Berg robbery, and in fact was the instigator. Williams said that Burns was a member of the Rice street gang at St. Paul. On the way back from Iowa Williams showed the sheriff and Detective Moran of St. Paul the house of Burns' relatives. Monday night Moran wired to the sheriff that he had Burns and the sheriff went to St. Paul and brought up the prisoner, who has confessed. The St. Paul Globe of Wednesday had the following:

"A wound inflicted by a revolver alleged to have been stolen furnished a clue which led to the arrest in St. Paul Sunday of Thomas Burns, a young man who had been living at 389 Chicago avenue, and who is accused of robbing the hardware store of J. W. Berg, in Little Falls, on August 18.

Burns, who was implicated in the burglary, by a confession of an alleged accomplice, John Williams, now under arrest in Little Falls, was located at the city hospital in St. Paul, where he had gone for treatment of a wound in the palm of his right hand. Williams was captured together with John Higgins, at New Hampton, Iowa, last week and the pair returned to Little Falls on requisition papers issued by Gov. Van Sant. It is said that Williams made a confession to Sheriff E. S. Tanner implicating Burns in the robbery. He also said that Burns had been shot through the hand and that he had stopped in St. Paul. Burns went to the city hospital Aug. 29 to have his hand treated, saying that he had shot it accidentally. He remained at the hospital until Sunday, when he was found by Detective Moran, who arrested him. Sheriff Tanner came to St. Paul yesterday and took Burns to Little Falls last night."

Williams' story was that he and Burns went from Fargo to Detroit and intended to commit a robbery there, but were scared away, and then came to Little Falls and mixed in with a gang of hoboes. Burns located the Berg store as a place to rob and the pair went there at 2 o'clock in the morning, getting into the cellar from the back, and then up to the first floor. To do so they had to break open a door, but they were not heard, and went through the cash register, securing \$28, took some razors and pistols and left. They separated at St. Paul. Williams afterwards met Higgins, who went to Iowa with him. Williams claims it is his first offense. Burns is reported to have been in the Red Wing training school. He is about 23 years of age.

Miss Mamie McCormick of Eagle Bend is attending school here.

A phone, 11-3, has been put in at the Farmers' Exchange elevator.

Miss Eva Richard is attending the Normal school at St. Cloud.

Miss Lucy Kelly is teaching in Stearns county.

Ernest Hilborn of Grand Forks visited friends here Monday.

A phone has been placed in Dr. Damon's office, call 103-2.

Miss Ine Snow is attending the St. Cloud Normal school.

Miss Ella Heroux has returned from Minneapolis, where she has been attending a business college.

Miss Cora Tanner has returned from a visit with friends at Portland, Oregon and other western cities.

Harrison & Peterson have a large crew working on the Belle Prairie ditch northeast of the city.

Mrs. Anna McCoy has moved her dressmaking parlors to the Lachance house on Second avenue northeast.

Miss Letitia Raymond is again teaching school at Norwood, Minn., where she taught successfully last year.

Mrs. Lizzie Eddleman and son, who were visiting at Minneapolis, are at the home of Mrs. Eddleman's mother, Mrs. H. T. Hyson.

Dr. Jenner Chance of Royalton was operated on at St. Barnabas hospital, Minneapolis, on Saturday by Dr. Rochford, for appendicitis. He is doing well.

Rev. H. A. Leady of Duluth has been offered the pastorate of the West Side Presbyterian church to succeed Rev. T. F. M. Clark, removed to St. Croix Falls, Wis.

### COUNTY BOARD

The board met Tuesday afternoon at 7 o'clock p. m., with all members present.

Engineer Batzer made his report on Ditch No. 10 and the same was accepted.

The board then appointed as board of viewers upon Ditch No. 10, Samuel Trebby, Dennis Sheedy and Norbert Barbeau.

#### BILLS ALLOWED.

Eugene Warnberg, axman on ditch No. 10 and board.....\$ 2.00

R. J. Batzer eng on ditch No. 10 and expenses.....124.60

B. Geunet, axman on ditch No. 10 and expenses..... 7.00

Emil Olson, axman on ditch No. 10 and expenses..... 4.00

F. Heroux, rodman on ditch No. 10 and board.....15.00

R. S. Beymer, axman on ditch No. 10 and board..... 2.00

Seth Warnberg, chairman on ditch No. 10 and board.....17.00

R. C. Tedford, com on ditch No. 10..... 5.60

R. C. Tedford, com committee on ditch No. 3.....20.00

F. H. Lakin com on ditch No. 3..... 5.60

F. H. Lakin com committee on ditch No. 3.....12.00

C. P. Stith com on ditch No. 10..... 6.80

C. P. Stith, com Committee on ditch No. 3.....21.80

E. W. Sullivan com on ditch No. 10..... 7.10

E. W. Sullivan com committee on ditch No. 3.....22.00

J. J. Gross, com on ditch No. 10..... 8.20

J. J. Gross, com committee on ditch No. 3.....17.00

R. J. Batzer engineer on ditch No. 3.....11.00

R. J. Batzer, engineer on ditch No. 3, in the town of Mount Morris, reported that the ditch had been completed and filed his report accepting the same. Commissioner Lakin then made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, that the report be accepted and that County Auditor be instructed to draw a warrant in favor of Harrison & Peterson in the sum of \$2478.19, as per contract price and the motion was unanimously carried.

Eric Johnson, the cattle buyer, got into an altercation with Secretary P. A. Kull of the Farmers' Exchange Monday afternoon at the stockyards and struck Mr. Kull several times. Johnson's business has been effected considerably by the cattle operations of the Exchange and it is said he feels angry about it. Johnson criticized the methods of the Exchange, and hot words passed, ending in the assault. Johnson is a burly, powerful man, while Mr. Kull is a slightly built man, aged 56 years. Mr. Kull refused to make a complaint, although urged to do so. The Exchange officers say they never interfere with Johnson's shipments, but he always goes around when the Exchange shipments are to be made.

Special Gospel preaching services will begin next Sunday at the Congregational church, the Congregational, Methodist and Baptist churches having arranged for a united mission. Edward Dow of Chicago, who is noted in this field work, will preach daily for two, and perhaps three weeks. Mr. Dow is a lawyer, but is at present giving his time to this kind of work. He will be assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Harris of Chicago. Mrs. Harris will have charge of the singing, and Mr. Harris will conduct the afternoon Bible lectures.

#### NORWEGIAN LUTHERAN.

Norwegian services Sunday morning at 10:30. Sermon by Herman Sauer, theological student from St. Paul. Sunday school at 9:30.

C. M. Hallanger, Pastor.

Rev. C. M. Hallanger returned Wednesday evening from a drive to Opstead, on the east shore of Mille Lacs. He has the temporary charge of a Norwegian Lutheran congregation at that place.

#### FALL MILLINERY OPENING

The ladies of Little Falls and vicinity are invited to call Sept. 28 and 24, Friday and Saturday, and examine the swellest line of pattern hats ever shown in the city. Prices always the lowest. No trouble to show goods.

Mrs. R. Herron.

Miss Thelma Leon is studying at the St. Cloud Normal school.

T. F. Murphy, of Eich & Murphy, will move his family to this city next week and will occupy the fine new residence built by A. W. Zaloudek on Second street and Second avenue northeast.

#### EXCHANGE ELEVATOR BUYING WHEAT.

The Farmers' Exchange began operation Monday, Julius Newman in charge. Owing to repairs it was found necessary to make on the boiler, little was done the first day, and only one load of wheat purchased. The Exchange is in position to take all wheat that is offered.

The elevator took in considerable wheat Tuesday and Wednesday, mostly No. 3 or No. 4 Northern.

### FOUND DEAD ON TRACKS.

ANNANDALE YOUNG MAN DISCOVERED ON RAILROAD TRACKS.

The following telegram, in Monday's Pioneer Press, refers to the death of a cousin of Mrs. J. F. McNally of this city:

Annandale, Sept. 12.—Sunday morning at an early hour, while starting out on a prairie chicken hunt, two young men employed by the American Type Foundry Company, of Minneapolis, discovered the body of Henry Fashant, an Annandale man, lying in a pool of blood.

The remains were lying face down on the railroad tracks a half a mile east of Annandale. The head was scalped and the skull crushed as though by a single blow. The coroner and county attorney decided that an inquest was unnecessary and the funeral is to be held tomorrow. The victim was about thirty years of age and is the son of Alexander Fashant, of Annandale.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The board met in special session Saturday.

A. M. Johnston was elected janitor of the Hawthorne building at \$35 per month, from August 15th.

Misses Belle M. Hodge, Rowena Brewster, and May Simmons, were elected grade teachers at \$45 per month.

Miss Edna Holbrook was elected science teacher at \$75 per month.

Bills allowed:

Pine Tree Lum. Co., lumber \$48.45

Martin & Hamlin, plastering and kalsomining..... 50.00

Ellenbecker & Goulet hardware 8.88

Brown & Newman freight and drayage.....39.39

W. H. Ryan, hardware..... 8.90

H. E. White, express, stamps, etc..... 9.95

B. F. Hall work Lincoln building..... 6.25

Welch Co., books..... 5.04

AUCTION at Jos. Virnig farm in the town of Bub Monday, Sept. 19th, 1904. All stock and farm machinery and household goods will be sold to the highest bidder. Amounts less than \$5, cash; over \$5, secured notes.

Jos. Virnig, Sr.

The Boom company has begun its annual clean-up, getting logs that went ashore back into the channel. Most of the work below Little Falls is done, and teams are busy on the stretch north of the city.

Mrs. F. H. Mero substituted Tuesday for Miss Barrall at the Central building, Miss Barrall being ill.

#### UPSALA

Sept. 13.—The Ladies' Sewing society of the Mission church met at Mrs. August Larson's Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Clara Anderson went to Little Falls this week, where she'll be employed.

Services were held in the Lutheran church Sunday by a minister from Little Falls.

"We hear that Martin Roll has sold his place and received quite a price for it.

Miss Hannah Alexander who has been staying with relations up here, went to Brainerd Tuesday.

Albert Kulander left for the west Saturday.

The school in Dist. 61 will commence Monday, Sept. 19, with Miss Anna Westgrund as teacher.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hedin last week.

Chas. Johnson took cattle to Albany Saturday and he also bought a sulky plow. Now he'll ride instead of walk.

A dance was given at the blacksmith shop Saturday evening.

**St. Cloud BUSINESS COLLEGE Now Open**  
Courses in bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting, penmanship, Business Practice, Law Correspondence and Banking. Also a preparatory course for backward students. Fine equipment throughout. Everything modern. An excellent corps of experienced teachers. Terms reasonable. Write for circular, etc.  
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### FALLING BACK SLOWLY

PLAINLY APPARENT KUROPATKIN WILL MAKE NO SERIOUS STAND AT MUKDEN.

HEAVY RAINS CONTINUE TO FALL AT THE THEATER OF WAR IN MANCHURIA.

CASUALTIES ON BOTH SIDES AT LIAOYANG ESTIMATED AT ABOUT 30,000.

#### WAR SITUATION SUMMARIZED.

St. Petersburg news practically concludes that General Kuropatkin is falling back on the Taisse and no serious stand is expected at Mukden. This movement is confirmed by Associated Press dispatches from Mukden, which indicate that the Russian movement is being effected slowly but in an orderly manner. The two armies are merely keeping in touch with each other, no fighting of consequence being reported.

Rain continues to fall at the theater of war and the roads are said to be almost impassable. Official figures from Tokio, which place the Japanese losses during all the engagements which constituted the battle of Liaoyang at 17,500, make necessary a big reduction of the reported casualties of the great battle. According to military experts the Russian losses should not exceed those of the Japanese; in fact, as Russia was on the defensive, they should not be so great. The Tokio figures, therefore, would indicate that the total casualties were not more than 30,000.

### FIGHTING WAS FIERCE

BATTLE OF LIAOYANG RECALLS ENGAGEMENTS OF AMERICAN CIVIL WAR.

Mukden, Sept. 8, via Peking, Sept. 9.—A correspondent of the Associated Press who has just returned to Mukden with the Russian rear guard, after having accompanied the army the whole time since the battle of Liaoyang, says the losses on both sides were enormous. As a moderate estimate he places them at 50,000. He confirms the reports that the fighting at Liaoyang recalled in fierceness the battles of the American Civil war. General Kuroki's flank movement east of the Russian position precipitated the retreat from Liaoyang.

When the Russians left Liaoyang the town was strewn with corpses of the slain. The Japanese shell fire continued until Sept. 4, when the bridges over the Taisse were destroyed. The Russians admit that their positions at Liaoyang were too extended for their army to hold.

The greater portion of the Russian forces crossed the Taisse during the night of Sept. 2 and engaged General Kuroki with two corps. A fighting on the first day was favorable to the Russians, but the conditions changed at night time. The Russian infantry suffered heavily from shrapnel and rifle fire.

The fighting was continued Sept. 3 and 4, the Russians successfully protecting the east side of the railroad. When the Japanese approached Yen-tai they immediately commenced to attack it. The Russian transport began to retreat at midnight Sept. 4 and was attacked three miles from Yen-tai on the morning of Sept. 5 along the Mukden road. The Russians pushed out two corps and much artillery to protect their right flank.

The condition of the roads rendered the retreat slow and the troops and horses were tired out. The Japanese seemed to lack enterprise and failed to recognize the serious situation of the Russians, the morale of their troops having been severely tried.

#### JAPANESE FORCES ADVANCE.

Oyama's Armies Continue in Pursuit of Russians.

Tokio, Sept. 13.—Marshal Oyama's forces are advancing by easy stages in pursuit of General Kuropatkin's rear guard south of the Hun river, on the road to Mukden. News of further Japanese successes in rear guard engagements Kuropatkin is waging against Marshal Oyama's troops was received Monday. Rains continue in the country through which the troops are operating and may delay not only Kuropatkin's retreat on Harbin, but the Japanese advance beyond Mukden. Marshal Oyama could throw any of his three generals—Kuroki, Nodzu or Oku—across the Hun river at one point or another to attack the Russian rear guard in a pitched battle. The probability is, however, that the marshal will hold off until Kuropatkin's rear guard is north of Mukden, it being desirable for the Japanese to cross the Hun in strength before forcing another extensive engagement.

#### EPIDEMIC IS FEARED.

Russians and Japs Sleep in Mire by the Roadside. St. Petersburg, Sept. 10.—The Red Cross officers fear an epidemic of disease will break out in both armies, the torments of rain which fell after the ten days' battle at Liaoyang having compelled the worn out and hungry troops to sleep without shelter in mire by the roadsides. In any case it is believed to be certain that the hardships endured by the soldiers will result in a great increase in sickness.

### JAPAN FILES PROTEST.

Demands That Russian Warship Leave San Francisco.

Washington, Sept. 13.—The expected protest of Japan against allowing the Russian cruiser Lena, which arrived in San Francisco Sunday, to remain in that port more than the twenty-four hours allowed by international law, came Monday when the Japanese consul general at San Francisco made formal demand that the vessel be required to leave at the end of that time. The collector of customs' telegram announcing the arriving of the Lena and the Japanese protest arrived together and copies were at once sent to Acting Secretary of State Alce and the department of commerce and labor, who has jurisdiction in the matter.

After a conference with the commissioner of navigation, Assistant Secretary Murray sent the following message:

"Your telegram addressed to secretary of treasury regarding steamship Lena arrived at 4:30. You should have addressed this department, as directed in Circular 239. Wire this department notice of arrival in your report and a concise account of steamship's condition, if repairs are necessary, the extent of such repairs. On receipt of information the department will instruct further."

#### EVENTS AT PORT ARTHUR.

Russian Artillery Destroys Some Japanese Trenches.

Chetoo, Sept. 12.—According to the latest news received here from Port Arthur the Russians on Sept. 4 sieled the Japanese covered trenches in front of Paichuang and destroyed them. One small Russian scouting party succeeded in creeping close to the Japanese intrenchments on Corner mountain but the barking of dogs gave the alarm and prevented a further advance. Japanese reserves poured into the intrenchments and opened fire on the Russians, but a shell from a Russian battery landed in the trench and killed many of the Japanese soldiers, and the remainder retired.

The Port Arthur Novi Krai, in a recent issue, declared that a Japanese colonel has been executed because he failed to occupy a certain position on Corner hill within a specified time. In its issue of Sept. 2, the same paper says that a Japanese torpedo boat struck a mine fourteen miles southeast of the harbor and sank, and that on the day after this occurrence the Japanese cruiser Tsukushima also was damaged by a floating mine.

#### MAY SHORTEN SIEGE.

Defeat at Liaoyang Will Discourage Port Arthur Garrison.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 12.—General Kuroki has fallen back on Yen-tai, where the main Japanese army is bivouacking. Only very small Japanese detachments are reported on the Russian flanks. The war office fully realizes the discouraging effect of the battle of Liaoyang upon the heroic garrison of Port Arthur. With all prospects of immediate relief from General Kuropatkin gone it is feared that the length of the siege will be shortened.

#### CANADIAN TRAIN ROBBED.

Held Up By Masked Men Near Mission Junction, B. C.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 12.—The Canadian Pacific westbound transcontinental express was held up three miles west of Mission Junction, B. C., Saturday night by masked men, who secured \$6,000 in gold dust and \$1,000 cash and registered mail.

Trainmen and passengers were unmolested. The robbers disappeared in the brush in the direction of the Fraser river and the United States boundary. The robbers compelled the engineer to detach the express and mail cars from the train. A special train of the Canadian Pacific with the provincial police left for the scene. The robbery is the first of the kind on the Canadian Pacific, if not in Canada.

#### EIGHT PERSONS DROWNED.

Launch Run Down by Steamer Near Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Sept. 12.—The Delaware steamer Columbia, on its way from this city to Bristol, Pa., Sunday night, crashed into a steam launch about ten miles north of here, grinding it to pieces and causing the drowning of eight of the dozen occupants of the small boat. All of the party were Philadelphians. The dead are: Joseph Fortescue, owner of the launch; Wade Auday, Thomas Duffy, Thomas Corveser, Anna Young, Joseph Pfromer, Mrs. Joseph Pfromer and Engineer Briggs.

#### RIOTING OCCURS IN RUSSIA.

Shops Pillaged and Many Persons Are Injured by Troops.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 12.—Anti-Semitic rioting took place at Rovno, in the government of Volhynia, Sept. 4, during which many persons were injured and shops pillaged.

A general outbreak occurred at Smela, in the government of Khief, where troops were called out. Ninety-eight houses and 145 shops were pillaged and several persons were seriously and many slightly wounded by the troops. Many of the rioters were arrested.

#### KILLS HIS SWEETHEART.

Michigan Man Then Ends His Own Existence.

Detroit, Sept. 10.—Amos Prommel of Mount Clemens, Mich., shot and instantly killed his sweetheart and himself when the young woman returned his ring and broke their engagement. The tragedy occurred at the home of the girl, Miss Annie Sienkiewicz, 82 Brandon avenue.

#### BILLS OF LADING FORGED.

Nearly Half Million Dollars Worth Floated in Larger Cities.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 10.—Forged bills of lading for an amount aggregating nearly \$500,000 have been issued from St. Joseph in the last six months and disposed of in many banks and trust companies of Chicago, St. Joseph, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis and New York.

### END OF MEAT STRIKE

PRESIDENT DONNELLY ACKNOWLEDGES DEFEAT IN PACKING-HOUSE TROUBLE.

MEN ARE ADVISED TO RETURN TO THEIR FORMER POSITIONS WHEREVER POSSIBLE.

STRUGGLE BEGAN TWO MONTHS AGO AND 53,000 PERSONS WERE INVOLVED.

Chicago, Sept. 9.—The great meat strike which has been on for the past two months has been officially declared off by President Michael J. Donnelly.

The terms under which the men are to return to work are the same which were offered by J. Ogden Armour last Saturday and which the strikers rejected by a referendum vote.

They are, in substance, that the old employes shall be reinstated as fast as possible, being given preference when vacancies occur; that the wages of skilled butcher workmen will remain the same as before the strike and that there will be no discrimination against any man because of his connection with a labor organization.

Donnelly called the strike off to save his union from disruption. The sympathizing unions decided to follow his lead.

The packers announced that they would give places as far as possible to the skilled men, but it was said at the same time that many of them would be unable to secure their old places, as in many cases the work was being performed in a satisfactory manner by men who had been secured since the commencement of the strike. Vice President Smith of the Meat Cutters and Butchers' union said the vote of the conference board of the allied trades council to bring the trouble to an end was unanimous.

President Donnelly has telegraphed the decision to all the cities where the workmen have been on strike.

#### Fail to Secure Old Positions.

Over 600 live stock handlers appeared at the office of Manager Skinner of the Union Stock Yards and Transit company early in the day to apply for their old positions. He had previously announced that he would employ all the old men needed. None of the stock handlers were taken back, being informed that they would be sent for when needed. It is understood that before going to work they will be required to sign an agreement setting forth that they return as individuals and not as an organization.

Business Agent Golden of the teamsters said that the teamsters will go back to work as an organization or not at all.

During the strike approximately 53,000 persons have been involved in the struggle, which is estimated to have cost the men about \$5,100,000 in wages, as against an estimated loss of \$7,500,000 to the packers in the loss of business and in increased expenses. The greatest number of men idle in Chicago during the strike was 26,000 and the total in the country outside of this city is estimated to be about the same.

The original cause of the strike was a demand by the Butchers' union that the packers pay to the unskilled workmen 18 1/2 cents an hour. The packers refused to sign an agreement, but offered to arbitrate the question.

#### PORTION TAKEN BACK.

Twelve Thousand Packinghouse Strikers Apply for Work.

Chicago, Sept. 12.—It is estimated that about 12,000 men applied for work at the stock yards during the day. About 4,800 of the applicants were taken back by the packers.

Many of the nonunion men failed to report for work, but a number appeared on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern and other railroads, giving rise to much dissatisfaction among the union men. Few clashes, however, were reported, chiefly fistfights between negro strikers and white unionists.

About 14,000 nonunion men are still at work in the yards.

#### ELECTION IN MAINE.

Republicans Carry State by About the Usual Plurality.

Portland, Me., Sept. 13.—The Republicans Monday carried the state for W. T. Cobb of Rockford, Republican candidate for governor, by a plurality of about 30,000 over Cyrus W. Davis of Waterville, his Democratic opponent. The complete returns will not be received for several days, but 300 out of 522 cities and towns give Cobb 59,000, Davis 38,000. The same places in 1900 gave Hill, Rep., 51,000; Lord, Dem., 29,000. These returns show a Republican gain of about 5 per cent and a Democratic gain of about 31 per cent. All four Republican candidates for congress, Amos L. Allen, Charles E. Littlefield, E. C. Burleigh and Llewellyn Powers were also returned, and a Republican majority in the legislature was assured.

#### FOUR PERSONS KILLED.

Trains on Seaboard Railway Mixed in a Bad Wreck.

Portsmouth, Va., Sept. 10.—Shortly after 1 o'clock Friday morning, train No. 41 on the Seaboard railway, consisting of an express car, two day coaches and a sleeper, was derailed at a trestle just south of Catawba river, twenty-two miles southwest of Monroe, N. C., followed by the wreck of a light engine and caboose, resulting in the death of four persons and the injuring of thirty-five others.

J. B. Barr, first vice president and general manager of the road, said there was evidence of a malicious attempt to wreck the train.