'COME BACK,' JOLIET FELONS TELL CHIEF

Convicts Implore Warden to Return and Aid in Building Real Honor System.

WOMAN'S PURSE IS FOUND

JOLIET, Ill., June 24.—Finding of Mrs. Edmund M. Allen's pocketbook containing several hundred dollars and valuable jewelry caused the penitentiary officials to abandon a theory that robbery might have been the motive for the murder of the prison warden's wife last Sunday morning. It was not learned until today that the victim's purse was missing and a search for it was begun with the result that the black leather pocketbook was found among the debris of the charred bedroom where Mrs. Allen's body was discovered.

Motives for Murder.

The penitentiary officials expressed the opinion tonight that Mrs. Allen was killed either for revenge or as the result of an assault.

An armed guard patrolled outside the prison gates today for the first time in several years.

Warden Allen was deeply affected when he received a letter of sympathy from the 1,700 convicts in the penitentiary. After reading the letter, Warden Allen declared that he would not resign his position and that the honor system at the penitentiary would be continued:

"My confidence in the boys has not been shaken. They have stood by me and I'll stand by them."

Convicts' Letter.

The letter, in part, follows:

"At this hour of deepest grief, we send you this message of our love and sympathy.

"Caesar had his Brutus; Rome its Nero and Jesus, the Just, His Judas, yet the remnants of His disciples remained steadfast and true. So, in spite of the dreadful blow that has fallen upon us, must the work of yourself and your wife go on.

"The eyes of the world are upon us and we must succeed. Come back to us and we will build together a real honor system as a fitting memorial to your dear departed wife, that will be more lasting and enduring than marble or bronze. We will build men in whom honor is not dead and will not die.

(Signed) "YOUR BOYS."

CZAR'S TROOPS NEARLY ALL ON THEIR OWN SOIL

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nited some petroleum and benzine tanks, the railroad station and several factories. The city apparently had not been touched by the artillery fire of the Russians and the Austrians.

Captured officers declare that even until very recently the fall of Lemberg had not been regarded as even a remote possibility by the Russians. The fortifications of the city had been modernized in every way.

The loss of Lemberg deprives the Russians of their last strong supporting point on Galician soil. The moral effect of the occupation also will be considerable. It is now being recalled in Berlin that three months ago Emperor Nicholas declared that the fall of Przemysl, in connection with the occupation of Lemberg, constituted an overpowering victory for the Slavs.

French Official Report.

PARIS, June 24.—The French war office's afternoon statement today said:

"North of Arras last night has been rather calm, if we except the territory to the north of Souchez, where the cannonading never ceased. The enemy bombarded Arras, the Hospital of the Holy Sacrament being hit. Some sisters and some nurses were killed.

"In front of Dompierre, west of Peronne, the explosion of a German mine was followed by a violent bombardment of our trenches. An attack executed by a not numerous German force was easily checked. On the heights of the Meuse at the Calonne trench there has been no change.

"In Lorraine, not far from Leintrey, the enemy delivered a counter attack. After a rather spirited engagement they were repulsed.

"On the rest of the front last night passed quietly.

"The prisoners made since June 14 in the region of the Fecht river total twenty-five officers, fifty-three under officers and 638 men."

Masons Dedicate Hall at Columbus

COLUMBUS, Neb., June 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The Free Masons' hall was dedicated here today, about 250 members attended the ceremonies. Grand Master Mason Samuel S. Whiting, assisted by officers and members of the grand lodge, performed the ceremonies and the following program was rendered:

Assembling of the brethren.
Entry of grand lodge in grand procession with music.
Giving of grand honors three times three.
Singing of the opening ode.
Invocation, Grand Chaplain Charles M. Shepard.
Music.
Inspection of the temple by the grand lodge music march.
First circumambulation on the grand lodge around the symbol followed by the second and third and four circumambulation and grand honors.
Invocation, Grand Chaplain Charles M. Shepard.
Music.
Proclamation.
Oration by Master Workman William Cronion by M. W. William A. Debord, P. M.
Benediction, Grand Chaplain Charles M. Shepard.
Tableau a tribute to the flag of our country by fifteen young women and fifteen Knights Templar, accompanied by singing, "Star Spangled Banner."

Robert A. French, grand custodian, took active part in the ceremonies. At 8 p. m., the lodge met in closed work, among them some from her friends in Alaska.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice left Thursday evening for Chicago, from where they will go to Lake Geneva, Wis., for the summer.

Edgar Team Trounced.

EDGAR, Neb., June 24.—(Special)—Central City won 6 to 1, when Edgar went to pieces in the eighth inning. The visitors got fifteen hits. Batteries: Censon and Buckley, Umpire, Harry Story. Central City, Denny and Grant; Edgar, Car-

WHAT THE RAIN DID IN FRANKLIN COUNTY LAST FRIDAY—Some notion of the havoc wrought when the Republican river and the creeks that feed it responded to the deluge.

"No. 99" bridge on Burlington, East of Franklin, after water had receded.

Looking West up Burlington track from Franklin depot.

UPLAND, Neb., June 24.—(Special.)—Franklin county is just beginning to realize that last Friday's rain and hail storm was the most disastrous in the history of the country.

Not a township in the county escaped the ravages of the hailstones. It is estimated that at least 35 per cent of all wheat in the country has been destroyed. In many places a total loss occurred. This means a loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Nearly every bridge and many of the culverts in the county were washed away or damaged by the resulting floods.

It is expected that the county will have to vote from $100,000 to $150,000 in bonds to replace these bridges and get the roads in shape.

Thompson creek, which drains from the north end of the county to Riverton, took out every bridge but three and caused immense damage in Riverton, taking the railroad bridge and hundreds of feet of the right-of-way and demolishing one cement house and numerous smaller buildings. Dozens of head of cattle and horses were drowned in this creek. Riverton has been cut off from the surrounding country since Friday. Telephone and telegraph lines were destroyed. The roads in all directions were impassable.

Center creek, draining the country from Wilcox to Franklin, caused a like amount of damage along its course. At Franklin the water backed up at the tracks and flooded the surrounding country, including the depot, until the railway grade gave away. When this went it took a mile of track.

Thousands of acres of Republican bottom corn and alfalfa land are still under water and all crops destroyed. The big iron bridge at Franklin over the Republican was partly washed away. The center span was carried a mile down the river. Tracks were carried a quarter of a mile.

"Ninety-nine" creek, emptying east of Franklin, was over forty feet deep before it carried the railroad embankment and bridge away.

All trains over the Burlington from Red Cloud to Bloomington have been annulled and it is not thought possible to fix the tracks in less than another week.

The town of Macon suffered severely from the hail. Roofs were punched full of holes and hundreds of windows were broken.

The road supervisors have hundreds of men working on the roads and bridges and today it is possible to get from the north part of the county to all the towns except Riverton. It is not possible to drive from any south town in the county to any other, and boats are carrying food and provisions to the people south of the river.

Thirteen hundred acres of land are under water just south of Macon with no way to drain it.

The destruction at Franklin is fierce. No mail has gone out or into Franklin since Friday. All freight is now being hauled to Upland, nineteen miles.

Bellevue Graduates Married in Open Air In Unique Ceremony

A wedding of unusual interest in Presbyterian missionary circles in this part of the country took place in Bellevue on Wednesday evening when Miss Edna Findley of Bellevue was united in marriage with Glen Rice of Pierce, Neb.

Miss Findley is the daughter of Mrs. W. H. Findley, whose husband, Rev. W. H. Findley, was for years a missionary among the Omaha Indians. The young woman is a graduate of Bellevue college in the class of 1912. The two years after her graduation she spent as a missionary in the Sheldon-Jackson school in Alaska. During the last year she has been teaching in the Bellevue public school and has been active in local missionary circles.

Mr. Rice is also a Bellevue graduate in the class of 1911 and while in school he was a star athlete and debater. He won first place as Bellevue representative in the state peace contest in 1911 over the Creighton man. This year Mr. Rice completed his four-year course at McCormick Theological seminary, Chicago, and after his wedding journey he and his bride expect to enter upon a pastorate in western Nebraska.

The ceremony Wednesday evening was performed at 7:45 on the lawn of the Findley home in Bellevue by Dr. Stephen Phelps. Prof. E. M. Jones of Omaha, under whom Miss Findley studied music while in Bellevue college, played the wedding march.

The wedding procession moved across the lawn down a white carpeted aisle formed of daisy chains to a bank of oaks and under a bell of daisies the nuptial knot was tied. Little Irmabelle Cummings, cousin of the bride, carried the ring in a lily chalice. Miss Mildred Stepp sang "I Love You Truly" just before the ceremony and following it Miss Hazel Wilcox rendered two violin numbers, accompanied by Miss Ruth Flynn.

The bride was beautiful in a gown of white crepe de chine with chantilly lace and pearls, her long tulle veil being held with lilies of the valley and smilax. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and white roses.

Her cousin, Miss Irene Dean, as bridesmaid, was gowned in pink and carried pink sweet peas.

Mr. Velman Rice, the groom's brother, was best man.

After the ceremony a reception was held on the lawn to all the guests. One hundred and ten friends and relatives of the bride and groom were present. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. Rice of Pierce, Neb., parents of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Rice of Flagler, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Otis and Rev. George S. Rice of Council Bluffs, Gerald and Velman Rice of Flagler, Colo.; Prof. and Mrs. E. M. Jones of Omaha, Dr. and Mrs. Wilcox and daughter, Hazel, Dr. and Mrs. Walter N. Halsey of Omaha, Miss Mary E. Rice and Miss Eleanor M. Milman of Logan, Ia.; Misses Christine Jensen of South Omaha, Margaret Nunn of Walthill, Florence Stevens of Minnesota, Cleo Scott of Chadron, Neb.; Miss Brown of Cookville, Ill.; Mrs. and Miss Irene Dean of Valley Falls, Kan.; Mrs. W. J. Cummings and children, Irmabelle and Billie, of Lawrence, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Halderman and son, Frank, of Pawnee City, Neb.; Mrs. Frank Riddle of Iola, Kan.

The bride received many beautiful gifts, after which a sumptuous banquet was given to the members and visitors.

Eight Hundred Austrian Troops Killed by Italians

ROME, June 23.—(Via Paris, June 24.)—The official statement issued tonight at the headquarters of the general staff of the Italian army was as follows:

"Along the entire front there has been an artillery duel between pieces of medium and larger caliber. The enemy endeavored last night to attack particularly Monteplano, Val Grande, Val Piccolo, Cremaverse, (situated between Pizzocollins and Zeillenkofel), and Crestaverde, which had been occupied by our troops yesterday.

"During the night of June 21-22 and continuing the following day, the enemy made three desperate attacks against our position at Freikofel. All these attacks were repulsed successfully by the splendid fire of our artillery and the use of hand grenades. The enemy left 800 bodies on the battlefield.

"In the bay of Plezzo preparations are being made by the Austrians for the installation of heavy artillery, and along the neighboring heights convoys have been seen going from Plezzo toward the upper Isonzo.

"In the Monte Nero region and along the Isonzo the day of June 22 passed quietly."

Milligan Defeats Western.

WESTERN, Neb., June 24.—(Special.)—The Milligan base ball team defeated the Western team here Tuesday by a score of 10 to 6. The feature of the game was a three-base hit by Mead of the visitors with the bases full. Batteries: Western, Van Lew, Van Lew and Carson; Milligan, Gruber, Havelika and Mead.

BUICK DEALERS HOLDING CONVENTION AT LINCOLN

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, June 24.—(Special.)—Three hundred and fifty Buick automobile dealers representing Iowa, South Dakota and Nebraska are in Lincoln today for their fifth annual convention. This is about half of the actual number in the three states. The thing interesting most of them is the exhibit of the nek six-cylinder 1916 Buick. This evening a banquet was held at the Lincoln hotel with Lee Huff of Omaha as toastmaster.

An Award that Speaks Volumes.

Golden State, Extra Dry Champagne, was awarded the "Grand Prix" at the Panama-Pacific International exposition. This makes the fourth "Grand Prix" for this famous Champagne, produced by the Italian Swiss Colony, Asti, California.

Revenue Agent and Distiller Indicted

FORT SMITH, Ark., June 24.—Knox Booth, former chief of the government internal revenue district of Tennessee and Alabama, with headquarters at Nashville; John L. Casper, a Kansas City distiller, and ten other men, were indicted by a federal grand jury this afternoon in connection with an alleged conspiracy to defraud the government by illegal operation of distilleries.

NEW QUAKE IN EL CENTRO

Another Slight Earth Shock Felt in City Recently Visited by Disturbance.

TOLL AT MEXICALI IS SIX

EL CENTRO, Cal., June 24.—Another slight earthquake shock was felt here at 8:30 a. m. today. It shook bricks from the Masonic temple and various other buildings were ruined or damaged by the series of shocks Tuesday night.

Several slight tremors were felt during the night and kept people of the valley in a state of excitement.

According to those who have taken stock of the damage the losses caused by the earthquake will not exceed $500,000. Business men are enthusiastically joining in a movement to obliterate all traces of havoc.

"In two weeks we will not know we had anything like this," said Mayor Swanson.

Offers of financial assistance received today by the mayor were declined.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Secretary Lane of the Interior department received reassuring messages today from Yuma, Ariz., and El Centro, Cal. R. M. Priest, acting manager of the government work at Yuma, telegraphed:

"No damage at Yuma; two slight shocks last night and nine at El Centro, Cal. Buildings extensively damaged by fire at Calexico. Irrigation system not damaged anywhere. No immediate relief can be given from Washington. Yuma has offered assistance to Imperial Valley."

C. R. Rockwood at El Centro telegraphed:

"Neither levee nor canals injured. El Centro and Calexico badly damaged, but we have begun to rebuild better. The people of Imperial Valley desire to express through me their gratitude for your quick sympathy."

Secretary Lane had instructed Priest to offer any aid he could to El Centro and said to Rockwood in part:

"A people that has done what your people has done cannot be daunted by either earthquake or fire."

Six Killed at Mexicali.

CALEXICO, Cal., June 24.—The number of earthquake victims killed at Mexicali Tuesday was definitely fixed today at six. Several American women were injured. Brigadier General Robert Wankowski of the California National Guard arrived here to confer with city officials on measures for relief. Fifty men were put to work clearing sites for rebuilding. Slight shocks were felt here again today.

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Tissues and Voiles, 27 inches wide, neat stripes, checks, and fancy floral patterns - - - - - - - 12½c a yard

Basement Ready-to-wear 50c Table

Friday we will place on this table a miscellaneous assortment of lawn kimonas, gingham aprons, white dresses, percale dresses, sateen and gingham petticoats, choice each - - - - - - - - - - - - 50c

The Store for Shirtwaists

Friday's paper will carry an announcement of an important sale of fine blouses.

Watch for it.

Sale of Silk Remnants

Detail of sale will be announced soon. Watch for it. Remnants of silks of every grade in fashion's list will be included.

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