

# VIEW OF THE DANVILLE AFFAIR; A FEW ERRORS AND A FEW FACTS

Danville, Ill., July 29.—Special—A more important matter than the acts of the lynching at Danville Saturday night is, how has it been accepted by the people of that town? Lately we have been hearing a good deal about race wars in many places; there is a notion among many that a movement for the extermination of the negro is starting here in the north; and good people fear as to where this will lead if it is allowed to gather more headway.

What were the feelings of the strong people of Danville in this matter? It is important to know this, for if those we call the strong people are against the negro to the extent that they call his life outside the forms prescribed by law then the colored man is in a bad way. The presumption is that the people of Danville are much like those of other towns here in Illinois; they have a good town, they are progressive, they are awake, up and doing. It is important to know how the mob and

the negroes are viewed in such a community.

#### WAS NO RACE WAR.

Right at the start it should be clearly understood there was no race war in Danville Saturday night. It is true that dispatches to that effect were sent the city papers, but there is no controlling the story that will be sent out from a town after the special correspondents get their typewriters moving. The aim of too many of them is to make what they call a "good story," one that will have big headlines put over it, and nearly always there is a stretching of the facts to get this. The real story from Danville Saturday night was strong enough, there was no need to get entirely away from the truth and call it a race war.

#### NEGROES IN CROWDS.

Thousands of people stayed up in Danville Saturday night. Early in the morning after the big mob that surrounded the jail was dispersed there were dozens of smaller crowds rushing about town. These were at least noisy people, perhaps some of them were excited. These crowds were composed of negroes and white men, in many of them there were specimens of both. In the crowd that surrounded the jail there were negroes, though it is not known that these took any active part in the assaults that were made. Yet the negroes were running around all that night with the whites, and the negroes did not feel the least alarm.

The wrath or devilry of that mob

was directed against individuals, and not against color. There is nothing that is plainer than this, and yet they sent out a story of a race war.

#### WAY IT STARTED.

And the public was misinformed as to the starting point of this mob movement. The story should be put right.

Henry Gatterman was a popular German butcher man about 25 years old who lives on the east side of town. He was a single man, was industrious, genial and always had been a man of good habits. Saturday evening he was in a saloon on the east side to get a glass of beer.

#### BAD NIGGER WITH GUN.

On the east side that night was what is always denominated in Danville a "bad nigger." He was from Evansville, was a general tough character and was equipped with a gun. This bad nigger was lording it over the people he met; he was full of hell and it was on top in him. He came across Gatterman outside this saloon. There was a difference between the two men, this was followed by a clinch and in the breakaway Gatterman was shot to death.

The police got the bad nigger and started with him to the jail. There was a crowd on the square listening to a band concert. The patrol wagon could not get through the crowd to the jail so the prisoner was taken to the cells in the city hall. Gatterman's friends on the east side formed them-

selves in a hurry to go after the bad nigger and lynch him. They got to the city hall a short time after Mayfield, the bad nigger was taken there.

#### MINERS IN TOWN.

Saturday was pay day in the mines about Danville; that night the miners to the number of a couple of thousand were in Danville. All of these had money and most of them had a few drinks ahead. These fell in with the few friends of Gatterman and the crowd became big. The miners wanted a hand in the lynching. Then there was the addition of the spectators, and in this way several thousand people were got together.

Those at police headquarters say they could not overcome the mob that gathered. The chief and several officers were there, and next door was a police house. The opinion of the citizens

of Danville is that not much resistance was offered the mob at police headquarters. No shots were fired there, not even a club was used. The bad nigger was got, was probably killed in headquarters, then his body was dragged through the streets and was later burned near the jail.

That was a taste of blood for the crowd. Then it was that some one suggested there was another bad nigger in jail, one who was accused of ravishing a woman the day before at Alvin,

a place about ten miles north of Danville. Of course there was a march on the jail which was just across the street, to get this other bad nigger. It was then that Sheriff Hardy Whitlock got himself into action and beat the mob off.

#### SHERIFF'S BRAVE WORK.

The performance of Sheriff Whitlock was full of merit. He is a cool man and one of nerve. For almost five hours he held that mob at bay and twice he drove it away after it had partly beaten in two doors of the jail. Almost all of this time he was on the outside of the jail, in plain view of the mob. Twice he was struck by a stone, and yet he did not lose his temper for a moment. He fired a good many shots that night, possibly as many as ten, but every time he took precautions to keep from killing anybody.

The mob had a railroad rail about sixty feet long with which it was attempting to break in the jail doors. This was handled by thirty men, maybe forty. Of course no doors could withstand that. The sheriff was on the front porch of the jail when the assault was made on a side door. He rushed through the house and got behind that threatened door. He called to the men to desist, telling them he would shoot. They refused. The door was bent in the lower part, where the rail was striking it. Through the small opening the sheriff fired a couple of shots to scare the men away, not aiming to hit any one. They would not

quit.

The door was opened a little wider by the rail and then the sheriff grabbed a gun. In this were shells that were loaded with Nos. 4, 5 and 6 shot. He pointed the gun down the rail, where the men's hands had hold of it, and fired. There was a yell and the rail was dropped, half the men were wounded in the hands. Later there was a similar performance at the front door of the jail and the sheriff again beat off the mob in the same way. As soon as he had beaten the mob each time he immediately went out in front and talked to the excited men. Twice he got them to take the railroad iron away.

The first reports indicated the sheriff had killed a lot of people. No one was killed by him; he was not shooting to kill, he aimed only to wound those who had hold of the railroad rail so they would have to drop it.

#### A SHERIFF IN EARNEST.

But the sheriff was in deadly earnest, and if the mob had got inside that jail he would have shot to kill. He had a few deputies with him and these had instructions as to what they were to do. The mob would have been compelled to beat down five iron doors before it could get to the prisoners. The sheriff's small force could have retreated from one door to the other; at one place it could have taken to an iron stairway and could have defended the door as long as ammunition held out. The sheriff's force had instructions to

defend to the last. Sheriff Whitlock said to the men, "If we do our duty no mob can ever get into this jail, and we are here to do our duty."

There was only one way to get into that jail, that was to dynamite the building from the outside. There was a report that this was to be done, that men had gone after dynamite. That did not frighten the sheriff; he said the mob was too cowardly to do anything of that kind.

### THEY WERE HOODLUMS.

Now as to the quality of the men who made up the mob attacking the jail. Sheriff Whitlock says they were hoodlums, nearly all of them. He was afraid to let them in the jail; he thought they might loot the place. His family was there and he believed it was in danger. He said:

"I got out in front and made several talks to the mob; I would not have been any good inside, if I was to have influence it was necessary for me to be outside where I could talk to the men. When they were driven back I went out to talk to them. They fell back a few feet, just across the street and then they began to throw stones at the building. That act characterized the mob, it is always the hoodlum that thinks of throwing stones. All the windows in the jail were broken out, that was the spirit of loot that was

in the mob. It wanted to destroy property.

#### SIX NEGROES IN DANGER.

"In the jail I had six negroes, and two of them were serving out a sentence of a few days for some trivial offense. That mob would have hung all the six negroes if it could get in.

"I was not afraid that any one in the mob would shoot me. It takes some courage to fire a gun in such a place, especially at an officer. The man would have to raise his gun to fire and in doing this many would have seen him. There was no one there to take that chance. It was an easier matter to throw a stone and it was more in accordance with the inclination of the people in that mob.

#### SOLDIERS NOT INSULTED.

The sheriff had the mob pretty well beaten off by 3 o'clock in the morning. Several hours later the soldier bays of the Seventh regiment got on the ground and then all was quiet. There were stories that the people stood across the street and jeered the soldiers. The militia men report there was nothing of this kind, that no one said anything out of the way to them. That was just another piece from the imagination of the special staff correspondents who had gathered.

There is talk that after the soldiers leave the mob will form again to make another assault on the jail. The sheriff does not believe that anything of this kind will occur.

As to the quality of the mob that got the bad nigger at police headquarters, some spectators report it was in part a little better than was that which gathered about the jail. In the first mob were some of Gatterman's friends, and these were a better class of people. It is also said the leaders of this were more determined than were those who assaulted the jail. But there were only a few of these friends of Gatterman; for the most part that first mob was made up of hoodlums.

#### STAND BY SHERIFF.

What do the people of Danville say about the act of the sheriff in defending the jail against the mob? It is reported that almost without exception the substantial men of the town commend the sheriff for his acts. He played his part in a brave way, and maybe this in part accounts for the good words that are now said for him.

On the other hand there is another class of people in Danville who criticize the sheriff, but in this entire class you find only a couple of men who are put down as substantial.

The resistance offered at police headquarters was at least not a strenuous article. There is some criticism of this, though not much of it. A few have spoken out and said the police are to be blamed severely for what happened; but really most of the people are not distressed on account of what occurred at police headquarters that night.

#### NEGRO'S STANDING.

The situation, as may be gathered from this, is a mixed one in Danville. To understand it at all one must try to arrive at the standing of the negro in that town.

The truth is that the negro does not stand very well in Danville just at this time, not nearly as well as he stands in Decatur. A good many say that politics has played a part in this. The negro has the balance of political power in Danville and he has been coached to use it for all it is worth. In the town there is a negro militia company; this is spoken of as a Governor Yates' institution. It is spectacular recognition of the negro, worked up by the Yates adherents to get the colored man's votes when the next crisis comes in the governor's political career.

It was thought necessary to do something to offset the influence of this militia company. The result is that the other side has set up a negro fire department, there is one fire house at which there are only negroes.

#### "NIGGER" PARADISE.

Word has gone out over the country, so many Danville people say, that Dan-

ville is a "nigger paradise," the result being that many objectionable specimens of that race have headed into that town. The bad nigger from Evansville who had a gun, went wrong in the head and started all this trouble, is

said to be but one of many similar illustrations of the coming of undesirable material.

There is another thing; too many of the Danville negroes have to be purchased on election day. This has been done openly for a long time; there is no question about it, there is no denial of it. This has had an influence on the mind of the white man.

#### "BAD NIGGER."

Then there is the "bad nigger" who gets to be aggressive and offensive in his manner, and this is said to come as a result of too much recognition. That specimen is said to be plentiful in Danville. The outcome of all of it is that the negro is not liked in Danville unless he is an upright fellow who will work, behave himself and tend to his own business. If he is that kind of negro he is all right in that town; he will not be molested and there are plenty who will fight for him.

But if he is a "bad nigger" he is taking chances in Danville now, and he is in greater danger than the bad white man. Of course no one is wasting any love on the white man who is bad, here or any other place, but there is a growing feeling that you have to deal more quickly with the colored man in the same condition of cussedness.

Take the negro Mayfield who was killed and burned Saturday night. The substantial men who have been spoken of are glad he is out of the way; some of them will tell you so. They deplore

the fact the thing was done in such a way as to attract the attention of the

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state and bring a stain upon the name of the town; they tell you it is that annoys them, not that the bad nigger was got out of the way in a hurry.

#### SOMETHING COMING.

And there are some substantial men in Danville who express the belief that this thing will run on until there will be an uprising in the town that will be followed by a "cleaning out" of the bad niggers. Danville rather expects something of that kind.

Not all negroes in Danville are opposed to what was done Saturday night. One of them made this remark.

"A niggah got no business runnin' around in this town with a gun; a niggah is in no danger here if he behaves himself."

James Wilson is the name of the negro who is in jail and that the mob wanted. In the opinion of many he is in for ravishing a white woman. At present there is at least grave doubt as to how far this negro went. He says that he was beating his way back to Bloomington, that he was hungry and out of money, that he had been refused food at many places, that finally he went into this woman's house to steal something to eat. The woman was away, but as the negro turned to leave she showed up in the doorway.

She grabbed him to detain him; he pushed her and she fell and screamed. He ran. The negro had assaulted the woman and soon this word assault was taken to mean ravish, and it was with this construction that the news spread. A reform is needed in the use of that word assault.

Sheriff Whitlock says that he asked the postmaster at Alvin to learn if Mrs. Burgess, the white woman, had been ravished. The postmaster reported that she had not been, that the act

of the negro was only assault and battery.

#### ALVIN PEOPLE NOT THERE.

News of the trouble at Danville got to Alvin Saturday night. A crowd in the little village organized to go down to Danville and help the mob in its attack on the jail. When this was learned the railroad authorities were advised and they refused to stop the train in Alvin that night. In this way the Alvin people were kept out of mob.

#### Glasscock-Gehrig Wedding.

The marriage of Miss Frankie A. Glasscock to Frank T. Gehrig occurred at the home of the groom, 1002 West Clark street, Urbana, Tuesday night at eight o'clock, Rev. O. K. Doney officiating.

The bride is a well known and accomplished lady of Mattoon and the

groom is a man of business integrity of this city. This marriage will come as a great surprise to the friends of both parties, as was intended it should.

The wedding was a very quiet affair, there being none present but the contracting parties, the witnesses, Mrs. J. W. Taylor and Mr. Joseph L. Ingle of Mattoon, and the minister, Rev. O. K. Doney. At the close of the ceremony refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Gehrig left yesterday for an extended visit to Mattoon with friends and relatives of the bride, after which they will return to this city to make their home. Their many friends extend best wishes for their prosperity and happiness.

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# AN INDIANA CITY IS STORMED BY A MOB

**Race Riots Spread a Reign of  
Terror in Evansville.**

## LYNCHING IS THREATENED

**White Men Search Jail for Negro  
Murderer of a Policeman in  
Vain—The Colored Popula-  
tion Is Armed.**

Evansville, Ind., July 6.—Race prej-  
udice between blacks and whites  
brought on a reign of terror here Sun-  
day which has not ended. All of Sun-  
day night and all day armed mobs  
threatened the lives of citizens.  
Gun stores were broken open and  
weapons and ammunition were seized  
by blacks and whites, the county jail

is partly wrecked and an angry mob of 2,000 whites broke in to hunt for a black victim, the wall was forced with a battering ram, negro dives were ransacked, and shot to pieces in the search for the blacks, and an armed company of drilled blacks marched through the streets threatening the lives of all whites. The governor ordered out troops to protect property and quell the disturbance, but they have not yet arrived. At daylight Monday morning 300 armed white men started for the powder magazine near the city to secure explosives with which they declared they will blow up the entire negro colony of Baptist town, a suburb of the city.

#### **Cause of the Trouble.**

The trouble, which has been brewing for months, came to a crisis Friday, when Lee Brown, a negro, shot and killed Patrolman Massey, who was trying to arrest him while bent on the murder of a man with whom he had quarreled. Threats of vengeance were followed by the surrounding of the jail. The negro was secretly removed from the city Sunday and taken to Vincennes. Patrolman Massey died in terrible agony and Sunday morning the crowds refused to credit statements of the officials that the negro was not in the jail and began threatening as it increased. Twenty-five policemen were mobilized in the jail and repulsed the first attempts to force an entrance after the gates were crushed in. A telephone pole was used as a battering ram and the jail windows gave way. A committee was appointed to search for the negro, but its report that he was not there was not believed and after forcing a breach the mob poured into the corridors. Finding its victim gone, there was a cry of "kill the negroes," and arms were demanded.

A company of armed negroes, aroused by the race troubles, marched

aroused by the race troubles, marched through the streets shouting "down with the whites," and threatening death to all if the negro was lynched. This started a rush for the gun stores by the whites. Three were broken open and 400 rifles and revolvers, with ammunition, were seized.

#### **Mob Arm Themselves.**

The mob, after leaving the jail on finding that the negro Brown was gone, broke into several gun stores, and, after thoroughly arming, all rushed through the streets hunting negroes. The armed company of negroes had disappeared. All blacks fled the streets, and, failing to find victims, the resort of Budd Fruit was visited and shot to pieces. It is a well-known hang-out. Whether any were killed there is not known yet.

Throughout the night officials have been powerless. The negroes, after the first armed display of resistance, scattered, and have not made a stand since. They are flying in terror. Thousands of shots were fired during the night.

#### **Governor Appealed To.**

The governor was appealed to, and ordered out the militia, but it has not appeared as yet. Three gun stores are demolished, the jail is partly wrecked, glass in a hundred buildings is broken, and a spirit of revenge on the part of the whites and the sullen resistance, if cornered, on the part of the blacks, is manifest. The governor was appealed to a second time, and is expected to take action immediately, to avoid further bloodshed.

All was quiet Monday morning, and there were no signs of the mob violence that agitated the population all of Sunday night. Business is moving in the even tenor of its way. A trip in the business section reveals the fact that much damage was done to numerous stores, especially to the hardware houses, many of which were entered and

robbed of guns and ammunition. Thousands of shots were fired during the night, but so far as learned no one was killed, although numbers of people are said to be wounded.

Several negroes were caught by mobs and almost beaten to death before the police could save them.

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Metamora, Woodford county has regular Saturday evening concerts given by the village band.

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**Put your want ads. in The Courier.**

# CITIZEN ROBBED

**Geo. Lambert Grabbed by  
Two Blacks and Relieved  
of His Valuables.**

**HOLD UP OCCURRED  
EARLY SUNDAY NIGHT**

**No Trace of the Negroes Who Rob-  
bed Citizen Has Been Found  
by the Police.**

Jeweler J. R. Nelson, of West Main street was brought hurriedly to his front door about 7:30 o'clock Sunday night by the continued pealing of the bell. There on the doorstep he found George Lambert, an elderly man who was in a sad state of agitation. He was breathing hard and he was breathless. It was some time before he could gasp:

"I've been help up and robbed by two negroes. They took all my money. I want to use your telephone

to call up the police."

Mr. Nelson replied that he had no telephone, but referred him to the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. J. T. Miller, residing on the corner of Main and Lincoln streets. The old man ran to this house and in a few minutes Mr. Nelson secured his hat and coat and followed. An effort to get the police over the telephone was unsuccessful and in company with Mr. Nelson, Mr. Lambert came to town and went to headquarters where the alarm was given. When a Courier reporter visited police headquarters this morning to secure particulars of the hold up, Chief McKinney said he had to go out on the West Side on business and could not give the paperman the desired information at that time. He referred him to Esquire Herrigan and the magistrate wanted it kept out of the paper until the police could "get a clue." Officer Philips gave considerable of the desired information and through another tip the reporter finally got the whole of the story from Mr. J. R. Nelson, who very obligingly and in a clear, connected manner gave the following account of the hold up:

"After Lambert came to my house, and we had gone to Mr. Miller's residence and telephoned, we went back to the rear of the Miller home, where the robbery occurred, in search of his hat. It was found in the alley where the two negroes had pulled him into Gordon's garden.

"Mr. Lambert told me of the robbery in full. He stated that he is employed in sewer work in Cham-nalen and that last night while en-

route home, going south on Lincoln he saw two negroes, one short, the other tall, following him. He slowed up and they went ahead. When they reached the rear of the Miller residence, where a high board fence runs just in the rear of his barn, they stopped and began talking in loud tones in regard to the address of a certain negro woman which had been given them. As Mr. Lambert passed he grew suspicious of the men and edged off. He told them that there was a negro house across the street, which was probably what they were looking for. At that moment the small man shouted "grab him," and the bigger one did so. He clutched him tightly around the waist and arms and used his coat to smother the cry he attempted to utter. Then the smaller one struck him in the stomach. He was dragged back into the darkness back of the barn and robbed of something over \$13 in bills and silver and a certificate of deposit for \$75 on the Busey bank. Then the men pushed him down and fled."

The police have been working upon the case but very few traces of the men have been found. At the Kirby lunch stand two strange negroes answering the description, came about 8 o'clock and purchased a sandwich, each.

Lambert says the smaller man wore a brown cap and was lighter in color than the big one. The larger robber had a heavy mustach, which seemed to protrude upwards in a German fashion.

It was thought last night that the



two robbers may have come over  
from Danville and the Interurban  
trains were watched. They did not  
board, however, and nothing has been  
heard or seen of them.

# NEGRO RACE INCREASES

## Illinois Population Grows the Census Bureau Says.

Figures Showing the Illiteracy of This Element Are Also Furnished in the Same Connection.

The negro population in the state and in Champaign county is on the increase. The national census report on the negro and his illiteracy is out, and many facts relating to him in Illinois are given. In some of the southern counties of the state the negro population is close to half of the total.

The per cent of negro population in the total population in Illinois counties in which there is one or more negroes to 100 is given below.

### PER CENT OF TOTAL.

	1900	1890	1880
Adams .. . . .	3.4	3.3	3.2
Alexander .. . . .	32.6	29.5	30.8
Champaign .. . . .	1.2	1.0	1.1
Cook .. . . .	1.7	1.3	1.1
Gallatin .. . . .	4.0	4.4	5.2
Jackson .. . . .	6.3	5.6	6.8
Kane .. . . .	0.8	0.9	1.2
Knox .. . . .	2.0	2.3	2.5
McLean .. . . .	1.6	1.5	1.1
Macon .. . . .	1.5	1.6	1.1
Madison .. . . .	4.4	4.7	5.4
Marion .. . . .	1.7	1.6	1.3
Massac .. . . .	16.4	13.7	16.3
Morgan .. . . .	3.3	3.1	3.0
Peoria .. . . .	1.7	1.4	0.9
Perry .. . . .	3.6	3.9	4.8
Pope .. . . .	5.1	5.2	4.3

Pulaski .....	40.0	51.0	02.7
Randolph .....	4.8	4.5	5.1
Rock Island .....	1.1	0.9	1.4
St. Clair .....	4.6	3.7	4.2
Saline .....	4.0	4.1	3.7
Sangamon .....	4.3	3.8	3.4
Vermillion .....	1.7	0.9	0.5
White .....	2.1	2.4	2.3
Will .....	1.7	0.8	1.3
Williamson .....	2.2	0.0	1.3
State as whole .....	1.8	1.5	1.5

**ILLITERACY.**

The per cent of illiterate in the negro population in 1900 was as follows:

	At least 10 years	Males of voting age
Adams .....	26.2	31.0
Alexander .....	32.1	36.3
Champaign .....	14.3	13.2
Cook .....	7.7	5.8
Gallatin .....	31.6	42.6
Jackson .....	23.7	24.8
Kane .....	16.1	21.1
Knox .....	21.0	24.6
McLean .....	10.7	21.8
Macon .....	13.7	19.2
Madison .....	25.8	30.8
Marion .....	23.0	24.5
Massac .....	30.8	36.4
Morgan .....	22.0	23.8
Peoria .....	18.1	19.1
Perry .....	20.3	34.5
Pope .....	38.1	39.8
Pulaski .....	31.5	38.4
Randolph .....	23.9	38.4
Rock Island .....	17.0	17.4
St. Clair .....	26.8	30.4
Saline .....	20.2	38.8
Sangamon .....	18.4	21.1
Vermillion .....	27.8	33.1
White .....	22.4	27.6
Will .....	18.2	19.4
Williamson .....	11.4	14.5
State as whole .....	18.1	18.7

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# DEPUTY HAS MAN

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**Roughton Brings Back Harry  
Taylor After Much  
Trouble.**

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## URBANA NEGRO GOT OUT OF MISSOURI JAIL

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**Identified There by Big Dog He  
Is Charged With  
Stealing.**

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Deputy Sheriff W. H. Roughton returned from a trip of several days Friday evening, bringing with him Harry Taylor, a negro in demand here to answer to a charge of grand larceny.

Since Sunday the deputy had been after the man and when he was given over to the care of Jailor Jenkins the returned official heaved a sigh of relief and pleasure.

Monday the prisoner will have a hearing before Justice Sims. The charge of larceny is preferred against him by Jerry Mitchell, who claims that Taylor absconded with money.

clothes and a big dog. As Taylor was identified at Memphis, Mo., by means of this dog, appearances look bad for him.

The negro effected his escape from the jail at Memphis by getting out through the roof. The structure is a log one and once there was a jail delivery, the fugitives cutting a hole in the roof. The Missourians closed the gap with a piece of sheet iron which the Urbana negro was able to pry in some manner.

Taylor is well known in Memphis, his home, and the negroes clubbed together to secure an attorney for him and Deputy Roughton was not on easy seat while he was awaiting the requisition papers. Taylor's friends were planning to get him out on habeas corpus proceedings when the prisoner escaped.

The sheriff at Centerville, Ia., nearly lost the man, for Taylor convinced him he was mistaken in his identity, but some one informed the sheriff that this was the man he wanted and he nailed him.

At Memphis the officials declared the negro had a bad reputation and had been in several mixups.

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# SISTER OF R. C. HICKS

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**Assaulted and Murdered by a  
Negro Fiend in State of  
Louisiana.**

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**MR. HICKS GOES TO SCENE**

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**Telegram Received Yesterday  
Says Little Girl Will Prob-  
ably Live.**

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R. C. Hicks, yardmaster of the Peoria and Eastern at this point, went to Shreveport, La., Sunday night, leaving here on the 11:21 o'clock passenger. Mr. Hicks' mission was one of the saddest that ever man went on. Within his pocket he carried a telegram which announced the murder of his sister and the injury of her little daughter by a negro fiend.

Sunday morning Mr. Hicks received a telegram from Shreveport which told him of the terrible tragedy. A brief dispatch in The Courier that morning and dispatches in the Chicago Sunday papers told him more of what had happened. Mr. Hicks and his family were terribly shocked by the news. Mr. Hicks determined to leave at once for Shreveport to attend the funeral, which will be held at Somerset, Ky., Wednesday.

The ten year old daughter, Aline, may live, according to a telegram received yesterday by Mrs. Hicks. The telegram stated that the child was rational and that her recovery was hoped for. Mr. Hicks and his family here have the sympathy of the community in the tragedy which has cast its shadow across their threshold. This dispatch in the Sunday Inter-Ocean tells the best story of the murder:

SHREVEPORT, La., April 11.—Mrs. Alice Matthews, aged 48 years, wife of Frank Matthews, a well-known civil engineer, was brutally murdered in her bed early this morning by a negro who, it is believed, outraged his victim before slaying her. The woman's little daughter, Aline, aged 10, was fatally wounded. An axe was the instrument employed in both cases. Ed Porter, a negro strongly suspected of the crime, was shot to death by two police sergeants while attempting to escape. He had been run down at a point about five miles from Shreveport.

The discovery of the crime was made at 5:30 o'clock this morning by a servant who entered the bedroom of Mrs. Matthews. The unfortunate woman, who was almost hacked to pieces, had been dead for some time. Her daughter was still alive when the servant entered. Entrance was effected through a side window, and, although

there were fifteen persons in the house, which is situated in the very heart of the residence district of Shreveport, no one heard a single suspicious sound during the night.

The skull of Mrs. Matthews was crushed. The child's skull was fractured, her chest crushed, and shoulder lacerated. Mrs. Matthews wore a diamond ring and diamond earrings, which were not touched by the murderer, and three pocket books containing money were in the room, showing that criminal assault furnished the motive for the crime. An axe covered with blood and hair was found in the kitchen.

Bloodhounds took up the trail, but lost it after going a short distance. A Kansas City Southern engineer notified the police of the appearance of a negro covered with blood on the tracks of the railroad, and a posse was organized to hunt him down.

The posse separated and Sergeants Gerald and Roquemore soon came upon the negro. He made a desperate dash for a ravine, and the officers fired four shots at him, two of which took effect in his back, killing him instantly. The negro's clothing was covered with blood and his shoes fitted the bloody footprints in the kitchen of the Matthews home. His name is Ed Porter and he is well known in Shreveport.

#### **Howard Withdraws in the Second Ward.**

Feeling that I wish my ward to be properly represented in the council and believing that my candidacy would cause the defeat of both myself and Mr. Vanwegen, I hereby withdraw in his favor.

Geo. D. Howard.

#### **Funeral of James Worley.**

The funeral of the late James Worley will be held at the First Methodist church this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Rev. J. W. Miller will conduct the ser-  
vices.

# | CUT "BRAKIE'S" SHOULDER |

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## Two Negroes Attack a Big Four Employee.

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All Happened at West End Park—Assailants  
Escape While their Victim Is Being  
Taken to Hospital

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W. H. McKay, a Big Four brakeman, is now at the Julia F. Burnham hospital, suffering from wounds inflicted on him by two negroes at West End park Saturday night. McKay seems to have been entirely inoffensive in the matter. The colored men have disappeared and the Champaign police have been unable to get any trace of them.

According to the story told by the victim he went to the park Saturday evening in company with two other Big Four employes, and George Williams, a colored employe about the grounds, attempted to prevent his entering the pavilion. McKay stepped aside to avoid trouble with the negro and bumped into another gentleman of African extraction. David Roy, the second negro, drew a knife and inflicted a deep flesh wound on McKay's shoulder. While these two were engaged witnesses say that Williams approached from behind and dealt the brakeman a stunning blow over the head with a club. The two negroes then made their escape and their victim was taken to the hospital.

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# GOOD IN CRAP GAME, HE COULDN'T "SHOOT" AT ALL

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**Lewis Gilbert Fires at Inter-  
urban Work Car.**

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**BUT DOESN'T HIT A MAN.**

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**Animus of Attack Said to Have  
Been Crap Game—Warrant  
Is Out for His  
Arrest.**

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Lewis Gilbert, a colored laborer on the interurban, is a better "shooter" with the dice than with a gun. He shot into a work car full of people yesterday morning and proved his lack of skill with the revolver, by not hitting a soul.

Gilbert's attempt to precipitate an

Gilbert's attempt to precipitate an "inter-race war" created the liveliest sort of a time. Because Henry Harris, the burly negro foreman on the electric line had "done him dirt" Gilbert laid plans for revenge which, fortunately, failed.

### MISSED THEM ALL.

The interurban car, full of laborers was going out of the city yesterday morning about six o'clock and had just reached the Wabash crossing on Main street, when Gilbert appeared from hiding. Without wasting any time in preliminaries, the negro leveled the gun at the car and began to shoot. A panic among the laborers ensued. They left the car by the nearest egress and huddled behind it to dodge the bullets which were singing by. Strange as it may seem, not a shot took effect.

Loading his revolver, which had been exhausted of cartridges by the fusillade, the negro started to run away. The workmen boarded the car again and went on to work, mentally shaking hands with themselves over their narrow escape. Gilbert was seen to run north, going through the brick yards and out into the country north of the lake.

### WARRANT OUT.

Henry Harris, at whom the shots are supposed to have been directed, came to Urbana in the morning and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Gilbert. Henry is a masculine looking person who sways the negroes beneath his rule with a rod of iron. The officers kept a lookout for Gilbert and notified the Champaign police. It was thought that when night came he

might appear and make more trouble.

Gilbert's venom is attributed to Harris's action in breaking up a "crap" game. It is reported that Gilbert won quite a sum of money by means of some "bones" which were taken away from him and found to be "loaded." In addition to losing the "bones" and money he had won, it is said he was discharged. Wherefore he sought revenge.

Little is known about the negro except his name.

# THE SMALLPOX SITUATION

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## Are Four Cases in City of Urbana Now.

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### Champaign Aroused Over Danger and Health Board Holds a Special Meeting to Talk it Over.

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The smallpox situation has caused much alarm in Champaign where the board of health has held a special meeting to consider the matter. Exaggerated reports regarding the spread of the disease prevailed until yesterday. There have been a number of new cases in Champaign but no ways near what has been reported.

Urbana so far has been very fortunate. There are only four cases at present and all but one of the patients are doing well. The board of health has not taken any action as yet, although the members advise vaccination and state that a compulsory order to school children should be made by the board of education. The Champaign board of health met Sunday night. It was decided to ask all physicians to fumigate their offices, to order fumigated all halls and places where the public congregated, to urge the necessity of vaccination and to urge every precaution against the spread of the pest.

The board passed a resolution which was embodied in a letter and addressed to each physician in Champaign. The letter is as follows:

## Physicians and Surgeons, Champaign, Illinois:

At a special meeting of the board of health of the city of Champaign held April 5, 1903, the following resolution was adopted:

That all physicians shall report promptly all acute eruptive diseases including measles, scarlet fever, rothelm, diphtheria, smallpox, chickenpox and erthema multiforma to the health officer, and that extra precaution be taken to prevent the spread of smallpox.

All suspects will be temporarily quarantined.

By order of the Board of Health,  
C. D. STEVENS,  
City Clerk.

There are several suspects in Champaign and their homes have been placed under quarantine. Visitors to the McClughen home at 501 South Prairie street are among the suspects. When Otto McClughen, a shop employed died, it had been supposed that his death was due to measles. Since his widow developed smallpox, it is believed that he died from the pest.

Miss Della Frazier, a saleslady, who called at the McClughen home just before Mrs. McClughen broke out, is a suspect. She lives at 410 West Green street.

Representatives of the family of J. W. Henderson, corner of Healey and Elm streets, and of the family of C. Harris, 511 South Randolph street, were also visitors at the McClughen home and these families have also been quarantined. The Gehrke family at Walnut and Washington streets was quarantined last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Gehrke has the disease.

M. F. Endicott, recent candidate for the republican nomination for alderman in the First ward, is sus-

pected and a danger card was put up on his house, Sixth and Vine streets, Sunday evening.

A sick negro from Cairo arrived in Champaign Saturday night and his presence did not help matters any. Sunday he was sent to Supervisor Babb, who in turn sent him to Dr. Mandeville. The latter kept him in his barn until 7 o'clock. Sun- night and then sent him to the pest house.

A man named Fairfield on the Burn- ham farm just outside the city lim- its, northwest, is also afflicted.

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# NEGLECT; EXPOSURE

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**Coroner's Jury Fixes Cause  
of Negro Baby's Death  
in Urbana.**

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**PROBABLE PROSECUTION  
OF UNNATURAL MOTHER**

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**She May be Brought Back to Ur-  
bana After She Has Re-  
gained Her Health.**

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The coroner's jury of Cham-  
paign county, called to hold an inquest  
over the body of the negro baby which  
died a few hours after being found  
on the railroad tracks in the city of  
Urbana, find that the infant came to  
its death through neglect and owing to  
exposure.

Such was the substance of the cor-  
oner's jury verdict reached late Wed-  
nesday afternoon in the case of the  
negro baby which has lain at the Fox  
morgue since its death Tuesday morn-

ing. The child was given a respectable burial today.

It is probable that Bertha McKiver, mother of the child, who is said to have confessed to throwing the infant from the car window in Urbana, will be brought back to Urbana from Danville and prosecuted, just as soon as she recovers her health. The matter has been placed by the coroner in the hands of Sheriff Clark and some definite action in the matter may be made in a few days. It is thought by the coroner and different officers that the woman should be prosecuted if only as an example to others.

#### SHERIFF AND STATE'S ATTORNEY GO TO DANVILLE.

Sheriff Clark and State's Attorney Coggeshall left at noon for Danville. There they will see the woman and question her regarding the birth of the child and its desertion in Urbana and secure from her all details possible. If she is well enough to travel they will bring her back to Urbana and place her in jail. If not they will place her under guard and call for her later.

The sheriff was armed with a state's warrant for the woman. It is not positively known what it charges, but it is said to charge murder in the second degree.

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# HE FEARS BLOODHOUNDS

## Urbana Negro Is Found to Be Insane.

W. H. Lewis, a well known colored plasterer of Urbana, was tried in county court Monday for insanity. A jury found him to be crazy and ordered him sent to the insane asylum.

Lewis imagines something is pursuing him. It is generally blood-bloodhounds that he sees.

All other cases were continued in county court.

## East End Team Wins.

The east end foot ball team of Urbana and the Sluggers of Champaign played an exciting game on the lot south of the old fair grounds Sunday, the Urbana team winning by a score of 5 to 0. Ossie Carpenter made the touchdown.

## Enjoy a Banquet.

Students and professors of the University, who belong to the Masonic lodge, gave a banquet in the Urbana lodge rooms on Saturday night. A large crowd was present and the evening was enjoyably spent.

Where's the flour? Where's the sugar? Everywhere; anywhere; that is if you haven't a McDougall Kitchen Cabinet. It holds everything you use in the kitchen. Of course Gilmore &

Johnston sell them.

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George Conrad Habermeyer of Elgin, aged 29 years, and Miss Ira Ether Mercer of Champaign, aged 30, were licensed to wed Monday.

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Notice—All persons indebted to the Urbana Transfer Co. are requested to settle before Nov. 25, 1905. O. E. Shore, Mgr. 13nov19

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Call at Gilmore & Johnston's and ask to see the McDougall line of kitchen cabinets. They are recognized by all to be the best. See them and you will be convinced. Large purchases have given us an advantage in price which enables us to mark our goods lower. tf

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The late Adolf Hedin was known as "the father of the riksdag," having represented Stockholm as a liberal during thirty-six sessions.

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Put your wants in The Courier.

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# CRIMINAL WEEK NOW ON IN CIRCUIT COURT

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**Deckert Cass Principal One  
of Docket.**

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## NEGRO IS DISCHARGED

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**John Bigelow is Freed—Mrs.  
Cora McCormick Denied Di-  
vorce— Must Keep His  
Name—Court Orders.**

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The criminal docket of the April term of circuit court began Monday morning with prospects of an uneventful week. With the exception of the Deckert case there is none of much interest.

### NEGRO DISCHARGED.

John Bigelow, the Champaign negro who was indicted for an alleged attempt to rob a man in a stairway in Champaign, was discharged. Bigelow had been out on bond furnished by re-

putable citizens of Champaign who say that Bigelow has always borne an excellent reputation.

Claude Summerlin, the printer who was charged with burglary tried to have his indictment quashed but failed.

#### DENIED DIVORCE.

Mrs. Cora McCormick has been denied a divorce from her husband, John R. McCormick. Mrs. McCormick alleged extreme and repeated cruelty but was unable to produce sufficient evidence to satisfy the court.

In chancery a decree of foreclosure of \$1,400 has been entered against Mrs. Susan C. Day in favor of the Urbana Home Loan association.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilkinson of Champaign, who wanted the name of their son, Lawrence Egar Wilkinson, changed to Laurence Wilkinson Egar, were denied their petition for want of equity.

The Security Insurance Co. and Joseph W. Smith entered motions for new trials in their cases. Orders were:

#### CRIMINAL DOCKET.

John Bigelow. Assault to rob. Nolle entered by state's attorney and defendant discharged.

Claude W. Summerlin. Burglary. Plea of not guilty withdrawn and motion by defendant to quash indictment. Motion overruled and plea of not guilty entered.

Walter Putnam. Selling liquor to inebriate. Defendant arraigned and plea of guilty to two counts and fined \$20 on each, making \$40 and costs, to stand committed.

Barney Layton. Selling liquors to inebriates. Defendant arraigned and plea of guilty to first count and nolle to other. Fined \$20 and costs to stand committed.

#### CHANCERY.

Cora McCormick vs. James R. McCormick. Divorce. Heard by court. Finding for defendant and suit dismissed for want of equity at complainant's costs.

William M. Cox and Cora L. Cox vs. Shepherd S. Cox, et. al. Partition. Report of commissioners filed and approved and decree of sale.

Urbana Home Loan association vs. Susan C. Day, et. al. Foreclosure. Report of master filed. Decree of foreclosure for \$1,400.84 and costs and master to sell.

James Edward Wilkinson, \_\_\_\_\_  
Egar Wilkinson and Laurence Egar Wilkinson. Expart. Petition to change name. Petition dismissed for want of equity.

Sarah Ryan vs. John Ryan. Divorce. Defendant ordered to pay complainant \$25 as solicitor's fees and \$25 as temporary alimony.

C. C. Gordon vs. Wabash Railroad company. Motion to re-tax costs of witnesses. Cause stricken.

#### COMMON LAW.

Mary M. Harris vs. Security Insurance Co. of New Haven, Conn. Assumpsit. Motion by defendant for new trial.

Joseph W. Smith vs. Champaign County Printing Co. Case. Motion by plaintiff for new trial.

# WAS NEGRO INNOCENT?

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**White Man Suspected of the  
Murder of Mrs. Alice  
Matthews.**

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**EXPECT DEVELOPMENTS.**

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**Remains of Sister of R. C. Hicks  
of Urbana Are Laid to  
Rest.**

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Shreveport, La., April 16.—Evidence is now accumulating that a white man and not a negro is responsible for the shocking murder early Saturday morning of Mrs. Alice Matthews, late of Somerset, Ky., and the attempted murder of her ten-year-old daughter Aline, whose life now hangs by a slender thread.

Should the links in the chain of evi-

dence now being forged by the District Attorney be found complete it will result in the laying bare of the most atrocious crime in the history of the city. This is the more deplorable by reason of the fact it is now generally conceded that Ed Porter, or Albert Washington, the negro summarily executed Saturday, was innocent. Incontrovertible proof of this has been furnished in the identification of Porter or Washington as a negro hand employed on the plantation of Mr. Cal Vance, some 10 miles from the city.

#### **Worn by the Negro.**

Articles of clothing worn by the dead negro were indentified by Mr. Vance as belonging to the man who left the plantation for Shreveport early Saturday morning, and before there was any general knowledge of the crime. Porter, or Washington, was discovered early in the afternoon of the day mentioned by a party of citizens and police officers on the track of the Kansas City Southern Road, at a point about five miles south of the town, and halted. His clothing was blood-splotted, and when his attention was called to this the negro turned and ran. The posse fired, killing him. The blood-splotted clothing has been accounted for by the statement of Mr. Vance that the man had been engaged that very morning in slaughtering cattle. What was taken as evidence of his guilt was the man's death warrant.

#### **Heard a Scream.**

New light has been shed on the affair by the statement of Mrs. Phillips, a boarder of Mrs. E. L. Kirk, whose house is immediately behind the Matthews home, that on the night of the murder, when up with a sick child, she heard a scream from the direction of

the Matthews home, and, looking out of the window, saw a man emerge from the back of the Matthews home, button up his coat, and run out of the back way and into the alley. At the time she believed it was young Matthews, and that he was going for a doctor for someone ill in the house.

Mrs. Phillips is positive that it was a white man. The name of a certain man has been given the District Attorney, and a careful investigation is being made of all the circumstances bearing on the case, in view of which an arrest may be looked for within the next 24 hours, should results justify the suspicions.

#### **Funeral at Somerset.**

Somerset, Ky., April 16.—The body of Mrs. Frank Matthews, murdered in Shreveport, La., arrived here Wednesday and after impressive funeral services at the Presbyterian church the interment took place in the Somerset Cemetery.

She was a daughter of the late Judge Simeon Hicks and was one of the most beautiful and accomplished young women in Somerset. Her mother, Mrs. Mary Hicks, and brother, S. W. Hicks, a prominent merchant, reside here. Mrs. Hicks was preparing to leave on a visit to her daughter when the news of the terrible murder reached here.

#### **High Scores Made.**

Kansas City, Mo., April 16.—The grand American handicap at inanimate targets was shot at Blue River park Thursday. It was the principal event of the Interstate association's fourth annual tournament, and proved one of the biggest in the history of the sport. Max E. Hensler, Battle Creek, Mich., 17 yards, broke 93 targets, the highest score, with half the shoot over, and C.

**B. Adams, Rockwell City, In., 18 yards, |  
broke 92, tying the next highest score. |**

## CHAMPAIGN LOCALS

Burning the gambling truck in Champaign ruined a space of the brick pavement, the heat was so intense.

Automatic gates and doors are to be installed at the Champaign fire department. Champaign is fast becoming up-to-date in this line.

Joseph Kuhn & Son of Champaign have won their suit against Samuel Epperstein of Chicago. They were recently notified that the supreme court had rendered a decision in their favor.

The school authorities and park commissioners of Champaign are madder than a wet hen. Some vandale white-washed the Indian statute in East Side park and the authorities failed to see the joke.

Two locomotives left the track and one came near turning over in the Illinois Central yards Thursday morning. The employes had their hands full and will always look back on the twenty-first of December, 1905, as a very disagreeable day.

John W. Stipes is home from Springfield, where he attended the meeting of the Illinois Commission to the Lewis & Clark exposition. The affairs of the commission have been practically settled up. Mr. Stipes did excellent work as a member.

Charles Zilly, B. E. Bramble and George Mattis of Champaign have secured articles of incorporation for

the Edwardsville Light, Heat & Power Co. The capital stock is \$5,000. The Edwardsville plant has been purchased and in the future will be run by the McKinley system.

Beginning Jan. 1, Company M, Fourth regiment, Illinois National guard, will hold meetings to drill twice a week. Harry Cross and Frank Parsons are no longer soldiers. The former received an honorable discharge and the latter a dishonorable discharge for failing to attend drill practice.

Van Coleman declared to the coppers that a small negro with a gun, which was anything but small, had waylaid him and robbed him of \$15. After investigating, the bluecoats decided that they could make no arrest. They claim to have discovered that Coleman won the money in a crap game and that the loser promptly won it back with his pop gun.

Congressman McKinley spent the

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day Thursday in Chicago on special business. Wednesday, Dec. 27, he speaks at Shelbyville, Thursday evening at Charleston and Saturday at Arcola. These meetings are a part of the series of appointments made to speak on his jaunt to the Philippines, the larger portion of which were filled before he departed for Washing-

ton.

## MARK TWAIN IS GIVEN CROWN

Wreath of Holly Placed on His Head  
by Artists' Model.

New York, Dec. 22.—"Mark Twain" was the guest of the Society of Illustrators at a dinner in the rooms of the Aldine association, 111 Fifth avenue. The feature of the evening was a speech by Andrew Carnegie and the crowning of Mr. Clemens with a wreath of holly by Miss Edith Angerstein, an artists' model, who was dressed as Jeanne D'Arc, the author's favorite character in history.

### Silver Service for Warship.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 22—Elaborate preparations are being made for the reception to the new 10,000 protected cruiser Charleston, the first of her class. It will arrive Jan. 2, and be presented a handsome silver service.

### New York State Librarians.

Albany, Dec. 22.—Frank B. Gilbert, a lawyer of Albany, and James I. Wyer, Jr., librarian of the University of Nebraska, were appointed law librarian and reference librarian in the New York state library.

### Weather Man Is Insane.

Baker City, Ore., Dec. 22.—H. A. McNally, weather observer, was adjudged insane. McNally came here two months ago from Philadelphia. The altitude is believed to be the cause of his trouble.

### Furious Fighting.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won,

and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine.' Sold, under guarantee to do the same for you, by Knowlton & Bennett, druggists, at 50c a bottle. Try them today.

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Why not read The Courier-Herald?

# MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION

## Force of It Threw One Negro Out of His Bed.

About 12 o'clock Wednesday night the people in the vicinity of the White Elephant Pool room were surprised to hear a tremendous explosion. From some unknown cause, a quantity of dynamite was touched off in the rear of the building. Three negroes were sleeping in a shed nearby. One was thrown out of bed, but the other two slept through it all. The beams above their heads were shattered. Much mystery surrounds the explosion.

## Regarding Racing.

At the Beardsley hotel Wednesday afternoon was held a meeting of race horse men to decide on a uniform program of races and purses for the county fairs in this circuit of which Champaign county is a part. Those present were: W. W. Lindley, Urbana; J. B. Hammett and J. B. Sain, Tuscola; R. C. Miller, Kankakee; W. O. Glasscock and Dr. Montgomery, Charleston, and A. M. Burke of Champaign.

## CHAMPAIGN.

Mrs. L. E. Stevenson and daughter, Mrs. Divalbliss, of St. Joseph, visited here Wednesday.

Watson Faulkner is back from a trip to Chicago.

Wednesday night Mr. and Mrs. Art

Price were blessed by a son being  
born to them.

Friday night is the first birthday of  
the destruction of the business houses

on Main street.

Mrs. H. Cherry of Ogden is here.

W. O. Dallenbaugh, H. H. Harris  
and R. D. Burnham are in Chicago.

### Dull in City Court.

City court afforded nothing for the  
newsgathers this morning, nor has  
the police Temple of Justice been  
prolific of anything interesting this  
week. For Christmas week, when  
the town is filled with people, the  
behavior has been exceptionably  
good. There has even been a lack of  
drunks. The officers, however, ex-  
pect to reap a harvest soon, to make  
up for this long dull spell. Misdeeds  
are, as a rule, accomplished in bunch-  
es and the storm follows the lull just

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as the tempest is always followed by the calm.

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### **Teachers Lay Plans.**

Quite a number of Urbana teachers are planning to attend the state meeting of the Teachers' association to be held in Springfield next Tuesday. There will also be a good attendance from the city of Champaign and from the University of Illinois.

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### **Mistletoe Scarce.**

Mistletoe is said to be scarce this year. It is hard to procure and if any Urbana young men fail to see it hanging on the chandelier when they call Christmas day they must not blame her for its absence.

### Grip Quickly Knocked Out.

"Some weeks ago, during the severe winter weather both my wife and myself developed into the worst kind of la grippe with all its miserable symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Egleson of Maple Landing, Iowa. "Knees and joints aching, head stopped up, eyes and nose running, with alternate spells of chills and fever. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, aiding the same with a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the grip."

A piece of the fine granite ware that Chenoweth carries would make a fine present. Dec 16:11

**TRAGIC DEATH****CLIFFOR****Young Champaign****In Sol****BELIEVED TO BE**

**Was Acting as Overseer of His  
Father's Plantation in Mis-  
sissippi — Arrangements  
For Funeral Later.**

Clifford Spencer, son of N. S. Spencer, and probably one of the best known young men of Champaign, was killed Monday on his father's plantation in Bolivar county, Mississippi. The startling news was conveyed by a telegram to Dr. C. F. Hough of Champaign last evening, by Mr. Spencer, who was with his son at the time of his death. Details are lacking and will

probably not be known until the arrival of Mr. Spencer with the body of his son this evening. The message simply stated that young Spencer had been shot and killed.

Although his many friends hope that it was an accident, there are some who believe that the shooting was a deliberate murder. This theory is advanced on account of the animosity that the negro employes on the plantation had shown against Spencer. He is said to have always treated them with the utmost kindness and consideration, but in that part of the country the spirit developed by the civil war is still rampant and the lower class whites, it is alleged, have embittered the negroes against everyone from the north. This belief is given strength by the fact that incendiaries set fire to the plantation a short time ago and caused thousands of dollars worth of damage to the growing crops and the buildings on the grounds.

Clifford Spencer had been overseer of the plantation since last spring. The land comprises 2,500 acres and is owned by G. C. Willis, Dr. Hough and N. S. Spencer. Although young Spencer was but 19 years old he was a remarkably strong, active and capable young man and under his able management the plantation had been very productive. He graduated from the Champaign high school with the class of 1902 and last year went to the University of Illinois. He then pleaded with his father to be allowed to take charge of the plantation and after some consideration Mr. Spencer agreed to let him try his hand at it. He was sent down last spring and was to have returned in February. Some trouble developed a few days ago and Clifford sent for his father to come down and adjust matters. It is believed that this trouble which was with the colored employes, resulted in the death of young Spencer.

Clifford Ricker Spencer was born in Beatrice, Neb. and came to Cham-

DEATRICE, WED. AM. CAME TO CHAMPAIGN about six years ago. His family has been very prominent in social and business circles of Champaign. His father is a graduate of the University of Illinois and a member of the architectural firm of Spencer & Temple, with offices in the First National bank building of Champaign. He has one brother, Charles, in the Champaign high school and a sister, Ethel. The funeral services will not be arranged until the body arrives in Champaign.

### Buy Feeders.

Kansas City: E. D. Hanes and T. J. Colvin of Champaign county, Ill., were here yesterday and each took home a car of feeders.

### Big Implement House Assigns.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Sept. 20.—The Cedar Rapids Supply company, with branches in Des Moines and Lincoln, Neb., western distributors of an Ohio agricultural implement concern, assigned because of the alleged failure of Ohio connections to honor drafts of the local company. Liabilities and assets are estimated at several hundred thousand dollars.

### Killed His Brother.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 20.—Edward Speagle, aged 13, shot and instantly killed his brother Hugh, aged 16 years, in Burke. The lads quarreled over the question of going to church. Edward was committed to jail.

### Fire in Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—The fertilizer plant of the Anglo-American Packing company in the union stockyards was partly destroyed by fire this morning, causing a loss of \$100,000.

### Congressional Nomination.

Newark, N. J., Sept. 20.—Frederic Seymour of East Orange was nominated for congress by the democrats of the Eighth congressional district.

# ON TRAIL OF HIS WIFE

**Philip Prayer of Champaign  
Finds His Spouse at  
Danville.**

**SON OF ITALY CLAIMS  
SHE WENT WITH NEGRO**

**Says Woman Took All His Mon-  
ey and Left Him--Hearing  
Thursday.**

Danville, Ill., July 20.—Gus Flenoy, a negro black as the proverbial ace of spades, and Mrs. Philip Prayer, a white woman about 35 years of age, were arrested by the police on the charge of adultery. The two were found occupying a house.

The warrant for their arrest was sworn out by Philip Prayer, the woman's husband, an Italian, 27 years of age, who is employed in the Illinois Central round house at Champaign. To the authorities Prayer told a tale of woe that caused the negro

and the woman to be captured and brought before Police Magistrate Phillips. Their case will have a hearing today!

Prayer says the woman is an adventuress and that she married him only two months ago, took all his savings, amounting to \$300 and came to this city. He appears to have been still subject to her charms, however, and as he came here yesterday, located her and begged her to come back and live with him. She said she would if he would give her \$10 with which to buy some clothes.

The trusting Prayer says that he handed over the ten and then a great change took place in the spouse's attitude. As soon as her fingers closed on the money, Prayer says that she told him that he could now go, for all she cared, to a climate warmer even than sunny Italy or the Champaign roundhouse on a hot day. The negro he further alleges, backed this up by producing a revolver and telling him to get out. Prayer did so with alacrity, hastening to police headquarters and swearing out a warrant.

# CARNIVAL OF CRIME ON.

## Yesterday, a Strenuous Day in Champaign.

### A Brawl on the East Side and a "Shotgun Wedding" the Principal Features of an Exciting Day.

New York has its Bowery, Champaign has its East Side, where the tiger flourishes in his lair, and the tough spends the night. Brawl and fracas take place there, and many never get into the police news.

One of these brawls occurred last night about 9 o'clock in front of the White Elephant saloon, a well known resort. The "Chicago Kid" and another man, both said to be "peddlers," engaged in a row which ended by the "Kid" administering a dirk in the other fellow's chest. The row started within the saloon and the men were requested to step outside which they did. A cripple, whose name could not be learned, was also mixed up in it, but he drew a revolver and kept himself unscathed. The man who was stabbed with the dirk was lucky, as the weapon did not penetrate very far. All concerned made hasty disappearances and there were no arrests.

#### "SHOTGUN MARRIAGE."

A marriage of the kind generally called "shotgun," in which the irate parent stands over the bridegroom with a big gun full of buckshot, was

performed by Justice Weeks in Champaign yesterday afternoon. Joseph Duffy, employed as a fireman on the Illinois Central, and Nellie McEverly, a girl who does sewing, were the principals.

Miss McEverly sought Chief Keller yesterday morning and made a complaint against Duffy. The chief immediately started out on the quest and finally located the quarry. Duffy sprinted and a footrace through Ald. John Green's saloon resulted. Chief Keller finally got the man and Duffy agreed to lead Miss McEverly to the altar. Accordingly the ceremony was performed and the white-winged dove of peace hovered over the couple.

#### BLANCHE HAD A GRUDGE.

Blanche Cole, a member of the demi-monde, has a grudge against Stella Buchanan and she tried to tear down the resort of the latter on Water street yesterday afternoon. She appeared at the house and endeavored to break the door down. As she had thrown a brick through the window Tuesday, the Buchanan woman sent for the police and Blanche was taken to the civic bastille. "Too much booze," said the officers.

#### "RED TOM" ALL RIGHT.

Cats and "Red Tom" Johnson, the Champaign negro, have nine lives. Yesterday morning "Red Tom," who was shot Tuesday night by another negro, appeared on the streets, bright and smiling. He was cut in the neck in a fight Monday night, but last night was not injured, according to report. He declares the other fellow began the shooting first. Magistrate Buch will try to sift the evidence in the case and mete out stern justice to the offender this afternoon in the Champaign police court.



# CAMPAIGN IN CHAMPAIGN

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Closed Last Night in a Boozy Blaze of  
Glory.

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Saloonists Reap a Ripe Harvest—Swigart  
Addresses Republican Meeting—  
What the Outlook Is.

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With the saloons crowded to the doors and echoing with maudlin cheers for candidates, the city campaign in Champaign came to a close last night. The election has been one of the most hotly contested in Champaign history and the scenes about the saloons were a fitting close to the campaign.

Headed by F. B. Hamill and H. C. Heuck, "citizen" candidates for city attorney and city treasurer, an unruly crowd of about a hundred men made pilgrimages to the various saloons on Market street. Into one thirst quenchery, out again; in again, the parade to the bars had their drinks and chorused yells for the man who paid the barkeeper.

The negroes were out in force and were generally sure of a drink when they felt thirsty. Several incipient brawls were started during the night but no injury was done. Many hundreds of dollars were spent in the saloons and the ward-healers reaped a rich harvest.

The "rally" projected by the citizens to be held in the University neighbor-

hood on Green street, was called off at 6 o'clock. Orders for a band and singers were cancelled.

### REPUBLICAN MEETING.

A well attended republican meeting was held in the republican headquarters in Champaign last night. The candidates, headed by E. S. Swigart, addressed the assemblage, which was an enthusiastic one. The other candidates spoke and all were more than confident of victory.

### CLOSE ELECTION.

The election in Champaign looks very close. Both sides claim victory. Impartial watchers of the battle seem to believe that Swigart will be elected mayor but that Hamill and Heuck of the "citizens" ticket will defeat the republican candidates. It is thought that the famous circular to the students has lost Harris much support.

There are hints that there may be trouble at the polls. It is declared that challenges will be plenty and that the polls will be manned by numerous retainers. Morfey has been spent like water and Champaign is at feverheat over the contest.

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# LURED BY DUSKY OTHELLO

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**May Bell, Colored Girl of 14 Years,  
Runs Away from Home.**

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**Is Captured at Urbana Big Four Station by  
Local Officers—Has Made Several  
Like Attempts.**

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Lured by the tales and romances of some dusky Othello who had painted the charms and attractions of life in Danville, May Bell, a fourteen year old Champaign girl of ebony hue attempted to run away from her home last night.

Her father, an old negro of antebellum variety, who looks like he had served under the cruel Simon Legree or a slave driver of his ilk, whose features are gnarled and twisted like an old oak, and who talks with an Uncle Remus dialect, notified the Urbana police that the captivated May would likely attempt her vanishing specialty, from Urbana.

Accordingly Capt. McKinney and Officer Hoy, who watch while Urbana sleeps, captured May while she was buying her ticket to Danville. She was turned over to her father, who departed with her Champaignwards. The old man was talking in a Congo dialect which was strangely suggestive of lickings, however. This is not the first time that May has attempted to leave the quiet, hazy peace of the twin cities for Danville's scenes of turmoil. Only a few days ago she was brought back from Georgetown, where she was found by her father. The old man said last night that he was going to send her to the house of correction.

The fellow with whom she was going to flee was not seen.

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# WENT TO INVESTIGATE ; WAS SHOT ABOVE EYE

## PAIR NEGRO DESPERADOES

**Terrorized North Champaign on  
Friday Night—One Man Is  
Robbed of \$30.00.**

For two hours Friday night John Simmons and John McDonald, two stocky, coal black negroes are alleged to have terrorized the north part of the city of Champaign. As a result of the free use of revolvers and a billy Dave Price is lying at his home on North Hickory street in a critical condition with a bullet hole over his left eye, Jno. Nelson of Ogden is suffering from a black eye and a bump on his head due to a billy blow, his brother, living on North

Walnut street, is minus \$30, while Mrs. Cora Havice is happy that she is alive to tell the story of an attack upon herself and children by two black brutes.

The desperadoes began operation on North Walnut street when they attacked John Nelson, who came with his family from Ogden Friday. While Mr. Nelson and his brother were going home about 9 o'clock they came upon a colored man seemingly suffering great pain. Mr. Nelson stopped and at that moment was struck with a billy by another negro. His brother ran to his assistance and received a stunning blow, after which he was robbed of \$30.

The robbers went next to the home of Mrs. Cora Havice, where they attempted to break in by hammering down the door. Dave Price, a neighbor, hearing the racket, went out to investigate, but was shot in the head for his pains, the ball glancing and leaving a furrow nearly two inches deep over his left eye. The men then ran, but the neighborhood was aroused and telephoned the police, later found the negroes in a den near Vest's coal office. They pleaded not guilty when arraigned Saturday morning and their hearing was set for Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

# "RED TOM" IS ARRAIGNED

## Celebrated Champaign Negro In Trouble Here.

### Assaulted Henry Dawson—Proceedings in Magistrate Sims' Palace of Jus- tice Yesterday.

Alas for "Red Tom." That worthy, a person not without distinction in the police annals of Champaign, marched proudly in the ranks of the bricklayers in the Woodmen parade in this city Monday.

A few short hours and "Red Tom" was in prison, charged with assaulting Henry Dawson, another negro. Yesterday morning the celebrated Champaign colored man made his appearance in the Urbana police court and paid a fine of \$3 and costs.

Rogers Maley was drunk Monday. He admitted it. Fined \$3 and trimmings; paid and released.

John Copelin, likewise a Labor day offender, was fined but could not pay.

William Day is still behind the bars, unable to pay the heavy fine assessed against him for his actions last Saturday night.

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# NOT GUILTY OF MURDER

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**Ben Sanders Acquitted After  
Jury Had Been Out Fif-  
teen Minutes.**

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**THE EVIDENCE WAS  
ALL IN HIS FAVOR**

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**Self-Defense Was Proven and  
the Slayer of "Red Tom"  
Johnson Goes Free.**

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After sleeping all night in the Cham-  
paign county court house on cots, the  
jury in the case of Ben Sanders, once  
again at 9 o'clock took up the case of  
the negro, charged with murder of  
"Red Tom" Johnson.

The evidence was all in Sanders'  
favor. It showed by the statement of  
numerous witnesses that Johnson, who  
was a "bad Indian," had cursed and  
attacked Sanders before the latter cut  
his throat.

**VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY.**

The case went to the jury at 2:30

o'clock. They were out fifteen minutes and then returned a verdict of not guilty. There was one very happy negro in Urbana when this decision was announced and that negro was Ben Sanders, who sprang from his chair with exclamations of joy. He was told that he was free, and after going to the jail for his belongings left immediately for his home in Champaign.

Divorce was granted in the case of Sarah E. Kathan vs. Nelson H. Kathan and at complainant's cost and she was given custody of the child.

In the case of Z. T. Gensel vs. Ferdinand L. Peterson et al; foreclosure; order reference was set aside and W. G. Spurgin was appointed special master.

Thos. J. Calloway vs. Jno. I. Silver et al; partition and relief. Report of special master filed and approved, bond furnished. J. R. Dilling, H. W. Mast and John D. Lester appointed commissioners.

Corn Belt Building and Loan association vs. William Myers et al; foreclosure. Leave to amend bill

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# BULLETS HIT "RED TOM."

## Two Champaign Negroes Engage a Street Duel.

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### And "Tom" Got the Worst of It—Dave Roy Creates Consternation Among Election Judges.

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Two negroes, armed with revolvers, engaged in a street duel in Champaign last night at 8:40 o'clock. As a result Dave Roy is in the city prison and "Red Tom" Johnson is laid up with a wound in his soulder and wrist.

"Red Tom," who is noted as a quarrelsome person and who was scheduled to appear in court this morning engaged in an argument with Roy on University avenue in front of the vacant store-room where the votes were being counted. The first known of the fracas was the noise made by a number of shots. The election officials opened the door of the room and a negro ran in, carrying a smoking revolver in one hand. The officials scattered, although the negro, Roy, was only seeking shelter. He did not know that he had wounded "Red Tom," who was carried by friends to the shack where a colored barbershop is run.

Officers Kline and Ryley were rapidly on the scene and Roy was taken to the city prison. He declared that "Red Tom" was the assailant. "Red Tom" has a bad reputation and has been in three brawls in a short time. It is thought he will recover from his

thought he will recover from his wounds all right.

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#### **National Academy of Sciences Meet.**

Washington, April 21.—The National Academy of Sciences Tuesday held the first meetings of its annual session in the lecture hall of the National museum. The morning's programme included a business session and a meeting of the council, both of which were executive. The scientific meeting, held in the association room, was open to the public. A number of papers of a technical character were read.

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#### **Black Diphtheria in Kansas.**

Emporia, Kan., April 21.—Seven children of a family named O'Mara, living near Hartford, have died of black diphtheria. A member of another family has been attacked, and the community is much alarmed.

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#### **King Edward in Sicily.**

Syracuse, Sicily, April 21.—The royal yacht Victoria and Albert, with King Edward on board, arrived here Tuesday afternoon.

# IS DRAWING TO A CLOSE.

## Docket of March Term of Circuit Court Rapidly Being Cleared.

Edward Scroggins Is Acquitted of Charge of Forgery by Jury—Court Hartsel Is Sentenced to Reformatory.

Edward Scroggins, the negro who it was alleged attempted to pass a raised time check on W. H. Owens, the grocer, last fall, was acquitted by a jury in circuit court Tuesday. Scroggins was employed on the interurban. Soon after receiving his time check he appeared at Mr. Owens' store and after making a small purchase tendered the check in payment. At a glance it was easily discovered that the check had been tampered with and the railway people were notified, Scroggins' arrest following immediately. The job of raising the amount on the face of the check was poorly executed, it having been done with a different colored ink. Up to the time the jury reported, his conviction was considered a ground-hog cinch and the result was a surprise to all. W. G. Spurgin was attorney for the defendant.

Court Hartsel, the young lad from this city, who was arrested and lodged in jail on a charge of purloining suit cases and other articles from houses in the vicinity of the University, was arraigned before the bar. He entered a plea of guilty to the charge and was sentenced to the state reformatory at Pontiac.

The March term of circuit court is fast coming to a close. Nearly all the cases on the criminal docket have been disposed of and court is only in session a short time daily. The time yesterday was occupied in hearing motions.

The following orders have been entered on the docket.

People vs. John S. Bevins, et. al., obtaining money by false pretences—Motion to quash allowed and indictment quashed.

People vs. Edward Scroggins, forgery—Jury trial. Defendant found not guilty and defendant discharged.

People vs. Pat. McHugh, assault to murder—Defendant arraigned and enters plea of not guilty. Motion by people for continuance. On motion of defendant bail reduced to \$1,000 and motion for continuance allowed and cause continued.

People vs. Charles Emery, burglary—Motion by defendant to reduce bail. Motion allowed and bail reduced to \$500.

City of Urbana vs. Howard Dillman, appeal by defendant—Motion by defendant for new trial. Motion overruled and judgment on verdict against defendant for \$57 and costs.

People of State Board of Health vs. Mrs. Thomas J. Cain, debt—Judgment on verdict against defendant for \$100 as fine and costs. Defendant committed to county jail till fine and costs are paid and on failure to pay fine is immediately sentenced to jail 30 days.

Ansley Susdorf vs. Archie Nelson, assumpsit—Motion for new trial overruled and judgment on verdict against plaintiff for costs. Appeal prayed and allowed on giving bond in \$200.

J. C. Chapman vs. Dr. George Dunn, et. al., appeal by defendant—Judgment on verdict against defendant for 65

cents and motion to apportion costs allowed and each party to pay one-half of costs and judgments against them therefor.

Thomas Gallagher vs. Ellsworth & Jenkins, assumpsit—Motion for new trial withdrawn and judgment against defendants for \$640 and costs.

Doak Veach vs. City of Champaign, case—Motion by plaintiff for new trial over-ruled and judgment on verdict against plaintiff in bar of action for costs. Appeal prayed and allowed. Bond in sum of \$200.

City of Urbana vs. The County of Champaign, assumpsit—Motion by plaintiff for new trial overruled and judgment in bar of action for costs. Appeal prayed and allowed.

# DARING ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FROM JAIL

## PREVENTED BY OFFICERS

**Negroes Get Into Corridor and  
Had Intended to Over-  
power the Jailer.**

What might have been a Champaign county jail break was prevented this morning by the cleverness of Jailer Jenkins, who foresaw that an attempt was being made to effect an escape and called Sheriff Clark and his deputies, Roughton and Vandervort, to his assistance.

John McDonald and John Simpson, the two negroes arrested in Champaign on a charge of holding up numerous persons, slugging two and shooting one, in some manner secured pieces of wood and wedged them in the lower portion of their cell door so that the door did not lock when shut last night. They easily sprung the door during the night and went into the cell of Oliver Hessman, where they were given access to the corridor.

Jailer Jenkins saw that all was not right when he went in to empty the waste baskets about 10 o'clock, and

without unlocking the door to the corridor, sent for assistance.

According to the officers, the men confessed that they intended to assault the jailer when he entered and then make a rush for liberty.

The two negroes were given the punishment of the dungeon for their behavior, and bread and water will be their diet for some time. They talked very disrespectful to the officers after they were caught and were taught a lesson which will not be soon forgotten.

# FOUND HIS POCKETBOOK

Highwaymen Dropped Lam-  
bert's Wallet at the Fair-  
ground Gate.

ALSO SMALL NOTEBOOK  
BELONGING TO VICTIM

No Money Was Left in Purse—  
Colored Thugs Were Seen  
Several Times.

While coming by the fair ground gate Tuesday morning, Engineer Cunningham of the cold storage plant, found a leather pocketbook and a small notebook lying on the ground a short distance apart. He remembered reading in "The Courier" about the holdup of George Lambert by two negroes Sunday night and became convinced that the articles were probably the property of the unlucky Lambert.

Mr. Cunningham brought the pock-

etbok and notebook to police headquarters, where the victim of the footpads afterwards identified them. When found, the pocketbook did not contain a cent, which shows that the highwaymen pocketed the contents before throwing it away.

The spot where the articles were found indicates that the holdup men fled north on Lincoln and then cut through east to the fairgrounds. An empty whiskey flask lying near the gate also makes it appear that the negroes stopped at this point, rifled the pocketbook and drained the bottle of its contents.

Two strange negroes were seen in the city several times Sunday night. Besides being at the Kirby restaurant on Main street, only a short time after the holdup, they were noticed at the Big Four depot and were later observed walking up the tracks near the Y. M. C. A. Saturday two strange blacks, one tall and the other short, were also noticed in Urbana and are said to have visited a number of saloons frequently.

However since a few hours after the robbery of Mr. Lambert, nothing has been seen of the negroes and probably by this time they are many miles from here.

The robbery of Lambert was one of the first "strong arm" hold ups ever to occur in Urbana. There have been numerous cases where a pistol was used as a persuader or where somebody was slugged, but it is something unusual to grab a man, carry him into a dark corner and relieve him of his cash by brute force.

Late this afternoon Officer Hudson was called to Big Fur shops by a

message saying that two strange negroes supposed to be the hold-up men, were there. After a long chase, he captured them. They were brought to police headquarters, but were found to be the wrong men and were released.

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**CHAMPAIGN.**

Mr. Caraway, former president of the First National bank in Tuscola, died Monday in Chicago, while en route home from a visit in New York.

Mrs. Ralph Watson, aged 40 years, died at noon Tuesday of malarial poisoning at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jno. Moss, on West Clark street.

The Home and Central Union Telephone companies were entertained Tuesday night by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Cummings on Locust street. Their host was a fellow workman.

Champaign people are talking oil and think it is high time to begin prospecting for that valuable fluid in Champaign county. Some think we would be sure to make a strike hereabouts.

A special train of twelve coaches **carrying hundreds of negroes from** the far south passed through Champaign over the I. C. Tuesday. They were going to attend the Baptist convention.

Mrs. H. B. Mathews is sick at her home on Randolph street. While scrubbing the floor she slipped and in attempting to recover her balance she caught hold of a support, wrenching her side badly.

Ed Cook, was slashed across the wrist with a razor in O. L. Hoover's Imperial barber shop on Main street by Wm. Barton. Barton, it is claimed, became enraged because Cook had been given his chair and he had been transferred to another one. A warrant has been issued for his arrest. Cook is not dangerously hurt.

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# HER FATE IN DOUBT

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**States Attorney Coggeshall  
and Sheriff Clark Arrive  
Home From Danville.**

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**THERE THEY TALKED  
WITH BERTHA M'KIVER**

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**Impressed the Officers as Being  
Only a Simple and Ignorant  
Country Girl.**

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The fate of the colored woman of Danville who is the mother of a new born baby found on the Big Four tracks in Urbana is still in doubt.

State's Atty. Coggeshall and Sheriff Clark arrived home Thursday night from Danville where they went armed with a warrant for the woman and prepared to closely question her regarding the birth and the desertion of the infant.

They found the woman lying very sick upon a cot in a negroe's house located in a poor section of Danville.

She appeared to be an ignorant country girl and readily answered all questions put to her by the two Champaign county officials. She admitted being the mother of the baby but said she was so sick at the time on the train that she did not know when it was born in the ladies toilet room of the coach. She denied throwing it from the window. She stated that she did not know who was the father of the child. She was not expecting the infant to come into the world for several months yet.

The woman told a straight forward story and impressed the Urbana men with being honest in what she had said—more of an ignorant girl than anything else, who scarcely knew what had happened.

"We have got no evidence against this girl which would convict her of a crime" said the states attorney this morning to a reporter of the Courier "We cannot find any of the ladies who were on the train and assisted her during her sickness, nor can we locate any one who was in the coach at the time. We could not bring the woman back to Urbana, as she is still very sick, and probably we would not have done it anyway, as we might not be able to prove any charge we might place against her. It might be a big expense to Champaign county all for nothing. The woman was allowed to remain where she is and meanwhile we will more thoroughly investigate the matter. If we can find witnesses and secure evidence against the woman, we will prosecute her, but if not—well, her fate is in doubt."

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# INQUEST IS BEING HELD

## Coroner's Jury Investigates Finding of the Negro Baby.

A coroner's jury of six men presided over by Coroner Penny of St. Joseph, is at city hall investigating the finding of the negro child in the Big Four yards here Tuesday morning.

The testimony of several witnesses was taken and at press time the evidence had not been concluded. The body of the baby will probably be buried Thursday. The woman supposed to be its mother is still watched at Danville by the police.

The woman's name is Bertha McKiver. The Danville papers say she has admitted to Chief of Police Captain Walker of Danville and Coroner Penny of Champaign county that she gave birth to the child between Bloomington and Champaign and threw it from the car window in Urbana. The girl is unmarried and is employed as a domestic.

## COON HAD COIN COLLECTION

### Champaign Negro Arrested By Police Had Interesting Pieces of Money.

Danville Commercial-News: Ed Gray, a Champaign negro arrested by the police for drunkenness, proved to have quite an interesting collection of coins on his person, when searched at the station Wednesday. In the collection was a tiny coin, a fraction of an inch in diameter, which had upon one side the Lord's prayer engraved in minute characters. Under a microscope which the negro also had in his possession, the words showed up plainly, although they could not be distinguished by the naked eye. There were a number of old United States and foreign coins in the collection.

# NEGRO IS KILLED

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**Tramp Meets Horrible Death,  
Result of Stealing  
Ride.**

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**TRIED TO BOARD A TRAIN**

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**And Did Not Have Secure Posi-  
tion—Coroner's Inquest  
Is Held.**

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Edward Woolridge, a negro tramp, met a terrible death in Champaign yesterday morning. Attempting to steal a ride on an Illinois Central train, he missed his foothold on a brake beam and was dragged a considerable distance.

Woolridge attempted to board the northbound passenger which leaves Champaign at 7:30 o'clock. He took a position on a truss rod beneath a coach

position on a tussle beneath a coach as the train was pulling out. When the train had reached the Washington street subway, in some manner he did not retain his hold. The theories are that he either attempted to get out, fell or was caught by the brakebeam. At any rate, the unfortunate young man was dragged as far as the Big Four crossing. He was badly injured in his back and thighs but survived three hours after he was taken to the Burnham hospital.

He stated that his name was Woolridge. He is said to be from Kentucky. A pocketbook containing 21 cents was all that was found on his person.

Yesterday afternoon Coroner Penny held an inquest at the city building with the following jury: S. D. Taylor, Melvin Hall, J. W. Harris, H. M. Gleason, T. Bunch and L. W. Ambrose. The jury returned a verdict that the negro came to his death from injuries received while attempting to board an Illinois Central train.

The remain were buried in the potter's field.

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# SCENES OF HORROR AT EAST ST. LOUIS

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**Pictured by Traveling Man  
Direct From There.**

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## BODIES TIED TO TREES

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**Because There is no Room for  
Them in the Morgue—Negro  
Met His Death — Work  
Day and Night.**

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Scenes of unparalleled horror are pictured by F. A. Walker, a traveling man for a bridge concern, who arrived in Urbana yesterday morning, direct from St. Louis. Mr. Walker told a Courier reporter that the scenes at East St. Louis beggared description and that they were even worse than described in the papers.

**WORSE THAN REPORTED.**

"I tell you it feels good to be away from that place," said Mr. Walker. "I never want to be near such a thing again. The East St. Louis scenes are far worse than you have read. No one knows the exact extent of the calamity. The newspapers don't know. They have immense staffs of men working but it is impossible to estimate the dead and damage."

"Yesterday I stood on the Eads bridge and saw a house floating down the river with a woman and a child clasped to her breast, holding to the roof. Another house followed with an old man on top of it. And this was not an uncommon sight."

#### BODIES TIED TO TREES.

"The morgues in St. Louis are overcrowded. There are so many dead that when a body is rescued from the river, it frequently has to be tied to a tree or post at the side until a place can be found for it. The workers grapple the bodies and pull them ashore.

"They are tied to await identification and be placed in the morgue."

"Day and night the work goes on on the levee. Old men, old women, children, traveling men, all kinds of people, work on the levee. No one complains. Every point related about that negro who was shot for saying he would open the levee, was true. He was shot and work was hardly interrupted. It is a matter of life and death and there is no time for kicking. The militia are doing great work. The city of St. Louis is doing wonders caring for its unfortunate neighbors.

#### A NARROW ESCAPE.

"A train of box cars loaded with negroes was swept into the water while I was there. When I went into St. Louis on the Chicago and Alton, I had a narrow escape myself. Our engine took the mail and baggage cars and

left us. The water was up to the platform and was rising when a Wabash engine pulled us into town."

Dr. Spore, who is living near St. Louis, has written his son who is employed in Robeson's store, stating that the water about where he lives is eighteen feet above high water mark. Several other persons from this section own land near that place.

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## NEGRO APPEARS IN COURT.

**It Appears That Only His Feelings and Not  
His Fingers Were Lacerated.**

Frank Maxwell, the negro with the over-fondness for undiluted alcohol, was fined for disorderly conduct in the Urbana police court yesterday morning. He was charged with flipping trains.

The report that he lost a finger was a canard. Magistrate Sims said that the only things about the dusky gentleman lacerated was his feelings. The negro in the city prison spent his time saying "White man, you done got the best of this niggah now."

DO NOT FORGET TO READ THE COURIER

# NEGRO LOSES HIS FINGER.

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## Drinks Raw Alcohol, Then Tries to Board Freight Train.

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### Policemen Arrive Just After an Engine Has Severed Finger and the Colored Man Is Taken to Jail.

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The Urbana jail now shelters a shiftless negro, who lies groaning and bemoaning his fate and the loss of a finger, which was severed from his hand yesterday noon at the Big Four depot.

The negro was a tramp and says Litchfield, Tenn., is his home. He has been loafing around here for some time. Yesterday morning he bought a pint of raw alcohol and proceeded to drink the greater part of it. Then he attempted to get out of town by boarding a moving freight. Each time he made the attempt he fell off. Becoming anxious lest he should kill himself the railroad employes sent for the police. Before the officials reached him, however, he had fallen in front of an engine, succeeding only in getting off the track in time to save his life, but not his finger.

He was taken to the jail where he slept off his jag, and still moans over his bad luck and mutilated hand.

# OLD BUILDING COLLAPSED.

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**Ancient Structure at Corner of Main and Market Streets in  
Champaign Mass of Ruins—Rooming House on  
the Upper Floors.**

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**FIVE SLEEPERS HAVE MOST MIRACULOUS ESCAPES.**

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**William Fields, a Cairo Negro, Taken to City Jail Clad in Under-  
wear—Mrs. Joseph Johnson Precipitated Through Front Board  
Sidewalk—No One Is Seriously Injured.**

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The west side of the building at the corner of Main and Market streets in Champaign owned by the Way estate collapsed at 11 o'clock last night and five persons who were occupants of sleeping rooms on the second floor had miraculous escapes from death.

William Fields, a young colored man from Cairo, was sleeping when the crash came and without the slightest warning was precipitated to the ground amidst the falling brick walls and roof. He was extricated with difficulty and led out into the street in

his underclothes and clad thus slightly he was taken to the police station where he was detained for the night, because he had no apparel which would permit him to go elsewhere. He took his plight serenely, thanking his lucky stars it was not the morgue in which he was spending the night. He was not seriously injured.

#### FELL TO SIDEWALK.

Joseph Johnson, who peddles apples and potatoes, and his wife conducted a rooming establishment on the second and third floors and when the crash came Mrs. Johnson was dashed to the front sidewalk in a shower of brick and mortar. The heavy crash caused the sidewalk to collapse and when Fred McQuay, night manager of King's restaurant, heard her cries and rushed to her side she was imbedded in brick and plaster and the timbers of the sidewalk. Strange to say she was injured but slightly. She was sleeping in the front room at the west side of the building where the demolition was most complete. Her husband escaped with slight injuries also.

Another transient roomer whose name could not be learned was removed from a room in the east side of the building and two hours after the

building fell, during which time the police were busily engaged in looking for the fifth person who was known to have been in the building, a colored pal of the man who had drilled through the streets in his night clothes was found fast asleep in his room and when awakened declared he knew nothing of any collapse of the building and sat on the edge of the bed and entertained the officers by singing.

...the...  
"Please Go Way and Let Me Sleep."

The east side of the building was the only part that escaped destruction, the general direction of the fall being toward the alley west and into Main street. John Morrissey's cigar store was not injured at all.

#### INTENSE EXCITEMENT.

The crash caused the greatest excitement in the neighborhood. When the thundering report came people rushed out of all the buildings in that vicinity but before a great crowd had gathered about the ruins all the unfortunates had been removed from the wreck through the heroic work of Fred McQuay and Officer Goss, the latter of whom extricated the negro who wore the lingerie. An officer on an East side beat heard the report and evidently thought all the bank safes in the town were being blown simultaneously and he sent in a riot call to the station. Several officers responded. Some of them searched what remained of the building for any possible sleepers left behind for fear the rest of the building would go and others stretched ropes about the demolished structure to keep the crowd back from the tottering walls that remained standing.

The building was condemned about a year ago. For a number of years it has been an eyesore. Several years ago William Creighton, sr., conducted a hotel in the building.

# DEATH AT COUNTY FARM

## Harry McDonald, Champaign Negro, Dies of Consumption,

Harry McDonald, a negro, aged about 35 years, died at the county farm this morning at 9 o'clock, death being caused by consumption. McDonald, while it was known that he was in bad shape, was not considered as likely to die as soon as he did, being only brought to the institution Thursday afternoon. He was sent from Champaign and was in a bad condition when he arrived.

Supt. Hoy was seeking his relations. The man wore a Masonic emblem.

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# **"RED" TOM IS SLAIN**

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**Champaign Negro Stabbed to  
Death in Saturday  
Night Brawl.**

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**BEN SANDERS DOES  
DEED WITH HIS KNIFE**

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**Declares That Johnson Threat-  
ened Him—Evidence at  
the Inquest.**

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Thomas Johnson, better known as "Red Tom," a colored Champaign man, was stabbed to his death on Saturday night about 12:15. The author of this tragedy was Ben Sanders, another colored man, and the weapon used was a common pearl handled pocket knife with a blade about two inches long. It took just one blow to sever Johnson's jugular vein, and the wound was not to exceed a half inch long. The knife blade penetrated the vein, opening a passage into the victim's throat, and the hemorrhage was

internal and external.

### TROUBLE BEGINS.

Benjamin Sanders and Robert Smith, the latter colored also, were on their way home. They had stopped at the corner of Columbia avenue and Walnut street, where their ways parted, and were talking as persons are wont under such circumstances. It was a little after midnight and while the two men were standing there Red Tom, accompanied by Sander's two boys, Guy and Ralph, respectively, aged 15 and 17 years, came up. Tom was drunk and so was Sanders, for that matter. Then Sanders turned to his boys and said: "Let's go home, boys; it is time to go to bed; I'll shut the door and lock it when we get there."

"You don't seem to want me around" said Tom.

"No, I don't," was the answer.

"Then pay me that quarter you owe me," demanded Tom, coupling his remarks with considerable profanity.

Sanders went down into his pocket and found 15 cents. He borrowed a dime of one of his boys and handed Johnson the money, two dimes and a nickel. Some more words were passed the four men that witnessed the affair all agreeing that Tom threatened to kill Sanders. Reference was made by Tom to a bottle of whisky, which he claimed Sanders had stolen from him, and Tom declared that he would kill Sanders for that some day. In regard to this it may be said that some time before Johnson, Sanders and another colored man named Avery had made an appointment to go fishing and Tom furnished a bottle of whisky for the party. At the last moment Tom failed to get off and when he did arrive at the fishing place all the whisky had

disappeared. Since that time Tom had been feeling sorely, charging Sanders with having stolen it, something which he later denied.

#### FIGHT OPENS.

At this moment Tom, according to the testimony, struck at Sanders, and the latter struck back. The Sanders boys declare that their father followed the blow with another, and then Tom started to run south on Walnut street. Robert Smith and Guy Sanders said they saw no knife in Ben Sanders' hand, but Ralph says he saw one. He declares that he tried to part the two men, and this would seem to confirm his statement, for he was close up to the combatants, while the others were perhaps ten to twelve feet off. All testified that when the men really mixed it was all done so quickly that they could gain an idea only of what had been done. All declared the first they knew of Tom being cut was when he cried out later.

#### DYING MAN.

When Tom was about a half block south of where the affair had occurred he cried out that he had been cut and to get a doctor. He went on south to Washington street, and just at that time Jack Drum and Robert Riley, two helpers at the McGurty livery barn, came along. They heard Tom's cries and at once went to his assistance. Tom told them he was cut and asked them to help him to a doctor's. He threw one arm about each of the white men's necks and walked along all right until the three reached the Alexander Lumber company's plant, when Tom settled down heavily upon the two men. They managed to get him to in front of the Lloyd's book store

on Main street, when Tom fell to the walk. Just then Atrus Lee came up, and the three carried the dying man to Dr. R. W. Shurtz's office at 8 Hickory street. He was taken into the office and laid on the table, where he died almost before the doctor had time to more than cut the clothes from about his throat. Within ten minutes from the time he had been stabbed Red Tom had rendered up his life to Him who gave it.

As soon as Tom left the four men the latter started for their homes. The Sanders home is at 105 North Walnut street, and Sanders is said to have told his wife that he had stabbed Tom, and then he left the house. The next they heard of things was when the two boys were notified that Tom was dead at Dr. Shurtz's office. Smith, who lives at 111 Champaign street, was called and he went to the doctor's of-

## GILES CARTER IN JAIL

### Latest Exploit of Danville Negro Known Here.

Giles Corter, the notorious Danville negro, and his white wife, Belle Carter, who was released from the penitentiary a short time ago, after serving a sentence for robbing a traveling man at Danville, were arrested in Bloomington and when arraigned before the magistrate of that city were fined \$100 each and sent to jail. They were picked up as suspicious characters and for vagrancy. Carter's last trouble in Danville was assisting his wife to escape from the city prison.

Several years ago this colored man got in trouble at Urbana.

### Priest Stricken at Confession.

Springfield, Ill., June 19.—With the thermometer at 100 degrees Father Howard, pastor of the St. Agnes Roman Catholic church, was overcome while hearing confession.

Fenton Scott has been appointed dog catcher for the city of Champaign. He will also handle the dog tags this year.

## CHAMPAIGN NOTES.

There seems to be a lack of hardwood finishers among the carpenters this summer.

The marble floor of the new post-office is being laid. It will not be completed for several days yet.

A good crowd from Champaign will attend the Fourth of July celebration at Sidney.

Three drunks was the quota for Wednesday. All paid the regular assessments and were let go.

There is talk of a new branch fire department on the east side. The matter is only in the rumor stage.

Four beggars are depending on the charity of Champaign business men and are meeting with the usual success.

There will probably be no change in the football rules next fall in spite of the many rumors to the contrary.

The new summer school announcements of lectures are being given to the public.

Visitors' cards are being given out to those who desire to attend the summer school lectures.

Barrackman, '02, is a student in the summer school.

Miss Baldwin, '05, registered in the summer session.

George Sype, '05, will teach at Carleton this coming year.

Prof. McMurray of Columbia university lectured in physics lecture room Wednesday.

The registration is still increasing. A gain of a hundred per cent over last year.

The classes in gymnasium work will be organized this week.

The police received a complaint this morning from Sherman Littleman involving a hobo and stolen watch. The thief was fairly well known and the chances of regaining the property are only fair.

The foundation to the burned brick business block at 37 and 39 Main St. is being cleaned up.

A bunch of negroes bearing the names of Frank Coleman, E. J. Rogers, Chas. Speed, Will Wilkenson and J. A. Speed were fined \$25 and costs today for gambling.

# IS TRIED FOR ARSON

**Mrs. Melinda Arnold Defend-  
ant in Action on Charge  
of Burning House.**

## ACQUIT JESSE HARDWICK OF GRAND LARCENY

**Fred Black and Robert James  
Likewise Cleared by Cir-  
cuit Court Juries.**

Charged with setting fire to the residence, where she lived and impeding the fire fighters by placing cinders and coke in the fire plug, Mrs. Melinda Arnold, who was indicted by the grand jury for arson, was arraigned in the circuit court today. The woman defendant had been arrested by Sheriff Clark at Salem, Mo., and was placed in the county jail, being unable to furnish the \$1,000 bond ordered by the court.

The woman stood the ordeal of curious eyes and the strain of the trial

well and when the noon recess came, walked composedly to Deputy Sheriff Roughton to follow him to jail. The prosecution sought to prove that Mrs. Arnold moved part of her furniture from the house which was owned by John Bartell of Urbana, and then set fire to the structure. The defendant had been indicted by the grand jury also for attempt to defraud insurers, furniture having been insured with Royal Insurance company of Liverpool, England, for \$600. This indictment was quashed by the court, however. Members of the Champaign fire department appeared to testify regarding the scene at the fire when they arrived, describing the choked condition of their nozzle as they began to fight the flames.

The defense specifically denied the charge and took up but little time. Mrs. Arnold's side of the story is that the insurance company is seeking to evade just payment of insurance. Through her attorney she has filed in the circuit clerk's office the praecipe in a \$1,000 assumpsit suit directed against the insurance company, which will be heard at the next term of circuit court.

#### PRISONERS FREED.

Jesse Hardwick, Robert James and Fred Black, a trio of indicted men, who had their trials Tuesday, were all cleared by the juries which heard the cases and discharged. In none of the three cases was the evidence considered sufficient to warrant a conviction.

The case against Hardwick fizzled out considerably and it did not take the jury long to return a verdict acquitting him of the charge of grand larceny of goods from the grocery store of J. A. Braman. Brown, the star witness for the prosecution, who de-

clared that he heard Hardwick and Slade dicker over flour alleged to have been stolen, was successfully impeached. Mr. Braman testified concerning the frequency with which he had missed flour, tobacco and bacon, but he was unable to fix the responsibility for the losses upon Hardwick, who had been employed by him but discharged. For the defense the Slade brothers testified that flour in question had been purchased by them at a Champaign grocery.

#### BLACK IS ACQUITTED.

Fred Black, who was charged with resisting arrest by the city marshal of Sidney and also of trying to destroy the village lockup, was tried on the latter indictment, the first having been quashed as the indictment did not show that the marshal was acting with proper authority when he attempted to arrest the defendant.

On the charge of destroying the jail the prosecution failed signally in efforts to prove that Black acted with malice. Black himself declared that he was cold and that all he wanted to do was to pry the lock off so he could get out and get warm. The jury which heard the case returned a verdict finding him not guilty.

#### BRIEF TRIAL.

Fred Glese was the only witness against Robert James, a negro charged with burglary. James was accused of breaking the seal on an Illinois Central freight car, being discovered by a guard who was in the employ of the railroad company. Glese testified the defendant told him he wanted to get inside and sleep and this effectively destroyed the burglary.

charge, the jury taking little time to return a verdict of acquittal.

**PLEAS ENTERED.**

William McClurg, indicted by the September grand jury for engaging in a game of poker, sought to have the indictment quashed and failing entered a plea of not guilty. Motions to quash were overruled in the following cases, the defendants entering pleas of not guilty: Elzie Zimmer, cruelty to animals; Mike Monohan, open tippling house; Alfred P. Neal, selling liquor; Horace Sorrell, selling liquor, and William Bentley, selling liquor. The second count of the indictment against Jerry Snyder for disorderly conduct was quashed and the defendant plead not guilty to the first count.

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## BROIL IN GOBIN GULCH

**Champaign Colored Man Uses Gun to Good Effect.**

Danville, July 1.—The "Bully of Gobin Gulch," Bill Brown, a monster negro, was shot and probably fatally wounded at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon in Gobin street by Walter Davis, another colored man. Two shots pierced the breast of the terror, either one, it is believed, being sufficient to cause his death.

Davis walked to the police station and turning his gun over to Desk Sergeant Lincoln Doney, surrendered himself. He claimed that he was obliged to shoot in self-defense.

At the Lakeview hospital at 2 o'clock this morning Brown was still alive, but in a desperate condition and with scarcely any chance to survive his wounds.

A warrant for the arrest of Brown for threatening the lives of several residents of Gobin street, including Davis, was issued on last Sunday, but for some reason not explained, has never been served.

Davis is a barber, formerly residing in this city, but for some time has been a resident of Champaign. The infant son of Lee McKee, a notorious colored character of the Gulch, who is living with Brown, is said to have caused the trouble that led to the shooting, Davis being the alleged father of the child. Brown had beaten his wife with the woman and Davis was determined to take the child with him. Brown made several threatening gestures to draw a gun from his hip pocket and Davis pulled his and fired point blank at the advancing negro. The affair caused considerable excitement in the neighborhood.

## CHAMPAIGN NOTES.

John Goddard spent Sunday in the country.

Miss Abbie Merrill visited in Peoria Sunday.

Police Magistrate Buch still remains quite ill.

The Misses Sheffer spent Sunday in Bloomington.

The glass is being set in the front of the Grand hotel.

C. J. Mullikin has returned from Vicksburg, Miss.

Walter Stoltey spent Sunday in Peoria, visiting friends.

Mort H. McCown will return today from North Dakota.

J. C. Young of West Union street spent Sunday in Peoria.

Less than 100 dog tags have been sold thus far this season.

Miss Harriett Maxey spent Sunday with Bloomington friends.

Judge C. C. Staley went to Chicago to be absent two or three days.

The Misses Dummer of Locust street were among the Peoria visitors.

R. C. Lindsey spent Sunday in Bloomington, visiting relatives.

Dr. F. L. Cushing has returned from a business trip to North Dakota.

Miss White and mother have gone to Madison, Wis., to spend the summer

City Engineer Bearhart has been carrying a thumb tied up owing to a cut. Master George Raney of West Hill street is visiting relatives in Indianapolis.

Herman Rehberg of East White street, was among the Peoria visitors Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. James M. White have returned from a week's outing in Michigan.

Mrs. Harry L. Beem of 20 East Healey street, is home from a visit at Effingham.

Officer Goss is again on duty, after a lay-off on account of an injury to one of his legs.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Crawford and son are spending two weeks in St. Joseph, Mich.

Work has commenced on Mrs. E. Henderson's new house, corner Clark and Lynn streets.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Allan Lennington, of 107 East University avenue, June 25, a son.

E. M. Burr, Misses Bessie Burr, Ina O. Lapham and Alta Swigart have returned from St. Louis.

A large number of Champaign people attended the band concert at Urbana Saturday evening.

Charles Maurer, the Neil street jeweler, has gone to Chicago to be absent a few days on business.

Miss Mabel Olmstead of Bloomington is spending the week with her parents on South State street.

Ten arrests were made by the police Saturday evening. Intoxication was the charge in most instances.

Judge Philbrick was in Decatur Saturday hearing cases in which Judge Johns had been interested as an attorney.

Dr. J. D. Mandeville expects to leave early Wednesday morning for the Prohibition national convention in Indianapolis.

Lawrence T. Jones and sister, Mrs. Effa Cain, returned from Farmer City Saturday, where they were visiting Mrs. I. C. Sabin.

The frame structure formerly occupied by the Chinese laundry on West Church street, has been greatly improved with paint.

Mrs. Frank Long of Chicago, formerly Miss Jennie Terbush of this city, is visiting Miss Dell Chester, 208 West University avenue.

Mrs. Bell Brown and Mrs. Mattie Ashmore, white women who live with negroes on Oak street, were arrested this afternoon for being disorderly.

Miss Minnie McCurdy of Peoria and Miss Margaret Rademacher of Ellsworth, Minn., have returned home after a visit with the Misses Evans of 25 East Springfield avenue.

Mrs. E. C. Paul and daughters, Gladys and Olive, who have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stoltey, East White street, returned to their home in Peoria.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Mitchell and daughter Beulah and son Maurice and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cook and son Russell of Chicago, have come down for a visit with Mrs. Mitchell's and Mrs. Cook's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stewart of East University avenue.

Prof. and Mrs. Thornber of the University of Agriculture of Arizona, left for the west Saturday, after spending several days with the J. T. Ainsworth and Dr. Spear families, of 711 West Park street. While in the city they spent a very pleasant day on the University grounds.

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# EVERYTHING QUIET AMONG BOILERMAKERS

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**Effort Being Made to Have  
Union Recognized.**

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## ROAD NEWS IN BRIEF.

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**Reported That Big Four Is Em-  
ploying Negro Firemen—  
Some Breezy Briefs from  
the Shop and Road.**

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Everything is quiet among the boilermakers of the Big Four system. An effort is being made to have the troubles placed before President Ingalls at the earliest possible moment. The boilermakers are said to have been offered a good increase, but they also want their union recognized, and are holding out for this concession. Everything is quiet and the railway company is not endeavoring to hire any one to take their places. It is said on

good authority that the boilermakers at Springfield, O., are still at work.

#### BOILERMAKERS TO CONFER.

The members of the boilermakers and iron ship builders' union held another meeting at Trades and Labor council hall last evening relative to the recent demand made for an increase of wages. The committee representing those employed at the O. & E. I. shops had another conference with Supt. Lawes this morning at 9 o'clock. Nothing was given out last night relative to what action was taken at the meeting.—Danville Press.

#### ROAD NEWS IN BRIEF.

A. L. West has been appointed division superintendent of the main line of the Burlington with headquarters at Galesburg.

G. E. Benjamin, traveling representative of the passenger department of the Canadian Pacific with headquarters at St. Louis, was a Danville visitor.

Conductor Sam Frizzell of the Cairo local freight, between Danville and Paris, is on the Danville and Cairo through passenger runs for a few trips in place of Ed Sanderson.

Illinois leads all other states in railroad mileage, viz: 11,225 miles. Texas comes second with 10,581; then follow in order Pennsylvania with 10,477; Iowa with 9,482; Ohio with 8,953; New York with 8,120.

A special from Milwaukee says: In reference to a rumor that the Wabash proposed to go into Milwaukee, President Ramsey says that a direct entrance is not desired, but that as soon as another lake steamer can be built the Ann Arbor, controlled by the Wabash, will run ferries to Milwaukee from Frankfort, Mich.

And now it is reported that the Big

Four is employing a few negro firemen from the southern roads, alleging that there is a scarcity of white firemen. The recent experience of another road to bet black men on the engines, has hardly been forgotten. The Cairo division of the road, had negroes in the service up to twelve years ago, when the brotherhood got well organized and at their request, Superintendent "Jackie" Simmons quickly disposed of all of them, even to the porters on the night runs between Danville and Cairo.

#### RAILROAD NOTES.

J. P. Blue of the coach shops was off duty yesterday.

Inspector Lawrence Schnieder and family are visiting in Cincinnati.

William Roney of the rip track was on the road yesterday, repairing cars.

Conductor Deeter is laying off for a few days. Conductor Beaver is on in his place.

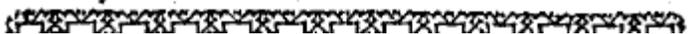
Engine 558 was cut in on No. 11 yesterday in place of the 570. The latter engine had a broken driver spring.

William D. Barr, the veteran P. & E. baggageman, will resume work today, after being off the road for nearly two months, during which time he underwent a severe surgical operation.—  
Danville Press.

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Everything good to eat at the  
Champaign County grocery.

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# NEGRO PREACHER JAGGER

## Reverend Unknown Finds Temptations in Urbana.

Fills Up on Corn Juice and Is Arrested—  
Was Saving Souls Over in Champaign  
Thursday Night—Name Unknown.

"De good ole wagon broke down," muttered a colored man in clerical garb who was being assisted to quarters in the city prison yesterday. As if to emphasize the statement, the reverend unknown stumbled on the steps of the city building and would have fallen, had it not been for the protecting arm of Capt. McKinney.

The colored man is said to be a preacher. Thursday evening he held forth on the streets of Champaign. He sang gospel hymns and worked himself to a frenzy exhorting his hearers to

## **THE NEGRO HAS DISAPPEARED**

**No Trace of Lewis Gilbert Who Shot at the Interurban Work Car.**

The negro, Lewis Gilbert, who attempted to carry out a vendetta against Henry Harris, the big interurban boss, has evidently vanished. A close watch has been kept for him but he has made good his disappearance. Harris is of the opinion that he may come back and try to raise some more trouble, but it is believed that he has had enough.

Police business in Urbana continues dull. "Nothing doing," said Magistrate Sims yesterday when asked if he had any culprits up before him.

# CIRCUS CAME TO TOWN; SCENES OF MUCH HASTE

Crowds Watch the Aggregation Unload Stuff.

## BIG HORSE DROPPED DEAD

Supt. Pepper "Calls" Employees—  
Big Elephants Come to Aid  
of Wagons Which Stuck  
in the Mire.

Sturdy horses straining and pulling every nerve, the hoarse commands, and exhortations of the drivers, the sound of the "roustabouts" as they drove in the tent pegs, the bellowing of the animals—all these combined Sunday when the circus came to town.

Watched by hundreds of persons, the Forepaugh-Sells Bros.' aggregation installed itself in the fair grounds. To many of those who watched the big

tents go up as if by magic, the scene was productive of as much interest as the coming amusement would be.

### THE CIRCUS ARRIVES.

The circus arrived about noon on the Wabash from Fort Wayne, Ind. The ride had been a long one and the circus men were glad to tumble out and stretch themselves. The string of work horses was unloaded and the big beasts bent willingly to their burdens. In a short time, by means of the perfect system of the show, the caravan had begun its march to the show grounds.

### PEPPER MADE GOOD.

The egress to the fair grounds was difficult. Third street for a block leading to the entrance was muddy. In addition the street was narrow and was bisected by the street railway tracks. The big wagon soon began to obstruct street car traffic. Supt. H. J. Pepper was soon on the scene. When the circus employes refused to heed him, he called in the police and Chief Keller ordered the circus men to keep off the tracks. They did so.

The elephants, great patient beasts, was used to advantage. When a wagon was "stuck" the elephants would be brought to the scene. "Head on it" the elephant man would cry and the big animals would push the wagon through the mire.

### HORSE DROPPED DEAD.

A big white horse, one in a string that was being driven down South Neil street in the afternoon, dropped dead in front of the Walker opera house. The animal collapsed and died in a few minutes. The horse was not pulling anything at the time and the cause of the death was unknown. The horse was loaded into a wagon and taken away. The affair drew a big crowd of spectators.

crowd of spectators.

### TENTS UP QUICKLY.

The tents at the fair grounds went up quickly. The majority of the roustabouts with the aggregation were negroes. Gangs of dusky workmen swung on the pegs with their hammers and quickly arranged things for the raising of the tents. As usual, the cooking tent was the first erected.

The entrance to the ring, an incline, was mired and it took a good horse to pull it up. A ten horse shift was kept here to pull up any wagon which the regular team could not manage. The Forepaugh-Sells Bros.' horses were all fine animals. It was noticeable that the drivers would stop them after an unusual strain and give them a few moments for rest. The whip was rarely used, all the horses needed to make them strain every nerve being the sharp commands of the driver.

### GOT READY FOR PARADE.

At the circus grounds yesterday morning, there was bustle and bustle, getting ready for the parade. The arrangements did not require the usual time however, on account of the fact that the show was already here. Consequently the parade was started early and reached Urbana at 9:30 o'clock, coming here before it went to Champaign. A big crowd lined the business section and watched the gaily caparisoned riders and the gaudy wagons go by.

### \$30 TO COLORADO AND RETURN.

Via Chicago & North-Western R'y. First-class tickets from Chicago to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo, daily beginning June 1. Correspondingly low rates from all points east. Only one night to Denver from Chicago and the Central States. Two fast-trains daily. Personally conducted ex-

cursion in tourist sleeping cars. A. H.  
Waggener, 22 Fifth avenue, Chicago.  
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Gambling among American work-  
men is almost unknown as compared  
with the same evil in Great Britain,  
says the Mosely commissioners.

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"For your stomach's sake" take Dr.  
Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Cures con-  
stipation, indigestion, all stomach  
troubles.

# WHITE WOMAN TESTIFIED

## She Lived With Negroes and Knew Misdeeds.

Comedy in Black and White in Champaign  
Police Court Yesterday Morning—  
Wright Bound Over to Grand Jury.

A comedy in black and white was enacted in the Champaign police court yesterday morning. Mrs. Lottie Johnson and others were the black and Mrs. "Matty" Ashmore the white.

The affair started when Dan'l Webster Johnson, son of Mrs. Johnson, ran into the police station and declared that Alec Wright was killing his mother. The Johnson abode is along the Illinois Central near the white fence. The police went to the scene and arrested everybody.

It developed at the hearing that Mr. Johnson is away. The white woman, who lives with the colored folks, was on the stand and declared that Wright was Mrs. Johnson's lover. Wright was fined \$5 and costs for assault and then held to the grand jury under bond of \$200 which he was unable to get, according to last reports.

# LED CHIEF HARD CHASE

**Huge Negro Enjoyed Himself  
in Divers Ways on Christ-  
mas Day.**

**LIGE BOWAN WENT  
ARMED WITH A GUN**

**Arrested by McKinney, But Broke  
Away—Demanded Gifts at  
Stores.**

They have Lige Bowan in the city  
bastile.

Lige is a great, black, blue-footed  
negro, of the "way down south" type.  
He was Urbana's greatest sensation of  
Christmas day.

The first announcement of Lige's  
actions came to police headquarters  
when Sam Bennett, a white drayman,  
said that the negro had cursed him  
and threatened to kill him. Chief  
McKinney turned up his coat collar  
and started out to look for the ebony-  
hued individual. He found him, and  
Lige submitted with a heavy heart.

Lige submitted with becoming grace. Just as the calaboose door was reached the black man balked and before the officer knew what had happened wriggled out of his grasp. Then began a chase which would make a University cross country runner nervous.

Near the George Busey residence on Green street, the fleetfooted chief caught his man, having winded him. Just before the officer pounced upon the negro he saw him throw something up against the fence with his hand attached to Lige. The object reached with his other foot. It was discarded by Bowman. It was a revolver—not a very good one, but enough to make holes in anything in human shape.

### LIGE PLEADS GUILTY

In city court, Lige, with his face, which told of his regard for trouble, explained to Herrigan that he was being being drunk and totting a gun. In his first case he got three and in the latter he was dishonored five and trimmings. No assisting officer was called the fellow.

According to the officer, an is at present on parole at state penitentiary, where from St. Louis for a while. Arter being paroled he went and came to Urbana. He was later arrested and taken to pen. On solicitation of an insurance man he was again released. He has since lived here. In trouble, it is said, may be of his return to Menard.

During his spree Monday

been reported to the police  
entered several downtown  
demanded a Christmas  
was refused, he helped  
whatever most suited him.

The trouble between the  
and drayman Sam Bean  
origin to a spirited dispute  
overcoat.

The holiday season is  
happier witness than  
grinning out through bars  
at the city hall.

The Southern penitentiary  
Ill. was notified by wire  
and soon after noon the  
message was received.

Sheriff C. N. Clark —  
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# “IS HE IN THE”

## Phones Rise Late Police

The phone at the  
kept busy during  
parties making inquiries  
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QUEER GUN TO  
USE ON SQUIRRELS

## NEGRO HAD A REVOLVER

### Police Will Endeavor to Locate Black Man Who Fires a Weapon.

A dusky colored individual, who shoots at squirrels with a revolver within the city limits, is much sought by the Urbana police. They do not know his name, nor have they any description of him otherwise than that of his complexion, but they have been told of some queer doings in which he was the star performer Thursday.

On a resident street there is a pair of tame squirrels which make their home in the trees. The negro was passing and saw one of the rodents. He shoved his hand down into his pocket and took several shots at the frisky little animals above with an enormous revolver. He missed and the squirrel skipped out of harm's way.

"I certainly like to got that squirrel," he remarked to several passers-by, as he reloaded his gun and again concealed it. He was last seen on a street car bound for Champaign.

# COUNTY COURT IS BUSY

## Judge Staley Disposes of Considerable Business.

The two negroes who were arrested in Champaign, charged with shooting one white man and slugging another, while attempting to rob, have been brought to Urbana and placed in the county jail. There they will remain until Wednesday when they will be given a preliminary hearing.

Entries of Judge Staley's miscellaneous docket Monday were as follows:

Estate of Jessie R. Spaulding; final settlement. Administrator discharged.

Estate of Isaac M. Wallace, same.

Estate of James Johnson; inventory approved and ordered recorded.

Estate of Jno. M. Wilkin, same.

Estate of Anna E. Waldo; final report; proof publishing and posting and publishing notice; administrator discharged.

Estate P. J. Murphy; claim Chas. F. Witt; motion to continue overruled; claim of \$149.70 allowed and ordered paid in due course of administration.

Estate W.P. Craig; final settlement. Administrator discharged.

Chattel mortgage by Bert and Jennie England; application for order directing sheriff to seize property. Petition heard and prayer granted. Sheriff ordered to seize goods named in petition.

## MAY MEAN MURDER

(Continued From Page 1.)

of his head and his left shoulder is crushed. His face is badly cut and bruised. The physician says the chances are against Bales' recovery.

Many are of the opinion that an attempt has been made to murder the barber and the police are working on

the case. It is said that Bales recently quarreled with negroes in Champaign. The nature of his injuries are hardly like those which would have been inflicted by a locomotive engine or railroad train.

Bales has been a barber in Urbana for about ten years. His home is in North Salem, Ind. He has two sisters residing here. Bales has always been a pleasant fellow and his friends are numerous.

# SAW THIEF AND SCREAM

## Urbana Lady Frightened Burglar Away.

Mrs. George Prow, residing at 1202 Clark street, Urbana, was awakened during Friday night by a noise in the room. She hurriedly struck a match and saw the form of a large man only a few feet away.

The lady screamed and the burglar fled, leaving the house as he had come through a window.

Nothing was stolen but a revolver which was on the dresser. Mrs. Prow thinks the intruder was a negro.

# NEGRO HELD BY POLICE

## In Indianapolis for Supposed Urbana Murder.

Chief of Police McKinney is puzzling over a letter from Superintendent of Police C. L. Kruger, of Indianapolis, who wrote him to learn if a negro named Fred Mitchell was wanted in Urbana for the murder of a woman in May or June.

Supt. Kruger asked if there was a reward for the man and if he was wanted, stating that he was being held by the Indianapolis police. The superintendent described Mitchell as yellow-skinned, about 38 years of age, weight about 145 pounds, and height 5 feet 10 inches.

Chief McKinney did not know of any murder here and he wrote the Indianapolis police to that effect.

## SHERIFF CLARK'S GLOOM IS TURNED TO JOY

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**Negro, Wanted Here for Grand  
Larceny, Seems a Slip-  
pery Customer.**

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"Taylor broke jail last night,  
"W. H. Roughton."

This is the brief but succinct mes-  
sage that Sheriff C. N. Clark receiv-  
ed this morning when he returned from  
a long and arduous journey, which he  
supposed had resulted in the sure ap-  
prehension of Harry Taylor, a negro,  
wanted for grand larceny here.

This afternoon, however, Sheriff  
Clark's gloom was turned to joy for  
another telegram was received from  
Deputy Roughton, who stated that  
Taylor had been caught in Centerville,  
Ia., and that he was going there to get  
him.

Taylor last week eloped with a suit  
of clothes, \$12 in money and a big  
dog, all the property of Jerry Mitchell,  
a well known employe of the Renner  
livery stable, Taylor made tracks for  
Memphis, Mo., his home and the lo-  
cal authorities telegraphed the sher-  
iff of Scotland county to hold him un-  
til an officer was sent. Taylor was ar-  
rested and sent word that he would  
not require requisition papers to be  
issued so Deputy W. H. Roughton left  
to get the prisoner. When Roughton  
got there, however, Taylor refused to  
come of his own accord and Sheriff

Clark left Monday for Springfield, where he secured the necessary papers from the Illinois state authorities. The sheriff then went to Jefferson City, the Missouri capital, where he secured Gov. Folk's "O. K." and ~~also had the governor telegraph the~~ sheriff at Memphis to hold the prisoner. Sheriff Clark mailed the papers Wednesday morning to Deputy Roughton and started home to Urbana, confident that all was well. Then he got the first message and was rather sore till the second came. Requisition papers may be needed again.

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# C COOPERATIVE STORE

## A "Negro's Business Club" Will Conduct Store in Champaign.

J. C. Kruse, the veteran furniture dealer of east side, Champaign, has rented his vacant building No. 45 University avenue, just east of the Hardy block to a "Negro Business Club," an organization of colored men which proposes to conduct a co-operative store, principally in the interests of the colored people of the twin cities.

The business will, as we understand, deal chiefly with groceries for the present, but in future may grow to a general store or possibly a department store. The feeling that they have been discriminated against by business men has prompted the move. Some of the wealthy colored people of the county are behind the business. The Folks of Homer and Sidney, well-to-do farmers and stockmen are interested in the movement.

## WAS LOOKING FOR TROUBLE

**Danville Police Believe Champaign Negro Had Blood in His Eye.**

Danville, Ill., July 5.—An officer stated yesterday that he felt certain that Walter Davis of Champaign, who shot William Brown Thursday on Gobin street, had come to town looking for trouble and that he was prepared for it. The revolver that he used was a brand new one and from all appearances had never been used before. The fact that Brown was unarmed when he was picked up after having been shot by Davis, is proof, the officers think, that he was not expecting trouble with Davis. Had he intended to have shot Davis, as the latter claims he made motions to do, he would have gone out of the house with a gun. Brown had nothing to shoot with and had no knife or other weapon. The officer thinks that the tragedy was caused by jealousy on the part of Davis, who had been supplanted in the affections of Lee McKee, the woman in the case.

### Death of a Freak.

St. Louis, July 4.—Edward Beupre, aged 23 years, said to be the tallest and best-proportioned man in the world, died Sunday of hemorrhage, in an ambulance on the world's fair grounds, while being taken to the emergency hospital. He was eight feet two and one half inches tall and weighed about 300 pounds. Beupre had been in the city but a short while, and since his arrival had been employed in an attraction on the Pike. He came from Kansas City.

### Two Die in Few Minutes.

Pottsville, Pa., July 4.—Samuel Lear and his son-in-law, Henry Betz, of

Pottsville, dropped dead within five minutes of each other Sunday evening in the same room. Lear had a stroke of paralysis, dying almost instantly, and Betz, while bending over him trying to revive the dead man, fell dead himself on the body. The shock to Mrs. Betz was so great that her life is despaired of.

## **NEGRO THIEF WAS INDIGNANT**

### **Censures Col. Peck for Carelessness in Leaving Things Around.**

Col. G. C. Peck of Champaign is still laughing over the stealing of some bedding which had been used in a scarlet fever illness and which had been put out in the yard to air. A negro who purchased some goods at the home of the dean of the local journalistic world, eloped with the bedding. He was told by a neighbor that it was infected with scarlet fever. The colored man thereupon became greatly indignant.

"Why, dem pu-sons ought to be arrested for leaving such stuff around," he said.

Some people are undoubtedly hard to please.

## REED HELD FOR ASSAULT

Colored Man Will Have to Answer to the  
Grand Jury.

"Black Ike" Reed was held to the grand jury in the sum of \$200 for having assaulted another negro, J. J. Jordan with a deadly weapon. The encounter is said to have occurred Wednesday evening in Champaign. The hearing was before Justice Bigelow of Champaign. Reed acted as his own attorney and gave numerous reasons why he was not guilty but the dispenser of justice could not see it as Reed saw it, and told him to explain his case to the grand jury.

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# **CZKOSKE'S DOWNFALL**

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**He Mistook F. Winter's House  
for His Own Last  
Night.**

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**REPELLED WITH HATCHET**

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**Mr. Winter Lays Out Man With  
the Unpronounceable  
Name.**

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Mr. John Czkoske, bearing the double

burden of a jag and his name, went home about midnight last night. That is, he was of the opinion that he was going home when he attempted to effect an entrance into the house of F. Winter, 1407 West Eads street.

Mr. Winter was of a different opinion. He was getting his second sleep when he was awakened by a dull thud upon the porch. Not knowing that this denoted the arrival of Czkoske, the jag and the name, he murmured "Burglars!" and prepared to repel the midnight marauder.

Outside on the porch of the Winter residence, Czkoske, having deposited his name and his jag, was carefully setting about to enter what he thought was his own lawful abode.

The psychological moment arrived as the town clock tolled the hour of midnight. Czkoške was at the door when it was suddenly opened and Mr. Winter appeared in his robe de nuit, armed with a hatchet. There was no parleying. Mr. Winter, believing that he was defending the sanctity of his home, dealt the supposed burglar a blow on the head with the deadly hatchet.

The ill-fated Czkoske, who was carrying overweight, went to the floor, where he lay prostrate. Mr. Winter, with his night shirt flapping about in the wind regarded the silent form with apprehension. Czkoske remained still. Mr. Winter, fearing that he had killed him, hurried to a telephone and called the police.

Captain McKinney and Officer Hoy, the safeguards of the city's liberties, came posthaste to the scene. The policemen gathered Czkoske up, and led him tenderly to the city building. The man was recovering from the death-dealing booze and at the city building

he was submitted to the usual examination.

"What's your name?" asked Captain McKinney.

"XX1½ZKSKI," replied the prisoner, defiantly.

Captain McKinney shuddered. Policeman Hoy was observed to glance furtively at the door.

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ing especial pains to place him in a safe place where the name could work no damage.

Investigation in the city directory resulted in the discovery that Czkoske lives at 1408 West Dublin street and is employed at the gas house.

His face was bloody from the blow with the hatchet but Mr. Winter fortunately struck him with the flat side.

Capt. McKinney and Officer Hoy made plans to be on hand in the police court this morning when Magistrate Sims asks the prisoner his name.

#### **Looking for Negro.**

The Urbana police last night were looking for a negro, wanted in Danville for an attempt to murder. The Danville authorities telephoned the sleuths here but gave no information of the case.

#### **In the Toils.**

Steve Morris was arrested by Officer Hoy last night for making a nuisance of himself. He was released with the promise that he would appear this morning and pay his fine.

**"DON'T BLAME ME,"  
SAID BALES FAINTLY**

# THAT AND NOTHING MORE

## Three Words Wounded Barber Uttered and Then Relapsed Into Unconscious State.

"Don't blame me."

Homer Bales, who was either murderously assaulted or struck by a train, regained consciousness at noon, uttered faintly the above three words, and then relapsed again into a state of insensibility, though it is believed that he has now fallen into a natural sleep from which he may awaken much improved.

It is still impossible to state whether the barber will live or die, but his condition is now regarded as more favorable. When Will Tegar, also employed at the Ridge shop, went over to see Bales today at noon he appeared to recognize his brother work man.

Bales, it is said, quarreled Monday night with a negro on a street car who resides in Champaign and the black man threatened him. It is now the general opinion, however, that he was struck by a train, as a fractured skull and crushed shoulder and a broken

We have received another lot good substantial, steel frame Cases which we will let go at price. Now's your chance.  
\$1.00; 24 inch, \$1.15; 26 inch \$1.

# SANDERS WON'T TALK

Men Who killed "Red" Tom  
Adopts Policy of  
Silence.

SPENDS TIME PLAYING  
"OLD MR. SOLITAIRE"

Says He's Mighty Sorry to be  
In Jail — Other  
Prisoners.

Ben Sanders, the Champaign negro in the county jail to await the action of the September grand jury, has adopted a policy of silence toward questioners. Sanders, who is the first prisoner to be confined in the new county jail on a murder charge was visited Saturday by a Courier reporter.

## WOULDN'T TALK.

"Ben, here's a reporter," said Jailor Jenkins. "Don't you want to talk a little?"

Sanders, who was sitting at a table

fingering a deck of cards, came to the cell door.

"No, suh," he declared, "I ain't got nothin' I want to say. There's too much said already."

The prisoner trotted back to his cards but turned again. "I tell you what you can say," he said. "You can say I'm mighty sorry I'm in here."

#### PLAYS CARDS.

Then the man whose deed put a sudden end to the chequered existence of "Red Tom" Johnson began a game of solitaire. He laid the cards upon the table one by one, but evidently was not having much success. "I nevah can beat old Mr. Solitaire," he mumbled. "Yesterday I done cheated myself three times and then he beat me."

Willis Scott and Frank Gillman, the Tuscola pair who essayed to run a cold storage house near Parkville, joked the colored prisoner, but he bent anew to the struggle with "Old Mr. Solitaire."

#### ALICE GRECO.

In the woman's department of the jail, a woman leaned pensively at a window. She was Mrs. Alice Greco or Hicks, who has been confined ever since April.

The woman is charged with bigamy and with forging a county order. She was to have been tried last court, but the indictment was faulty and she was recommitted to await the meeting of the September grand jury. She is visited by Greco and by Hicks also. She has already been punished considerably for whatever she has done.

Other charges of Mr. Jenkins are Albert Ollis, Harry Spencer and Bert Parker.

#### MANY VISITORS.

"We have many visitors to the jail these days," said the jailor. "It's sur-

prising how many come here. They  
nearly always want to see the visit-  
ors."

The jailor appeared to be well liked  
by his prisoners despite the fact that  
he administers affairs with an iron  
hand that knows no leniency when it  
is a question of rules. But he believes  
in treating them just as well as possi-  
ble without giving them chances to  
abuse the treatment.

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DEPUTY BRINGING  
FUGITIVE TO URBANA

# TAYLOR IN THE TOILS

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## **Came From Iowa Without Requisition Papers—Sheriff is Elated.**

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Sheriff Clark today received word that Harry Taylor, the colored man wanted here for grand larceny, was being chaperoned to Urbana by Deputy Roughton, who was given custody of the prisoner by the sheriff of Centerville, Ia.

Sheriff Clark received a telegram from the sheriff at Memphis, Mo., that Roughton had passed through there with the negro and he will be brought here this evening.

Sheriff Clark feared that requisition papers would again be needed in Iowa, but it is evident that Taylor gave up and consented to come without further trouble.

The sheriff is feeling pretty good over the matter as considerable trouble and expense has been gone to to get the man, who will be given a preliminary hearing Saturday in all probability.

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### **Can Build Three Stories.**

The lease E. G. Benton made for the first and second stories of his fine brick building on West Main street prevents the building of a third story. He says that a third story could be built with safety.

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# NEGRO GOT IN TROUBLE

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## Van Coleman Charged With Larceny as Bailee.

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Van Coleman, a local negro, was arrested in Streator, charged with larceny as bailee and brought here, where he was arraigned before Magistrate Sims in the city building this morning.

Harry Taylor, a former friend and boon companion of the prisoner, appeared against him, charging that he had refused to return a watch he had entrusted with him to secure the loan of "one dollar and six bits." Taylor asserted that he offered the money to Coleman but instead of giving back the watch that worthy disappeared.

The watch in question was said to be valued at \$10, but from all indications there would be no breakneck rush to purchase it at that price. Coleman was committed in default of \$100 bond, which he sought to secure but failed.

"I want to get out before dawn," he told an opulent colored man summoned from Champaign, "you ain't going to let me stay." "Can't help it," responded the man of influence, "I aint goin' to sign no more \$100 papers."

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# DO YOU ENJOY A STORY?

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## Miss Shedlock Gives Six Lectures at Morrow Hall.

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Probably one of the most unique and pleasant entertainments this season will be that of Miss Shedlock (notice of which is given elsewhere) on Feb. 20 to 25. She is probably the best story teller before the people today, and if you enjoy a good story, told by one who knows how, do not fail to attend these lectures. Single lecture 25 cents; season, \$1.

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### Map of Plantation.

M. S. Parks has a map of his Mississippi plantation which he exhibits

with pride. His manager had argument with the negro tenants as to the amount of land they occupied so a survey was ordered which resulted in a gain of about ten acres for the Urbana man.

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**Lands by Railroad Contract.**

New York, Feb. 16.—The New York Contracting and Trucking company has landed the \$6,000,000 contract for six-tracking the New Haven road from New York to New Rochelle.

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**Mother and Babe Burn.**

Shrewsbury, Ky., Feb. 16.—The house of Thomas Jones, near here, was destroyed by fire, and Mrs. Jones and her infant were burned to death.

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# LINDSTRUM DAMAGE SUIT BEING TRIED

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**Poor Farm Overseer Charged  
With Trespass.**

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## KRAFT ASKS FOR \$10,000

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**Claims He Lost Sight of Eye  
Through Cruelty — Divorce  
Cases Heard — Orders of  
the Court.**

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In the circuit court today the cause celebre was the trespass suit of John Kraft against Andrew Lindstrum, superintendent of the county poor farm. The plaintiff wants \$10,000 damages for alleged cruel treatment at the hands of the superintendent.

Kraft declares that April 21 he was assaulted by the superintendent, struck and knocked to the floor where he was kicked. He declares that as a result he lost the sight of his right eye and was

lost the sight of his right eye and was otherwise injured, having sustained various bruises.

Physicians were put on the stand to testify regarding the condition of Kraft when they were called to attend him. A number of poor farm inmates were present as witnesses and it was expected that the case would be warmly contested.

#### SECURES DIVORCE.

William T. Davis of Homer secured a divorce from Mrs. Katharine Davis on the grounds of desertion. The complainant testified that he was married to Katharine Minnie at Danville in 1896 and that his wife deserted him in 1897.

Judge Philbrick also heard the divorce suit of Mrs. Edith Boyer of Champaign against Troy Boyer. The judge withheld action until further evidence was produced by the complainant who testified regarding various acts of cruelty on the part of her husband, to whom she was married April 5, 1900. Twice Mrs. Boyer stated that she left her husband as a result of his abuse and cruelty only to return on his promises to reform and treat her well. A child was born to the couple but its coming seemed to make the father worse, she declared. She asked the custody of the child.

Ike Smith, the illfated negro arrested on a gambling indictment, gave bond today. Court orders were:

John Kraft vs. Andrew Lindstrum, trespass; trial by jury. Heard.

Nancy J. Full vs. Sylvester Breese et al, partition; decree of sale.

William T. Davis vs. Katharine Davis, divorce; decree of divorce.

John R. McClugen et al vs. Sarah M. McGraw et al, partition; decree of sale.

**EMMA BOYER VS. TROY BOYER, divorce;  
heard by court.**

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## NEGROES LEAVING CHAMPAIGN

**Alarming Decrease in Colored Population  
Since Grand Jury Returned Indictments.**

Champaign's colored population has been decreasing at an alarming rate since the large batch of indictments for gambling were returned by the grand jury, until now scarcely a sable hued countenance can be seen on the streets. It is understood that most of the indictments were for colored people who have gambled on the green in Champaign's city parks where the festive crap games were carried on every Sunday.

Champaign authorities feel just as well pleased that the undesirable colored element has evaded the clutches

of the law by getting out of the city and predict that most of them will stay out as long as the indictments hang over their heads. This plan of disposing of them is cheaper than to have them lay out heavy fines in jail at the expense of the county.

# CANINE TACKLES ROBBER

## Saves His Master, Winnie Faulkner, From Holdup.

Faulkner Accosted By Colored Couple  
Who Pursue Him But Are  
Balked By Dog.

The bravery and intelligence of a little dog probably saved Winnie Faulkner of Champaign from being robbed and possibly from bodily harm Wednesday night. Mr. Faulkner with his faithful dog was walking north on Randolph street when on reaching the corner of Columbia avenue he almost ran into a colored couple, a man and a woman, who were coming along to meet him. He turned on his heel and started in the opposite direction but they whistled for him to stop. He had no anxiety to learn what they wanted and started to walk rapidly for his home. As he increased his speed the colored couple did the same until all concerned were on a dead run.

The dog ran at his heels, until summoning what little breath he had left Mr. Faulkner told him to "Sic 'em." The dog knew at once what was wanted and waited for the colored couple to catch up with him when he sprang at the throat of the man. He missed his hold but he kept the negro so busy that he had to give up the pursuit. The colored woman stopped running to help her companion and Faulkner reached his home in safety where he secured a revolver. As he opened the door to return to the scene of the con-

Then the dog bounded in wagging his tail and with a light in his eye that told plainer than words how much he had enjoyed his meal of dark meat.

This couple are said to have caused considerable annoyance in that neighborhood.

# "NO, A NEGRO," SAID BALES TO SISTER

## THE MYSTERY CLEARING

**Answered in Negative When  
Asked If He Was Struck  
By a Train.**

For the first time on Friday evening Homer Bales, the wounded barber, spoke of the manner in which he received such terrible injuries.

Homer for a minute seemed to completely regain consciousness and asked his sister, who watched at his bedside, what was the matter with him. She answered that he was badly hurt, and he was then asked for the first time if a train did it. He hesitated a minute as though his mind was reverting back to the eventful night, and then answered faintly, "No, a negro." He said nothing more and then relapsed again into a comatose condition.

It is thought that Mr. Bales was in his right senses when he spoke and if so the theory of a murderous attack upon him has proven the correct solution of the mystery, and more may

come of the matter than supposed by some. At another time the unfortunate barber said while half conscious, "Down by the depot you can find more blood."

The young man is still in a critical condition, but was believed to be a little improved Saturday.

#### **Gulity of Wife Murder.**

Quincy, Ill., Oct. 7.—William Stuckenholt was convicted of wife murder. He beat the woman with a hammer while she was tied to her bed with ropes. Punishment was fixed at life imprisonment.

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#### **Organist Quits America.**

New York, Oct. 7.—Dudley Buck, organist and composer, who sailed for Europe two weeks ago with his wife, has left Brooklyn for good and will pass the rest of his life at Munich.

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#### **Big Building Collapses.**

St. Petersburg, Oct. 7.—A five-story building in course of construction collapsed and a hundred workmen were buried in the ruins. Only seven of the men have been extricated.

# COLORED MEN WANT FIRE DEPARTMENT

## TO PETITION COUNCIL

**Declare That Danville Has a Colored Department and Champaign Should Do as Well.**

The colored men of Champaign are circulating a petition to be presented to the city council asking that this body take steps for the formation of a colored fire department for Champaign. The location of the proposed fire department is left to the discretion of the council but its location is suggested as somewhere in the territory bounded on the North by East University avenue, on the east by Wright street, on the south by John street and on the west by the Illinois Central tracks. This territory includes hundreds of thousands of dollars of valuable property which would have by this new plan more adequate fire protection than can now be given it. Only three salaried men are asked, the remaining men to be volunteers, and to be paid only when actually engaged in fighting flames, as in the case of the

present fire department. There is an old hose cart and hook and ladder wagon in storage, which have been suggested as forming the nucleus of the equipment for the new department. Atrus Lee has charge of the petition and says he is meeting with a great deal of encouragement in his enterprise. He says that colored men own much property, have not a single job, offer efficient fire protection to the territory mentioned, at a minimum of cost and he mentions Danville' and its colored fire department as a example of what he is trying to do for the colored people themselves and for the city at large.

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# COUNTY BIRTH RECORD SHOWS NO RACE SUICIDE

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## **Were 276 Additions to Population in Quarter.**

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## **'NARY A PAIR OF TWINS.**

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## **Colored Residents Furnished But Two Births — Some Interesting Facts Gleaned from the Statistics.**

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There is no "race suicide" in Champaign county. President Roosevelt has no need to be alarmed at the prospect of a decreasing population. These remarks are suggested by the quarterly birth record which was footed up in the county clerk's office and announced yesterday.

### **WERE 276 BIRTHS.**

The statistics furnished are of considerable interest. The total number of births in the three months was 276.



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Of these 131 were male and 138 female. But two were colored.

The county carried off the honors as opposed to the "towns of over 5,000 population," listed in the report. The towns of course are Urbana and Champaign. In the twin cities 54 babes saw the light in the three months. The remainder are credited to the villages and the country.

#### FEW FOREIGNERS.

There are few foreigners in Champaign county. In some places the per cent. of births is greatest among the foreign population. Here however 140 fathers were born in Illinois, 83 in the United States, and the foreigners numbered but 37. Of the mothers, 172 were born in Illinois, 70 in the United States, and 14 were foreigners.

#### APRIL BANNER MONTH.

April was the banner month for births. There were 97 births in that month. The other months were not far behind however.

Compared with the previous quarter, the record shows an increase of two births.

#### WERE NO TWINS.

A peculiar feature of the report is that no births of twins were registered. No Champaign county farmer was compelled to appear on the streets and deal out a double assortment of cigars. This is an unusual occurrence.

The report is sent to Springfield to be included in the statistics which are collected there.

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# DROPPED DEAD AT HOMER

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## **Sudden Death of George Vaughan, a Colored Barber.**

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**Ate Hearty Breakfast Twenty Minutes Before  
He Died—Will Be Buried in Champaign  
Today Under Masonic Auspices.**

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George Vaughan, a colored barber of Homer, ate a hearty breakfast yesterday morning. Twenty minutes later, at 7 o'clock, he dropped dead in front of his barber shop.

Bystanders rushed to the side of the prostrate man but he lived but a few moments. The death caused great excitement in Homer as Mr. Vaughan had been seen about the streets in excellent health apparently. He ate breakfast, joked with the restaurant proprietor and then stepped out into the street to die shortly.

Coroner Penny held an inquest and the jury returned a verdict of death from heart failure.

Mr. Vaughan was fifty years of age and single. As far as known he had no relatives in this section. He was a member of the Colored Masons and the Colored Knights Templars and the Blue Lodge and Home Star sent representatives to Homer last night to make arrangements for bringing the body to Champaign. The funeral will be held in Champaign today under the auspices of the lodges.

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# CENSUS SHOWS INCREASE

## Enumerator Lindsey Finds 7,811 in Urbana.

Colored People and Illiterates Show De-  
crease Although No Race War Has  
Been Threatened.

Enumerator T. E. Lindsey has completed his school census and the results are highly satisfactory in showing the sure and steady growth of Urbana. The completed census shows an increase of 543 over that of last year, the total for the district being 7,811. The white population has increased 553, while the colored population shows a decrease of ten. The cause in the decrease of the colored community is inexplicable as there has been nothing in the nature of a race war to cause them to shake the dust of Urbana from their feet. A decrease of seven among the illiterate is noted. There is a splendid feature in denoting the advancement of Urbana. The fact that here are but 36 illiterate persons to be found in the district speaks for itself. Mr. Lindsey's figures follow.

Population of district, 7,811; increase over last year 543.

Males under 21 years, 395; increase, 50.

Females under 21 years, 346; increase, 50.

Total under 21 years, 741; increase 55.

Males between 6 years and 21, 1,134.

Females between 6 years and 21; 1,062.

Total between 6 years and, 21 2,196;  
increase, 32.

Number more than 21 years, 4,874;  
increase, 456.

Number between 7 years and 14, 932;  
increase, 36.

In Private schools, 81, decrease, 5.

White population, 7,691; increase, 553.

Colored population, 120, decrease, 10.

Number illiterate, 38; decrease, 7.

No. of families, 1,820, increase, 136.

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# HAD LIVED IN THREE CENTURIES

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**Old Colored Mammy Dies in  
Champaign.**

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## SERVANT OF WASHINGTON

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**Father of His Country Often Bor-  
rowed Girl Slave from Her Mas-  
ter—Was a Living  
History.**

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A buxom young belle of 20 years when the nineteenth century dawned, 120 years old when the present century began its cycle and 124 years old before death snuffed out her long life is the wonderful experience of Mrs. Mary Ann Bell, a typical old Southern "mammy" who died Wednesday at the home of her son, J. H. Bell, 506 East Champaign street, Champaign.

### RECORDS PROVE AGE.

There is no doubt about the extreme age of this old colored woman, who

witnessed three centuries, as records yellow and nearly rotten with antiquity, which she has always retained in her possession prove this beyond doubt.

She was born near Washington D. C., in 1780. Her parents were brought to this country from Africa where they stood high in the councils of the black tribes, and sold as slaves to General Booker a warm personal friend of George Washington. The estates of Washington and General Booker were not far apart and "Mammy" Bell claims that the Father of His Country took such fancy to her that he wanted to buy her from Booker, but her master would not sell her. However, he offered her to Washington and she acted as a servant at Mt. Vernon very often.

#### A LIVING HISTORY.

The old colored woman's memory was remarkably clear for one who had lived so long and had accumulated so much to remember. The latter part of her life was spent living in the past and many were the reminiscences from which she would make interesting stories for the delighted audience of young people that were ever at her home. The tales she told took her hearers back to the days of the Revolutionary war and to hear the old mammy talk was like sitting at the feet of history.

#### FAMILY LONG LIVED.

She was married to Anderson Bell when a girl of 16 years of age and lived long with her husband before he finally died 28 years ago. At his demise he claimed to be over a century old. Mrs. Bell came from a long lived family, her father being 138 years old at the time of his death and her mother nearly as old. She was the mother of seven children, four of whom have died from old age. Her son, J. H. Bell, with whom she made her home

is the youngest of her immediate family and he is 70 years old.

She had the typical African's superstition concerning the camera or "black box", as she called it and only once could she be induced to sit for her photograph. That was several years ago when a representative of a Chicago paper, by many promises and blandishments induced her to allow her photograph to be taken.

The funeral will take place from the Second Baptist church, but the day or hour has not yet been set owing to the difficulty in locating relatives.

## **TWO COLORED SUNDAYSCHOOLS**

### **Champaign Baptists and Methodists at St. Joseph Yesterday..**

The center of population of the colored residents of the city of Champaign was transferred to St. Joseph yesterday. The Sunday schools of the Second Baptist and Bethel A. M. E. churches of Champaign took a jaunt to the lively village yesterday morning. The interurbans which left at 8 and 10 o'clock were crowded.

Many of the men carried fishing poles and one colored lad had a banjo. They crowd had a great time they said when they returned.

## **COLORED PEOPLE CELEBRATE**

### **Emancipation Day Made Glorious by Parade and Big Barbecue at Fairgrounds.**

Today is Emancipation day and the colored people of this district are having one of the times of their lives at the fair grounds. Colored people are here from Danville, Mattoon, Tuscola and other nearby towns. The first observance of the day was a parade through the streets of Champaign, which occurred about 11 o'clock this morning. Col. Joe Lee led the procession as marshal of the day and was followed by the K. of P. band, which furnished the music. Floats, filled with cotton on the stalk and and pickin'nies, and cabs filled with prominent colored people made up the rest of the parade.

At the fairgrounds this afternoon a big barbecue was served. A half a steer, pigs and sheep were roasted and some of the dishes for which the cooks of this race are famous were served. Alderman J. B. Woodcock, mayor pro tem, in the absence of Mayor Swigart, delivered the address of welcome and turned the keys of the city over to the visitors.

## CHAMPAIGN NOTES.

Ted Gregg of Tuscola is in the city today.

Mrs. D. P. Simms has returned from a visit to Monticello.

H. W. Clark was up from Mattoon on business this morning.

Miss Grace Lindsey of Farmer City was among the shoppers here.

Miss Gertrude Fleming is visiting the Piatt county fair at Monticello.

T. L. Brickey was a Hoopston resident who was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. F. White has returned from Saybrook where she has been visiting.

The colored Knights of Pythias will hold a picnic at Crystal Lake this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bryant of San Diego, Cal., are the guests of Cham-

high menus.

The Misses Julia, Ida and Mary Mattis went to St. Louis today to attend the exposition.

Miss Mollie Honn has resumed her duties as cashier at Harris' after a short vacation.

Mrs. Ross Mattis and Mrs. Emma Cary left today for a stay at Lake Chautauqua, N. Y.

Dr. G. E. Hutson has leased the Col. Wolfe property and will move his family here from Benton.

Mrs. W. L. King, who has been very ill at her home on West White street, is reported to be improving.

Miss Blanche Lamont, who has been visiting Mrs. Samuel Mowry, has returned to her home in Leroy.

Frankie, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Amsbarry, is very ill at the home on West Park-street.

Elwood Ankrum returned last evening from a trip, during which he advertised the Champaign county fair.

Mrs. Phillip Brannen, who has been visiting at the home of Thomas Hagan has returned to her home at Tuscon, Ariz.

Mrs. Mary E. Oreighton, South Nell street, is among the Champaign people who are visiting at the world's fair.

The Indian club will go to Mattoon tomorrow where they are scheduled for a baseball game with the team of that city.

The Misses Florence and Mabel Burwash left today for St. Louis, where they will spend some time at the exposition.

Mrs. S. A. Birchfield will return to her home in Sullivan tomorrow after a visit with her mother, Mrs. G. F. Righter.

Company M will leave Saturday for Camp Lincoln. They are well drilled and confidently expect to make a good showing.

The Misses Ada and Martha Merrill will return home today or tomorrow from Pontiac where they have been

visiting friends.

John K. Pattengale was in Nokomis yesterday and heard C. S. Deneen, candidate for governor, open his campaign with a rousing big rally.

Joseph Kuhn has returned from an outing at the Michigan resorts. Mrs. Kuhn, who was with him, has gone to Ohio where she will visit for several weeks.

Mrs. Laura B. Evans has returned to her home in Taylorville after a visit with Mrs. J. J. Montague, West Hill street. Mrs. Evans is one of the University trustees.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fairbanks of Mansfield expect to move to Champaign in the near future. Mr. Fairbanks is a brother of the republican candidate for vice president.

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Spears will leave the first of the week for New York, where they will take a steamer for London. Dr. Spears will study medicine in the London hospitals.

The Misses Brown of Citronelle, Ala., who have been guests at the home of W. B. McKinley, have gone to Jacksonville, where they will visit before returning to their home.

Mayor E. S. Swigart, A. M. Burke and H. E. Cook went to Monticello to-

## DAVIS PROVED SELF-DEFENSE

**Champaign Colored Man, Who Got in Trouble  
at Danville, Released.**

Danville, July 15.—Walter Davis, colored, charged with assault with a deadly weapon upon William Brown, also colored, was discharged in Justice Payton's court yesterday afternoon. The case was called for 9 o'clock before Justice Phillips but it was necessary to continue the preliminary on account of the non-appearance of the complaining witness. An attachment was issued and Brown brought into court. A change of venue was taken to Justice Payton, where the preliminary was held in the presence of a large number of people, many of whom were residents of Urbana and Champaign, where Davis and Brown formerly resided. Davis swore that Brown was advancing upon him with a knife or razor when he shot him. He said that he had gone to the residence on Gobin street where his wife and Brown had been living.

to get the baby and was leaving the premises with the child in his arms when Brown came out and tried to compel him to leave it. Because he would not leave the child Brown attempted to attack him with a weapon which he had reason to believe was a knife or razor. He shifted the child from his right to his left arm and pulling his revolver from his pocket, fired at Brown twice; Brown fell and he (Davis) came to the police station and gave himself into the custody of the officers. He said that Brown had dogged him for months and that he had broken up his home, leaving him nothing on earth to care for except the baby, and Brown wanted to deprive him even of that. He said that he and his wife had moved to this city from Champaign but that Brown had followed them. W. M. Acton defended Davis and his best witnesses were persons who had been summoned to give testimony for the state.

When the evidence was all in Justice Payton was convinced that the shooting of William Brown by Walter Davis, an affair which stirred Gobin street up a short time ago, was done in self defense.

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## **SHE IS ADJUDGED INSANE.**

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### **Mrs. Ellen Johnson, Champaign Colored Woman. Taken to Kankakee.**

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Mrs. Ellen Johnson, a colored woman from Champaign, was adjudged insane in the county court by a jury before Judge H. H. Kerr of Ford county. Mrs. Johnson is about 60 years of age and childless. It is thought her insanity was brought on by worry over the death of her husband, and on account of the fact that her property, located at the corner of First and Main streets, Champaign, is mortgaged. A conservator will be appointed to look after it. Mrs. Johnson has been taken to Kankakee by Deputy Sheriff Charles Vandervort and Mrs. Henry Hines.

## COLORED MASONS GATHERED

Lone Star Lodge of Champaign Celebrated  
St. John's Day.

Lone Star lodge, colored Maons of Champaign, celebrated St. John's day yesterday. In the afternoon a picnic was held at Crystal Lake where over a hundred people gathered. Last night in the Imperial building, the members of the lodge gave an entertainment which was attended by hundreds.

### **Colored Knights of Pythias.**

The lodge and company of colored Knights of Pythias of Champaign have been growing very fast of late and to properly celebrate the event the members propose to give a grand ball and banquet early in November. Arrangements will be made to care for a large number of visitors from neighboring cities.

# CHAMPAIGN

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Judge W. H. Coffman is acting as police judge during the illness of Judge Rogerson.

J. F. Grimm, a Champaign coachman, has been left \$8,000 by an uncle in Vandergrift, Pa., and will leave for that place Dec. 15 to claim his fortune. Grimm has been working for B. F. Harris.

The police have been asked to keep their weather eye out for a fellow who robbed a jewelry store at Siegel, Ill., also for a chap who burglarized a tailor shop in Blomington.

Clasey and Melany's saloon has closed its doors.

C. B. Hatch, manager of the Beardsley hotel, has arrived home from a business trip to Texas.

The colored Knights of Pythias held their annual ball in the K. P.

The board of education has decided to put mechanical drawing and manual training in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades of the school. The 312 new lockers have all been received and set up in the schools.

# "THE UGLIEST OF SEVEN"

## Colored Woman To Try Amateur Theatricals.

The "Ugliest of seven" will be the title of a play to be interpreted by the Colored Woman's progressive club of Urbana and Champaign in Knights of Pythias hall at Champaign Wednesday night. The program includes numerous features and refreshments are to be served.

## Champaign News and Notes

A new set of signs is being made for the Willis dry goods store.

James Karr of Seymour was a business caller in town yesterday.

W. A. Hall of Homer transacted business in the city on Monday.

C. J. Mullikin is in Memphis, Tenn., to look after his land business.

J. W. Wallace started on his regular weekly trip to St. Louis on Tuesday.

The new crossing at the Second and Third street crossings of Green street were put in on Monday.

Pastor Doney of the Homer Christian church, reports the addition of two members on last Sunday.

Mrs. Ellen Sullivan has gone to Frankfort, Ind., to visit her son-in-law, George Bales, and family.

The Rantoul democrats will have another meeting on Wednesday evening to complete organization. The meeting held on last Friday night was well attended and considerable enthusiasm manifested.

Mrs. L. L. Dawson and daughter, Mrs. Kate Strahle, were called to Milwaukee, Wis., to attend the funeral of Thomas Bell, who married one of Mrs. Dawson's nieces. Mr. Bell was for several years away back in the sixties master mechanic and foreman of the Illinois Central round house in this city. Mr. Bell was almost 100 years old.

The Illinois Central has received at this point so far during the month of September more than 3,000 pieces of baggage, and of this number 561 pieces came in on Monday, Sept. 12. This is an increase of more than 100 pieces

is an increase of more than 100 per cent over the same period of last year.

Walter Richie of Belleflower, ex-half back of the Wesleyan team, who was to have gone to the University of Illinois, has departed for Pittsburg, Pa., where he will study dentistry and play on the football team.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Paxton of St. Joseph came over on Monday morning and took the Illinois Central for West Salem to visit a daughter and her husband. Mr. Paxton is just home from a visit in Oklahoma, where he saw most everything but good crops.

W. B. McKinley is billed for an address at Maroa on Thursday evening. Saturday night he will be at Tolono, when a club will be organized.

Joe Fleshner of Mattoon has entered the employ of the Miller grocery house at the corner of Main and Market streets.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Coleman have gone for a month's visit with relatives in Texas. They will visit at Galveston and Dalas. Mr. Coleman was born there and has not been back in fourteen years. During his absence his business on Main street will be in charge of Walter Davis.

The date for opening the coliseum in this city has not yet been set, but it will probably take place some time the coming month. As soon as the wheels get fairly rolling a rollar polo league will be organized among the cities of Central Illinois that have skating rinks.

Eugene Davenport, dean of the college of agriculture, is moving into his handsome new house on South Wright street. With one exception it is the most expensive house erected in the two cities this season.

Now that the outside part of the

B. F. Harris house on West Church street is about completed, work is being pushed on the barn and heating plant. This will be quite large, completely overshadowing many pretentious houses in this city.

Since South First street has been widened the people living along it are so delighted that nothing will do them now but a pavement. It is therefore expected that their knock will soon be heard at the doors of the rooms of the board of local improvement.

J. M. Craig went to Kankakee on Monday evening to visit his son. W. P. Craig, who was recently declared insane in the county court.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ehretsman, the former trainmaster of the Illinois Central, have given up their rooms at the Hessel flats and will live at the Southern hotel during the winter. Mrs. Ehretsman will leave in a few days for South Bend, Ind., to visit her mother, who is an invalid.

W. W. Amsbary is home from his visit of several days at Fairbury with his brother, and reports a delightful time. His daughter, Miss Cordelia, took his place at the Urbana office of the water company during his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Manley are home from their trip to the northwest. Mr. Manley reports a fine trip and a great deal to see.

Champaign holders of Texas lands heretofore unbroken are getting ready to break them up during the coming winter and get them in readiness for crops the coming season. Most will start on cotton, but a few will sink artesian wells and try rice production. In the locality where many Champaign people have invested there are flowing wells that send out a stream of water as large as a man's arm.

The Baraca Bible class of Bethel A. M. E. church on Friday evening of last week gave a reception to the male colored students who are attending the University of Illinois this year.

Eleven colored people are registered at the university, of which two are women.

Rev. J. W. H. Jackson's home from Cairo, where he attended conference for a week. He is returned to this charge for another year.

County Clerk Tommy Burt came over on Tuesday and took the fast local freight for his possessions near Savoy.

T. J. Roth, the Rantoul candidate for district attorney, transacted business in Champaign on Monday evening.

The appointment of Louis E. Fischer as general manager of the McKinley traction lines in Illinois caused much gratification to his many friends in Champaign. He has long been looked upon as a budding genius and now it has been proven.

The continued absence from this city of Prof. Frank Archey, the well known chiropodist, and the announcement of the establishment of an Illinois School for Chiropodists in Chicago, causes lovers of coincidences to connect the two. Others, less philanthropic in their motives, charge to Archey's indictment by the grand jury on a charge of gambling.

Report from Joseph C. Gleen, the well known stockman and real estate dealer is to the effect that he is beginning to show signs of improvement. He continues in the hospital at Murphysboro. He has recovered from the operation upon his arm and is now

suffering from a stomach trouble.

William Heffernan, who is at home from Chicago, where he went to attend a meeting given to J. E. Redmond, leader of the Irish nationalists party in the English house of commons, is full of the impressions of that great man and his cause. Mr. Heffernan will talk a long time about Mr. Redmond.

The Phi Kappa Psi house at 402 John street is now open and full of roomers. The date for the formal institution of the proposed new fraternity has not yet been fixed.

Royal Wright of Urbana expects to move his law office to this city some time this week. His new quarters over the First National bank are among the nicest in the city.

Peter P. Schafer, democratic candidate for member of the legislature, is home from Kankakee, where on Sunday he attended a banquet given by the Knights of Columbus.

Postmaster Joseph Weir of Rantoul, in company with W. W. Reed, transacted business here on Monday evening.

R. W. Dobbins, for several months a substitute postal clerk on the Illinois Central, on Monday received his appointment as a regular and passed through here on No. 2 as proud and happy as most men ever are. His brother, O. B. Dobbins of Urbana, was at the depot to congratulate him upon his success.

Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Spencer of East Green street departed on Tuesday morning for Mississippi, where they will remain a few weeks while Mr. Spencer takes up the work left unfinished by his son, whose tragic death shocked the twin cities.

A good many people have not yet

learned that the interurban cars do not leave the terminals in Champaign and Danville at 8 and 10 o'clock. With the exception of those hours cars run all others from 6 a. m. to 11 p. m.

The case of Marshall Perkins, charged with keeping his saloon on Market street open after hours, came up on Monday and went over for ten days because of inability of the attorneys to be on hand.

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## A RACE RIOT.

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### Two Killed and Three Fatally Wounded in Row Between Whites and Blacks.

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Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 27.—Two negroes were killed and three were fatally wounded in a race riot near Lynchburg, Miss., 15 miles south of Memphis late Monday. The shooting took place on the plantation of J. J. Johnson, who, with his two sons and two friends, went into a field to gather a load of corn. The field was worked on shares by a negro family named Kennedy. As the white men were driving their wagon from the field a fusillade from a party of blacks met them. The fire was returned with the result that two negroes were killed outright and three were fatally shot. A number of whites joined Johnson and his friends and are now searching for others of the attacking party. The names of the dead and wounded are not obtainable.

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### Shows Improvement.

Walmer Castle, Kent, Sept. 27.—The oxygen treatment of Lady Curzon is being continued, but the oxygen is administered in less quantity, and the patient is taking nourishment better. Arrangements have been made to keep Mrs. Lester, who is a passenger on the steamer Vaderland, informed by wireless telegraphy of the condition of her daughter.

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### In the Grasp of Graft.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 27.—Graft exists in nearly every department of the city government, and an investigation is under way that may land several aldermen in prison. So far the inquiry has unearthed an appalling existence of corruption in civic life.

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### ANOTHER SIDE.

Sidney By-Way: Mr. M. B. V. Wilson says the article last week concerning his father's age is incorrect. Instead of 100 years he is 102 years of age. He is very positive of the correctness of his assertion and says he can produce figures to prove it. Further, he says the statement that his father walked to California is another mistake as he went by water.

The By-Way representative who secured the information for last week obtained it from the Witt side of the family, who are likewise positive of the correctness of their statement.

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### How They Do in Chicago.

A young woman who has been doing missionary work in Chicago called at the "tenderloin" station a few nights ago to see Captain Cottrell. To the "tenderloin" commander she displayed the picture of a wayward Chicago girl who had come here.

"She is in some evil resort here," said the missionary, "and I wish you would give me a letter of introduction to the keepers of all such places in your precinct."

When Cottrell recovered his breath he explained to the missionary that he was not friendly enough with the resort keepers in the "tenderloin" to give letters of introduction to them.

"Well, I don't know the ways here,"

said the missionary, "but in Chicago the police officials always give us missionaries such letters when we are hunting for a wayward girl."—New York Sun.

#### **A Handy Moose.**

A newspaper correspondent up at Fort Henry used to send every winter to a New York paper a tale of a giant moose that walked into town and was shot by John Quinn. This was published annually with slight variations. One night last winter, when there was a dearth of news, the managing editor of the victimized paper, recalling the moose story, telegraphed as follows to the newspaper correspondent:

"Wire us 400 words about that moose, and don't forget to have killed, as usual, by John Quinn."

#### **Time's Forelock Gone.**

One of the most remarkable characteristics of Sir Joshua Reynolds was the rapidity with which he worked. Sir Thomas Lawrence, his rival, was very slow. Over his portrait of Lady Mexborough and her child he took an unconscionable time. Promise after promise was made, and at last Lord Mexborough insisted on fulfillment.

"Well," said Lawrence, "if Lady Mexborough will kindly bring the baby once more, I will really finish the picture.

"Well, Sir Thomas," answered his patron, "my wife will be happy to give you another sitting whenever you like, but the baby's now in the guards!"

#### **NOTICE.**

**Do not be SORE**

**But be SURE**

**And see**

#### **BESORE**

**before you buy your lumber and coal.**

## **COLORED PEOPLE PICNIC**

### **Hold Old Fashioned Barbecue at Crystal Lake.**

Company K., colored, of Danville, with their wives, sweethearts, children and neighbors had the time of their lives yesterday at Crystal Lake park. They came in two special cars about noon and went to the park, where an old fashioned southern barbecue was soon under way. Some of the colored knights were attired in uniforms.

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# COLORED KNIGHTS PYTHIAS

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## Large Party Attended Danville Picnic.

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A large number of local colored people from the twin cities attended the picnic at Lincoln Park, Danville, today by the Danville Knights of Pythias. The party, twenty-five in number, left early this morning. The majority will return this evening. The invitation was extended to the local people by the Danville Knights as a return courtesy for a former reception.

## **COLORED WOMAN IS ARRESTED**

### **Roxy Wilson Charged With Disturbing the Peace of Dublin Street**

Chief Hawley yesterday arrested Roxy Wilson, a Champaign colored woman, who was charged with disturbing the peace of Dublin street. The complaint was made by Henry Stokes and the chief deployed down to the west part of town and arrested Roxy. Her trial was set for next Wednesday afternoon, when she will be given a chance to show that she did not fracture section eight of the revised city ordinances.

## **COLORED COUPLE MARRIED**

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**Frank Randolph and Mrs. Della  
Lee United.**

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Frank Randolph of Champaign, a well known colored man employed by Joseph McGurty, and Mrs. Della Lee, who lives on the corner of Water and First South streets, were married on Tuesday evening and will immediately start to housekeeping. The parties have lived in Champaign all their life and are well and favorably known.

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# COLORED MAN IN TROUBLE

## Arthur Gladden of Champaign Charged With Burglary.

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Declared to Have Passed "Phony" Checks  
on Champaign Business Men—Pro-  
rests His Innocence.

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Arthur Gladden, a colored young man, was placed in the county jail yesterday after a hearing before Justice Bigelow in Champaign. As a result of the hearing Gladden was held in \$300 bond to await the action of the September grand jury.

S. C. Tucker and W. Miebach caused the arrest. It is alleged that on May 28 Gladden passed a forged check for \$16 on Mr. Tucker and another bogus check for \$18 on Mr. Miebach.

Gladden left for Chicago soon but was located and yesterday Chief Keller returned with the prisoner. Gladden was employed during the year as porter at a fraternity house and bore a good character. He declares that the checks were given him by other persons.

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Elgin tunnel and shaft system for the artesian wells is completed and ready for the pumping machinery. Bids are now wanted for the construction of two one million gallon reservoirs to cost \$18,000.

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Frank Hatton of Delavan has won the state scholarship for Stark county and his scholarship will take him to the University of Illinois next year. Stark county did not have an applicant for the scholarship.

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## **TAKEN TO PENITENTIARY**

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### **Colored Man Who Had Violated Parole Returned to Chester.**

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Sheriff C. N. Clark left for Chester yesterday morning to return Elijah Bowen to the penitentiary. Bowen is a colored man and was sent to the Chester institution from St. Clair county. He was released on parole but violated it by coming to Urbana, and will now have to serve out his sentence.

# COLORED MAN FEATURE

## Albert Lee Speaks At Sunday School Rally In Champaign.

The feature of the Sunday school rally at the Presbyterian church on Thursday night was the talk by Albert Lee of Bethel A. M. E. on the Baraca organization in this city. Geo. W. Miller of Paris, who is leader of the institute, said it was the clearest and most concise exposition of the organization that he had ever listened to. This was followed by a discussion of a number of vital questions such as "Why do men not attend Sunday school?" "Should their classes be separate from the main body of the Sunday school?" "How to insure permanence and stability of attendance of men." Music was furnished by the Sunday school orchestra of the First Congregational church and a profitable meeting was enjoyed by all present.

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The Market street improvement is  
 well on the way. Curbing is complet-  
 ed almost to High street.

The colored minister, who held forth  
 on the corner of Main and Market a  
 few weeks ago is back at the old  
 stand.

Miss Cordner, a student at the sum-  
 mer session of the University, has re-  
 sumed her studies after a few days'  
 visit in Chicago.

The ladies of the Christian church  
 will have a social on the lawn of Rol-  
 lis Fulk, corner of Green and Grove  
 sterets, this evening.

Urbana council No. 19. Cryptic Masons will have an installation of officers Thursday evening, July 21. All members are requested to be present.

The W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon at the usual time with Mrs. Rose Mullin, 406 West University avenue. Topic, "Hygiene in the Home."

P. A. Conard, general secretary of the Young Men's Christian association at the University, has gone to his home near Monticello to visit for a week.

Mrs. P. J. Poots, formerly Miss Fannie Stuart of Diamond Springs, Kan., and Mrs. D. M. Wilson of Sidney are the guests of Mrs. Sarah J. Butler.

Mrs. Nellie Freeman, Miss Ada Phillips, Mrs. Walt Robinson and their families left Tuesday on the Homeseekers excursion for a visit with relatives in Kansas.

The Cooking Club was entertained yesterday afternoon by Miss Maud Huss. The Misses Maybelle Lapp and Opal Pierce of San Francisco, who are visiting Miss Catharine Ijams, were guests of honor.

John Dobson and Miss Ida Fosnaugh, both of near Seymour, were married in this city yesterday afternoon. The groom is the youngest son Martin Dobson and the bride is the daughter of Albert Fisnaugh.

Miss Edith Bradford celebrated her 14th birthday yesterday by entertaining the following young friends: Olive Ferand, Josie Tyrell, Ida Klingehoffer, Earl Bradford, Walter Ferand, Ruby Stitt, Joe Snyder and Harry Webber.

### Moths

as presented last night at West End by the Garrick Stock Company was one of the most enjoyable performances it has been our pleasure to enjoy for some time. This company in excellence far surpasses any that has

AS YET BEEN HERE THIS SEASON. All the members of the company are artists of marked ability, bearing a reputation of unqualified excellence. Each one playing his or her part in a fault-

# ALDERMAN MATHENY ARRESTED--CROOKED POLL WORK CLAIMED

## PLACED UNDER BOND OF \$2,000.00

### State Warrants Issued for Judges in Fourth Precinct, Champaign—Attempt Made to Surpress Facts—Active in Both Cities—Vote in '08

Alderman Frank Matheny, representative of the Fourth ward in the Champaign city council, was arrested this morning on a charge of interfering with a voter. He was arraigned before Justice Coffman, where he gave a bond of \$2,000 and was released.

It is said that Matheny, an ardent supporter of the license cause, was caught in the act of marking a negro's ballot. "Arrest that man," shouted a "dry" worker, and Special Officers Arrington and Wilkins hustled Matheny out.

Champaign went "wet" by five majority.

#### Results in 1908.

Two years ago today Urbana, then "dry" for a year under an anti-license council, voted the saloons out at her first whirl at the local option question by a majority of 406.

The 1908 result by precincts was as follows:

	Dry.	Wet.
First precinct .....	185	202
Second precinct .....	126	136
Third precinct .....	196	170
Fourth precinct .....	372	68
Fifth precinct .....	284	183
Sixth precinct .....	167	167

F. K. Robeson, prominent Champaign merchant, immediately offered a reward of \$500 for the person detecting the next attempt at crooked voting. The report that Matheny was under arrest spread like wildfire and created great excitement. Feeling ran high about the polls and the police were instructed to keep a sharp lookout and interfere wherever there were signs of pending trouble.

A desperate attempt was made to hush the Matheny episode. A reporter called Champaign police headquarters and was referred to Jack Woodcock, another reputed power behind the "wets." Woodcock, under cross examination, admitted that they had been "a little rough," but emphatically denied that an arrest had been made. Later, however, the Champaign authorities gave out the true facts in the case.

Alderman Matheny is a cigar manu

Total.....1332      926  
 Champaign went "dry" by five majority, but it was claimed at the time negroes from Mattoon had been imported to colonize the city.

Heavy Vote Polled in Urbana.

A round of the Urbana polling places just before press time showed a heavy vote polled in all precincts, as follows:

First—Thorpe's garage, 200; judges—W. A. Davis, E. S. Dodson and D. M. Smith; clerks—Albert B. Gray, Harry Delap and Bartlett Kerr; challengers—W. R. Stillwell and L. Ditto.

Second—Chase's paint shop, 175; judges—W. A. Mullin, Jackson Caldwell and John Callahan; clerks—J. F. Blue, Emmett Martin and Raymond Stephens.

Third—Collin's store, 200; judges—D. O'Connell, J. W. Herrigan and A. G. Porterfield; clerks—John Hickey, H. T. Fox and A. T. Porterfield; challengers—A. T. Craig and D. G. Rundles.

tacturer. He is a brother of P. T. Barnum Matheny, ex-saloonist in Champaign. First reports had it that "Barney" was the one arrested.

#### Warrants Out for Judges.

State warrants were issued this afternoon for the arrest of the judges in the Fourth precinct, Champaign. They are charged with neglect of duty at the expense of the anti-license party.

#### Murduck Is Assaulted.

While walking in front of the rest rooms on Walnut street this afternoon, S. A. Murduck, prominent merchant, was assaulted by Ben Benjamin, an ex-bartender employed by Lutz & Vaughn when the saloons were in. Benjamin was arrested on a state warrant late this afternoon and was taken before Justice Coffman. A city warrant is also out.

In six Urbana precincts "drys" and "wets" were pitted in a battle with ballots today.

Fourth—Fay's barn, 438; judges—J. L. Black and J. H. Percival; clerks—R. A. Black, L. M. Western and Otis Percival; challengers—J. C. Turner, J. M. Love, A. H. Havard and Frank Gere.

Fifth—McHugh's office, 343; judges—G. M. Johnson, John McCullough and T. W. McHugh; clerks—Benjamin J. Bing, D. F. Harrison and H. N. Bell; challengers—A. Bevis and George Charles.

Sixth—Sheriff's office, 184; judges—I. B. Smith, J. M. Duncan, Rev. William Ealey; clerks—Frank Salisbury, James Webber and Theodore Bercher; challengers—B. F. Swartz and Lew Klingelhoffer.

#### Women Are Active.

The W. C. T. U. and the women of the Urbana churches were active during the day. Coffee and sandwiches were served near all polling places and carnations were distributed among voters.

Prayer meetings were conducted at the First M. E. church each hour of the day and the bell in the church tower tolled at regular intervals, reminding voters of their duty.

#### Many Sign Petition.

An apparently useless struggle on the part of the "wets," the latter admit, but nevertheless a hard fight was put up. Every available automobile, cab and carriage was pressed into the service on each side. Challengers were busy at all polling places, but only in cases of plain necessity was a vote challenged.

The "wets," believing that the big "dry" majority in 1908 was boosted by sore-head brethren, incensed because of being put to inconvenience by ignorant challengers, had their instructions and worked accordingly. Both sides claim the student vote, the "wets" holding that their opposition to student suffrage two years ago lent to their defeat.

To be sure, there is a township ticket in the field—republican, democratic and prohibition, but only passing interest was manifested by voters. Candidates worked hard at the polls all day.

#### Champaign Looks "Wet."

Despite encouraging reports that come from Champaign from time to time from a perfectly organized anti-license league, a "wet" victory is predicted. S. W. Love of this city, who has kept posted on the situation in both cities, fears that Champaign township will go "wet." He was in Champaign this morning and reports great activity among the license forces. In 1908, it will be remembered,

Mrs. J. C. Butler, county president of the W. C. T. U., has kindly submitted to The Courier-Herald a corrected list of the number of women who signed the appeal which follows:

To the Voters of Urbana Township:

We, the undersigned wives, mothers and daughters of Urbana Township, appeal to each of you men to cast your vote in our behalf in the coming election against the saloon. We are the helpless sufferers of the liquor traffic. We have not the right of franchise. We must leave the ballot in the hands of the strong guardians of the law, and earnestly appeal to the time honored chivalry of your manhood to free our homes from the curse of the saloon and save from blight the youth of our country.

St. Joseph, 124; Philo, 45; Pesotum, 73; Sidney, 100; Mahomet, 111; Longview, 39; Seymour, 13; Rantoul, 77; Homer, 389; Ludlow, 70; Penfield, 74.

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# REPORTER CREATES A STORMY SCENE

**Claiming to Be Indiana  
his News Employe Inter-  
rupts Senator Tillman**

**T IN FRONT SEAT  
LOOKING FOR TROUBLE**

**ormous Crowd Hears Man  
With Pitchfork on the  
Race Question.**

They are talking Tillman on every corner in the University city.

More arguments over the race problem have occurred in Urbana today than at any one time since the grim days of slavery. All this discussion has grown out of a wonderful, though somewhat radical speech, made at the Chautauqua grounds on Thursday afternoon by the famous "pitchforker" from South Carolina. A stormy scene occurred during the senator's discourse, instigated by a stranger claiming to be an Indianapolis News reporter. He arose from his seat and audaciously attacked the southerner's arguments and was vigorously flayed by the speaker in return. This incident offered the Twin Cities an opportunity to see Tillman in one of the characteristic positions which have made him famous. With his one eye flashing like a ball of fire, and his determined jaw protruding in the excitement of his convictions, Hon. Benjamin Tillman stood upon the chautauqua platform at Crystal Lake park just as he has appeared upon the floor of the United States senate time and time again, fighting against overpowering odds for a cause which he considers just and right and is not afraid to

champion.

And today there is a remarkable disparity in opinion regarding the address of the southern senator. It was a speech which will never be forgotten by those who heard it. There are those who condemn many of the senator's ideas, others agree with most every word he uttered. But no matter how one may look upon Mr. Tillman's views, where can a man be found who will say that Tillman does not bear an attitude of absolute sincerity and that the great South Carolinian is willing to call a spade a spade from his view point regardless of results?

Senator Tillman was complimented by a large audience, all tolerant enough to pay him the respect of close attention to his presentation of the negro problem from a radical southern standpoint. He said in part:

"You will hear things you do not like but whatever other reputation I have, I am blunt. You will not hear a lecture, for that means a carefully written analysis of a subject. I never read or write anything for public delivery. When young I was a farmer and hired many men, giving them orders to go and they went; to come and they arrived, all without circumlocution. I am not anxious to please, my constitution having more pepper,

singer and vinegar than sugar.

"I realize I'm before a northern audience and that I'll say things you do not like, but I want to rub the sham and humbug off the northern notion of the subject. There are 1,000,000 negroes north of the Ohio river and 8,000,000 south of it. There are over 200,000 more negroes than whites in South Carolina and Mississippi, and from South Carolina to Louisiana there are 34,000 more negroes than whites. This means little to you, but to us it means more than any other issue pertaining to government.

Forty-eight years ago the north was stirred by the agitation of the subject of slavery. The division of the democrats accomplished republican success. The Dread Scott decision defined the negro as property and permitted a negro to be taken in the north by his owner, wherever found. Seeds of war were sown.

The south believed the state was supreme and the north was hedged in by state's rights. You went to war ostensibly to save the union, but really to free the negro. Nine-tenths of the northern soldiers had patriotic motives and so had the confederates. The men on both sides believed they were right. If we have not lost the seed of patriotism we may be able to grow another crop, but many are too busy.

growing potatoes to care for patriotism.

"People say we wore ourselves out licking you; when numbers were equal, with few exceptions, we were victorious.

"If you had gone to battle alone to restore the union; when Lee and Johnson surrendered the union was one and indissoluble, but you made the race question the bone of contention and passed the 14th and 15th constitutional amendments and added fuel to the intense hatred of the two sections.

"I was too young to go to war, but I would like to claim the honor of a confederate soldier.

"After the war political ghouls infested the south and Sumner Stevens and others commenced reconstruction, and South Carolina went under a cloud and for eight years negro and carpet baggers ruled and ruined the fair name of the state, its bonds depreciated until worth nothing, our lands were devastated, and do you blame us for hating the source of our misery and disgrace? We did hate you.

"Negro militiamen lorded it over us, all puffed up, claiming that Massa Grant has put the bottom rail on top and these devils would tell our children that they would kill the white man, take his wife and make the white children work for them as they had worked for their daddies.

"Had we known that such would be the terms of our surrender we would have fought until now. Life was not worth living.

"The 14th and 15th amendment became idle words to us. We reorganized the democratic party in 1876, and the only issue was "white supremacy." A scalaway was defined as a southerner who said a negro was as good as he. We took him at his word and ostracized him.

"We decided to restore the state to white man and we did. We used our heads and planned a campaign which made 32,000 whites outvote 55,000 negroes by 30,000 majority. Blood tells, for it is thicker than water and the election passed off quietly. The white man is on top and will stay there.

The constitutional amendment was nullified and state laws were passed safe guarding against negro domination. A voter must know how to read and write and have \$300 worth of property and he must know how to interpret the constitution. A white man would be asked a question as simple as Mary's Little Lamb and the colored man would be asked constitutional questions lawyers could not define.

"We disfranchised the negro openly and without hypocrisy; a righteous fraud was practiced. We took care of our own race and color. In 1895 every illiterate negro was disfranchised by the state constitution.

"We educate them, but are waiting for you northerners to learn the negro as well as we and when your negro mania leaves you a national law will be passed to permit white supremacy.

"It is easy to sit here and legislate for South Carolina—"

At this time Senator Tillman was interrupted by Alva O. Reser, who claimed to be a reporter for Indianapolis News, and Rev. D. H. Kenney, another stranger, who commenced pouring pertinent but impolitic inquiries into the speaker, saying that the south believes in murder, in stifling free speech, in ballot box stuffing, etc., all of which the speaker admitted, and claimed the audience was with him on these propositions and he proved it by asking that all that believed in suppression of negro domination should raise their hands. The people raised their palms en masse and the interruption ceased. The senator said:

"You pretend to love the negro, you hypocrite. We do not pretend to. God Almighty made me of better and different clay than the negro."

The speaker then said that the north does not approve of self government in the Philippines. "We paid \$20,000,000 for those islands and \$700,000,000 to maintain them and yet we govern those people against their will. Will we let the negro, lowest in the scale of intelligence, govern us? They can do so by a free vote and a fair count, but we will govern and are rebuilding the homes and rehabilitating the lands Sherman laid waste.

"The negro grew in knowledge by assimilation, we pulled him up. He had no capacity of his own. The 4,000,000 slaves here rose far above the knowledge of the 15,000,000 in Africa."

Senator Tillman gave five ways of solving the negro question—education, colonization, amalgamation, domina-

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# **POLICEMAN FATALLY WOUNDS NEGRO WHO ATTACKS SMALL GIRL**

## **DODSWORTH SHOTS TO KILL**

**Champaign in State of Excitement Over As-  
sault on Twelve-Year-Old Funk Girl by  
Washington Barnes, Colored Chef,  
Who is Dying at Hospital From  
Bullet Wounds in Abdo-  
men—Talk of Lynch-  
ing on Streets.**

Washington Barnes, a colored cook recently employed at the Tony Faust cafe in Champaign, is dying at the Julia F. Burnham hospital from two bullet wounds in the abdomen, the shots having been fired by Officer Thomas Dodsworth of the Champaign police force at midnight Monday after Barnes had attempted to criminally assault the twelve-year-old daughter of Mrs. Daisy Funk, corner of First and Hill streets.

Excitement ran high on the streets of Champaign today and Officer Thomas McGraw, who was attending court in this city, reported that he had heard talk of lynching. The police dispersed crowds discussing the assault, and there is little fear of violence, as physicians say that the negro can live but a few hours.

#### Heard Woman's Screams.

Officers Dodsworth and James Cochrane were passing the Funk home when the attempted assault occurred. Attracted by the screams of Mrs. Funk, they rushed in the door, Cochrane standing guard while his companion pushed open a bedroom door where the negro and his victim were struggling.

Barnes heard the officer approaching and when Dodsworth opened the bedroom door he found himself looking squarely into the muzzle of a revolver held by the negro.

see I didn't have time. Didn't git any chance at all."

McGraw left the dying man in disgust.

#### Officers Enter Room.

When Officer McGraw first entered the bedroom at the Funk home, the girl was lying upon the bed where she had been thrown by the negro. She was crying piteously. Her mother was also screaming and crying.

Today, however, the police claim to have unearthed certain facts which put the mother in a bad light, although nothing but sympathy is expressed for her child.

It is reported that Mrs. Funk had been in the habit of entertaining negro men at her home, and that Barnes was a frequent visitor.

#### Gave Beer Party.

It was reported to the sheriff's office that prior to Barnes' assault on the little Funk girl, the latter's mother had been giving a beer party to a number of guests, a majority of whom were negroes. Whether Barnes had left with the others and then returned to assault the girl, is not definitely known. After being shot he boasted to the officers of having had improper relations with Mrs. Funk. It is impossible to state how much of this is true, but at any rate the Champaign police give the Barnes woman a bad name.

### Fires Two Shots.

The officer was holding his own weapon at his side and realized that Barnes had the drop on him. The negro was cool, and smiled as Dodsworth ordered him to drop the revolver.

"I reckon you'd better drop your own gun, Mr. Policeman," he leered.

The fiend had no more than uttered the words than Dodsworth dodged and at the same instant shot twice in quick succession. The first bullet struck Barnes in the pit of the stomach, and the second in the groin. Both missiles ranged upwards, plowing their way through the intestines and inflicting wounds, either of which would prove fatal.

The little girl is a pretty child. The authorities will take up her case and try to find a good home for her, the matter having already been placed before the probation officer.

### Dodsworth a Hero.

Officer Dodsworth is the hero of the day in Champaign. He displayed great courage in the face of grave danger and Chief of Police Keller praises him highly.

### Removed to Hospital.

The negro was placed in the city ambulance and removed to the hospital. Barnes was in great agony and it was thought that he would never reach the institution alive, but this morning he was conscious and, although in intense pain, seemed proud of his fiendish act.

Officer McGraw called at the hospital this morning and had an interview with the patient.

"Did you injure that little girl?" asked the policeman.

"Reckon not, boss," Barnes answered, with the same fiendish smile he wore when confronting Dodsworth with the gun the night before, "you

Dodsworth is the man who shot Contractor Charles E. Smith of this city several weeks ago, mistaking him for Boots Ludwick, a local thug who was escaping after assaulting the officer. Mr. Smith is still partially paralyzed, although there are symptoms of returning sensation in his lower limbs. It is feared that he will never recover from the effects of his spinal chord being severed by the bullet.

The gun used by Dodsworth in shooting Barnes was the same with which he shot Mr. Smith, a 38-calibre weapon.

This afternoon Barnes was still alive but it is thought that he cannot live through the night.

Dr. C. D. Gulick of this city returned from the hospital at 2 o'clock this afternoon after dressing the colored man's wounds. No attempt was made to probe for the bullets, as such an operation would be attended by immediate fatal results.

# LETTER FROM THE SOUTH

## F. E. Pinkerton Tells of "Old Mississippi."

The editor of the Courier-Herald is in Dundee, northern Mississippi where quite a number of Champaign county people are located or have invested in plantations.

When a real estate agent sells land he is granted as liberal a license in his descriptions of a country as a poet is allowed in the use of his grammar.

The agent insists that the land he sells in the Delta is worth \$6 to \$8 an acre rent, and renters are plentiful. He paints a roseate picture.

The fact is that the Delta is a new country, the plow of progress having failed to reach much of its virgin soil. Near the towns, the timber is being rapidly deadened and the soil cleared of underbrush and the ground plowed. But three to six miles inland is as wild as the jungles of Africa, or the everglades of Florida. The impenetrable forests contain deer, bear, squirrel, and of course, the southern 'possum and 'coon, with other wild denizens of the woods, wild cats, turkeys, etc. The streams are inhabited by mink, beaver and game fish. The German carp is here, but not a welcome addition, the government having planted them before knowing their almost worthlessness as food.

The negro is the only man upon whom the country can depend to uphold the dignity of labor and he has an almost hopeless task. He is not in love with toil and will doubtless always be the man with the hoe and the

white man's burden. He skips the hard places when he can, and consequently in childhood detests the knotty problems of school and in middle life and old age enjoys escaping labor and responsibilities. But he is willing to toil under the lash of necessity and goes to work when an empty stomach demands his attention and insists upon a visit to the commissary, which every large planter owns, and uses as a source of revenue and also a means of keeping his colored help in his debt.

The land agent does not tell of the scarcity of help, nor the system of keeping the land occupied. He says land can be rented for \$6 an acre, but it requires \$2 to \$3 an acre to support the agent who watches and feeds the negro.

As a rule the plantations are on low ground and drainage is as primitive here today as it was in Champaign county 35 years ago. In Champaign county the population was white and made up of a hardy, ambitious race. There are in Furnica county only about 450 white voters, and that means one white man to 100 colored men.

In Champaign county hundreds of farmers left the country between days in the 70's, the crops failing, prices ruinously low and interest one and two percent a month. It was a pitifully period in the history of the county, but those who stayed are now the "retired farmers" with large bank accounts and rich lands. Here is the negro, ignorant, shiftless and happy. He has no care for the morrow and lives only in the present. The white man who owns the great plantation lives in the city and like our own fellow townsman S. Parks, delegates his business to a man overseer, who sees that the colored man is fed and clothed and whether crops are large or small the negro knows that he and his family will be provided for. He

cares for nothing else. Though he pays \$6 or \$7 an acre for land he will not work on Saturday nor in wet or cold weather. He reserves these privileges, and as there is competition for his labor he insists upon his ideas being respected or he will transfer his allegiance to another landlord on short notices. The white men long ago learned his ways and concede to his request. They humor him, yet compel him to respect their superior position.

A northerner who invests here soon learns that he too has assumed the white man's burden and must change his preconceived opinions of the problems in the Delta.

This year and last year the cotton crop has been only one-third an average yield. It has made the planters carry over the negro's debt to another year. He cannot shift his responsibility, for the negro will not assume the difficult task of providing his credit at the stores. If the planter does not want to carry the old debt and stand ready to assume his "keep" for another year, his neighbor planter will do so and the negro, his wife and children move to another cabin to live the same care-free life at the new landlord's expense.

Some colored folks have lived years on one plantation and never think of moving. They and their landlords are in perfect sympathy. But a new man, a northerner who has just bought his plantation, knows nothing of his farm, the local conditions, the negro or the country and being miles away runs great risk of his investment disappearing as the plantation starts to retrograde back to its native jungles. The soil is so rich that weeds soon capture the land and the expense of redeeming the farm is great.

The land agent says that it will take about \$5 an acre to clear the land. Mr. Gensell, who lived in Urbana, and is now doing probably the

onest work of clearing the valley,  
could state that it costs nearer \$12 an  
acre to destroy the trees and cut the  
cane breaks and underbrush.  
There are few township roads and

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Co out again.

## **THE URBANA**

Six Macedonians began work today on the section. John Sheets is boss. It is said that he knows many different languages, having to give orders to Macedonians, Greeks, Italians and a few negroes.

### **Will Have Soup.**

Harry Gertshimer, who went fishing yesterday, did not have much luck in catching fish, but caught a turtle weighing between 50 and 75 pounds. It was caught in the Crystal Lake about 1 o'clock p. m.

### **Earnings of Wabash.**

Gross earnings of the Wabash railroad for the second week of September were \$554,745, against \$13,174 for the corresponding week last year. This shows a decrease of \$58,429, but it must be born in mind that railroad earnings in 1907 reached the highest mark in the history of the country, consequently this is not an alarming slump.

### **Engineers Have Trouble.**

Central engineers running north out of Champaign report that they are having great difficulty in keeping within the law in entering Chicago, by reason of the war against the smoke nuisance. If an engine comes in smoking, a photograph is taken, the number recorded and crew arrested. The Central is now burning the best Carterville coal and a job firing is getting to be a pipe. This is the only consolation firemen have in trying to suppress the smoke from their engines.

Mrs. J. J. Rea, who has been quite ill at her home on West Main street, is improving.

#### NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Public notice is hereby given that the Commissioners of the Crittenden Special Drainage District in the County of Champaign and State of Illinois, will receive sealed bids from the date of this notice until the hour of one o'clock p. m., Saturday, October 17th A. D. 1908, at the office of F. M. and H. I. Green in the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, when and where they will meet to open said bids, for the furnishing of material and doing the following described work in said Drainage District:

1st. For the furnishing of 5329 feet of 24 inch tile; 1320 feet of 20 inch tile; 3960 feet of 16 inch tile; 3819 feet of 14 inch tile, and the following connections:

Two 6x24; two 8x24; one 8x20; one 5x20; one 4x20; two 8x16; one 6x16; three 4x16; one 6x14; one 5x14; three 4x14.

2nd. For the laying of the above tile in the Crittenden Special Drainage District in the County of Champaign and State of Illinois, according to the plans, profile and specifications of the engineer on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of said Champaign County, at Urbana, Illinois; a complete copy of said plans and specifications will also be found at the office of F. M. & H. I. Green in the City of Urbana, Illinois.

3rd. For the unloading, hauling from the cars at Tolono, Illinois, and distributing along the ditch for use all the above described tile and connections as rapidly and as promptly

as they may be required by the contractor or contractors laying the same, or by order of the Commissioners.

4th. For the construction of a bulkhead of concrete at the outlet of said tile, according to said plans, profile and specifications of the engineer. Said tile are to be laid in the location surveyed and shown by the stakes of the engineer and the Commissioners in laying out said work, and near the line of the old open ditch as required by the specifications therefor, and the plans and profile; and bidders for said tile are required to examine said location and ditch and will make their bids so much per rod per foot deep said tile are laid for each size of tile required as shown by said plans, profile and specifications.

The tile furnished shall be first class shale farm drain tile, and shall be subject to the approval of the Commissioners of said District, and if rejected by said Commissioners their decision shall be final. Said tile shall be laid according to the plans, profile and specifications therefor on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of said Champaign County, Illinois, at Urbana, Illinois; a copy of which will also be found at said office of F. M. & H. I. Green; and where tile is laid in the old open ditch the same shall be filled to the bottom of said open ditch as it now exists, and where tile is laid across lands not in said open ditch the same shall be filled to the surface of the ground as

It now exists.

After the tile is laid the same shall not be covered until examined and accepted by the Commissioners of said District.

Bidders will be required to file with their bids a certified check for 10 per cent of the amount of their bid, payable to the Commissioners of said District, and to be forfeited to the Commissioners of said District in case such bidder shall be awarded the contract and he shall fail to enter into a contract and give bond for the faithful performance of such contract.

The successful bidders will be required to give bond for the faithful performance of their respective contracts.

Payment for the work shall be made by orders of said Drainage District payable as follows:

One-third December 1, A. D. 1908;

one-third April 1, A. D. 1909, and one-third December 1, A. D. 1909, or where cash is in the hands of the Treasurer at the time payments are due the contractor or contractors, such payments may be made in cash.

Orders for laying tile will be issued and delivered to the contractor or contractors as follows: 80 per cent. of the amount earned for each quarter mile of said work as the same is completed and accepted, and when the ditch is completed and accepted and contract fully performed, the remaining 20 per cent. to be issued and delivered.

Separate bids will be received for furnishing tile f. o. b. at Tolono, Illinois, and for laying same, and for unloading tile from the cars at Tolono, Illinois, and for hauling to and distributing along said ditch convenient for use, and for the construction of

bulk-head, and also bids will be received for furnishing tile, unloading, hauling, distributing and laying the same, constructing bulk-head and refilling excavation, complete.

The Commissioners reserve the right to continue said letting from time to time, and to reject any and all bids.

Bids may be delivered either to F. M. & H. I. Green at their office in Urbana, Illinois, or to either of the Commissioners of said District, at any time prior to one o'clock p. m., Saturday, October 17th, A. D. 1908.

Dated this 21st day of September A. D. 1908.

T. B. Thornburn,  
J. W. Smith,  
Samuel G. Lehman,  
Commissioners

F. M. & H. I. Green, Attorneys.

9-24-18.

## MRS. JOHANNA DALY BURIED THURSDAY

Former Urbana Woman Laid to Rest  
at St. Mary's Cemetery South of  
Champaign.

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Johanna Daly, mother of Thomas J. Daly of this city, were held Thursday afternoon from St. Patrick's church, Rev. Father Cannon singing high mass. The church was thronged with friends of the deceased who had known her when a resident of Urbana fourteen years ago. The body was laid to rest at St. Mary's cemetery south of Champaign.

### Funeral of Murdered Woman.

The funeral of Mrs. McLennan will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the home of her mother, Mrs. John McLennan, two miles south of this city, Rev. William Ealey officiating. The body will be laid to rest at Mount Hope cemetery.

### Marriage Licenses.

Robert J. Stewart, Stamps, Ark., 27; Edith Beryl Howser, Urbana, 25.

Fred G. Chesley, Danville, 24; Mary W. Hess, Danville, 20.

James Laird, Champaign, 21; Leona Brown, Champaign, 19.

### Frank Foote to Leave.

Frank Foote, for the past two years employed as railroad and local reporter on the Courier-Herald staff, has resigned his position to take

charge of the bowling alleys and billiard parlors at the new university Y. M. C. A. building. A better man for this position could not be found, for Mr. Foote knows the business from the ground up, having conducted a bowling alley and billiard room in this city for a number of years.

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#### JESSE COX KILLED.

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Former Urbana Negro Meets Death  
in Kentucky.

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Jesse Cox said to have formerly resided in Urbana, where he was known as a bad negro, was killed the other day in Kentucky. Reports of his death received in this city are meagre, but it is thought that he was shot by an officer.

There was a reward of \$700 on his head, dead or alive.

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Advertise in the Courier-Herald.

# SANDBAGGED BY FOOTPADS

**William McClurg of Urbana  
Beaten and Robbed Near  
Own Home.**

**EMERY AND COLEMAN  
ARE IN THE TOILS**

**White and Black Man Accused of  
Crime—Tragedy Almost Results  
During the Chase.**

The grim hand of the law this morning was laid heavily upon Charles Emery, white, and Van Coleman, colored, and they were ushered before Magistrate Herrigan on a charge of highway robbery, William McClurg, the Urbana hamburger man, being their alleged victim.

Both men were sent to jail in default of \$1,000 bond each, and their hearing was set for Saturday morning in Herrigan's tribunal.

## STORY OF THE HOLDUP.

McClurg returned from Champaign on the 10:20 car Thursday night. He left the car at Market and Main streets and started for his home, corner Wal-

and started for his home, corner Walnut and High streets. The next thing seen of McClurg he came rushing downtown bloody and bruised and complained to the officers that he had been knocked down by footpads and robbed of seventeen dollars. He declared his assailants had been a white man and a negro.

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# SANDBAGGED BY FOOTPADS

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Beaten and Robbed Near  
Own Home.**

**EMERY AND COLEMAN  
ARE IN THE TOILS**

**White and Black Man Accused of  
Crime—Tragedy Almost Results  
During the Chase.**

The grim hand of the law this morning was laid heavily upon Charles Emery, white, and Van Coleman, colored, and they were ushered before Magistrate Herrigan on a charge of highway robbery, William McClurg, the Urbana hamburger man, being their alleged victim.

Both men were sent to jail in default of \$1,000 bond each, and their hearing was set for Saturday morning in Herrigan's tribunal.

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# THOUSANDS OF NEGROES

Colored Knights Templar  
Contemplate a Visit to  
the University City.

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WANT URBANA TO  
FURNISH THE BAND

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Would Hold Picnic at Fair  
Grounds and Play Baseball  
Game.

Urbana has been selected by the  
Colored Knights Templar from all  
the surrounding towns as a most

suitable spot for a concieve, picnic, ball game and all around celebration, and if plans which are now shaping themselves, are perfected, from three to five thousand negroes will visit the University city one day early in August.

The Commercial club has been communicated with by the negroes who ask that Urbana furnish them a brass band during the day. That was all they asked, having previously, it is said, secured an option on the fair grounds for a certain date.

Wishing to feel the pulse of the people on the matter, a prominent member of the Commercial club, who is always active in all matters pertaining to the best interests of Urbana, made a brief canvass of the business men to see if they desired to contribute towards a fund with which to reward the band for its services. It was found that while

some few were willing to assist and desired to bring the colored folks here, a large majority were not of such a view and refused to take any part or lend a hand in bringing the colored people here or entertaining them after their arrival. It was concluded that the business men already have their hands full and are at present well supplied with events to look after next August, including the Tournament, the Chautauqua and the county fair. The majority were unwilling to take anything else in hand and the matter has dropped, so far as the Commercial club or the business men are concerned.

However, the Colored Knights Templar may still come to Urbana. The matter will be decided tonight when representatives of the order will be in the Twin Cities. It is understood that they also have their eye on Champaign and that they may try to secure West End park for one day. But Urbana is believed to be a favored spot and the negroes may conclude to come here and furnish their own music.

A large number of lodges would take part in the celebration. Indianapolis, Ind., LaFayette, Ind., Terre Haute, Ind., Danville, Ill., Decatur, Ill., Springfield, Ill., Mattoon and other well known cities would be represented.

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# POLICE HAVE BUSY NIGHT

NO ARRESTS MADE, BUT OFFI  
CERS KEPT ON JUMP.

Two Children Lost—Many Complaints  
Received—Wheel Stolen—Look  
For Fuller—Search for Bad  
Odor.

The Urbana police department had its hands full Monday night. No arrests were made, but the officers were kept on the jump answering calls until a late hour.

The first call came from a colored woman named Wavely, in Champaign, distracted over the disappearance of her ten-year-old son. The local police were unable to find any trace of him in this city. Today it was learned that he had turned up safely.

Wilfred Calhoun, a small boy living with his parents at 606 East High street, was reported lost, and while the police were searching for him a gentleman named Love brought him to headquarters in a buggy, having found the youngster on South Urbana avenue. The police had the pleasure of restoring the little runaway to his frantic mother.

### Search for Fuller.

The local department was notified by the Champaign police that Frank Fuller, who cut Max Hendrick's nose off with a shovel during a fight, was believed to be hiding in this city, and the Urbana officers were asked to look for him. The fugitive did not show up.

The next call came from H. C. Petton, 503 West Springfield avenue, in Champaign, who reported the theft of his bicycle.

A pony was reported stolen from Joseph Roberts' stable, but later a message notified the officers that the animal had merely broken loose and had been captured.

### Mayor Tucker Comes Over.

Mayor S. C. Tucker came over from Champaign and asked the police to assist him in locating a bad smell issuing from Champaign's sanitary (?) sewer where it crosses Main street near the Flat Iron building. He was shown to the place and a couple of whiffs proved a convincing argument that the drain needs immediate attention.

William Shaw reported a sunken place in the pavement on West High street, near Birch, and the police notified the street superintendent.

Mrs. Canaday, 505 North Goodwin avenue, complained that people were using a lot near her premises for a dumping ground. An investigation will be made.

### Negro Is Released.

The Italians who on Sunday captured Lawrence Smith, colored, of Danville because they believed that he had burglarized one of their shacks did not appear against the prisoner and he was released from the city jail. Smith claimed that he was only looking for a drink of water.

# CAPTURED IN DANVILLE

## Champaign Negro Nabbed in the Mining City.

John Whitaker, a young negro whose home is in Champaign, was arrested in this city Friday afternoon at 1:20 by Police Officer Walters and brought to the city bastille where he was booked as a fugitive from justice, says the Danville Commercial-News.

Whitaker came in from Champaign on the Interurban car which arrived here at 1:20 Friday afternoon. He alighted from the car at North Walnut and Main streets and when he saw the police officer start in his direction he started to run. He ran up North Walnut street to North street and turned at that point toward North Vermillion with Officer Walters in hot pursuit. When they passed the police station Officer Walters was joined by Officer Strawser and the young negro was overtaken opposite the Commercial-News office.

Whitaker is wanted in Champaign on the charge of bastardy. Friday afternoon an officer from that city arrived here and took the prisoner back to that city with him. Friday noon when the Champaign officers attempted to arrest Whitaker he gave them a chase, boarded a Danville car and came to this city. The Champaign authorities telephoned the police department here to look out for the negro. Ten minutes after the word was received here the police had captured Whitaker.

# BURGLAR ESCAPES FROM OFFICER

**CAPTAIN RILEY LOSES PRISONER  
AT STATION DOOR.**

**Negro Caught Robbing Oldham Bros  
Champaign Store Takes Advantage of Slippery Walks—  
Bullets Go Wild.**

A negro burglar, captured on the east side of Champaign by Night Captain Robert Riley of the police force of that city, at 4 o'clock this morning, broke away on the threshold of the station house, and by dint of hard sprinting and much good luck, managed to dodge the bullets from the captain's revolver and escape in the darkness. Riley started to pursue the negro, as the latter jerked away from him, but the sidewalk was slippery, and when a man of the captain's size tumbles it means a shake-up on the police force in the true and original sense of the word. Riley went down like a ton of brick, and by the time he had regained his feet and had unlimbered his artillery, the burglar had a good start. It is not believed

that any of the three bullets fired struck the fugitive. At any rate the shooting did not even cause him to hesitate.

#### **Call Boy Makes Discovery.**

The night caller at the Illinois Central round house discovered the burglar at work and notified the police. The callboy was passing Oldham Bros.' store on University avenue, and upon glancing into the room, in which an electric light had been left burning, saw a man's feet protruding from under the counter.

The boy made no sign that he had noticed the burglar, but hurried to police headquarters. The intruder was still at work when the officer arrived and was captured with but little difficulty, being anxious to surrender when covered by Riley's revolver.

#### **Burglar Is Re-Captured.**

Acting on a tip furnished by a negro whose name the police refuse to divulge, Officer Goss went to the Hessell flats this afternoon and arrested Luther Bigelow, the janitor, as the burglar. Goss, who was on duty at headquarters when the burglar was captured, positively identified Bigelow as the man who escaped from Captain Riley. The negro is being held in the Champaign city prison to await a hearing.

# SAY CHAMPAIGN MAN IS MURDERER

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**MILTON ARMSTRONG HELD FOR  
DEATH OF VICTIM.**

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**Danville Police Says Local Negro As-  
sisted in Killing Albert Cravens  
—Series of Robberies Blamed  
on Two.**

Milton Armstrong, colored, of Champaign, is under arrest in Danville, charged with the murder of Albert Cravens, driver of a street sprinkler, who was shot and fatally wounded while resisting two colored hold-up men in that city Tuesday night.

Armstrong was arrested in company with Tom Brown, a Danville negro, and the two are now being held under bonds of \$1,000 while the police are probing the case. The authorities are confident that they have the right men and are also positive that the negroes are the same robbers who the night before held up Albert Hawk at the same place Cravens received the fatal wound.

### **Victim Dies at Noon.**

Cravens received the bullet in his lungs and died at noon Wednesday. He regained consciousness before the end, but stated that it would be impossible for him to identify his assailants. He explained that after the negroes had ordered his hands up at the point of a gun, he fought them off, but was finally bested and started to run.

He received the shot while trying to escape.

### **Co. M. Was Ready.**

After Cravens' death feeling ran high in some sections and there was talk of lynching.

Captain Arthur Smith of Co. M., Fourth regiment, I. N. G., called up Lieutenant Cohen by long distance 'phone at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening and informed him that things looked decidedly ugly in Danville and gave orders for Co. M to be held ready to start on short notice.

Members of the company were rounded up, but the expected message did not come.

### **Lives on Market Street.**

Armstrong lives at 109 North Market street, Champaign. It is said that he has served a term in the reformatory. Brown formerly lived in Champaign, and was known there as "Specs," owing to a deeply pox-marked face. The latter came to Champaign as a tramp and remained there several months, leaving on election day. He is an expert guitar player.

# URBANA MEN UNDER FIRE

Two Negro Desperadoes Pull  
Guns on an Interur-  
ban Car.

FRANK GEER GIVES  
BLACK MAN A GAME

Assisted by E. M. Kirby They Van-  
quish Riotous Negroes—Others  
Run from the Car.

The new interurban line between Urbana and Monticello provided its first real serious trouble Wednesday night when the 7:00 o'clock car was returning from Monticello, where large crowds had been attending the Piatt county fair.

Two negro desperadoes, both armed with large revolvers, started to run things to suit themselves on the car and would doubtless have succeeded if Frank Gere and E. M. Kirby of Urbana had not displayed remarkable nerve and waded into the black men in spite of the weapons they had drawn.

There were about thirty people on

the car when the negroes got bad. The larger of the two, a portly fellow weighing nearly 200 pounds, pretended to take exception to something said by one of the Urbana party. The Urbana men were all peaceable and did not wish to have trouble with anybody. The big negro, however, seemed to be looking for trouble of the worst kind, for he drew his gun and pointed it directly at Mr. Gere. The smaller negro also drew a revolver and then the people in the car began to scatter. It is not exaggerating when it is said that some piled headfirst out of the windows, while other bolted through the front and rear doors.

Mr. Gere and Mr. Kirby, who were in the Urbana party, realized that the negroes had attacked them without provocation and quickly decided that they were not going to run from such thugs as these. Mr. Gere jumped for the bigger of the two and grabbed him around the middle. The fellow shot at Mr. Gere, but his bullet went wild. Mr. Kirby went after the other fellow, who also fired ineffectually. There was a struggle and the colored men finally succeeded in breaking away and escaped by way of the back door, shoving their guns into the faces of the frightened passengers who stood outside.

Messrs. Gere and Kirby had a narrow escape, but both demonstrated that they possess the iron nerve and bravery which has made America the greatest nation in the world when it comes to protecting itself from the unfair attacks of others.

After the men had jumped from the car a telephone call was sent in to Sheriff Peters, who went out in search of the pair, but they had escaped. Nobody seems to know who they were, but it is certain that they were a couple of very bad actors.

# MRS. I. N. WADE OF CHAMPAIGN DIES

Prominent Resident of Sister City  
Succumbs to Cancer After Lingering  
Illness.

Mrs. I. N. Wade died at 9:15 o'clock this (Friday) morning at her home, 403 West University avenue, Champaign, after a lingering illness from cancer.

Decedent was born near Tuscola in July, 1853, her parents being Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bryan. She was married to I. N. Wade in 1870, and moved with him to Champaign in 1881.

Mrs. Wade was a life-long member of the Methodist church, and prior to her illness was one of the most active church workers in Champaign.

Besides her husband she leaves three sons, Len of Kansas, Thomas, a dentist in Philadelphia, and Fred, employed in a drug store in Peoria. Her father and mother, five sisters and one brother also survive. Three of the sisters, Mrs. Laura McKee, Mrs. Owen and Mrs. Sadie Howe, all of Douglas county, were with her at the end.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the First M. E. church in Champaign, Rev. J. W. Van Cleve officiating.

### Is Bound Over.

Edward Wilkins, a negro barber of Champaign, was Thursday bound to the grand jury from the Champaign police court, on a charge of bootlegging.

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### Is Important Game.

The football game between the Thornburn high school and Peoria high school teams, to be played Saturday afternoon on the fair grounds gridiron is one of the most important contests of the season, and will consequently prove a crowd-getter.

# NEGRO AND THE MULE

Are About on a Par When  
Laboring on Southern  
Plantations.

F. E. PINKERTON WRITES  
AGAIN FROM THE SOUTH

Southern People Show the Ur-  
bana Editor a Most Gener-  
ous Hospitality.

F. E. Pinkerton, editor of the Cour-  
ier-Herald, who is spending a couple  
of weeks on his plantation in Tunica  
county, Miss., has written a second in-  
teresting letter to the home folks in  
Urbana. He says:

Though the colored man and his  
ally, the mule, do the labor in the  
south, it is virtually slave labor in  
the majority of cases. The negro can  
no longer be bought and sold and  
they are in a sense independent, in  
some instances refusing to work, yet  
they are as unable to assert them-  
selves as the mule they drive. Hav-  
ing the distribution of the law in

their keeping, the white man interprets the statutes to his own advantage, and the evidence of a negro is accepted or rejected as suits the masters of the country. Right or wrong the white man is supported in his contention and the negro has no power of appeal, nor is he allowed a jury of what he might regard as his peers. He feels that he is largely an outlaw and makes no effort to vote or appeal to the courts in case he is in conflict with the man who rented him a farm or commissaried him during the year. He is here and knows that he is needed but feels that he has no appeal when imposed upon. Time may remedy this condition.

#### ARE ENJOYING LIFE.

The writer visited Mr. and Mrs. Gensell on their plantation, and was shown a generous hospitality, a spread fit for a Palmer house guest being provided. They are here to only prepare their land for the plow and then will return to the northland, to again enjoy civilization. They are enjoying the balmy air and clear skies of the south. The work Mr. Gensell is doing is needed here to reduce the forests and develop the rich soil. His land will be worth a rental of from \$4 to \$5 an acre when it is ready for cultivation. By the immigration of such men as Mr. Gensell the Delta will receive inestimable benefit, for the soil and the climate are here suitable to profitable crops.

Native laborers are always in debt and have no ambition for better conditions than will satisfy their immediate wants. Years ago, white men owned and cultivated the lands. Now there is little white labor and that is of a quality inferior to the negro. Few school houses dot the country as evidences of a nation's strength, because the white man is on the plantations only as overseer, and his children secure an education elsewhere.

**IMPORTING HELP.**

Because of the necessity and indifference of the negro, his inability to grow into better ways there has been started a scheme among planters to import Italians and Mexicans, at so much a head, delivered in the south from their native lands. It is said that the Italian is proving a better farmer than the negro, though it is best to suspend judgment on this until he has several more years' experience with the conditions here.

**DRAINAGE IS NEEDED.**

Drainage is one of the crying needs of this country. A drainage law was recently passed by the Mississippi legislature, but it will not receive the attention its merits deserve in Tunica county until northern men invest more largely here and the great plantations are reduced to smaller holdings. The southern man did not pay much for his land and is contented with his returns. Conditions do not disturb him, for he is making a large annual dividend without worrying over new problems. If he retains his lands, he will not undertake to make any improvements in what his ancestry left him. Much of the land is owned by speculators whose dominant interest is in securing as cheaply as possible the staple product of the south—cotton—and disposing of it to eastern manufacturers at as great a profit as he can. He rents his sections of land to overseers at \$4.50 an acre and compels the cotton to pass through his hands, securing a profit of from \$3.50 to \$5 a bale. Memphis and other cities in the south have many millionaires made in this way.

**FARMERS ORGANIZING.**

The small farmers are beginning to

(Continued on Page Four.)

**ACKAYE, WALKER OPEI**



## CHAMPAIGN LOCALS

Burning the gambling truck in Champaign ruined a space of the brick pavement, the heat was so intense.

Automatic gates and doors are to be installed at the Champaign fire department. Champaign is fast becoming up-to-date in this line.

Joseph Kuhn & Son of Champaign have won their suit against Samuel Epperstein of Chicago. They were recently notified that the supreme court had rendered a decision in their favor.

The school authorities and park commissioners of Champaign are madder than a wet hen. Some vandale white-washed the Indian statute in East Side park and the authorities failed to see the joke.

Two locomotives left the track and one came near turning over in the Illinois Central yards Thursday morning. The employes had their hands full and will always look back on the twenty-first of December, 1905, as a very disagreeable day.

John W. Stipes is home from Springfield, where he attended the meeting of the Illinois Commission to the Lewis & Clark exposition. The affairs of the commission have been practically settled up. Mr. Stipes did excellent work as a member.

Charles Zilly, B. E. Bramble and George Mattis of Champaign have secured articles of incorporation for

the Edwardsville Light, Heat & Power Co. The capital stock is \$5,000. The Edwardsville plant has been purchased and in the future will be run by the McKinley system.

Beginning Jan. 1, Company M, Fourth regiment, Illinois National guard, will hold meetings to drill twice a week. Harry Cross and Frank Parsons are no longer soldiers. The former received an honorable discharge and the latter a dishonorable discharge for failing to attend drill practice.

Van Coleman declared to the coppers that a small negro with a gun, which was anything but small, had waylaid him and robbed him of \$15. After investigating, the bluecoats decided that they could make no arrest. They claim to have discovered that Coleman won the money in a crap game and that the loser promptly won it back with his pop gun.

Congressman McKinley spent the

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day Thursday in Chicago on special business. Wednesday, Dec. 27, he speaks at Shelbyville, Thursday evening at Charleston and Saturday at Arcola. These meetings are a part of the series of appointments made to speak on his jaunt to the Philippines, the larger portion of which were filled before he departed for Washing-

ton.

## MARK TWAIN IS GIVEN CROWN

Wreath of Holly Placed on His Head  
by Artists' Model.

New York, Dec. 22.—"Mark Twain" was the guest of the Society of Illustrators at a dinner in the rooms of the Aldine association, 111 Fifth avenue. The feature of the evening was a speech by Andrew Carnegie and the crowning of Mr. Clemens with a wreath of holly by Miss Edith Angersten, an artists' model, who was dressed as Jeanne D'Arc, the author's favorite character in history.

### Silver Service for Warship.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 22—Elaborate preparations are being made for the reception to the new 10,000 protected cruiser Charleston, the first of her class. It will arrive Jan. 2, and be presented a handsome silver service.

### New York State Librarians.

Albany, Dec. 22.—Frank B. Gilbert, a lawyer of Albany, and James I. Wyer, Jr., librarian of the University of Nebraska, were appointed law librarian and reference librarian in the New York state library.

### Weather Man Is Insane.

Baker City, Ore., Dec. 22.—H. A. McNally, weather observer, was adjudged insane. McNally came here two months ago from Philadelphia. The altitude is believed to be the cause of his trouble.

### Furious Fighting.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won,

and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine.' Sold, under guarantee to do the same for you, by Knowlton & Bennett, druggists, at 50c a bottle. Try them today.

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Why not read The Courier-Herald?

# DOUG. WILLIAMS LOSES PRISONER

**FRANK PELLY, URBANA MAN, ESCAPES FROM U. S. MARSHAL.**

**Officers of Surrounding Towns Notified to Look Out for Bootlegger Sentenced by Federal Court in East St. Louis.**

Frank Pelly of this city, who on Wednesday, upon being found guilty of bootlegging in the federal court at East St. Louis, was sentenced to ninety days in the Champaign county jail, escaped from Deputy Sheriff Douglas Williams in Champaign, that evening, and is still at large.

At about 6 o'clock Jailer Al. Boyd was called to the telephone. "Meet the 6:45 interurban car," said Marshal Williams, at the other end. "I have two prisoners, and I want to put one off in Urbana."

The turnkey met the car, but saw nothing of Williams or his prisoner. Later the federal officer rang up and explained that Pelly had escaped.

#### Escapes at I. T. S. Station.

The other prisoner referred to was a negro, sentenced to the Vermillion county jail in Danville for bootlegging. Pelly and the colored man, after arriving in Champaign, were taken to the interurban station in Champaign and Marshall Williams turned his back for a moment to purchase tickets for himself and the negro, intending to pay Pelly's fare and turn him over to Jailer Boyd in this city.

When he turned around Pelly was gone. The colored man stated that as soon as Williams left them the Urbana man tiptoed to the door and ran around the corner.

#### Description of Pelly.

The police of surrounding cities have been notified to be on the lookout for Pelly, who is easy to identify, having one eye and red hair. He is of medium stature and is rather poorly dressed.

The I. T. S. officials and police tried to keep the escape secret in hopes of landing the fugitive before morning.



# PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

## LATE COMINGS AND GOINGS OF URBANA RESIDENTS.

Ladies! We do what we say. Beginning today we make you a special price on every article sold, to save stock moving September 1st. As always, a pleasure to show you.—The Glove Emporium.

Guy Edwards of Sidney was a town caller today.

H. M. Grant of Casey, Ill., was in this city today.

M. L. Coffin went to Danville Thursday on business.

J. B. Hilliard and wife came up today from Sidney.

William Webber returned today to his home in Chicago.

nois Central train, Tuesday night. He is still at the Burnham hospital.

Assorted chocolate creams at 20 cents the pound, 15 cents the half pound, will be the special at Reimund's confectionery store, Saturday. Orders for ice cream or ices for Sunday or other times given prompt attention. Satisfaction guaranteed.

The funeral of James Busey of Champaign will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the home of a sister, Mrs. Lawson of Sidney. The body was taken there at noon Thursday.

Mrs. Lulu Wells and daughter, Ethel, Miss Mary Claypool of Clarkhill, and Miss Pauline Claypool of Pineville, Ind., are guests of W. C. Claypool and C. A. Biddle and families.

E. W. Sampson returned from Chicago this morning where he visited his daughter, Mrs. J. Worker. He reports Mrs. Sampson suffering from rheumatism and unable to come home for a few days.

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Charles Sale returned Thursday night from Chicago.

Martin Foltz of Philo transacted business here today.

John White is very low at his home on East Main street.

Abner Stewart of Ohio is the guest of relatives in this city.

If you are camping at Chautauqua subscribe for the "Chautauqua Chat."

Miss Carrie Miller of Rantoul is a guest of Mrs. James Webber.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Snodgrass, Wednesday, a daughter.

Mark Van Doren was out of town today advertising the Chautauqua.

Mrs. William Hartford returned on Thursday from a visit to Decatur.

Misses Julia and Doris Lawrence are the guests of relatives in Indiana.

There are no dull days at Amsbary's 2t

Charles App and Dr. W. W. Munsell were in Sidney this afternoon on business.

Julius Cohen went Thursday to Delphi, Ind., where he will visit with relatives.

For Sale—Good screen nut coal, \$2.00 a ton, at B. F. Swartz & Co. 2t

Rev. R. S. Haney arrived Thursday from Geneseo, where he closed an engagement as platform manager of the Chautauqua. He takes the same position at this place and his Chautauqua friends are glad to welcome him back to Urbana.

Julia Shade, a Syrian girl, was assaulted while waiting for a train at the Illinois Central depot at Paxton, and Ira Walker and Henry Rlordon of that city are in jail charged with the crime. They were captured at Rantoul. A third suspect from Chicago escaped.

Trade at a real live store, one that has salespeople who are alert to your interests—not mere automatic machines, simply waiting for the pay envelope. My clerks take an interest in the business and expect themselves to be courteous and obliging.—G. E. Amsbary. 2t

The special at Reimund's for Saturday will be Assorted Chocolate creams at 20 cents the pound and 15 cents the half pound. Orders for ice cream or ices for Sunday dinner should reach him early.

Mrs. S. Small of West University avenue has returned from a visit to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Watson of Chicago are guests of P. A. Lawrence and family.

J. B. Richards of West Main street moved his stock of groceries today to Mason county, Ill.

H. H. Bercher today moved his family from 501 West High street to 410 West Illinois street.

Our sales of summer dresses and waists are tremendous and should be at the sacrifice of profit we are making. Get in for your extra waists and dresses for Chautauqua.—Amsbary's.

Edward Baker returned Thursday from Clinton and resumed his work at the Big Four shops.

Mrs. J. C. Charni of Brooksville, Ind., is in this city visiting with her mother, Mrs. R. Reimund.

G. W. Lawrence returned Thursday night from East Lynn, where he was looking after his farming interests.

Russell McClellan will return tonight from Indianapolis, where he spent the past week with relatives.

Lewis' Single Binder gives the smoker a rich, mellow-tasting 5c cigar. N

Mesdames G. C. Lee and Alexander Pierce are attending a meeting of the colored Eastern Star lodge at Centra-lia.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Dodson and daughter Ruth returned this morning from a week's visit with friends in Chicago.

Remember, we have cots for sale and rent for Chautauqua, at the Lawrence Furniture store, 224-226 West Main street. 8-9-13.

Mrs. E. M. Knowlton and daughter Beth returned Wednesday night from the lakes, where they spent the past three weeks.

Mrs. M. L. Flaningam returned on Thursday from Atlanta, where she was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baker.

Amsbary's grocery business in July increased just 50 per cent. over the first month opened. People are asking themselves, "Why pay more?" 2t

Louis Little and wife arrived Thursday from St. Louis to visit the former's mother, Mrs. Fannie Dicken, on West Elm street.

Mrs. Harry Little went today to Crawfordsville, where she will visit relatives before going to Liberty, Ind., to visit her parents.

L. B. White returned Wednesday from Fisher in company with his son, Alvin C. White, who is suffering from blood poison in his right hand.

Remember we have cots for sale  
and rent for Chautauqua, at the Law-  
rence Furniture Store, 224-226 West  
Main street. 8-9-13.

Misses Margaret and Gladys and  
Byron Huff left today for Chicago,  
where they will meet their parents.  
Thence they will proceed on a trip  
among the lakes.

There is no change in the condition  
of Herman Carman, the negro who  
was injured by falling from an illi-

# NEGRO ESCAPES IN ALTOGETHER

WALTER MANNING CUTS WAY  
OUT OF CHAMPAIGN JAIL.

## HOLE SMALL; LEAVES CLOTHES

Visitor Thought to Have Smuggled  
Broomcorn Knife to Prisoner  
Charged With Bootleg-  
ging.

Walter Manning, a negro prisoner in the Champaign city jail, charged with bootlegging, cut his way to freedom Tuesday night by whittling away a window casing with a broomcorn knife, thought to have been smuggled in by a friend who called on him that afternoon.

Preferring to risk the cold rather than a long term in jail, Manning discarded his clothing when he found that the aperture he had made was too small, and effected his escape clad only in a pair of tattered trousers. His shirt, coat, vest, underclothing, and even his scarf were left behind. Today the police are searching the negro settlement along the Illinois Central whisky track, confident that the fugitive is being sheltered by his friends or that he stopped long enough to secure a new wardrobe.

### Jailer Discovers Delivery.

Desk Sergeant Thomas Kent, who also acts as jailer, discovered that Manning had escaped when he served breakfast to the prisoners this morning. The knife was on the floor with the negro's clothing.

A strip of the window casing about two feet long had been cut out and the bars on the outside bent inward. Once outside the prison Manning was compelled to scale a brick wall fifteen feet high and jump to the pavement below. His tracks in the snow, showing that he took a tumble when he landed, were visible this morning.

### Other Prisoners Remain.

The other prisoners remained. They claim that they slept while Manning was at work and consequently did not know when he effected his escape. The police place little credence in their statements. The majority are plain drunks and would not take the trouble to play hide-and-seek in the cold even if an opportunity to escape presented itself. It is thought, however, that they aided the negro in preparing an exit.

Manning is a large man and it appears impossible that he could escape through the small aperture made

# NEGRO SLASHES A WHITE MAN

INFURIATED MOB IN EAST UR-  
BANA GIVES PURSUIT.

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Culprit Is Given Protection at Resi-  
dence Until Police Arrive—Vic-  
time Was Taken to a Phy-  
sician.

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A lynching was narrowly averted in East Urbana at 7 o'clock Sunday night, after Clinton Campbell, a negro hostler, had slashed F. J. Hartsock, a horseman, with a knife.

The affray occurred in a box car, shortly after a special train of race horses and county fair equipment had arrived in the Big Four yards, and is said to have been the result of a quarrel over a bottle of whiskey. Hartsock was cruelly slashed, two long gashes being cut across his left shoulder and reaching down toward his heart.

## Mob Pursues Negro.

After wielding the knife, Campbell jumped from the car, pursued by a

dozen or more white men, armed with some crude though effective weapon. Two or three carried axes, one had a spade and others were equipped with clubs and pieces of railroad iron.

Alarming the entire neighborhood by cries of "Lynch him!" "Kill the nigger!" the mob pursued the culprit on North Poplar street, where he finally took refuge near the residence of Thomas Owens, a painter. Mr. Owens sent in a police call and Officer Jeffers, without waiting for help, went out and took charge of the negro.

While the officer protected his prisoner, Owens came down town for assistance, Jeffers fearing to start out alone, lest he be overpowered. After hearing the police call from the city building tower, the would-be avengers became more quiet in their demonstration and one by one left. The negro, shaking with fear, begged to be taken to the county jail.

#### Locked in City Prison.

The victim of the colored man's knife was no place to be found, and nothing remained but to book Campbell on a charge of intoxication in order to hold him until a state warrant could be secured.

Hartsock had, in the meantime, been taken to Dr. J. S. Mason's office, where a number of stitches were taken to close his wounds. His clothing was saturated with blood and he had lost so much of his life fluid as to become very faint.

Campbell was turned over to the state's attorney this (Monday) morning to answer to a charge of assault with intent to kill, before the September grand jury.

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**BIG FOUR SHOP NEWS**  
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All trains were on time Tuesday.  
 Fireman Garlick is taking a short lay off.

Engine No. 6231 was repaired in the round house Tuesday.

Joseph Johnson of the cab room was absent Tuesday afternoon.

Bliss Lott of the machine shop was absent Tuesday afternoon.

Several employes of the car department were absent Tuesday.

Charles Phillis was absent from work in the boiler shop Monday.

William Goodman has resigned his position in the blacksmith shop.

Engineer Charles Newcomber has been assigned to engine No. 6571.

Engineer Del Frisinger and Fireman O. Smith are on the extra list.

Road Foreman of Engines W. Wallace spent Tuesday at the Urbana shops.

Joseph Althoff has returned to work in the blacksmith shop after a short absence.

Coach No. 664 was taken from the coach department to the paint shop on Tuesday.

Fireman Davidson has been assigned to the switch engine with Engineer Harry Chadwick.

Four, has changed his run from three day on and three off to six on and six off.

Carpenters are still working on the lockers. All will have a screen covered window when the work is finished.

Leonard Andrews of the machinists' helping force returned to his work on Tuesday morning after a short absence.

Coach No. 339 was transferred from the coach department to the paint shop on Tuesday, where it will be repainted.

The employes of the repair track have returned to their work after being laid off on account of the wet weather.

N. H. Kyte of the blacksmith shop is absent from his work on account of the death of his sister, Mrs. John Cordray.

A new smoke jack was sent to Farmer City, Tuesday, to replace the old one that blew off during Monday's storm.

The pay car was delayed in Indianapolis, and could not reach the Urbana shops on Tuesday evening as was expected.

T. J. Marvin, scale inspector on the Big Four line, inspected the Urbana scales this morning.

Earl Howard of the machine shop did not report for work Monday afternoon on account of the rain.

Engineer William Stitt and Fireman John Brown were assigned to engine No. 6164 in the freight service.

M. Campbell has returned to his work in the machine shop after spending Monday in Danville on business.

Earl Williamson has taken the position at the link bench made vacant by the resignation of Charles Ripley.

F. E. Fenters, mail clerk on the Big

Frank Fultz of the blacksmith shop was absent Tuesday on account of the death of his sister, Mrs. John Cor-dray, on East Hudson street.

The fields near the shops are drained very well, in all but a few places. The corn field west of the yards was completely drained Tuesday.

Engine No. 6506 was looked over by William S. Buchanan of the machine shop on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Buchanan is working in the round house filling a vacancy.

Engineer Frank Strimple and Fireman Stapleton took an extra freight west on Tuesday morning and Engineer House and Fireman White went east with an extra two hours later.

#### *On Inspection Trip.*

Marshall Bryant, Robert Ferriday, George W. Markley and Alonzo Whitaker went east on a large motor car on Tuesday afternoon to inspect bridges and culverts along the Peoria & Eastern.

#### *Dispatcher Is Wedded.*

Guy O. Byrd, Big Four dispatcher in the Danville offices, is a benedict. He was united with Miss Flora Hacquet of near Westville Monday evening. Mr. Byrd is rather young to hold the responsible position of dispatcher, being but 22 years of age. His bride is 18.

#### **Quiet After 19 Years.**

Charles Ripley, who resigned his position in the machine shop on Saturday, went to Sidney on a visit on Tuesday morning. Mr. Ripley was employed at the Urbana shops for 19 years, and was popular among his fellow workmen. All regretted his decision to quit.

#### **Accompanies Daughter's Body.**

Joseph Luman, employed at the shops, on Tuesday accompanied the body of his daughter, Mrs Maude Beals to Mahomet, where interment took place. The remains were removed from the home on East Hudson street, and were placed on No. 11 at the yard office at 11:19.

#### **Offer Floral Tokens.**

The boiler and blacksmith shops made a collection for floral offering for the late Mrs. John Cordray, who died at her home on East Hudson street on Monday evening. Mr. Cordray is an employe in the blacksmith shop, and his fellow workers deeply sympathize with him in his bereavement.

#### Hot Weather Vigil.

Old engineers do not need warning to use extra care in running during extreme hot weather, but the attention of new "eagle eyes" is often called to the possibility of rails buckling under the fierce rays of the sun during the warm weather, and all engine men are warned to keep a close lookout for the track which is out of line. Luckily the sun only causes the rails to buckle during the terrific heat of midday, so that a track out of alignment can be readily seen if the engineer is keeping close tab on his work.

#### Negro Threatened Conductor.

Conductor Pitzenberber, running out of this city, was threatened with death by a negro tramp and a colored man, giving his name as Fred Chester was afterwards arrested at Danville and was identified by the conductor as the right man. According to the railroad man Chester was found stealing a ride on the "head end." He ordered the negro off, he says, and then the latter declared that he would blow off Pitzenberger's head. However, the conductor ejected Chester at the Electric mine and then reported the matter to the police. A search was made in the vicinity of the mine for the man but he was not found until a towerman at Hillery noticed him in that vicinity and telephoned into the police headquarters.

# SHOOTING WAS WORK OF NEGRO

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ANOTHER RACE WAR THREATEN-  
ED IN DANVILLE BY SHOOT-  
ING DRUGGIST—CAPTURED  
BY POLICE.

## SUSPECT NAILED BY INTERURBAN CREW

J. C. Carr Victim of Murderous As-  
sault—Champaign Colored Man Is  
Suspected of Crime, But Is Releas-  
ed—Bloodhounds on Trail.

The shooting of J. C. Carr, a Danville druggist, by an unknown negro at 8:30 o'clock Monday evening, nearly precipitated another race war in that city.

Interurban cars arriving in this city were closely watched all during the evening in hopes of capturing the negro, who escaped after the shooting, and a Champaign colored man, suspected by the crew of the car arriving here at 10:40, was held up and searched while the car was on its way to Urbana. The terrified negro pleaded innocence, and soon convinced his captors that he was not the guilty man.

#### **Suspect Captured.**

A colored man, barefooted and hatless, and with his pockets turned wrong side out, was arrested early Tuesday morning by the Danville police, who are confident that they have

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## HOMER OFFICER LOOKS FOR NEGRO

Bad Colored Man Named Hodge  
Wanted for Flourishing Gun Dur-  
ing Picnic at Homer Park.

From Saturday's Daily:

Constable Gus Sites of Homer was in this city today looking for a negro named Hodge, wanted for making a gun play during the colored picnic at Homer Park, Thursday. It appears that Hodge had trouble with his wife during the festivities because he persisted in making goo-goo eyes at some of the single women. Hot words led to blows and Mrs. Hodge tore the shirt from her husband's back, and he retaliated by relieving her of her skirt. During the height of the fray Hodge is alleged to have drawn a revolver, with which he put his wife and the crowd to flight. Constable Sites did not know the offender's first name, and was having quite a bit of difficulty in finding a clew to his whereabouts.

# WITNESSES TELL OF FATAL ORGIE

MRS. DAISY FUNK IS FOUND NOT  
GUILTY IN CIRCUIT COURT.

Champaign Policeman Testify to  
Character of Woman in Whose  
Home Washington Barnes  
Was Killed.

Witnesses today in county court reviewed the drunken orgie of two weeks ago, after which Washington Barnes, colored, was shot and killed at the home of Mrs. Daisy Funk, North First street, Champaign, by Officer Thomas Dodsworth, after the negro had attempted to assault twelve year old Mildred Funk. Mrs. Funk was on trial charged with conducting a disorderly house, and it was proved conclusively that she had entertained Barnes and other negroes at her home prior to the shooting. Her children, Mildred, and George, the latter aged 14, both in the custody of the probation officer, were in court. Champaign police officers testified against the woman, much of the evidence being unprintable. It was shown that it had been her custom to associate with negroes of the lowest character.

#### Does Not Look the Part.

People who had read of the case, but who had never seen Mrs. Funk, were surprised when she was brought over from the jail.

She is a pale-faced woman of between thirty-five and forty years of age and does not look the part assigned to her by the police. The boy, George, is a gentlemanly appearing young fellow, dressed well and with good manners. As much cannot be said for the girl, Mildred, who is a buxom young thing appearing fifteen or sixteen years old, and wise in worldliness way beyond her years.

Late this afternoon the jury returned a verdict finding Mrs. Funk not guilty of the charge preferred. Her counsel argued that the offense of entertaining negroes at beer parties did not constitute running a disorderly house.

#### Wilkerson Is Guilty.

The jury which on Monday heard the case against William Wilkerson, colored, charged with bootlegging, returned a sealed verdict finding the defendant guilty of one count in the information. Sentence was suspended pending arguments for a new trial.

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# CAIRO NEGRO VISITS PRISON

**BRINGS MYSTERIOUS MESSAGE  
TO ALEXANDER.**

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**New Arrival Secures Employment at  
Columbian Hotel — Claims to  
Know Nothing of Pelly  
Crime.**

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After Arthur Alexander, charged with the murder of Anna Pelly at Cairo, was released from the county jail late Tuesday afternoon, Jailer Boyd sent him out in front of the sheriff's residence to shovel snow from the walks, and soon discovered his late prisoner holding a whispered conversation with a strange negro.

The jailer demanded the new arrival's name, but only learned that he was from Cairo. He soon left and Alexander returned to the jailer's office, where he told Boyd that the stranger was working in one of the Twin City hotels. Alexander denied that anything of a private nature had passed between them.

#### Reporter Locates Stranger.

A reporter called at hotels today and finally located the stranger at the Columbian, where he had taken employment Tuesday afternoon, within an hour of the time he was seen talking to Alexander.

Upon being furnished with a description of the Cairo negro the clerk remembered the new employe and found him in the kitchen. The latter, upon being told that a "white man" wished to see him, at first refused to appear in the office, but under pressure came with knees knocking together.

It is no exaggeration to state that the negro was so frightened that he could not articulate so as to be understood. He admitted that he was a friend of Alexander in Cairo, but would say nothing except to deny that he had brought a message to the accused. He gave his name as Andrew Tonsell.

#### Goes to Champaign.

Alexander has abandoned his idea of going to Canada, at least for the present. He is now in Champaign and will make his home there indefinitely.

The people of Cairo believe the negro guilty and it is not safe for him to go there. Jailer Boyd has been more closely associated with Alexander than any other man—has heard his story time and again. Today Mr. Boyd, when asked for an opinion, said, "I believe the man is guilty."

# COLORED MINISTERS ASSIGNED PULPITS

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REV. A. T. JACKSON RETURNED  
TO CHAMPAIGN CHARGE.

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Annual Conference of Negro Metho-  
dists Closes at Bloomington—Next  
Year's Conference Will Be Held at  
Mound City.

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Rev. A. T. Jackson, for several years pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal church in Champaign, was returned to his pulpit at the annual conference of colored Methodists just closed in Bloomington.

Urbana and Champaign are included in the Springfield district in the colored church, and Rev. E. A. Cottman was returned as presiding elder of the district.

#### Bishop Shaffer's Address.

Bishop Shaffer made a stirring address to his people on the closing day of the conference, urging them to keep themselves posted by reading.

"This is an age," he said, "when men must read in order to keep abreast of the times, and at no time in the history of the world has the daily press meant so much to us. A daily paper should be in the home of every colored family, and I hope that the ministers I have assigned will do all in their power to inspire our people to live godly lives."

Following are the colored ministers assigned to this district:

Presiding elder, Rev. E. T. Cottman; St. Paul Chapel, Springfield, Theodore Price; St. John Chapel, Springfield, G. M. Jones; Decatur, to be supplied; Champaign, A. T. Jackson; Bloomington, L. J. Johnson; Danville, W. H. Bazie; Peoria, H. W. Jamison; Paris, I. S. Stone; Mattoon, P. C. Cooper; Lincoln, W. M. Collins; McComb, R. E. Johnson; Shelbyville and Tuscola, G. W. Brewer; Normal and Clinton, S. Straws; Pontiac and Fairbury, J. W. Tiff; Gibson City and Onarga, F. G. Hurd; Pinstaff Mission, J. W. Willey, St. Paul, Danville Mission, J. M. Hassell; Streator, J. H. Garrison; state missionary, J. H. McGhee.

# WHY SHOULD RACES MIX?

## Wedding of Negro and White Woman in Urbana Condemned.

Is it right that a negro should marry a white woman, even if the woman is satisfied and prefers the colored man to one of her own race?

Nine times out of ten the answer to the question in Urbana will be no—  
emphatically no.

Illinois has no law prohibiting the marriage of white and blacks, but the general opinion exists that there is a moral law, higher than any law of man, which would forbid the legalizing of the white and black races.

A negro man and a white woman were married in this city Monday, Judge Roth performing the ceremony. Since reading of the marriage in the papers, many Urbana people have condemned such a union.

Judge Roth himself does not believe in such a marriage, and thinks that there should be a state law against it, but felt that it was his duty to perform the ceremony, inasmuch as he was requested to do so and the laws sanction it.

# LIQUOR MEN WILL FIGHT

Contest of Champaign Elec-  
tion Charges Students  
With Illegal Voting.

## WANT A RECOUNT OF THE ENTIRE CITY

Sister City Attorneys Filed Suit in  
County Court at Four O'clock  
Friday Afternoon.

At four o'clock Friday afternoon after the Courier-Herald's forms were closed lawyers from Champaign came to Urbana and filed papers with the county clerk contesting the Champaign township election. In spite of the announcement that there would be no contest, it is now certain that the wets will fight.

The contestants are Thomas Hagan, John Heffernan, Mike Caher, Fred Wilsky and John Hirshfield.

It is alleged that the vote was not correctly counted and that 135 students voted illegally, mostly in the second precinct. Of this student vote the wets consider that a large majority were "drys" and declare that Cham-

paing will be a wet town if they are declared illegal and are thrown out.

There will be a fight to the finish by both sides.

Under the Australian ballot law there is no way of determining how a man voted, but the "wets" declare that they can show convincing evidence that the students were heard to state that they cast their votes against the saloon. Of course, however, no one can absolutely determine how a man votes, from what he says.

The temperance forces declare that negroes voted illegally on the "wet" side and may probe into the matter. They were content to let the thing drop, but now that the contest has been started that they will get into the game hammer and tongs. It will be interesting to say the least.

# DID MURDERER PAY URBANA SHORT VISIT

## NERVOUS BLACK STRANGER

**Entered Sim's Drug Store and is  
Said to Answer Description of  
Much Wanted Negro.**

Did Richard E. Walton, colored, supposed strangler of Lillian White Grant, a white lady in Chicago, visit Urbana in his attempt to escape from the Chicago officers who are running down every possible clew to his whereabouts in an attempt to bring the slayer of the kindergarten teacher to justice?

It has just been learned that on Saturday afternoon a strange negro, answering the description of Walton, entered the Sims drug store. He was greatly agitated, and after buying a ten-cent comb started for the door, but perceiving Officer Harmison standing outside, stepped back into the store again. When the officer had moved on he slipped hurriedly out and jumped aboard a Lake Shore car. His actions created suspicions at the time, and when this morning the Urbana police received a circular showing four pictures of the supposed murderer of Mrs. Grant, it was taken to the Sims store where the clerks said that the portraits greatly resembled the negro who had

acted so queerly in that store on Saturday. A reward of five hundred dollars is offered for his capture.

Chicago dispatches today state that a man supposed to be Walton was captured at Niles, Mich. He carried two revolvers and is said to have answered the description perfectly. If this proves to be the right man it is not probable that the suspect seen in Urbana was Walton, as it would be a 'round-about-way for him to come this far south and then double back to Niles which is northeast of Chicago.

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# NEGROES HELD BUT NOT FOR MURDER

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# CHICAGO AMERICAN FAKE

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## Police Deny Story That Men Are Held for Killing of a White Man on I. C.

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Under scare headlines which run full across the page, that sensation-dispenser, the Chicago American, today contains a long telegram from Champaign to the effect that three negroes are being held there for a double murder on the Illinois Central. The article states that the men gave the police a terrific fight and that the Champaign police have telegraphed Chicago in an effort to identify the men who are thought to have murdered and robbed two men who were on the Illinois Central "Flyer."

At the Champaign police headquarters a Courier-Herald reporter was today informed that the story is a rank canard. Three negroes were arrested for vagrancy and submitted peacefully. One paid his fine and the other two are still in custody. One stated that a man had got run over by a train near Kankakee, and the police say this is all they have heard about a killing. They deny wiring descriptions to Chicago.

Twin City people are laughing at the American.

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# OPENING OF CAMPAIGN

## Will Probably Begin in Middle of September.

It is probable that the republican campaign in Champaign county will begin about September 15 and it may be given life with a mass meeting at Urbana or Champaign. So announces Ozias Riley, chairman of the Republican Central committee.

A number of prominent speakers will visit the county during the campaign and several local political orators will take the stump. There will be meetings in every township and in every voting district if possible.

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### Old Friend Dead.

The Rev. George A. Sahlin left on Tuesday evening for Sycamore, DeKalb Co., being called there by the death of an old friend. He had just returned from Rose Hill, Jasper Co., having preached several times before the Lower Wabash Association of Universalists.

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### Sail Specialists.

Prof. Hopkins of the University is authority for the statement that the State Advisory committee will make a tour of inspection to several of the university soil experiment fields in the various parts of the state. Some interesting results are shown at this season of the year.

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### Hustling Young Man.

Will White, a hustling Urbana

youth, has secured the "comeback" rubber ball and balloon whistle privilege for the county fair and has ordered a large supply of these articles. Such things are popular on the fair grounds and William should make a good thing out of it.

### **!They Have Jerry.**

Jerry Palmer, a negro, who was hustled out of Champaign on the charge of being a "Peeping Tom," was picked up in Champaign and had a fine tacked on him for vagrancy.

### **Unnecessary Expense.**

Acute attacks of colic and diarrhoea come on without warning and prompt relief must be obtained. There is no necessity of incurring the expense of a physician's service in such case if Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is at hand. A dose of this remedy will relieve the patient before a doctor could arrive. It has never been known to fail, even in the most severe and dangerous cases and no family should be without it. For sale by Knowlton & Bennett.

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## LOOK FOR BOTTLE; FIND BIBLE.

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### Negro Vagrant Picked Up in Champaign, Carried Testament.

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When Mart Halls, a negro tramp, arrested in Champaign for vagrancy, was searched at police headquarters under the suspicion that he might have a bottle, a thumb-worn edition of the New Testament was found in his pocket. His request that he be allowed to keep the book to read in prison, was granted.

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### Plan Consecration Meeting.

The societies of the Twin City Christian Endeavor Union will hold a Union New Year's Consecration meeting at the Urbana Baptist church next Sunday evening, January 1st, at 6 o'clock. Miss Floy Way of the Congregational society will lead the meeting.

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urged to be present on this important occasion.

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**To Hold Christmas Meeting.**

The Elks' ladies will hold a Christmas meeting Wednesday afternoon. The hostesses are: Mrs. J. A. Glover, Mrs. N. H. Cohen and Mrs. H. I. Green.

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**Entertains Alumni.**

Mrs. H. I. Green entertained the Chautauqua Alumni Monday night at her home on West Green street. The subject for the evening was "Dickens' Life and His Writings," led by Mrs. C. L. Van Doren. Refreshments were served.



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**ARE BOUND TO GRAND JURY.**

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**Luther Bigelow, Burglar, and William  
Hawkins are Prisoner in Jail.**

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Chief of Police Keller of Champaign brought two prisoners to the county jail this morning. One is Luther Bigelow, the negro caught while burglarizing Oldham Bros.'s drug store in Champaign, and the other is William Hawkins, a Danville shine, who carved "Good Times Mary" also colored, during a melee in a Champaign resort, Sunday noon. Each is under a bond of \$500 to await the action of the grand jury.

### **Gere's Special Cut Price Sale.**

Jeweler Gere of Urbana contemplates extensive improvements in his store building, and has inaugurated a special cut price sale to last until December 31. Every article in his big stock, including the new holiday goods is specially priced for this big sale, and already the store is thronged each day with eager purchasers, attracted by the low prices and high qualities.

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### **Relief Corps Will Elect.**

Black Eagle Post No. 160, W. R. C., will meet Wednesday afternoon in Modern Woodmen hall for the annual election of officers. All members are

# EDWELL ESCAPES FROM COUNTY JAIL

**NEGRO IS RECAPTURED AFTER  
CHASE BY POSSE.**

**Prisoner Awaiting Sentence to State  
Reformatory Makes Wild Dash for  
Freedom—Jailer Boyd, Joins  
the Chase.**

Maurice Edwell, a negro convicted of grand larceny, and held in the county jail pending sentence to the state reformatory, escaped at 11 o'clock this morning, but was recaptured by officers and a posse after an exciting chase covering an area of nearly two miles.

Edwell had been put to work polishing the floors of the residence portion of the jail and was busy in the hall when Jailer Boyd was called to the telephone in his office. During the latter's absence Edwell ran out the front door, cut through the vacant lot on the east of the Illinois Motor Car Sales Co.'s garage and disappeared.

**Posse Gives Chase.**

Howard Ammerman and Ayla Dwiggins, employed at the garage, gave chase on foot and kept the negro in sight until he disappeared north of the Big Four and Wabash railroad tracks. Others, on wheels, afoot, and in automobiles and buggies, had taken up the chase and Edwell was being pressed hard when he took refuge under a pile of lumber north of the depot. Ammerman and Dwiggins had, in the meantime, returned to the garage and secured an automobile and were again in pursuit. Charles Bennett discovered the fugitive in the lumber pile and charged on him with a brick, but Edwell managed to evade him.

#### Jailer Boyd is Injured.

Mrs. Peters, wife of Sheriff J. M. Peters, gave the alarm when the prisoner ran out of the front door and Jailer Boyd dashed after him. The latter tripped after reaching the foot of the steps and fell heavily. He regained his feet, but again fell while running across the street. He severely wrenched one of his legs and was scarcely able to arise. Notwithstanding the injury he called Dr. C. D. Gullett, and together they gave chase in the latter's buggy.

Mrs. Peters had, in the meantime, called up the sheriff's office and notified Deputy Sheriff Sadorus of Edwell's escape. Sadorus found Sheriff Peters at the Kirby garage, and they manned the sheriff's automobile and started north.

#### **Fugitive Is Exhausted.**

Upon reaching the Wabash depot the officers saw Edwell running west on the railroad tracks with the posse in full pursuit. The fleeing negro was then near the Urbana Harness Co.'s factory, and the officers ran down Main street to intercept him. He suspected their intention, however, and cut across Griggs street, thence running south down the alley just west of Central avenue and secreting himself between the barns of A. D. Derrough and William Jackson, which stand only a few feet apart.

Several members of the posse discovered his hiding place and notified the officers when they came up. Sheriff Peters and Deputy Sheriff Sadorus found Edwell, completely exhausted, sitting on a pile of old boards. He submitted quietly and was placed in the auto and returned to the jail, where he is now suspended by the wrists to the bars.

#### **Stole \$32 From Friend.**

Edwell was convicted during the present term of court on a charge of stealing \$32 from John Christlan, a fellow employe at the Atlas cafe. He was captured at Poplar Bluffs, Mo., and brought to this city for trial.

Although having the appearance of a man 25 years old, Edwell is yet under age.

When asked why he had tried to escape, knowing by the attempt he would forfeit his rights to parole, the prisoner replied that it was hard to go up for a crime he didn't commit.

# WOUNDED NEGRO DIES AT HOSPITAL

WASH. BARNES PAYS PENALTY  
FOR HEINOUS CRIME.

Refused to Submit to Operation Which  
Might Have Saved His Life—  
Buried Today in Potter's  
Field.

Washington Barnes, the Champaign negro who was shot Monday night by Officer Thomas Dodsworth after attempting to assault 12-year-old Mildred Funk, daughter of Mrs. Daisy Funk, corner First and Hill street, died at 3 o'clock this morning at the Julia F. Burnham hospital.

The bullet which caused the fatal wound had penetrated both the front and back walls of the stomach and had lodged in the muscles of the back. Physicians in attendance informed Barnes that an operation was the only means of saving his life, but he steadfastly refused to go under the knife, evidently preferring death to a long term in the penitentiary or possible violence at the hands of infuriated citizens.

Might Have Been Saved.

An Urbana physician who assisted in dressing Barnes' wounds stated today that had the bullet holes in the stomach been sewed up, the negro would have had a fair chance to recover. When told that he must be operated upon or die, Barnes asked "What do the doctors say about it?"

The surgeons verified this statement made by the nurses. Barnes reflected for a while and then remarked that he would take the chance without an operation.

#### Buried in Haste.

As soon as possible after the negro's death the body was removed to the Kruse morgue, and was hustled into a grave in the Potter's field just as soon as the coroner's jury was through with it. Nobody wanted to be bothered with the carcass of the black brute, and it was got out of the way in all possible haste. It is not known that the man had relatives, but should anyone care to claim the body they will have to hurry to beat the worms.

#### Inquest Is Held.

Coroner Swearingen impaneled a jury which returned a verdict finding that the deceased came to his death from a bullet wound inflicted by Officer Thomas Dodsworth in discharge of his duty, and exonerating the officer from blame.

Officer Dodsworth was attending county court in Urbana during a greater part of the day. He had little to say about the shooting other than he had acted in self defense. Barnes was a brute both from point of intelligence, instinct and physical strength, and the officer does not consider that he has human blood on his hands.

# URBANA COUPLE WED IN DANVILLE

**Mr. Isaac E. Schlosser and Mrs. Grace Pence Journey to Vermilion County Capital to Take Vows.**

Special to The Urbana Courier-Herald: Danville, Ill., May 25.—Mr. Isaac E. Schlosser and Mrs. Grace Pence, both of Urbana, were married in this city at 4:15 Tuesday afternoon by County Judge Allen in the court room. The judge was about to bid them "join right hands" as usual, when he noticed that the groom's right sleeve was empty, and he changed it to "join hands." The groom is 33 years old and the bride is 10 years his junior. The former is Big Four operator at Urbana, and the latter is the widow of Clarence Pence, Big Four brakeman who died last winter.

## **W. C. T. U. Will Meet.**

The W. C. T. U. will meet Thursday afternoon at 3:30 with Mrs. Rebecca Reimund, 307 West Green street. The leader, Dr. Pearl Boggs, will read a paper on the "Education of the Child in the Home." Invitation is extended to all.

## **Feared Race Riot.**

One paving contractor who employs a great many negroes, reports a scarcity of help. They possibly expected an outburst of race hatred following the assault on Mildred Funk by Washington Barnes, and left the city.

# **CONVICTED BURGLAR PREFERS DEATH TO LONG PRISON TERM**

## **BARNES HANGS HIMSELF IN CELL**

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**Dislocated Neck May Cause Death—Desperate Man Uses Chalk Line In Attempt to Destroy Himself Utterly—Leaves Two Letters Which Authorities Refuse to Give Out Until Death.**

Qualls V. Barnes, who, with Christopher Cravens, was on Friday convicted on a charge of burglary and larceny, in the circuit court, hanged himself to the bars of his cell late on Friday night, and the county physician declares that the man has not one chance in a hundred to live.

It is said that Barnes has already served three terms in the penitentiary and the prospects of another long sentence proved too much for his overwrought nerves. He had been morose and melancholy since the jury's verdict was returned early Friday morning, for although sentence had not been imposed, he knew full well what the decision would be. A piece of blue chalk line, about five feet long, was doubled and tied in a slip knot around the prisoner's neck. He then tied the other end to the bars of his cell, about five feet from the floor, and swung off his feet.

#### Cellmates Give Alarm.

It was at 2:05 this morning that the other prisoners discovered Barnes struggling in convulsions. He was black in the face and his eyes protruded, giving him a ghastly appearance in the subdued light of the cage.

Owing to the crowded condition of the departments on the first floor, Jail-er Boyd had placed Barnes in the negro ward upstairs; he being the only white man in that department. In the cage with him, but locked in different cells, were Charles Kirkland, Samuel Russell, Alex. Ferguson and Tony Hayes, all charged with minor offenses. It would have been only a few days at the most before Judge Philbrick would have sentenced Barnes to the penitentiary, and he was to remain with the black men until that time.

Barnes had not been out of jail since his arrest last month until his arraignment in the circuit court for trial. It is thought that he might have picked the string up while on a trip to the court house.

#### Leaves Two Letters.

Barnes left two letters in his cell, but the authorities refused to make them public until his death.

Barnes is about 40 years old. By profession he is an all around crook with a police record for various crimes of minor importance.

A raid upon a poultry house south of Philo and the theft of fowls valued at \$11.78 in March proved the undoing of Barnes and Cravens, who were chased to Tolono before being captured.

Cravens, in a cell on the lower floor of the jail, was greatly surprised when told that his accomplice had attempted suicide and would probably die.

"Well, what do youse know about dat?" was the way he expressed his shocked frame of mind.

#### Shows Slight Improvement.

This afternoon Barnes was still unconscious, but shows slight improvement. His body has lost much of its rigidity and his breathing is more regular. Dr. Burres, the jail physician, says that he has a fighting chance for recovery.

If Barnes survives, his case will present one of those rare instances in which a fracture of the neck has been reduced.

### Jailer Cuts the Strings.

Shrieks of terror from the negro ward summoned Jailer Boyd upstairs. In his haste he neglected to dress and consequently was without a knife with which to cut the struggling man down.

Rushing downstairs he found his pocketknife, and with the assistance of the others, lowered the unconscious man. Barnes was still in convulsions and the negroes fled to their cells in fright, leaving Jailer Boyd to administer to the apparently dying man. The county physician was called, and in passing his hand over Barnes' neck, felt something slip as though one of the vertebrae had been dislocated and had been pushed back in place. The convulsions ceased immediately, but the patient lapsed into a coma from which all efforts to arouse him failed.

### Has Bad Record.

Barnes first came into the public eye as a criminal when he was in his teens, being sent to the reformatory for theft. It is stated that he spent twenty years of his life behind prison bars. He has lived in all parts of Champaign county and is well known to both city and county officers of the law.

### Tries to Kill Sheriff.

Years ago Barnes, while serving a term in the jail at Ford county, in Paxton, was made a trusty by Sheriff Gleason, a man well along in years. He assisted the sheriff in serving papers and in doing chores about the jail and was trusted implicitly until one day he secreted himself behind a door and dealt the sheriff a cowardly blow with an iron bar. Gleason was all but killed and Barnes pulled off a wholesale jail delivery, liberating six prisoners. Several members of the gang, including Barnes, were captured and the latter served a term in the penitentiary for trying to kill Gleason.

Sent from Champaign County.

### Removed to Hospital Ward.

Barnes was removed to the hospital ward and a trained nurse summoned.

A Courier-Herald reporter visited the ward this morning. Barnes lay fully dressed upon the bed, his eyes partly open and glazed. His features were set in the rigidity of approaching death and his respiration was slow and painful. The chord with which he had attempted to destroy himself had cut into the flesh of his neck, showing the violence of his struggles. The nurse watched at the bedside all day, administering stimulants every fifteen minutes.

### Jailer Is Puzzled.

The manner in which Barnes came into possession of the string is puzzling Jailer Boyd. The prisoner was thoroughly searched when he was arrested and his pockets were emptied of everything in which he might injure himself or others.

Barnes' next escapade was pulled off about twelve years ago, when he stole a carload of wool near Penfield and sold it to Dell Dresback, at Ogden. He was found guilty and sentenced to a term at Chester, being released only about six years ago.

On one occasion, after having committed a theft at Rantoul, he was shot by the marshal of that village.

### Son is a Terror.

Barnes has a son, a lad yet in his teens, who promises to cast his sire's achievements as a bad man far in the shade. The younger Barnes, who is, or rather was, in school at Mattoon, last week assaulted a woman teacher who had tried to correct him. She was knocked down and the boy stamped upon her with his heavy boots.

## CAN FIND NO CLEW.

### Walter Manning Makes Good His Escape—Has Left City.

After a long search for a clew to the whereabouts of Walter Manning, the negro who escaped from the Champaign city prison Tuesday night, the Champaign police have abandoned hope of locating the fugitive. It is believed that he has left the city.

## SALEM.

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Mrs. John Whitney is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Evans visited John Yankee Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A. Stegaman and daughter, Clara were shopping in Paxton, Tuesday.

Mrs. L. Knight of Rantoul spent Tuesday night with J. N. Elkins and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Coon of Ludlow left Tuesday noon for a two weeks' visit in Kansas.

### Funerals at Woodlawn Cemetery.

I wish to inform the public that the expense of one car from Champaign or Urbana to Woodlawn cemetery does not exceed \$6 and no charges will be made for casket carriage, when conveying casket from car line to any part of the cemetery. Also the use of receiving vault is free to patrons of Woodlawn cemetery.—L. W. Judy, Superintendent. 12-15.

Four, has changed his run from three day on and three off to six on and six off.

Carpenters are still working on the lockers. All will have a screen covered window when the work is finished.

Leonard Andrews of the machinists' helping force returned to his work on Tuesday morning after a short absence.

Coach No. 339 was transferred from the coach department to the paint shop on Tuesday, where it will be repainted.

The employes of the repair track have returned to their work after being laid off on account of the wet weather.

N. H. Kyte of the blacksmith shop is absent from his work on account of the death of his sister, Mrs. John Cordray.

A new smoke jack was sent to Farmer City, Tuesday, to replace the old one that blew off during Monday's storm.

The pay car was delayed in Indianapolis, and could not reach the Urbana shops on Tuesday evening as was expected.

Frank Fultz of the blacksmith shop was absent Tuesday on account of the death of his sister, Mrs. John Cor-drain, on East Hudson street.

The fields near the shops are drained very well, in all but a few places. The corn field west of the yards was completely drained Tuesday.

Engine No. 6506 was looked over by William S. Buchanan of the machine shop on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Buchanan is working in the round house filling a vacancy.

Engineer Frank Strimple and Fireman Stapleton took an extra freight west on Tuesday morning and Engineer House and Fireman White went east with an extra two hours later.

#### On Inspection Trip.

Marshall Bryant, Robert Ferriday, George W. Markley and Alonzo Whitaker went east on a large motor car on Tuesday afternoon to inspect bridges and culverts along the Peoria & Eastern.

#### Dispatcher Is Wedded.

Guy O. Byrd, Big Four dispatcher in the Danville offices, is a benedict. He was united with Miss Flora Hacquet of near Westville Monday evening. Mr. Byrd is rather young to hold the responsible position of dispatcher, being but 22 years of age. His bride is 18.

**Quiet After 19 Years.**

Charles Ripley, who resigned his position in the machine shop on Saturday, went to Sidney on a visit on Tuesday morning. Mr. Ripley was employed at the Urbana shops for 19 years, and was popular among his fellow workmen. All regretted his decision to quit.

**Accompanies Daughter's Body.**

Joseph Luman, employed at the shops, on Tuesday accompanied the body of his daughter, Mrs Maude Beals to Makomet, where interment took place. The remains were removed from the home on East Hudson street, and were placed on No. 11 at the yard office at 11:19.

**Offer Floral Tokens.**

The boiler and blacksmith shops made a collection for floral offering for the late Mrs. John Cordray, who died at her home on East Hudson street on Monday evening. Mr. Cordray is an employe in the blacksmith shop, and his fellow workers deeply sympathize with him in his bereavement.

#### Hot Weather Vigil.

Old engineers do not need warning to use extra care in running during extreme hot weather, but the attention of new "eagle eyes" is often called to the possibility of rails buckling under the fierce rays of the sun during the warm weather, and all engine men are warned to keep a close lookout for the track which is out of line. Luckily the sun only causes the rails to buckle during the terrific heat of midday, so that a track out of alignment can be readily seen if the engineer is keeping close tab on his work.

#### Negro Threatened Conductor.

Conductor Pitzenberber, running out of this city, was threatened with death by a negro tramp and a colored man, giving his name as Fred Chester was afterwards arrested at Danville and was identified by the conductor as the right man. According to the railroad man Chester was found stealing a ride on the "head end." He ordered the negro off, he says, and then the latter declared that he would blow off Pitzenberger's head. However, the conductor ejected Chester at the Electric mine and then reported the matter to the police. A search was made in the vicinity of the mine for the man but he was not found until a towerman at Hillery noticed him in that vicinity and telephoned into the police headquarters.

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An Up-to-Date Druggist

says it is surprising how many old-fashioned remedies are being used, which goes to show that it is hard to improve some of our grandmothers' old, time-tried remedies. For instance, for keeping the hair dark, soft and glossy, nothing equalling our grandmothers' "sage tea" has ever been discovered. Although, by the addition of sulphur and other ingredients, this old-fashioned brew has been made more effective as a scalp tonic and color restorer. Nowadays when our hair comes out or gets faded or gray, instead of going to the garden or garret for herbs and making the "tea" ourselves, we simply go to the nearest drug store and ask for a bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur. This preparation is sold by all leading druggists for 50 cents and \$1 a bottle, or is sent direct by the Wyeth Chemical company, 74 Cortlandt St., New York City, upon receipt of price.

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312 Wheaton avenue, and at 401 East  
Stoughton street.

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#### **Entertained Friends.**

Mrs. S. M. Martin entertained a number of her friends at a dinner party at her home on East Springfield avenue, Champaign, on Monday evening.

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#### **Elks' Ladies to Meet.**

The Ladies' club of the Elks' lodge will meet in the club rooms at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. A program will be given and refreshments will be served.

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#### **Has Colored Candidate.**

Champaign now has a negro candidate for constable, which will probably line up the colored vote solid for the g. o. p.



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## RECEIVES BALM FOR HURTS.

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### Taylor Garver Settles Claim With Big Four Railroad.

Taylor M. Garver, now employed in a Champaign printing establishment, who was injured at Danville while employed as a street car conductor, by his car crashing into a Big Four engine, has received a satisfactory adjustment of his claim for damages, and the suit in the Vermilion county circuit court will be withdrawn, which was filed against the C. C. C. & St. L.

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### Complain of Chickens,

Champaign residents have complained to the police department of chickens running at large at 306, 310 and

# Heavy Penalty Fixed in Champaign Case For Illicit Selling

Robert Porter, a Champaign colored bootlegger, was fined \$200 and costs this (Thursday) morning upon entering a plea of guilty to charges preferred by the police of that city.

The culprit was unable to pay the assessment and will be compelled to lay it out in jail. His arrest was the result of secret service work by the Champaign authorities during the fair, and it is understood that evidence has been secured against other

parties and that more arrests will follow.

The officers report that nearly all bootlegging in the Twin Cities is being done by negroes, especially in the Champaign levee district on East Main street, and that they are determined to break it up.

It is expected that the next return of the grand jury will throw considerable light on the acts and doings of habitues of that district in regard to liquor selling.

# Murder is Avenged in Slaying of Coe; Once Worked Here

Retribution in the hideous guise of a tragic death has overtaken Jesse Coe, or Cole, a former Urbana negro, who on Sept. 30, 1906, with a revolver let daylight through the stalwart body of Charles J. Russell, a brave, manly police officer of Indianapolis. Coe died with his boots on.

Information has reached Chief of Police John W. McKinney of this city stating that Coe, while endeavoring to evade a posse in Kentucky, was shot down and finally riddled with bullets by his pursuers. It was an easy death for such a man—a creature apparently destined to shuffle off with his head in a hangman's noose.

For two years the law had relentlessly sought Jesse Coe. Every police officer in the land had been on the lookout for the murderer, a re-

ward of \$700 being offered for the fiend, dead or alive. As he had once lived in this locality, the Urbana and Champaign officers had never ceased to be on the watch for his return, but he never came. When the interurban line was built from Champaign to Danville, Coe, then residing here, worked on the construction gang. At that time he was considered a dangerous character and few dared to cross him. The real viciousness of the man was not thoroughly demonstrated, however, until he went to Indianapolis and murdered the blue-coat.

Coe was 34 years old. He was a bad man and his looks did not belie his nature. His was an evil eye, and the whole facial expression was that of cruelty and repulsiveness, portraying at a glance his criminal instincts.

# BOTH LEGS ARE CUT OFF

## Strange Colored Man Picked Up and rought to Champaign.

This morning at 9 o'clock an unknown negro was found two and a half miles north of Champaign on the Illinois Central tracks with both legs cut off. He was brought to Champaign on a handcar, and before consciousness left him he stated that he resided in Stockville, Miss., and was beating his way to Chicago. He said the accident befell him at 6 o'clock this morning after he had boarded an engine on a freight train to shovel coal to pay for a ride, as agreed with the fireman. After falling beneath the wheels he lay there four hours before he was found. When found his pants were on fire.

The mangled man said he has two brothers living, but his father and mother are dead.

After reaching the station the wounded negro was conveyed to the Burnham hospital in an ambulance.

This afternoon at 3:45 the injured man was still alive.

## LITTLE BITS OF NEWS

When the average man gets sick he loses all desire to smoke. Constable Dan C. Long has suffered from the grip for three weeks and although an inveterate smoker he hasn't lighted but one weed in that time. This made him dizzy-headed and sicker and he is afraid to tackle another.

“Going to be wet again this spring?” or “Going to be dry again this spring?” are questions one can hear a dozen times a day.

Collector Charles B. Holmes, who is now working late most every night, owing to the payment of taxes, says it reminds him of the many years when he worked eighteen hours a day, twelve at the Big Four shops, during day and six at night, at the city hall performing his services as clerk. Those were hard days and Charlie will not soon forget them.

The people of the southeast part of town are still hoping for a street car line and would be glad to see something doing in this line before another winter sets in.

The snow should put some rabbits on the market. Rabbits have been scarce this year and lovers of rabbit meat have failed to get their fill. Years ago rabbits were common, but they have become a luxury.

“Urbana is a splendid name for a town,” said a stranger on a local street car today. “I never hear it that I don't think of something beautiful. The people of Urbana should be proud of their city and its name.” The stranger was from Kalamazoo, Mich., and he said

me couldn't say as much for his own town. We agree with him.

The county officers have in custody a negro, who is alleged to have struck a colored girl in the eye with a potato. "You all go look at that gal," advised the negro, "if her eye am black I hit her; if her eye ain't black dis coon am the wrong man." Not being black eye specialists the officers concluded to make no examination of the lady's orb, despite the unique reasoning of her alleged assailant.

Ivrim—Miss Jeanette Miriam Goldberg of Philadelphia will deliver an address Thursday evening, Feb. 6, at 7:30 sharp, in room 126, University hall. All Jewish residents are especially welcome.

Courier-Herald weather indications miss it so seldom that few people complain when our weather man gets a little mixed in his prognostications.

Who ever is elected alderman from the first ward at the special election

this month will stand the best show of getting that office in the regular April election. When the people of the ward choose a man at this special election they will probably want to retain him two months later. It is doubtful if he will then have any opposition.

The man with the snow shovel has got the man with the hoe or any other kind of an implement forced entirely into the background right at present.

The Danville Press runs a department each Sunday under the head of "Henrietta." It is positively weird.

"If Danville goes dry and Urbana wet we'll be returning your visits," said a Danville citizen to a university

CITY VISITOR IN THE VERMONT CAPITAL  
the other day.

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Steve McGraw, who recently paid a visit to Sunny Texas, took a peep through the window of a downtown restaurant this morning and wondered why he didn't stay in that climate a few months longer.

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To measure the depth of the snow it is not an accurate way of getting at it to pick out a drift. To decide a bet at the court house today Jesse Sadorus measured the snow and he picked out a two-foot drift to do it in.

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It will be something of an honor to Marie Cahill to be permitted to open the new Illinois theater. Miss Cahill is a great actress, but the Illinois is a great theatre and to be allowed to open it is indeed a privilege of which any actor or actress could feel proud.

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Dean Goss is very much before the public eye at present. His installation is attracting almost as much attention as did that of President James over two years ago.

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Few people were abroad Tuesday night. Only those who were forced out left their homes and the downtown portion of the city was deserted, except for the appearance of an occasional form in the distance greatly resembling a snow man.

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This is the best kind of weather for the shoe dealers. People with holes in their shoes and persons needing rubbers are flocking in to supply their wants. Large stocks must be carried for just such a day.

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Booker, a son; weight nine pounds.

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Miss Rea will act as pianist at the new Varsity theater.

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The W. C. T. U. will meet at the

home of Mrs. Ida Benton, 301 West Oregon street, Thursday afternoon at 2:30. A full attendance is urged, as business of importance is to come before the meeting.

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## LITTLE BITS OF NEWS

Snow and ice are melting slowly.

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The first annual banquet of the Men's club of Trinity church was a success in every sense of the word. Members of the club will have charge of the services Sunday evening.

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Husbands of the members of the Domestic Science department of the Woman's club are loud in their praise of the entertainment at which they were guests, given by the department at the home of Mrs. Fred H. Rankin, Wednesday night.

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"Doctor, I just overfed on pig's feet and I'm in agony. What have you got to ease me?" said a stranger to Dr. I. N. Read. He was given a dose of medicine. It did the work, and the patient with satisfaction said, "What did you give me, Doc?" Said the doctor: "Allen's Foot Ease."

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T. D. Jerauld has returned from a visit to Farmer City, where he was entertained by his daughter, Mrs. W. A. Iles. The condition of Mr. Iles is reported improved. This will be pleasant news to his many friends here.

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The debating society of the Champaign high school met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hoover, 613 West White street, with Miss Arrah as hostess. It was a very profitable evening.

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A sale of the grounds and buildings of the Dewitt County Fair association will be held at Clinton Thursday, Feb. 20. Terms of sale are announced as cash.

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Fred Swisher of Homer and Stella Watson of Fairmount were united in marriage at Danville Thursday.

William B. McKinley, congressman from this district, has announced that he will not be a candidate for delegate-at-large at the national convention in Chicago. This leaves Mayor Busse of Chicago, Governor Deneen and Senators Hopkins and Cullom practically as the chosen ones and under their management it is not thought that the interests of Uncle Joe Cannon will suffer.

Interurban agents are now busy getting right of way for the new interurban line between Kankakee and Champaign.

The basket ball game with Chicago, which is rapidly approaching, is arousing much interest at the university.

The Alumni Quarterly just issued is knocking on the "Illini," declaring that the college paper is "an advertising sheet" which contains "some news." They also say that "such a condition of affairs must change."

William Sunday is resting in Decatur and will not preach until Sunday.

A. A. Paterson, owner of the largest store in Vermillion Grove, died Thursday afternoon.

The new state law hits the "coke" fiend. It provides that every purchase of the "dope" must be accompanied by a new order from a physician.

Those who get the best seats at the opening of the Illinois will be fortunate, as the attraction is a fine one and the crowd will be immense. The theater is big enough, however, to hold them all, and everybody can probably get seated. It will be a grand

event in the history of Urbana. Work on the theater is progressing nicely, and the finishing touches will be completed before the opening night, March 3.

The negro boxer had an easy time out-pointing two Twin City lads who volunteered to face him in the Walker opera house Thursday night. Messrs. Harrington and Pittman were the only two that responded to the call, neither being students.

"I can tell you a bit of news," said a first warder today. "Geo. Markley is going to be the next man elected al-

derman in this ward." A second man spoke up, "That's no news. Everybody knows that without putting it in the paper."

Live local news on almost every page of the Courier-Herald and plenty of late news of the entire world scattered throughout the paper. Read every page thoroughly. Read the advertisements. Read the serial story. About a thousand people in Urbana alone are doing it every day.

H. R. Goodman, a well-known Sadorus farmer, was in the city today.

# SUFFERING FROM SHOCK

**Champaign Police Were Not Used to  
Such Kind of Things.**

Hall, the negro, who appeared at the Champaign police station, and said he was an ex-convict from Chester, who had violated his parole, proved to be telling the truth, and officers from the state institution will probably be on hand in a day or two to return him.

The Champaign police may never recover from the shock and look upon the negro as somewhat batty.

## THIS IS A PIPE STORY

### Champaign Colored Man is in Trouble at Danville.

Every little while here lately some roaming individual from either Urbana or Champaign is getting in trouble at Danville. The latest Twin City unfortunate to become entangled in the meshes of Danville law is Chas. Kirkland, whose experience in the mining city is described in the following from the Danville Commercial-News of Thursday evening:

"Charles Kirkland, a negro, who came to this city a few weeks ago from Champaign, was arrested Tuesday night on a charge of intoxication. When the officers searched the man a \$7.50 pipe was found.

"A short time before Joe Meitzler, tobacconist, reported to the police that a fine pipe had been taken from his store. He was called to the police station and identified it as the stolen property. Kirkland is alleged to have taken the pipe early Tuesday evening.

# GREEN WAS ACQUITTED

Couldn't Stick Champaign Negro on  
Bootlegging Charge.

The jury yesterday in the United States district court at Danville, which heard the case of one Green, a Champaign negro, accused of illegally selling liquor, returned a verdict of not guilty.

The jury in the case of the Chicago Heights man accused of shipping liquor into a dry town marked "groceries" was unable to arrive at a verdict and so reported.

The jury was discharged for the term by Judge Francis M. Wright of Urbana.

# RUSE OF NEGRO PRISONER FAILS

**JESSE ALEXANDER IMPERSON  
ATES ANOTHER.**

**Man Guilty of Serious Crime Poses as  
Gambler of Same Name—Two  
Are Released—Other Court  
News.**

unable to prove that his wife had clubbed him on different occasions, as stated in his bill. Now comes Mrs. Anderson and claims that her husband on July 20, 1910, beat and choked her and tore her clothing off. She claims that her husband is worth \$1,500 and has an annual income of \$500.

**St. Joseph Man Asks For Divorce.**

Edward Sinks of St. Joseph has begun suit for divorce against Ida C. Sinks, formerly Miss Ida Illser, charging desertion. He asserts that they were married June 13, 1907, and that the defendant left him September 25, 1908. There are no children.

Jesse Alexander, colored, serving a fine of \$200 in the county jail, assessed by Judge Philbrick, after entering a plea of guilty to a crime against a child, came near to making his escape by a clever ruse, this morning.

Some time ago James Alexander, Sylvester Williams and Frank Winslow, all colored, were arrested and fined \$10 and costs for shooting craps. Later the first named paid his fine and released by Judge Roth, then on the bench. James Alexander's companions were to be released this morning, and as the officers had no way of knowing that Alexander had been discharged, his name was read with the other.

When the name, "James Alexander" was called, Jesse Alexander responded and was led forth. The smooth negro was a stranger to the new officials and as there was no other Alexander in the jail, his release seemed right and proper so long as the papers called for one by that name who answered to the name read. Ex-deputy Sadorus was in court when Jesse was sentenced, however, and he discovered the mistake just before the trio was conducted to the court room.

The disappointed colored man was taken back to finish his time and Williams and Winslow shared the same fate for that matter, Judge Spurgin deciding that a month's imprisonment

### Buddemeyer Case Still On.

The case of Maude A. and Julia E. Cline of Sidney against August Buddemeyer, their stepfather, brought to compel the latter to support their mother, from whom he has separated, was still on hearing before Judge Spurgin and a jury today. Owing to the prominence of the litigants a large representation of the Sidney population is attending the trial.

### New Case in Circuit Court.

Charles H. Burras of Champaign asks \$1,000 damages in an assumpsit suit against A. H. Shelby, just filed for the November term of circuit court. The action is brought to recover an alleged debt.

### Sues F. L. Hutchins.

John St. Cerny has filed an assumpsit suit for \$600 damages against F. L. Hutchins of this city. The suit is based on an alleged unpaid note for \$97, bearing 7 per cent. interest, delivered in Logan county in 1892. The plaintiff represents that the only payment made was \$5 in 1904.

### Seeks Separate Maintenance.

Ida P. Anderson has filed suit for separate maintenance against August W. Anderson, alleging cruelty and habitual drunkenness. The defendant is janitor at the Champaign high school building. By filing this suit Mrs. Anderson turns the table on her husband, who several months ago unsuccessfully applied for a divorce, charging his wife with cruelty. The court would not permit the young children to testify and Anderson was

# NEGRO SLASHES GIRL WITH KNIFE

**"Good Times Mary," Well-Known  
Champaign Police Character, Dan-  
gerously Wounded.**

Following an altercation with "Good Times Mary," a well-known colored police character, William Hawkins, a Danville negro, slashed her with a knife, inflicting three wounds, one of which penetrated the abdomen. One of the other thrusts made a severe gash in the shoulder and the other lacerated one of her arms. Mary is a tough customer, however, and despite the severity of her injuries, the city physician thinks she will recover.

The affray occurred in a negro resort at 22 North Oak street. The police were notified and Desk Sergeant Thomas Kent arrested Hawkins near the Illinois Central station. The latter is being held to await the outcome of his victim's injuries.

### **Society Will Meet.**

The Home Missionary society of the First M. E. church will meet in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. As this is to be a Christmas meeting it is hoped that all members will be present.

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### **Leslie's Drug Store, Urbana.**

An aggravating error slipped past the ad. man and the proof reader, making the address of Leslie's drug store, Champaign. Mr. Leslie has been in the business so long in Urbana that the printers cannot explain what caused the error.

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### **Lyde Gets License.**

Joseph Lyde, a negro wanted on a warrant charging him with resisting an officer, this afternoon secured a license to marry Grace Mitchell of this city. He got away with it, too.

# ROBBERS NEARLY KILL THEIR VICTIM

ARMENIAN LABORER ATTACKED  
IN CENTRAL YARDS.

Assailed by Two Negroes Who Beat  
Him Over Head With Iron Fish  
Plate and Escape With  
Twenty Dollars.

An Armenian laborer, employed on the new subway in Champaign was nearly killed by two footpads in the south Illinois Central yards at 8 o'clock Saturday night. The robbers, said to be negroes, took twenty dollars from their victim and escaped on an outgoing freight train. The foreigner was found lying beside the tracks by the crew of a switch engine. He was covered with blood from several deep gashes on the head and was very weak. He is unable to speak a word of English and there being no interpreter available, the authorities cannot learn his name.

#### **Struck by Fish Plate.**

By signs the stranger explained that he had been struck with a fish-plate, used in connecting rails, by two negroes who alighted from an outgoing train, struck him down, robbed him, and then boarded again.

The victim was placed on the switch engine and rushed down town, where the police took him in charge and later removed him to the Burnham hospital. He is badly hurt, but will recover.

# DODSWORTH GETS HIS MAN AGAIN

USED CLUB THIS TIME INSTEAD  
OF GUN.

**R. E. Hamilton, Who Assaults Cham-  
paign Policeman, is Clubbed  
Into Insensibility and  
Dragged to Jail.**

Officer Thomas Dodsworth of Champaign, who within the past three months has shot two men, one accidentally and the other, a negro, after an assault upon a young white girl, again had trouble Wednesday night, and as usual landed his man, but without the use of his revolver.

R. E. Hamilton, drunk and spoiling for a fight, challenged Officer Dodsworth on Main street and the latter immediately placed him under arrest. Hamilton sprang at the policeman and a pitched battle ensued, but Dodsworth finally managed to draw his mace. Time and again he struck his assailant over the head with the billy but Hamilton kept coming until he was clubbed into insensibility. Dodsworth turned the unconscious prisoner over to Night Captain Riley, who took him to headquarters and booked him on charges of intoxication and resisting an officer. This morning he paid a fine of \$5.50 on the latter charge and was released.

**Charges Are Unfounded.**

Charges have been made that Dods-

worth is too quick with his gun, but the fight Wednesday night disproved these assertions as he had ample opportunity to shoot Hamilton. He was ~~armed~~ when Contractor Charles Smith of this city was shot in the back, by mistake, the charge being made that the shooting, even at the real culprit, who had clubbed Dodsworth almost senseless, was unjustifiable. The subsequent shooting and killing of the negro, Wash Barnes, who, after assaulting Mildred Funk, held the officer at bay with a revolver, also brought censure from many who did not take the trouble to learn the facts in the case. Chief Keller declares that Dodsworth is not a gun man, but that he is one of the best officers in the state and that he wishes he had more like him.

# PAXTON FAMILY TAKES FUNK GIRL

Child Who Was Assaulted by Negro  
on Night of Fatal Shooting Is De-  
pendent.

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Mildred Funk, twelve year old girl who was assaulted by Washington Barnes, a negro, on the night the latter was killed by Officer Dodsworth of Champaign, was today declared dependent in the county court and was taken by a respectable Paxton family, who will give her a good home and educational opportunities, and may later adopt her.

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## Object to Judgment.

Residents of Davidson Place, Champaign, this afternoon objected before Judge Roth to an application for judgment for taxes filed by the county treasurer. Objectors claim that Davidson park is public property, and is therefore exempt.

# POSSE CAPTURES BLACKS TOO SOON

STATE FAILS TO HOLD ALLEGED  
BURGLARS AT HOMER.

Loot Found Under Elevator Carefully  
Guarded by Citizens Who Be-  
come Excited and Do Not  
Wait for Proof.

Assistant State's Attorney Roger S. Little returned Friday evening from Homer much put out over his failure to have Grant Wilks of Champagne and Curtis Brown, residence unknown, both colored, held to the grand jury on a burglary charge. The defendants were dismissed by Justice Cash Elder, there being insufficient evidence that they were implicated in the burglary of Havard & Krugh's store, owing to the hasty action of a posse which captured the men.

### Goods Are Discovered.

After the burglary early Thursday morning the stolen goods, consisting of a large quantity of merchandise, were found concealed under the elevator near the Wabash tracks. A posse was organized, and, reasoning that the burglars would return for their loot, the citizens formed a wide circle around the place where the goods were hidden and after secreting themselves, awaited developments.

### Negrees Are Captured.

Wiiks and Brown walked up and down the railroad track several times and acted in a suspicious manner. Finally, when the two men approached the elevator, the posse became excited, and, not waiting to see whether they would take the loot, nabbed them before they had time to reach the place. There was no evidence to show that they intended visiting the spot where the stolen property was concealed.

Both men are employed as laborers on the Homer pavement.

# AFFINITY STORY MAY SAVE NEGRO

Mysterious Developments In Cravens  
Murder Case Expected to Free  
Champaign Man.

Milton Armstrong, Champaign colored man, held a Danville for the murder of Albert Cravens last week, is as good as free.

Danville authorities, while trying to weave a skein of evidence of the guilt of Armstrong and Thomas Brown, his alleged accomplice, have unearthed a mystery in the sudden appearance of a woman named Jones, who claims to have been the dead man's wife.

When Cravens was killed the Jones woman was ill, and upon being apprised of the death, became delirious. "I know they would get him," she cried over and over again, and the officers are now working on the theory that Cravens was killed by personal enemies instead of highwaymen.

Chief of Police Koller of Champaign says that while Armstrong has been in trouble for petty offenses, he hardly believes him capable of murder.

### Wanted—Mr. Kirby Garage.

As Big Four Agent A. E. Penny was going to work this morning he was accosted by a big negro on North Market street. "Boss," said the shine, "Kin you-all tell me wha' Mistah Kirby Garage lives?" Penny tumbled at once, and swallowing his bubbling mirth, informed the colored man that he was standing directly in front of the Kirby garage. "Well," continued the other, "a feller done tole me ah might git work of Kirby Garage, and ah bin campin' on his trail all mawn-in'. T'ank yo' kindly, sah."

### Arranges Attractive Program.

The Champaign County W. C. T. U. will hold its annual institute at the First Methodist church in Champaign Thursday and Friday, March 24 and 25, beginning at 1:30 p. m. Thursday. That evening Mrs. Mary Armor, of Georgia, will deliver an address, and the Matrons' diamond contest will occur the following evening. Admission will be free to the lecture, but an offering will be taken. Tickets for the contest may be had at Knowlton & Bennett's. The daily program will consist of papers and informal talks on the local temperance situation. A number of well known speakers are expected to take part.

### Marriage Licenses.

Logan Lindsey, Champaign .....	28
Edith Johnson, Tolono .....	22

### **Papers Are on File.**

The Champaign County Fair association filed its papers of incorporation at Springfield Tuesday, and its reorganization is now practically complete. F. M. Green, W. W. Lindsey and Thomas T. Smith were named as incorporators, to promote agricultural and horticultural interests and not for profit.

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### **Negro Shack Is Destroyed.**

The Champaign fire department was called to No. 11 East University avenue about 10 o'clock this morning, where a small frame building in the rear occupied as living quarters by negroes, was destroyed. The building was owned by J. C. Kruse.

# NEWS OF ILLINOIS STATED IN BRIEF

## TELEGRAPHIC CHRONICLE OF STATE HAPPENINGS.

### FAIL TO FIND LYNCHERS

Grand Jury Investigating Pelly Murder at Cairo Are Unable to Connect Any One with Lynching.

Cairo, Jan. 8.—It is stated that the special Alexander county grand jury that was impaneled to look into the murder and outrage of Miss Anna Pelly and to investigate the recent lynching of the white man, Salzner, and the negro, James, will close up their work to-day and make a final adjournment with the finding of a few minor indictments.

No direct evidence has been presented to the grand jury that will connect the negro, Arthur Alexander, who is in jail at Champaign, with the murder of Miss Pelly, yet the confession of the lynched negro James, who accused Alexander, is enough for the general public, who believe the negro guilty. The jury has also been unable to connect any one known with the lynching.

# WILD NEGRO WIELDED GUN

FLOYD CAMPBELL TAKES SHOT  
AT ROBERT WASHINGTON.

Arrested by Colored Constable and  
Landed in County Jail—Ravings  
Terrify Other Prisoners—  
Says He Killed Five Men.

Floyd Campbell, colored, who has made his home in Champaign for the past four months, was arrested at 6 o'clock Monday evening by Constable Edward Lee, also colored, and was today lodged in the county jail pending an inquisition as to his sanity. Gun play, made by Campbell late Sunday night, led to his arrest, and the subsequent discovery that he is either mentally unbalanced or is feigning insanity to escape punishment for attempting to kill Robert Washington, 405 North Fifth street.

### Schemed to Obtain Money.

According to the officers, Campbell took a room at the home of Mrs. Nannie Washington, 90 years old, and upon learning that her husband had died, leaving between \$700 and \$800, schemed to secure the money. Robert Washington, the aged woman's son, returned to Champaign and Campbell is said to have proposed to kill him. Mrs. Washington then informed her son that his life was in danger, and he immediately drove Campbell from the house.

### Shoots Through Window.

Sunday night Campbell threw a brick through Washington's bedroom window and when the latter looked out, shot at him with a revolver, the bullet grazing his head. The alarm was given, but Campbell escaped and remained at liberty until captured by Constable Lee.

After being locked up at the Champaign city prison Campbell began raving and continued during the entire night.

While being searched at the county jail this morning he told Jailer Boyd that he had killed five men, also that he had razors and dynamite in his stockings.

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### Two Million Negro Baptists.

There are more than 2,000,000 negro Baptists in this country, with fifty institutions of learning and forty-five denominational papers. They have a national organization, with boards for missions, home and foreign, education, publication and the young people's societies.

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### Barney Matheny Robbed.

The local police received word from Champaign Friday evening that Barney Matheny, of that city, had been robbed by a copper colored negro who was expected to arrive in Danville on the Interurban. It was Barney Matheny who was relieved of \$58. Officer John Sim met the car and found a negro aboard but he proved to be the wrong man.--Danville Press-Democrat.

# HENRY BALLARD ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

HEARING ATTRACTS BUT LITTLE  
PUBLIC INTEREST.

Jury in Fackler-Riley Case Threatens  
to Disagree—Called Back Into  
Court by Judge, Who Ques-  
tions Foreman.

Never before in the history of Champaign county has a murder case been called in the circuit court without a curious throng nearly taxing the capacity of the audience chamber, but when Henry Ballard, a Champaign negro, who on the morning of February 12 fired two charges from a shot gun into the body of Robert Rivers, thereby causing his death a few hours later, was placed on trial this (Thursday) morning, fifteen spectators by actual count were present in the court room.

### Sat by Wife's Side.

Ballard, a small man who has the appearance of a mere boy, was brought over from the jail at 9 o'clock. He requested that the sheriff spare him the humility of placing him in irons, and his wish was gratified, as he is considered trustworthy.

While the jury was being selected the prisoner sat beside his wife, and did not seem greatly interested in the proceedings. He is confident of acquittal on the grounds of self-defense.

The work of filling the jury panel progressed slowly. Nearly every prospective juror examined had heard or read of the shooting, and the venire was exhausted at an early hour.

When court adjourned for the noon hour eight veniremen had been selected, and the remaining four were secured before 2:30.

Attorney F. T. Carson was appointed by the court to assist State's Attorney Coggeshall and Attorney W. G. Spurgin was appointed to assist in the defense. C. M. Morris was engaged by Ballard as legal counsel.

The fatal shot gun, a modern breechloading weapon, with empty shells still in the barrels, is in the possession of the state's attorney and will be used as evidence. A plat showing the scene of the tragedy and the positions occupied by witnesses has been prepared by a draughtsman and will also be submitted.

The jury which will decide Ballard's fate is composed of William Mulligan, L. Sandwell, F. M. Tibbits, John Malohn, Otto Groeth, Edward Creiger, John Worley, E. P. Little,

L. Hazlett, Ross Crawford, William Harris and W. H. Black.

The taking of evidence began at 2:30 with Mrs. Robert Rivers, wife of the defendant, as the first witness. His mother then took the stand, being followed by Dr. S. W. Shurtz, who attended the dying man, and Ralph Sutton of this city, the one who drew the map showing the scene.

**The Jury May Disagree.**

The judge called the case of A. B. Campbell, cashier of the Tolono bank, against H. W. Fackler, which was called early Wednesday afternoon to a hearing. A note for \$4,000, bearing Fackler's name, had been forged. Fackler's name was called into court this morning by Judge Philbrick.

"Is there any chance of your gentlemen reaching a verdict," asked the court.

"I don't know, your honor," replied the foreman.

"Well, if the trouble is on a point of law, maybe I can assist you," but if it is not, you'll have to thresh it out yourselves. Which is it?"

"I don't know, your honor."

"Better go back then and find out," and slowly the twelve men filed into the chamber to continue the siege.

**Judgment Against City.**

Contrary to expectations judgment was taken against the city of Urbana this morning for \$21,220.24 by Garret H. ...

by Garret H. Baker, cashier of Bussey's bank.

This means that the city bond issue will stand as ordered by the council, and that John R. Compton company of St. Louis will fulfill its contract. This friendly suit merely puts the city's outstanding warrants in the form of a judgment, to facilitate the sale of bonds on the market.

# BURGLAR TAKEN BY MARSHAL

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WILLIAM GRAYBEAL PERFOR-  
ATES COLORED MAN WHO  
ROBBED WABASH CAR AT  
SIDNEY.

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## LODGED IN COUNTY JAIL IN THIS CITY

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Prisoner Gave Name as H. J. Miller—  
Claimed to Have Confederate at De-  
catur— Shoes and Tobacco Taken  
From Car Recovered.

William H. Graybeal, town marshal of Sidney, added another laurel to his envied record as a thief taker when, single handed, he captured a colored burglar at 9 o'clock this (Saturday) morning, two miles south of his home village, after shooting the culprit in the back.

#### **Wabash Car Robbed.**

The robbery of a Wabash car, the seal of which had been broken, was reported to the authorities at Sidney shortly after 8 o'clock.

Constable Graybeal was in the barber shop when a telephone message from the residence of Samuel Drivers, south of town, notified him of the presence of a strange negro, heavily burdened with merchandise, in that vicinity.

Armed with a 32-calibre revolver, the officer sped to the Drivers place, and soon overtook the colored man. The latter started to run, dropping his booty, piece by piece, and Graybeal immediately unlimbered his artillery.

Several shots went wild, but the constable finally found his mark and the fugitive fell with a bullet under his right shoulder blade.

#### **Property Recovered.**

A greater portion of the goods taken from the car were recovered, a box of tobacco, and several pairs of ladies' and children's shoes being found by the roadside. When captured the colored man had several pairs of shoes in his pockets.

The prisoner, who gave his name as H. J. Miller, soon recovered, and was able to walk from the depot to the county jail after arriving in Urbana.

His wound was giving him considerable pain, but he did not complain.

An examination of the wound this afternoon resulted in a physician's statement that it appeared to have been inflicted several days ago. Constable Graybeal is puzzled over this announcement, as he is certain of his aim.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BANQUET

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J. W. BURT MAKES ARRANGE-  
MENTS TO SERVE 350 IN  
BENTON BUILDING,  
MAIN STREET.

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## NEXT SUNDAY LONG AWAITED OCCASION

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Large Class to be Initiated in Lodge  
Rooms at Urbana and Many Dis-  
tinguished Visitors Will Be Pres-  
ent—Dinner at Hotel.

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Proprietor J. W. Burt of the Co-  
lumbian hotel is already busy arrang-  
ing for the banquet to be served the  
Knights of Columbus in this city  
Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. Mr.  
Burt's cooks will prepare the ban-  
quet at the hotel kitchens, and it will  
be one of the most elaborate ever  
served in the city, consisting of nu-  
merous substantials and varied deli-

cacies. Negro waiters in full dress will be employed.

#### **Benton Building Engaged.**

The Benton building, recently vacated by Gilmore & Johnston, has been engaged for the banquet, offering more room than any hall in the city. Much time will be spent at the banquet table, and by Saturday the list of toasts will be completed by the committee in charge.

Three hundred and fifty plates will be laid at the banquet board.

#### **/Dinner at Hotel.**

Dinner will be taken at the Columbian hotel at 1 o'clock, and it is expected to serve over a hundred visiting Knights at this meal. Large attendance is assured, and the class to be initiated will be greater than at first hoped. The work will be done by lodges from Chicago and elsewhere. There will be sessions in Oddfellows hall morning and afternoon. The Knights of Columbus hall on Main street will be headquarters.

#### **Come from Many Towns.**

Most of the surrounding towns of any importance will be represented at the meeting. It will be a big day for the Knights of Columbus and for Urbana.

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### **SPURGIN FIRST AT CAPITAL WITH PETITION**

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May Have Gone Through Window or Come Up Cellar Stairs, For He Was Not in Line.

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G. Spurgin has learned that he succeeded in Springfield in getting Andrew J. Miller's nominating petition on file ahead of all others, which gives the candidate first place on the ticket. When the hour came to

file petitions Mr. Spurgin was not in line, but he got the petition into the proper office just the same, and it is rumored that he either went through a window or up through the floor from the cellar below.

Mr. Miller is today at Ranoul, Gifford, Thomasboro, Dewey and other North Champaign county towns. Next week he will tour Moultrie county, the stronghold of Messrs. Seass and Crowder.

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Granite pans, 6 qt. mixing bowls, large stew pans, Berlin kettles, all go at 10c at the Leader Saturday 7.16.18

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# HEAVY FINES FOR HAYES

## Desperate Negro Fined by Judge Roth on Four Counts.

Tony Hayes, the Kankakee negro captured in Champaign with a knife, a razor and a slug shot on his person, was this afternoon fined \$25 and costs on each of four counts by Judge Roth and went to jail, being unable to pay. He pleaded guilty.

"I never owned a gun in all my life," said Judge Roth, "and I am 60 years old. Nor did you have any business with one. I ought to let you lie in jail a year. What you want is a shovel or a pick and not shooting irons."

Hayes is a small black negro and argued his case before the court in a rather important manner.

# Excited Negro Begs Police to Take Him Back to Prison

John Hall, an athletic negro, bounced into the Champaign police headquarters this morning with a wild look in his eyes.

"I'm an escaped convict from Chester," he cried, "and a dangerous man. Lock me up and take me back."

The police were naturally surprised by the appearance of the negro and his strange declaration. As a rule they

find it necessary to go after escaped convicts, instead of having the run-aways come after them.

However, they proceeded to oblige Hall, and placed him under lock and key. They give little credence to his story, thinking it is a ruse to secure board and lodging for several days, but will investigate the case. Hall has tamed down since his incarceration and seems perfectly at home.

# URBANA AGAINST PEKIN

## Commercial Club Baseball Team Will Play Again.

The Urbana Commercial Club baseball team will go to Pekin on Sunday to play the Standards. The Standards at present are the champions among the teams in their vicinity and will, no doubt, put up a stiff game. However, Manager Salisbury of the local aggregation is going over to show the ball tossers of the "whiskey" city a thing or two and has hopes of returning victorious

## Negroes Celebrate.

The negroes of Champaign are today celebrating their emancipation. Brewer's Juvenile band will give a concert tonight followed by a dance. South Imperial hall is the scene of festivities.

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# HOLD-UP IS REPORTED

## Negroes Said to Have Robbed a Woman.

It was reported today that two negroes held up a woman near the University Friday night and robbed her of a purse containing quite a sum of money. The matter was not reported to the Urbana police and no particulars could be learned of the affair in the county seat. The Champaign police are said to have the matter in charge but are keeping it quiet.

No burglaries are reported to have occurred Thursday night.

Mrs. Samuel Crabtree on High street has been quite sick for several weeks. She is much worse at this writing.

# HOLD-UP IS REPORTED

## Only Meagre Particulars Could be Secured.

Two negro footpads are reported to have held up a traveling man near the Hunter, Rourke lumber yard in Urbana Friday night, and the matter is said to have reached the notice of the night police who made a search for the robbers. They are said to have gone towards Champaign and the Champaign police were requested to look out for them over there.

The day police when seen today knew nothing about the matter, and the night men were both at their homes asleep. It is not known how much the hold-up men secured.

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# IS PLENTY TO DO NOW

## **Inactivity Among Politicians Thing of the Past.**

Politicians who have been enjoying a season of enforced inactivity, due to the failure to enact a new primary election bill, now have all the competition they wish. From now until the first Saturday in August will be a season of suspense and several candidates, who do not like the feature of delegates scattering after the first ballot have lost their nerve, will renounce their political aspirations and let others play the game.

## **Must Dispose of Dogs.**

People have been complaining that a negro named Jackson, residing in East Urbana, keeps a pair of vicious dogs which run out at people. The police today hunted Jackson up and ordered him to get rid of the canines. One man while running from the brutes collided with a wagon and was painfully hurt.

## **Doesn't Suit Urbana.**

The report that the Ivesdale Catholics are trying to secure Father Cannon to succeed Father C. C. O'Brien, who goes to Seattle, Wash., does not meet with favor in this city. Urbana does not want to lose Father Cannon. The Ivesdale parish is the wealthiest in the Peoria diocese.

## **Disappointed.**

Company M of the Twin Cities is

much disappointed over their inability to go to Indianapolis to join the regular soldiers in the government encampment. Gov. Deneen will send the Second instead of the Fourth regiment.

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### **At Miles Reception.**

President James has invited the Urbana Commercial club to attend the reception given General Miles, and prominent members of the club will probably be present at this elaborate affair.

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### **Moving Law Office.**

Attorney Webber is moving his office from South Market street to the Mathews building. Charlie Webber will occupy all of the old stand in the future.

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**Courier-Herald ads bring results.**

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### Negro Stole Suit Case.

E. B. Roy, colored, of Champaign, is in jail at Bloomington, charged with having stolen a suit case from a passenger on a train. The stolen property was found in the negro's possession and was later identified by the woman to whom it belonged.

# REPORT DEATH BY PARALYSIS

Dayton Taylor of Champaign, Aged 19, Passes Away This Morning After Short Illness.

Dayton Taylor, aged 19 years, residing at 604 East Grove street, Champaign, died this morning after having been ill for several days with all the symptoms of infantile paralysis. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon from the home of the parents.

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## Pleasant.

"All men are liars, you know," said her friend. "Yes," she replied, "but it is so pleasant sometimes to sit close to them and listen to them lie."

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Within five years Uruguay will have 140,000 olive trees, capable of producing 2,000,000 pounds of olives and 50,000 gallons of oil.

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What the automobile is to the United States the motorboat is to Canada, especially along the St. Lawrence and in British Columbia.

Professor Lankester says there have never been any large flying animals, and so there cannot be any large flying machines.

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Japan's principal mineral productions are, in order of importance as named, copper, sulphur, silver, iron, coal, petroleum and gold.

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Poison from mushrooms is frequently reported, but only ignorance and prejudice prevent them from being an article of every-day food.

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Since its introduction from America the chigger has spread far and wide along the west coast of Africa and is now a greatly dreaded pest.

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Europe has 20,000 newspapers, of which Germany possesses the largest number. England, however, has the greatest number of daily newspapers.

Two blind girls from the Royal Normal College for the Blind have given some marvelous exhibitions of roller skating, including a waltz on skates.

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Because the demand for machinery is exceeding the product in the domestic market it is likely that this country will soon be buying foreign machinery.

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Vice Consul General Claude E. Guyant of Panama reports that a British inventor has been giving tests on the isthmus of a new explosive, which led the canal commission to order 20 tons of it for trial.

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The negroes of this country formed in 1800 18.8 per cent of the population; in 1810, 19.03 per cent; in 1850, 15.68 per cent; in 1860, 14.12 per cent; in 1880, 13.11 per cent; in 1890, 11.92 per cent, and in 1900, 11.59 per cent.

The most spectacular fire ever witnessed in the oil industry was at one of the Dos Bocas wells in Mexico. About sixty thousand barrels of oil were burned up daily for nearly two months. The flames rose to heights of 800 to 1,400 feet.

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While the area conceded to the thirteen original States by the peace treaty in 1783 was 828,000 square miles, their present area is but 326,000 square miles, the other 502,000 square miles forming in whole or in part 13 other States.

The great tidal waves observed at Marseilles, France, June 15, 1909, appear to have been caused by the unusually high electric charge of the atmosphere which is known to have existed during the period of the earthquakes which devastated the south of France.

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#### A Man of Iron Nerve.

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### Negro Stole Suit Case.

E. B. Roy, colored, of Champaign, is in jail at Bloomington, charged with having stolen a suit case from a passenger on a train. The stolen property was found in the negro's possession and was later identified by the woman to whom it belonged.

## DANVILLE MAN HAS BAD FRIGHT

John F. Gilmore Thought Shooting Scene at Illinois Theatre Was Genuine—Nerves All Tangled Up.

John F. Gilmore, formerly in the furniture business in this city, proved Wednesday night that he is not yet city broke, despite several months spent in gay, wicked Danville.

John came over that afternoon to attend the fair and in the evening attended the play at the Illinois theatre. In one scene, the leading lady, seated in a box, suddenly arises and shoots the hero nearly dead. It so happened that Mr. Gilmore did not know of the spectacular finish of the act, settled down to enjoy the play. John's hair began to protrude heavenward when he noticed the strange woman in the box remove a revolver from the folds of her dress, for he imagined that he had encountered a maniac.

Suddenly she arose and fired point blank at the hero on the stage. The audience heard a weak little "Save me" from Gilmore's corner and today his nerves are still tangled up.

### Police Search for Negro.

A strange negro who on Wednesday entered the Armstrong home, 208 East John street, Champaign, and stole a lady's gold watch, is the object of a search by the police of both cities. The culprit is described as being about 35 years old, five feet, 8 inches tall, and weighing about 165 pounds.

# DRAW COLOR LINE; TROUBLE BEGINS

JOHN BUTSCH GIVES VERSION  
OF THOMASBORO ROW.

Declares Natives Object to Colored  
Labor—Gives Bond on Charge  
of Committing an Assault  
and Battery.

Constable Noah Corbin, who Saturday searched for John Butsch, wanted for striking Henry Scott at Thomasboro, was unable to find his man, but as soon as Butsch learned that the officer was after him he came in and surrendered to the sheriff.

Butsch gave a bond of \$300, with C. N. Clark as surety, on a charge of assault and battery, and had W. A. Mullin on hand to sign a bond issuing from a peace warrant, but it is probable that the latter will be dismissed as Scott admits that Butsch made no threats.

## Race Trouble Threatened.

Butsch, who is foreman of a concrete gang at Thomasboro, says that people there resent the employment of colored labor and have started to make trouble for his negro help.

He says that on Friday Scott stopped at the place he was working. "You're still working coons, I see," he said. "Why don't you give white

men the job?"

#### Ordered From Premises.

The negroes employed on the job were badly frightened and Butsch expected trouble in handling them. He ordered Scott to leave the place, whereupon the latter is alleged to have informed Butsch that he was no better than a "nigger" himself.

At that Butsch knocked him down. Scott came to Urbana the next day, and swore out warrants for his assailant's arrest.

Residents of Thomasboro fear that the rougher element will still cause trouble over the employment of negroes, but Butsch declares that as long as his colored help stay he will retain and protect them.

# FUNK SEEKS HIS TWO CHILDREN

Father, Not Knowing of Recent Tragedy, Writes for Information Concerning Son and Daughter.

There may be a change in the program when William Funk, divorced husband of Daisy Funk, whose two children, Mildred, aged 12, and George, 14, will be tried for dependency on June 8, hears of the proceedings. Funk, not knowing of the killing of Wash. Barnes, the negro who assaulted the little girl Monday night, and the subsequent arrest of the mother, has written Chief of Police Keller of Champaign, inquiring about the children, and especially about the girl, Mildred, who had just arrived in Champaign from Greeley, Colo. The father had not heard from his daughter since she left the West and he appeared anxious about her. He urges Chief Keller to answer immediately and the latter complied, giving all facts connected with the case.

Funk, who was formerly employed as stage carpenter at the Illinois theatre in this city, is now traveling with the Sells Floto shows, and will be at Sheridan, Wyo., June 7. The statement that he was traveling through Michigan as a fruit tree salesman was made by his divorced wife to the assistant state's attorney.

### Coburn Players Are Coming.

The Coburn Players will be here July 8 and 9 and will play out-of-doors. They will put on "The Merchant of Venice" for the first evening performance and many students and high school teachers who have read this great drama in their classes for years will have an opportunity to see what it looks like on the stage. The rollicking comedy selected for the matinee the next afternoon is "As You Like it." "Romeo and Juliet" will be given the second evening.

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### Injured in Runaway.

While driving near Flatville Jelle Frerichs had his shoulder dislocated by the horse becoming frightened and turning the buggy over. A doctor was called and set the joint, and the patient is resting well at present.

### Made No Statement.

It was expected that Barnes would make an ante-mortem statement, and it was hoped that Mrs. Funk, his victim's mother, would be drawn into some shady transactions, but the negro did not talk. Along toward midnight he grew feverish and later lapsed into unconsciousness without talking. An officer was at his bedside until nearly midnight, hoping that he would give evidence against the mother. It has been learned that Mrs. Funk had been carrying on disgraceful orgies with negro men at her home and that Barnes had been her guest on the evening of the tragedy. He left with the other guests and later returned to assault the little girl.

Feeling in Champaign is running high against the woman and she will probably leave the city. Her husband, who was divorced from her some time ago, is a traveling salesman and is now in Michigan.

# MRS. FUNK JAILED; CHILDREN TAKEN

WOMAN WHO ENTERTAINED NE-  
GROES IS HELD.

Charge of Running Disorderly House  
Preferred—Bond Fixed at \$300—  
Telegraph Operator Is New  
Prisoner.

Mrs. Daisy Funk, the Champaign woman at whose home Washington Barnes, colored, was killed by Officer Dodsworth, after he had tried to criminally assault her 12-year-old daughter, is a prisoner in the county jail.

Mrs. Funk was arrested this morning on a charge of running a disorderly house. She waived examination before Police Magistrate Rogerson, and was bound over to the county court under a bond of \$300. Being unable to give security for her appearance she was locked up.

The Funk children, Mildred, the victim of the assault, aged 12, and George, aged 14, were today taken into custody by the probation officer and will be arraigned in county court upon petitions for dependency. An effort will be made to find good homes for them.

The woman's arrest followed statements made by the son, George, who told of a drunken orgie at the house on the night of the tragedy. "My mother was entertaining a crowd of negro men and beer and whisky were flowing like water," said the youngster, who is old for his years. "I didn't want to be around with such carrying on, and when the crowd got so rank that I couldn't stand it any longer I went down town and got a bed at a hotel. I didn't know of the shooting until the next morning."

The little girl says that she and her mother were in bed when Barnes rushed into the room and sprang in between them. Her mother, she declares, ran screaming from the house, leaving her with the negro.

Mrs. Funk formerly resided in this city, her husband being stage carpenter at the Illinois theatre about two years ago.

Funk disappeared while residing here and for several weeks his wife had the police on his trail. Later he secured a divorce from her.

#### Another New Prisoner.

Another new prisoner arrived at the jail this morning. He is J. W. Johnson, Illinois Central telegraph operator at Pensfeld, and the charge is that he slugged a brother operator over some misunderstanding. His bond is \$100.

### Vote Poll Tax.

Champaign has voted a \$1.50 poll tax to be paid before June 1 by all residents who expect to be enrolled as legal voters at the coming fall election. While about all the townships in the county have collected a poll tax for years, in Champaign the right even to levy this assessment has been almost forgotten. The new measure is hoped to disenfranchise student voters who are a menace to a certain element of peanut politicians, but it may also have the same effect of barring the floating negro vote, and rendering the elections free from other positive undesirables.

## MRS. COCKAYNE AGAIN IN TOILS

White Woman, Released From County Jail, Returns to Negro Love—Wronged Husband in Pursuit.

Mrs. Nettie Cockayne, formerly of Homer, who left her husband, Charles Cockayne, to live with George Gore, a negro, and who was recently released from the county jail after serving a sentence for bearing improper relations toward Gore, is again in the clutches of the law.

As soon as Mrs. Cockayne was released she waited until the sentence of Gore, also in jail, had expired. Then the couple fled to Peoria, where the woman secured a position as waitress and the negro as cook in a hotel. The woman's husband, hot upon the trail with no other motive than revenge, caused their arrest and both are now in the Peoria county jail. While in Peoria Gore tried to pass himself off as a Mexican and partially succeeded.

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## MEANS SHAKE-UP ON ILLINOIS TRACTION SYSTEM.

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**General Traffic Manager Will Retire  
April 1—Champaign Man May Fill  
Position, Is Report.**

It is taken that the resignation of General Traffic Manager H. H. Roseman of the Illinois Traction system has revived the rumor along the lines of the system that there is to be a general shifting of officers, but there seems to be nothing tangible upon which to base the report. In fact, the statement issued recently by General Manager Chubbuck in which he plainly said that he expected to remain with the system seems to preclude any possibility of a change in the management.

The friends of the former Fischer-Stevens management of the system, however, are persistent in their belief that a more general shakeup than has occurred for some time is likely to follow the retirement of Mr. Roseman.

### Roseman in St. Louis.

The general traffic manager, who is in St. Louis inspecting the passenger offices there, will retire April 1, but he absolutely refuses to discuss the cause of his retirement, further than to say that it does not result from friction with Mr. Chubbuck or other officials.

All the officers deny that any general shakeup is impending.

Mr. Chubbuck refuses to discuss Mr. Roseman's retirement.

### **Successor Still in Doubt.**

Mr. Roseman has been traffic manager since July 1, when he succeeded E. R. Stephens.

The rumor that J. D. Maynes of Champaign, auditor in the general offices of the company, is to succeed Mr. Roseman is not confirmed and many doubt its probability.

Another change that it is said will soon take place on the interurban, is the resignation of A. R. Fetters, traveling auditor. Although not officially announced, it is said Mr. Fetters will sever his connections with the company on February 1.

R. E. McCoy will succeed C. H. Hubbell as chief clerk to Superintendent Handsby on February 1.

### **William H. Evans Named.**

William H. Evans, a prominent farmer of Lincoln, has been appointed industrial agent. The position is a new one created for the purpose of taking care of the grain business, which the interurban is preparing to handle. He will have entire charge of the location of elevators on the system.

### **Conservator Is Appointed.**

In the matter of a petition of N. C. Ruppert for the appointment of a conservator for John Ruppert, a jury in county court found the latter to be a feeble-minded person. John Ruppert was appointed conservator, bond being fixed at \$7,500.

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### **Negroes Are Fined.**

Alexander Ferguson and Tallie Funchard, both colored, charged with patronizing a disorderly house on North Romine street, were fined \$10 and costs each upon entering pleas of guilty. Both were committed to the county jail in default of payment.

# SHORT COURSE STUDENT JAILED

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**Pfanschmidt Unable to Give Bond on  
Larceny Charge —Negroes Arrested  
—Warrant for Brakeman.**

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Ray Pfanschmidt, the short course student from Payson, Ill., who accidentally shot Roy Ragains, his roommate Tuesday night, and who afterwards confessed to the theft of \$25 from the latter, is in the county jail, being unable to give a bond of \$200 for his appearance before the county court on a charge of larceny. Ragains is improving and will probably recover from a severe wound in the neck.

### **Negroes Transferred.**

Alexander Ferguson and Tillie Funchard, both colored, fined in the police court Monday morning for being inmates of a disorderly house on Romine street, were arrested on state warrants this afternoon were transferred from the city prison to the county jail.

### **Is Prospective Prisoner.**

Henry T. Selts, a brakeman running south out of Champaign on the Illinois Central, is a prospective prisoner. A warrant was issued this afternoon, charging him with wife abandonment.

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# FIDDLER'S PRIZE MAKES TROUBLE

Charles Kirkland's Wife Gets In His  
Wool For Attempting to Sell Organ  
Won at Illinois Theatre.

Ida Kirkland, the negress charged with raising a disturbance on East Main street in Champaign, Tuesday afternoon, was fined \$25 and costs before Justice Jutton this morning and was remanded to jail to lay out her penalty. In company with Charles Kirkland, the man had won an organ, pair of shoes and ham at the fiddlers' contest in Urbana. Charles had sold the shoes and ham and had pocketed the proceeds when the "missus" heard he was about to dispose of the organ in a similar stunt. This aroused her ire and she slammed the instrument around until it was entirely destroyed, while a great crowd of onlookers watched the proceedings until the arrival of the police, whom she reviled in an unladylike manner.

# NEWS OF ILLINOIS STATED IN BRIEF

TELEGRAPHIC CHRONICLE OF  
STATE HAPPENINGS.

## CAIRO MOB IS JUSTIFIED

Grand Jury Investigation of Double  
Lynching Results in Failure to  
Return Indictments—Alex-  
ander Will Be Released.

Cairo, Ill., Jan. 10.—"We believe no  
innocent man met his death at the  
hands of the mob."

The above was the report of the  
grand jury which probed the murder  
of Miss Anna Pelley and the lynching  
of Henry Salzner and Will James, a  
negro, several months ago. The grand  
jury adjourned without returning in-  
dictments.

Arthur Alexander, the negro in the  
Champaign (Ill.) jail who barely es-  
caped lynching during the excitement,  
will be released.

The grand jury reported it was evi-  
dent that the so-called lawless ele-  
ment was not concerned in the lynch-  
ings.

Salzner was charged with murder-  
ing his wife and James was suspected  
of killing Miss Pelley.

Bank of Elgin, has resigned to become  
cashier of the Citizens' National bank  
at Delavan, Wis.

J. H. Hall Dies at Kewanee.

Kewanee, Jan. 10.—James H. Hall,  
Republican legislative candidate from  
the thirty-seventh district in the last  
primaries, is dead at his father's home  
in Bradford.

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**Removes Bone, Senses Restored.**

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Gustave C. Keh-

**Special Skyscraper Is Threatened.**

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Fire in the 16-story Great Northern office building, adjoining the Great Northern hotel, and in which is the Great Northern theater, created excitement downtown. The fire, which burned fiercely on the sixth floor of the building, started an hour before theater time. That the building was fire-proof was demonstrated by the fact that the flames did not spread to any other part of the building. Guests in the Great Northern hotel and the Majestic hotel were alarmed, but there was no panic. The big organ in the Great Northern hotel was played while the fire was burning and employes rushed from floor to floor to assure the guests there was no danger.

### **Bride Ends Life with Acid.**

Quincy, Jan. 10.—Mrs. Bertha Behan, wife of Frank Behan, a decorator, after being called on by the chief of police regarding some trouble over

### Farmers' Institute Elects.

Elgin, Jan. 10.—The Kane county Farmers' Institute at its annual session in Geneva elected these officers: President, Charles Lovell, Kaneville; vice-president, John Reed, Lily Lake; secretary, Theodore Getzleman, Hampshire; assistant secretary, Clyde Hall, Aurora; treasurer, J. B. T. Wheeler, St. Charles.

### Lost All Night; Dying of Cold.

Joliet, Jan. 10.—Albert Arbright, a resident of Aurora, after calling on a girl friend at Oswego at night was unable to find his way home and wandered around all night. He was found in Plainfield early in the morning half frozen and unconscious. His condition is critical.

### Pensions for Watchmakers?

Elgin, Jan. 10.—In an effort to determine the approximate cost of a pension system for its 3,000 employes, the Elgin National Watch Company gathered statistics covering the age and years of service of the operatives at its factory.

### Out of Work, Kills Himself.

Elgin, Jan. 10.—Walter Irish, who came here a week ago from Chicago seeking work as a farm hand, committed suicide at the Burns hotel. He was thirty-five years old.

### Elgin Bank Cashier Resigns.

Elgin, Jan. 10.—A. S. Parish, assistant cashier of the Home National

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## CATHOLIC RITES FOR NEGRO.

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### Funeral of Benjamin Nash Conducted at St. Mary's Church.

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For the first time in the history of this part of the state, so far as can be learned, Catholic funeral rites were conducted for a colored man, when services for the late Benjamin Nash of Champaign, a talented colored musician and former University student, were held at 9 o'clock this morning from St. Mary's church, Rev. Father Wagner officiating. Burial in St. Mary's cemetery followed.

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### Will Build Bank.

The First National bank of Champaign has had plans prepared for a five-story stone and steel building on its present site, and to include the building just west.

# HENRY BALLARD ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

## HEARING ATTRACTS BUT LITTLE PUBLIC INTEREST.

**Jury in Fackler-Riley Case Threatens  
to Disagree—Called Back Into  
Court by Judge, Who Ques-  
tions Foreman.**

Never before in the history of Champaign county has a murder case been called in the circuit court without a curious throng nearly taxing the capacity of the audience chamber, but when Henry Ballard, a Champaign negro, who on the morning of February 12 fired two charges from a shot gun into the body of Robert Rivera, thereby causing his death a few hours later, was placed on trial this (Thursday) morning, fifteen spectators by actual count were present in the court room.

### Sat by Wife's Side.

Ballard, a small man who has the appearance of a mere boy, was brought over from the jail at 9 o'clock. He requested that the sheriff spare him the humility of placing him in irons, and his wish was gratified, as he is considered trustworthy.

While the jury was being selected the prisoner sat beside his wife, and did not seem greatly interested in the proceedings. He is confident of acquittal on the grounds of self-defense.

The work of filling the jury panel progressed slowly. Nearly every prospective juror examined had heard or read of the shooting, and the venire was exhausted at an early hour.

When court adjourned for the noon hour eight veniremen had been selected, and the remaining four were secured before 2:30.

Attorney F. T. Carson was appointed by the court to assist State's Attorney Coggeshall and Attorney W. G. Spurgin was appointed to assist in the defense. C. M. Morris was engaged by Ballard as legal counsel.

The fatal shot gun, a modern breechloading weapon, with empty shells still in the barrels, is in the possession of the state's attorney and will be used as evidence. A plat showing the scene of the tragedy and the positions occupied by witnesses has been prepared by a draughtsman and will also be submitted.

The jury which will decide Ballard's fate is composed of William Mulligan, L. Sandwell, F. M. Tibbits, John Malohn, Otto Groeth, Edward Creiger, John Worley, E. P. Little, R. L. Hazlett, Ross Crawford, William Harris and W. H. Black.

The taking of evidence began at 2:30 with Mrs. Robert Rivers, wife of the defendant, as the first witness. His mother then took the stand, being followed by Dr. S. W. Shurtz, who attended the dying man, and Ralph Sutton of this city, the artist who drew the map showing the scene.

#### Jury May Disagree.

The jury in the case of A. B. Campbell, cashier of the Tolono bank, against H. W. Riley and William Fackler, which retired early Wednesday afternoon to decide whether a note for \$4,000, bearing Fackler's name, had been forged or was genuine, was called into court this morning by Judge Philbrick.

"Is there any chance of you gentlemen reaching a verdict," asked the court.

"I don't know, your honor," replied the foreman.

"Well, if the trouble is on a point of law, maybe I can assist you," but if it is not, you'll have to thresh it out yourselves. Which is it?"

"I don't know, your honor."

"Better go back then and find out," and slowly the twelve men filed into the chamber to continue the siege.

#### Judgment Against City.

Contrary to expectations judgment was taken against the city of Urbana this morning for \$21,220.24 by Garret H. Baker, cashier of Bussey's bank.

This means that the city bond issue will stand as ordered by the council, and that John R. Compton company of St. Louis will fulfill its contract. This friendly suit merely puts the city's outstanding warrants in the form of a judgment to fulfill.

# AGED MAN IS FREED ON INSANITY CHARGE

PATHETIC SCENE IN CIRCUIT  
COURT ROOM.

Judge Roth Has Busy Afternoon Ses-  
sion—Earl Pearce Placed in Care of  
Mother He Cursed and Struck—  
Other Matters.

An aged negro, an ex-slave, with tears streaming down his withered cheeks, begged a jury in the county court on Tuesday afternoon, not to send him to the insane asylum.

Jacob Earnest was the old darkey's name, and he was formerly an extensive land owner and a highly respected citizen in the vicinity of Broadlands. A pathetic scene was presented when the old man tearfully declared that he was not insane—only old and infirm, and on the strength of his testimony alone it required only five minutes for the jury to return a verdict finding the defendant to be mentally sound. The jury was composed of Dr. J. M. Bartholow, Douglas Osborn, A. D. Smith, Granville Reese, W. H. Slade and Ransom Dolph.

#### Son-in-Law Files Petition.

Albert Gaines, son-in-law of the old man, filed the petition, alleging the latter to be insane. Gaines, who is one of a very few colored farmers in Illinois, was the first witness. He was followed on the stand by Charles Smith, a colored attorney, and Fred Smith, also colored, a graduate of the University of Illinois, and a civil engineer.

All three claimed Earnest was insane, and Gaines broke down and wept aloud while telling of instances in which the aged man's imagination led him to believe that he was to be

sent to the poor house.

The defendant admitted that he had armed himself and had retreated to a corn field when the rural mail carrier had stopped at the house, but claimed that he had just reason to fear the poor house and also the insane asylum—that his relatives had threatened to send him to either of these institutions. He stated that he thought the mail carrier was an officer.

#### Lost His Property.

"Uncle Jake," as he is familiarly known, sold out here two years ago and bought land in Oklahoma. Crops failed two seasons running and the old man lost his farm, returning to Illinois with only \$6.

He and his wife have since made their home with Gaines. On the witness stand the old man stated his son-in-law was kind to him, but after being discharged, refused to return to Broadlands with Gaines. He was finally persuaded to go back, however, and remain while the supervisor investigates the case.

The case attracted much attention, and after the verdict was returned, spectators and officials pressed forward to press the homeless old negro by the hand. He left the court house convinced that there is some kindness in the world after all.

#### Gave Boy a Chance.

Another case was that of Earl Pearce, son of Franklin Pearce, an Illinois Central engineer residing in Champaign, who was charged with delinquency. The boy's father had been



# Sensation Created on Interurban By Dead Infant in Newspaper

Two colored women, one carrying a dead baby wrapped securely in a newspaper, arrived here on a Danville Interurban car Saturday, but before the police could be notified they had escaped, presumably continuing on west on the Decatur branch. An effort now being made to locate the pair, but it is thought they have by this time disposed of their gruesome bundle and have succeeded in evading the authorities.

The women boarded the car at Danville, carrying the bundle. The suspicions of Conductor Lon Branigan and several of the passengers were aroused by the uneasy actions of the

negresses, who paid their fares to Onden, but upon arriving there evidently lost their nerve and continued to Champaign.

Conductor Branigan did not possess sufficient evidence against his strange passengers to warrant notifying the police, and he forgot all about the matter until after his return, but the street railway employes who were leaving Danville on another line informed him that they had seen two colored women wrapping a dead infant, evidently but a few hours old in a newspaper at the rear of a building. The Champaign police were immediately notified, but no trace of the ghouls could be found.

# POOR WAY TO KILL WOE

Lost Pocketbook and Got Drunk—  
Fined.

Mamie Bradley of Champaign, a negro character, was fined \$5.00 in the Champaign police court this morning for drunkenness. This individual says she has been touched for a pocketbook containing \$8, hence the drink to drown all sorrow.

Such is generally the result when a person tanks up to drown his sorrow. The remorse that follows is generally harder to bear than the original sorrow.

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L. U. Everhardt has announced himself as a candidate for business manager of the Illini, and will submit his name to be voted upon at the election next Tuesday.

# BECAUSE OF THAT PIPE

## Another Unfortunate is Landed by the Police.

Carl Nichols, a young negro, was arrested Thursday afternoon by Officer Haworth on a charge of larceny. He was given a hearing Friday afternoon.

Nichols is alleged to have been implicated in the theft of a pipe from the Meitzler cigar store. Charles Kirkland of Champaign, another negro, was also arrested on the charge. He asserts that the pipe was given to him by Nichols.—Danville Commercial-News.

# NOW HOT AFTER COLEMAN

## Three Different Charges Against This Black Man.

Frank Coleman, the Champaign negro, who is now under bond in the county court charged with selling liquor without a license, is again in trouble. The state's attorney today issued three more warrants for Coleman, two charging the same offence and one charging him with maintaining a nuisance.

J. Carey, is alleged to have bought liquor of Coleman Saturday in Champaign for John Phyllis. Carey was captured and taken to the city building by J. O. Dickenson and there Carey was fined ten dollars and costs for procuring liquor for Phyllis. Then proceedings were brought against Coleman.

# Placed Under Peace Bond; Complainant Helps to Secure It

Sheriff Peters has a new boarder, who answered to the name of James Brown, colored.

Brown was placed under a peace bond in Champaign on complaint of another negro named Galloway, and, being unable to give the bond, was brought to the Urbana jail.

Sheriff Peters says that there is one

unique thing in connection with the case. The complainant, he says, has concluded that he does not want Brown locked up and is making an effort to secure the bond which will release the man he prosecuted.

"That's about the limit," said the big sheriff this morning. "But a fellow encounters all kinds of strange things in this business."

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# DAN ROWE TAKEN IN TOW

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## Two Fathers and Sons Now in the County Jail.

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Two fathers and two sons are now among the incarcerated in the Hotel Peters. The latest comer is Daniel Rowe, aged father of young Rowe, the lineman, charged with assaulting Editor Pearson at Mahomet. The elder Rowe is charged with assisting a prisoner to escape and with carrying concealed weapons. The other young man and his sire in jail are Charles Emery, charged with highway robbery, and old man Emery, serving a term for vagrancy.

Sil Anderson was Monday evening brought over from Champaign, where he was fined for vagrancy. He has 22 days to serve. Sil is a well-known negro whose home is in Urbana.

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Advertise in the Courier-Herald. It will increase your business.

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# CORPSE CAME TO LIFE

## Chief Keller and Agent Manley On a Wild Goose Chase.

"Train crew saw dead negro one and a half miles north of Champaign" was the text of a sensational message received in Champaign this morning by Agent Manley of the Illinois Central from the agent at Kankakee.

The Champaign police department was notified in all haste, and soon two hand cars, one bearing Chief of Police Keller and Agent Manley and the other a section boss and two Italians were going north over the main line at express train speed. After pumping the propellers until they were wringing wet with perspiration, the party finally approached the prostrate body of a negro about two and a half miles from the depot. Uttering excited explanations over their discovery, the Chief and Agent Manley jumped from their car and ran towards the body of the black man. They had almost reached the prostrate form, when the corpse suddenly took life and sprang to its feet with a wall of horror. "Don't lynch me, don't lynch me," he cried, and then he dashed madly off into the corn field. When the rescue party had re-

covered sufficiently they resumed their trip to town, under a boiling sun, much slower than they had gone. The supposed dead man had been nothing but a colored hobo comfortably snoozing by the side of the track, and the

next time any one talks about strange dead people to Chief Keller or Agent Manley he had better strike an attitude of defense.

## THE MARKETS.

### Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, July 8.

**FLOUR**—Market unsettled. Spring wheat, special brands, \$5.80; Minnesota, hard patent, jute, \$4.50@5.00; straight, export bags, \$3.60@4.05; clear, export bags, \$3.15@4.10.

**WHEAT**—Lower. September, 95@97½c; December, 98½@99½c.

**CORN**—Firm. September, 54@55½c.

**OATS**—Higher. September, 38½@39½c.

**BUTTER**—Extra creamery, per lb., 24c; dairies, 18@21c.

**POTATOES**—(New). Choice to fancy, \$1.00@1.05; fair to good, 90@95c.

**LIVE POULTRY**—Turkeys, per lb., 11c; chickens, fowls, 12c; ducks, 10c.

**EGGS**—New cases included, 13½c per doz.; cases returned, 13c; extra high-grade, 17½c.

New York, July 8.

**FLOUR**—Market dull and partly lower; Minnesota patents, \$5.05@5.40; winter straights, \$4.40@4.50; Minnesota bakera, \$3.75@4.25; winter extras, \$3.10@3.70; winter patents, \$4.40@4.90; winter low grades, \$3.00@3.60; rye flour, quiet; fair to good, \$4.75@5.00; choice to fancy, \$5.10@5.40; cornmeal, quiet; fine white and yellow, \$1.25@1.30; coarse, \$1.16@1.18; kiln dried, \$3.20@3.30; rye, steady; No. 2 western 88½c f. o. b. New York.

**WHEAT**—Spot market easy; No. 2 red, 97½c; No. 1 northern Duluth, \$1.11½; No. 2 hard winter, \$1.02½; July closed at \$1.00; September, \$1.01½@1.03½, closed \$1.01½; December, \$1.04½@1.06½, closed \$1.04½.

**CORN**—Spot steady; No. 2, 63½c; No. 2 white, 63½c; No. 2 yellow, 63½c; July closed 62½c; September closed 63½c; December closed 63c; May closed 62c.

**OATS**—Spot steady; mixed, 49c; natural white, 50@51c; clipped white, 50½@54c.

### Live Stock.

Chicago, July 8.

**CATTLE**—Good to prime steers, \$6.50@7.30; fair to good steers, \$5.75@6.50; inferior to plain steers, \$4.50@5.50; Texas steers, \$4.25@5.75; plain to fancy yearlings,

\$5.00@6.50; plain to fancy cows, \$3.75@5.25; fair to fancy heifers, \$4.00@5.75; good to choice feeders, \$4.00@5.15; fair to choice stockers, \$3.00@4.25; common to choice bulls, \$3.50@5.50; calves, common to fair, \$4.50@6.00; calves, good to fancy, \$6.00@7.25.

**HOGS**—Heavy packing sows, \$5.65@5.90; choice to prime heavy shipping barrows, \$5.85@5.95; mixed packers, \$5.90@6.00; rough throw-outs, \$4.00@5.50; pigs, \$5.40@5.95.

Omaha, Neb., July 8.

**CATTLE**—Market strong to 10c higher. Native steers, \$4.80@6.90; cows and heifers, \$3.00@5.00; western steers, \$3.50@5.80; Texas steers, \$3.00@4.50; cows and heifers, \$2.50@4.40; canners, \$2.00@3.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.00@4.85; calves, \$3.25@6.25; bulls and stags, \$3.25@5.25.

members Chicago Board of Trade.

Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
July ...	91 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	92 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	91 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	92 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>
Sept. ...	95 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	96 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	94 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	96
Dec. ...	98 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	99 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	97 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	99 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>
May ...	101 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	103	101	102 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>

Corn—				
July ...	54	54 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	54	54 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub>
Sept. ...	54 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	55 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	54 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	54 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>
Dec. ...	53	53 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	53 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	53 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
May ...	54 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	54 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	53 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	54 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>

Oats--				
July ...	43 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	43 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	43 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	43 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
Sept. ...	39 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	39 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	38 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	39 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>
Dec. ...	39 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	40 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	39 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	40 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
May ...	42	43	41 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	42 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>

**CHICAGO CASH MARKETS.**

Corn—No. 2, 54<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>@54<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; No. 2y, 54<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; No. 3, 54<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>@54<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; No. 3w, 54<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>; No. 3y, 54<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; No. 4, 53@53<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

Oats—No. 3w, 44<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>@46; No. 4w, 40@44<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; standard, 46<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

**HOG MARKET.**

Hogs—Shade lower. Hogs left yesterday, 25-41. Mixed, \$5.80@6.12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; heavy, \$5.65@5.95; rough, \$5.25@5.60; light, \$5.85@6.15.

**RECEIPTS AND ESTIMATES.**

Today. Tomorrow.

Wheat ...	45	29
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Corn	479	172
Oats	187	41
Hogs	19,000	28,000
Cattle	4,000	
Sheep	14,000	

**LOCAL MARKETS.**

(Corrected July 8.)

**CORN.**

White	47
Yellow	47
Mixed	46

**OATS.**

White	37
Mixed	36

**FEED.**

Timothy, per ton	\$20.00
Clover, per ton	17.00
Mixed, per ton	17.00
Straw, per ton	8.50
Corn, per bushel	.53
Oats, per bushel	.45

**POULTRY.**

Hens, per pound	.08½
Pigeons, per dozen	.50
Roosters, per pound	.03

**BUTCHER STOCK.**

Hogs, per 100 pounds	\$5.50@ \$6.00
Steers	\$4.50@ \$5.50
Cows	\$3.00@ \$3.50
Helpers	\$3.25@ \$3.50
Calves	\$4.50@ \$5.00
Sheep	\$3.00@ \$4.50
Lambs	\$5.00@ \$5.50

**HIDES, ETC.**

Horses	\$3.00 to \$3.00
Cow (green)	.10 to .10
Cow (cured)	.11 to .11
Calf	.11 to .11
Sheep pelts	1.00 to 1.50
Tallow	4¼c to 4¼c

**COUNTRY PRODUCE.**

Butter, per pound	22c
Eggs, per dozen	15c
Lard, per pound	10c
Potatoes, per bushel	55

# LANE IS CONVICTED

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**Found Guilty of Attempting  
to Murder A. Strong  
in Urbana.**

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## **SENSATIONAL CASE IS NOW ON TRIAL**

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**Mail Carrier Stands Charged  
With Rape By a Young  
Girl.**

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Van Lane or Frank King, charged with murderous assault upon Ambrose Strong, will get all that is coming to him. In the circuit court this morning the jury returned a verdict finding Lane guilty as charged and he is booked for a free ride to Chester, Ill., where Southern penitentiary is located. The board of pardons will fix the time limit on his visit to that institution.

Walter Hickman, a Champaign negro, met a similar fate. A jury returned a verdict finding him guilty of assault with a deadly weapon upon his wife. He may also be railroaded.

John Morricall, a gypsy, could not

be convicted of assault with intent to murder, but the jury stuck him for assault with a deadly weapon. He is also in a bad box.

Rolla Hovey stands charged with rape. The jury went out with his case this afternoon.

The girl in the case is Maggie Fielding. The assault is alleged to have been committed in a mail wagon, Hovey being a rural mail carrier. The parties reside near Sadorus.

In the case of Susan C. Day vs. Royal Wright, a cross bill has been filed by defendant. Mrs. Day sued to recover property in the rear of the Courier building and adjacent from Mr. Wright, claiming that he secured a title to the same through misrepresentation. In his cross bill he pleads that he came honestly by the property in payment for legal services and claims that her suit now prevents him from disposing of the real estate to parties who desire to purchase. He asks that Mrs. Day make answer at once to the cross bill and the court ordered defendant to answer by the 5th of October.

In the case of W. R. Courtney vs. H. L. Timmons, et. al.; bill to quiet title, suit was dismissed as to several defendants and case referred to master.

William Sullivan vs. Elves Stinneth and Angelo Adams; confession. Judgment by confession vs. defendant for \$342.20 and costs.

Judge Johns of Decatur set the verdict in the will case of Jessit May Cook vs. Richard Reynolds, et. al. aside and granted a new trial on the grounds that the verdict was contrary to the evidence.

# TOOK PANTS BELONGING TO PETERSON'S COOK

## CLAIMS HE OWNED THEM

### Arthur Thompson Also Alleges to Have Been Pursued With a Razor.

Handcuffed and badly frightened, Arthur Thomas, a negro boy, was this morning locked up in the Urbana calaboose by Chief of Police McKinney. Thompson is charged with stealing a pair of pants from Elmer Cook at the Peterson restaurant.

When seen at the city bastille by a Courier-Herald reporter Thompson stated that Roy owed him 50 cents and he was unable to collect it. He went to Roy's room above the Peterson restaurant and took the pants in payment for the debt. He then went to Champaign where he was followed by Roy, who caused his arrest. Thompson claims that Roy drew a razor on him and that he ran to the police and gave himself up to keep from being killed.

The law does not permit one person to confiscate another's wardrobe, even if the man with the clothes does owe him a bill and fails to pay up, so it will probably go hard with Thompson. He stands charged with

petty larceny and the circuit court will take the matter in hand.

Thompson claims to be from St. Louis and says he lives on Franklin avenue in that city. He has been in the Twin Cities for some little time.

Thompson was given a preliminary hearing this afternoon before Magistrate Herrigan. He was bound over to the circuit court and in default of a \$300 bond, went to the county jail, where he is now bemoaning his fate.

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# RELEASED ON PAROLE

## Van Coleman Must Behave Himself Here After.

If Van Coleman behaves himself from now on he'll be allowed to enjoy his freedom. If he falls to be good, why they'll chuck him back in a cell at Sheriff Clark's big hotel.

Coleman was released today on parole. He is the Urbana negro who was fined \$25 and costs recently by Judge Staley for raising a rough house in Champaign.

COLEMAN SAW JAIL  
AND THEN VAMOOSED

# GAVE OFFICERS A CHASE

## Negro Was Finally Captured By Officer Hudson on Stough- ton Street.

Van Coleman, a county seat yellow boy, who has been employed around barber shops as a porter, gave the local officers a run for their money through the business and resident streets of Urbana yesterday.

Coleman strolled into the sheriff's office to ask Deputy Vandervort something about a trio of negroes who are incarcerated in jail on a charge of disturbing the peace. The deputy also had a warrant for Coleman on the same charge, but the young fellow wasn't aware of it until the deputy reached out and let the hand of law fall on his shoulder. Mr. Vandervort started to the jail with the lad but when Coleman cast one glance at the iron barred hotel, he gave a cry of terror and skidded, running on Elm street at high speed. Deputy Vandervort, officer Hudson and others gave chase. Mr. Hudson, who sprang in Frank Johnson's buggy, finally caught the fleeing Coleman, who was completely tuckered out, on Stoughton street. He is now in jail and will be tried at the next term of court.

# WAS FORMER TOLONO BOY

## Takes a Bride in Far Distant Dakota.

Julius Gevatosky, a former Tolono boy, who is now employed as a conductor on the Great Northern railroad, with headquarters at Minot, North Dakota, was married last Sunday to Miss Mae Shaw, a popular young lady of that city. The former's mother, Mrs. Minnie Gevatosky, who had been there for several weeks, was among the guests at the wedding and arrived home on Wednesday night.

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### A Real Hot One.

Urbana people suffered from the heat all day Sunday, and on Sunday night, when a cool breeze sprang up, it was hailed with many expressions of joy. The wind indicated rain and people who were attending the Crystal Lake camp meeting, driving or who were any distance from home in the open air, made haste for shelter, fearing that their "Sunday clothes" would get wet.

## Negro Masons.

The twenty-third annual conclave of the grand Commandery of colored Knights Templars of Illinois and Iowa, will be held in Champaign in Masonic hall, Imperial building, August 14, 15 and 16, and the twenty-third annual convocation of colored Royal Arch Masons of the Illinois and Iowa jurisdiction at the same place on the Monday preceding.

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Stanley Boggs today moved into his handsome new residence, 604 South Lincoln avenue

Mr. and Mrs. Boggs have been staying with Mr. Boggs' mother on Illinois street, awaiting the completion of their dwelling.

There are nine rooms in the new house, including the billiard room, and the residence was constructed at a cost of \$4,000. It is a beauty.

### Bowel Complaint in Children.

During the summer months children are subject to disorders of the bowels which should receive careful attention as soon as the first unnatural looseness of the bowels appears. The best medicine in use for bowel complaint is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as it promptly controls any unnatural looseness of the bowels. For sale by Knowlton & Bennett.

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Place your wants in the **Courier-Herald.**

# HAVING A BIG TIME

## Colored K. P's. Reach Champaign in Large Numbers.

Champaign is flocked with colored people who have gathered to attend the fifteenth annual session of the grand lodge of Illinois Colored Knights of Pythias in Imperial hall. About 1,000 strange negroes are in town. One hundred came from Chicago in a special coach. The meeting will last over Thursday.

Tuesday night 50 candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the order for the purpose of exemplifying the work.

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### Wanted—A Good Rain.

The farmers want rain and they want it bad. It would please everybody to see the heavens open up and give us a down pour lasting 24 hours or more. Crops are commencing to suffer.

# **"BLACK KNIGHT" SPEAKS**

## **Colored Orator Addresses Champaign Prohibitionists.**

The Champaign prohibitionists are holding their convention this afternoon in the Champaign city building. "The Black Knight," a famous colored prohibition orator, made the leading address, and spring politics were discussed and plans for the campaign made.

A convention of the Urbana organization will be held in the near future.

# MOTHER AND HER CHILD ARE KILLED

WOMAN GAVE LIFE UNDER EN  
GINE WHEELS FOR BABE.

## ACCIDENT IN CHAMPAIGN

Mary Alexander, Colored, Proves a  
Heroine in Time of Danger—En-  
gineer Temple at Throttle—  
Coroner's Inquest.

Mrs. Mary Alexander, colored, residing at 507 North Fourth street, Champaign, gave her life under the wheels of an engine pulling Big Four passenger train No. 5 at 7:40 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning in a futile attempt to save her two-year-old son, Emmet. Both were killed/instantly, their bodies being dragged a considerable distance west of North Fourth street, near the gas house, where the fatal accident occurred.

#### **Saw Child's Danger.**

Mrs. Alexander had sent her five-year-old son to a grocery on the south side of the tracks, not knowing that the younger boy would follow. She was not apprised of the danger until, warned by the whistle of the locomotive, she saw the baby on the tracks. The older boy had reached the other side in safety and did not notice the position of little Emmet.

#### **Died With Child.**

Those who witnessed the horrible accident state that the colored woman did not hesitate a moment, but sprang directly in front of the locomotive. She barely had time to seize the child, when the engine struck her, and both were ground to death under the pilot.

Engineer W. J. Temple, 202 West University avenue, Urbana, did all in his power to stop the train, but it all happened so quickly that he only had time to shut off the steam and apply the air, realizing that his efforts would be of no avail. The speed of the train had been but little reduced when the woman and child were struck. J. H. Jones of this city was the fireman and Conductor J. F. Flanigan, South Cottage Grove avenue, was in charge of the train.

#### Coroner Holds Inquest.

The bodies were removed to a shallow gully between the Wabash and Big Four tracks, where they awaited the arrival of Coroner Swearingen, first being covered with blankets.

A jury, composed of C. H. Nogle, foreman, Guy Stewart, Guy Fox, W. F. Nichols, H. C. Stitt, and S. H. Smith was empaneled and at 2 o'clock this afternoon the taking of evidence began at the city building.

After examining six witnesses, whose testimony tended to show that the engineer had whistled for the block at the Illinois Central crossing, but not for the Fourth street crossing, the investigation was adjourned until 8:30 this evening, when the crew, on its return trip, will be taken off at Champaign.

The dead woman was only 26 years old. She was the wife of William Alexander, a house cleaner, who moved here with his family from Cairo about a month ago. Deceased was a member of the African Baptist church and was well respected in colored circles. She was born in Tennessee.

The mother and child will be laid to rest in one casket Thursday afternoon at Roselawn, adjoining Mount Hope cemetery, following services at 2 o'clock from the Salem Baptist church, conducted by Rev. Mr. Edwards.

## PICNICS ARE HELD AT CRYSTAL LAKE.

Annual Outing of Cradle Roll of First Baptist Church This Afternoon —  
Primary and Junior Class.

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This was a gala day for youngsters in two Urbana Sunday schools, marking the annual picnics of the Cradle roll and primary class of the First Baptist Sunday school and of the primary class of the First Baptist Sunday school and of the primary and junior classes of the First Christian church Sunday school. The Christian church pupils were on the grounds shortly after noon and will remain for a picnic spread at 6 o'clock. They are in charge of the Mesdames W. O. Hornbaker and R. Fulk of the primary department and Mrs. J. F. Bennett and Lucy Lyster and Miss Opal Holmes of the Junior department.

The Baptist tots showed up at 3:30 o'clock, a majority being accompanied by their mothers.

### Advancement Club Meets.

The Musical Advancement club met Friday night with Mrs. W. H. Grant, 409 North Race street. Two candidates were adopted, Mrs. A. M. Rash and Samuel Hopkins. "The Life of Beethoven" was given by Mrs. Grant, together with his last composition. It was decided to sell the M. A. C. pillow at the next meeting night, Monday, October 3. The pillow may be seen in Amsbary's window one week before the meeting. Candy was served and all report a good time. A program is to be rendered next meeting night by Lilian Sims, Ruth Yantis, Florence and Edna Koch, Estelle Capps, Lilian McLeod, Lottie Courtney, Myrtle Walters, Ruth Foster and Genevieve Carpenter.

### Will Leave Sunday.

A deal was closed Friday afternoon whereby Messrs. Weger and Rich, the former of Lawrenceville, Ind., and the latter of Vincennes, Ind., come into possession of the J. F. Peterson cafe. Mr. and Mrs. Peterson will leave Sunday morning for visits at Indianapolis and other Indiana points, after which they will spend several months in California, then returning to Danville, where Mr. Peterson will become a building contractor.

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### Burglars Are Persistent.

Mrs. Roy Stipes has complained of burglars in the vicinity of her home, 614 West Church street, Champaign, for the last two nights, and the police have been requested to keep a lookout.

### Will Open Kindergartens.

The Neighborhood House association will open two kindergartens Monday, September 12, one for white children at 9 o'clock in the morning and one for colored children at 1:30 in the afternoon.

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### Will Observe Mission Sunday.

Mission Sunday will be observed tomorrow at the Lutheran church with pastors from Decatur, Danville and Peoria officiating at three services.

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### Receive August Salaries.

A loan was authorized at the last meeting of the Champaign city council and city employes are receiving their August salaries today.

### Saw Teeth.

"Are you fond of fish, Mr. Highball?" asked the landlady.

"Yes, madam," responded the comediai boarder, as he made a pair of dice by marking two cubes of sugar, "very fond of them."

"Then tell me what you consider to be the most toothsome fish?"

"The most toothsome fish? Er—I guess it must be the saw fish."

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### Paradoxical.

"You seem overheated, my lad," said the gentleman behind the scenes in the melodrama theater.

"Yes, boss," responded the youngster, as he mopped the perspiration from his brow, "I have de hottest part in de show."

"Indeed! And what is the part?"

"Why, I have to ge 'way up in de flies an' tear up paper for de snow-storm in de blizzard scene."

### What, Indeed.

"It was a kind Providence that gave us th' weather," mused the janitor philosopher over his brooms.

"You think so, John" spoke up the fat policeman.

"Oi do, Bedad, widout th' weather what would all the old-cross-grained fogies that loaf around cigar shops awn grocery stores hov to kick about?"

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### Consoling Thought.

"I'm glad my children are all boys," said the mother of seven young hopefuls.

"Because why?" queried the privileged friend.

"Because none of them is doomed to grow up and marry a man like their dad," she answered with a sigh.

### Happy Arrangement.

"It's a good thing that man wants but little here below," remarked the home-grown philosopher.

"Because why" queried the youth.

"Because that's all there is left after woman gets what she wants," answered the philosophy generator.

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**Try a want ad. in The Courier-Herald. It pays.**

# SHOWS PICTURES UNMOLESTED

NEARLY AS MANY WOMEN AS  
MEN SEE FIGHT.

Policemen Standing in Lobby Fright  
on the Timid Away From Walker  
Opera House and Small  
Crowd Attends.

Manager Sam Kahl of the Walker Opera house, Friday night gave the first exhibition of the much-talked-of Johnson-Jeffries fight pictures, and notwithstanding the fact that Mayor Tucker had proclaimed from the housetops that the films should not be shown, the show went merrily on and Manager Kahl was not molested.

The thing that surprised many people was the large number of women who attended the exhibition. Many men took their wives and daughters and many of the Twin City elite of both sexes were out.

season with the Attica team. The Indiana players met two defeats at the hands of the locals early in the season. The fourth game will be played Monday.

## Returns From Eastern Trip.

George M. Bennett, vice-president of the Kankakee & Urbana Interurban Co., and wife, returned Friday night from a two-weeks' trip to New York City and other points of interest in the East. They report a most enjoyable outing.

### Colored People Attend.

A large number of colored people attended the performance, but no demonstration of any kind, even at the knockout, was made. The crowd was orderly and did not even cheer. The films are clear and the fighters are distinctly defined in front of the great throng in the arena. Jeff and Johnson are shown to have been in a continual clinch. Few blows were struck up to the fifteenth, when the negro demonstrated his superiority over the white man. Jeff is shown to have been slow throughout the contest. He shows more speed and skill and more interest in his work during a work-out with his sparring partner, in a preliminary picture.

### Shows Train Arriving.

The film shows the arrival of Jeff's special train at Reno. The picture machine operator was in Jeff's auto on the way to headquarters and caught a picture of the demonstration along the route. Jeff is shown at work, in the reception line, shaking hands with the governor of Nevada, "making up" with Jim Corbett and John L. Sullivan, taking a run on the road with his trainers and in various other poses.

The scene is then shifted to the arena, one hour before the fight. Tex Rickard calls prominent fighters from the spectators and introduces them one by one from the ring. First comes John L. Sullivan, then Jim Corbett, Bob Fitzsimmons, Tom Sharkey, Abe Atell, Stanley Ketchell, Tommy Burns. Then several prominent fight promoters and Frank Gotch, champion wrestler, are called out. Finally the entire crowd of celebrities lines up at one side of the ring to be photographed by newspaper men.

### Fight Is On.

Then the fighters appear, and the battle is on. It is Johnson's from the start and interest lags for the first few rounds. The only exhibition of cruelty or brutality was in the last round, when Johnson tried to hit Jeff as the latter rose to his knees. The act appears cowardly and the angry words of the referee as he gives a colored man a violent shove toward his corner, can almost be heard. Jeff does not appear to be badly hurt, but completely exhausted.

### Police Frighten Many.

Many people, reading in the Champaign papers Friday evening that Mayor Tucker had turned his thumbs down on the fight films, feared to attend the exhibition for fear that it would be stopped and the spectators arrested. Two policemen stood in the lobby of the opera house, as is their custom, and their presence kept many of the timid away.

To those who saw the pictures this agitation has become highly ludicrous. Very few blows are struck during the fight and the knock-out is delivered with such lightning quickness that it cannot be seen. One sees more blood and more serious injury inflicted at a football game, for at no stage of the fight was Jeff off his feet more than fifteen seconds.

The pictures are being shown at a matinee performance today and will be exhibited again tonight.

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### Threatened to Kill.

Lawrence Petit of Ivesdale was brought to the county jail, being unable to give a bond of \$300 to secure his appearance before the September grand jury. The charge is that Petit threatened to kill John Kincannon of Ivesdale, and that he cut the latter with a knife.

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### Will Speak at Y. M. C. A.

Services will be held at the Big Four Y. M. C. A. building at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. R. F. McDaniel will deliver a sermon and Miss Ombra Herriott, member of the choir of the First Baptist church, will sing. Everyone is invited.

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### Will Play Attica.

The Commercial Club baseball team will go Sunday to Attica, Ind. to play their third game during the present

# FIRST SUMMER DAY AWAKENS LOVE GOD

**CUPID WORKS OVERTIME IN THE  
TWIN CITIES.**

**Miss Lena Tennant Won by Earl Mc-  
Farland—Clifford E. Van Koten  
Comes From Iowa for Urbana  
Girl.**

Urbana was today (Saturday) the Gretna Green for lovers matrimonially inclined, and Cupid's deputies at the court house worked overtime on the first real summer day, issuing licenses to young people, a majority of whom had come from a distance to wed.

#### **Van Koten-Holland.**

Clifford E. Van Koten, aged 20, and armed with a sworn statement by his mother that he had parental consent to wed Miss Ida May Holland of this city, came all the way from New Hampton, Ia. The ceremony will be performed at 8 o'clock this evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. Holland on South Walnut street, by Rev. R. V. Meigs. The rites will be witnessed only by immediate relatives. The young people will go to housekeeping at 410 North Race street.

#### **McFarland-Tennant.**

A wedding of more than passing note, because of the groom being a cousin of Packey McFarland, the famous lightweight, is that of Miss Lena Tennant to Mr. Earl McFarland. Both are residents of this city and are well-known and popular, the bride having been employed in the millinery department of the Flat Iron store for over three years. The ceremony will be performed at the home of the bride, 304 South Cottage Grove avenue at 8 o'clock this evening, by Rev. W. O. Hornbaker, and will be witnessed only by relatives. The groom is employed at the University.

#### **Centralla Couple Wedded.**

Samuel P. Adams and Mrs. Ella Woolbright, both of Centralla, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard of Thomasboro, came to Urbana this morning, and were married by Judge Roth at the court house. The groom is a carpenter.

#### **Colored People Joined.**

Essie D. Hawkins, colored, of Taylorville, secured a license to wed Frances Lee Smoot of Springfield. The nuptials were celebrated in Champaign this afternoon by the pastor of Bethel church.

# HEARD MARSHALL HUDSON

## Twin City Colored People Attended a Reception.

The reception given Friday evening by the Urbana and Champaign colored people to Marshall A. Hudson of Syracuse, N. Y., president of the world-wide Baraca union, was largely attended and proved a very entertaining event. It occurred in the Bethel M. E. church at Champaign.

Dr. Burrill, vice president of the university, was one of the speakers and Rev. A. T. Jackson made some remarks. Mr. Hudson spoke and refreshments were served.

Before the reception Mr. Hudson made a brief talk to the workers at the reading room.

PROMINENT NEGRO IS  
CLAIMED BY DEATH

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## JNO. MOSS CALLED AWAY

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**Was One of the Best Known Colored Men in Champaign County.**

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John Moss, one of the oldest and most respected colored residents of Champaign, died at his home, 204 East Church street Saturday night, after being afflicted with some form of rheumatism for some time. He was born April 10, 1842 and during the Civil war served in Company H, 55th Massachusetts infantry. At close of civil strife he came to Champaign where he has resided ever since, conducting a barber shop at 51 North Walnut street until within the past year or two. At intervals during this time he made his home at the National Soldiers' Home but he passed away at his home surrounded by members of his family, to all of whom he has given a good education and left in good circumstances. The deceased is survived by his wife and the following children. Myrtle, Aaron, Arthur, Inez, Frances, and Amos. Mr. and Mrs. Moss was a member of the Bethel M. E. church and his funeral will be conducted by Rev Jackson of that denomination, assisted by Rev. Cooper of Carbondale. The funeral which will be held tomorrow afternoon will be under the joint charge of the Western Star lodge, No. 18 A. F. and A. M. of which the deceased was a member and Col. Nodine Post, G. A. R., with interment at Mt. Hope.

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### **Deloss Johnson at Rest.**

Funeral services for Deloss Johnson were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from Bethel M. E. church (colored) in Champaign. The decedent's father, Henry Johnson, and sister, Mrs. Millia Arnold, both of Danville, attended the rites.

**Milton Brown Is Dead.**

Milton Brown, colored, formerly of Champaign, died in Wyandotte, Kan., Tuesday morning. Deceased is survived by a wife and one step-son, the latter of this city. Mrs. Brown left here after receiving the message, and today returned to Champaign with the body. The remains will lie in the Kruse undertaking establishment until 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, when they will be removed to Bethel M. E. church, where the funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Jackson. Burial in Mt. Hope cemetery.

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**Band Concert Tonight:**

The regular Saturday night band concert will be given this evening by the Commercial club band and merchants are preparing to receive a large crowd. The band will be stationed at the corner of Main and Race streets.

### Colored Church Bazaar.

A fair and bazaar will be held on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week at Bethel Methodist church corner of Fourth and Park streets.

The Twin City Musicians' Union will meet next Sunday. A proposition to raise the quarterly dues will probably start a few gentle zephyrs.

Champaign householders and draymen are in a quandry as to how to dispose of their garbage, the city having failed to renew its lease on the dumping area north of the city, and there being no other place where the draymen may dispose of the refuse.

# BARACA DOING MUCH TO ELEVATE RACE

## SOCIETY HARD AT WORK

**Planned to Do Even Greater Things  
and the Assistance of the Pub-  
lic is Desired.**

The Baraca Bible class of Bethel A. M. E. church is extending its work for colored men which it inaugurated last spring when it opened a public reading room. Just now the class is expanding the reading room into a "center," in which a reading room, social games, and light gymnastics will be features. The class has given up its room on East University avenue, and has rented the third floor of the Kuhn building, known as Washington hall, on Market street, just off Main. Into this building the reading room has been moved. The new quarters, with its five rooms, is well adapted to the work of this class. The rooms as soon as fitted, will be opened to the public by a formal opening.

It is the ambition of the class to make these rooms a religious, social and educational center. To this end devotional, literary, educational meetings, socials and lectures will be held, and this, together with the reading room, games, gymnastics and social intercourse, will be an effective means of attracting men and uplifting the race.

The class hopes to finance this en-

terprise in part by its own efforts, but will be forced to rely very largely upon donations and subscriptions from the public. In fitting up the new quarters, the class will be put to a very great expense. Chairs, tables, lace curtains, crokinole boards, a large stove, carpets, rugs, dumb bells, Indian clubs and an organ or piano are among the things which are needed. The directors of the class would greatly appreciate gifts of any of the above named articles, and will gladly respond to any call or inquiry with regard to the same. Readers of the Courier-Herald may communicate with the directors over Bell telephones 1459, 636-1, 272, in Champaign, or Bell phones 371-1, 731, Urbana. The directors are F. J. Jordan, E. H. Scott, Rev. A. T. Jackson, G. C. Lee, George Pope, Louis Johnson, P. J. Carey, A. R. Lee, Joseph McCurdy.

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# AGED COLORED WOMAN

## Margaret Lee Dies at Home in Champaign.

Margaret Ann Lee was buried in Mount Hope cemetery today, her funeral being conducted from Bethel A. M. E. church, Rev. Jackson officiating.

Margaret Lee was one of the best known colored women in Champaign. At the time of her demise she was 69 years old. She was a sufferer from Bright's disease and had been prostrated for two months. She leaves one son, Albert Lee.

# HOMER PARK IS POPULAR

## A Great Many Enjoy Camping There.

The African Methodist and the colored Baptist churches of Urbana, Champaign, Danville and Georgetown hold a joint picnic at Homer Park on Thursday. The interurban folks expect to accommodate between 500 and 700 persons. Excursion rates all along the line.

Ten ladies and their children—about thirty persons—went to Homer park to enjoy a quiet afternoon.

A party of twenty couples and four chaperons broke camp at Homer park on Tuesday after a ten days' outing. In the crowd were three ladies who were expert swimmers and they enjoyed the bathing immensely. The deepest place in the swimming section is ten feet. Go there to teach your children how to swim. There is a club house, and other modern camping facilities.

# EARL RUCKER TAKES BRIDE ON STAGE

GAME URBANA COLORED MAN  
FACES THE MUSIC.

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Enormous Crowd Turns Out to Witness Second Colored Wedding Held by Theatre Management—Miss Rubinia Holt the Bride.

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The Crescent theatre in Champaign was again packed to the doors Thursday night, when Earl Rucker, a well-known colored man of this city, was wedded to Miss Rubinia Holt of Mount Vernon, on the stage.

Rev. John R. Nicol, pastor of the colored Baptist church, performed the ceremony, the ring service being used.

The groom as attired in a natty black suit and wore white gloves, while the bride was arrayed in white. They made a fine appearing couple, but were evidently greatly rattled, and more than earned the money offered by the theatre management.

The groom is employed as janitor at the Big Four Y. M. C. A. building in this city.

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# Sons of Preacher Start to See World; Story of Refugees

Anxiety arm in arm with distress entered the formerly happy home of Rev. Mr. Edwards, colored pastor of the Second Baptist church, Champaign, residing at 1307 Hill street, when the two juvenile sons of the good minister, aged 6 and 10 respectively, disappeared from the uplifting environment of the sheltering parental roof and submitted to the call of a roaming disposition.

In both Urbana and Champaign the police were set to work searching for the missing youngsters, whose return would have been welcomed like that of the prodigal son, but night had almost gone before the youngest of the brothers returned to the fold without his older brother of whose whereabouts he seemed to be aware. According to Chief Mc-



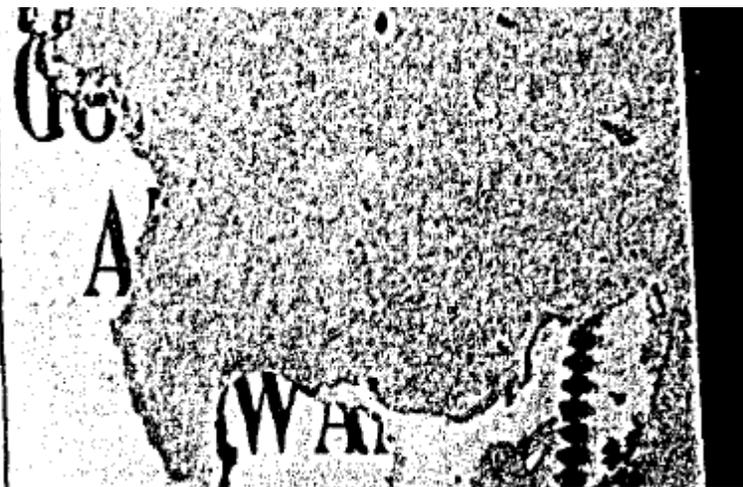


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Kinney, who is working on the case, the youngster doesn't seem inclined to talk. Today the older brother was still missing.

A feminine voice over the telephone to Chief McKinney Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock informed that officer of the presence of a party of strange negroes, believed to be Springfield refugees, on the commons just west of the Huff lumber and coal yards. "The scoundrels have two little colored boys with them and are forcing them to beg," explained the good woman, in indignant tones.

Surmising that the preacher's sons were being held by the rovers, Chief McKinney and Officer Jeffers were soon on the spot, determined to corral the entire party, but no negroes could be found in that neighborhood.



### **Colored Baptists Meet.**

A colored missionary convention is in progress at the Second Baptist church, Champaign, which is attracting many out of town visitors.

### **Washington's Plague Spots**

lie in the low, marshy bottoms of the Potomac, the breeding ground of malaria germs. These germs cause chills, fever and ague, biliousness, jaundice, lassitude, weakness and general debility and bring suffering or death to thousands yearly. But Electric Bitters never fail to destroy them and cure malaria troubles. "They are the best all-round tonic and cure for malaria I ever used," writes R. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. They cure Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Blood Troubles, and will prevent Typhoid. Try them, 50c. Guaranteed by Knowlton & Bennett.

### Interurban Car Derailed.

The 8 o'clock interurban car east tried to cover two tracks Thursday at Third and University avenue in Champaign, breaking several bolts and delaying traffic for a short time.

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### Colored Folks Have Carnival.

A bazaar and carnival is in progress at Salem Baptist church, Champaign, which is the "big doin's" among the colored population at present.

# NEWS OF ILLINOIS

## STATED IN BRIEF

TELEGRAPHIC CHRONICLE OF  
STATE HAPPENINGS.

### MAN MAY SWEAR AT WIFE

Judge Gemmill of Chicago Refuses to  
Issue Warrant for Profanity or  
Drinking, But Bars  
Beating.

Chicago, Aug. 12.—Can a wife cause the arrest of her husband if he uses profane language in addressing her?

Can she have him arrested if he threatens to desert her?

Can she have him arrested if he returns home after drinking?

Municipal Judge Gemmill says no and emphasized his position by refusing to issue a warrant to Mrs. Giuseppe Tolino, 25 years old in the Harrison street court. Mrs. Tolino told the court she believed her husband intended leaving her and she wished him arrested.

"No wife has a right to cause the arrest of her husband unless he beats her," said the court to the applicant in refusing to sign the warrant. "I won't issue any warrants in this court to a woman charging her husband with disorderly conduct unless he does his wife personal violence.

"The statutes read that a wife can-

phone wire as he was brushed from the top of a load of hay, Frank Buffman died as the result of injuries received by the breaking of the wire.

### Clinton Man Is Dead.

Clinton, Aug. 12.—William R. Dillavou, the oldest man in Dewitt county, died at his home here. He was ill but a short time.

### "Dad" Briggs Stuck at Mansfield.

"Dad" Briggs, until a short time ago one of the oldest engineers on the Big Four, for the first time in his life had to "double" for the hill at Mansfield this morning, and then couldn't get over. "Dad" runs an auto now, and when a cry of distress came over the phone from Mansfield this morning, a machinist from a local garage was dispatched post haste to the scene of the trouble.

not testify against her husband except in personal violence and desertion cases," said the judge later. "And I won't issue any warrants for husbands unless this is one of the grounds. If some husbands swear at their wives the latter want to have them arrested."

#### Asylum Trouble Is Growing.

Elgin, Aug. 12.—From all indications the trouble at the Elgin State hospital is to be more far reaching than was first anticipated. Some resigned employes say they are going to place their side of the case before the civil service board. The employes say partiality is not only shown by Miss Curry Breckenridge but by others higher in authority. They claim the superintendent is absent from the hospital on the average of ten days each month. Also that he told them when he first came there that if they ever had a grievance the latchstring to his office would always be found on the outside, but now it is difficult to find him. They claim further that the farm boss has never taken the civil examination and a member of the medical staff violated the rules by allowing a patient to have the keys to the wards, an offense for which attendants are fined. They also allege that Miss Breckenridge told attendants they could abuse a certain patient as much as they pleased if they left no trace of the treatment. Miss Breckenridge they charge is not a resident of Illinois and has not served three years in asylum work as required by the civil service code of supervisors. This is denied.

### Seek the Vivianos in Illinois.

Carbondale, Aug. 12.—While Pietro Viviano, father of Grace Viviano, who was kidnaped last week with her cousin, Tommasso Viviano, sped to Duncannon, Pa., expecting to find his kidnaped daughter there, the St. Louis police received a clew from Illinois. Justice E. H. Williams of Carbondale telegraphed that two children, resembling the Vivianos, were seen in company of a strolling band of Italian players at Carterville. H. Justice Williams and a deputy sheriff attempted to trace the party.

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### Cafes Bar Negroes.

Bloomington, Aug. 12.—Delegates to the annual convention of the Wood River Baptist association, colored, which opened here, were incensed over the refusal of restaurant keepers to allow a company of women delegates from Chicago to be served in their places, because of their color.

### Cantrall Has Fire.

Cantrall, Aug. 12.—Lack of fire-fighting apparatus at the mine of the Cantrall Co-Operative Coal Company and a lack of similar apparatus by the village caused a \$2,000 loss when the air shaft of the mine was totally destroyed.

### Child Given Guardian.

Petersburg, Aug. 12.—In the county court Dortha May Mathews was adjudged a dependent and neglected child and was placed under the guardianship of Mrs. Maud Lawley. The child's mother is Mrs. Alice Mathews.

### New Church Planned.

Palmyra, Aug. 12.—It is quite probable that before many months Palmyra will have a new Methodist church costing, complete with furnishings, about \$15,000.

### BITS OF ILLINOIS NEWS.

Centralia.—A motor car may be placed in service by the Burlington railroad for travel between this city.

Roseville.—Catching hold of a tele-

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**Funeral of Mrs. Coleman.**

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Lydia Coleman, colored, were held at 2 o'clock from the colored Baptist church, Rev. Nichols in charge.

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**Card of Thanks.**

We desire to express our sincere thanks to our many friends and neighbors for their many kind deeds during the sickness and death of our husband and father.—Mrs. Eva Carson and family.

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## **FUNERAL OF ROBERT RIVERS.**

**Last Rites for Colored Man Killed in Shooting Affray.**

The funeral of the late Robert Rivers, the Champaign colored man killed on Friday by Henry Ballard, was held Sunday from the Salem Baptist church.

The coroner's jury after the inquest Saturday afternoon recommended that Ballard be held without bond to await the action of the grand jury.

## AMUSEMENTS

### Blot on the Scutcheon.

Theatre goers who are inclined to look with suspicion on any play which the university faculty are willing to endorse, need to be reminded that "A Blot on the 'Scutcheon,'" which Donald Robertson brings to the Illinois next Monday night, is not a mere piece of poetry, but a living, throbbing play, of keen human interest, and intense dramatic appeal. It does not take a dictionary or a book of explanatory notes to make it clear to any intelligent theatre-goer. With Mr. Robertson himself playing the part of Tresham, and William Owen in the role of Girard, and with such interpretative actresses as Miss John, the appeal to the emotions is bound to be grippingly effective. To one who has little opportunity to enjoy such dramatic treats, this performance should open a new and fascinating field.

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they laughed and a few times clapped their hands. Mr. Baum told a new story, which had to do mostly with John Dough and the cherub. Seats now on sale.

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### Robertson on Monday.

Donald Robertson and his celebrated company of players comes to the Illinois on Monday night in "A Blot in the Scutcheon," Robert Brownings noted tragedy. Mr. Robertson and his company have been endorsed by the Department of English of the University of Illinois, and deserves to draw a crowded house.

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### Vaudeville at the Walker.

Just for good measure, there will be added features on the real vaudeville bill at the Walker tonight—"amateur" night. Ora Putnam, Champaign's historian, actor and playwright, will interpret one of his own compositions and Kyle and Harlan, an Urbana team, will present "Lonesome Town." Tomorrow night will be "football" night at that playhouse—the Illinois and Iowa teams being special guests of the management. Rooters are buying tickets already.

Standing room was the order at the Crescent Thursday night when in addition to the light opera turn Miss Robenia Holt and Ernest Rubens (colored) were married on the stage by the colored Baptist minister of Champaign. Others were attracted by the announcement that Mrs. Matt Kusell, wife of the manager would sing the "Yum Yum" parts in the familiar opera. Next week the bill will be "Fra Diavolo" the first three nights and "Tiebizonde" the last three.

### Novels Go With Tickets.

The Illinois has introduced an innovation for the performance of Jane Eyre, having arranged to give a copy of the novel to the first hundred purchasers of seats at the advance sale, Saturday morning at Oldham Brothers.

On November 10 Jane Eyre plays the Illinois. This is a dramatization of Charlotte Bronte's novel and a real good company is promised at popular prices. "The Wolf," by Eugene Walter, author of "Paid in Full," comes to the Illinois in about three weeks.

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### At the Illinois Saturday.

The Minneapolis Journal had the following to say of the attraction which plays the Illinois on Saturday matinee at 3 o'clock and night at 8:30 a. m.: "There is a book that is liked by many children because it tells the story of Dorothy Gale and her adventures in the land of Oz. Last night, the man who wrote the story, Mr. Baum, told it in the Auditorium to many people. There were many more older people than children, but the older ones must have liked what the man who wrote the book said, for

# NOMINEE AT MADISON

(Continued from page 1.)

Madison before an audience consisting of farmers from all sections of the state attending the National Farmers' convention.

## Talks in Many Places

The tariff speech of the candidate at night in Milwaukee, delivered under peculiarly opportune campaign conditions, was the climax of the day. Mr. Taft stated that he believed he would be elected president. He reviewed the promises of his party for tariff revision, and then showed that in doing this work the party would adhere to its promises.

Mr. Taft spoke at Beloit, Janesville, Evansville, Madison, Waukesha, at the Allis-Chalmers machine works, at Racine and at Milwaukee. There was enthusiasm, local preparation, cordiality and manifestations of friendliness.

## Sherman in New Jersey.

Camden, N. J., Sept. 25.—The Republican candidate for vice-president of the United States, James S. Sherman, spent part of Thursday meeting voters of New Jersey in this city and at the Mount Holly fair. He was cordially received wherever he made his appearance. Mr. Sherman came to Camden from New York by way of Philadelphia and arrived here shortly before noon. He was immediately escorted to the Camden theater where the Republican congressional convention for the First New Jersey district was in session. The convention had just renominated Henry C. Loudenslager, a warm personal friend of Mr. Sherman. The vice-presidential candidate made a brief speech in which he lauded Congressman Loudenslager and said that President Roosevelt was one of the greatest presidents the country

has ever had. His policies are the policies of the Republican party, he said, and Mr. Taft was the best man to carry them out. Mr. Sherman closed by predicting a great victory in New York for Gov. Hughes and the national ticket.

#### Gen. Corbin to Speak in Ohio.

Washington, Sept. 25.—Maj. Gen. Henry C. Corbin, retired, who conferred with the president Thursday, announced that he would make a number of speeches for Mr. Taft in Ohio, his home state. His tour will begin October 10 and continue until election day. Gen. Corbin is a member of the Sherman Statue commission and he invited the president to attend the unveiling of the statue in Sheridan Circle, in this city, on November 25 and make an address. The president accepted the invitation.

### THREE CHURCHES; ONE SITE.

#### Third Edifice Is Now Being Built on One Lot.

The Second Baptist church at the corner of Fifth and East Green streets, Champaign, which is being erected, is making rapid headway, being nearly completed to the first floor. About twenty years ago the original colored Baptist church occupied this same plat, later it was moved to East Clark street, where the church property was sold at auction about two weeks ago; and now the third building venture is on the site of the first.

### FOR SHERMAN DAY.

#### Sons of Ohio Meet and Arrange for Big Noise.

The Sons of Ohio met in the repub-

lican headquarters Thursday evening at which time H. J. Townley, S. K. Hughes and A. D. Ricketts were appointed as a finance committee to collect funds for the big blowout next Wednesday. About \$300 will be required for this purpose. Major G. W. Kennard will have charge of the cavalry detachment.

The parade will form at the university, where it is expected that 1500 members of the Young Men's Republican club will be in line, and where they will be joined by the Urbana contingent. The parade will proceed at about 12:30 to the West Side park, where the afternoon speaking will be held.

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## PROMINENT COLORED CITIZEN IS DEAD

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Well Known Colored Man Passed  
Away at Home in Champaign—Aged  
Forty-One Years.

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Galvin Jennings, a respected colored resident of Champaign residing at 91 North Walnut street, died at 10:50 o'clock this (Monday) morning at the age of 41 years.

The deceased had been a resident of the sister city for the past fifteen years, and owned considerable property. For some time he had been a sufferer from Bright's disease, which eventually resulted in his death.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the Second Baptist church, under the auspices of the Lone Star lodge of Masons.

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 pal church, and Rev. Edwards, Sec  
 Baptist church, wish the Courier-  
 ald to state that they nor their  
 at Calzations have nothing to do  
 ne of the colored picnic advertised to  
 one, Wednesday at Homer park.

# WAS BORN IN TENNESSEE

## Old Colored Woman is Dead in Champaign.

Mrs. Joseph Lee, an old colored resident of Champaign, died Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, after a long illness due to cancer of the stomach.

She was born in Woodford county, Tenn., about 60 years ago and came to Champaign at the close of the civil war. A husband and three grown children survive.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Second Baptist church, of which she was a member and teacher in the Sunday school. Rev. Helm of Paris will conduct the services. Burial will be at Mt. Hope cemetery.



## CHAMPAIGN

Ge. carnival given by the colored  
 rythians at Imperial hall has come  
 to a close. They had a big time.

There is still a chance to save Fire-  
 man Fritz Ely's eye. The Cham-  
 paign boy is still in the hospital at  
 Chicago.

Work has been begun on the new  
 building to be erected by Joseph Kuhn  
 & Sons on the north side of Main  
 street, where the old Meis dry goods  
 store once stood.

A horse belonging to Tip Jordon of  
 Savoy ran away in Champaign, total-  
 ly demolishing a spring wagon and  
 a neck yoke was thrust deep into the  
 neck of one of the horses.

Blanch Ross, an elderly colored  
 woman, died at her home on East  
 White street Friday. Heart failure  
 was the cause of death. The funeral  
 will be held at the Second Baptist  
 church Sunday afternoon.

The principal of the Willard school  
 telephoned for the police fearing  
 that one of her pupils, a little girl  
 named Eldridge, was being kidnap-  
 ped. It was found, however, that the

girl's stepfather and mother had  
 simply come from Chicago and called  
 at the school to see the child.

Residents of East Springfield ave-  
 nue were afraid of an unknown who  
 was prowling around the neighbor-  
 hood, but by the time a copper ha

answered a telephone call, the intruder had vanished.

The employes of the suit department of the Willis department store gave a six o'clock dinner Thursday in honor of the manager, H. A. Johnson and family. It was held at the home of Miss Ada Feltham on East Healey street.

The work on the new Trinity church, Urbana, will be resumed soon. Contract for the art glass has been let by Rev. Tobie to the Jacoby Art Glass Co., of St. Louis and the contract for the heating plant to Kemp Brothers of Paxton. The contract for the interior woodwork will be given out soon.

W. S. Brown is back from a short business trip to Chicago.

A private bowling party will be held Monday night in the Welch alleys.

The Varsity club will dance this evening at Illinois hall. Turner will furnish the music.

Mrs. Hannah Gallagher and son of Danville are guests of Mrs. Robert Riley, 105 West Healey street.

Melvin Barclay, special agent for the Atlas Insurance company, transacted business in this city today.

Mrs. L. D. Leisure is back from Tuscola where she had been called by the serious illness of her mother.

Enough frontage has been secured to insure the paving of West Clark street during the present summer.

The board of education will hold their regular monthly meeting in the high school building next Tuesday night.

J. W. Spaulding, former postmaster in Champaign, has been a guest of his son, Arthur W., in this city for

several days.

Theodore Webbel was fined \$7.50 for attempting to beat his way on a train. When arrested \$13 was found on his person.

Frank M. Parsons, who was recently dishonorably discharged from Company M for failure to report at practice, has been reinstated.

Guy Stewart, who is learning the undertaking business with J. V. Swearingen, has gone to his home in Tolono to spend Sunday with his parents.

Fred Putscher and son of Bondville

W. H. Jaques of Tolono, Ada Armstrong of Armstrong, and P. O. Brewer of Philo transacted business in this city yesterday.

G. M. Hall, an American express agent, with a run between Cairo and New Orleans, has returned to his home in Cairo after a short visit with friends in this city.

Mrs. C. W. Pflestrof, Bondville; A. Hardesty, Homer; Mrs. Pearl Hazen, S. M. Gleason, Mahomet; and John Batch, of Tolono were business visitors in this city yesterday.

John V. Swearingen, the undertaker, has been called to St. Joseph to have charge of the funeral of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Castle, who died yesterday.

Ed Sloan of Mahomet, who had consigned several head of horses to the sale yesterday has returned to his home. The sale was a success. The prices ranged from \$65 to \$200 per head.

William Stryan, floorwalker, is in Ivesdale where he has been called by the death of his mother. The employ-

the death of his brother. The employ-  
ees of this store united in sending  
a beautiful floral heart, as a token of  
their sympathy.

The case of "Jack" Harris vs. Paul  
Kruse in Magistrate Rogerson's court  
growing out of an attempt to replev-  
in a piano in the latter's possession,  
has been dismissed. Several contin-  
uances had been taken and at the last  
call, the plaintiff failed to put in his  
appearance.

The clock factory's ads will appear  
in the April issue of a number of the  
most prominent magazines. The com-  
pany at the present time is not pre-  
pared to fill orders, but expects to be  
able to do so on May 1. The next  
month will be devoted largely to the  
distribution of advertising matter and  
answering inquiries. ○

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### **Anthony Johnson Is Buried.**

The funeral services of the late Anthony Johnson, colored, of North Hickory street, Champaign, will be held at the Salem Baptist church of Champaign at 2 o'clock Wednesday. The remains will be laid to rest in Mt. Hope cemetery.

# WANTS \$1,000 DAMAGES

## Henry Lutterer Seeks Large Amount From H. Schlorff.

Henry Lutterer has instituted trespass proceedings in the circuit court against Harmon Schlorff, from whom he seeks to collect \$1,000.

Only the preacipe in the case was filed with the circuit clerk today.

## A Novel Flower Farm.

In the garden of Dr. E. Blackshaw can be seen the English garden daisy, which is the origin of the well known expression, "Oh, isn't she a Daisy."

They are small, delicate flowers, somewhat resembling the field daisy, although much smaller, and the color is a mixture of red and white, while some are wholly red. Mr. Blackshaw sowed the seed this spring among other flowers distinctly English.

## Sunday School Picnic.

The colored people of the combined Sunday schools of the Baptist and Methodist churches of several surrounding cities went to Homer today where they held a joint picnic. The interurban company furnished rates from the twin cities and a large number went from Urbana and Champaign.

# SLEEP IN THE COURT WAY

## Police Were Called But Black Man Had

A negro filled up on gin, or some other favorite beverage and selected the court way in the rear of the Columbian hotel as a place to sleep off his jag. This did not suit the management by any means and a call was sent in for the police. The negro seemed to have just enough sense left to realize that the blue coats were after him and he managed to get to his feet and stagger away before the arrival of Chief McKinney, who responded to the call.

## Will They Strike it.

Drilling for oil will begin in the near future on the A. H. Fletcher farm near Pesotum. People believed to be representatives of the Standard Oil company have leased the lands. Boring for oil will soon begin south of Urbana, several pieces of land having been leased by capitalists from the east.

The subject of the sermon at the union service in the First Christian church Sunday evening will be, "The Sound of Abundance of Rain."

# WHITE MAN BADLY BEATEN

**Policeman Was No Where in  
Sight at the Time.**

The sight of a negro beating up a white man could be seen on Main street, Champaign, between 9 and 10 o'clock Sunday evening. The negro claimed the white man had insulted his sister and for this he struck him several hard blows in the face. The white man showed no fight whatever, despite the fact that numerous bystanders advised him to protect himself and give the black man a run for his money. The two men were about of a size, but there was plenty of "rabbit" in the white one. His face was badly beaten up.

During the spectacle, although a large crowd gathered, no policeman came in sight, and no one made an attempt to disappear.

# A SURPRISE FAREWELL

## Supper Prepared While Mrs. Detamore Was Absent.

Friday night, while Mrs. E. M. Detamore, 1103 East Main street, had gone out the neighbors slipped in and set the trap for a nice surprise on that lady.

A bountiful supper, which included all the season's delicacies, was laid upon the table and when Mrs. Detamore came in she threw up her hands and ejaculated, "Well, I declare," so surprised was she to find her domicile full of friends. A number of nice presents were given her.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Q. Detamore and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, Mrs. Byrd, Mrs. Ida Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Daugherty, Mrs. Clara McWethy, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Detamore, Miss Jewell Spilman, Henry Wilson, Lucious Byrd.

Mrs. Detamore leaves next week

for Indiana and the supper was given as a farewell party.

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### **Boy Makes Charge.**

The thirteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brehm of Champaign, complains that a big burly negro pulled him into an alley and mistreated him. The boy believes he can identify his assailant and the police are making a search for him.

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A number of Urbana ladies are attending the reception given by Mrs. George T. Tilton at Danville. Among the party are Mesdames J. W. Shuck, Mrs. O. K. Doney, Mrs. W. W. Lindley, Mrs. H. I. Green and others.

# THROW BIG SCARE INTO ENGINEER

Peoria & Eastern Officials Flag Passenger Train Near Mayview After Long Tramp on Inspection Trip.

Engineer William Auton, pulling the westbound local passenger train due here at 9:15 p. m., received the scare of his life, when, upon approaching Mount Olive cemetery, a mile east of Mayview, Tuesday night, he was flagged by a red lantern waved by one of a crowd of dark figures huddled at the side of the track. Visions of a train robbery or perhaps a wreck flashed through the engineer's mind, but he shut off and applied the air with such vigor that passengers were bounced out of their seats.

The men who flagged the train were Master Mechanic J. A. Gibson, General Foreman A. F. Bradford, Trainmaster R. H. Allison, Machine Foreman Edward Buckbee, Gang Machine Foreman Charles Fleck and several others, who had started to inspect the signals in the east yards, and had become so absorbed in their work that they walked nearly to Mayview. Some time ago an engineer who had a wreck claimed that he could not see the target lights. These signals are supposed to be visible for a distance of two miles and the officials, by their inspection, disproved the engineman's claim. Their unanimous opinion is that either his eyesight or his veracity is defective.

### **Prisoners Receive Present.**

Al. Boyd, ex-turnkey at the county jail, today presented the prisoners with a four-pound sack of smoking tobacco and told them to smoke up during the Christmas holidays. "We'se broke now, Mistah Boyd, but we all suah will remembah you when we gits out," sang out a cheerful darkey in the negro ward when his share was pushed through the bars. Mr. Boyd will leave within a few days for Tennessee, where he is interested in a granite quarry, but he states that he does not intend to remain away from Urbana.

### **Aldermen Attend Funeral.**

The aldermen met at the Champaign city building at 1:30 p. m. and attended in a body the funeral of Mrs. Catherine Dryer, mother of Alderman Dryer.

# HOPES TO RETAIN GUARDIANSHIP

**Mrs. Frisinger Says She Will Find Homes for Children at Own Expense.**

On Tuesday Mrs. Agnes Frisinger, the retiring probation officer, received word from a Miss Wilson, a milliner at Paxton, that she is no longer able to care for Mildred Funk, a dependent child who was placed in Miss Wilson's care by the probation court some months ago, and that the child would be returned to Mrs. Frisinger on the evening Illinois Central train. Mrs. Frisinger at once telephoned to Mrs. Cargill at Rantoul, and the child was given a home there at once, being sent to Rantoul on the evening train. The Funk child is the daughter of the Champaign woman who gained such notoriety over the shooting of a negro at her residence. George Funk, the eighteen-year-old son of Mrs. Funk, who was also given a home at the time, recently fell from a train at or near Greeley, Mo., and one leg was so badly crushed that amputation below the knee was necessary.

Mrs. Frisinger, having been appointed guardian by Judge Roth, during her incumbency, for a number of the charges who passed through her hands, announces that she hopes to retain the guardianship, and that if the charges are returned to her, as many of them are, she will try to find homes for them at her own expense.

# MAYOR TUCKER RAIDS JOINTS

GAMBLERS ESCAPE WHILE EXECUTIVE GOES FOR POLICE.

Crap Game in Basement of Barber Shop Tipped Off—Three Offenders Are Arrested and Fined—Another Place Searched.

Acting on a tip that a crap game was in progress in William Wilkerson's basement barber shop on Main street, near Walnut in Champaign, Mayor S. C. Tucker raided the place Saturday night, and found twenty men mostly negroes, busy with the bones.

"Stand where you are," he commanded. "Don't let a man of you move out of their tracks," and the mayor hurried off to find an officer. No sooner was he out of sight than there was a general scurrying of the gamblers. Some went through the rear door, others crept through a coal hole in front and others went out of a front window and came up through the grating on the sidewalk.

#### Three Are Captured.

When the mayor returned with Officers Riley and Mathews, Wilkerson and two players, John Bigelow and John Doyle, were the only ones in sight. They were arrested and this morning were fined \$25 and costs each.

Spurred by the lust of the chase the mayor and his policemen continued down the street and raided the pool room kept by "Dago" Robbins in a search for gambling paraphernalia and liquor, but were unable to find either.

cial topic and thus excite the interest of those of his congregation who had paid no attention to the result of the fight, the W. C. T. U. merely paid their respects to the subject in the same "keeping everlastingly at it" manner they always treat subjects of that kind, and the exhibition was given at a loss. Now there has been so much agitation that many will want to see the pictures in order to learn what all the row is about. Really it all looks a bit like some sly advertising dodge put up by the promoters of the pictures, all over the country, after they found they had been mulcted into buying privileges for showing a contest between a big, burly black man and a man who had once been a model of strength, but who is now and was at the time of the contest a broken-down physical wreck—caused by all kinds of intemperance.





After all, why this unusual opposition to the exhibition of the moving pictures of the Johnson-Jeffries fight? In some cities it is said that the objection is based on race prejudice. In Urbana and Champaign that would be a lame excuse, and only the W. C. T. U. have a leg to stand on, because they oppose everything of that nature. It will be remembered that this same black champion won the championship by defeating a white man named Tommy Burns, not so many months ago, in Australia, and the fight pictures were exhibited here with only indifferent interest. The same was true of another—in fact, two other championship fights between a white man named Nelson—Battling Nelson and a negro named Joe Gans. There was no excitement over them—no minister was sufficiently interested to make it a spe-

## NEGRO IS BOUND OVER.

### William Robinson Charged With Stealing Wheel, Sent to Jail.

William Robinson, Champaign colored man charged with having stolen a wheel belonging to Dr. Speers, is a prisoner in the county jail, having on Tuesday afternoon been bound over to the grand jury in sum of \$200 by Police Magistrate Rogerson. The defendant waived examination.

## PRISONER MAY LOSE HIS FEET

Jesse Alexander, Charged With Criminal Assault, Is In Serious Plight—Extremities Frozen.

Jesse Alexander, Champaign negro confined in the county jail on a charge of rape, is suffering from cold feet and stands a chance to lose at least a portion of his pedal extremities.

Alexander, after committing the alleged assault upon his niece, who is nearly white, evaded the officers for a year, and in so doing froze both his feet. Today, after suffering intensely since his imprisonment, he called Jailer Boyd and exhibited a pair of feet, the toes of which were almost completely rotted away. The man is in a most pitiable condition and amputation may be necessary.

# MATHENY CASE DRAWS TO CLOSE

VERDICT HANGS ON QUESTION  
OF WILFUL MOTIVE.

Defense Admits That Champaign Al-  
derman Looked at Negro's Ballot,  
But Denies That Instructions  
Were Given.

It is probable that the case of Al-  
derman Frank B. Matheny of Cham-  
paign, charged with wilfully ascer-  
taining how a voter had voted on lo-  
cal option election day, will go to the  
jury in county court before night.

Today the defense admitted that  
Matheny had inspected the ballot  
about to be cast by a negro, but at-  
torneys endeavored to show that the  
act was prompted only by idle curios-  
ity. Harry Stewart of Champaign,  
one of the election judges, testified to  
having seen Matheny look at the  
man's ballot, but could not swear that  
the councilman had given instructions  
as to its markings or had assisted the  
negro in any way.

The court room was packed during  
the entire day, a large crowd having  
been attracted by the wrangling of at-  
torneys, which followed various points  
of law at variance with their ideas.  
Judge Kerr of Ford county is on the  
bench.