

BATTLE WITH FANATICS COSTS LIVES OF TWO

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proper persons to have the custody of young children.

"Adam God" Beats Officer.

The officer persevered in his inquiries, when "Adam God," whose long flowing white beard and hair gave him the appearance of a patriarch, threatened the officer with physical violence. Officer Holt was not armed, but stood his ground and "Adam God" struck him a heavy blow behind the ear, making an ugly wound.

Holt then started for the police station for assistance and as he moved away the preacher tried to shoot him, but Sharp was so excited that he dropped his revolver as he attempted to draw it and when he picked it up and snapped it at the officer the cartridge failed to explode.

Officer Holt rushed into the police station and announced that a band of religious fanatics, armed to the teeth, were at the threshold of the police station and he warned the officers to prepare for trouble. The police sergeant in charge ordered Patrolmen Charles Dalbow and Harry E. Stege to arrest Sharp and his followers.

Fanatics Fire Upon Police.

The officers were not expecting serious trouble from such an insignificant band of street preachers and were not prepared for the volley of bullets which met them almost immediately after they appeared on the scene.

Dalbow was killed instantly and a bullet passed through Stege's arm. Other officers, hearing the firing, rushed into the street, and a general battle ensued. The officers as they stepped from the building offered themselves as targets to their opponents in the fight, but were unable to shoot without endangering the lives of innocent persons.

Lieut. Clark, who had come into the street unarmed, was shot in the eye and Patrolman Miland was shot in the back as he hurried into the police station for reinforcements.

In the meantime a riot call had been sounded and policemen were appearing from all directions. Thoroughly aroused, the officers closed in on Sharp and his followers, firing as they went, but taking great care not to injure any of the children, and when the firing ceased "Adam God" lay fatally wounded, shot through the head and body.

The woman and the children had fled to a house boat where they lived in the Missouri river. Hastily calling all the available reserves into action, the police, fifty in number, followed.

Officers Rush Armed Woman.

When the police arrived the woman had barricaded herself in the house boat, where she defied the officers. Standing on the porch of the boat with a shot gun which she had procured from inside, she shouted to the officers: "Come on, you fiends." The boat was but a few feet from the banks of the river and several of the

more courageous officers, taking the woman's challenge, dashed toward it. Taken aback, the woman dropped her weapon and, seizing two of the children, she ran to the back of the boat, cut loose a row-boat and began to row into the middle of the Missouri river. The officers called to her to stop, but she only plied the oars more vigorously.

Without another warning the police fired a volley at the boat. One of the shots struck Lola Pratt, aged 13 years, tearing away the greater part of the child's face. The woman then surrendered. At the police station later she said her name was Mrs. Pratt and that she was the wife of the companion of "Adam God" and the mother of the five children. The wounded child died in the hospital later.

W. DAVENPORT DIES

Well Known Farmer Succumbs
At His Home South of
The City.

WAS EIGHTY-THREE YEARS

Warner Davenport, one of the best known residents and farmers of Wayne county, died at the home of his daughter Mrs. George F. Paulson, two miles south of the city on the Straight Line pike at the age of 83 years. He is survived by two daughters and five sons.

The funeral will take place Friday morning at 10 o'clock from the home on the Straight Line pike. The Rev. Allen Jay will officiate. The interment will be in Earlham cemetery.

G. A. R. GETS NEW ROOM

Commissioners Give Veterans
Place at Court House.

Judge H. C. Fox, Lafayette Larsh, J. F. Davenport and John Markley appeared as a committee of the Sol Mededit Post, G. A. R., before the county commissioners this morning. The committee was seeking to urge the commissioners to provide accommodations for the Post in the court house. Owing to a difficulty about the room that should be occupied the matter had been delayed for some time. The commissioners finally decided to allow the Post the use of the room that for years has been occupied by the horticultural society. Accommodations for the horticultural society will be found on one of the upper floors.

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KING, SECRETARY OF BOARD OF HEALTH

Chosen by County Commissi-
ers Today.

Dr. J. E. King was reappointed secretary of the Wayne county board of health by the county commissioners this morning. Dr. King has held the position since the death of Dr. George Grant. The position pays \$400 a year. In appreciation of his appointment, Dr. King passed apples among the commissioners and a few of the county officers.

CHILDREN CONFINED IN WOMAN'S HOME

County Must Pay for Their
Support.

"I wish we could get rid of some of those children down there." The remark was made by John F. Dynes, president of the board of county commissioners, today. He referred to the children at the Home for the Friendless, the support of whom is being paid for by the county. There is one woman with two children living at the home and the county pays for the support of the family. There are four women at the home who have been there for many months and appearances indicate the county stands no chance to cease to support them.

BANK ROBBERS SECURE \$6,000

Kansas Citizens Pursuing
Safe Blowers.

Maize, Kan., Dec. 9.—The state bank's vault was dynamited early this morning, the robbers escaping with \$6,000. A citizens' posse is now in pursuit.

OPHELIA: Gold Medal Flour is nourishing.

KEZIAH.

ANNUAL BALL OF POLICE TONIGHT

Coliseum Has Been Beautiful-
ly Decorated for the
Occasion.

DEPARTMENT TO ATTEND

GRAND MARCH WILL BE LED BY
MEMBERS IN FULL UNIFORM—
TRACTION COMPANIES EXTEND
FAVORS.

The coliseum was the scene of unusual activity today. Why—because the annual ball of the local police department will be given there this evening. Flags and bunting were suspended about the structure and the interior given a military appearance for the occasion. At exactly 9 o'clock Runge's orchestra will begin playing the music for the grand march. This will be led by the members of the department in full uniform.

The committee that has had the preparations for the event in charge, expects the largest crowd that ever has attended. It will be the sixth annual event and the usual number of tickets has been sold. Word has been received from West Alexandria, Ohio, to the effect a delegation of the Twentieth Century Dancing club of that place will attend. Both traction companies have shown the department special favors. The D. & W. will hold its last car for Eaton, West Alexandria and New Paris until 12 o'clock. The T. H. L. & E. will run a car west at 1 o'clock to accommodate the visitors from all points east of Cambridge City.

The program provides for sixteen dances, two of which will be barn dance. It is expected that some of the heavy shod policemen will appear to their best advantage in these dances. There will be six ladies' choices. The intermission will be from 11 to 11:30 o'clock. The committee on arrangements is composed of Jesse A. Bailey, Daniel F. McManus, Edward McNally and Scott Winter. The floor managers will be Edward McNally, Scott Winter, William Lawler, Daniel McManus, George Little and Henry Vogelsong.

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JUSTICE OF PEACE SELECTED TODAY

Bowermaster to Serve in
Jackson Township.

Martin Bowermaster was named justice of the peace in Jackson township by the county commissioners today. Mr. Bowermaster and Attorney Daniel Mason appeared before the board. The other applicant for the office was Joseph Dailey, who did not appear. In his statement to the board Mason said the people of Jackson township had had "pieces of justice before and now they want a justice of peace." Bowermaster will take office as soon as he qualifies.

BUT SEVENTEEN BUT WILL MARRY

License Granted After Assur-
ances Are Given.

Alma Anna Marshall aged seventeen has been licensed to marry. It was represented to the county clerk her marriage to Valentine Frank May would be to the interests of all concerned and the license was granted upon the consent of the bride's father. The groom is twenty-two years old. A communication to the clerk stated the bride had resided in the family of her prospective father-in-law as a domestic for some time.

NO EVIDENCE FOUND.

Authorities Baulked in the Mysterious
Case.

Coroner Bramcamp has been unable to secure any evidence in regard to the fetus that was found on South G street. The case may be one of mystery, but all clues have been concealed so carefully the authorities have practically nothing upon which to begin their search.

Shortstop Morris may not lead the Cardinals after all. President Robinson says that he never announced such a fact, and will not make known the next Mound city leader until after the National league meeting.

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—GIFTS—

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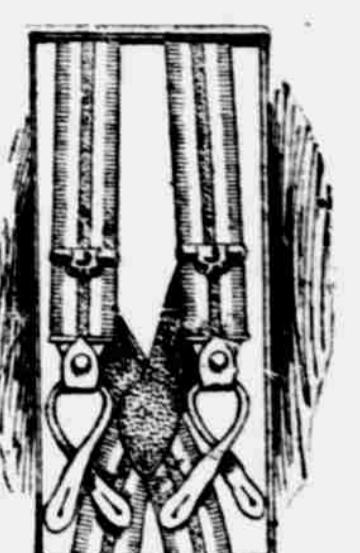
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Affairs of the Sporting World

There is talk of a big trade in ball players a brewing. Pitcher Burns, and Outfielder Clymer of Washington, are slated for the New York Americans in exchange for Shortstop Elberfeld and Infielder Mortality. It is said that if this trade is pulled off New York will in turn trade Burns, together with First Baseman Chase, to Detroit for Pitcher Mullin, Shortstop O'Leary and First Baseman Roosman.

A trade involving Outfielder Stone and Pitcher Peltz of the St. Louis Americans is hinted at.

Sporting Item of Society Interest.—Sergeant Scott Winters is entered in the free for all barn dance at the Coliseum this evening. He has made fast time in trial heats.

President Hermann of Cincinnati, will probably close a contract today with Clark Griffith to manage the Reds next season. Clark has given up hopes of securing the Kansas City club at Tebeau asks \$125,000 for it.

The St. Louis Nationals want Roger Bresnahan to manage the club next season, but New York can't figure how they can dispense with the services of the clever catcher.

Bill Armour will have to move the right-field fence back out in Toledo next season, now that he has signed up Charley Hickman and "Socks" Seybold.

Addie Joss is out with strong advice on his sporting pages to the Red Sox not to split the Cy Young-Lou Criger battery. "They are one of the greatest combinations that ever played," says Joss.

Says an exchange: "John Ganzel, John McCloskey, Patsy Donovan, Clark Griffith and Joe Kelley are a unit of the management of a second division team to what Gen. Sherman said about war."

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POLO TEAMS RECEIVE CHALLENGES

New Castle Would Meet Rich-
mond Aggregations.

Local polo teams have received challenges from the New Castle team asking for games in that city. The polo season in this city has not opened but the shin guards and flops have been pulled from the attic and soon the crack of the club on the floor will be heard again. This city has boasted of the best amateur teams in the state and the number of young players has increased. The city is well represented in the various polo leagues in Ohio, Pennsylvania and the far east.

JUDITH: Millions use Gold Medal Flour.

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