

DESIRED TO DIE: TAKES CARBOLIC

However, the Plans of Gus Roberts, Colored, Were Miscarried.

HE HAD CHANGE OF HEART

AND SENT HIS FRIENDS, TO WHOM HE HAD BADE FAREWELL, POST HASTE IN SEARCH OF SOME PHYSICIAN.

Bidding his friends goodbye and declaring that he was going to end his misery, Gus Roberts, colored, aged about 30 years, went into the office of the Gaar and Shurley livery barn on North Eighth street yesterday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock, drank a quantity of carbolic acid and lay down to die. However, his plans miscarried for the man's desire to live apparently increased with each passing moment. He told his friends, to whom he had previously tendered a fond farewell, to summon a doctor quick, that he was very sick.

Dr. Kinsey was called and Roberts was removed to the home of his brother, Allie Roberts, 1025 North H street, where he sank into a semi-comatose state and remained in that condition until 8 o'clock this morning. Domestic difficulties are alleged to be responsible for Roberts's attempt at suicide. In his delirium during the night Roberts is said to have accused some one of giving him the poison for the purpose of getting him out of the way, in order to run away with his wife.

Enter a Denial.

However, employees at the Gaar and Shurley barn state that Roberts deliberately drank the acid with the view of self-destruction. He is alleged to have had trouble with his wife for some time and previous to his attempt at suicide, drank heavily it is said.

The small amount of acid taken by Roberts and the fact that he was under the influence of liquor at the time are responsible for his failure to carry out his purpose. He is completely out of danger today and aside from a burning throat, suffers no ill effects. Roberts has been employed for the past several months by Dr. Kinsey on North Eighth street.

A BETTER SERVICE

Arranged by Postal Authorities Here During the Big Rush.

WILL USE MORE WAGONS

In order that all demands made on the postal services during the holidays may be successfully met, arrangements have been made whereby a night collection of mail, left at substations, one, two and three, will be made tomorrow evening, and three additional wagons placed in service on December 24, 25 and 27.

The night collections during the last few days have been so heavy that one carrier could not attend to them. As it was necessary to put on an assistant, it was decided to accommodate those who deposit their mail at the substations also.

The wagon delivery service during the above three days will probably be divided as follows: one wagon in West Richmond, a second South of Main, and a third north of Main. The carriers will not have to return to the office to get mail after deliveries, but will receive it direct from the wagons.

NEW PRESS MEMBER

At a meeting of the Earlham college press club, Mark Baldwin and Sharon R. Mote were voted into the club. These men are the first students of Earlham to be admitted as members since the organization last fall. The club now has one of the best rooms at the college, in the library, and is making a collection of newspapers and pamphlets.

THE SOUL KISS

We saw the soulful kissers roll
The sculptor's lips in theirs, and we
Were mighty glad the sculptor had
the job, instead of you or me.
We liked the Jew, and Satan, too;
They softened down the chorus
woes.

Relieved our sorrow and regret
And even helped us to forget
The Nightmare, dancing on her toes.
We liked the bells, 'twas not the
sound

That held the magic power to
please;

'Twas that surprise that rose and
drowned

Our critic feelings when we found
That they could really move their
knees.

We blushed a little now and then
At things we could not choose but
see;

We sighed again and yet again
And wondered what the end would
be

And still we're wondering—dazedly.

WILL REHEAR CASE

Indiana Supreme Court to Review Three Mile Gravel Road Law.

JORDAN DECLINES TO DO SO

(American News Service)
Indianapolis, Dec. 17.—The supreme court today granted a rehearing in the three mile gravel road case. Judge Jordan declined to join the other four judges in signing the grant for a new hearing. The supreme court adjourned today till January third.

MRS. KING IS DEAD

Mrs. Jennie King, wife of Albert King, formerly a well known local barber, but now living at Hamilton, Ohio, died at her home in that city yesterday morning, according to word received by local friends and relatives. The funeral will be held at Sidney, Ohio, tomorrow. She is survived by her husband and nine children, the youngest of whom is but two weeks old.

FELL OFF A TENDER

H. W. Abbott, aged 38 years, fell off the tender of a C. C. & L. freight engine in the south yards early this morning and sustained a compound fracture of the left leg just above the ankle. Abbott's home is in Scranton, Pa. He has a brother residing in Centerville, who was notified of the accident. The injured man was removed to the Reid Memorial hospital in the city ambulance.

TAFT FAMILY DEATH

(American News Service)
Baltimore, Dec. 17.—Following a second operation, Mrs. Horace Dutton Taft, sister-in-law of President Taft, died early today at Johns Hopkins hospital. Mrs. Taft was first operated on here six weeks ago. Later she started for Florida to recuperate, but was again stricken. The second operation was performed a few days ago. Mr. Taft is the head of the Taft School at Watertown, Conn.

PLAN FOR BANQUET

The annual banquet of the Commercial Club, which is held in May, will be made the biggest event in the history of the club. Already, E. M. Haas, secretary, has opened correspondence with several persons of national prominence, requesting them to make response to toasts. Mr. Haas said that he was not at liberty at the present time to give out the names of those whom the club wishes to make addresses.

ISLANDERS KILL WHITE SETTLERS

Uprisings in the Solomon Group Reported by a Vessel Today.

KICK ON INTERMARRIAGE

NATIVES DID NOT WANT THEIR WOMEN TO WED THE WHITE MEN—FIERCE AND SAVAGE FIGHTS RESULTED.

(American News Service)

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 17.—News of massacres by the Solomon Islanders because they object to intermarriages of their women with white men, was brought here by R. M. S. S. Aorangi, which has reached port from the Antipodes.

Shortly before the Aorangi left the Fiji Islands, November 29, news came from Pasqua, Solomon Islands, of the massacre of Jos. Benskin, the planter, his wife and two children and several native servants by head hunters led by a chief named Sito, who has made a vow to exterminate all white men married to natives and their offspring.

The First Attack.

First an attack was made by natives on the trading station, which was successfully defended by two British traders. The blacks rushed the station and some who scrambled under the floor were setting fire to the building when killed. Some excitement was caused by the arrest of two traders for selling firearms to the hostile natives.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson, who went to the scene of the massacre of the Benskin family said the natives completely surprised the planter, who was struck down with tomahawks and hacked to pieces. A native boy who witnessed the killing, swam across the bay to where some natives employed by Benskin were at work and word was then sent to Thos. Martin, a planter on Board Island, who arrived an hour after the massacre. The sight of his arrival was shocking. Two golden-haired children aged nine and five years, lay, one the veranda, the other on the path fifty feet away, mutilated beyond description. Mrs. Benskin, a native woman, was murdered in the water, her body being washed out by the ebb. She was overtaken while attempting to swim from the island. The natives slaughtered were killed in the fields.

WRECK A BUILDING

Then the Bold Robbers Loot a Bank at Geronimo, Oklahoma, Today.

A POST OFFICE ROBBERY

(American News Service)

Lawton, Okla., Dec. 17.—With a charge of dynamite that wrecked the entire side of a building five robbers this morning secured twelve hundred dollars, all the money there was in the citizens bank of Geronimo. Two citizens who detected them at work, were held under rifle guard until the job was completed and escape assured.

YEGGMEN GET LOOT.

Milford, Mich., Dec. 17.—Yeggmen secured two thousand dollars in cash and stamps but over looked one thousand dollars more in bonds and stamps at the post office early today.

TO VOTE SATURDAY

The election of road supervisors for all road districts in the townships of the county will be held tomorrow between 12 and 2 o'clock. The elections will be held at the school buildings which are located within the road districts. The elections are held under the supervision of the trustees of the different townships.

WERE SIX VICTIMS

Manufacturing Plant in Philadelphia Burns to the Ground Today.

FIVE WOMEN ARE KILLED

(American News Service)
Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—Five girls and a fireman, Joseph Toner, are known to have lost their lives when the six story building occupied by the Schrack and Sherwood manufacturers of undertaking goods was destroyed by fire. Twenty girls were working when the fire broke out last night. It is supposed that all got out safely but developments today showed five unaccounted for.

STUBBS IS SILENT

Governor of Kansas Has Sent No Reply to Y. M. C. A. Invitation.

HOPEFUL TO SECURE HIM

Governor W. Ross Stubbs of Kansas has not replied to the invitation of the Young Men's Christian association to deliver the principal address at the annual banquet to be held between January 1 and 15. The fact that the committee in charge of the arrangements has not received any reply is held by them as an indication that he is seriously considering the matter and will accept if possible. Governor Stubbs is a native of this county and it has been several years since he visited his local friends and relatives.

FOUND DEAD IN BED

(American News Service)
Kingston, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Justice George H. Fitz, of the State Supreme Court was found dead in bed at the Eagle Hotel this morning. His home was at Cohoes, but he had been holding court here. Heart failure is assigned as the cause of his death.

HUNT KELLNER GIRL

(American News Service)
Chicago, Dec. 17.—Search for Alma Kellner, the missing Louisville girl, believed to have been kidnapped for ransom, was begun today by the Chicago Police. Railroad stations and various hotels have been furnished with a description of the girl.

ADVANCE CLUB MET

(Palladium Special)
Greensburg, Ind., Dec. 17.—The Advance Club held their fifth annual anniversary meeting in Kienzle's hall Wednesday evening. About seventy guests were entertained at the mid-winter picnic, the hall being decorated to resemble the woods, with a spring under the trees. The evening was spent in contests, music and games after which a picnic supper was served.

HAAS IS IN CHARGE

E. M. Haas, president of the City Sunday School Association, has appointed the committee to have charge of arrangements for the Sunday school institute to be held during January. The committee includes Prof. Judge Boggs of the Garfield school, Prof. Arthur Charles of Earlham, Ed Haasmeier, Mrs. N. C. Heironimus and Mrs. Lida Bevington. The speaker for the banquet, which will be held on the closing night of the institute, has not been announced.

GARY XMAS GIFT

NEW STEEL PLANT

Presented by United States Steel Company and Valued at \$4,500,000.

STEEL CITY IS BOOMING

NEW PLANT WILL BE WESTERN BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN SHEET AND TIN PLATE COMPANY—RIVAL TO SMOKETOWN.

Gary, Ind., Dec. 17.—The city of Gary's Christmas gift, as announced in a dispatch from New York, is in the form of a new \$4,500,000 factory to be constructed as soon as the weather will permit, on the property reserved by the United States Steel corporation in this city. The new plant will be the western branch of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company.

The location of this plant is regarded as the biggest boost that the city has received since its founding by the United States Steel Corporation. The new plant is planned to employ two thousand skilled laborers, all of whom draw the highest wages paid in industries of this character. The site comprises five hundred acres on the shores of Lake Michigan, adjoining the plant of the Indiana Steel Corporation on the west and just north of the Kirk yards of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern railroad.

GARY TO RIVAL PITTSBURG.

Business men of Gary were overjoyed at the announcement, as they feel that the location of the new industry, following close on the starting of construction work on the Wabash Bridge Company's plant, assures the establishment of a steel center at Gary that will rival Pittsburgh in a few years.

Another large factory, employing 1,500 men, has been located in Gary this week, the announcement of which will be made in a few days. This also is an eastern concern which will make Gary its western branch. The employees of this company are also skilled laborers.

It is estimated that the number of industries now located in Gary will employ fifty thousand men, and when they are fully developed support a city of 200,000 people. The companies which are now located in Gary and the number of men which they employ are: American Bridge Company ... 4,000 Indiana Steel Company ... 15,000 American Car and Foundry Co. 12,000 American Locomotive Works ... 6,000 American Steel and Wire Co. ... 2,000 American Sheet and Tin Plate Co. 2,000 Investment of \$200,000.

Other plants have had sites reserved by the Gary Land Company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation, which when established, will employ about ten thousand more men.

The United States Steel corporation has already invested \$60,000,000 in its plant here and has appropriated \$40,000,000 more. The plant of the American Bridge company and the American Locomotive company will cost approximately \$10,000,000 each. It is believed that the total amount of the investment in buildings, property and industries which have already located in Gary will approximate \$200,000,000.

The American Bridge Company has already started excavations for its Gary plant, which will employ four thousand men and which is located just south of the new plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Works. The temporary office building has already been erected and three hundred men are employed in the grading.

Daubenspeck desires only \$400 damages for personal injuries and to meet expenses incurred by physicians and care and time lost from his work and \$100 damage for injuries to the wagon and horse. Lee wants \$500 for personal injuries.

WRECK SERIOUS ONE

(American News Service)
Los Angeles, Dec. 17.—One woman was killed and fifty-one persons were injured when the eastbound California limited on the Santa Fe collided with the rear end of the westbound zona, yesterday. Miss Alice Bennett of Hartford, Conn., was crushed to death, and twenty-two persons on the express injured. Twenty-nine persons, passengers and dining car waiters were injured on the limited.

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TWO DAMAGE SUITS GOES BACK TO WORK

Filed Today Against L. W. Beeson, an Officer in the Milton Bank.

RESULT FROM A RUNAWAY

Elmer O. Brown, the engineer on passenger train No. 18, which was in the wreck at Collinsville, last October, will return to work after the first of the year. Mr. Brown, whose home is at Logansport, was in the city yesterday and told friends that he had entirely recovered from his injuries, which were of a serious nature, except that his legs were not so strong as before the injury.

Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Co. Eastern Division

Trains leave Richmond for Indianapolis and intermediate stations at 6:00 A. M.; 7:25; 8:00; 9:25; 10:00; 11:00; 12:00; 1:00; 2:25; 3:00; 4:00; 5:25; 6:00; 7:30; 8:40; 9:00; 10:00; 11:10. * Limited Trains. Last Car to Indianapolis, 8:40 P. M. Last Car to New Castle, 10:00 P. M. Trains connect at Indianapolis for Lafayette, Frankfort, Crawfordsville, Terre Haute, Clinton, Sullivan, Martinsville, Lebanon and Paris, Ill. Tickets sold through.

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