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HANGING OF HORN.

COWBOYS SING A SONG BE-
FORE THE MARCH TO
THE GALLOWES.

John C. Coble's Request to See
His Old Employer is Granted
Singers are also allowed to
Speak to him—Wears
a Smile to the Last.

Tom Horn died at 11:08 A. M.
game to the last and smiling. His
neck was broken by the fall of the
trap. The execution passed off
without a hitch or attempt on the
part of Horn's friends to save him.
Horn denied he had ever confessed
the murder of Willie Nickell,
but told his spiritual advisers he
had been guilty of crimes, but not
willfully so.

Ten minutes before he was bound
for the scaffold he lay on his cot
smoking a cigar and looking out at
the spectators. Frank and Charles
Irwin sang a sentimental cowboy
song and were allowed to shake
hands with Horn. Horn's last
words were to Joseph Cahill,
county clerk, who assisted on the
scaffold.

"Ain't losing your nerve, are
you Joe?" said Horn.
Then the cap was adjusted and
he stood with clenched fists waiting
for the drop.

When the spectators had been
admitted into the jail the Rev. Geo.
H. Rafter climbed up a ladder to the
tier in which Horn was confined
and opened a prayer book. The
massive iron doors opened as Under
Sheriff Proctor, Sheriff Smalley,
County Clerk Joseph Cahill and
Deputy Sheriff Leslie Snow appear-
ed. Horn got up off his couch and
walked out of the door. He was
pale and thin from long confine-
ment, but he was game.

"Charlie Irwin will sing," said
Proctor as Horn heard the edge of
the balcony and looked down.
"Hello, Tom," said Irwin, with a
pleasant smile and a wave of his
hand.

"Hi, Charlie," answered Horn,
with a smile.
Charlie and Frank Irwin then
sang that old cowboy railroad song,
"Keep Your Hand Upon the Throt-
tle and Your Eye Upon the Rail."

The rich yet untrained two voices
of the two brothers rang through
the corridors and brought tears to
the eyes of the spectators.
When the song was finished,
Proctor said: "Charles and Frank
Irwin will pass around to the left
and come above."

"Thank you, Ed," said Tom,
and the two brothers were on the
balcony in another moment.
"Tom," said Charlie, "did you
make a confession to the murder of
Willie Nickell?"

"No."
"Well, Tom, a man's got to die
only once, and so be game."
"You bet I will."
"It's as well first as last, you
know."

"Yes, it's all right."
"Well, good-bye, old man. I
wish I could do something for you.
Is there anything you want me to
do?"

"No. I wrote to Coble this
morning."
"Good-bye."
"Good-bye."

The two Irwins passed around
back to the lower floor in the front,
where they were within five feet of
the drop.

Proctor began to fasten the
straps. Horn turned and twisted to
suit the executioner.

"Well, Joe," said he to Cahill, "I
hear you are married and doing
well, that you are county clerk.
Is that so?"

"Yee, Tom, it's true," answered
Cahill.
"Well, I'm glad to hear it."
Horn's hands were then securely
pinioned to his body and he was al-
ready for the final strap on his feet.

Between Smalley, Proctor and Ca-
hill he walked out on the platform,
with short steps and looking at the
noose.

"I'll have to have a hand to get
on that thing," said Horn with a
ghostly smile.
"What's the matter, Joe," (to
Cahill, who was rubbing his chin
nervously). "Ain't losing your
nerve, are you?"

Proctor picked up the noose at
11:45 o'clock and started to place it

over Horn's head. The condemned
man coolly ducked his head and
thrust it through the noose.

Dr. Rafter prayed earnestly for
the salvation of the departing soul.
Proctor took up the black cap
and slipped it over the doomed
man's head, and in this he was as-
sisted by Horn's movements of the
neck.

Cahill and Smalley lifted Horn
to the trap door. Instantly water
began to run from the tank, and in
50 seconds the trap was sprung.

"He sure died game," said Char-
lie Irwin, a minute later. There
was no answer. The spectators
passed out, each shaking hands
with Proctor, commending him for
the faultless execution.

In just 16 minutes after the drop
Horn was pronounced dead by phy-
sicians and his body taken down.
It was turned over to Charles Horn
a brother of the dead man, and
taken by him to Boulder, Colo., for
burial. Just before marching to the
gallows Horn wrote the follow-
ing letter:

Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 20, 10:45
A. M.—John C. Coble, Esq., City: I
die in ten minutes. I did not kill
Willie Nickell. I never made an
admission to Lafors, Ohnaus or
Snow, and all swore to lies, includ-
ing Lewin, of Laramie.

Once more Charles Irwin came
to the jail this time in answer to a
hurried message. Horn had sent
for Coble, saying he wanted to talk
to him before he died.

"I can't refuse him this request,"
said Jailer Proctor, "but any one
that enters the jail will be searched
and Coble must talk to Horn in
my presence."

Irwin waited patiently for the ar-
rival of Coble.
"I will make John let me go in
his place," he said. "He knows
Tom will tell me more than any
other person. I must talk to Tom
before he dies. Remember, I do
not think he is guilty."

"Well, John," said Horn, "I'm
glad you came."
"Can't we shake hands?" pleaded
Horn to the keepers.

Sheriff Smalley hesitated, then
opened the door of the cell for the
first time since the death watch was
placed.

Coble and Horn grasped hands
in the cell.
"Good-bye, John," Horn broke
the spell.

Coble murmured a faint "good-
bye" and walked away.
Coble came again to the jail and
was permitted to see Horn. He re-
mained with him only a moment.

"Good-bye, Tom," he said in a
choked voice. "Tom, I can't stay.
I came to say good-bye. I am sorry,
Tom, but die like the man I
know you to be. Tom, fate's against
you. You must die. Good-bye.
God bless you. Good-bye, Tom."

Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 20.—In
his letter to John C. Coble, Horn
details his movements in the Iron
Mountain country at the time of
the Nickell murder, and makes the
sensational admission that two men
tried to have him kill Willie Nick-
ell, but denies his alleged confession
of the crime to Joseph Lefors
which led to his arrest.

The crime for which Tom Horn
was hanged was the murder of Wil-
lie Nickell, the 14-year-old son of
Kels P. Nickell, an Iron Mountain
ranchman. The boy was shot and
killed July 18, 1901, by a man
whom he discovered in ambush near
his home. Several weeks afterward
Kels Nickell was shot three times,
but was not killed. He was con-
fident Horn was the man who shot
him and his son. Horn was not ar-
rested, however, until January 12,
1902, two days after he had confessed
to Deputy United States Marshal
Joseph Lefors that he killed Willie
Nickell. He said he went to the
Iron Mountain country to kill
Kels Nickell, and shot the boy be-
cause the latter discovered him in
hiding. He admitted also that he
made an unsuccessful attempt later
to kill the father.

Horn told further of the killing
of four other ranchmen in Wyo-
ming and Colorado, and said he re-
ceived \$600 for each of these mur-
ders. This confession was taken
down by a stenographer who had
been secreted in an adjoining room
for the purpose. Lefors trapped
Horn into making the confession by
negotiating with him to enter the
service of the Montana Cattle Com-
pany.

For Sale.

One good 1200 pound team, cheap. En-
quire of B. Martin one mile northwest
of College.

MORE LIKE SAVAGES.

HUMAN FIENDS FIGHT ROAST-
ING COUNTRYMEN.

Thirty-Five Unfortunate Laborers
Are Burned to Death—A Score
Who Had Escaped, Forgot
Money, Slash with
Knives the Strug-
gling Ones.

Altoona, Pa., Nov. 21.—A fire
horror seldom equaled occurred 18
miles from here on the line of the
Pennsylvania railroad this morning
when thirty-five laborers were burn-
ed to death in a shanty, and 15
others seriously and fatally injured.

At the time of the fire the cries
of the perishing could be heard a
half mile from the scene. Fierce
and bloody fights marked the aw-
ful calamity and probably a half
dozen will die from knife wounds.
One hundred and fifty Italians, em-
ployed on section work, occupied a
frame bunk house beside the tracks.
The building was long and narrow
and the inhabitants at night occu-
pied every available space.

Early this morning before the
call for breakfast had sounded, and
while most of the men were yet a
sleep, fire broke out in the center
of the building, caused by an overheated
stove. Then there was a mad
rush for the doors. The means of
egress were meager and the frantic
men in their endeavor to escape
from death jammed the doors and
windows to such an extent that it
was impossible to gain safety.

Those who were fortunate in
gaining the outside found them-
selves powerless in their endeavors
to extinguish the fierce burning
blaze.

To add to the horror several from
the outside attempted to return
for their money which they had re-
ceived yesterday as wages. These
wretches drew knives and slashed
at the frantic men who were jam-
med in doors and windows. Four
men were killed outright in this
manner.

Finally another crowd formed an
attacking party, led by an Ameri-
can boss, who had arrived on the
scene, and with clubs, stones and
knives beat back the score or more
fiends who, in attempting to recov-
er their money, had caused their
countrymen to be burned alive.

The action of the rescuing party
came too late, as the flames had al-
ready accomplished an almost total
destruction of the shanty.

There were but two doors to the
house and wedged in these were
twenty charred bodies of the dead
and dying.

The injured were sent to the hos-
pital here. The men who fought
to re-enter the burning place were
driven to the woods and vengeance
will overtake them if the remaining
band of Italians are successful in
finding them.

Philadelphia, Nov. 21.—Great
surprise was occasioned here today
over what is termed a matter of na-
tional importance. James J. Hill
president of the Northern Securities
Company, announces that the mer-
ger of the Great Northern and North-
ern Pacific railroads is dissolved.
These roads will be operated in the
near future by independent officers.

The Philadelphia record prints to-
day the following, compiled from
an interview with Mr. Hill, who
was in the city yesterday and last
night:

"From an authority close to Mr.
Hill, it was learned that on the ad-
vice of council it had been decided
to surrender every right granted
under the New Jersey corporation
law to the Northern Securities Com-
pany, excepting that of purchasing
such securities as the management
may see fit to obtain from an in-
vestment view point.

"The right to vote the stock in
the Great Northern, the Northern
Pacific and the Chicago, Burling-
ton & Quincy railway is to be re-
nounced, as is also the right of the
securities concern to those railroads.
The Securities company is to de-
clare before Federal supreme court
that each of those big railroads is to
be continued under separate man-
agements, there is to be no com-
munity in interests agreement be-
tween them; in fact they are to be
maintained as separate companies,
and each to have individual man-
agement and officers as before the
merger under the Securities com-
pany's charter, which was obtained
in New Jersey, on November 10,
1901.

Judge Whitney's Open Letter.

One of Albany's Most Prominent
Citizens Cured of Deafness
by Dr. Darrin.

Judge Whitney, so well and favor-
ably known throughout the coun-
try and state is another witness to
the workings of electricity, as he
has just come out of the "electrical
chair," not electrocuted, but cured
of deafness by Dr. Darrin, the spe-
cialist, who has consented to remain
in Corvallis until November 29, on
account of so many earnest personal
requests from people desiring to
avail themselves of the benefits of
his services. He has refused none
who has come to him needing his
services and he has been perfectly
frank in telling each one the true
condition of his or her case, and
just what might be expected as the
result of treatment, or whether any
treatment would do good.

The rooms of Dr. Darrin at the
Hotel Corvallis are often crowded,
and he is kept constantly busy.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 27, 1903.

DR. DARRIN—DEAR SIR: Your
electrical and other treatment of
my ear has been entirely success-
ful. I have been for a number of
years past troubled with a roaring
in one of my ears, and I was gradu-
ally losing my hearing from
some cause. My hearing had be-
come so impaired that it was very
difficult for me to hear any person
talking in an ordinary tone of
voice. A short time ago I com-
menced taking treatment from
you for the roaring in my head and
deafness. The roaring in my head
has entirely ceased and my hearing
has returned so that I can hear as
well as I ever could. You are at
liberty to refer any one to me or
publish this letter.

Very respectfully,
J. J. WHITNEY.

CORVALLIS LADY CURED OF DEAFNESS

TO THE EDITOR: For the past
six years I have been deaf in one
ear with ringing noises. Dr. Dar-
rin has cured me to my great sat-
isfaction. Refer to me at the Ho-
tel Corvallis, Corvallis.
Mrs. N. G. SMITH.

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon
for Benton county.
Sarah S. Ball, Plaintiff
vs.
Cyrus Perham, Ed Perham and Lona
Chamberlain, Defendants.

To Cyrus Perham, Ed Perham and Lona
Chamberlain, the above named defendants
In the name of the State of Oregon, you
and each of you are hereby summoned and required
to appear and answer the complaint of the
plaintiff in the above entitled suit, in the above
entitled court, now on file in the office of the
clerk of said court, on or before the 15th day of
November, 1903, said day being the last day of
the time prescribed in the order for publication
of this summons made by the county judge of
Benton county, Oregon, (which said order is
hereinafter referred to as "said order").
On or before six weeks from the day of first
publication hereof
and you are hereby notified that if you fail so
to appear and answer the said complaint as
herein required, for want thereof the plaintiff
will apply to the above entitled court for the
relief demanded in the said complaint, and for
a decree determining all conflicting and ad-
verse claims, interests and estates in and to all
that part of the northeast quarter of the north-
west quarter of Section 33 Twp. 10 S., R. 5 W.,
Will. Mer. which lies north of the Alfred
Wrightman branch of creek, in Benton county,
Oregon; that defendants have no claim, interest
or estate therein; that plaintiff's title thereto
is good and valid; and that defendants be
forever barred and enjoined from asserting any
claim whatsoever in and to said premises adverse
to plaintiff; and for general relief and costs and
disbursements of said suit.

This summons is published in the Corvallis
Times once a week for six successive and con-
secutive weeks, beginning with the issue of Oc-
tober 10th, 1903, and ending with the issue of
November 10, 1903, in pursuance of an order
made by the Hon. Virgil E. Wilson, county
judge of Benton county, Oregon, being the
county where the above entitled suit is pend-
ing in the above entitled court, on October
9, 1903. Date of first publication is October 10,
1903.

E. R. BRYSON & E. E. WILSON,
Attorneys for Plaintiffs

Notice for Publication,

Timber Land Act June 3, 1878.
United States Land Office,
Oregon City, Oregon,
October 22nd, 1903.

Notice is hereby given in compliance
with the provisions of the act of Congress June
3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber
land in the States of California, Oregon, Ne-
vada and Washington Territory," as extended
to all the Public Land States by act of August
4, 1882, Barry L. Carey of Falls City, county of
Polk, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this
office his sworn statement No. 6117, for the pur-
chase of the Lots 1 & 2 of Section No. 2 in
Twp. No. 18 S., Range No. 7 West, and will offer
proof to show that the land sought is more val-
uable for its timber or stone than for agricul-
tural purposes, and to establish his claim to
said land before Victor P. Moses, Clerk of Ben-
ton County, at Corvallis, Oregon, on Saturday,
the 10th day of January, 1904.

He names as witnesses:
Jacob L. Henkle of Philomath, Oregon,
John W. Hyde " " " "
Frank Spencer " " " "
Michael L. Flynn " " " "
Any and all persons claiming adversely the
above described lands are requested to file their
claims in this office on or before said 10th day
of January, 1904.
ALGERNON D. DRESSER,
Clerk.