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MISSOURI BANDITS

—Missouri bandits 30 EXTRAORDINARY BANK ROBBERY LAST WINTER.

Perpetrators Murdered a Deputy Sheriff and Fled the Country—Were Captured in Connecticut and are Now Being Tried.

Union, Mo., July 13.—The term of the circuit court which opened here today will likely be made notable by the trial of the Union bank robbers, George Collins and William Rudolph, the latter of whom created a great sensation last week by his daring escape from the St. Louis jail, where the two were confined awaiting trial. Not since the extermination of the Coffeyville gang, which flourished several years ago has this section of the country produced two more desperate criminals than Rudolph and Collins, neither of whom is more than 21 years old.

On Dec. 27 last, the two young men rode into Union, terrorized every one in the town, entered the bank and stole \$14,000 in currency and \$110,000 in securities. They fled to Rudolph's home, and when surrounded by deputy sheriffs escaped after killing one of the posse.

Captured in Connecticut.

In Rudolph's home the officials found a scrap of paper on which was scrawled "George Collins, Hartford." The police of Hartford, Conn., were notified and they found that Collins' stepfather, whose name was La Plant, lived there with his two sons. The house was watched, and on March 1 two men who left it were followed to a resort. This place was surrounded, and just then a carriage drove up and from it stepped Collins and the two La Plant boys. Collins was captured after a severe struggle. Two detectives went into the house and there found Rudolph, who fought them with the ferocity of a maniac. He was subdued, however, and was locked up, together with the others.

In La Plant's house \$8,685, mostly in gold, was found, with three revolvers and a set of burglar's tools. Both Rudolph and Collins declared they would never stand trial and the former's sensational escape from prison was no surprise as the two men, despite their youth, are regarded as the most desperate criminals with which the Missouri authorities have had to deal in many years.

FEED SUPPLY SHORT.

Range Drying Up—Light Hay Crop in Malheur.

The feed in the mountains south of here is shorter than for a good many years, and what there is, is nearly drying up, says the Grant County News. There is at least the usual amount of stock pasturing on this scant supply, and unless there is plenty of rain and good growing weather from now on, there is likely to be some pretty heavy losses.

To make the outlook still more discouraging for stock raisers in the extreme southeastern counties, the hay crop is not going to be up to the average.

These are the conditions as outlined in a News man by William Ward, a leading sheep and wool man of Malheur.

Mr. Ward is running about 50,000 head of sheep, a number of which he is pasturing on the mountains near Strawberry Butte. He says that after passing 20 miles south of Prairie City, very little rain has fallen since early spring. This fact, together with cold and unfavorable weather, has caused the shortage on the range.

Besides having very little rain to help the grass and alfalfa along, the large Owyhee ditch has broken many times, and farmers could not get the necessary water for their fields.

The first cut will not yield over half a crop, and, of course, there is no knowing what the second and third may do.

This unsatisfactory prospect, taken in connection with the actual losses that have occurred in that section, a light wool clip, and the enormous losses of stock throughout Montana and Utah, has resulted in the firm stand taken by sheepmen for higher prices for wool than were offered at

the wool sales recently held in Ontario. Mr. Ward did not get offers that were sufficiently attractive to induce him to part with his product, which is still stored until the market stiffens up a bit.

SLAKE RIVER STEAMBOAT.

Will Be Ordered for New Line in a Few Days.

A member of the company that has been organized to put in a steamboat and barge line between Glenn's Ferry and Bruneau Junction on the Snake river was in town this morning, says the Capital News. He said the estimates of cost had all been investigated, and careful surveys of the river have been made.

The steamboat has not been contracted for yet, but it is the intention to have work started on the construction of the boat within the next 10 days, so that it may be placed in commission in time to haul the fall products of the Bruneau valley. The plan is to run the boat between Glenn's Ferry on the railroad, and a point down the river 35 miles to a point about six miles from Bruneau postoffice.

The boat will be about 50 feet in length, and will cost nearly \$3,000. One or two barges will be used for the landing of stock and heavy freight. The stockholders are careful business men, and have taken up the plan of navigating a part of the Snake river after investigation of the probable tonnage as well as the cost of completing and running the boat. They are sanguine of success and will give the project a fair trial.

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SOUTHWESTERN MINERS.

Expected Soon to Make Demands as to Labor and Conditions.

Pittsburg, Kas., July 12.—The deliberations of the convention of Southwestern miners which opened today will be followed with much attention owing to the general expectation that the miners will make a demand for a general advance in wages and improved conditions of labor. The convention comprises delegates from Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma. The mine operators who recently organized under the name of the Southwestern Interstate Operators' Association have representatives here in an endeavor to bring about an amicable adjustment of the differences between the miners and mineowners.

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LONGSHOREMEN.

Twelfth Annual Convention at Bay City, Michigan.

Bay City, Mich., July 12.—Delegates from Detroit, Buffalo, Cleveland, Toledo, Milwaukee, Chicago and other great lake ports are gathered here for the twelfth annual convention this week of the International Longshoremen, Marine and Transport Workers' Association. Several questions of paramount interest to the members of the craft are to come up for discussion and settlement and as a consequence the convention promises to be of more than usual note. The annual report of Secretary H. C. Barter shows that the association has made a larger gain in membership during the past 12 months than during any similar period in its history.

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