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WASHINGTON'S GOVERNOR CROSSES DIVIDE FAILING TO ESCAPE, A PRISONER AT THE PEN COMMITS SUICIDE

CONVICTS MAKE BOLD BREAK FOR LIBERTY AT THE OREGON PRISON DRIVEN BACK BY GUARDS, JOHN BRANTON IN FOR TEN YEARS FROM LINN COUNTY CUTS HIS THROAT

What probably would have been one of the largest prison breaks the State Penitentiary here has ever had, was prevented this morning by a timely interference of the guards when five prisoners made a break for liberty, but were prevented from leaving the prison walls at the points of the guards' Winchester's.

The attempted break was discovered early last Wednesday evening by Guard Keaton, who noticed that one of the bars over the window in the butcher and bakeshop had been

tampered with. After notifying the deputy warden of his discovery, it was decided to lay in wait close to the shop window and find out, if possible, who the guilty prisoners were. After keeping a close watch over the point of escape until this morning at 5 o'clock, the guards were rewarded for their long vigil. The bars were taken out of their places quietly and five prisoners sneaked to the side of the northwest wall and were making for the gate when the guards ordered them to stop.

This was not the end of the excitement, however, for after the five men were ordered to go back through the hole through which they came out of and they had got inside of the shops, John Branton, one of the would-be escapes, cut his throat from ear to ear with a butcher knife, dying instantly.

The prisoners who made such a bold move for liberty, are employed as cooks and butchers in that department in the north wing of the building, and it was customary to call them at 5 o'clock in the morning to prepare breakfast for the prisoners. They took advantage of this early hour by devoting a little time each morning to sawing the bars and their efforts were rewarded this morning by having a hole through which they could escape.

The following are those trying for the break: John Branton, the suicide, serving 10 years for assault with attempt to kill, sentenced from Lane county; J. P. Colyer, a two-year man, sentenced from Lane county, charged with robbery; C. H. Spaulding, serving 2½ years for larceny;

J. P. Lethridge, three years from Umatilla county.

The suicide, John Branton, was taken care of by Coroner Clough, who decided an inquest would not be necessary. The deceased has relatives in Lane county who will probably receive the remains.

THIEVES FELL OUT BURGLARS GET THEIRS

San Francisco, March 29.—While Burns' men were raiding the offices of the United Railroads, and charges and counter-charges of burglary and grand larceny were being flung by the opposing side in the Calhoun graft case, thieves profited by the enforced absence of Charles S. Suydam, one of the Calhoun jurors, from his home last Sunday evening. While Suydam was temporarily held a prisoner with the other jurors at the St. Francis Hotel, burglars looted his residence and stole nearly \$200 worth of jewelry, including his own and his wife's gold watches, gold and silver chains, and a silver jewel box.

GOVERNOR COSGROVE EXPIRES SUDDENLY SUNDAY MORNING

BODY WILL BE TAKEN TO OLYMPIA, BUT BURIED AT POMEROY, FUNERAL PARTY NOW ON WAY NORTH

Paso Robles, Cal., March 29.—Samuel G. Cosgrove, governor of the state of Washington, died here suddenly at 3:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

Heart failure was the immediate cause of the governor's death. Although his condition had recently been reported as improving, the governor had really been growing worse. Although conscious of his weakened condition, death was sudden, and there was no opportunity for a last farewell between husband and wife.

Broken by Strain of Campaign.
Bright's disease had marked Governor Cosgrove for a victim over eight months ago. He broke down in health during the Washington primary campaign, retiring to his home at Pomeroy, Wash., in September, and was brought to Paso Robles Hot Springs shortly after the election in November. Although Governor Cosgrove improved slightly under the treatment here, the strain of the trip to Olympia to take the inaugural oath was too great, and an immediate reaction set in.

Paso Robles, Cal., March 29.—The body of Samuel G. Cosgrove, governor of Washington, accompanied by Mrs. Cosgrove and Mrs. J. M. Anderson, Seattle friends of the Cosgroves, left here for the north at 5:30 a. m. today. The party is scheduled to arrive at Oakland pier at 2:15 this afternoon.

It was announced before departure that Lieutenant-Governor Hay and Cosgrove's son at Olympia will arrange for the funeral. No arrangements were made at Paso Robles, except for the shipment of the remains.

Olympia, Wash., March 29.—On a rising mound in the Masonic cemetery, overlooking the capitol and the executive mansion, where he expected to live, the remains of Governor Samuel S. Cosgrove will be laid in their final resting place Wednesday afternoon.

The state of Washington, officially, and the people generally will pay their fullest respects to him whom they honored in life, and for whom they mourn in death.

The funeral services will be military in character, with all the pomp and ceremony which the state can bestow. The National Guard companies from Seattle, Tacoma, Hoquiam and Aberdeen will escort the casket, together with delegations of the G. A. R., Masons, Odd Fellows and Elks. The religious services will

be under the auspices of the Methodist church, Rev. C. E. Todd, of Olympia, officiating.

The remains, which left Paso Robles this morning, will arrive in Portland Tuesday night at 11:15, where they will be met by Governor Hay, the state officials and members of the senate and house of representatives.

A detachment of troops from Tacoma will meet the body at Portland, an drill will be detailed as a guard of honor in the special car in which the body will repose. At 7 o'clock Wednesday morning the body will be taken from the funeral car by an escort of militia and placed under the dome of the capitol building, where it will lie in state under military guard until 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The funeral services will be held in the chamber of the house of representatives.

Following the services in the capitol, the body will be taken to the Masonic cemetery.

Hay Is Governor.
Olympia, Wash., March 29.—M. K. Hay is now governor of the state of Washington in fact, having taken the oath of office this morning. The administration of the oath was unmarked by any ceremony. Chief Justice Rudkin and Justice Mount appeared in the governor's office, when J. J. Donovan, of Bellingham, and Assistant Attorney General Vaughn happened to be discussing matters with Governor Hay. The oath was taken in a moment, the judges retiring, and Governor Hay continued with his work.

Governor Hay will fill the office of governor for four years, the expiration of Governor Cosgrove's term. Governor Hay, after taking the oath, gave a brief statement to the press, saying that his future policy would be but a continuation of that which he has followed since he has been acting governor.

The capitol was draped in black to day, the dark streamers entwined with the national colors, everywhere proclaiming the death of the chief executive of the state. The flag on the capitol flies at half-mast, and all other flags in the little city are evidences of mourning.

When Governor Rogers died the offices in the capitol were closed for three days, but it has been found impracticable to suspend the state business for this length of time at this season of the year, so that the state offices will be closed only on Wednesday.

"CRAZY SNAKE" MAKES WAR ON UNCLE SAM TO DEFEND NEGROES

HAS PITCHED BATTLE IN WHICH 28 OF HIS FOLLOWERS, MOSTLY NEGROES ARE KILLED

[United Press Leased Wire.]
Oklahoma City, Okla., March 29.—Darkness yesterday closed a day of unrest, uneasiness and desultory skirmishing throughout a large part of the former Creek nation.

Reaching Hickory Ground at 6 o'clock this evening, the militia, in command of Colonel Roy Hoffman, pitched tents and will await orders for action tomorrow.

Before leaving Henryetta, Colonel Hoffman made a request of Adjutant-General Frank Cannon that 500 more members of the state troops be held in readiness for a call.

Colonel Hoffman does not expect trouble until tomorrow, but his message stated that the people of that part of the state had gone to the limit of endurance with the outlaw bands and must be given protection.

Every armed Indian is to be arrested. That there will be armed resistance by the Snakes is the opinion of the military, for it was learned this afternoon that the Indians had received 75,000 rounds of ammunition by freight unloaded at Council Hill.

Battle Is Inevitable.
Five companies of Oklahoma militia marched to-night against Crazy Snake's band of Creek Indians, half-breeds and negroes, entrenched in the Hickory Hills, seven miles from Henryetta.

A battle was regarded as inevitable, as the heavily armed troops were sent out either to capture or exterminate the murderous band which since Thursday has caused the death of six men, the wounding of many others and brought about a condition of terror in Henryetta, Pierce and all the surrounding country.

Troops left Henryetta at 3 o'clock. They had seven miles to go. Encumbered with arms and equipment, it was not expected they could reach the scene ready for battle before 7 o'clock. Crazy Snake's men numbered 200, all armed with modern

rifles and plentifully supplied with ammunition. They had been preparing for two months for this, their final stand against lawful authority. They defiantly sent out word to-day that they would fight to the death.

Oklahoma City, Okla., March 29.—Reports were received here to-day of heavy firing in the hills, and it is believed that Chief Crazy Snake and his band of Indians and negroes have encountered the five companies of military which left here yesterday and that fighting is going on.

Few details are obtainable owing to the men who have cut telegraph and telephone wires.

It is known, however, that Chief Crazy Snake retreated last night before the advancing militia to a position east of Henryetta at the junction of the North Canadian and Deep Fork rivers. It is conceded that his move was strategic and that the outlaws would have an advantage over their pursuers.

Tom Harjo, Crazy Snake's college bred son, was captured by the soldiers and strung up to a tree until he had named the Indians who murdered two white deputies last Friday. He also admitted that his father was in command of the Indians and negroes injured to-day when the walls of the old Colby building, which is being razed, collapsed. One of the dead bodies has not been recovered.

Stidham, Okla., March 29.—Chief Crazy Snake was located to-day with a number of Indians, heavily armed, lying in a ravine two miles from the site of his former camp, which he abandoned last night. The Indians' position is a natural fortress with but one approach, permitting a few men to stand off an army.

The state militia is still camped at Hickory Ground, according to advices received to-day. The early fighting reported in the hills was done by a volunteer posse.

No general fight took place during

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the wounded. The surgeon stated that three bodies were found Thursday after the fighting of that day, eight Friday, six on Saturday and seven yesterday. The men were killed by sheriff's posses and by farmers who volunteered aid.

The whole Snake country will be searched by troops if the Indians reject the demands made upon them for surrender.

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