

FATAL BATTLE IN**ILLINOIS PRISON****Officer and Inmate Killed When Former Went to Prevent Jail Delivery.**

Pontiac, Ill., Sept. 7.—One officer and one inmate were killed and two officers and an inmate were wounded today in a revolver battle in the state reformatory here after two prisoners had attempted to escape by sawing the bars of their cell.

When two officers tried to enter the cell the prisoners, who had secretly armed themselves with revolvers, fired upon them, killing one and wounding the other, and fleeing from the cell.

There followed a battle in the grounds, where one of the prisoners was killed and the other wounded. A third officer was shot in the foot. The dead:

Charles Krueger, dormitory officer, shot.

John Kelly, Chicago, inmate.

The battle followed the discovery by Officers Krueger that one bar of the cell occupied by two inmates had been sawed in two and another bar had been partly sawed. Krueger called Officer Cal Hancock and they prepared to remove the prisoners to the solitary department.

As the officers unlocked the cell door they were fired on and Krueger was killed. The prisoners rushed out and exchanged shots with Hancock, who was wounded. Then the armed inmates fled to the prison yard, where more shooting occurred when another officer arrived.

The inmates then sealed a porch and waterspout and reached the gate by which they evidently planned to get outside the grounds. They fired at the officer and then descended on the grounds and continued the shooting in which Kelly was killed and the other inmate wounded.

Meantime police and armed citizens reached the reformatory in response to reports that there was a riot among the inmates. By the time the trouble was over Supt. Scouler arrived.

How the inmates obtained their saws and revolvers had not been learned, the superintendent said.

LARGE PLANT FOUND.**Officers Locate Big Distillery Near Bennettsville.**

Bennettsville, Sept. 6.—A big distillery raid was made Thursday night in the lower part of Marlboro County, near Cashua Ferry, on Pee Dee River. For some time P. B. Rogers, rural policeman, has been at work trying to locate this distillery and a few days ago he obtained sufficient information

to warrant an effort to seize the outfit and arrest the operators. He called to his assistance Sheriff Patterson, who provided a posse composed of Deputy Sheriff Hubbard, Chief of Police Cunningham, Rural Policeman Jackson, State Officers Kelly and Special Constable Peele and also Special Constable Walter McCall, who had been cooperating and assisting P. B. Rogers. Kelly joined the party after midnight last night and Sheriff Patterson was taken ill with an attack of appendicitis and Deputy Sheriff Hubbard had to return to Bennettsville with Sheriff Patterson.

It was thought that the parties were in a house near where the distillery was and Kelly and Jackson were detailed to approach from the front while Rogers, McCall, Cunningham and Peele made a circuit route and managed to surround the house. One of the inmates threw open the door and as he did so, had his pistol in hand and covered Chief Cunningham, but McCall and others had him covered with a shotgun and seeing the situation he immediately dropped his pistol. After the arrest of those men, who are said to be from Robeson County, North Carolina, and from what is known as Scuffle Town, the scene of the operations of the celebrated Lowry gang, the distillery was seized. The distillery was located some distance in the swamp, which was almost impassable. An inventory showed 60 gallons copper still, 500 pounds of sugar, 1,000 gallons of mash, ready for distilling, two automobiles, a Ford and Buick, and several pistols. One of the men escaped, the other five were brought to Bennettsville and are now in jail.

JAP CRITICISM IS NOT JUSTIFIED**President Speaks from Rear of Train to Small Crowd at Urbana, Ohio.**

Richmond, Ind., Sept. 4.—Criticism of Japan because of that country's attitude toward the Shantung question is not justified, President Wilson told a small crowd that gathered at the rear of the train at Urbana, Ohio.

Japan can not act in the matter of Shantung, the President said, until three months after peace comes. "Then I am sure she will do so. Criticism of Japan is not justified," he added. "I think you will beat them," some one in the crowd said, referring to the critics.

"Their case is so weak," the President replied, "they are not hard to beat."

After the President's train left Urbana, Mr. Wilson went into the club

car and chatted for an hour with the newspaper correspondents. He discussed details of the trip and of the treaty, and told many stories of humorous incidents connected with previous speaking tours and with the Paris peace negotiations.

The President said he was well pleased with his reception in Columbia and made clear his intention as the trip goes on to follow out his plan of taking up details of the treaty one after another and laying them before the people. He indicated that he believed the best argument for the treaty was to explain in clear language just what it contained.

Negroes to Offer Candidate.

Columbia, Sept. 4.—L. A. Hawkins, negro chairman of the Union Republican in the seventh congressional district said tonight a candidate for the party will offer for A. F. Lever's seat in the general election to be held in the district October 7. Executive committee members from the six counties met in Columbia today and decided to put out a candidate who will be named at another meeting of the committee next Wednesday. The second Democratic primary will be held in the district next Tuesday, when the voters will choose between Geo. Bell Timmerman of Lexington and Ed. C. Mann of St. Matthews.

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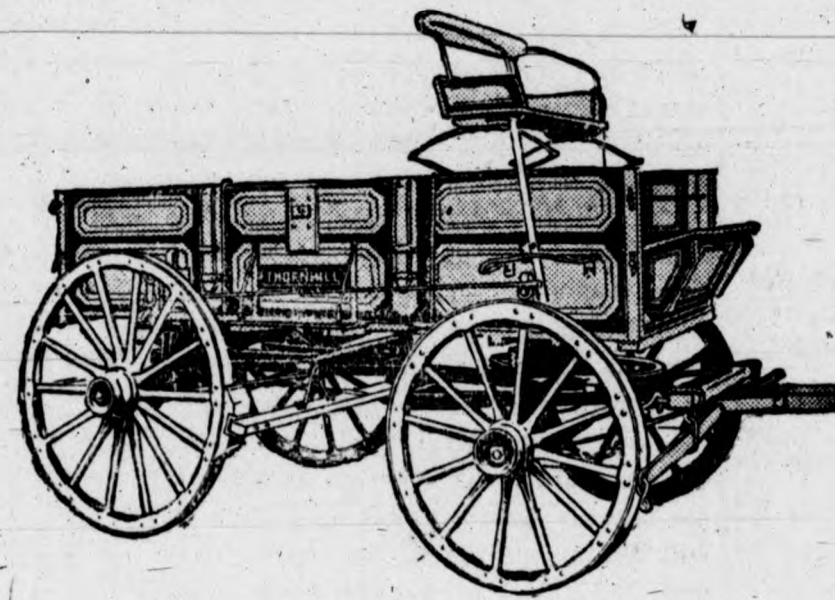
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