A RACE RIOT OUT WEST

MOB IN OTTUMWA, IA., SEEKS SUMMARY VENGEANCE.

Crowd, Deficient in Initiative, Contents Itself With Noise After Starting to Lynch Alleged Assailant.

Ottumwa, Ia., Feb. 21.-Lack of a leader was all that saved Ottumwa to-night from adding another bloody chapter to the history of race riots in the United States. A mob of men and boys, which increased from 100 to 1,000, gathered around the city jail, thirsty for vengeance on the negro who committed a criminal assault on a white woman early to-day. While three negroes have been placed in the city jail and one in the county jail, and several threatening demonstrations have been made, no man was daring enough to lead the mob in the work they wanted to do and it seemed likely that peace might be preserved.

John Junkin, a negro, suspected of the murder of Clara Rosen, who was slain two weeks ago, was taken out of town secretly by the police, following the early manifestation of mob spirit. A recently organized vigilance committee is aiding the police, who declare they have the situation in control.

Company G, Fifty-fourth regiment of the National Guard, is held in the barracks ready for any call to action

Mrs. Charles M. Johnston, invalid wife of an Ottumwa traveling salesman, was in bed with her 5-year-old child at 3 o'clock this morning, when over her. Before she could scream for help the black brute seized her by the throat and began to choke her.

Despite her weakness as the result of a recent operation, Mrs. Johnston fought desperately. She tore herself loose from the assailant's hands and cried for help. At the same time the child screamed. The negro became alarmed, and seizing a curtain pole, beat the woman until she became unconscious. How long the negro remained in the room is not known. The cries of the child finally aroused neighbors, who found Mrs. Johnson lying on the floor unconscious. By her side was the bloody curtain pole.

Search for Criminal.

formed the nucleus of the mob.

where it was lost. Other armed men all day and far into the night.

the negro Junkin, the police toward system operated under one general

Bell Statistics Outnumber Independents' Nearly Two to One. Boston-To the national govern-

ment, working through the department of commerce and labor, belongs the credit for having finally determined the official facts in the long disputed question as to the relative size of the Bell and independent telephone interests of the United States.

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The government figures for 1907 show 3,132,063 Bell stations and 2,-986,515 independent stations or telephones. The independents have all along claimed over 4,000,000 stations, or fully 33 per cent. more than they actually have.

The government figures do not make any attempt to classify the independents as between "independent" and "opposition" companies. As a matter of fact, of the so-called "independents" fully 900,000, or 30 per cent. of the entire number form through sub-license or service arrangements part of the comprehensive Bell system, but in all other respects are independent, self-controlling organizations. At present over 1,100,000 independents or about 40 per cent. of the total are thus affiliated with Bell lines.

With this very important adjustment which the government statis-tics obviously could not make, it will be found that instead of the Bell companies having but 145,000 more stations than the independents, the real figures are something like 4,-000.000 for the Bell, against 2,150,-000 for the independents, a ratio of nearly 2 to 1. The preponderance of she awoke to find a negro bending Bell over independent stations may be better illustrated by the following comparison:

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Increase. inc. 196 Independents..1,150,000 115 Bell excess.. 1,500,000 station statistics of the Bell and connecting systems are all a matter of record at a central point, due to

News of the assault spread rapidly the American Telephone Co. Statisand before daylight armed men were tics kept by the Bell companies are searching for the negro. The homes as precise as figures of railroad of negroes were placed under watch. earnings. Instruments used by the The city jail became the point of at-traction for the excited men who from one source and are identical in type of construction. Therefore, The trail of the assailant was fol- the statistics of Bell telephone stalowed by bloodhounds to a deep tions are as reliable as balance ravine three miles from Ottumwa, sheets or any other financial records. The relative public utility of the terests is not measured by number to grow. Threats being made against hensive and inter-communicating of death.

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Earnwell County Equine Dies at Age

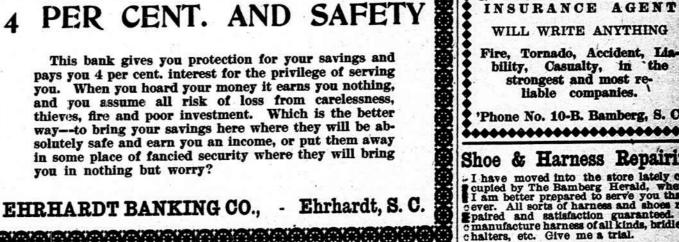
of 29 Years.

Bunyan, the noted gray horse owned by Mr. C. B. Anderson, of Dunbarton, died on Sunday and was decently buried. He had been feeble for a long time, but worked to the wagon a few days before his death. He was faithful to the end. Mr. An-In considering these figures, it derson had owned him twenty nine should be borne in mind that the years and two months. He thinks Bunyan was over 8 years old when he traded for him. He got him from Heggie Brothers, of Augusta. In all the fact that the instruments used his life Bunyan never had a chisel on by the Bell system are furnished by his feet, nor was a dose of medicine ever given him. Mr. Anderson has raised four sons, and they all had ridden, ploughed and driven him in their boyhood and manhood days.—

Love Incomparable.

There is no love so great as the mother-love; no devotion that will willingly make such heroic sacrifices. A recent terrible fire, in which scores searched other parts of the country Bell and independent telephone in- of school children lost their lives, brought forth an excellent example While this work was going on the of stations so much as by the fact of the calm sacrifice of a mother to crowd around the city jail continued that the Bell lines are one compre- cheer her daughter at the moment

Calling the name of her little girl night took him to Chillicothe, ten policy and connected with toll and who she knew was in the burning



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brick store next to the Peoples Bank, on Main street. Have just received a new line of all kinds of Hardware, Tools, Farm Supplies, etc., and can save you money. Don't fail to see me before buy-



miles west, where he was put on long-distance lines aggregating near- building, the mother rushed to the board a Burlington train and taken to 1y 2,000,000 miles in length. The in- nearest window and, with the flames Albia.

in the surrounding country.

The mob contented itself with yellthird suspects were taken into the connection by local toll lines. The incity jail.

The police had been provided with a good description of the guilty negro by Mrs. Johnston.

into the county jail the mob again became restive.

'Come on, boys, let's get some one; the police are fooling us," cried a man in the crowd. It was the moment for a leader, but the leader was To this extent the independent fignot there. The onslaught never got beyond words.

Violent One Soon Calmed.

There were many of sober minds in more violent to give the police a the danger of lynching was over for system of 900,000 independent stathe time.

Although the slaying of Clara Rosen, whose dead body was found in what they have never before enjoyed an abandoned excavation of a house, was what first roused the mob spirit the only national telephone service to-day, there have been a number of in the country. assaults on white women by negroes within the last two years that contributed to arouse Ottumwa people.

The first was an assault on Mrs. George McBride. Sherman Phillips, colored, was acquitted of this crime. Mary Mahoney, the next victim, died in a hospital. Oscar Hogan, colored, is serving a life term for this crime. Agnes Yates, a telephone operator, was going home from work and was attacked. Williams Stevens, a negro, was acquitted of this assault. Mrs. John Irwin, was assaulted by Leroy Edwards, a negro, who was sentenced for life.

John Junkin, colored, is the only suspect now held for the murder of Clara Rosen. There is little evidence to connect him with the murder, and many believe the Rosen murder and the Johnston assault were perpetrated by the same man.

At 9 o'clock to-night two more negroes were brought to the city jail.

Physicians attending Mrs. Johnston say she will probably recover. They say the fiendish attack with the curtain pole did not injure her internally, although there is danger of blood poison from lacerated wounds.

Commercial travelers to-night subscribed a purse of \$1,200 as a reward for the arrest and conviction of her assailant.

to-morrow night, when it is expected to raise a large sum to employ a sufficient force of detectives to work on all recent Ottumwa crimes, resulted in quieting the mob. It is believed the danger of trouble to-night is passed, as only a few persons remain on the streets.

The Bar Sinister.

"Was your father college bred?" "Yes, but we never mention it. for-Teddy Roosevelt?" The college he went to had a rotten

operative groups, having with a few

struments and apparatus come from 30 or 40 different manufacturers. There is no uniform accounting system and there is no temptation to When the fourth man was hustled make the figures any smaller than they actually are. Furthermore, some independents report telephones (a single instrument) while others conform to the Bell custom and report stations (two instruments). ures are unduly swelled, but there is no way of knowing how material her head.

this factor is. The significant feature of the United States during the last five scribers in the West have to-day

Law Against Cigarettes.

Following is the law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors. Why is this law not enforced in South Carolina and Bamberg?

Sec. 329. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons, either by himself or themselves, to sell, furnish, give or provide any minor or minors, under the age of eighteen years with cigarettes, tobacco, or cigarette paper, or any substitute therefor.

Any person or persons violating the provisions of the preceding section, either in person, by agent, or in any other way, shall be held and deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon indictment and conviction therefor shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, nor less than twenty-five dollars, or by imprisonment for a term of not more than one year, nor less than two months, or both, in the discretion of the court; one-half of the fine imposed to be paid to the informer of the offense, and the other half to be paid to the treasurer of the county in which such conviction shall be had.

Washington Once Gave Up

In addition to the reward offered to three doctors; was kept in bed for by traveling men, \$300 was subscrib- five weeks. Blood poison from a ed as a nucleus of a fund to employ spider's bite caused large, deep sores detectives to work on the case. News to cover his leg. The doctors failed, of this action and the spreading of then "Bucklen's Arnica Salve com-the announcement of a mass meeting pletely cured me," writes John Washington, of Bosqueville, Tex. For eczema, boils, burns and piles its supreme. 25c. at Peoples Drug Co., Bamberg, S. C.

Deadly.

"Lady," said the tall tramp solemnly, "have you any more of that T. R. pie you gave me yesterday?" "T. R. pie?" asked the housewife in surprise. "What does that stand madam?

"No'm, third rail. I want to give mers.

football team."-Chicago Record- it to a brakeman down at de water Judge-How long have you been ank. It's bound to knock him out." blind?-Exchange.

dependents on the other hand are circling about her, tried to climb in. Trouble started again when search- scattered companies and for the She was restrained by force, and ers began to bring in suspects caught most part small associations or co- then, as a sudden gust of wind cleared away the smoke, she saw outlined conspicuous exceptions no relation in the window at which she had ing its hate as the first, second and with each other and only limited sought entrance the figure of her daughter.

The window was near the ground, but two hundred frenzied children who pushed from behind made it impossible for the little girl to climb out. She was pinioned by the legs in the crush of bodies that were jammed against the wall. The mother called to her to climb out. The child's lips moved, but her words were lost in the roar of the flames. When she saw she could not make herself heard, she smiled and shook

The mother pressed her body against the wall and by reaching up the crowds and these argued with the rapid telephone development of the was able to lay her hand on the girl's head. She seized her by the years has been this quiet, steady af- hair and pulled, but to no avail. The vengeful went home and apparently filiation with the American telephone child's garments were on fire. When she saw that it was useless to try to tions. As a result, thousands of sub- pull her daughter through the window, and realize that hope was the mother laid her hand on gone, -the advantage of connection with the child's face and stroked it while the fire ate upward through the little tot's garments.

The scorching flames enveloped the child from head to foot, but the mother continued to console her while the fire burned on. When the floor fell in, and took the dead girl with it, the mother withdrew her hand. It was burnt to a crisp to the elbow. Calmly she walked across the street to the house of a physician, where she refused to be attended until three children, who had preceded her, were cared for .- The March Delineator.

Soldier Came to Confederate Home-Columbia, Feb. 18.—Francis Douglas Walker, a member of Company A, Hampton's Legion, has arrived in the city from New York, being sent here by the New York Daughters of the Confederacy to enter the Confederate Home, which is non est and may continue so.

The attention of the New York Daughters of Confederacy was called to the need of this veteran by a story in the New York papers that a Confederate soldier had appeared before a magistrate and asked to be committed to the alms house as he could not work and had no money. At one time Mr. Walker was an influential and well to do business man of Brooklyn, but has had reverses and had to apply to the magistrate as aforesaid.

The New York ladies are now attempting to arrange a place for him and will probably succeed in placing him in another home. A benefit at Waldorf Astoria, New York, the raised a small sum of money that will care for him until some arrangements can be made. He is a Charlestonian and was educated at the Kings Mountain Military Academy, Yorkville under Col. Asbury Coward and Col. Micah Jenkins.

How Long Blind?

Judge-What is your age, Aged Witness-I've seen 32 sum-

