

THE KILLING OF CORPORAL BAILEY BY OSCAR FENBERG RECALLS OTHER POLICE TRAGEDIES

Murderous Exploits of Bad Men in Canadian Territory Have Been Numerous; the Life of the Mounted Policeman Is Fraught With Danger

Edmonton, May 14.—The killing of Corporal Detective Bailey by Oscar Fenberg, the homesteader, who shot the mounted officer dead and wounded Constables Whitley and Sted, of Edmonton, when they attempted to take him at his shack near Grass Lake, recalls other instances of murderous exploits of bad men in Canadian territory. Have not the men of the American West some of the most notorious outlaws of the plains caused as much trouble to the mounted police as the others? Have not the men of the American West some of the most notorious outlaws of the plains caused as much trouble to the mounted police as the others? Have not the men of the American West some of the most notorious outlaws of the plains caused as much trouble to the mounted police as the others?

stable's horse, which was fresher than his, and also his carbine and mule. Shortly after this Charcoal was captured and executed.

Major Cuthbert Edmondson, assistant commissioner R.N.M.W.P., played an important part in the chase after Charcoal while scouting through some willow brush looking for the Redskin Charcoal had him covered with his rifle from his place of hiding, and had the officer been unfortunate enough to discover him another mounted police fatality would have taken place.

Fears of Indians

Police Magistrate E. E. Sanders, of Calgary, who was then a mounted police inspector at Aliboness Landing, in paying tribute to the Indian scouts for their part in trailing Charcoal and other Indian murderers, throws an interesting light on the fears of the Indians who assisted the police, who were in fear lest the braves they pursued, and who regarded them as traitors, would shoot them.

"As examples of the Indians' fears," says Magistrate Sanders in "The Riders of the Plains," a comprehensive and highly interesting history of the mounted police, "I might say that Red Crow during the whole of the pursuit slept on the floor of his house; he was afraid to sleep in his bed, the position of which Charcoal knew, for fear of a pot shot through the window. Red Crow was also the fugitive's night to go to the High River school and kill his son. White Wolf, another tracker, used to sleep in a loft, and pull the ladder by which he ascended up after him when he retired for the night.

"The Indians we employed did excellent work, performing everything that Indian ingenuity could suggest. Their power of tracking and picking up signs was, in some instances, simply marvelous, and in this connection, I would mention Green Grass, Many Tall Feathers, Round Head, Neck and Wolf Tail, who were regularly employed scouts. All I thing, who were connected with this pursuit, came away with a much higher idea of the Indian character than they had before."

These are only a couple of the more conspicuous instances of the sacrifice of life by courageous members of the mounted police in performing their hazardous work of keeping law and order in the vast rural sweeps of the Canadian West. As was shown by the Bailey tragedy, the element of danger in mounted police work is still great and it was only a year ago that "Red" Davis was killed near Bassano by Jim Ham, a drunk and Indian, now doing a life sentence, who fired from a wagon in which he was escaping from Davis and shot the policeman dead.

In Earlier Days

In the earlier days of the "force" mounted policemen had to deal with Indian desperadoes who had no respect for life, hating their own as highly as that of their pursuers, and later, the savagery of the American border states, where a source of considerable trouble and danger to the fearless red coated guardians of the North West Territory and the Yukon. Many of these bold champions of gun play proved to be noisier than they were dangerous, however, and soon learned to respect the mounted police. It did not take the mount to realize that the riders of the North West Territory were not to be trifled with, and it is to the lasting credit of the mounted police that there was very little savagery of a dangerous character in the wild pioneer days of the Yukon, where the gamblers, blacklegs and their drifts from the border and coast states to a field of easy money and fat "pickings" were the rule.

One Idaho bandit who had been the terror of the "sh-sh" posse in that state, went to Wapiti, Saskatchewan, a few years ago with the intention of terrorizing the community and cleaning up in true wild west style. A prominent man of the settlement was forced by this apparently desperate character to hold up his hand while the gunman perforated it with bullets. The "bad man" took pot shots at persons on hotel verandas as otherwise made himself the terror of the town. He boasted that no Johnny Canuck could take him and said he would die in his boots rather than be captured. One day Constable Lest of Halbert, the nearest police post, rode into town, got the drop on the ruffin, gave him a severe drubbing in a hand to hand struggle which followed, and led him away to the lockup handcuffed and shackled in a state of lambling gentleness. The history of the force provides dozen of other instances of the grim businesslike methods of mounted policemen in dealing with revolver-wielding outlaws who attempted to emulate their exploits of American frontier days, but to use a street phrase, failed to "get away with it." In numerous cases also they forced more than one party of several of these lawbreakers to submit to arrest and after a while the red coated horsemen became the terror of evil doers of the west to such an extent that today the force is universally recognized as the bravest and most efficient body of mounted constabulary in the world.

The splendid work of the mounted police in putting down the nefarious traffic of the whiskey traders among the Indians, their bravery and skillful fighting in the Redoubt, their clever cautions in difficult cases and their general efficiency give them a prominent and permanent place in the history of the Canadian West from its earliest frontier days to its present period of prosperous development.

FIRST CALL FOR WHEAT HANDS

Topeka, May 14.—Farm help is mighty scarce in Kansas right now and there is a prospect of much trouble getting harvest hands when the wheat is ripe and ready to be cut. The state free employment bureau has received reports from 79 counties on the farm hand situation and so far they report few farm hands available and many calls for workers. Nineteen counties have enough hands for the present time.

The wheat harvest will not begin until about June 15 along the southern part of the state and in the largest wheat counties through Central Kansas it will be a week later.



COMPLETE HOSPITAL ON WHEELS—The new emergency motor ambulance attached to the Toronto General Hospital. It is fitted up with operating table and all such appliances, and a surgeon will go out with it to attend calls. It is thought that this aid to emergency surgery may result in the saving of many lives.

MEN OF SQUARE AND COMPASS TO MEET IN VANCOUVER

To Participate in Observance of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Cascade Lodge; Lodge Officers of a Quarter of a Century Ago Will Officiate

Vancouver, B. C., May 14.—Within the next few weeks the armored cruiser Rainbow, Commander Walter Hosen, will cease to be an active unit on the Pacific coast. Between the dates of June 11 and 18, it is understood that the ship's complement of something like 12 inactive service men will have vacated their quarters, and the warship placed in charge of an officer pending further instructions from the Dominion government.

CLAIMS EXAGGERATION OF THE VALUE OF CROP

The estimate on a grain crop was the bone of contention in the case of Borthwick vs. Land at the session of the supreme court yesterday afternoon. The evidence for the plaintiff was heard and that for the defence will be heard this morning. Land sold his farm to Borthwick last fall and it was claimed that he represented the value of the crop standing on the fields to be \$1,500, which it did not turn out to be. The plaintiffs claim that the defendant exaggerated the value given by the real estate agents who had been present when the deal for the land was under consideration, and their evidence was heard as to the nature of the guarantee, if any, which was given by the vendor as to the crop.

JAMES KEIR HARDIE MAY BECOME PUBLISHER OF SUFFRAGETTE NEWSPAPER

Labor Party, in Fight for Free Press, May Adopt Method in Vogue in Germany

London, May 14.—In the fight against the government for a free press, the labor party, after mature consideration, has decided to adopt a plan which is new to England, but has been found effective by the German Socialists in combating stringent press laws.

MECHANICS' LIEN CASE SETTLED IN COURT

A case under the Mechanics' Lien act was decided in the supreme court yesterday morning by Chief Justice Harnby. In the case of the Riverside Lumber company sued Kidd Brothers and the holders of the mechanics' lien and the mortgages. Judgment was given for the plaintiffs and his honor said that it is illegal to suppress newspapers in advance and declaring that they were ready to stand by the consequences.

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Vice-President Dalrymple, of the Grand Trunk Pacific, Says Montreal, Winnipeg and Edmonton Are to Be Hit With Passenger Service June 7

Montreal, May 14.—"We now begin to see daylight as one of the greatest enterprises ever undertaken on the continent is being rapidly advanced to completion," was one of the statements made today by Mr. J. E. Dalrymple, vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific, who, with Mr. G. T. Bell, assistant passenger traffic manager, has just returned from a trip over the completed portions of the system from Lake Superior to the coast.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Dalrymple gave out some very important information to the effect that Montreal, Winnipeg and Edmonton are to be hit with passenger service on June 7, for on that date special July trains will leave Toronto for Sarnia, connecting with Port Arthur and Fort William by the Western Navigation Company steamers and the G. T. P. daily passenger service will be inaugurated to Winnipeg, this being the first announcement of the long expected opening of the railway from the head of Lake Superior to Edmonton.

CAPTAIN OF STEAMER GOES OVERBOARD AND IS DROWNED

End of Captain Wilson of the Steamer Strathfillan; No Reason for Suicide

Vancouver, B. C., May 14.—Officers of the steamer Strathfillan, which arrived in port at 3 o'clock this morning with the first shipment of Cuban sugar to come here, report that the former commander, Captain Wilson, jumped overboard and was drowned about two weeks ago, while the vessel was under full steam at sea.

MANY MEMBERS OF MYSTIC SHRINE MEET IN DALLAS

Dallas, Tex., May 14.—More than one hundred members of the Ancient Order Arabic Nobles of the Mystic Shrine were represented tonight in a brilliant party, which included two score Arab patrols with their bands. Besides these, several thousand members of the order met in uniform passed in review before the imperial potentate, with J. Cunningham, of Baltimore.

EX-QUEEN AMELIE TO STAY IN ENGLAND

London, May 14.—Ex-Queen Amelie will remain at Richmond after the marriage of her son, ex-King Manu, to Princess Augustina of Hohenzollern; the young couple will pass most of their time in Southern Germany. The wedding will take place at the end of June or in the middle of July.

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