

# GRUNDY COUNTY

## FROM MORRIS

**TROUBLE ABOUT KNAPP WILL—MAYME JOHNSON AND CLIFFORD OLSON MARRIED—BILLIAK KILLED BY INTERURBAN—ACCIDENT IN TANNERY—FIRST CRIMINAL CASE IN NEW COURT HOUSE—PONY CONTEST ENDED—FRANK FLOOD ADMITTED TO THE BAR—OTHER NEWS.**

The case of the State vs. Harry Pinder for assault and battery has been continued for ten days at the request of the state's attorney who is conducting a criminal case in the circuit court. The bonds remain the same as before. The trial was held once and the jury disagreed.

Two of the young Morris farmer folks were married by Rev. A. C. Geyer, namely, Miss Mayme Johnson and Clifford Olson. A reception was held in their honor Christmas Day at the home of the groom's parents, eight miles east of the city and was attended by a number of Morris folks.

Miss Bessie Hawkins, the vocal instructor at the Morris Conservatory of Music, was married at her home in Aurora New Year's Day to Mr. E. C. Bassett, of Aurora. A number of Morris people were present at the ceremony. The groom conducts a gen's clothing store in Aurora and they will make their home in that city.

The Lutheran convention which has been held in Morris for several days closed Wednesday and was a very successful meeting in every way. There were many people from out of town who attended the sessions and among them was Rev. Breidiblick, of Red Wing, Minn., who is a missionary to Persia and reports that he is doing good work among the Mohammedans.

The case of Glenn vs. Fellingham which has been on the docket since 1909 was settled Wednesday when the case was dismissed by request of the plaintiff at the plaintiff's cost. The case was a suit for damages and a jury gave the plaintiff \$50.00 but a new trial was asked for and granted. Since then the plaintiff has died and the administrator was substituted and in order to settle the estate he asked to have the case dismissed.

The Home Boosters pony contest which was organized in Morris by forty-one of the business men was brought to a conclusion Wednesday and the votes counted and the winners announced at the Grand Theater New Year's Day. William Youngren won first prize of a pony, cart and harness, and Russel Goldman won second prize of a pony with saddle and bridle. The winning boy received almost 4,000,000 votes and the second boy secured 2,000,000.

Frank and James Flood, of Goodfarm, were the guests of County Treasurer A. H. Gleghorn in Morris Monday. The Flood brothers are the well known battery for the Dwight base ball team, Frank the catcher has recently been admitted to the bar and was in Morris looking over the ground with a view to locating his law office in the county seat. He has not decided just what to do as he has an opportunity to locate in Pontiac, but he will make a decision within the next week or so and begin practicing at once.

A cook named Lee Blake, who had been employed for the past two weeks at the Manhattan Cafe, departed suddenly Sunday morning and took with him about \$40.00 belonging to the proprietor, John George. When he left the Cafe at night after his work was done he was accompanied by one of the other workers and the latter asked him if he had locked the rear door; Blake replied that he had but evidently he had not as he must have come back later and entered the place by the rear door and stole the cash from the register. He left town on one of the early trains and has not been located yet.

Mrs. Charlotte Varley, one of the oldest and most respected residents of Braceville, passed away New Year's Day at her home at the age of 85 years. Death was due to a gradual decline, old age being mostly responsible for her demise. The funeral was held Sunday at the home and was attended by a large number of friends of the family. The deceased lady had resided in Braidwood and Braceville for the past fifty years and was well and favorably known to everyone in that vicinity. She leaves seven children, six daughters and one son, Mrs. Agnes Poston being the only member of the family now residing in Braceville.

The robbers who have been breaking into the Clark general store at Minooka at regular intervals for the past three years made another call there Wednesday evening and sitting down by the warm fire in the rear of the store two of them made a complete change of garments from top to toe and left their old clothes. They secured about a dollar in change from the money drawer and left without being seen by any one. Sheriff Francis was notified of the robbery and the old clothes given to him. They left

no other clue to their identity and probably were many miles away by the time the robbery was discovered by the storekeeper the next day.

The Dubuque Telegraph Herald of recent date contains an account of the escape of Hess and McCloskey, the two boy burglars who were serving a term in the county jail at Morris, and then goes on to give an account of the criminal record of the two runaways. Hess, it is stated, has served a sentence in the Columbus, Ohio, jail, where he was convicted of breaking into a railroad station and stealing some money. McCloskey was known in Chicago as Cokhead McKay on account of being a snuffer of cocaine. He was a companion of Hess. Myers, who is now in the county jail and refused to run away when the other boys did, has never been in trouble before and states that he wants to serve his term out and not get into trouble any more.

Another victim was added at Morris to the increasing list of those who have met death by the interurban cars in the past year. John Billiak, a Polish laborer, was struck and instantly killed near Marseilles New Year's Day. The deceased is a cousin of Mike Billiak, of this city. From the accounts given of the accident it seems that Billiak was bound for Ottawa and tried to signal the car by lighting matches. He did not get on the track until the car was only 100 feet away and going at full speed and although the motorman, Mike Kiley, of Joliet, used every means to stop the cars the time was insufficient and the man was struck and thrown into a brush pile. Death was instantaneous, the head being mashed and one arm broken and nearly severed.

The case of Knute Enger vs. the C. R. I. & P. Ry. for damages caused by a horse being killed on the track will probably be settled out of court and the case of Opelt vs. Inger Osmanson was also settled out of court. The Woelfel vs. Hynds case which was decided in favor of the defendant the last time and in which a new trial was granted, is now in progress. The work of getting the jury was started Monday and four of them were accepted by both sides. Court was not held Tuesday as Judge Stough was called away but the case was resumed Wednesday morning. Hynds, who was the promoter of an insurance company induced fourteen Morris men to invest \$1,000 each in the company he was trying to organize. The understanding was that 35 per cent of the amount subscribed was to be used for organization. The organization was not successful and the 65 per cent was returned to the subscribers but they now claim that the 35 per cent was not used as it should have been and in consequence they are suing Hynds for securing money for fraudulent purposes. The jurors are being selected with unusual care. Hayes and Rausch are the attorneys for the defense and Hanson and Smith are representing the plaintiffs.

The first criminal case ever held in the new court house at Morris resulted in a conviction for John Ignace, who was charged with assault with intent to commit murder. The jury was only out a few minutes and the first ballot cast was unanimous for guilty of the charge. His sentence will be an indeterminate one and means all the way from one to fourteen years in the state prison. Ignace committed a desperate assault on Dan Pantalich with a large pocket knife Sept. 4th and was only captured after a hard chase. The victim was taken to the hospital where for a time it was thought he would surely die but he finally recovered and it was his testimony and the exhibition of the seven terrible scars on his body that decided the case and resulted in the verdict of guilty by the jury. The case was started without the presence of Pantalich and for a time it was thought he could not be found but Deputy Carolan finally ran him to earth in Moline and induced him to come back and testify. The jurors in the case were E. J. Matteson, foreman, Saratoga; Carl Hahn and Emil Simantel, of Goodfarm; John Cromwell, of Mazon; M. F. Small, Henry Hansen, Wm. Strong, Andrew Tappen, and Ben Angus, Morris; Ed. Kaldem, Garfield; Lewis Van Dolson, Aux Sable, and Carl Oswood, Saratoga.

An accident that was terrible in its consequences and but for the quick work of a boy would have resulted fatally, occurred at the Woelfel tannery Saturday afternoon. Lawrence, aged 5 years, and George, aged 8, both sons of George Woelfel, were playing around the tannery and they decided to ride on the big freight elevator from the

second to the fifth floor. The elevator was in charge of Leslie Olson, aged 16 years, and he was running for the first day. Olson stopped the elevator at the fourth floor and Lawrence, the youngest boy, thinking it was the fifth floor jumped off, Olson then started again and the boy seeing his mistake ran and jumped on the elevator while in motion, landing on the guards on his stomach; Olson, apparently did not know what to do and let the elevator keep moving and just as the boy was caught between the elevator and the fifth floor his 8 year old brother pulled the stop rope and reversed the elevator. The little fellow was badly crushed, the pelvic bones being broken and one of the hip bones and for a time it was thought he would not recover but the physicians have stated that they think he will get better and that they will be able to prevent him from becoming a cripple. Another second's delay in stopping the elevator would have resulted in the boy being cut in twain.

Judge Bedford of the county court of Grundy admitted the will of Mrs. Amelia Knapp to probate Wednesday and appointed Mrs. Millie Fluent as administratrix. Mrs. Knapp died at Minooka and left an estate that is estimated to be worth \$33,000. The will was drawn up Aug. 22, 1913, and was witnessed by Charles and Louisa Dirst. The will bequeaths to several relatives different articles of personal property and then goes on to state that \$5,700 was received by the deceased at the death of her parents and the funeral expenses and other debts must be paid from that and the balance divided between Arthur Gooch and Millie Fluent. All the real estate is given into the custody of Arthur Gooch and Millie Fluent, whom she appointed as executors to sell at public or private sale and proceeds to be given to Millie Fluent. Mr. Gooch did not care to act and Mrs. Fluent was appointed alone. In connection with the Knapp estate a suit asking for an accounting has been filed against George Colleps, of Minooka, and some sensational developments are expected. Knapp conducted a lumber and coal yard, a warehouse and also a private bank at Minooka and employed Colleps as agent. At the time of Knapp's death Colleps continued in his position as manager and advisor for Mrs. Knapp, the estate being worth at the time of the death of Knapp at about \$195,000. On the death of Mrs. Knapp and when Mrs. Fluent was named as the principal heir the estate had shrunk to \$45,000 and she charges Colleps with converting the funds to his own use and loaning money to persons who were insolvent. It is alleged in the suit that several pages of the ledger in the bank have been cut out and that when Colleps was asked for an accounting he refused to give it. O'Donnell, Donovan and Bray are the attorneys for the plaintiff.

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## GARDNER

Miss Anna Daley is our agent at Gardner and will accept subscriptions and advertising.

L. G. Horrie was a Chicago visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Susan Davis, of Dwight, visited with relatives here Saturday.

Miss Mabel Haslett visited with friends in Kankakee the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cummings welcomed a little daughter to their home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Booth have moved into the Mrs. Cowan house on Washington street.

Mr. Joe Allison, of Tulsa, Okla., has been visiting with his brother, W. S. Allison, and sisters, Mrs. J. H. Gowey and Mrs. A. L. Booth.

The funeral of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Glasgow was held on Thursday. They have the sympathy of their many friends.

Mrs. Ed. Glasgow, of Joliet, was the guest of Mrs. Daley and daughter on Tuesday and attended R. N. A. installation Tuesday evening.

Mr. Briggs, an old resident of this place, died Tuesday evening. The funeral was held Thursday from the M. E. Church at 1 o'clock. Obituary next week.

The R. N. A. held their installation Tuesday evening at their regular meeting. Mrs. Eda Park acted as installing officer, and Anna M. Daley, cere-

monial marshal; Mrs. Emma Allison as musician. Lunch was served and a general good time had.

The remains of Mrs. Frost, who died in Evanston, Ill., was brought here last Thursday and taken to the home of Mr. Jas. Horrie, the funeral was held on Friday, from the M. E. Church, Rev. John Rodgers conducting the service. Internment was made in the Gardner-Braceville cemetery. Mrs. Frost was an old resident of this place and after the death of her husband, went to Evanston to reside with her daughter Cora, who with one other daughter, Mrs. John Hooper, of this place, are left to mourn. Mrs. Frost was a member of the W. R. C., who had charge of the funeral.

## HIGHLAND

Forrest Small was a Dwight caller Friday.

Maurice Walsh spent Sunday with Len Isham.

Ray Smith was a Dwight caller Wednesday night.

George Ifland attended the Nelson sale near Nevada Saturday.

James and David Boner called at Fred Sinclair's, Thursday afternoon.

James Wilkinson, Jr., and Claud Ratliff were Dwight callers Saturday.

Arthur Jepsen and Knute Jorgensen attended Nelson's sale, near Nevada Saturday.

Mrs. Lizzie Small and son, Charlie, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bressner in Dwight.

Mrs. Nellie Hill and daughter, Helen, visited the latter part of last week with relatives in Coal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Knute Jorgensen and daughter, Hannah, spent New Year's Day with Mrs. Peter Jepsen and family.

Marie Bright and sister returned to their home in Chicago Sunday after spending the holidays here with their aunt, Mrs. Maggie Boner.

Mrs. Fred Sinclair, Mrs. James Wilkinson, Jr., and children, Mrs. Earl Davis and Mrs. Emma Connell were the guests of Mrs. Arthur Paxton and little new daughter Friday.

## WEST HIGHLAND.

E. J. Clifford and Wm. O'Neill drove to Dwight Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doskey spent Sunday at Pat Welsh's.

Art Funk spent a few days last week in Streator with relatives.

Misses Mae and Julia McCormack were Streator visitors last week.

Miss Mary Linton, of Ransom, spent last Friday with Mae McCormack.

Pat Welsh and family spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. J. Doskey.

Mary Linton, of Ransom, spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. Comisky.

Mr. and Mrs. Will O'Neill spent a few days last week in Ottawa with the latter's father.

Coletta and Vincent McNellis, of Morris, visited relatives and friends around here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ryan and sons, of Ransom, were the guests of Wm. O'Neill Friday night and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wassom and son returned to their home in Streator Friday after spending the holidays with her parents.

About twenty-five friends gathered at the home of Barth Murphy's Wednesday evening and indulged in card playing. At midnight a delightful lunch was served by the guests. After a late hour all returned home. All reported a good time and the host and hostess royal entertainers.

## GOODFARM

Nicholas Neville's sale was well attended.

William Hoedock is on the sick list at this writing.

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Harry Wilson was a caller at Harry Crane's Sunday.

Peter Ricky spent Tuesday evening with George Burkhardt.

William Fillman returned to his home in Dexter, Ia., Friday.

Miss Lois Weber spent a few days at the home of Chas. Fillman.

Mr. Geo. Rogers spent New Year's with his brother, Chas. Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Newlin returned to their home in Decatur Tuesday.

Miss Ada Lewis spent Wednesday night with Mrs. Chas. Burkhardt.

Mrs. Mary Burkhardt is visiting with her son, Mr. Will Burkhardt.

Mr. Chas. Burkhardt left Friday for Iowa and Nebraska to visit friends.

Miss Ollie Rogers spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Grace Walker.

Mr. Chas. Rogers returned home Tuesday after a visit in Effingham, Ill. Mrs. Anna Hoedock spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Will Burkhardt. Mrs. Chas. Rogers and daughters visited with Mrs. Grace Burkhardt Friday.

Mrs. A. J. Burkhardt spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Klinefelter.

Fred Pfeiffer, Martin Hoffman and James Thorpe transacted business at Mazon Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hornberger took New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Kramer.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burkhardt took New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Klinefelter.

Mrs. Tinsman's brother, Prof. W. A. Sheaffer, left Friday morning for his home in Milwaukee.

Mr. Chas. Rogers and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Paxton New Year's evening.

Miss Alice Bowers returned to her school work at Naperville after a two weeks' visit with her parents.

Misses Beatrice and Della Nelson and Misses Ollie and Florence Rogers spent Sunday with Mrs. Chas. Burkhardt.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Burkhardt spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Williamson, of near Dwight.

Misses Ella, Anna and Lillie Fillman and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rogers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Klinefelter.

Mr. C. Waters and family and Mr. and Mrs. Button took New Year's dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fornie Tinsman.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ziebul and Mr. and Mrs. James Williams took New Year's dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wheeler.

Chas. Rogers left Tuesday morning for Toledo, Ohio, where he was sent as a delegate to the four days' biennial session of the A. O. G. A. J. Burkhardt and John Thorpe accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Crane gave a watch party at their home Wednesday evening about fifteen guests being present. The evening was spent very merrily. A sumptuous lunch consisting of sandwiches, cake and coffee was served. After the New Year was welcomed in the guests departed for their homes, declaring Mr. and Mrs. Crane royal entertainers.

Mrs. R. S. Frost, an old and respected citizen of Goodfarm, died at her daughter's home in Evanston, Ill., where she has made her home since the death of her husband, on New Year's Day. The funeral was held at the home of Mr. Jas. Horrie in Gardner, Jan. 2. Internment at Wheeler cemetery. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Emma Hooper, of Goodfarm, and Miss Cora Frost, of Evanston, Ill.

Schools resumed work Monday after the holiday vacation.

Mrs. W. A. Rose was among Streator shoppers Wednesday.

The A. O. G. installation of officers will be held Thursday, Jan. 15.

Miss Josephine McCabe spent from Thursday till Sunday with Ada Lewis.

Plans are being made for the Verona Masonic banquet, the evening of Jan. 13.

Mrs. D. Lewis was among Streator passengers Saturday, returning Monday.

Several relatives from here attended the Small-Trimmer wedding at Marseilles Wednesday noon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rose spent Sunday at the home of their son, Arthur and family, near Morris.

A number from this vicinity attended the H. Urbaine auction sale Tuesday and the Menough Bros live stock, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Neville, of Kankakee, spent Friday with relatives here and attended the auction sale held by N. Neville.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thorpe and daughter, Lottie, and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Thorpe were among the guests at New Year's dinner at the Fellingham home.

Theo. Snodgrass and family moved into the house near the Thorpe school Monday, known as the O'Melia place. Theo. will work for Cusick Bros. the coming season.

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Glenn entertained a number of little friends in honor of their four sons. The party was a complete surprise for Glenn brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Connell, of Coal City, and little daughter took New Year's dinner and remained until Sunday with the former's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davies.

Alvin DeLong, after four years employment at the home of W. I. Kilmer, went to his home in Bradley, Ill., to spend the winter months, till spring work begins, when he intends making his home in Goodfarm again.

About thirty neighbors and friends were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Crane Wednesday evening of last week to watch the old year out and welcome 1914. Refreshments were served and the evening enjoyed by all.

Wm. Fillman returned to his home in Dexter, Ia., Friday evening, after spending the holidays with relatives and friends here. Chas. Burkhardt accompanied him as far as Dexter and from there will go to Lincoln, Neb., to attend to business transactions.

Prof. Wm. Schaffer, of Milwaukee, has been a recent guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. F. A. Tinsman, who he had not seen nor chanced to visit since ten years ago. The meeting

proved one of pleasure, as Mr. and Mrs. Tinsman will soon be moving from our vicinity to Finley, Ohio, where they have purchased a farm. Mr. and Mrs. Tinsman will be greatly missed from our midst, for we lose a most friendly, social and willing neighbor. Their sale will be held on the Allen Preston farm, Jan. 15.

Word was received by telegram, by relatives of Mrs. John Fellingham, nee Mary Glenn, notifying them of her death which occurred at 4 o'clock a. m. Monday. About seven years ago the deceased was committed to the state hospital at Kankakee, and of late has been failing fast in health. The body was brought to Mazon Tuesday to the home of the deceased's mother, Mrs. Eliza Glenn, from where the funeral was held Thursday at 2 o'clock with interment at Ward cemetery, where an infant daughter was laid to rest a few years ago. The husband, daughter, mother, brothers and sisters, of Mazon and Vienna townships, survive. A brother, Harry Glenn, of Oklahoma, is here to attend the funeral.

## KINSMAN

Mr. Pat Cosgrove spent New Year's with home folks in Morris.

Mrs. Lou Coveney spent Saturday at the Coveney home in Joliet.

Miss Bridget Creed spent Wednesday with her father in Joliet.

Miss Josie McCabe spent Saturday and Sunday at the Ed. Ryan home.

Mr. P. L. Gallagher, of Chicago, transacted business here on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Holleran spent New Year's with his parents in Campus.

Mr. William Gaylord, of Joliet, transacted business here on Wednesday.

Mrs. T. J. Harty and Miss Catherine O'Connell were Streator visitors Tuesday.

The W. C. O. F. held their meeting and election of officers on Tuesday evening.

Miss Gertrude Mahaffey spent Tuesday with Mrs. Will Phelan, south of town.

Mr. Andrew Anderson, of Seneca, visited his sister, Mrs. Sam Baker, on Monday.

Misses Mary Rosendahl and Esther Davidson were Streator visitors on Monday.

Miss Mary Mahaffey spent Tuesday with her aunt, Mrs. E. Wright, at Ransom.

Miss Julia McCabe spent New Year's with her mother, Mrs. J. McCabe, at Streator.

Miss Nellie Ryan spent Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Matt Roach, at Streator.

Miss Nell Cosgrove, of Morris, spent New Year's with her sister, Mrs. Dan O'Connell.

Mr. Frank Colteaux, of Bloomington, was a business caller here on Wednesday.

Miss Letitia McCloskey spent a few days of last week with Miss Etta Connor at Joliet.

Mrs. John Halpin spent from Thursday until Sunday with her sister, Mrs. F. Sheppard.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Walsh and family spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Doskey.

Several of our Kinsmanites attended the A. O. H. dance at Dwight on New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney and children spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Harty.

Miss Clare Connor, of Joliet, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Pat McCambridge, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Phelan spent New Year's with his mother, Mrs. J. Phelan, at Streator.

Miss Anna Ryan returned home on Saturday after a two weeks' visit with relatives in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Dawson, of Chicago, spent New Year's with his mother, Mrs. H. Dawson.

Mr. Earl Donelson left for Upland, Ind., on Monday after a two weeks' visit at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Connors, of Brookfield, spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. Will Harty.

Mr. and Mrs. Rosendahl, of Seneca, spent this week with their son, Gus and wife, south of town.

Messrs. Will Johnson and Fred Luhn of North Dakota, spent last week at the Gus Rosendahl home.

Mr. Mark Walsh and sister, Mary, of Langham, spent New Year's with their sister, Mrs. J. R. Dunn.

Mrs. Geo. Lowney, Misses Hannah Welsh, Collette Underhill, Anna De

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