

Man found guilty of assault today in history

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July 17, 1904: Thomas Bandy Found Guilty of Assaulting Moses Eversoll — Thomas Bandy, charged with assault with intent to kill Moses Eversoll at Kanorado, April 23, was found guilty of the charge in the district court last Saturday, and on Monday afternoon Bandy was sentenced to a term in the penitentiary.

Not many people were in the court room when Judge Smith called Bandy forward, and save the questioning by the judge on the man before him, it was painfully still, the audience hanging breathlessly on every syllable spoken.

The judge explained to Bandy that the punishment about to be decreed was not imposed with the sense of malice or hatred toward him on the part of society, but that an act of violence by one man upon another was forbidden by law, and where over ridden, society has decreed punishment.

Such a course was not followed, the prisoner was given to understand, simply to carry out the old doctrine of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth, but as much for example to others of the majesty and sacredness of the law, and to emphasize the idea of personal protection, which the government has vouched safe to its people.

The statutory punishment in this case provides confinement in the penitentiary for a period of not more than five years nor less than one. Under the new law, the judge does not pass a specific sentence within the limits prescribed, but simply sends the convicted to the penitentiary, who may be paroled by a board of pardons at any time after the minimum term has run.

Bandy will have to serve one year, and after that there is a great

probability he will be paroled, as this is his first criminal offense, what was committed under great excitement and a feeling of provocation, and he will have the good sense to demean himself properly meanwhile.

Bandy was living in Grant township, and his wife with her two little children will have to hold down the homestead and work hard for a living in the absence of her husband. Sheriff Bradley took him to Lansing Tuesday night on No. 10.

The story of the Bandy-Eversoll trouble has been printed in these columns before and was thoroughly recounted in court. It remains to say that it was an unfortunate affair between citizens of this county, and while neither of the men can be excused, Bandy made a serious mistake in using his knife upon his opponent in the fight.

The prosecution was conducted by county attorney Murphy, and Bandy was defended by John Hartzler of Salina and Arch L. Taylor of Colby.

July 18, 1904: Miss Cecil Sigman, hello girl at the central office, has quit her work and will be succeeded by Miss Stella Filer. For the present, Miss Myra Bartholomew is in charge of central.

July 19, 1904: Vernon, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. John Arendt, was thrown from his pet burro and rendered unconscious by the fall. A physician was called, and after the boy came to, an examination showed that one of his shoulder blades was cracked.

Vernon was riding his burro in the southwest part of town when some boys made a rush at the animal, causing him to throw his rider. This

is not the first time that mischievous boys have tried to make the burro throw Vernon, thoughtless of the grave consequences that might follow.

Mr. Arendt has seen the authorities about the matter, and a repetition of the offense will be followed by prosecution.

July 20, 1904: County Commissioners to Prosecute Offenders — It is hereby ordered by the board of county commissioners of Sherman County, that any and all persons shall keep off from and not climb upon the court house, windmill or other county buildings, or crawl or walk upon the roof of the same, except persons duly authorized to do so when making necessary repairs or looking after and caring for said buildings and windmill.

It is further ordered that all persons are prohibited from, and shall not break, cut or climb any tree or trees in the court yard of Sherman County, except such person or persons who are duly authorized to do so in caring for said trees.

It is further ordered that the janitor, or the duly appointed person appointed to look after and care for said mill, trees, or buildings, shall file a complaint with a justice of the peace against any person violating or forgoing orders; the fine for which offense has a maximum of one hundred dollars. By order of the board of commissioners, Sherman County.

Alfred Prewitt, County Clerk.
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The Palmgrens 50 years ago



The Palmgrens today

Couple to together 50 years

LaVelle and Erma Palmgren will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, July 31, 2004.

They were married at the parsonage in Levant on July 31, 1954.

They have four daughters, Deneyce (Mike) Bahe and Lorie (Mike) Garrett of Goodland, Lynette (Greg) Calvin of Wiley, Colo., and Debra (Stephen) Bear of Levant, and seven grandchildren.

The daughters are requesting a card shower for their parents at 529 County Road N, Levant, Kan. 67743.

The family will celebrate the anniversary in Branson, Mo.

Colby rodeo seeking queen, princess candidates

The Thomas County Rodeo is taking entries for the Queen and Princess contest Friday, July 30, until Friday, July 23.

Queens ages 17-23; princess, 14-16; and junior princesses ages, 10-13, by July 1 who are residents of northwest Kansas are eligible.

Contestants will be judged in horsemanship, interview, speech and modeling.

A trophy saddle will be awarded to the queen along with belt buckles for the queen and princesses. Prizes will also be awarded for horsemanship, ticket sales and

speech and modeling.

The Queen and Princess will be crowned on Tuesday, Aug. 3, at the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association rodeo.

For entry forms, call Marie Skolout at (785) 586-2228 or email june@st-tel.net.

matters of record

Municipal Traffic

The following traffic fines have been paid in Municipal Court:

June 16 — Alfred M. Pershall, 30, of Sharon Springs, was fined \$336 for no proof of insurance and \$40 for illegal registration.

Dennis Wolfrum, Jr., 32, of Goodland was fined \$276 for telephone harassment.

Patricia L. O'Brien, 63, of Goodland was fined \$300 for no proof of insurance and \$76 for failure to yield to emergency vehicle.

June 17 — Renea A. Peterson, 22, of Goodland was fined \$76 for illegal registration.

June 18 — Timothy R. Dudley, 28, of Goodland was fined \$76 for illegal registration.

June 22 — Charles A. Hall, 19, of Benkelman, Neb., was fined \$92 for speeding 54/40.

June 23 — Douglas D. Bauman, 39, of Topeka was fined \$636 for driving while a habitual violator, as declared by the State of Kansas.

Joseph J. Eli, 23, of Goodland was fined \$76 for speeding 39/30.

Trudy J. Unruh, 50, of Sharon Springs was fined \$84 for speeding 42/30.

Angela L. Delano, 22, of Goodland was fined \$236 for driving while suspended, \$40 for disobeying a stop sign and \$300 for no proof of insurance and was sentenced to 5 days of jail, suspended.

June 25 — Cassandra S. Dawdy, 25, of Goodland was fined \$76 for parking without current registration.

Rebecca Aguilar, 21, of Goodland was fined \$92 for speeding 44/30.

June 28 — Ali Raza Shibzada, 24, of Chicago, Ill., was fined \$76 for improper passing.

July 6 — William J. Weisshaar, 30, of Goodland was fined \$76 for failure to yield.

July 7 — Morita G. Truman, 44, of St. Francis was fined \$10 for a seat belt violation.

Real Estate

The following real estate transactions were reported by the Sherman County Register of Deeds:

Sky Michael Hoffman, of Allen County, to Roy W. Cummings the south 10 feet, Lot 7, all of Lot 8 and 9, Block 10, Third Addition to the City of Goodland.

Joseph D. Foster, Sr., and Barbara Marie Foster, of Jackson County, Mo., to Joseph D. Foster, Sr., and Barbara Marie Foster all of the SE/4, Sec. 4, T8S, R39W.

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