

# Three arrested at 'resort' fined for disturbing peace

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**November 30, 1905:** Court News — Cases In Police Court — Inmates of Resort and Andrew Frydendall Fined — Edith Lister, Mabel Norton and Andrew Frydendall, three of the five persons who were arrested in connection with the trouble at the resort last week, against whom a charge of disturbing the peace was brought, were arraigned before Police Judge Sapp at 8 o'clock last Thursday and each of them fined \$20 and costs, which totaled an assessment of \$28.50 upon each offender.

They didn't have the "where-with-all" to pay just then and were taken back to county prison. Later, they secured the money and were released. Frydendall denied being intoxicated but was fined upon one of the particulars in the charge, that of frequenting a bawdy house. (Historic Note: In early Goodland, "resort" was the name used for a house of prostitution.)

Justice of Peace Cases — PUT UNDER \$2,000 BOND — Fred Prewitt and Grace Sterling Held For Trial — Charged With Assault and Attempt to Kill Frank L. Coffin — Injured Man Recovering — Grace

## today in history

Sterling, keeper of the north side resort, who inflicted a bullet wound upon the body of Frank L. Coffin last Wednesday night, and Fred Prewitt, who, it is charged, had a hand in the fight in which Coffin was shot and bruised, were arranged before Justice of Peace H.H. Floyd last Thursday.

The case was adjourned for preliminary trial to the next day and then continued until Monday of this week, when a continuance was again granted by the court until December 27.

The bond for the appearance of the defendants was placed at \$2,000 each. Prewitt secured bail, but Grace Sterling is in custody for the want of the necessary bond.

Coffin is recovering from the wound, which was the most feared by the doctors. Thursday afternoon he was brought to Dr. Farrow's office, where a search for the imbedded bullet was made with the doctor's x-ray machine.

The bullet entered the right thigh and ranged upward, but the x-ray showed no trace of the ball, although

the physicians could clearly see the femur and the pelvic bones. It is thought that the bullet lies so close to the boon, or is so imbedded in one of them, that it cannot be found with the Rontgen light.

Aftermath of the District Court — The district court adjourned Thursday afternoon. Just before adjourning, the court disposed of the two criminal cases which were brought before it during the last hours.

Clyde A. Brown was sentenced to one to five years in the Hutchinson reformatory, and F. Irons to one to five years in the Lansing penitentiary. The discrimination as to the place of confinement was on account of the ages of the young men, and if Irons had given his age as one year younger, he would have doubtless received the benefit of the Hutchinson reformatory. Both were cases of grand larceny, stealing from the railroad.

**December 1, 1905:** Tom Pickenpugh has leased the Coffin

billiard hall on South Boulevard and will put in three new tables and a cigar stand. Tom was employed on the railroad and is favorably known. For several years he has had the asthma, which incapacitated him for work on the road. This new venture enables him to stay indoors.

**December 2, 1905:** Poor Farm Brought \$1,725 — The "poor farm," belonging to Sherman County, situated nine miles west of Goodland, was sold at auction sale at the court house and brought the handsome price of \$1,725 or almost \$11 per acre.

This property consists of 159 acres, improved to the extent of an ordinary dwelling house, a wire fence on three sides and cultivated land. The county commissioners who conducted the sale of the place had it auctioned to the highest bidder.

Sheriff George Bradley was the auctioneer, and he had among the crowd of prospective buyers two spirited bidders, William Seyler and E. J. Dawson, the latter being the manager of the poor farm.

They continued "killing" each

other's bids until the \$1,725 mark was reached, when Seyler dropped out and Dawson was declared to be the purchaser of the place.

The terms of the sale were: one half cash, the other half on time with interest. Mr. Dawson gave the commissioners a check for half of the amount and accepted the privilege of paying the rest on the time provision.

The "poor farm" was purchased by the county commissioners a number of years ago and has been unhandy by reason of its distance from Goodland. It lies only a mile from Ruleton, and is considered to be a choice farm. About 100 acres of the land has been well tilled by Mr. Dawson, and last season he raised a mammoth crop of wheat on the "poor farm."

The money derived from this sale will be used to build a commodious house on the old fair grounds just north of Goodland, where the county has 40 acres of ground.

In the near future, the board of commissioners will perhaps receive bids from the carpenters of Goodland for the construction of a

home for the future poor of Sherman County — if such a condition is imaginable where land is still so cheap and the opportunities of earning a livelihood are so great.

In spite of opportunity, the old saying that "the poor ye have with you always" will no doubt prove true.

At the present time, there is but one inmate of the country poor house, Mrs. Moran, upon whose pathway the more common fortunes of this world have scarcely fallen. She has toiled and wrought in her day, but who can tell what the morrow will bring in the matter of riches, which frequently and unexpectedly take wings and fly away.

The ideal state is where none are rich and all have plenty, but states in fact are not ideal, and it is a good omen among men to see that the homeless are housed and an honest hunger fed.

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## Christmas tree can be fire-free focal point

As youths growing up in western Kansas, Christmas was the event of the year for my siblings and me. We looked forward to it from the first Christmas catalog to Christmas morning and savored it for days after.



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We enjoyed the gift giving, but more than that, we enjoyed the festive mood during the season. Everything was decorated, the yard, the house and, of course, a big tree in the front window.

The tree was the center point — activities started and ended there. I never gave much thought to that tree at the time, but looking back, I realize it was the centerpiece of our holiday. Look at your Christmas photos, and I'll bet you find it in many of them.

More than likely, that tree in your home started on a tree farm as seed stock. It was planted, watered, weeded around and pruned just to serve as the centerpiece in your home.

The selection of that centerpiece and the care you give it will help insure that you and your family have, not only a great focal point for gatherings, but also a Christmas safe from fire hazards in the house.

Start off by selecting the right tree; select as fresh a tree as possible. Many tree vendors can tell you how long the tree has been cut or where it came from. Trees cut locally last weeks longer than those shipped in from far-away tree farms.

Select your tree early in the vendor's season. If they get several

shipments in the season, try to select from the latest shipment. By doing this, you are trying to keep the time short from the cutting to the water stand. A long stint in a Christmas tree lot with wind and sun will really dry out harvested evergreens.

When you get the tree home, give it a "wash-down" before taking it indoors. A gentle hosing to remove dust also helps re-hydrate conifer needles.

Cut several inches off the tree stump before setting it in water. A harvested evergreen's wound oozes a sticky pitch that soon solidifies and clogs the trunk's pores. Unless that area is removed, the tree can't re-hydrate when put in a water-filled tree stand.

Keep the water stand replenished with water on a regular basis. Do not let it go dry because when a tree dries beyond a certain point, it will not re-hydrate, even if it looks green and its tree stand water is replenished.

Place the tree at least three or more feet beyond a heat source. Vents and registers generate both heat and "wind."

Do not leave the tree lights on for long periods unattended or when you are sleeping.

After Christmas, it is time to remove the tree. Dry evergreens are very flammable and should be disposed off properly.

Merry Christmas!

## Worship warms the heart



**Calvary Gospel Church**  
 Pastor: Steve Rains, Ben Coats, youth pastor  
 Fourth & College • 890-3605  
**Sunday:** Kid's Church: 10:30 am  
 Morning Service: 10:30 am  
 Evening Service: 5:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Adult mid-week service: 7:00 p.m.  
 Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.  
 Small Group Ministries meets throughout the week.  
[www.calvarygospel.net](http://www.calvarygospel.net)

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help**  
 Pastor: Father Norbert Dlabal  
 307 W. 13th • 890-7205  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
 4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment  
**Mass Schedule:**  
 Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am  
**Spanish Mass:**  
 Sunday: 4 pm

**Sonrise Christian Church**  
 Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398  
**Minister:** Charles E. Kerr, Jr.  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9:30 am  
 Sunday School: 10:45 am  
 Team Puppeteers: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:**  
 Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm  
 Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm  
 Jets, 4th grade and under: 3:30 - 4:30

**Word of Life  
 Joursquare Church**  
 10th & Clark • 899-5250  
**Pastor:** John Coumerilh  
**Service Schedule:**  
**Sunday:** Worship Celebration  
 and Kids' Church: 10:30 am  
 First Wednesday: K.W.A.M.!  
 Grades 1 through 5: 7 p.m.

**Pleasant Home Church**  
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**Pastor:** Charlie Busch  
 694-2242  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9 am  
 Sunday School: 10 am  
 Evening Service: 6 pm

**Bible Baptist Church**  
 Pastor: Michael Estep  
 Fifth & Broadway  
 890-7368  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
 Morning Service: 10 am  
 Evening Service: 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

**Church of Jesus Christ  
 of Latter-Day Saints**  
 1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO  
 (719) 346-7984  
**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 am  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 am  
**Priesthood/Relief Society:** 12 am

**Iglesia Del Dios Vivo**  
 La Luz Del Mundo  
 Spanish Speaking Church  
**Minister:** Esteban Ortiz B.  
 1601 Texas • 899-5275  
**Daily Prayer:** Sunday thru  
 Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am

**United Methodist Church  
 Brewster:**  
**Pastor:**  
 Worship Service: 10:45 am CST  
 Sunday School: 9:45 am CST  
**Winona:**  
**Minister:** Rev. Bob Winters  
 Worship Service: 9 am CST  
 Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

**First Christian Church  
 (Disciples of Christ)**  
**Pastor:** Rev. Ted Amos  
 Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 10:30 am  
**Sunday School:** 9:15 a.m.  
**Activities:** Junior High & High School Youth Groups,  
 Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups,  
 Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship  
**Special Notice:** Handicap Accessible, Hearing  
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**Kanorado  
 United Methodist  
 Church**  
**Pastor:** Leonard Cox  
 399-2468  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
 Worship Service: 10:15 am

**Church of the Nazarene**  
**Pastor:** Bob Willis  
 Third & Caldwell  
 899-2080 or 899-3797  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 am  
 Worship Service: 10:50 am  
 Evening Service: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Service: 7 pm

**First United Methodist Church**  
 1116 Sherman  
 899-3631  
**Pastor:** Rev. Janet Hernandez  
**Saturday:** Informal Worship: 5:30 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
 Worship Service: 10:30 am

**Goodland Bible Church**  
 109 Willow Road • 899-6400  
**Pastor:** Chad DeJong  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship: 10:45 am  
 Evening Worship: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** AWANA (Winter)  
 and prayer: 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church**  
**Pastor:** Travis Blake  
 Fifth & Center • 890-3450  
**Sunday:** Sunday School for all ages:  
 9:15 am (Child care provided)  
 Morning Worship: 10:30 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible study 7 p.m.  
 Call church for information  
**Thursday:** Bible study 9:30 a.m.  
 Wheatridge Center

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
 13th & Center  
 Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969  
**Priest:** Father Hal Lycett  
**Holy Eucharist:** 10:00 a.m. Sunday  
 10:00 a.m. Thursday  
**Morning Prayer:** 8:00 a.m. Wed. - Sun.  
 For emergencies Wed. - Sun. 890-6969  
 Sr. Warden for emergencies  
 Mon. and Tues. 890-3320

**Harvest Evangelical  
 Free Church**  
 104 E. Hwy. 24 • 890-7918  
**Pastor:** Brian Fugleberg  
**Sunday:** Worship: 9:30 am  
 Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Youth group  
 meets at 7 p.m.  
 at Scherlings', 827 Caldwell.

**Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
 1160 Cattletrail  
**Pastor:** Jim Martin  
**Saturday:** Sabbath School: 9:30 am  
 Worship Service: 11 am

**Emmanuel Lutheran Church**  
 13th & Sherman • 890-6161  
**Pastor:** Scott Grimshaw  
**Sunday:** Christian eduction/fellowship:  
 10:15 a.m.  
 Worship Service: 9 am  
**Wednesday:** Confirmation: 6 pm

**Church of Christ**  
 401 Caldwell  
 890-6185  
**Sunday:** Bible Study: 9:45 am  
 Worship Service: 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study: 7 pm

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