

OFFICERS ON HOT TRAILS

MANY DETERMINED MEN ARE IN THE SADDLE FOLLOWING TRACKS OF MURDER SUSPECTS.

The Man Supposed To Have Fired the Shots, Terminating Lives of Sheriffs Morris and Glover, Is Evidently Making Bold Effort To Reach the Border.

LATEST AND MOST AUTHENTIC INFORMATION PLACES LEADER OF THE DESPERATE GANG IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF CAMPBELLTON.

Indications Are That the Parties To Escape At the Time Of the Schnabel Ranch Fight Have Separated--Seguin Hears of Shooting At Belmont--Governor Sayers Has Offered Rewards.

Runge, Tex., June 17.-(Special.)—Constable J. A. Gilliland and several citizens returned this evening from the chase of the Mexicans who are supposed to have killed Sheriffs Morris and Glover. He says that the house at which Sheriff Glover was killed contained every imaginable article, including 500 rounds of large cartridges. He also says that the pursuers were on a hot trail late yesterday evening, but that the fugitive had all the advantage, as he was being supplied with fresh horses all the time. The Mexican is thought to have crossed the San Antonio river last night and eaten supper near the Thornton ranch, near Floresville, where he also got a fresh horse and headed for Pleasanton. He is being hotly pursued by both officers and citizens. Sheriff Taylor and posse from Orellad county passed through here this evening headed for Campbellton in the hope of intercepting the Mexican.

Governor Has Offered Reward For Arrests

Gonzales, Tex., June 17.-(Special.)—At 1 p. m. a telephone message was received by Mr. J. W. Ramsay from Joe Orchard at Stockdale, stating that he, two deputies and two rangers were on a hot trail of one of the parties wanted for the murder of Sheriffs Glover and Morris.

The Governor has offered a reward of \$300 for the apprehension of each. The man captured at Ottine yesterday, when one was killed and one wounded, was brought to town at noon today and lodged in jail.

Excitement runs very high. The death of several persons in different parts of the country are reported, but cannot be confirmed.

Deputy Swift of Cuero and posse are on the trail of a Mexican in Mayes county. Sheriff Sparks struck a clue near Oak Forest and is following it in Karnes.

Another trail is followed in Wilson county by a Smiley posse.

Commissioners' court has met and regularly appointed F. M. Fly sheriff, who has appointed all the deputies of Sheriff Glover.

Further Details Of

Glover's Fatal Fight

Seguin, Tex., June 17.-(Special)—Sheriff Duke and several deputies returned from the scene of the killing of Sheriff Glover and Henry Schnabel this morning.

He reports that 800 men, thoroughly armed are on the scene of the trouble, including a number of sheriffs and officials from adjacent counties.

In the excitement surrounding the first reports sent out, the name Tony instead of Henry Schnabel was given as the one who fell with Sheriff Glover.

Tony Schnabel was not injured in the fight. His brother Henry fell dead with a bullet wound through the brain.

A correspondent of The Express has just returned from the scene of the unfortunate affair. The house, an ordinary country settlement house, is located near the center of Henry Schnabel's ranch of about 2000 acres. It is on the summit of a hill surrounded on every side by a dense thicket of brush and undergrowth.

It is a mile to the nearest residence (that of Henry Schnabel). The outlaws could not have selected a better location to carry into execution their purpose.

In the fight Friday night there were, as reported, eight on each side. Sheriff Glover headed the officers, who attacked the house and demanded the surrender of the Mexicans. His response was the shot which killed Henry Schnabel. He immediately from his horse drew his rifle and one cartridge was found discharged. Reports are conflicting as to whether this shot was fired before or after the fatal shot which brought him to the ground.

Oscar Swift, of DeWitt county, who was with the posse, displayed great nerve about this time, when he entered the window of the hut in which the Mexicans were concealed. Everyone from

the surrounding country of the unfortunate affair, commends his bravery in the highest terms.

Glover was shot from a wagon, as previously reported, and none of the posse had anticipated any trouble from that point. Upon the announcement of the killing of Glover, his posse was completely demoralized for a time.

It was at this stage that three of the eight who formed a part of the Mexicans escaped. It was already in the early part of the night when the fight began, and regardless of the fact that the Mexicans were thoroughly equipped with arms and ammunition, only thirty shots were fired on both sides.

The Mexicans had, as was afterward discovered, eight of the latest improved 20x30 Martini-Henry rifles.

Five of these guns were captured besides a tin jarful of cartridges which were in the center of the room where Officer Swift entered.

The Mexicans who escaped are said to be men who have the law-abiding Mexicans of this section terrorized, and many realize that to give any information concerning their whereabouts would be at the sacrifice of their lives.

Friday night (as reported in Sunday's paper,) the boy was hung until life was apparently extinct, for the purpose of frightening him into giving information. The rope was cut and he was for a while unconscious. Upon return to consciousness when asked for the desired information he said, "Hang me again."

The location of the Schnabel ranch is about six miles from Belmont and about 24 miles from Seguin. It is nearly the same distance from Gonzales and Luling or any telegraph station. It is in a sandy country, surrounded by dense thickets and chaparral. There are no public roads, which make greatly to the disadvantage of the officers. They have that dense thicket in which to make their search which covers a large portion of Guadalupe, Gonzales, Wilson and Karnes counties. The Mexicans are well acquainted throughout that section, and have kept their fellow men in fear of them for years. This makes the possibilities of their escape more favorable.

Regardless of the fact that several press reporters can see no probability of their early capture on account of the location of the surrounding country.

After the shooting Friday night, one of the Mexicans escaped without his shoes. At some time during the night, he returned to the house, having cut up his vest and made sandals thereof. He got his shoes and made good his escape. This was after the house had been surrounded and prisoners captured, which gives some idea as to the denseness of the thickets of that section.

Reports Reach Seguin

Of More Shooting

Seguin, Tex., June 17.-(Special)—One man hung, one shot to death, one wounded by rifle shot and one with skull fractured by a rifle barrel is the latest to reach here from the vicinity of Belmont.

The party hung was supposed to have harbored the slayers of Glover and Schnabel. He steadfastly refused after being swung up by the neck to give information concerning the movements of the parties.

It is said about 200 men were in the crowd who participated in this.

The shooting is said to have been the result of resistance of persons whose detention was desired.

Officers Working Hard

To Effect Capture

Floresville, Tex., June 17.-(Special)—Considerable excitement prevails here in regard to the much wanted Mexican, who killed Sheriff Morris of Karnes county, and is supposed to have also killed Sheriff Glover of Gonzales county.

Many rumors are afloat, one of them being that he was seen by Postmaster Neuhauer a mile or two from town Sunday evening; another is that the Mexican ate supper with a camper west of the river Sunday night.

Two posse left here today, one headed by Sheriff Heathcock and the other by Lieutenant Wright of the Ranger force. One of the posse on the trail for several days came in today, having in charge a Mexican arrested at Stockdale, who, it

is charged with having furnished the Mexican with a horse.

The party obtained fresh horses and pushed on west.

The Mexican changes horses when the opportunity offers and a report came in this morning that an attempt was made to steal a horse at the Thornton ranch. A horse was stolen about three miles from Floresville Sunday night.

It is hoped that the posse, which left here today will capture the Mexican, but many people are of the opinion that the fugitive is too far ahead and will reach the Rio Grande before he can be intercepted.

Later news has been received here that three men have seen the Mexican want to today south of Campbellton on the mare stolen from here.

A posse of eleven from Campbellton are not far behind him. It is said by those familiar with that country that if he is not overtaken before night he will escape.

Mexican Is Making

Break For Rio Grande

Yoakum, Tex., June 17.-(Special)—A posse composed of I. W. Griffith of Shiner, Sheriff Davis of Wharton, Attorney Nixon and Marshal Johnston of Gonzales, passed through here on today's train for Falls City, where they have arranged to be met with four good horses and will leave immediately in pursuit of one of the Mexicans who killed Sheriffs Glover and Morris, who is fleeing southward.

Mr. Nixon stated that the gang of Mexicans had separated, one going south and probably heading for Mexico.

He was seen late yesterday afternoon in Houston's pasture, on the Gonzales and Wilson county line and later going south.

He is cutting all wire fences on his route in his wild chase to escape to the border.

A posse from Karnes county was said to be in hot pursuit this morning.

The other Mexicans are going north, from Gonzales county towards Austin and are thought to be headed for Manor.

Deputy Sheriff Oscar Swift of DeWitt county, Sheriff Saunders of Caldwell county and Davis and White of Austin are among the posse in pursuit of them.

Bee County Citizens

Are Wrought Up

Beeville, Tex., June 16.—Sheriff John E. Wilson of this county left yesterday for the scene of the murder of Sheriff Glover of Gonzales county to assist in the capture of the Mexican who is supposed to have slain two of the most popular and efficient officers in the State within a week.

Messages received from Sheriff Wilson last night were to the effect that all trace of the Mexican had been lost.

The unprecedented crime continues to be the entire subject of conversation here and a large posse could be raised at this place in a few moments if it was thought they could be of any service in the capture of the murderer.

A number of Mexicans here are well acquainted with the slayer of the two sheriffs, and they say he has always been looked upon by the Mexicans as a dangerous man.

It is thought that this killing will lead to the clearing out of a large gang of Mexicans who have for several years been stealing horses in this part of the State as well as committing many other depredations.

Badly Wanted Man

Heading For Border

Karnes City, Tex., June 17.-(Special)—Late reports from the posse who are following the supposed murderer of Sheriffs Morris and Glover is to the effect that the Mexican had passed within a few miles of Campbellton and that the posse were only two hours behind.

All the lower country has been notified from here by wire to be on the lookout and strong hopes are entertained that he will be captured.

Several posse left here today for Campbellton, where they expect to take the trail of the Mexican and follow him to the river before they quit.

The published description of the Mexican most wanted is not correct. He is about six feet tall; large frame but not muscular; sharp face; light skin, dark hair; mustache; heavy eyebrows; Roman nose; rather intelligent looking.

First deputy under Sheriff Morris, W. C. Hunter, was today appointed sheriff to fill the vacancy caused by the murder of Sheriff Morris.

Interment of Sheriff

Glover At Smiley

Gonzales, Tex., June 17.-(Special)—County commissioners' court assembled yesterday and appointed F. M. Fly sheriff to succeed R. M. Glover, to serve till the full court can meet.

Mr. Fly has served as chief deputy for many years and will make an efficient officer.

Mr. Glover was a very vigilant, brave and efficient officer and no man in the county had more friends than he.

His body was viewed by hundreds of his friends yesterday before the funeral train left for Smiley, his old home.

The services were conducted by Rev. Geo. Lucy. Members of the L. O. O. F. and Woodmen, of both lodges of which he was a member, went to Smiley to assist. He leaves a wife and six little children.

Robert Benton Was

Shot By Mistake

Kenedy, Tex., June 16.—On yesterday evening news came over the wires that the Mexican who killed Sheriffs Morris and Glover had turned back and was coming this way.

Several parties of armed men turned

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