

Search for suspect in death of Nunn was unsuccessful

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five Kentuckians in the hills looking for the murderer." In any case, Harris was definitely "off the case" by the 15th of September, when he was sentenced to jail and fined \$10 and costs for "beating his aged grandmother." She appeared in court on his behalf and he promised to leave Bloomington and never return "as long as life remained." Nevertheless, the judge was tired of his shenanigans and sent him off to the "Jones Club."

Meanwhile, there were reports that Scarbaugh had been seen in Kentucky, a likely place since he still had relatives there. According to one source, he was able to hop an Illinois Central Railroad freight train at Elwren. Henry Nunn's Kentucky relatives had sworn vengeance, a fact that would have made it uncomfortable for Scarbaugh in Warren County.

By the 31st of September, the *Telephone* informed its readers that Bloomington and Monroe County lawmen had given up the hope of finding the fugitive. Commented the newspaper, "That Scarbaugh did not leave the Consolidated neighborhood until he was supplied with

money and clothing is known by the officers. The man was able to see his wife and sister and make preparations for his flight. The police think their movements were spied on Wednesday and Thursday by pals of Scarbaugh as two or three men, known to be pals, were much in evidence in town and about police headquarters."

Despite the discouragement of the police, the widow and brother of Henry Nunn appeared at the station with a \$50 cash reward for the capture of Scarbaugh "dead or alive." Local officers matched it.

Incredible, in the same edition of the *Telephone* — on another page — another article attributed an opposite opinion. Said the second reporter, "The Nunn's believe that Scarbaugh is still hiding in the hills about the Consolidated quarry . . . The police are also inclined to hold this theory . . ."

Whether or not the suspect could be found, the machinery of the law had to account for the sudden death of Henry Nunn. On Nov. 11, according to the *Telephone*, the Monroe County grand jury was considering the case, and a first-degree indictment was expected, even as the victim's relatives said they "will never give up the search until he is brought to justice."