

# Argument between men's daughters led to gun battle in 1905

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minute later he started for me, and before I could put down my basket and get my gun out, he fired twice, and then we both emptied our guns, dodging each other as we shot." Terrill's wife reported that her hus-

band said, "Hartman became very angry and drew his revolver." Terrill turned to go back into the house, and as he did so, "Hartman commenced shooting."

According to the *Telephone*, Hartman went downtown to the police station to report the incident.

"When he reached the city building, he was as cool and collected as if nothing had happened. 'I came to give myself up. I have shot a man,' he said to Marshall Johns."

Admittedly, at that moment no one knew that Terrill was fatally wounded — not even Terrill him-

self. Hartman, on the other hand, had some holes in his clothes and hat to prove that someone had shot at him. But the *Telephone* gives a little glimpse of how casual law enforcement was in a simpler time.

"Marshall Johns and Hartman then strolled over to Bloomington Mayor

Claude Malott's office. (It may be remembered that the mayor was an ex-officio city court judge.) Bond for Hartman was set at \$2,000, and as soon as his lawyer, Edwin Cort, appeared, Hartman was released."

**Next week: Hartman's charge changed to first degree murder.**