

A case of cops and robbers in Bloomington in '09

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Harris walking down the tracks.

The ensuing chase was colorfully described by the *Telephone*: "Deputy Prosecutor Loudon, Sheriff Ratliff and Policeman Browning, from whom Bingham broke loose last week, arrived post haste in a carriage. To these six men was added Anderson, Johnson and several citi-

zens, who joined the chase with relish. Pursued by a veritable posse, the two men — Bingham and Harris — tried all the tactics known to the fox, and a game of hare and hounds was in progress over the hills of Maple Heights."

Despite the tactics, Bingham ran into Constable McCabe and was promptly re-arrested. Harris made the mistake of stopping by his own

home and was arrested, too.

Reported the *Telephone*, "The detective is at present held as a witness in the Enos Bingham case, but later a charge is to be filed against him in connection with a woman of the Maple Heights 'demimode.'" Actually, Harris was in more serious trouble, due to his overactive ingenuity. At the end of the Bingham/Harris apprehension article, the *Telephone* reporter added — al-

most as an afterthought, "A letter, which fell into the hands of the police this morning and which it is alleged that Harris wrote to Bingham, will likely cause other charges to be filed against him. The letter offers to furnish (Bingham) tools for a jail delivery and protection at a 'camp' afterwards."

Next week: The law and Bingham and Harris.