

# Animal trainer tames the intruder in 1898

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asked him what he wanted. Her phone call to Henry and Frank Gentry, who were downtown, brought them to the house in a hurry. On their way they met two men, one tall and wearing old clothes and a brown derby hat.

At 4 a.m. Frank Gentry was awakened by a barking dog. Looking out the window, he saw a man, who was trying to open a door. According to the *Telephone*, he would have shot the would-be intruder, "had not the women of the house interfered."

Gentry caught up with his quarry

near a hedge fence about 100 yards from the house and turned him over to two Bloomington police officers. When questioned, the intruder gave his name as Fred Andler of Indianapolis and his occupation as "carriage trimmer." The newspaper described him as disoriented and possibly trying his hand at the "insanity dodge."

In a short postscript the *Telephone* reported that it was determined that Andler's disorientation was due to a severe case of delirium tremens and was to be sent home as soon as he was able to travel. Added the newspaper, "It is believed he is not accountable for his actions."