

## Police Blotter

Glenwood Post: August 2, 1902

### **ALMOST A ROBBERY**

#### **Would-be Post Office Robbers Foiled by Malaby**

About one o'clock Friday morning while Night Policeman Malaby was making his customary nocturnal rounds through the business portion of the town, he was halted in the alley just east of the post office by a fellow who advised him to exercise his hands by elevating them toward the stars. Perry began backing out but before he could reach the street his assailant had made four attempts to puncture his anatomy each shot missing the policeman's slender frame although Malaby declares the culprits marksmanship was altogether too good for his comfort and says that was one time he felt thankful that he was slim. As soon as Mr. Malaby could get out of direct range of the fellow's artillery he drew his gun and began firing in the direction of the robber who was now joined by his pals who ran out of the rear door of the post office, where they had started to perform an operation on the safe which they evidently imagined was suffering from distension of the till.

The shots were easily heard over town and several citizens came to Malaby's aid. An examination revealed the fact that the would-be robbers had with tools taken from Oldenburg's blacksmith shop knocked the combination knob off of the safe and had begun their drilling and it would not have been many minutes longer until the door would have been blown open.

Different persons, attracted by the shots, saw three or four men run up the alley and when daylight came Adams and Malaby followed tracks toward the Midland depot and later Adams mounted a horse and succeeded in heading off and arresting five suspicious looking characters just as they were taking to the hills back of the Bailor ranch. None of the men were armed but it is believed, by the officers that they are the guilty parties. About noon Friday Sheriff Adams went up to the Seivers ranch in response to information that two suspicious looking individuals had been seen hiding in the brush in that vicinity. He has not returned at the time we go to press.