

# HUNTER'S BODY FINALLY FOUND

### Searchers Make Gruesome Discovery Four Days After the Accident

Broadwater, Neb. (Special)—Four days after he had been killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun while out hunting, the body of J. Glenn Comstock, 36 years old, farm hand, was found by searchers near his car. He had shot two ducks which were in the truck and it is supposed that the loaded gun started to fall out of the truck which he was driving and that in reaching for it, it was discharged. Comstock's father was a homesteader near here, and later was found dead in a wagon in Kansas, under mysterious circumstances. Comstock was born in Audubon county, Ia., March 25, 1892. He was a veteran of the World war, having enlisted at Sidney, December 14, 1917, and saw service abroad.

# NOW LEGAL TO TRAP MUSKRATS

### Annual War on Little Fur Bearers Opens in Nebraska Friday Morning

Lincoln, Neb. (UP)—Muskrats become lawful game Friday morning and until February 15 may be trapped by any one possessing a license. Open season on otters and foxes also goes into effect, but because of the scarcity of these animals in Nebraska this season is of little importance. The open season on muskrats has caused less interest than last year, according to the bureau of game and fish at the state capitol. Although virtually the same number of trapping licenses have been issued, most of them were given out earlier in the year. And very few have been issued in the last few weeks. Trappers, apparently were intent upon getting animals for which the open season was established earlier.

Last year, 7,322 trapping licenses were sold, Frank B. O'Connell, state game warden said today. The total for this year will scarcely equal that figure, he said. Whether lack of interest among sportsmen or lack of animals was the cause of the decrease, could not be determined.

Foxes in this state are scarce, O'Connell said. A few may be found in the territory along the Missouri river and a few in the extreme western portion of the state.

Otters are virtually extinct except for a few still remaining in the region around the Missouri river.

### AN ABLE SPEAKER FOR CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR RALLY

Wayne, Neb. (Special)—Dr. Ira Landtrich, a candidate for the vice presidency of the United States in 1916 and one of the best known public speakers of the nation, will give the principal address at a Christian Endeavor rally at the Presbyterian church, Sunday afternoon.

### YOUNG WOMAN DIRECTS NEBRASKA NEWSPAPER

Cook, Neb. (Special)—At this time of the year when the virtues of expensive collegiate institutions, intended to fit young men and women to take their place in the world, are getting the lion's share of the cheering, seems the proper place to point out that Nebraska has one of the youngest newspaper editors in the world, perhaps the youngest woman editor, and that Mary E. Blythe, who owns and edits the Cook Weekly Courier of Cook, Neb., is a graduate of Franklin's school of experience.

Miss Blythe is 21 years old. She has been virtually in charge of the Courier since she was 14 years old, and she has owned it since she was 19.

### FORCIBLY TOOK MONEY CLAIMED FOR DAMAGES

Scottsbluff, Neb. (Special)—Charged with forcibly taking from Nick Orloff and Mac Lock farmers, \$24.45 in cash, on the plea that it was owed to them, Henry Buyer and Peter Fegler, also farmers, were bound over to the next term of district court under \$500 bonds each.

Cars in which the four men were passengers collided near here. Buyer and Fegler, occupants of one car, are said to have attacked Orloff and Lock and to have taken from them the money, on the ground that their car had sustained that much damage in the crash.

### KILLED 17 DUCKS WITH THREE SHOTS FROM GUN

Blue Hill, Neb. (Special)—The season's record for the number of ducks shot at one time is believed held by Adolph Schurz, of Blue Hill. With three shots he got 17 Canadian mallards, on the creek running through his farm. The duck flight this year has not been heavy but with several days of rainy weather there were a few flocks on the wing.

### TO CHANGE ROUTE OF AIRMAIL IN NEBRASKA

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Route of the transcontinental airmail through Nebraska soon will be changed, planes to fly on a line some distance south of that now traversed. This became known when bids were asked for lighting emergency landing fields. Fifteen revolving beacon lights will be placed, four at intermediate landing places at Lincoln, Seward, York and Aurora and the others at emergency fields between Omaha and Lexington.

## BUS LINE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE NEW STOCK

Lincoln, Neb. (UP)—The Interstate Transit line, a corporation operating busses out of Omaha, Fremont, Sioux City, Norfolk, Lincoln, York, and Grand Island, was authorized by the state railway commission today to issue 43,253 shares of stock at \$10 a share. It was the first time in the history of the commission that a bus company has been granted authority to issue stock.

The Interstate Transit lines is a consolidation of bus lines formerly operated by Russell J. Walsh of Omaha and George O. Armand of York.

## STATE SCHOOLS COSTING MORE

### Nebraska Superintendent Prepares Budget for \$146,000 Increase

Lincoln, Neb. (Special)—The budget of expenses for the state school system, presented to Gov. Adam McMullen today by Supt. Charles W. Taylor showed an increase of approximately \$146,000 more than the budget for the present biennium.

About \$22,000 of the increase was to be used for employing more readers and clerical help, and \$30,000 of it was requested to make effective the Mallory act, passed a number of years ago, which provided that a certain sum be paid annually to the rural high schools.

The largest increase was that asked for under the division of adult immigrant education, a new work ordered by the last legislature. The increase requested was \$62,000 for salaries and wages and \$17,000 for maintenance.

A \$5,000 increase was asked for expenses of high school inspectors in normal training schools.

## OMAHA PLACES ARE PADLOCKED

### But Federal Judge Woodrough Refuses to Consider Cases Year Old

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Federal Judge J. W. Woodrough had short shift of the first of more than 100 suits looking to padlocking of business places and home here on ground that they were liquor nuisances.

He dismissed the first half dozen cases and announced that he would not consider any of them that are more than a year old. Assistant District Attorney Froelich protested that it was through no fault of his office that the cases were not brought to the court's attention sooner. The crowded condition of federal court docket precluded faster action, he said. The court remained firm and said that just because a place was a nuisance a year ago this was not evidence that it continued to be such.

Ten places were ordered padlocked, seven of which may reopen upon posting of \$500 bond to insure against future sales of liquor. Twenty-six suits were dismissed and 51 were granted continuances.

## "SANDHILLS BUREAU" DIES AT ELLSWORTH, NEB.

Ellsworth, Neb. (UP)—Nebraska's "Burkbank of the sandhills" died here yesterday after spending 40 years developing new plant species that would thrive in western Nebraska. Jules A. Sandoe, 71 years old, had been sick more than a year. He had been interested in horticultural work since he was crippled for life in an accident 40 years ago.

## OMAHA REPORTS FEWER BUILDINGS ARE VACANT

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Of the 50,000 houses and dwellings in Omaha only 1,480 are vacant, according to a survey just completed by the real estate board. The report said this is the best showing since 1923-24. There are 516 fewer vacant homes this year than last.

## CLIPPING BUREAU GRAFT IS BEING WORKED AGAIN

Kimball, Neb. (Special)—The old press clipping bureau graft is being worked again in this part of the country. A few weeks ago country editors were each sent a postcard, asking for a sample copy. A Denver address was enclosed. The papers received were apparently carefully gone over and all personal items clipped. Then notices were sent to those named in the items, stating that the clipping company had an item of personal interest to the party addressed and if 25 cents in cash or stamps were forwarded, the item would be dispatched.

When the required money was sent, the person found that the "important clipping" was one mentioning his name as having visited a neighbor, gone to town, or had relatives visiting them.

## REGENTS WILL CONTROL SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Lincoln, Neb. (UP)—The Nebraska school for the blind at Nebraska City, will be under the control of the board of regents of the University of Nebraska henceforth, it was apparent today. Tabulation of votes of 47 of the 93 Nebraska counties by the secretary of state showed a majority in favor of the referendum, providing for transferring control of the institution from the state board of control to the regents.

# ELECTION LAWS NEED CHANGING

### Nebraska Legislature Will Get Approval to Relieve Congested Conditions

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Agitation for better election facilities can be expected at the next session of the legislature as result of congestion encountered in most Nebraska precincts in last week's elections, it was predicted here today by Election Commissioner McHugh.

McHugh pointed out that present machinery for polling and counting the vote is entirely inadequate. Similar reports come from outstate, the Fremont Tribune in a lead editorial declaring that Fremont is entitled to more polling places. Voters in most Omaha precincts were forced to stand in line from half an hour to two hours to exercise their rights to the ballot. The same conditions prevailed almost everywhere throughout the state and is due to the limits placed by present law on number of booths to a precinct as well as number of workers to be employed, McHugh said. Election machines may be the solution, he said. In one precinct here 1,081 persons voted. Counters did not finish tallying in many precincts here until Wednesday afternoon.

## NORFOLK MEN CHASE COYOTES WITH AIRPLANE

Timan, Neb. (Special)—Andrew Risser, pilot, and Len Mandelke, student pilot, of Norfolk, Neb., yesterday chased wolves for six miles through the hay country south of this place in an airplane. They bagged one of the largest wolves ever seen here and took their trophy to Norfolk.

## DARROW AND OMAHA RABBI HAVE DEBATE

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Clarence Darrow, Chicago criminal lawyer, debating with Rabbi Frederick Cohn of Omaha here last night, likened man to a machine and declared that faith is the destroyer of truth.

Rabbi Cohn, in answer, declared that while Darrow's machine argument might be right, Darrow had not yet found out what made the human machine run. The only difference between the two in their argument, Cohn said, was the one word, "soul."

## DESPONDENT WORLD WAR VETERAN ENDS OWN LIFE

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Despondent because bad health contracted in the army during the World war, Robert Merritt, shot and killed himself here last night. He left a note for his wife and one for his father, M. P. Merritt, of Oklahoma City.

## YOUTH ARRESTED FOR ATTACKING RURAL TEACHER

McCook, Neb. (UP)—Chester Pierson, 18 years old, is in jail here, having confessed, it is said that he attacked Miss Vivian Ault, a rural school teacher. The attack was made Monday afternoon after the school children left the building, Miss Ault told officers, who arrested Pierson yesterday after tracking him through a cornfield to the home of his parents.

Pierson threatened the teacher with a gun, she told officers, and tied her hands with a belt from her dress.

## FORMER FREMONT MAN AGAIN GOVERNOR OF UTAH

Fremont, Neb. (Special)—George H. Dern, former Fremont boy, but for 30 years a resident of Utah, was re-elected governor of Utah on the democratic ticket by a majority of around 2,000 in the fact of a republican landslide that carried every other Utah G. O. P. candidate into office.

## TREASURERS HAVE NO RIGHT TO MAKE REFUNDS, LEARNS

Schuyler, Neb. (Special)—County treasurers have no authority to refund to truck owners until the legislature authorizes them, County Treasurer Sedlacek has been advised by the department of public works at Lincoln which sent him a copy of a letter to the plate treasurer. It was announced that some Nebraska county treasurers had been making the refunds in accord with a recent supreme court decision.

The letter read, "It has been reported by the counties adjacent to Platte county that you are making refunds to truck owners since the decision of the supreme court affecting farm trucks. At the request of several county treasurers interested from various parts of the state, I took this matter up with the attorney general who advised that in his opinion and in view of the fact that remittances of the state's share had been made, he would not advise that any attempt be made in the way of refunds until authorization might have been given by the next legislature."

## HIS NECK BROKEN AS CAR GOES INTO DITCH

Slayton, Minn. (Special)—John P. Ruddy, a farm hand, 49 years old, was instantly killed Sunday night when the car he was in slid into the ditch a short distance west of Currie. At the coroner's inquest it was disclosed that his neck was broken. He came here several years ago from Lyons, Neb., and letters from relatives, in 1922, at that place were found in his trunk. The body was held at the undertaking parlors here awaiting information from relatives.

## SUCCESSFUL WITH OIL ON SANDHILL ROADS

Ellsworth, Neb. (UP)—A road surfacing experiment on the Potash highway near here in which an oil mixture has been spread over the natural sand and oil and state engineers were confident that the road would be one of the most permanent in the state.

The Lakeside-Ellsworth extension of state highway No. 2 has been prepared for the final covering of gravel, but probably will not be finished until next spring. The gravel will be put on over a mixture of the natural sand and oil and state engineers were confident that the road would be one of the most permanent in the state.

# WILL EXPLAIN TO DEPOSITORS

### Guaranty Fund Commission to Answer Citation in Thurston County

Lincoln, Neb. (UP)—The state guaranty fund commission has prepared for filing in the district court of Thurston county, its answer to a citation why it does not pay any or all of the amount due depositors in a failed bank at Rosalie, whose claims have all been adjusted and approved. In effect, the answer is that it does not have the money.

The answer to the citation is to be filed by the secretary of the state banking department, who is chairman of the commission, and will also contain the information that a partial payment will be made as soon as money comes in from a special assessment, totaling \$700,000, that will be levied upon the solvent state banks within the next few weeks.

Since the commission ran out of money enough to pay all claims in the order in which they were put into judgment, it has followed the policy of declaring a dividend, when assets of the failed bank have been collected. In this case there is no money on hand from that source.

Whether there will be any money paid on the special assessment is a question. At the State Bankers' association meeting, a number of bankers signed an agreement to contest the legality of the assessment in the courts on the ground that it is a tax on capital stock that is not constitutional because it takes their money without due process of law.

The case in the Thurston county courts opens the possibility of a test of the law itself. The statute provides that depositors shall be paid in full out of the guaranty fund as soon as they have proved their claims, but as there is no money in the guaranty fund, the lawyers wonder what can be done about it. These claims all draw 7 per cent, and the interest on what are now due and unpaid will take at least a fourth of the regular assessment raised yearly.

## ONLY TWO POLITICAL PARTIES IN NEBRASKA

Lincoln, Neb. (UP)—Nebraska has become a two-party state, it appeared certain here today, with the recording of first official ballots from last week's election. The socialist ticket received only scattered recognition, the first official returns showed, and there was virtually no question that the party will fall short of the 10 per cent, of the total vote that is necessary to retain it as a live party. This will leave only republicans and democrats on the state ticket.

If the socialist vote runs under the 10 per cent, mark it will be necessary for supporters of the party to hold a convention to reorganize before socialist candidates again can appear on the state ballot.

## ELOPING COUPLE IS FOUND IN CALIFORNIA

Neligh, Neb. (Special)—Sheriff J. A. Sutton received a message from the police department of Los Angeles, Cal., to the effect that Garth Landis, who is said to have married Lora May Brill, 14 years old, of Neligh, is under arrest on a charge of stealing an automobile.

Last week the Los Angeles police sent a message to Neligh asking that Sheriff Sutton arrest Landis who was thought to be on his way to Neligh to kidnap a young girl. The girl came too late as Landis and the girl had already left Neligh. Rumors are that Landis and the girl were married at Central City, about November 1, instead of at Norfolk as it was first reported.

When Sheriff Sutton received the message of Landis' arrest, O. H. Cunningham, mother of the girl, left for Los Angeles to get her daughter, hoping to be able to bring her back to Neligh.

## ASTRONOMY PROFESSOR OF MINNESOTA U. DIES

St. Paul, Minn. (Special)—Francis P. Leavenworth, 63 years old professor emeritus of astronomy at the University of Minnesota, died here, Monday night. Prof. Leavenworth completed 35 years of service as a member of the faculty last year.

## FOUR CARLOADS OF TURKEYS SOLD BY FARMERS

Morrill, Neb. (Special)—Four carloads of turkeys have been sold by growers of the North Platte valley to Swift and company, the highest bidder. For No. 1 hens and young toms, 38 1/2 cents a pound was paid, 28 1/2 cents for No. 2's and 31 1/2 cents for old toms. 9,000 turkeys were listed. They will be dressed on the farm, and will be delivered this week. The raisers expect to have about 10 carloads for the Christmas market.

# HIS WIFE NOW SEEKS DIVORCE

### Woman for Whom He Killed Another Man Asks Her Freedom

Madison, Neb. (Special)—Sue for divorce has been filed here by Mrs. Clara S. Wehenkel, wife of John Wehenkel, who is in jail here, awaiting a second trial for murder. It was on his wife's account that Wehenkel killed the late Albert Carrico at Tilden. Carrico was said to have won her from her husband.

Wehenkel was once convicted and given a long prison term, but the supreme court awarded him a new trial and he was brought back from Lancaster to Madison, to await the fall term of district court.

## SOCIAL WORKERS OF STATE ARE MEETING AT OMAHA

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Four hundred social workers from all sections of the state are here for the three-day session of the Nebraska Conference for Social Work, which opened Sunday. District Judge L. B. Day, of Omaha, elected a justice of Nebraska supreme court last Tuesday is president of the conference. A. M. Cameron of Nebraska university is secretary.

According to Lincoln Frost, secretary of the state department of public welfare and chairman of the legislative committee, the next session of the legislature will be asked to extend a revised and uniform juvenile court law to every Nebraska county. At present only Douglas and Lancaster counties have juvenile courts.

The legislature also will be asked to increase mother's pensions from \$50 to \$75 per family and make licensing of children's boarding homes compulsory.

## DARROW AND OMAHA RABBI ARE TO DEBATE

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—Arthur F. Mullen, Omaha attorney and democratic national committeeman for Nebraska, will preside at the debate between Clarence Darrow, noted Chicago criminal lawyer, and Rabbi Frederick Cohn, at the Omaha Auditorium tomorrow night.

Darrow, an agnostic, has the affirmative of the question "Is Man a Machine." Rabbi Cohn, noted Jewish orator, will attempt to refute his arguments. Mullen, a Catholic, is a personal friend of both debaters and agreed to act as chairman for that reason.

A great deal of interest is being taken in the debate by persons of all shades of religious belief and every seat in the Auditorium is expected to be filled.

## OMAHA LIVESTOCK SHOW WAS FINANCIAL FAILURE

Omaha, Neb. (UP)—The political campaign was blamed for the financial failure of the first annual Omaha livestock and horse show, by Ak-Sar-Ben officials here today. While the show was a decided success from an exhibitors' standpoint, it was a "flop" as far as paid attendance was concerned. Notwithstanding the financial debacle the show will be repeated next year, directors said. They predicted better success next year, holding to the belief that interest in politics this year was so great that people were giving no consideration to anything else.

## RAILROADS WON'T PAY FOR CLEANING STOCK CARS

Lincoln, Neb. (Special)—All Nebraska railroads have asked the state railway commission for authority to inaugurate a system of charges for cleaning and disinfecting livestock cars. They insist that these are items of actual out of pocket cost and that they should be reimbursed for this other than out of rates, which are none too remunerative at the present time. No charges are now made. The companies want \$2.50 for cleaning and disinfecting single deck cars and \$4.00 for doing the same work on double deckers.

## LIABILITY COMPANY TO APPEAL FROM AWARD

Wayne, Neb. (Special)—An appeal to the higher court was taken by the insurance company which recently was ordered by the state compensation commission to pay J. W. Baker, local fireman, who was injured 18 months ago while going to a fire, \$15 per week for six weeks, during which time he was totally disabled.

The action of the company was called "unreasonable" by Mr. Baker who said he would not press his claims further as the expense would more than offset any reward. A question has been raised here as to the advisability of continuing the expenditure of several hundred dollars annually by the city for the protection of firemen, as a result of this attitude.

## SAUNDERS COUNTY MAN NEBRASKA HUSKING CHAMP

Nebraska City, Neb. (Special)—Joe Sudick of Saunders county repeated his victory of 1926 and again took state championship honors at the annual cornhusking contest here Saturday. Sudick husked 25.28 net bushels in 80 minutes—the period of the contest. The runnerup was Otto Sorenson, Washington county, with a record of 24.92 net bushels.

## TOWN OF CARROLL, NEB., AGAIN HAS NEWSPAPER

Wayne, Neb. (Special)—After being without a paper for several weeks, the Carroll News was introduced to Carroll citizens last week, when the first number of the weekly was published. H. M. Woolman, who has had several years of experience in the newspaper field in the western part of the state is the editor. The Index, which for many years was published in Carroll was discontinued last summer by Mr. Dawson, editor of the paper two years.

## FREMONT TO STAGE BIG ARMISTICE DAY CELEBRATION

Fremont, Neb. (Special)—Fremont's biggest celebration of the year will be on Armistice day. Three bands, including the 17th Infantry band, thousands of Legion men, three drum corps and dozens of floats are to have place in the parade at noon. The parade it is said will be two miles long. Provision has been made for parking 2,500 automobiles for the fireworks display in the evening. Former Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock of Omaha is to be the speaker of the day. Youthful orators from all over eastern Nebraska will compete in the patriotic oratorical contest.

# TO DECIDE ON CHAMP HUSKER

### Nebraska Contest to Be Held Saturday—Twenty Seven Men Entered

Nebraska City, Neb. (UP)—Nebraska cornpicking champions will gather tomorrow morning on the John McCarthy farm near Nebraska City to decide who will represent the state at the national contest this year. Twenty seven, representing the fastest cornpickers in the state, will work for one hour and twenty minutes to see who can gather the greater number of pounds of corn on the cob, free from silks and husks.

Judging from the reports of county contests, held in the last two weeks, Otto Sorenson, champion of Washington county, is favored to win. His record of 24.46 bushels has not been surpassed. But records of county contests will probably carry little weight in the contest tomorrow. The crop throughout the state was in poor condition and some of the county contests did not allow the contestants a chance to prove conclusively what they could do in a field of excellent corn.

But they will have their opportunity Saturday. The field chosen for the contest was in perfect condition and was judged the ideal field for the competition. Incidentally, the field is of white corn and this will be the first championship contest in which white corn was used.

Sorenson's record was not only the best made this year, but was also higher than the record of 23.32 bushels which Hilmer Swanson of Saronville, set in the state meet last year. And it was better than the mark which Swanson made in the national meet when he placed third. Sorenson comes from a family of corn pickers with known ability. Last year three Sorenson brothers were champions of three counties and finished fifth, sixth, and seventh places in the state meet. In 1926, Otto was runnerup in the state contest and placed fourth in the national meet.

Swanson, the 1927 champion and his running mate, Joe Kort, Antelope county, who finished second in the 1927 meet and sixth in the national contest, will be entered in the race. Officials said recently that competition will be unusually strong and new records will probably be made.

## FORMER CLERK FACES EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

Bartlett, Neb. (UP)—Henry Fletcher, for 10 years county clerk in Greeley county, faces charges of embezzlement. A warrant issued yesterday charged him with taking \$11,345 of county funds during his term of office. The pilfering had been going on during Fletcher's entire term of office, it is alleged. He resigned his office last October 12.

## KILLED BY FALL AFTER GETTING ELECTRICAL SHOCK

Tecumseh, Neb. (UP)—Carl Blinde, 20 years old, was killed here yesterday when he struck an electric wire while trimming trees. He was shocked and fell to the ground. The fall fractured three ribs, one of which punctured a lung, causing death within a few hours.

## SIGNS REQUISITIONS FOR THREE PRISONERS

Lincoln, Neb. (UP)—Governor McMullen signed two extradition papers today for prisoners wanted in other states. Deputy Sheriff Herzog of Yuba county California applied for permission to take Ray Gassart to Marysville, Cal., where he is wanted on forgery charges. Gassart is now held in Falls City. Officers from Christian county, Missouri, requested custody of Freddie McCoy and Loyal Mitchell who are being held at Allen, Neb. They are wanted in Missouri for attempting to pass forged checks.

## FLYING SCHOOL AT FREMONT TO CONTINUE

Fremont, Neb. (Special)—E. A. Beesmer, head of the Beesmer Flying school, announced that all of the old pupils would stay and two new ones had enrolled and that the school without doubt would continue. He has ordered a new plane to replace the Paige that was totally destroyed when it fell with Adolph Pavel of Clarkson and Johnny Sewille of Walnut, Ia., two weeks ago.

## NEW HOTEL AT WAYNE TO BE FORMALLY OPENED

Wayne, Neb. (Special)—Wayne's new hotel, the Stratton, will be formally opened November 24. A dinner is planned for stockholders and their friends November 23, and A. R. Davis will officiate as toastmaster. The formal banquet for the public will be held November 24, and President U. S. Conn, of Wayne Normal, will preside. The building has been completed and Manager T. C. Stratton now is furnishing it.