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# NEW YORK TRAGEDY

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN KILLS HER

SELF IN A HOTEL.

### Lover Had Deserted Her-Mrs. J. W. Gray Suicides Because Married Man Who Had Consorted with Her

Had Decided to Reform.

Mrs. J. W. Gray, believed to be wealthy and said to be the widow of a Chicago broker, and who was described by her friends as a remarkably beautiful woman, committed suicide in the Hotel Imperial at New York Saturday by shooting. She was found lying unconscious in her bedroom with a bullet wound in her head, and died a few hours later at a hospital without regaining con-

sciousness. Letters left by the suicide indicated that she was the victim of an unfortunate love affair, and that although possessed of ample means, she had no desire to live with out the man she loved.

The couple registered as "J. W. Gray and wife, N. O." They went out together frequently, and the man was away in the daytime, but there was nothing about them to excite unusual interest. When a watchman was making his rounds Saturday he heard a muffled report like a pistol shot in the room occupied by the Grays. Looking over the transom, the watchman saw the woman lying on her face on the floor beside the bed, with her hands outstretched. She was in her nightdress, and a stream of blood was flowing from an ugly wound in her right temple. The door was forced and the wo man was hurried to a hospital.

None of the hotel employes remembered having seen Gray during the night. and he could not be found around the hotel at the time of the shooting. The suite occupied by the Grays was the finest on the Broadway side of the ho-

The police officials are puzzled by a new turn taken in the case. The woman left letters addressed to Charles H. Stoneham, telling him of her love and declaring his cruelty in a conversation with her over the telephone.

After being absent from his office, No. 44 Broadway, all day, Charles H. Stone ham, a broker of New York, who was believed to have been the person to whom the letters were addressed and so declared by the New York friends of the dead woman, returned late at night to his home in New Jersey.

"I never heard of the woman," said Mr. Stoneham. He expressed ignorance of the suicide, and said that the neighbors brought him the first news,

"She may have been a customer of our firm, and in this way may have acquired my address," Mr. Stoneham said.

"The name is not at all familiar to me, however, and I do not think we had such a person in New Orleans as a cus-

### COLLISION IN THE ATLANTIC One Woman Passenger of the Steam? er Aransas Lost.

A Vineyard Haven, Mass., special says: The Joy line steamer Aransas, Capt. Rood, was sunk in collision with the barge Glendower one and one-half miles southeast of the Pollock rip shoals lightship at 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning. One life was lost, that of Mamie Kelley, a passenger for New York from Boston, whose address is unknown. She was about 25 years of age.

The other passengers, of whom there were thirty-six together with the crew, were brought here by a tug and landed at midnight.

The collision was due to fog. There was no wind stirring.

## A SLIPPERY CUSTOMER.

#### Pat Crowe Again Makes His Disappearance.

As mysterious as was the return to Cmaha, Neb., by Pat Crowe, the alleged kidnaper of Eddie Cudahy four and a half years ago, has been his sudden disappearance.

When he left the office of the World-Herald Friday night he remarked that he was going to the home of his brother in Council Bluffs, but he could not be located there Saturday.

Chief of Police Donahue declares that Crowe is the most slippery man he has ever had to deal with, at the same time admitting that the fugitive has baffled the efforts of the police and detective departments of the city.

## Death in a Windstorm

A Muskogee, I. T., special says: A number of persons are reported to have beeen killed, many injured and much damage wrought to property as the result of a fierce wind and rain storm in various parts of Indian Territory. Wires are down and details are lacking.

## Sioux City Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Butcher steers. \$4,6005.40. Top hogs, \$5,30.

## Train Hits Trolley Car.

A freight train on the Unitadelphia and Reading crashed into a trolley car at a crossing in the northwestern section of Philadelphia Saturday afternoon, One woman was killed, two passengers seriously injured and several others hurt.

Rear Admiral Stirling Retired. A Washington dispatch says: Rear Admiral Yates Stirling was Saturday placed on the retired list of the navy. His retirement promotes Capt. W. H. Brownson to the grade of rear admirai.

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### NU PEAUE IN UNIVAGU.

### End of the Teamsters' Strike Seems | Three Persons Are Killed and Six Far Off.

Sheriff Thomas E. Barrett, of Cook County, will take active control of the jured, none fatally, by the collapse of a Chicago strike situation. So much press- three-story building at Thirtieth and ure has been brought to bear on him Grace Streets, Omaha, late Wednesday. and upon Mayor Dunne by business men, The building was occupied by the Omaha who believe their interests to be seriously Casket Company, and the killed and inimperiled by the constant rioting in the jured were with one exception employes streets, that the sheriff has been compell- of the concern. ed to swear in a large force of deputies | The dead are Jacob Kirschner, 43, asand take active steps to do away with the sistant shipping clerk; L. Mon Martin, a present disorder. Two hundred deputies collector, aged 22, and Henry Dietl, aged were sworn in Thursday afternoon at the 40, foreman, office of Sheriff Barrett, and it is expected that 2,000 will be enrolled.

Field & Co., went to Springfield Thursday afternoon to lay the matter before Gov. Deneen and to declare that in their that the militia is imperatively needed.

The Chicago Clearing House Association Thursday afternoon adopted sweeping resolutions declaring that the riots in the streets were constantly increasing in fury and had gone beyond the power county to control. It was, therefore, the opinion of the members of the clearing house that the state troops should be called upon.

Mayor Dunne and Sheriff Barrett have been deluged during the day by letters and messages declaring that conditions had become insupportable, and that the rioting should be stopped at once, Notwithstanding all this pressure, the sheriff is determined to take the situation in hand himself, declaring that until he has done so he will not be justified in calling for the militia.

## NAN PATTERSON PROSTRATED

## Trial-Jury Stood 7 to 5.

Nan Patterson lies very ill in the Tombs prison at New York, with her nerves completely unstrung bl the ordeal of her trial. Her lawyers worked hard pany, of Dubuque, Is., and the building Thursday to secure her release at once on bail, but up 2:30 had made little or the stock will be nearly a total loss. no progress. They have been unable to communicate with the district attorney.

Lawyer Levy went to the Tombs prison shortly before noon Thursday to have a conference with Miss Patterson, but found her so prostrated as to be unable to talk with him. Mrs. Smith is also suffering severely from the effects of the

It is understood that the jury stood 7 to 5 for acquittal.

### SLAV SHIPS SUFFER.

#### Rojestvensky's Squadron is Damag ed by Typhoon.

Advices from Amoy, China, state that a typhoon which swept over the coast of south China this week is said to have damaged the Russian second Pacific squadron commanded by Rojestvensky considerably. The lighter vessels are reported to have been scattered. Shipping men expect further delay in the execution of Rojestvensky's plans as the result of the damage sustained.

A London dispatch Thursday afternoon says two of Bebogatoff's transports have put into Sabong, on the north coast of the island of Sumatra, with their bows stove in, evidently having been in a colli-

### CLEARS MILLIONAIRE DEWEY Tansas Judge Dismisses the Defendant.

The celebrated case of Chauncey Dewey, a millionaire ranchman, and Clyde Wilson and A. J McBride, cowboys employed by Dewey, who were charged with the killing of two members of the Perry family, neighboring ranch men in northwestern Kansas, was ended in the district court at Norton, Kan., when the judge dismissed the defendants without trial,

The prosecution had failed upon several occasions to begin trial, although the defendants were ready.

## Will Make All Kansas Dry.

Gov. E. W. Hoch, of Kansas, has said that he will do all in his power to see that the prohibitory law is enforced in Kansas. This is believed to mean that he will soon take steps to close the saloons in the state, which have been permitted to run wide open in several cities upon the payment of monthly fines.

## Morphia in Fiour ratal.

The steamship Coptic brings news to San Francisco of many deaths in the inland country of China from morphia, which became mixed in flour in which it was smuggled. Instead of the flour being condemned, the stuff was sold to the upcountry districts, and within a week people began to die.

## Position of Jap Army.

Gunshu Pass advices say that the armies of Nodzu. Oku and Kuroki are concentrated along the line from Tie Pass, with their right flank extended northeast. The grouping of the Japanese armies indicates Oyama, when he advances, will move his right flank first.

## Butchery at Lodz.

A terrible riot occurred at the Church of the Holy Cross at Lodz. When a number of Roman Catholics around the edifice began singing revolutionary songs a Cossack patrol came up and began firing into the crowd huddled on the church steps. Seven persons were killed.

## No Liquor in Grocery Stores.

A Lansing, Mich., special says: The lower house of the Michigan legislature Thursday passed the Hudson bill prohibiting the retailing of liquor in grocery stores and other establishments where merchandise is sold.

### Prairie Fires Devastate Land. Several hundred square miles of range in Vailey County, Montana, have been

devastated by prairie fires. Many stock men have lost all their range and ranch buildings.

### TURNADU AT UMAHA

## Are Injured.

Three persons were killed and six in-

The collapse of the casket factory was due to a heavy wind storm which at a A number of prominent business men, point near the factory assumed the proheaded by John G. Shedd, of Marshall portions and action of a small tornado. The building was a substantial one of brick, three stories high. The collapse came without warning, W. A. Smith, opinion conditions in Chicago are such the shipping clerk, who was the first to extricate himself, said he saw a storm coming and went to a door to close it. Just as he reached the door the whirling storm struck the building. The roof was raised into the air and dropped, causing the heavy brick walls to collapse. Those of the civil authorities of the city and inside the building were carried down, some to death, while they were at work.

A terrific storm of rain and hail followed the destruction of the building, several inches of water falling in a very short

A hundred employes of a brewery located near the casket factory rushed to the latter building and at once began the work of rescuing the unfortunate factory employes. At the same time a call was sent to the police and fire departments. each of which sent a large detail of men to the scene. When they reached the collapsed building only one person, Smith, had managed to extricate himself, but the cries of the injured and dying under the debris were plainly heard. It Suffers from the Severe Strain of was an hour before the injured were rescued.

The monetary loss is about \$75,000, of which \$40,000 is on the stock. The stock was owned by the Iowa Coffin Comby local capitalists. The greater part of

The dead bodies were removed to the coroner's office, where an inquest will be

City Building Inspector Withnell said the factory had been recently inspected and that it was in a substantial condi-

All the windows were open at the time the storm struck the building, and to that fact is attributed the raising of the roof by the wind, which was followed by the collapse of the walls.

### WILL MAKE PACKERS JUMP.

### Mrs. Marcey's Disclosures Before

Federal Grand Jury. Mrs. Mary E, Marcey, former stenographer in the Kansas City offices of Armour & Co. and Swift & Co., has returned from Chicago, where she had testified before the federal grand jury which is investigating the methods of the beef in-

Mrs. Marcey declined to make known the nature of her disclosures before the grand jury, but said:

"I got hold of two things which will make the packers jump when they find out that the grand jury has them. I had to promise to keep still about what I told the grand jury, but I can tell them at the trial. They said I would have to come back and testify when they have the trials."

## ANTI-CORRUPTION LAW.

#### Far Reaching Wisconsin Measure is Now a Law.

The Scott anti-graft bill is now a law of Wisconsin, the governor having affixed his signature to it. It is one of the most far reaching measures against corruption ever passed. It provides that whoever corruptly gives or offers any agent, servant or employe any gift or gratuity whatever, with intention to influence his actions in relation to his employer's business, or any employe who solicits or accepts such a gift, shall be liable to a fine of from \$10 to \$500, or by such fine and imprisonment for one year.

It is claimed that this law, if enforced, will put a stop to the giving of tips to porters, bootblacks or waiters.

## "Rainmaker" Rewarded.

A Los Angeles, Cal., special says: Charles Hattield, the "rainmaker," who has been working since Dec. 15 last to produce 18 inches of rain for southern California by May 1, on the pledge of a number of merchants to pay him \$1,000 if he succeeded, has completed his demonstration and has been paid a large proportion of the sum promised.

## Cleveland Aids College.

A dispatch received at Hastings, Neb., Wednesday from L. P. Jackson, of Princeton, N. J., financial secretary to Grover Cleveland, informs the Hastings college authorities that Mr. Cleveland has contributed a large endowment to the college fund. The exact amount is not stated.

## Edward J. Smith Arrested.

On the request of the San Francisco police, Edward J. Smith, who is said to be wanted to answer a charge of embezzling some \$62,000, was arrested at the union station at St. Louis, Mo.

## Blizzard in Black Hills.

A severe blizzard is raging in the Black Hills from Cody, Neb., west, The storm has greatly delayed trains.

#### English Coxey Army. A miniature Coxey army is forming among the striking army of boot workers of Northamptonshire, England. It is proposed to march on the war office in London and lay the men's grievances be-

## Cashier Goll is Caught.

fore the officials,

The Milwaukee police authorities give out the information that Henry G. Goll. former assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Milwaukee, was arrested in Chicago Wednesday.

## STATE OF NEBRASKA

### NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

### Boy Kills His Father-John D. Osborn, of Omaha, Pays Life for Bad Temper-Fatal Ending of Sunday

Morning Family Row. While his mother was dodging a show- and Rollie Alsman, the other boys, clung er of bricks rained at her through doors to the boat and were later rescued by and windows by an infuriated husband at Omaha, Leo Osborn leaped from his bed to protect her and emptied a charge | According to Alsman, one of the dead of shot from a shotgun into the head of boys began to rock the boat. Standing his father, John D. Osborn. The old up he lost his balance and fell overman dropped in his tracks without a board, overturning the boat as he fell. word and after a few convulsive movements of the limbs there was no action to tell whether or not life was extinct.

band lay, saw that he was yet breathing and tried vainly to call him back to life, while the boy, dazed by the awful consequences of his deed, sat on the bed as one bereft of reason.

The shooting was done at 7 o'clock Sunday morning at the home of the Osborns, 1403 Brown Street, Omaha. The story in detail, as told by Mrs. Osborn, and was preparing breakfast. Her son Frank, a 16-year-old boy, sat in the kitchen with her. Leo was asleep in the next room, while her husband and three daughters were asleep in other parts of the house. She had put the potatoes on to fry and was cutting some meat.

"We will be real quiet and get our breakfast before your father gets up. she said to Frank. "You know he is always crosser on Sunday mornings than any other time. Then we will not have to stay in the house while he eats, and maybe he will go out to hoe in the garden without getting angry.'

Even as she said this the man came from his sleeping room and began to look about the kitchen. He found fault with various things and said he did not like the meat she intended having for

Proceeding to the garden he took the hoe and made a furrow in which to plant peas. Then he came back toward the house with his left arm full of brick bats. About thirty feet away he stopped and began a bombardment of the kitch-

Mrs, Osborn, who always went to her boy Leo for protection in times of danzer, dodged the missiles and ran frantically back and forth between his room and the kitchen. Frank sat in one corner, where he would not be struck and the girls had not appeared yet. When ing. He raised the gun and fired.

Leo suffered himself to be led away to the patrol wagon without a struggle.

### OSBORNE IS SORRY.

### Young Man Who Killed His Father preme court without delay. Tells Story of Tragedy.

Coroner Brailey and County Attorney Slabaugh conducted the inquest into the death of John Osborne, who lived at 1403 Brown Street, Omaha, and who was killed Sunday morning by his son, Leo, by a shot from a double-barreled shotgun, after he had repeatedly abused his wife, Leo's mother. The jury returned a verdict of death by gunshot wounds inflicted by the dead man's san and recommended that the prisoner be held for further investigation.

Numerous witnesses were examined at the inquest, all of whom testified that the father had made life a burden for his wife and his whole family by repeatedly abusing them and threatening the

lives of all. Leo Osborne, the son, who did the shooting, requested that he be permitted to go upon the witness stand and tell his

story, which he did. "I did not intend to kill my father when I took the gun," said young Osborne. "I merely wanted to scare him, If I had known that the shot would have killed I surely would not have touched the gun, but he was abusing my mother so badly, and I was afraid that she would be injured, so I thought I would only scare him. I am very sorry that I have committed such a crime, but I have done it and I suppose I will have to stand the consequences."

## "TAINTED MONEY" GOOD.

## Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews

in Favor of Taking It. In an address to the students of the University of Nebraska, Chanceller E. Benjamin Andrews decried the spirit on a tour around the world, and spent clared that the acceptance of such gifts way to Norfolk from the Black Hills by was proper, and the good done by the benefactions far outweighed any moral objections there might be to the acceptance of such money.

## Chased a Horsethief.

While Henry Essam was attending a meeting at the Christian church at Beatrice the other night some unidentified person made an attempt to steal his horse and buggy. Mr. Essam heard a noise and, stepping to the door, saw someone driving away with his rig. He gave chase and when two blocks had been covered he was so close that the pursued jumped out of the buggy and escaped. The horse was caught.

## Fatal Runaway Accident.

manure in a stubblefield on his farm near nesday. No one was hurt, but it is said that he knew nothing of the matter, Grand Island, Dietrich Steinbeck's thought some live stock was killed, horses became frightened. He fell in front of the wheels and the wagon passed over him, crushing his ribs and fatally injuring him internally. The in- house at Seward were opened Thursday, juries resulted in death eighteen hours The contract was awarded to Maixen &

## Homer is Dry.

All the saloons in Homer are closed and the town is "dry," the licenses of the n- pleting the largest and most important quor men having expired. The question | manufacturing plant that Kearney Counwhether new licenses will be issued or ty ever had, and in the course of a week the town allowed to remain "dry" will or ten days will be manufacturing a first be decided at the meeting of the town class article of brick at the rate of 45,000 board which will be held next week.

## Saloon Licenses Granted.

At Monday night's meeting of the Nebraska City council thirteen saloon li- sen, who lives south of Papillion, have censes were granted. Remonstrances the scarlet fever. The place has been have been filed against the granting of put under quarantine and no further eight additional saloon licenses.

### ONE ROCKED THE BOAT.

### Three Omaha Boys in Consequence Were Drowned.

An Omaha dispatch says: While five young men were fishing from a boat in Cutoff Lake Sunday the boat was capsized and three of their number were

drowned. The dead are Willard Johnson, aged 18; George Teats, aged 20, and Carl Lindquist, aged 20.

When the boat capsized the three boys now dead started to swim to shore. The wind was so strong that they were soon exhausted and sank. William Johnson persons who witnessed the accident. The bodies of the dead boys were recovered.

### ELUPERS ARE ARRESTED.

### The wife, running to where her hus- Girl of 17 Left Creighton with a Man of 26-Couple in Jail.

Telegraph wires and the strong arm of the law, enforced by irate parents, Sun-Creighton, Neb., and Fairfax, S. D. Miss Adelaide Clark left home Sun-Arthur Helm, a harnessmaker, had gone a day before. The girl is 17 and Helm is that she had risen at the usual hour 26 years old. When they applied for the to Fairfax to bring them home. They to a strict accountability. were held in jail.

### FIRE AT AUBURN.

### Several Buildings Destroyed Early Sunday Morning.

Fire broke out in the billiard hall occupied by R. G. Hubbs at Auburn Sunday, but before the alarm could be given it had a good start. The loss is estimated at from \$3,000 to \$3,500, with insur-It is understood that R. G. Hubbs had no insurance.

All the plate glass was broken out of the fronts of six of the large store build-The origin of the fire is unknown.

## BIENNIAL ELECTION LAW.

Nebraska's New Statute is to be Tested in the Courts. Gov. Mickey announced at Lincoln Monday that Attorney General Brown, the stovepipe went down Leo hurried in- with his sanction, would some time this junior normal schools was nipped in the to his clothes and stepped into the kitch- week institute suit in the supreme court | bud Friday afternoon by an opinion en with a shotgun in his hand. As he to test the constitutionality of the biencame before the shattered door he saw nial election law passed by the recent his father in the yard in the act of throw- legislature. He stated that a candidate for regent would offer a certificate of nomination for filing in the office of Secretary of State Galusha, when suit will be brought for a mandamus compelling that official to receive the certificate. This will bring the case before the su-

## SWEPT OVER A DAM.

### Jasper Jasperson is Drowned at

Neligh in the Elkhorn River. At Neligh Sunday afternoon Jasper Jasperson lost his life by drowning. He and three other young men were starting to take a boat ride up the river, and when they pushed the boat off from the landing the current caught the boat and took it out of their control. The others caught hold of guy wires attached to the foot bridge and got to shore, but Jasperson was carried over the dam and drowned. The body has not been re-

covered. The Elkhorn River is higher than at

### any time this year. LIQUOR KILLS AN INDIAN.

## Omaha Brave is Believed to Have Drank Wood Alcohol,

Two Omaha Indians and three squaws at Lyons procured a quantity of liquor of some kind, which proved to be poisoned, and one of the braves is dead and the others are very sick. It is supposed that it was wood alcohol which they

As the result of the supreme court's recent ruling it is very easy for the Indians to get liquor, and there is much drunken-

## ness among the red men.

### WOMAN TRAMP ON TOUR. Arrives in Norfolk from Black Hills

by Box Car Route. Calamity Jane No. 2, following in the shadow of the one time notorious Deadwood character, has arrived in Norfolk which prompts people to refuse gifts of the night, at her own request, in the city "tainted money" from rich men. He de- jail. She is a woman tramp, made her the box car route, claims that she can drink more whisky than any woman alive, and can whip in fistic battle any other tramp, man or woman, on the road, Incidentally she is a dope fiend,

#### Haddix Unable to Raise Bail. Scott Haddix, under \$10,000 bonds at Broken Bow for killing Melvin Butler on April 16, was escorted by the sheriff to Mason and vicinity, the latter part of the

week, in order to raise the necessary

amount to release him until the district

court convenes. He was unsuccessful. Severe Storm Near Norfolk. A strong wind, accompanied by hailstones as large as hens' eggs, blew down While he was engaged in unloading a barn eight miles south of Norfolk Wed- action has been taken. The governor

### New Court House at Seward. Bids for construction of the new court

Rokahar, whose bid was \$80,3650.

## New Brick Plant at Minden. The Minden Brick works are just com-

### to 50,000 per day. Scarlet Fever Near Papillion. Two young children of Martin Carl-

spread if the disease is a nticipated.



will insist on a rigid enforcement of the amended fire escape law, requiring that all buildings of three stories or more shall be equipped with apparatus. He said that he wants the same enforcement of this statute as that which has been given the game laws. This is taken to mean that owners of buildings which come within the provisions of the law will be held to a strict compliance, and the policy of temporizing will be eschewed in the future. Under the terms of the amended section, which carries the emergency clause, owners of buildings will be given six months in which to comply by erecting fire escapes. It is believed this will not supersede the remaining sections of the old law, which require that the labor commissioner shall give notive to owners to comply with the day won a race against Cupid between | law. This latter provision calls for the imposition of a fine ranging from \$25 to \$200 where the apparatus has not day, driving from Creighton to Fairfax, been installed within sixty days after service of notice. While Deputy Labor Commissioner Bush has not settled upon a definite interpretation of the details marriage ceremony Judge Allen refused of the statute, it is intimated that the on the ground that a girl so young should | department will give building owenrs have the consent of her parents. A mes- the benefit of the doubt within the six sage to Creighton brought an order to months Those who have not acted after arrest the pair, and Sheriff Burus went the expiration of that period will be held

William Holden, the Platte County bank robber who was sentenced to the penitentiary at Lincoln for a fourteenyear term several months ago, made an attempt to escape Tuesday night. Late Friday afternoon he was found in his hiding place in the drying kiln in which the broom manufacturer prepares the handles for use. Since he disappeared he has been secreted in a pile of handles ance amounting to about \$2,500. Rob- in this room awaiting a chance to scale erts' loss is estimated at \$1,000, with the walls with the aid of a 100-foot rope \$500 insurance. Kuhlman Bros, loss is which he had constructed from broom estimated at \$800, with \$500 insuprance. twine. With several boxes of sardines and some bread and several jars of water he had managed to remain in hiding. Several fruit jars full of water which had been taken by, the convict to his hiding ings on the opposite side of the street. place had been exhausted and his intense thirst, due to the heat of the dry room, caused him to betray his presence, and he speedily gave himself up to the

> What promised to be a most interesting fight between a number of towns in the state over the location of a couple of handed down by Attorwey General Brown to the effect that Superintendent McBrien had no right to re-establish the junior normals that were established at Holdrege and North Platte by Superintendent Fowler. The law provided that not more than five junior normals should be established, one at Valentine, McCook and Alliance and two by the state superintendent. The attorney general holds that the two established at Holdrege and North Platte by Superintendent Fowler are as firmly established as are three by the legislature, and a succeeding superintendent cannot change the location.

A question regarding credits has been asked the attorney general as follows: "Whether a loan broker having both credits and debits arising from the ordinary transaction of his business may offset the one against the other to find the true value of his credits?" This proposition is mooted, but not decided, in the case of Lancaster County against McDonald, If the mortgages are the property in fact of the broker, they should be assessed to him. And if they represent moneys loaned or invested, we would suggest that no deduction of debts be made from them until such time as the supreme court may modify the rule announced in the recent case of Lancaster County against McDonald.

The far-famed Jahnel bridge law, which goes into effect July 1, has excited but little comment among the county commissioners of the state, if the lack of interest manifested is any indication. The measure provides that county commissioners may at their option call on the secretary of the state board of irrigation for bridge plans, but up to date not a single query has been addressed to that department in relation to the law. The legislature authorized the publication of 2,000 copies of the measure in pamphlet form, and these have been distributed to the various counties of the state, so that it is regarded as a foregone conclusion that the officials know of the existence of the new enactment.

Attorney General Norris Brown said Thursday that reports received by him from various sections of the state indicated that the total assessable valuations would be greatly increased. County assessors and county attorneys are doing their level best to get all property on the assessment rolls, according to Brown. and he believes that the net result of their efforts will be to show a remarkable increase in the state's total valuation.

The prison officials pay little attention to the story that opium is being smuggled into the penitentiary by a syndicate. A recently released convict named Jones, told the police a sensational story of smuggling Friday, and it was claimed that the matter would be called to the attention of the governor, but so far no

Former Principal Beatty, of Peru, is

a silent candidate for a place on the fac-

ulty of the new western normal. He

has not made a formal announcement.

but has intimated to members of the

board of education that he is in a receptive mood. Department Commander Herman Bross in his Memorial day order, just promulgated, calls attention to the law enacted by the late legislature to prohibit base ball playing and horse racing and such forms of amusement on Memorial day and fixing a penalty for violation thereof. As a matter of fact, that law will not apply this year and therefore there can

be no violation of it. It was passed without the emergency clause and therefore does not go into effect until July 1. A number of inquiries have been received by the secretary of state regard-