

LAD HIS HEAD ON TRACK.

Rescued by Sheriff at Stanton—Complained of a Norfolk Doctor. Stanton, Neb., May 31.—Stating that a doctor at a hotel in Norfolk had hypnotized him and that he wanted to end his life, Richard Roe, aged 22, laid his head on the rail of a track in the eastern part of the town and waited for an approaching train to crush out his life.

A "PROSPERITY" DINNER.

Big Business Men of the Middle West, Assembling at St. Joseph. St. Joseph, Mo., May 31.—High officials of many middle western railroads and other industries are assembling in St. Joe today for a banquet in their honor at the Hotel Robidoux tonight, given by the commercial organizations. The affair is called a "prosperity dinner" and toasts will be responded to by Gardner Lathrop, general solicitor of the Santa Fe; B. F. Bush, president of the Missouri Pacific; C. S. Gleed, president of the Missouri and Kansas Telephone company, and others.

Atkinson's Sixth Victory.

Atkinson, Neb., May 30.—Special to The News: Atkinson high school won their sixth straight victory on Friday afternoon by defeating Stuart high school on the Atkinson grounds by a score of 7 to 1. The game was a pitchers' battle from start to finish. Johnson of Stuart striking out twelve men and Milnar of Atkinson eleven. In the fourth inning Johnson of Atkinson was hit by a pitched ball and severely injured above the eye. York of Atkinson got a home run by a long drive over right field. Summary: Batteries, Atkinson, Milnar and Raymer; Stuart, Johnson and Jones.

M'INNIS MAY SUCCEED DAVIS.

Indications Are That Mack Plans to Develop Him as He Did Collins. In Jack McInnis, that ace that Connie Mack has buried in a hole, to succeed Harry Davis at first base for the Athletics when the latter gets ready to give up? Indications seem to point exactly in that direction. But, while the fans are doting the situation out, now that Ken Houser has gone minor leagueward, Connie himself is saying



Photo by American Press Association. JACK M'INNIS, ATHLETICS' GREAT UTILITY INFILDER.

nothing—except to state that "when Mr. Davis cannot play first base for the Athletics we'll have somebody there that can."

However, there are several significant things connected with morning practice which tend to point to McInnis as the man in reserve for the first sack. During the morning McInnis can be seen practicing around bag No. 1. Every now and then before a regular game you can see him on first going through the signals.

It has long been a problem where Connie Mack would find a place for such a rattling good man as the little chap from Gloucester, Mass. McInnis is no outfielder, and there is no room for him at second, short or third, so the probabilities are that before the season is half over he will replace Harry Davis.

As a hitter McInnis measures up to a high standard. For his knowledge of the game, his ability to fathom the attack of the other fellow, to call the turn on his play, he stands with few superiors in the American league. Cannot one predict that this boy, trained in such a manner, will develop into another Eddie Collins? Then within a season or two Connie Mack will have the slickest young infield in the nation.

BANKER'S WIFE THE CAUSE.

Mrs. John W. Springer of Denver at Bottom of the Affair. Denver, May 31.—It was at a dinner given by the beautiful Mrs. John W. Springer, formerly of St. Louis and now the wife of a Denver millionaire, that St. Louis Von Phul of St. Louis, and Frank Harold Henwood of New York, began the quarrel which ended when Henwood shot Von Phul to death in the Brown Palace Hotel Wednesday night.

The fact came to light, despite Henwood's plea that Mrs. Springer's name be kept out of any discussion. Springer is president of the Continental Trust company and the Interstate Fair association of Denver. He is 65 years old. His wife is 37.

Folk and took apartments at Hotel Jefferson in St. Louis. They had been friends also since her marriage to Springer, three years ago, and "Tony" Von Phul met her frequently while she was visiting Miss Nellie Anheuser in St. Louis.

Henwood became acquainted with Mrs. Springer while he and Von Phul were at the Brown Palace hotel, where Springer's affiliation with mining interests and other enterprises kept him away from Denver a great deal, and Von Phul, in the husband's absence, often entertained Mrs. Springer, it is claimed. Henwood also entered the lists. Both he and Von Phul have been guests of Mrs. Springer recently at the Country club, the Golf club and other fashionable resorts.

Attaches of the hotel say this party was broken up before the shooting. After there had been sounds of scuffling in the room and a woman's voice had cried above the noise of blows and falling furniture, "don't kill him, Von." The killing followed the next day.

FLANAGAN COMING BACK.

Celebrated Hammer Thrower Will Return to America Next Fall.

John Flanagan, the world's champion hammer thrower, who has been abroad for nearly a year, will return to America in the fall and is expected to set a new world's record in the Metropolitan championships in New York in September. In a letter to a friend Flanagan says that he is heavier than ever and in recent trials has beaten his own mark by several feet.

He will remain on the other side until after the coronation of King George, competing in the English championships during coronation week, the Irish championships, the international meet in London and the dual meet between Ireland and Scotland. When the giant weight thrower left New York last year he declared that he would never return. He has evidently reconsidered this decision. Besides being the world's record holder in throwing the sixteen pound hammer, he ranks with the best men in the country in throwing the fifty-six pound weight for height and distance. He can also throw the discus and javelin a good distance.

Different Ivories. "Let's go down and have a game of billiards."

"Excuse me, but I'm a greenhorn at billiards."

"Greenhorn? I am surprised, sir. Why, you told me you were at home with the ivories."

"So I am, sir. I am a dentist."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

THE OLD BATES HOUSE.

A Hotel That Once Started Indianapolis With Its Innovations. I remember that when Indianapolis became a great railroad center and a city of enormous proportions—population from 15,000 to 20,000, according to the creative capacity of the imagination making the estimate—a wonderful hotel was built there and called the Bates House.

Its splendors were the subject of wondering comment throughout the west. It had washstands with decorated pottery on them in all its more expensive rooms so that a guest sojourning there need not go down to the common washroom for his morning ablution and dry his hands and face on a jack towel.

There were combs and brushes in the rooms, too, so that if one wanted to smooth his hair he was not obliged to resort to the appliances of that sort that were hung by chains to the wash-room walls.

Moreover, if a man going to the Bates House for a sojourn chose to pay a trifle extra he might have a room all to himself.

But all these subjects of wonderment shrink to nothingness by comparison when the proprietors of the Bates House printed on their breakfast bills of fare an announcement that thereafter each guest's breakfast would be cooked after his order for it was given, together with an appeal for patience on the part of the breakfasters. The proprietors promised to reward with hot and freshly prepared dishes.

This innovation was so radical that it excited discussion hotter even than the Bates House breakfasts. Opinions differed as to the right of a hotel keeper to make his guests wait for the cooking of their breakfasts. To some minds the thing presented itself as an invasion of personal liberty and therefore of the constitutional rights of the citizen.—Edward Eggleston's "Recollections."

A Steer Attacks an Oakdale Man.

Oakdale, Neb., May 31.—Special to The News: A farmer from near here and the butcher were bringing in a large steer yesterday and when they got him near the stock yards he was very warm and ugly. Seeing David Newburn crossing the street he broke the rope with which he was tied to the saddle horse, and reaching Mr. Newburn, threw him about ten feet over a fence, causing several bad bruises. Then the animal started after him again, but just as he got within reach of Newburn the steer dropped dead. Mr. Newburn's injuries are not serious.

Her Nephew One Victim.

A few months ago Mrs. Robert Smith of Norfolk received a letter from her sister in Oklahoma, Mrs. Hessler, stating that cattle thieves were raiding the Hessler ranch and that a number of cattle had disappeared. Mr. Smith, who is superintendent of the job printing department of the

Huse Publishing plant, told his wife that either Hessler or his son would be killed, because the Oklahomans announced in that letter that they intended to go after the thieves.

Yesterday Mr. Smith picked up a copy of The News of the press and read an Associated Press dispatch from Muskogee, Okla., that the boy, Clifford Hessler, aged 18, had died on Memorial day from the effects of wounds sustained in the fight with the thieves the day before. Mrs. Smith will leave Thursday morning for Oklahoma, to be with her sister.

Every time an effort is made to capture those cattle thieves, somebody in the posse is killed," Mr. Smith says.

Memorial Day Ceremonies.

Oakdale, Neb., May 31.—Special to The News: Memorial day was observed here more extensively than it has been for a number of years. There were about 500 farmers in town and about 1,000 people in the parade to the cemetery. The parade formed on Main street at 2 o'clock after a couple of selections by the band, and marched to the cemetery, where Hon. O. A. Williams of Neligh delivered the address of the afternoon. The cemetery association has done a great deal of improving the last year or two and arranging the cemetery in very good shape, and in a few years it will be as pretty as any in this part of the state. Some very nice tombstones have also been added during the last year. The town was also very extensively decorated with flags and bunting.

Ewing, Neb., May 31.—Memorial

day was very generally and very appropriately observed in Ewing. Farmers from all directions seemed to turn out en masse, thus insuring one of the largest crowds that the town has had for a long time. All the stores and business houses displayed the stars and stripes, while many private residences also had flags floating in the breeze. In the afternoon a program at the opera house drew such a crowd that many could not gain admittance. While the exercises at the hall were of an interesting character, the address delivered by Rev. Father Rose was the chief feature of the day. The reverend gentleman has a fine pleasing voice and his patriotic address was generally well received. At the close of the exercises in the hall several hundred drove to the cemetery and strewed flowers upon the graves of veterans gone before and upon those of friends and relatives.

West Point, Neb., May 31.—Special

to The News: The Memorial day services under the auspices of D. S. Crawford post No. 197 of the Grand Army of the Republic, department of Nebraska, and the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, were conducted. The religious services incident to the occasion were performed on Sunday, the memorial sermon being preached by Rev. D. B. Wright, pastor of the Congregational church. Hon. S. S. Sidner of Fremont delivered the address at the decoration services. The day was generally observed as a holiday, all public offices being closed. A large number of citizens witnessed the memorial exercises.

Memorial Day at Madison.

Madison, Neb., May 31.—Special to The News: Decoration day was appropriately observed here. All places of business were closed during the afternoon. H. Halderson of Newman Grove delivered an address. Lincoln's Gettysburg speech was read by Ned Irwin, and music was provided by the Citizens band of Madison. Following the speaking at the opera house a large procession was formed consisting of the members of the G. A. R., Woman's Relief corps, various civic societies and citizens of Madison and vicinity, and proceeded to Catholic and Protestant cemeteries, where the graves of departed soldiers of the war of the rebellion and the Spanish-American war were strewn with flowers.

Allen at Battle Creek.

Madison, Neb., May 31.—Special to The News: Ex-Senator W. V. Allen of this city delivered the Decoration day address at Battle Creek.

Man is Shot by Pierce Marshal.

Pierce, Neb., May 31.—Special to The News: Floyd Miller was shot and wounded in the right shoulder by City Marshal George Goff last night when Miller refused to throw up his hands at a time when Goff thought Miller had a butcher knife ready to use on the marshal.

The bullet glanced off the collar bone and has not been located but it is not thought the wound is dangerous. Miller rested easily during the night.

Marshal Goff says that Miller had been threatening during the day to use a knife on him. Last night Miller went to Fred Miller's restaurant to get a knife. The marshal was telephoned and went to arrest Miller. When he arrived Miller made for the lunch counter to get a knife. Goff ordered him twice to throw up his hands. Miller put up his left hand, but not the right.

Then Goff fired. The bullet entered the shoulder.

Marshal Goff thought the man had a knife in his right hand, and as a matter of fact the proprietor had taken the knife away from Miller before that.

Goff is about 50 years old. Miller is 30.

total of 260. Farmers also constitute the greater number of those treated at Lincoln for dipsomania or drunkenness. There were sixty-two of them in the last two years, sixty were laborers, eighteen were painters, twelve carpenters and eleven masons. No other class furnished as many as ten. Laborers form the next largest class of insane men. At Lincoln here are forty, at Hastings thirty-two and at Norfolk nineteen, a total of ninety-one. Of the 866 women, 274 are listed as housewives.

The records at the Lincoln asylum show that patients were received in the largest number from the following counties: Lancaster, eight; Douglas, seven; Cass, twenty-one; Saunders twenty; Dodge, eighteen; Gage, sixteen; Otoe, fourteen; Richardson, twelve; Nemaha, ten; Pawnee, ten. At the Hastings hospital: Hall thirty-six; Jefferson, twenty-eight; Buffalo, twenty-seven; Adams, twenty-three; York, twenty-one; Custer, nineteen; Thayer, thirteen; Harlan, twelve; Nuckolls, twelve; Phelps, twelve; Polk, twelve; Red Willow, twelve; Webster, eleven; Clay, ten; Hamilton, ten; Howard, ten; Nance, ten. At Norfolk: Holt, fourteen; Knox, thirteen; Cedar, twelve; Stanton, ten; Colfax, ten. Of the inebriates, Douglas furnished forty-seven, Lancaster twenty-two, Adams twelve and Saunders twelve.

Melancholia apparently claims most of the victims, as the doctors diagnose it, while senility is given as the cause in a considerable number. Dementia and mania in various forms are headings under which many are also listed.

Undelivered Letter Cause of Tragedy.

Pawnee, Neb., May 31.—A letter that was never sent, because Jessie McVittie's mother forgot to put out the latch on the rural free delivery box, precipitated the worst tragedy in the history of Nebraska and caused the death Monday morning of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis McVittie, their daughter Nettie, Deputy Sheriff Fuller and James Fleider, the fatal wounding of two and the serious injury of another.

Jim Fleider killed Mr. and Mrs. Dennis McVittie with a hammer, outraged the 6-year-old daughter Nettie, then broke her neck with his bare hands and crushed the skulls of three other children because he had not received the letter written by the girl several days before, in which she promised to love him in spite of her parents' objections. The letter was placed in the mail box by Mrs. McVittie, but the box left locked. The mail man never got the letter and the tragedy was the result.

Dry-eyed and without a quiver either in voice or expression, Jessie McVittie told a Daily News reporter the first connected story of the tragedy that has shocked this staid little community.

She still loved the dead man in spite of his crime. "He was always good to me," she said in answer to the question, and "he treated me kindly and nicely that night, even after he had done what he did."

Fleider's act was that of an insane man, goaded to a frenzy by love and jealousy. Sitting in a carriage by the roadside with the stars of Decoration day martial music coming faintly from the nearby town, Jessie McVittie told of the Sunday night that decimated her family.

"My father objected to Jim because he drank and so did I, but we were engaged. On Sunday night at 5 o'clock he was at the house and he appeared as usual except for the fact that he was angry at father because he objected to his going with me."

"He went away saying that he was going to Pawnee City and I went to bed early. At midnight I was awakened by some one walking in their stocking feet, but I thought it was mamma, who is afflicted with headaches, and I went back to sleep."

"Later, I do not know how long, I heard a groan and something seemed to shake my bed. I listened and I heard the door to my brother's room open and shut and I thought it was one of them awakened suddenly."

"I went to sleep again and jumped with a start when I heard two heavy taps from my brother's room. They, Frank screamed terribly. My sister, Fannie, who sleeps with me, and I screamed also, and called for father, but there was no response."

"Then as we sat up in bed, the door opened and Jim came in. I called out, 'What have you done?' He answered, 'Nothing; you keep quiet and come with me.' I resisted him, and he choked and dragged me down the steps into the yard and into a buggy. My sister, Fannie, paralyzed with fright, could not utter a sound. 'You have killed my mother and father,' I cried, trying to break away."

"Jim laughed at me. 'It's all right,' he said; 'when you get back to the house you'll find them all right.'"

"At the school house he talked to me for a while, asking me if I would marry him, but I again refused, saying he had done something to my family, or they would have answered our screams. Then he turned to me and told me to go home with the horse and buggy. 'When you leave I am going to drink all of this,' he said, pointing to a whiskey bottle, 'then I am going to kill myself. They will find my body near the school house.'"

Mr. Evans already is a resident of Norfolk, having been active in the management of the company heretofore. Mr. Sharp lives at Creighton; Mr. Brozovsky was formerly with the Lys-Schneider-Fowler company at Nideya; Mr. Brown was formerly with the Superior Lumber company of Minneapolis; Mr. Chaffee lives in Norfolk, being a traveling salesman for the Missouri Lumber and Land Exchange of Kansas City.

Mr. Brown as secretary will move to Norfolk and have his offices here; Mr. Brown will be manager of the Creighton plant; Julius Sandor, formerly with the Superior Lumber company at Carter, S. D., will be manager at Winnetoon; Frank Pryor, formerly with the Superior Lumber company at Winner, S. D., will be yard foreman at Creighton; John Beltz, yardmaster in Norfolk, will remain in his present capacity.

J. H. Bingenheimer, H. J. Bingenheimer and J. W. Bingenheimer retire from the company. They will probably go west.

Which of today's store ads contain money-saving facts for you?

AKIN NO DEMOCRAT.

Congress Directory Late Because He Was Not Properly Listed.

The delayed publication of the Congressional Directory for the extra session of congress was caused by the fact that the editor had trouble in listing the political faith of Dr. Theron Akin, representative from the Twenty-fifth New York district.



In his campaign Dr. Akin was described as a Democrat by some, but since going to Washington he has sat on the Republican side of the aisle and calls himself a progressive Republican. It is said he didn't know that he had been

classified as a Democrat until he went to the postoffice department to ask about certain patronage. Then he was told he was a Democrat, it is related, and that he had been so listed in about 18,000 Congressional Directories that had been put out.

His very next call was on the printing committee of congress. Several committeemen tried to effect a compromise, it is reported, so that "progressive" would be omitted and "Republican" stand. But Dr. Akin said no. Somebody had called him a Democrat and it had to be taken back. So these directories were recalled as far as possible, and there was a new print

Lost Meanings.

"Those who care for the beginnings of things may be glad that the quill pen survives to remind us that the original pen was plucked from a bird," observes a writer. "Germans and Frenchmen are in no danger of forgetting that, thanks to their respective words 'feder' and 'plume,' but the English 'pen' suggests a feather only when one chooses to think about it and recall the Latin 'pena.' Almost all our writing materials are no longer what etymologically they profess to be. Paper is no longer made of papyrus; a pencil is not a little lat 'penicillus,' like a camel's hair brush; the 'lead' of a lead pencil is not lead, and the 'India rubber' with which we erase its marks does not and never did come from India. Even of parchment there is probably not a fragment in the country, except, perhaps, in a museum and coming from Pergamum, in Asia."—Chicago News.

Life in the Ice Arctic.

In the morning I was generally the one to waken first and would either start the alcohol lamp myself or call Astrop for that purpose. Our morning meal consisted of a lump of pemmican, six biscuits, two ounces of butter and two cups of tea each. As soon as this was finished everything was repacked on the sledge. I then read the odometer, aneroid and thermometer and, taking the gaidon, which had waved and fluttered over the kitchen throughout our hours of rest, from its place, stepped forward and the next march was commenced. After from four to six hours of marching we would halt for half an hour to eat our simple lunch of pemmican and give the dogs a rest and then after four to six hours of traveling halt again and repeat the already described routine.—Robert E. Peary, "The Great White Journey."

Junction News.

Mrs. H. C. Dick and son Clarence are in Stuart visiting with Mrs. Dick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ahlman.

Mrs. A. Frederickson and son Marvel are visiting with relatives in Omaha.

Miss Hazel Whiting is in Anoka on business.

Miss Geneva Moolick arrived home from North Bend and Morse Bluff, where she had been visiting relatives.

S. C. Graham, master mechanic of Missouri Valley, was at the shops yesterday.

Mrs. G. B. Christman and two children arrived home from Omaha last evening.

The smallpox quarantine has been lifted from the Smithers home. The daughter who contracted the same disease while visiting with her aunt, Mrs. Miller, at Columbus, has now returned home.

Grane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Crotty, who are living on a claim in South Dakota.

Mrs. Dick and daughter Mabel went to Dallas yesterday for a visit with Mrs. Dick's son.

Miss Bessie Etter is visiting with her uncle, M. Moolick, while on her way to Wayne to attend the alumni banquet there this evening.

Mrs. Horshman and daughter Eugene, formerly of this city, passed through here yesterday enroute to Wisner for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Sarah Barrett spent Memorial day at Pierce.

Mr. Roesche and daughter went to Alnworth yesterday for a visit.

Miss Jeanette Widmark returned to her home in Fort Dodge, Ia., after a short visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Long. She has just returned from South Dakota, where she has taken a claim.

Washouts in Missouri.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 31.—The heavy rain last night washed out the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy tracks near Forest City, Mo., for half a mile and 300 feet of track is out at Forbes, Mo. It was expected to open the line before night. The Grand Island has a bad washout near Troy, Kan., and other roads have suffered.

New Varieties of Fireworks.

There will be no blank cartridges, cannon crackers or any fire crackers over five inches long this year. There are, however, a great many new novelties in the fireworks line to be introduced to the celebrants of the Fourth of July.

An inspection of a travelingman's line of fireworks yesterday showed the absence of the cannon cracker and blank cartridges. There were many new kinds of fireworks, however, among this line, which were purchased by local business men. There are new kinds of roman candles, spinning wheels, dragon flies, and a full set of new sparklers.

One of the features of the display this year will be the devil chasers and the new-fangled spin wheel, to which are attached chicken feathers. There are no dynamite canes, which have been declared a nuisance and dangerous article.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

H. H. Miller went to Lincoln.

W. J. Schultz went to Pierce on business.

G. L. Carlson is in Texas on business.

Judge C. F. Eiseley returned from a business trip to Anoka.

W. P. Logan returned from a business trip to Sioux City.

William Zutz of Hoskins is in the city visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kinney made an automobile trip to Stanton.

Mrs. Monroe Smith and children of Madison are in the city visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. O'Brien.

Mrs. Josephine Hull returned from Concord, Neb., and Sioux City, where she spent a month with friends.

Miss Marquardt, principal of the Douglas, Wyo., public schools, enroute to her home in southern Nebraska, was in the city visiting with the G. L. Evans family.

The Baptist ladies will meet at the church Thursday afternoon at 2:30 for election of officers.

J. W. Davis, who has been conducting the cigar store of his son, George Davis in this city, has purchased a pool room at Tilden.

The 4-year-old son of C. O. Hedrick at South Norfolk sustained an injured thumb as the result of having it caught in a washing machine.

A stranger was arrested for being drunk and disorderly. His calls for help in the city jail on Norfolk avenue. On the canvas he painted a large baseball over which, in red, is painted the word "today." These signs are much larger than those used at Sioux City and are more attractive.

The Union Pacific depot seems to be buried in the sifting files of the M. & O. and Union Pacific railroads. In an interview, a local railroad official, who has had "inside" information as to the depot, declared he "has lost track of the proposed depot." "The last I heard of it was that Norfolk was assured of it; that the M. & O. people had approved of the plans and that everything was ready to begin work," he said.

"Better stock up on Paris Green," is the caution given out by a local druggist who has made an investigation of the present potato crop. He finds that potato bugs have been busy on the fast growing vines for the past four days, and he predicts that there will be more of the pest this year than last year, when druggists sold out their entire supply of Paris green. This druggist declares he will sell more of this preparation this year than he did last.

With the discovery this forenoon of 1,000 cigars of various brands hidden in an alley, the police believe another gang of boys are starting to work. This morning employees of the C. P. Parish store saw a young man behind the store, and on investigation later found 1,000 cigars in a sack hidden under a cracker box. The cigars are of various brands and are packed in boxes. Chief of Police Marquardt took charge of the cigars and is now making an investigation. The cigars have not yet been claimed by local merchants.

Paul Grant, a local plumber, was the successful bidder for the plumbing, heating and electrical work for the two new additions to be built on the Lincoln and Grant schools. The board of education considered four bids last night for this work. Mr. Grant's bid being \$8,698.75, the lowest of the four by \$400. The other bidders were: L. J. Dignan, Norfolk; LaVeele Hogan, Sioux City, and L. W. Pomereene, Lincoln. Miss Eva Horsham of Madison was elected a teacher in the Norfolk grade schools. Miss Paine, principal of the high school, tendered her resignation.

George Grainger, a butcher employed in the Compton meat market, is minus a joint of a finger on his left hand. Yesterday morning Mr. Grainger was engaged in grinding sausage for a customer. He had just about finished his work when he poked his hand too close to the knives. He heard a snap and, extracting his hand from the machine, he found that the finger was shortened somewhat. The physician extracted a piece of bone and sewed up the injured member.

R. Winter of Willwaukee, Wis., en-