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Elisha G. Osborne of Lincoln was a visitor in Union on last Saturday and was renewing acquaintance with his many friends here.

John Gilmore of Murray was a visitor in Union, a guest of his many friends here and also looking after some business matters.

King David Clark was called to Murray on last Monday to look after some business matters for a short time, he driving over to the hustling little city in his car.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor were over to Nebraska City a few days since, they driving down to look after some business matters and as well to visit with their friends.

Bert Frans and wife and Albert Wolfe were over to Omaha on last Sunday, they driving over in the car of Mr. Frans to look after some business matters for a short time.

A. W. Props of Nebraska City was a visitor in Union and was looking after some business matters for a short time as well as visiting with his friends on last Tuesday morning.

Elmer Withrow, the produce station man, was called to Plattsmouth on last Friday and was meeting with his many friends there as well as looking after some business matters.

Wm. James has been having a tussle with the flu for the past two weeks but at this time is reported as being much better and was able to be in town on Tuesday of this week.

Raymond Galloway and the good wife were over to Plattsmouth on a short time on Tuesday morning of this week. They were with some friends as well as looking after some shopping.

E. H. Schulhof, one of the very best piano tuners and a general all around musician, was a visitor in Union on Tuesday and was looking after some business matters for a short time.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union were entertained at the home of Mrs. L. G. Todd by Mrs. Todd and where a very worth while program was rendered and a very enjoyable time had.

Frank Wolfe, brother of Earl and Bruce, and who makes his home at Yuma, Colorado, is here, called to see his brother Earl, reports that the weather in the west has been rather cold and with much snow.

Ray McFarland has established an electric shop in a portion of the Propst building and the rumor has it that there is to be an amusement parlor established in another portion of the room, which will also leave another portion for other uses.

Mrs. Earl Merritt who was sick for so long and who has been improving of late, is about to be out

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and while she is lighter on account of her illness she is continually gaining and it is hoped that she will soon be in her former good health again. Owing to the crowded highway last Monday morning and the congestion of traffic, a truck was crowded over to one side of the bridge over the Weeping Water, with the results of the wrecking of the truck, and also the bruising of the driver quite badly.

F. H. McCarthy was looking after some business matters in Omaha on Wednesday of this week, where he went to get some facts of the insurance company that would allow him to effect settlement of one of the cars which was burned in the garage fire some time since.

Allison Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark, living north of Union, and who is with the United States army located at Fort Crook, was a visitor at home on last Tuesday and was accompanied by his friend and buddy, Private Eyperson, they both as well as Mr. and Mrs. Clark, enjoying the visit.

Le. Farris, and C. F. Harris and their wives were over to Lyons on last Monday where they went to attend the funeral of the late Riley Dill who died at a hospital in Sioux City last Friday, from an infection on one of his heels. Mr. Dill was well known in Cass county, having resided here many years ago.

County Commissioner elect E. B. Chapman and wife entertained on last Sunday at their beautiful country home and had as their guests for the occasion, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sutton and son, Dwyll of California, cousins, and Mrs. Verne Rough of Otoe. The guests and host and hostess enjoyed the day most pleasantly.

While in Lyons on last Monday, County Commissioner C. F. Harris and Lee Farris visited with Charles Hipp, former of this portion of the state, living near Union, but who has made his home in the north for many years. They report Mr. Hipp as being very poorly having sustained a stroke of paralysis and which has rendered him helpless, and unable to talk but a very little.

No More Dinners Now. Until after the holidays the ladies will not serve dinners to the members of the Business Men's Club of Union, as there are many functions occurring, it is considered as being best to discontinue the dinners until after the rush of the holiday season is over.

Making Good Progress. The workman who are rebuilding the garage building of Charles Atterberry, are making good progress and have the roof erected with the sheeting on and the new rear end which is made of wood and is only a portion of the way back and in a short time will be ready to work in. Mr. Atterberry who is an excellent workman and one of the very best citizens, will we are certain, have an abundance of trade when he shall have gotten in position to look after the work.

Had a Good Sale. The sale of W. A. Lewis which was held on last Wednesday, December 10th, was well attended and the goods which were offered went at a very good figure. Mr. Lewis and wife will expect to make their home in Cedar county and will farm there. They were engaged in farming there for a number of years and have many friends in that portion of the country who will welcome their return. The many friends of this excellent family here will be sorry to have them depart, but are extending to them the wish that they have success in their new home and that they may enjoy many friends and good health there as well.

To Have Night Watch. The village of Union, after repeated robberies, which in the end resulted in much loss to the merchants, have some of them taken out burglar insurance and others have concluded it as well to carry their own insurance, but since the robberies recently, there has been a concerted move to employ a night watch. The village board have agreed to match a subscription list, and thus provide a means of paying the salary of a night watch, the circulation of

a subscription list early Tuesday morning resulted in the pledging of twenty-four dollars and fifty cents and it was hoped that there would be more and eventually enough to employ a night watch all the time. Just what will be done about it is not known at this time.

### Report Earl Wolfe Better.

Friends and relatives who have visited with Earl Wolfe at the hospital at Omaha, report that Earl is showing some improvement and that there is hope that he will be able to recover. This is good news to the many friends of Mr. Wolfe, and they are many, for Earl has a host of friends, and all would like to know that he was to return home entirely well. Bruce Wolfe, his brother, was over to see him on Monday afternoon.

### Will Hold Election of Officers.

The Ladies Aid of the Baptist church, will defer their regular meeting but have arranged to hold a meeting on December 18th which is on Thursday of the coming week. All members remember this date and the place will be at the basement of the Baptist church. Come, something will be doing, and a good time assured.

### Come to Church Services.

Rev. W. A. Taylor, pastor of the Baptist church of Union, is extending a cordial invitation to those who are not worshipping elsewhere to attend the services at the Baptist church on the coming Sunday and at all other times when it is convenient. The subject which will be discussed by the pastor, Rev. Taylor, will be "The Goodness of God." Come hear the subject discussed in an able manner. You are also invited to attend the Bible school and the young peoples meeting as well.

### Undergoes Operation.

Charles L. Greene of the firm of Elin and Greene has been troubled for some time with appendicitis, and on last Tuesday morning went to Omaha where he, at the Methodist hospital, underwent an operation for the removal of his appendix, and the operation has been done fairly well, and hopes in due time to be able to return home entirely well again.

## Ft. Crook Overhead Agreement Is Reached

Railroads and State Find Answer to Puzzle of Costs—Im-

proves Highway

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 8.—An agreement reached today between the state department of public works and the Burlington and Missouri Pacific railroads, will permit construction within the near future of an eight hundred foot overhead crossing over Pappio creek and the railroad tracks on Highway 75 near Fort Crook and seven miles north of this city.

The agreement, Arthur Lobdell, assistant state engineer, said, provides for payment of a majority of the cost by the state.

Total cost of the project, Lobdell said, will be \$125,302. Of that amount, the state will pay \$65,302, its portion of that part of the structure over Pappio creek and will assume an additional 30 thousand dollars for the cost of the overhead over the two railroad company lines.

The balance will be assumed by the railroads, the Burlington agreeing to pay 14 thousand dollars and the Missouri Pacific \$16,136.

For 18 months the proposal has been in the hands of the railway commission. A number of hearings were held, but not until today was any agreement on financing and location reached.

The state, Mr. Lobdell said, assumed the bulk of the cost because it would have been compelled to build the creek crossing regardless of the railroads. The improvement eliminates two long curves on the main traveled Omaha-Kansas City highway.

**MAN DIES IN GUN BATTLE**

Amarillo, Tex.—Police reported Monday a man on whose body was found a card issued to Brunson McCarver, as an United States investigator, was shot and killed in a gun battle with officers who were attempting to remove him from a bus.

The man boarded a bus at St. Louis, Dec. 6, and soon after it left Amarillo Monday the driver told officers at Canyon, near here, the man was giving him trouble. Officers met the bus and shooting followed in which he was killed, police said.

Memphis—Mrs. Dave Puryear of Memphis, sister of Brunson McCarver, said Monday night he had been attached to federal narcotics bureau, working out of New York and Washington. A man on whom was found a card bearing McCarver's name, was shot and killed in an altercation with officers near Amarillo, Tex. Monday. A postcard mailed at Kansas City and received by Mrs. Puryear Monday, said her brother was enroute to Los Angeles.

### LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

Eleven red hogs, weight about 170 lbs.—Robt. Troop, Mynard, Neb. d4-2tw.

Legal and commercial printing of all kinds at the Journal office.

## Say Poison was Cause of Mrs. Shepard's Death

Defense Effort to Prove Victim an Addict Who Killed Himself by Heavy Drinking.

Kansas City—Medical tomes supplemented customary legal references at the trial of Major Charles Shepard, alleged uxoricide, here Monday, two medical men among five army officers witnesses testifying Mrs. Zenana Shepard died from a slow acting poison. Major Paul R. Hawley, chief medical officer at Fort Riley, Kas., a year and a half ago, when the defendant's wife died at the post, said an autopsy revealed death by slow poisoning.

Major M. E. DuFronne of Fort Crook, Neb., who attended Mrs. Shepard during her illness, testified he believed death was caused by poisoning. In signing the death certificate the physician gave the cause of death as inflammation of the stomach.

Another medical officer, Major J. C. Dye, an eye specialist, told of being called to examine the defendant's wife. He testified the retina of Mrs. Shepard's eyes were enlarged and dilated, "due to toxina as the result of poisoning of some kind." This, it was explained, was the absorption of poison into the patient's system.

The other witnesses were Major Hugh Mahon, pathologist, and Samuel D. Sturgis, of the engineers corps, Fort Riley.

### Called Drinking Addict.

Major Hawley was nervous on the witness stand. Under cross examination he said Mrs. Shepard's condition could have been caused by alcohol. The defense, in the opening statement, said it would be proved that the officer's wife was an alcohol addict and killed herself by excessive drinking.

The day's testimony plainly was directed against the crowd, which succeeded in entering the packed federal court room apparently eager for sensational developments, especially concerning Major Shepard's relations with Grace Bradson of San Antonio. The audience held staunchly to its seats. The twenty-two year old woman, for love of whom the officer allegedly poisoned his wife, entered the court room virtually unnoticed during the morning session. She is likely to be called to the stand until midweek.

During Mrs. Shepard's fatal illness Shepard ignored suggestions that he call in civilian medical assistance, Major Hawley said. The autopsy, the witness said, was held over Shepard's objections at the direction of the army post surgeon. Even before Mrs. Shepard's death, Major Hawley testified, Shepard told him he did not want an autopsy.—State Journal.

### DEATH RATE IS REDUCED

Chicago—The safest place a person can be in the United States is traveling as a passenger on a railroad train, Charles E. Hill, general safety agent of the New York Central lines, declared at the American Railway association meeting here Monday. Comparing it with those of 1913, which he said was a pre-safety year, Hill said the results of the organized safety movement are shown in accredited reports which show a reduction in the number of deaths to railway employees from 3,715 in 1913 to 1,302 in 1929, or a decrease of 65 percent, and a reduction in the number of employees injured from 171,417 in 1913 to 59,164 in 1929, or a decrease of 66 percent. "Based on the results of the first six months of this year," he continued, "there will be 1,000 employees killed and 39,000 injured in 1930, which will be a decrease of 73 percent in deaths and 77 percent in injuries as compared with 1913. The number of deaths to passengers has been reduced from 350 in 1913 to 114 in 1929. The railroads of the United States last year carried nearly nine hundred million passengers, seven and a half times the population of this country."

### ELEVEN SKELETONS FOUND

Omaha—Discovery Sunday of the skeletons of eleven persons believed to have been white, on the top of a hill 300 feet high one mile north of Folsom, Ia., reveals the possibility that the graves of the victims of a pioneer day tragedy have been found.

Mace Jorgensen, son of J. Jorgensen, and Sam M. Godsey, Folsom, Ia., farm hand, were digging a "chicken crow trap" on the top of a hill on the J. Jorgensen farm when they happened upon the bones.

Coroner Raynor of Mills county, to whom the find was reported, said he is almost positive the bones are those of whites rather than Indians. There were no Indian relics found with the bones. Dr. C. W. Poynter, dean and head of the anatomy department of the University of Nebraska, after examining one of the skulls, said that it was possibly that of a white person.

### TROOPS AT THE UNIVERSITY

Havana—With the student situation still unsolved and clashes with the police reported with increasing frequency, not only in Havana, but thru the island, troops were again stationed at the National university Monday and precautions against serious disorders were doubled. Despite conciliatory steps taken by the government, students continued their demonstrations. Several were injured in their clash with police, and a large number were arrested, but there was no shooting.



**CHECK HIS WARDROBE NOW!**

## Here's The List

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| Hosiery   | Belts      |
| Garters   | Neck Scarf |
| Shirts    | Suspenders |
| Ties      | Gloves     |
| Kerchiefs | House Coat |
| Collars   | Sweater    |
| Spats     | Pajamas    |

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## Nemaha Bank Loot Not Found After a Hunt

Officers Press Search With Benedict and Hunt—Fair Pleads Not Guilty of Robbery.

Auburn—Loot amounting to \$700 in cash and \$4,800 in bonds taken in the daylight robbery of the Bank of Nemaha, Oct. 15, was unfound here Monday after officers had scoured the hills east of Nemaha and the Missouri river bottom northeast of Falls City with Francis Benedict and William Hunt, returned here from California to answer charges in connection with the robbery, according to the Associated press.

The search, which was conducted Sunday and Monday, netted only \$40 in 5 cent pieces hidden along the river bottom, County Attorney Lee Kelligar said Monday night. Benedict and Hunt, two of three suspects, were arraigned Monday morning on bank robbery charges and pleaded not guilty, according to Kelligar. He

reported that they will be taken into district court Wednesday morning for further arraignment and assignment for trial.

Deny Staging Robbery. The attorney denied that Hunt and Benedict had confessed staging the robbery with Russell Clark, twenty-two, of Barada, who was arrested the night after the holdup when he jumped from his island home into the Missouri river and was hauled out in midstream. Clark is to go to trial next Monday and the other two will be tried separately unless they later plead guilty, Kelligar said.

Some of the \$700 in cash was taken by Hunt and Benedict in their flight to the west coast where they were arrested as vagrants at Riverside, Calif., and identified as the Nebraska suspects, according to Kelligar.

The extent of the bond loot taken was revealed when Sheriff Lee Parriott of Auburn brought Hunt and Benedict, formerly of Corns, Ia., to the hills where the bonds were allegedly hidden by two of the three men in their flight.

Benedict and Hunt took them to a place where they thought the securities had been placed but the search was fruitless, the officer said.

Both prisoners, the sheriff stated, admitted to him they had taken a portion of the loot to pay for their journey to the west coast. The search, Parriott said, will be continued.

**HOPES TO FORM A CABINET**

Paris—A newcomer in leading French political roles, Senator Pierre Laval, noted lawyer, worked feverishly here Monday night to construct a government where an older hand had failed, invited by President Doumergue to form a new cabinet, after the efforts of Senator Barthelemy had failed, Laval was meeting with difficulties thru renewal of the stand of the radical socialist party against inclusion of any member of the "right" bloc in the new combination.

Laval, however, a close friend of Briand, famous foreign minister and former Premier Tardieu, appeared Monday night to have better chances of success than Barthelemy had.

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