

CURRENT HAPPENINGS

FAITHFUL CHRONICLE OF ALL IMPORTANT ITEMS.

OIL TRUST FINE VOID

APPEAL COURT REVOKES LANDS' \$29,240,000 PLASTER.

Jurist Sharply Criticized—Reviewers Point Out Three Particulars in Which They Allege the Trial Court Erred Most Flagrantly.

The United States court of appeals reversed and remanded for retrial the case of the government against the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, in which Judge Landis, of Chicago, in the district court, had imposed a fine of \$29,240,000.

The government has thirty days within which to file a petition for a rehearing, and it was announced that it will be filed within the allotted period.

In his opinion, which was concurred in by Judges Seaman and Baker, dealing with the "intent" feature of the case, a vital point, Judge Grosscup says:

"We should take up these subjects in the order stated, the first being whether a shipper can, without error, be convicted of accepting a concession from the lawful published rate, even though it is not shown as bearing on the matter of intent that the shipper at the time of accepting such concession knew that the lawful published rate was a view of the law that is embodied in the charge and carried out in the ruling excluding certain proffered testimony, including that of one Edward Bogaruz, who, being in absolute charge of traffic affairs of the plaintiff in error, offered to testify that during the period he did not know anything about an 18-cent rate over the Chicago and Alton railroad; that his attention had never been called to any such rate by any person or by the examination of any document, and that it was his understanding and belief on what he was told by one Holland, tariff clerk for the Alton railroad, that the rate over the Alton road was 6 cents and that such rate had been filed with the interstate commerce commission."

Judge Grosscup's opinion leaves little of the contention that each carload at the 6-cent rate constituted a separate offense. Even the shipments, of which there were about 500, could not be so considered under the ruling of the court. The fine should have been based on settlements between the railroad and the oil company. Of these there were just thirty-six. The maximum fine on this basis would amount to but \$720,000 and the minimum \$36,000—the latter figure being considerably less than the \$223,000 which the Standard is alleged to have received as rebates on the shipments in question.

BEHEADS GIRL IN PRISON.

Ax Used as Weapon by German Executioner.

Grete Beier, the 18-year-old daughter of the mayor of Freiberg, Saxony, was beheaded Wednesday night some time between dark and dawn in punishment for the murder of the man to whom she was engaged to be married. The executioner reached the city Wednesday night. He carried a box containing the ax with which he did his work and brought with him also a suit of evening clothes. The wearing of this garb is an official requirement for the executioner. The preparations for the execution at the prison had been completed and the man did his work quickly and privately and departed as quietly as he came. The king of Saxony had refused a pardon.

Horrible Boston Murder.

A brutal murder was disclosed by the discovery of the body of Mrs. Emma Payrow, 38 years old, gagged, and with her throat cut, crushed into a small closet in one of the apartments at 290 Columbus avenue, Boston, Mass. The woman's body was found by her husband, Charles Payrow, when he returned to his room Tuesday night.

To Inquire Two-Cent Law.

The Minnesota, Red Lake and Manitoba Railroad company Wednesday served notice on the state railway and warehouse commission that beginning August 1 it would charge passengers a fare of three cents a mile, thus ignoring the two-cent fare law.

Is Expelled by Castro.

President Castro has expelled J. H. DeRus, minister resident of the Netherlands, from Venezuela. Castro declares DeRus is incompetent to serve as a friendly medium in relation between the two countries.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Wednesday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$6.50. Top hogs, \$6.40.

Fleet Leaves Honolulu.

The Atlantic battleship fleet sailed from Honolulu Wednesday night at 6:13 for Auckland, New Zealand. The Minnesota was left behind to await the mail steamer from San Francisco and overtake the fleet before its arrival at Auckland.

Sir William Cremor Dead.

Sir William Randall Cremor died Wednesday morning in London. He was born in 1838.

LURED TO HER DEATH.

Cruel Cunning Shown in Murder of Mrs. Eberhard.

The tale of a crime so revolting and almost unbelievable is told in the case of Mrs. Ottilie Eberhard, a well-to-do Venetian widow, whose body was found on the railroad track in a lonely section of Hackensack, N. J., early Sunday. At first it was believed that the woman had been struck by a train and killed. Subsequent investigation, however, revealed that she had been murdered and her body placed upon the track in an effort to destroy traces of the crime. It was with this discovery that there came the first intimation of the deeply laid and cunningly executed plot which placed the case almost in a class by itself in the history of crime. As a result of that investigation the police are now searching for August Eberhard, the dead woman's nephew, who had implored Mrs. Eberhard to come to this country and to bring with her her little for tune of \$2,500 and her 20-year-old daughter, whom August had promised to marry.

It was largely due to the story told by the daughter after the finding of the older woman's body that the search for August was begun, and the police of every city in the eastern section of the country have been asked to take him into custody if found. He is wanted to tell what he knows of the circumstances related by the girl who was to have been his wife. The young woman herself, however, refuses to believe that August had any part in the tragic death of her mother, but, despite her protestations, detectives have gone to the home of the man's parents, who live on a farm near Dutchess Junction, in Dutchess county, N. Y., and the search for him is being prosecuted in many other quarters.

NO FOOD FOR 35 DAYS.

Missouri Man Makes Remarkable Fasting Record.

Probably the longest fast ever kept by any man in the United States, with the possible exception of Dr. Tanner, is that of Frank Schmitz, aged 48 years, a Belleville, Mo., iron molder, who has finished a thirty-five-day fast, thus smashing the remarkable fasting record of Dr. Irving J. Eales, of Belleville, who fasted from May 31 to July 1, 1907.

Mr. Schmitz has broken his fast by partaking of a little malted milk, and accomplished, according to his own statement, what he set out to do, that is, recover his health, depleted by an illness of fifteen years of stomach trouble, and regain his strength.

It was at noon of June 14 last that Mr. Schmitz began his fast, and during all of the thirty-five days ending at noon Sunday he claims to have subsisted entirely on an occasional glass of water. He has not tasted food in any form during that period and is substantiated in his statement to this effect by his wife and physician, Dr. Eales. At the time he commenced fasting he was a very sick man and had been told by a number of doctors that unless there was some change in his condition he could live but a few months.

PUT TO DEATH IN PRISON.

Two New York Murderers Executed in Sing Sing.

Charles H. Rogers and Angelo Landiero were executed in Sing Sing Monday. In the case of Landiero a bright flame from the electrodes at his head was noticed after the contact and there was a sound of burning hair. The crimes for which Rogers paid the death penalty were the killing of Willis and Frederick Olney, farmers, near Middleton, N. Y., and the killing of Alice Ingerick, the Olney brothers' housekeeper, whom he also assaulted. The object of the deed was robbery.

Rain Stops Forest Fires.

A succession of drenching showers has served to put a stop to the great fires near Portland, Me., which have burned for thousands of dollars in the Maine woods during the last two weeks, causing also more than a little alarm in many instances for the safety of villages.

Hurt in Auto Wreck.

While Judge Riner, of the United States district court, and his family were returning from Silver Crown, Wyo., Sunday their auto overturned about twenty miles west of town and Judge Riner sustained painful, but not necessarily fatal injuries, breaking two ribs.

William Vilas Stricken.

William F. Vilas, former United States senator and member of Cleveland's cabinet Monday suffered a hemorrhage of the brain and his condition is serious.

Accident on Warship.

By bursting of a steam pipe of the forward starboard boiler, on the battleship Kearsarge, of the Atlantic fleet, five of the fire room crew were injured seriously.

Battleships at Manila.

The battleships Maine and Alabama, composing the special service squadron which is going around the world in advance of the American Atlantic fleet, arrived Monday at Manila.

CALLS FOR DOUGLAS.

Bryan Wants '83 Shoe' Man to Manage Campaign.

It now seems almost certain that the new chairman of the democratic national committee will be former Gov. William L. Douglas, of Massachusetts. The fact that he is being much sought after to take the place became known at Lincoln, Neb., Tuesday following the departure of George Fred Williams, who conferred with Mr. Bryan after coming from Massachusetts. It was not generally known that Mr. Williams had returned east from the Denver convention. It is presumed that he conferred with Gov. Douglas about the matter at the request of Mr. Bryan while in the east.

The appointment of Gov. Douglas as national chairman, it is stated, would meet the requirements which it is desired the national chairman shall possess. He is a man of large means and political experience; is popular with the labor class, and his attitude on the tariff question completely meets the democratic idea.

When asked for a confirmation of the report Mr. Bryan said he could not discuss the matter until after the meeting of the subcommittee of the national committee in Chicago Saturday next.

A dispatch from Boston says: There was a report current in political circles Tuesday night that the chairmanship of the democratic national committee had been offered to former Gov. William L. Douglas. Despite the persistence of the rumor those closest to Mr. Douglas profess ignorance of the matter. Those who gave credence to the story generally expressed doubt that the suggested chairman would accept such a proffer. Their opinion was based upon Mr. Douglas' well understood disinclination to again enter actively into politics. Mr. Douglas, who is spending the summer at his summer home at Monument Beach, was cruising on his yacht Tuesday and was not expected home until Wednesday.

ELECTRIC CARS IN COLLISION.

Disastrous Smashup on the Aurora-Chicago Line.

Nearly forty persons were injured Tuesday, some of them probably fatally, and eleven so severely they were taken to hospitals, in a head-on collision between two Aurora, Elgin and Chicago cars at the Loveland station, four miles north of Aurora, Ill.

The disaster occurred when the coaches were running at a speed estimated at forty miles an hour, and the crash when they came together was terrific. Two cars were telescoped more than half their length, and the wood in them was smashed to splinters, iron twisted and gnarled out of all semblance to its original shape, and seats thrown yards away. The passengers, among whom were nearly fifty women, were thrown through the windows and tossed to the sidetracks several feet away.

Just after the wreck occurred the cars caught fire from a trolley wire and began to smolder, but the injured passengers put out the blaze with water from a nearby rivulet and dragged the wounded to places of safety.

FAST TIME IN RELAY RACE.

Runners Reach Chicago City Hall Tuesday Morning.

The Y. M. C. A. messengers bearing a message from Mayor McClellan, of New York, to Mayor Buse, of Chicago, reached the city hall at 9:20 Tuesday.

The message was started from New York at 10 o'clock last Wednesday morning and the thousand miles were covered by relay boys, ranging in age from 12 to 21 years, in 119 hours and 22 minutes.

Crowds of spectators watched with keen interest the clean cut youths, with gleaming limbs and eyes, as they raced through the city streets and boulevards from the time they reached the city limits until the last man reached the mayors office.

Killed in Auto Wreck.

Dr. E. B. McGraw, a well known physician, was instantly killed and Andrew S. McGraw, manager of the Duquesne Garden and Traction company's parks was severely shocked and slightly injured early Tuesday at Pittsburgh, Pa., when an auto in which they were riding dashed over an embankment, turning turtle.

New York Firm Fails.

The suspension of Cameron, Currie & Co., of New York and Detroit, was announced on the New York stock exchange Tuesday. The firm went into the hands of a receiver in Detroit last week. Its liabilities at that time were given at a little more than \$1,000,000.

Rensselaer to Hospital.

John A. Van Rensselaer, arrested Monday on the charge of threatening his mother, Mrs. John King Van Rensselaer, with bodily harm, unless she gave him \$5,000, Tuesday was committed by Magistrate Corrigan to the Bellevue hospital for observation.

Blooded in Alabama.

A clash between deputies and negro miners in the Blue creek region, twenty miles south of Birmingham, Ala., Tuesday resulted in a negro being shot and killed and two deputies seriously wounded.

Poison in City Water.

Mankato is suffering from a typhoid epidemic. There is said to be in the neighborhood of 1,500 cases in the city. Physicians have found the city water badly contaminated.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS From Day to Day Condensed FOR OUR BUSY READERS

WOMAN SHOTS FRED BANNER.

Mrs. Fred Banner, of South Omaha, Tried to Kill Brother-in-Law.

Fred Banner, son of Daniel Banner, 214 G street, South Omaha, was shot probably fatally by Mrs. Frank Banner, his sister-in-law, Monday night, as he sat in a chair in front of Charles Fogland's barber shop.

The bullet struck him on the right side of the forehead and passed across the forehead lobe of the brain, inflicting a serious wound. Frank and Fred Banner were seated together at the moment, and Mrs. Frank Banner came across the street from the east to where they were sitting. Frank got up to speak to his wife and after a word or two she stepped in front of Fred Banner and as he was rising from his seat fired. She then walked rapidly across the street and disappeared toward the east.

The causes which led up to the crime make a very complex case. Mrs. Frank Banner was a divorced woman and her first husband was Fred King. She had a daughter, Marjory King and it is reported she had received attentions from Fred Banner, which the mother, at least, considered wrong. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Banner have not been on the best terms. They parted last Thursday a day or two, Sunday they were united again and had been received at the home of the father, Daniel Banner, and seemed to have forgotten their difficulty.

LINCOLN MEN AT THE DEN.

Men From Capital City Taken Out on Water Wagon.

Lincoln came down to Omaha Monday night in force by special train to acknowledge allegiance to King Al-Sar-Ben and right loyal subjects and the people of Lincoln become. Nearly 200 of them were met at the Burlington depot with bands and banners. Special cars were in waiting for the pilgrims to the Shrine of Quivera, not the least conspicuous of which was the street railway's big water wagon, appropriately decorated with flags and bunting and the colors of Samson. Sir William Kennedy, with his staff, consisting of Allen Field, H. C. Peato, vice-president of the Lincoln Typographical union; E. P. Lyman of the same organization and R. B. Minor with half a dozen others were hoisted to the top of the water wagon by means of ladders and the remainder of the Lincoln band filled the other four special cars, which were appropriately decorated with banners indicating from whence they came and of Omaha's welcome, and all were whisked away to the den, arriving there at 7:45, where a luncheon was waiting for them. It was a joyous and the Lincoln folk began to realize that they were distinctly it and soon settled themselves down to the full enjoyment of the evening.

STATE'S WEALTH IN LANDS.

Nebraska's Real Estate Valuation Is Quarter Billion Larger.

With eight counties missing the increase in the assessment of lands in Nebraska for 1908 over 1907, as reported to the state board by the county assessors, is \$50,910,299. The actual increase in land values is five times this amount, or \$250,951,495. The counties missing are Custer, Gage, Grant, Hooker, Nance, Scott's Bluff and Valley. When the reports from these are in the total increase in land values will probably reach more than \$54,000,000, an estimated record days ago. The assessment of lands in the counties mentioned is \$185,818,245, compared with an assessment in the same counties of \$135,907,946 in 1907.

Only one county in the state thus far has shown a decrease in land values. Thomas county came in short last year was \$46,615 and this year \$43,472.

REBUILDING AFTER THE FLOOD.

Bridge Gangs Find Much to Do in Saunders County.

Several bridge gangs have been at work reconstructing the large number of bridges swept away by the flood of two weeks ago throughout Saunders county. The largest force of men is at work near Ashland where the loss was unusually heavy. Two bridges on Salt creek, a few miles west of the city, were found stranded in fields below the place of their erection. These have been replaced on the piling and will soon be in serviceable condition. It is reported that over fifty-one bridges of considerable size were taken out in Saunders county alone by the recent flood.

Guardsmen Going Into Camp.

The first group of the Nebraska National guard went into camp Tuesday at the guards' new rifle range, two miles north of Ashland on the Platte river.

Shipped Many Hogs.

Up to date for the month of July the village of Wisner has shipped over to the South Omaha market one carload of hogs each day and in the time fifteen carloads of cattle.

Bryan Talks to Machine.

W. J. Bryan spent part of the day Tuesday in making three-minute speeches into a phonograph on the leading issues of the day.

Crops in Fine Condition.

Albion reports the wheat harvest about over, and the yield as well as the quality is good. Corn is looking well and growing fast. Oats are somewhat light, but the crop is far from being a failure.

Woodmen to Have Logging.

The Modern Woodmen are preparing for their district log rolling to be held in Wisner August 12. About 3,000 Woodmen are expected and promises to be a great fraternal gathering.

BIG STANDARD OIL FINE IS KNOCKED OUT

Court of Appeals Sets Aside Enormous Penalty Imposed on Gigantic Corporation.

FAMOUS CASE TO BE RETRIED.

Three Jurists Unanimous in Opinion That Original Judgment Is Based on False Premises.

John D. Rockefeller's luck abides. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Chicago, in a unanimous decision, completely reversed Judge Keneaw M. Landis' decision in the Standard Oil case, wiped out the famous \$29,240,000 fine, and remanded the case to the lower court for a retrial. The opinion was written by Judge Peter S. Grosscup and is fully concurred in by Judges Seaman and Baker.

But the reversal was more than a temporary setback to the government, inasmuch as the upper court cut the ground out from under the Federal prosecutors in several extremely important features.

The government reversal was based on the following points: That Judge Landis was wrong in assuming that it was the business of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana to make sure that the rates tendered it by the Alton railroad were the lawfully published rates. This, it was held, threw an unfair burden upon the shipper, whoever he might be, and tended to check rather than promote industry.

That Judge Landis was wrong in his view that the number of offenses involved was the number of car loads of property transported, regardless of whether each car load constituted the whole or a part only of a single transaction resulting in a shipment.

That Judge Landis was wrong in basing his fine—\$29,240,000—upon the wealth of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, which the upper court held was not a defendant—instead of upon the capital stock of \$1,000,000 of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, the legal defendant.

History of the Great Case. In the summer of 1906 indictments against the Standard Oil Company of Indiana were returned in the Federal court at Chicago charging the corporation with obtaining concessions from railroads in shipments of oil from Whitings, Ind., where its plant is situated. At the trial of the case involving the Chicago and Alton, which began in March, 1907, many counts of the indictment were quashed, leaving 1,402 counts on which judgment was asked.

The hearing continued six weeks and many witnesses were examined. The jury returned a verdict finding the defendant company guilty and leaving the sentence to be fixed by Judge Landis. In determining the amount of the fine the Judge caused John D. Rockefeller of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey to testify as to the real ownership of the Indiana company, this furnishing one of the most sensational incidents in the case. Following all the testimony Judge Landis imposed the maximum fine of \$20,000 on each of the 1,402 counts of the indictment, making the total of \$29,240,000 the largest fine known to the history of the courts.

One of the points argued in the appeal was that the fine was excessive and would wipe out the assets of the Indiana Oil Company. In an effort to increase the amount of the appeal bond counsel for the government introduced testimony on the earnings of the company taken from an examination of its books in a New York court.

NUBBINS OF FARM NEWS.

War is being made on the large mail order houses by small retail dealers throughout the country. It is always harvest time and wheat is being cut every day in the year in some country of the world.

The big milk companies of Chicago recently reduced retail prices from 9 to 7 cents per quart, and in surrounding towns from 7 to 6 cents.

Shareholders in the Co-Operative Creamery of Motley, Minn., own 800 cows and take the milk of 500 other cows in their community.

Elgin, Ill., fixes the price for cow butter, not only for the United States, but for nearly all the world besides, but recently three restaurant keepers in that town were charged with selling bogus butter.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Both the Senate and the deputies of France have passed the electoral reform law, the object of which is to provide complete secrecy of voting.

As the large force of Mexican regulars began to surround the northern territory in which a revolt against the government was in progress, the so-called army of the rebels divided into small bands and escaped through the lines of the regulars. But it was expected that the rebels would be soon rounded up.

BISHOP HENRY C. POTTER DEAD.

Episcopal Prelate of New York Succumbs to Lingerin' Illness.

Henry Codman Potter, seventh Protestant Episcopal bishop of the diocese of New York, died Tuesday night at his summer home, Coppestown, after an illness of several weeks.

Bishop Potter was born in Schenectady, N. Y., May 25, 1834. His father was Alonzo Potter, bishop of Pennsylvania, and his grandfather was Dr. Knott, president of Union College, and his uncle, Horatio Potter, was bishop of New York. In 1857 he was graduated from the Theological Seminary of Virginia, and a year later was ordained in Trinity Church, Pittsburg.

The young rector's first charge was in Greensburg, Pa., where he served a year. Then he went to Troy, N. Y., where he was for seven years at the head of St. John's Church. In 1866 he became assistant rector of Trinity Church, Boston, and two years later was elected rector of Grace Church, New York City.

In 1887 Bishop Horatio Potter died and his nephew succeeded him as bishop of New York. Bishop Potter was twice married. His first wife was Eliza R. Jacob, of Philadelphia. Five children were born of the marriage. In June, 1901, Mrs. Potter died and a year later the bishop married Mrs. Alfred Corning Clark, a widow possessed of a fortune estimated at \$13,000,000.

NEW POLITICAL PARTY. Western Farmers Are Taking Steps to Organize One.

The organization of a new political party throughout the south and west is predicted by some of the active leaders of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union, which boasts 700,000 members in the United States at the present time, and 200,000 in Oklahoma alone. It is expected to interest the labor unions in the proposed new party.

The initiative steps in the organizing of the new party are now being taken. Consideration and discussion are being had at the gathering of former union members and their friends at picnics throughout Oklahoma, in particular. Politics in all its phases is being discussed, especially the issues of the two old political parties being outlined and criticized.

The old-time Grangers and Populists are among the leaders in all these farmer movements, so far as the west is concerned, and many of the most prominent Populist leaders of 10 or 12 years ago may now be found organizing and advocating the union of the farmers.

TEXAS RANCH PASSING.

Great Tracts Rapidly Being Cut Into Small Farms.

The land of west Texas is rapidly being cut into small farms, and a few years will see the end of the big ranch in this section. Two years ago one could travel for miles after mile in Lubbock, Hockley and Cochran counties, without meeting a person or seeing a habitation. Those old frontier scenes are passing away with astonishing rapidity.

At times one still reads of a tract of 15,000 to 50,000 acres being sold, locked and barrel, as the saying goes, with no more flourish than a rancher would sell a Hefeford steer. But these big deals are growing less and less, and the end of the 50,000-acre tract is near at hand.

The Heredity of Hair.

Gertrude and Charles Davenport, connected with the Carnegie Institution's station at Cold Spring Harbor, N. Y., writing in the American Naturalist of the results of their observations on the "Heredity of Hair Form in Man," say it is now possible to predict from the hair of parents the form of their children's hair, whether straight, wavy, curly or frizzy.

They find that the following rules are almost invariable: "Two wavy-haired parents may have straight, wavy or curly haired children, but the chances of curly hair are slight. Two curly-haired parents may have children with either straight, wavy or curly hair, and the proportion of curly-haired offspring will probably be large."

Service Before Dividends. In commenting on the recent court decisions in New York City, cancelling street railway leases, which proved unprofitable and allowing new plan of operation without regard to the payment of former rate of dividends, the Wall Street Summary says: "It must be understood that a franchise to a public service corporation is given under conditions which make an adequate service to the public obligatory. The costs of providing this adequate service come before dividends or any return on the capital invested; and a corporation which, from poverty, owing to mismanagement or any other reason, is unable to fulfill its obligations to the public, is unworthy to have a franchise."

SHUMWAY MUST HANG.

Convicted of Killing Mrs. Sarah Martin.

Mead Shumway, who killed Mrs. Sarah Martin, wife of his employer, in Gage county, must hang on Oct. 30 next. It was the decision of the supreme court in his case.

The murder was a most revolting one. Taking advantage of the presence of Martin in town to vote at the primary last September, Shumway, the hired man, killed the woman and stole all of the savings of the couple he could find. He ran away, but was captured in Missouri. He took the woman's body, after the crime, and rolling it up in a compact as was possible, put it down behind a bed. His story was that on returning from the fields he found the woman murdered, and fearing he would be accused, he ran away. The court says the evidence of his guilt is most convincing.

SCHMIDT HELD FOR DEATH.

He Is Accused of Kicking Lars C. Jensen.

A charge of manslaughter has been filed by County Attorney English against Gus Schmidt, who was held responsible by a coroner's jury for the death of Lars C. Jensen. The coroner's jury found Jensen came to his death as a result of a kick administered by Schmidt during an altercation between the two men July 5. Schmidt, who was a tenant of Jensen's, was drinking beer in the front yard when Jensen protested. In the altercation that followed Schmidt, it is charged, kicked Jensen in the groin, Jensen was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, where he died July 14. Both men lived near 21st-7th and Center streets, Omaha.

BAR IOWA LAWYERS.

Refuse Hawkeye Barristers to Confer with General Practitioner.

In affirmation of its statutes, the Nebraska supreme court has ruled against the petition of Leonard B. Robinson, of Sioux City, who asked that he be allowed to practice law generally in the courts of Nebraska. While the decision of the Nebraska court makes the conditions of Iowa a lot less in the Nebraska courts no worse, it does not better that condition one comes, and merely holds that its own statutes forbidding the general practice of outside attorneys in Nebraska are good and unchangeable.

E. J. Christy Only Stunned.

E. J. Christy, who it was thought was burned to death in the destruction of the mill of the Fonda Bros., at Genoa, was found by some friends at Grand Island. While using a torch in the lower part of mill, the explosion occurred. The fire stunned him, he does not remember, but now thinks he crawled out of a window and was found in a half demented condition at Grand Island.

Bloomfield Man Killed.

Clarence Jacobs, until recently town marshal of Bloomfield, was struck by a building and instantly killed. Mr. Jacobs was in the barn feeding his horses when the bolt struck him.

Indian a Suicide.

With the declaration that "Crow is singing bad songs and I am going to kill them," William Cox, an Omaha Indian, borrowed a shotgun and going into the woods placed the butt of the gun against a tree and killed himself instantly.

Young Man Attempts Suicide.

In a fit of despondency Frank Friessner, a young Bohemian farmer living about seven miles east of Pawnee, attempted to kill himself with a 32-caliber rifle.

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