

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

British excavation at Gnospos are worthily recalled by those carried on by the Italian Archaeological Mission at Haglicca Triade and at Festo, in the central zone or island, and along the side of the coast looking toward Africa. Among other places laid bare is a burial ground in which about 250 skeletons have been removed. Examination of these remains shows the race to have men of Mediterranean origin, and to date back from seventeen to nineteen centuries before Christ. They were ignorant of cremation and placed their dead in sarcophagi of terra cotta. Writing on tablets of terra cotta shows that linear type of writing which preceded that common at Gnospos. Paintings taken from hunting incidents and other ornamental works have also been discovered.

The hop crop of the world is grown in much fewer localities than the wheat crop, but it seems to be nearly as difficult to work up a corn on hops as it is on wheat. A Grant's Pass grower has just closed out a large lot of 18 cents a pound, after refusing 30 cents last fall, when they were ready for market. There is a limit in the price at which any commodity will move in normal quantities, and when that limit is passed the consumption is restricted, and substitutes are used. Apparently 30 cents a pound was about the dead line between a normal demand and its curtailment by high prices.

It was the great eclipse of August 21, 1850, that turned Tycho Brahe into an astronomer. He was in his fourteenth year at the time, a Danish boy of noble origin, and had been destined first for the army and then for the law. But the accuracy with which the eclipse was predicted impressed him with the belief that astronomy was a divine thing, and thenceforward he devoted his life to it. The debt of astronomy to Tycho Brahe, not only for his own work but as the man who shaped the genius of Kepler, can scarcely be over-estimated.

While he was yet a teacher in the Jews' Free School, Spitalfields, Israel Zangwill, the now famous author and playwright, composed some verses and timidly sent them to the editor of an American magazine. They were promptly returned. Some years later, when fame had come his way the same editor cabled for a poem. Mr. Zangwill dispatched the rejected verses, which were paid for at a high rate, and "boomed" as the work of a celebrated author.

During a summer sojourn in the mountains a physician who is much interested in epilepsy in its different forms heard of a woman with that disease who had lived to the age of seventy-nine years. Curious to know the details of so unusual a case, he interviewed the doctor. Having inquired concerning different symptoms he proceeded: "Did she grind her teeth much at night?" The old man considered for a minute and then replied: "Well, I dunno as she wore 'em at night."

Polliteness does not always pay. M. F. Wilson raised his hat to two women at the corner of Sutter and Kearney streets, San Francisco, and stepped back to give them plenty of room to pass and feel free to gaze at him. It cost him two lacerated wounds of the cheek, a bruised nose, a fractured skull, a hack fare, two hours on the operating table at the Receiving hospital and probably several weeks in bed elsewhere.

Ezra Thomas, a prospector, ran across a bear and two cubs in the mountains near Redding, Cal., the other day. The bear attacked him and Thomas sent a bullet through his head that killed one of the cubs. But she pursued him and climbed a tree after him. She had got her two front paws on the branch where he was, when he cut off the paws with a hatchet he fortunately had in his belt.

Archbishop John J. Glennon, head of the Catholic archdiocese of St. Louis, who has been abroad for two months, has returned bringing with him plans for the erection of a \$1,000,000 cathedral. He visited architects in Paris and Berlin for the purpose, and states that the proposed St. Louis cathedral will be one of the most imposing in the country.

While dressing pigeons for the table the cook of the Murray hotel, Omaha, found on them a metal band inscribed "U. S. carrier pigeon," and on one had been scratched "F. S. Bennington." The birds were from the Bennington. They had come with others from Sioux City and evidently had been in cold storage for some time.

The man who discovered the diamond mines at Pretoria has come to this country looking for some more. His first venture is to be among the mint beds down in Kentucky, and if he does not find any there he will be looking up in the South Carolina mountains for a few.

Alfred Towns of Silverton, Ore., returned the other day from a trip into the hills and told his brother Robert that he had shot two deer. Robert is a game warden and at once arrested Alfred for shooting without a license, and Alfred served five days in jail.

A firm of Baltimore architects has drawn plans for a building without any wood in its construction. It will be six stories in height, the entire structure to be reinforced concrete and steel. Even the doors, window sashes and door jams will be of metal.

Walter Long, the Irish secretary, has arranged with the treasury to provide \$10,000,000 before the end of the year, and such an amount of stock and bonds will produce practically \$50,000,000 to secure expedition in the working of the "land purchase act."

Having reached the conclusion that houseflies are the distributors of typhoid fever germs, the Seattle board of health has resorted to very stringent methods for their exclusion from hospital wards and houses in which there are typhoid cases.

Real ostentation is rarely seen in Japan. Though some of its inhabitants are very poor, yet all seem to be fairly well clothed and housed, and are invariably cheerful. Nearly all Japanese are of cleanly habits and rarely untidy.

Senor Savanele's most precious possession is a Stradivarius violin. When he was 12 years old he played before Queen Isabella II. of Spain, and her majesty was so pleased with his exquisite music that she presented him with the instrument.

John W. Powell of Montgomery county, Kansas, has sued his wife for divorce, claiming that during the last eight years his wife has made four trips west back to Illinois to see her folks, which he regards as criminal extravagance.

SOLDIERS' MONUMENT UNVEILED AT RANDOLPH

Large Crowd of Nebraskans Witnessed Dedicator Exercises.

IS AN IMPOSING SHAFT

The Memorial Was Erected by Citizens of Randolph, Who Assisted Financially by Popular Subscription.

Randolph, Neb., Oct. 9.—Yesterday a large crowd of visitors and the people form all the countryside assembled in Randolph to witness the unveiling of the soldiers' monument in the Randolph cemetery and to hear Governor Mickey's address, but the governor failed to arrive and the crowd was greatly disappointed. Adjutant General Culver, of Lincoln, acted as the governor's representative.

The program was as follows: Unveiling by Commander O. K. Booth; music; band; presentation of monument. Mayor Hartman; reply, commander of the G. A. R.; dedication, G. A. R.; raising of the flag; address, Adjutant General Culver; music, choir. Adjutant General Culver's address was delivered in the business section of the city and was attentively listened to by a large crowd.

The soldiers' monument unveiled stands 19 feet in height, and the first base is 9 by 10 feet. The total weight is 36,000 pounds. Surmounting the whole is the statue of a soldier standing at parade rest. This figure is 6 1/2 feet high and is beautifully carved in Bedford stone. The monument occupies a prominent place in the center of the public cemetery overlooking the city.

LOST HIS SAVINGS.

Carl Reuter Earned \$150 in South Dakota and Was Robbed.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Oct. 9.—When Carl Reuter left the fields of South Dakota several weeks ago, and started to "burn" his way to his Kansas home, he had no intimation of the bad luck which awaited him in Nebraska.

He reached Plattsmouth, making the trip from Oreopolis afoot. He was hungry and had no money, but his immediate wants were supplied after he had told the pathetic story of how he came to part with his summer's earnings. According to the man's story, he left South Dakota with something like \$150 in money, and when he reached Omaha he had \$142 left. At that place however, his troubles began.

There he fell in with three professional hoodlums who had in their possession a quantity of whisky, of which all imbibed quite freely. The four men boarded a southbound Missouri Pacific freight train, but were compelled to disembark upon reaching La Platte. He says that a fire near the river and proceeded to camp for the night. Early the next morning Reuter made the startling discovery that his money was gone. His companions were equally surprised to learn that he had had such a sum of money in his possession, but all denied having knowledge as to the whereabouts of the missing money. His companions, to establish their innocence, even turned their pockets inside out.

UNVEILING OCTOBER 28.

Date Definitely Fixed for Dedication of Morton Monument.

Nebraska City, Neb., Oct. 9.—The pupils of the Institute for the Blind were driven to Morton park to inspect the statue of the late J. Sterling Morton, which will be unveiled this month. They were allowed to feel the statue with their hands and were greatly interested in it and everything pertaining to the monument.

It has now been definitely settled that the unveiling will occur on Saturday, October 28. President Cleveland says he will be here on that date and deliver an address.

GIRL IS FATALLY BURNED.

Exploding Lamp Brings Death to Alice Buzzei at Culbertson.

Culbertson, Neb., Oct. 9.—A kerosene lamp exploded and threw the burning oil over Miss Alice Buzzei, setting her clothing on fire. Before the fire could be extinguished she was burned so badly that she died.

POISONED MEAT PROVES FATAL

Miss Madge Work of Seward Victim of Ptomaine Poisoning.

Seward, Neb., Oct. 9.—Miss Madge Work, daughter of ex-County Clerk Work, died from ptomaine poisoning from eating canned meats. She was a hospital nurse and a young woman highly respected.

PAYS THE REWARD.

Promptly Pays Butte Officers for Arrest of Crowe.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 9.—Chief of Police John J. Donahue sent a cashier's check for \$200 to Butte, Mont., to cover the reward offered by the chief personally for the capture of Pat Crowe. The check was sent to Captain Dunn, of the Omaha detective force, to be turned over to the officers of Butte who placed Crowe under arrest.

Chief Donahue expressed gratification at Crowe being in custody, and said that extra precautions would be taken to forestall any attempt Crowe might make to escape. He will be brought back handcuffed to two detectives.

Topeka, Kas.—Red haired students of Washburn college have organized an in-candescent club to exploit the achievements of red haired people. They assert that the history of the world in history they were planned or executed by red haired men or men with red haired ancestors. It is expected to extend the club to all the other colleges in America. All the notable things done by red haired people are to be compiled in book form.

St. Louis, Mo.—The city council has an ordinance before it to make "mashing" punishable by a fine of \$250. The measure is the outgrowth of the numerous complaints from women in the shopping district who assert they have been annoyed many times by men who tried to flirt with them. Recently several arrests have been made.

South Bend, Ind.—Because the Winona assembly committee blundered and failed to meet the Wabash train with automobiles at New Paris, the watering station east of this place, Miss Helen Gould and party of seven were required to sit for three hours in the Wabash shanty station.

AFFAIRS ARE QUIET AGAIN AT MULLEN

Protection to Land Fencing Witness Ordered in Nebraska Town.

MILITIA MAY NOT BE SENT

The Attacks on the Ranch Owner Were Not as Serious as Feared—Governor Takes Aggressive Move to Aid Cattle Men.

Mullen, Neb., Oct. 7.—There are no new developments in the threats made upon O. F. Hamilton, the government land fencing witness, whose office was wrecked by a mob, the "league" resting upon its oars.

The sheriff, who is alleged to be one of the mob, is said to have received instructions from the authorities to furnish protection to Hamilton.

It is said that the sheriff stated last night that he "was going to bed and did not care a d—n what was done." Hamilton has ample protection, as the citizens of the surrounding country are indignant at the action of the "league," as the organization is termed. Hamilton says that the cattlemen or their employes are not responsible or to blame in any way for the work of the organized gang, which has been threatening violence and murder in Mullen for some time.

A majority of the county officials, it is said, are in sympathy with the "league" because of the action Mr. Hamilton has taken in assisting the government in unearthing the land frauds.

Judge Baxter has notified the county attorney of Hooker county to commence criminal actions against all the parties who are implicated in the attack on Hamilton.

Governor Mickey was notified of the situation at Mullen and may send a company of militia there. He wired Hooker county to give Hamilton every possible protection and place under arrest all persons implicated in the plot to run Hamilton out of the county.

Deputy Marshal J. C. Moore was at the scene of trouble. He has subpoenas to serve on several witnesses in the land fencing suits.

In a new suit filed by the government last week against cattlemen of Hooker county, it is charged that 100,000 acres of government land are under fence there.

Hooker county residents believe that O. F. Hamilton, according to reports, is the man who informed the government of the fraudulent entries and illegal fences in Hooker county. The case, which Hamilton is regarded as such an important witness in the one against George Ware, a representative of the U. E. I. Cattle and Land company, one of the largest concerns in that part of the state.

They own a large ranch covering many acres in Hooker county. The land is said to have been fenced by this cattle company and is said to embrace about 100,000 acres. Other cattlemen are charged with maintaining unlawful inclosures inside the U. E. I. inclosure.

THREW WIFE FROM WINDOW.

South Omaha Man Said to Have Treated His Spouse Brutally.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 6.—Because his wife refused to give him what money she had, it is said that Mike Egnot of South Omaha, picked her up by the head and heels, shoved her through a window and dropped her a distance of twenty feet to the sidewalk, breaking three ribs and her collar bone. She was otherwise injured. Egnot was notified of the trouble and at once took up the trail of the criminal. He escaped the vigilance of the officers and started on his way to Chicago.

NEBRASKA BANKERS "BITE."

Several of Them Donate \$500 to Open Savings Banks.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 6.—An eastern concern has "duped" a number of Nebraska bankers to the extent of \$500 each, the proposition being to furnish saving bank supplies, such as savings bank pass books and little savings banks had been purchased, the business of a savings bank could then be conducted without incorporating.

Secretary Royce of the banking board has been informed of the operations and has issued the following warning: "Under the Nebraska banking laws a savings bank must have a capital of at least \$100,000. It is required by the law to be entirely distinct from any other banking corporation and must have officers, directors and stockholders of its own. While a commercial bank might organize a savings bank to be conducted in the same building with its own business, the savings bank would have to be entirely separate. Any violation of this law would lay the commercial bank liable to the forfeiture of its charter if the banking department or any other individual cared to be made about the matter. However, it appears that the banks caught in this scheme entered into it innocently and they will not be prosecuted."

REBATES FOR DAMAGES.

Official of Packers Shows How Railroad Favors Them.

Chicago, Oct. 7.—At a hearing of the interstate commerce commission, which is investigating the question of railroad rebates, the chief witness today was B. S. Cusey, traffic manager for the packing house firm of Schwarzschild & Sulzberger. He had previously been directed by the courts to prepare certain data and today brought it into court. His evidence showed that the company received from the railroad during the last two years something over \$34,000 for "losses and damages" on shipments from Kansas City to Chicago. One of these items was \$11,000, due to a wreck.

The witness admitted that he had been directed by the members of the firm to favor certain roads in making shipments for the reason that they "were good friends of the firm."

DIES BECAUSE OF TREATY

New York, Oct. 7.—A well dressed and educated Japanese, who registered at the Delaware hotel, Third avenue and Thirty-fourth street, as K. Nakamura, committed suicide by slitting his throat from ear to ear and then jumping from the roof to an extension, a distance of four stories. Both legs and several ribs were broken and he was dead when found. He had been brooding over the Japanese-Russia treaty of peace and had told the hotel proprietor that his country had been disgraced.

BROTHER'S SAWFUL CRIME

Crazed by Liquor He Wounds Three Members of His Family Over His Mother's Deadly Body.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 10.—Crazed with grief and frenzied by liquor John Bodenick, of Hastings, stood beside the body of his mother and fired a half dozen shots from a revolver, fatally wounding his brother-in-law, Peter Sneath, and seriously wounding his sister, Mrs. Sneath, and his brother Jacob Bodenick.

When Bodenick entered the room where his mother's body lay he had not heard of her death. A shotgun hunter-dentist had begun the task of preparing the body for burial. He called to his mother and then grasped the body.

Mrs. Sneath interferred. He knocked her senseless with his fist. Drawing his revolver he fired four times at Peter Sneath, who attempted to protect his wife. The man fell to the floor with four bullets in his body. Jacob Bodenick wrenched the revolver from him, but the frenzied man shot him with another pistol which he drew from his pocket.

John Bodenick was taken to jail. There had been no trouble previous to the shooting.

GETS SEVENTEEN YEARS

William Turley, Self Confessed Slayer, Sentenced.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 10.—Seventeen years in the penitentiary is the portion of William Turley, the self confessed slayer of Norman T. Bliss, of Hall county, in March, 1903. Convicted and sentenced in the district court of his own county, Turley appealed to the supreme tribunal, which yesterday handed in its verdict, affirming the action of the lower court and finding new flaws in evidence, or legal procedure.

Turley admits that he shot the deceased twice with a shotgun March 1903, and that this caused the death of Bliss. His defense was that the shooting was done in self defense. Pigs in the care of Turley trespassed on Bliss' farm and the latter in chasing the animals away killed two of them. Turley loaded a shotgun and, accompanied by his son, went out and met Bliss. An altercation ensued and the shooting occurred, resulting in the death of Bliss. Two shots were fired, one striking Bliss in the chest and the other in the back. After the first shot Turley immediately shot again, the charge taking effect in the breast and resulting in instantaneous death.

FOG CAUSES COLLISION

Three Men Were Killed When Freight and Passenger Came Together.

Millersburg, Pa., Oct. 10.—Three men were killed, one man was injured and a carload of race horses either killed or so badly injured that they had to be shot, was the result of the collision at the junction of the Lykens Valley branch of the Pennsylvania railroad, a mile south of this city, yesterday.

The dead are: THEODORE SCOTT, Northumberland, fireman.

RALPH HENDERSHOT, Northumberland, freight brakeman.

CHAS. E. BERRY, Sunbury, freight conductor.

The injured man is Julius Lesh, of Sunbury, engineer, whose leg was crushed and body bruised. All the victims were married.

The collision was between the fast No. 3 mail train, westbound, and a caboose and box car containing a load of race horses. The mail train was preceded out of Harrisburg by a freight train, which, owing to a heavy fog, lost some time. The caboose and box car accidentally uncoupled at the junction, and the mail train overtook them.

Berry and Hendershot were in the caboose when the crash came, and were instantly killed.

The horses were bound for the Bloomsburg, Pa., fair, and belonged to several eastern horsemen.

SHE GAVE \$200,000.

New School Will Be Center for Disseminating Literature to Promote Social Democratic Party.

New York, Oct. 10.—It was announced last night on behalf of the New York section of the social democratic party that the late Mrs. E. D. Rand, of New York, had bequeathed \$200,000 to found a school for socialism. Mrs. Rand, who died recently in Florence, Italy, ten years ago established the pair of Christian sociology in Iowa college, Grinnell, in which was filed by Herron. About four years ago Herron married Mrs. Rand's daughter. His views were too radical for the college, however, and he resigned.

Morris Hillquist and Mrs. George D. Herron, Mrs. Rand's daughter, have been made trustees for the fund.

FIRE CAUSES TERROR.

New York Is Treated to a Tremendous Lot of Excitement Over a \$100,000 Fire.

New York, Oct. 10.—Two city blocks burned, over fifteen business establishments destroyed, hundreds of tenement dwellers forced to flee for safety from their flame-threatened homes, one fireman injured, a watchman and a boy crazed, a horse running through the streets for more than an hour, and a desperate three-hour struggle with flames, were the results of a fire which threatened destruction to a large portion of the upper east side water front shortly after midnight. Loss \$100,000.

GIRL OF 16 SAVES TRAIN

Milwaukee and St. Paul Officials Will Reward Her for Bravery.

Janesville, Wis., Oct. 10.—Sixteen-year-old Hattie Lenz saved a freight train on the Milwaukee and St. Paul road from running through a burning building during the last year's something over \$34,000 for "losses and damages" on shipments from Kansas City to Chicago. One of these items was \$11,000, due to a wreck.

The engineer saw the girl on the track. He says he at first thought of disregarding the signal, thinking that "some youngster was trying to have fun." However, he hesitated for only a moment, and the train was stopped within a few feet of the girl.

"The girl ran away after giving me her name as Lenz," said the engineer. The Milwaukee railway officials are making an effort to locate the girl and will reward her.

BISHOP SCANNELL IS ASKED TO AID

Services Requested to Defend Rights of Omaha and Winnebago Indians.

ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

It Is Believed the Answer of Bishop Scannell Will Promise All the Aid He Can Possibly Give to the Oppressed Indians.

Pender, Neb., Oct. 6.—On account of the corrupt practices in vogue on both the Omaha and Winnebago Indian reservations, in which the red men are given the "little end of all bargains," a petition has been sent to Bishop Scannell, of Omaha, asking his assistance in defending the rights of the Indians.

The petition has the signature of many residents attached and asked the bishop to lend his services with the Rev. Father Schell, who has been making a single handed fight for the rights of the Indians for the last three years.

No reply has yet been received from the bishop. It is believed here that he will do all in his power to assist Mr. Schell in the work.

FARMER SHOT.

Result of a Neighborhood Quarrel in Cedar County.

Hartington, Neb., Oct. 6.—A serious shooting affray occurred nine miles southeast of Hartington, in which John Schivers, a young farmer, was shot in the hip, the ball from a 32-caliber Smith & Wesson revolver passing, entirely through the right leg. The shooting was done by a neighbor, Roy Rankin, who came to Hartington and gave himself up to Sheriff Rosenberger, and told what he had done.

The trouble started some weeks ago, when Schivers took exception to some remarks it is alleged Rankin made about his wife.

Rankin went to the Schivers home last night to get a neckyoke belonging to him, and the quarrel was renewed. Rankin alleges he started home when Schivers threw a stick at him and in the darkness he thought Schivers was coming toward him and at a distance of fifty feet he drew his gun and fired. Schivers was shot in the back of the leg, which indicated he was not coming toward Rankin.

The injured man is getting along very well, and will recover unless complications set in.

GRANTED EXTENSION.

Sioux City and Homer Interurban Must Have Cars Running Nov. 1.

Dakota City, Neb., Oct. 5.—The board of county commissioners today granted the Sioux City, Homer and Southern Railway company an extension of the franchise on the public highway for thirty days, and if at the expiration of that time electric or gasoline propelled cars are not running between this place and South Sioux City, the track, which has been done for more than a year past, is to be taken out of the highway. Capt. R. A. Talbot, chief promoter of the road, appeared before the board and stated that the sale of the bonds had been negotiated and thirty days would be sufficient for him to establish traffic between South Sioux City and this place, and that the later on the road would be completed to Homer, as first planned. For two years and a half past our people have heard these promises repeated time and again by Capt. Talbot until they have arrived at the point that "seeing is believing."

The democratic party of this county is commencing early in the game to play in hard luck, as already two of the nominees selected at the convention held last Saturday have declined the nomination. Both Oliver W. Fisher, candidate for county clerk, and John Krueger, candidate for county commissioner from the First district, have announced that they will decline the nominations tendered them. The citizens-republican party has such a strong hold on Dakota county politics and the officers elected are proving so paltry taking and economical that it is hard for the democratic party to secure candidates to go down to certain defeat.

COUNCILMEN ENJOINED.

Omaha Executive Body Is Restrained From Entering Contract.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 6.—Judge Sutton, in the district court, granted a temporary injunction against the Omaha city council, restraining it from entering into a contract with the Omaha Gas company for street lighting. The order was made on the petition of certain citizens who allege that the contract, besides being exorbitant, is in violation of law.

FRENZIED FINANCE.

W. A. Nash Roasts the Clearing House Statement.

New York, Oct. 6.—Charges that the statement of the condition of the New York banks as issued weekly has become a farce and that the action of the trust companies in extending large credits without maintaining adequate cash reserves constitutes a great danger were made before the Clearing House association today by the president of the Corn Exchange bank, William A. Nash.

The Corn Exchange bank is one of the most important financial institutions in the city, having deposits of about \$4,000,000.

Mr. Nash denounced the existing state of affairs by which trust companies, operating outside of the clearing house and not subject to its rules, are not obliged to maintain the cash reserve of one-fourth of the sum of deposits, which reserve is required of national banks by federal law and of other clearing house banks by the rules of the institution.

Mr. Nash urged that measures be taken to bring the trust companies under the regulations of the clearing house.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—In an attempt to have fun and scare the horse of Jack Bulline, a cowboy yesterday, four automobilists from Denver had a serious time of it, when the cowboy "jerked his gun and began having fun of his own by seeing how close he could come to the people in the automobile without hitting any of them.

Cincinnati, O.—In the suit of Mrs. Edward Anthony against the Cincinnati Traction company, Judge Swing today held that a \$5 bill is not legal tender for street car fare, because excessive. Mrs. Anthony was put off a car because the conductor was unable to change the bill and she had no other money.

NEBRASKAN SUES ROYAL ARGANUM

Action Is Begun at Columbus Against the Increased Assessment.

A LAWYER THE PLAINTIFF

Claims Any Change in Rate After 55 Years of Age Is Illegal—Litigation Will Be Watched with Interest.

Columbus, Neb., Oct. 5.—A case has been filed in the district court here the outcome of which will be of more or less interest to the state at large, and also to all parts of the United States. W. A. McAllister, a prominent attorney here, is the plaintiff in the action, and he names the Royal Arganum as the defendant. He recites in his petition that the defendant is a corporation organized under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Massachusetts, and doing business in Nebraska. He alleges that in 1880 he joined Mystic council No. 130 of the order in this city; that he was at that time between the ages of 22 and 33 years of age; that the defendant issued a beneficiary policy on his life in the sum of \$5,000; that it was agreed that the monthly assessment on the same would be \$1.50; that several years later his assessment was increased and that on the first day of last May (1906), a second increase in his assessment was levied, making his monthly payment \$10.75. This last payment is on the basis of 58 years of age, and under the by-laws and constitution, which is made a part of the petition, the Royal Arganum can accept no applicant or issue any policy after 55 years of age. The plaintiff alleges that the defendant is making the plaintiff's assessment any higher than it would be at 55 years, which is the limit. The case will very probably be heard in the federal courts.

FEUD ON IN NEBRASKA.

Ranch Houses of Government Witnesses Against Illegal Fencing Are All Burned.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 5.—United States District Attorney Baxter today received a telegram from O. F. Hamilton, of Mullen, Neb., stating that his ranch house and buildings had been demolished, supposedly by men connected with the ranches where the government had ordered fences torn down. Hamilton has been one of the chief witnesses in cases in the federal court wherein convictions and sentences have been secured for illegal fencing of government land. Hamilton has asked the federal authorities for protection.

NEBRASKA WOMEN MEET

National President of Federation of Women's Clubs Is Chief Guest of the Society.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 5.—The Nebraska State Federation of Women's clubs met here today for a session lasting three days. Mrs. Sarah Platt, of Decker, Colo., president of the national federation, is the principal guest and will deliver an address tomorrow.

WOMAN ROBBER CAUGHT.

Was Dressed in Trousers and Disguised as a Man.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 4.—Dressed in trousers and disguised as a man, Mrs. James Gifford was captured at Hallam while attempting to rob a store. Her husband was with her in the role of assistant. They were brought to Lincoln. The woman is pretty and delicate looking.

Mrs. Gifford said she formerly lived in Cedar Falls, Ia., and was married in Anoka, Minn.

BASEBALL ASPIRATIONS.

Confident of Having a Place in the Western League Next Year.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 4.—A franchise in the Western Baseball league will be offered Lincoln at the coming meeting of October 18 to be held probably in this city. W. A. Rourke, owner of the Omaha club, is in the city working up baseball interests. Mr. Rourke says the plan is to enlarge the league from six to eight clubs, adding Lincoln, Topeka, Kan., and Wichita, Kan., the latter at St. Joseph drops out. Local enthusiasts say Lincoln is ripe for professional baseball, and there will be no doubt whatever of her entry to the league if assurance is given that Sunday games will be permitted.

FIRE AT THURSTON.

Does Damage to the Amount of \$120,000 Sunday.