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GAG GUARD AND THE O'NEILL FRONTIER HIS NECK IS BROKEN BUT HE STILL LIVES TRY TO ESCAPE D. H. CRONIN, Publisher.

YNEILL.

"It is a great mistake to conclude that it is a law of nature that recent animals are all small and insignificant as compared with their representatives in the past," says a scientist. "That is simply not true. Recent horses are simply not true. Recent horses are bigger than extinct ones, and much bigger than the three-toed and four-toed ancestors of horses. Recent ele-phants are as big as any that have existed, and much bigger than their early elephantine ancestors. There never has been any creature of any kind—mammal, reptile, bird or fish— in any geological period we know of so big as some of the existing whales."

NEBRASKA

A correspondent of Richard Bell, the maturalist, gives the following informa-tion about one of his favorite speci-mens: "The South American boas are mens: "The South American boas are most easily tamed. My present boa, which I have had about two years, in-variably sleeps in by bed, round my feet. He is perfectly clean, lies still and very seldom disturbs me; occa-sionally he crawls to my face to lick it. I frequently take the python to bed, but at present she is timid and if she cannot find my feet in the night becomes accred and walks out of bed. Decomes scared and walks out of bed. curling herself on the floor. The evil result is that she becomes cold."

Several years ago the government made a count of the lepers in the Unit-ed States (mainland) and found 278. About twenty cases have since devel-oped. These lepers are scattered through twenty-one states and terri-tories, but the states of Louisiana, Cal-ifornia, Florida, Minnesota and North Dakota have all but forty-eight of Dakota have all but forty-eight of them. In Louisiana there are 155 cases. California and Florida each have twenty-four cases. In Minnesota have twenty-four cases. In Minnesota there are twenty and in North Dakota sixteen.

Dr. Plehn, a speaker at the recent German colonial conference, attributes German colonial conference, attributes the brutal excesses of certain German and Belgian officials when set to gov-ern black men to "tropencholer," or tropical frenzy. An official with trop-ical frenzy, says Dr. Plehn, is not re-sponsible for his actions, however criminal they may be. The disease gets hold of him like creeping paraly-sis, an affliction with which it has much in common. much in common.

A writer who has been investigating the old subject of superstition among burglars gives it as his conclusion that no burglar will "crack" a house where he burglar will "crack" a house where a female servant that squints is kept. If a burglar sees three different horses slip down in a day he will not work that night. One Englishman in the dock confessed that members of his profession would never "burgle" houses with the numbers 22, 93, 111 and 444.

A Jewish newspaper tells the story of, a rabbi who expounded and interpreted the Jewish law to the faithful observers for a stipend which a junior elerk would scorn. The learned man was asked by a friend how he was getting on. "Slowly." he answered with a sigh. "If it were not for the numerous fasts which our religion prescribes, I am sure my family would die of starva-tion."

Within a few weeks a son of Keshub Chunder Sen, the famous organizer of the Brahmo Somaj of India, has married the widowed daughter of a rajah. That is an extraordinary rebellion sgainst an ancient rule in India, and the beginning of a domestic revolution which has the support of many ad-vanced Hindoos who do not themselves dare to more than speak in its favor.

At an exhibition of "empire grown" At an exhibition of "empire grown" cotton in Manchester, it was officially stated that during this year 4,000 bales, of cotton had been received from the West Indies, over 3,000 bales from west Africa and over 500 bales from east. Africa. It was believed the quantity: would be doubled before the end of the wear.

Peculiar Accident Befalls a Farmer Who Lies in an Omaha Hospital.

Condition of the Patient Is Improving and Physicians Hold Out Hopes That Man May Ultimately

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 22 .-- Lying in a hospital, bound hand and foot by paralysis, John Herzog is one of the few men who have survived with a broken neck. Nearly four months have now passed since the accident which brought his to the hospital and a turn has now come in his condition which promises ultimate recovery. It has set-tled simply into a matter of waiting for the nervous forces which deserted him at the time of the accident to re-

Herzog is 30 years of age, built for strength and full of vitality. He had a little farm near Atwood, Kan., where he lived and worked alone. Late one afternoon last July he was working on a haystack when a slip caused him to lose his balance and fall head first on his head, with the result of a dislo-cation and fracture of the spinal col-umn just at the base of the neck. He managed to get to the house with the aid of the man who was helping him. He lay there alone all night while the other man rode to Atwood for a doctor. The doctor arrived early in the morn-ing and took in the man's serious condition at once.

sician, at that time that Herzog's life was spared to be slowly coaxed back

The dislocation was reduced by Dr. McIrwin and the splintered bones of the spinal column set in place. After three or four days Herzog lost com-pletely the power of motion. A paralysis affecting the motor nerves of the entire body fell upon him. He did not lose the use of the vocal organs.

After lying helpless for a month on his farm Herzog was sent to Omaha, August 23, a neighbor of his having passed through a slege of illness and pictured the advantages of such a place for a man in his condition. He began to mend almost impercept-

ibly from the time he was brought to the hospital. He has regained almost complete use of the left arm and is able to wiggle the fingers of his right hand just the tiniest bit. Cramps in his low-er limbs indicate the return of the nerve force which controls the muscles. Oc-casionally he is able to move a leg or a foot. The surgical explanation of his condition is that with paralysis comes a degeneration of a certain portion of the brain. It is a question now of regeneration of that portion and the outward manifestations indicate that

outward manifestations indicate that this is taking place. In spite of a sudden tumble from great strength to absolute powerless-ness, Herzog takes his enforced con-finement with philosophic cheerfulness and spends his days reading or con-versing with friends and other patients in the ward. It will probably be many weeks before strength so far returns weeks before strength so far returns as to enable him to leave his bed.

PREFERRED DEATH.

Aurora Man Who Attempted to Kill

Aurora, Neb., Nov. 22.-Tobe Dance, who put three bullets into the body of his divorced wife in an attempt to murder her, completed the tragedy by shooting and instantly killing himself. His hiding place had been surrounded and he was almost in the hands of the sheriff and his posse when he took Two Trustics at Nebraska Penitentary Cause a Commotion for a While.

Himself of Bonds and Make an

Outcry, Which Brought Im-

mediate Aid and Rescue.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—According to a statement made by Warden Beemer,

of the state penitentiary, two trustees, William Jones and Fred Smith, made

a desperate attempt to escape from the

The two men had gagged and bound

Night Keeper J. G. Cooper at the west end of the west cell house. The men

then began to saw their way through

the Ashland Cutoff.

decoy used by an early hunter, Indian men who live along the Platte ex

press surprise at the great amount of stone that is being found in the sand-bars. At a depth of about five feet be-

low the surface the other day a work-man found a layer of stones varying

from the size of a baseball to that of

YORK COUNTY WITH PRESIDEN'

Commercial Club Adopts Resolutions and Forwards Them to Senators. York, Neb., Nov. 17.-The business men

of York are with President Roosevelt in wanting a special judicial tribunal es-tablished for adjudicating interstate com-

merce questions. At last night's meeting of the Commercial club of York the following committee, Hon, G. W. Post, A. B. Christian and B. F. Marshall were ap-pointed to draft resolutions to be approved

by the Commercial club, recommending and endorsing President Roosevelt's plan

that a railroad commission be appointed with authority to regulate railroad tariffs, enlarging the powers of the interstate commerce commission to the extent that,

if a complaint is made, that it shall have the authority to investigate the rate and

if found excessive, to establish a rate that is just and equitable. There are no favored shippers in York, and passing of

the resolution was unanimous. The committee was requested to send

copies of the resolutions to Senators Mill-

a man's head.

SAID HE WILL RECOVER PLAN, HOWEVER, IS FOILED

prison

the bars

bar

plans were foiled.

Guard Managed, However, to From Return Home in Health.

It is probably due to the services ren-dered by Dr. McIrwin, the Atwood phyto health in an Omaha hospital.

Wife Commits Suicide.

WILL GIVE UP BABY.

Young Wife Confesses She Wronged Her Husband When She Forced Him to Marry Her.

Denver, Nov. 22.—"I will give up my baby. I acknowledge I wronged my husband when I allowed him to marry me believing that the child I was about to give birth to was his, and I will do all in my power now to make atone-ment for the wrong I did him." This is the statement Mrs. Jay A. Maynard desires to make public, and

which she herself tries to believe. Mrs. Maynard clasped her baby to her breast and sobbed convulsively over the little golden head as she spoke the words that would sever them forever. words that would sever them forever. Before their marriage both young people liver near Silver Creek. Neb., on neighboring ranches. It was February 28, 1905, that Jay A. Maynard married Lottie Reed to save her from the shame that was inevitable. Six months later Mrs. Maynard gave birth to a little girl. All went happily in the little home, Maynard believing himself the cause of his wife's indiscretion and thinking of his wife's indiscretion and thinking that all was now screened by their marriage, until one day the wife con fessed the secret that she said was kill-ing her. This was that her husband

was not the father of the child, but that one William Luthers of Silver Creek, Neb., an earlier lover, was responsible for its existence

Cooper, however, managed to loosen his bonds and call for assistance. Other guards promptly arrived and the men's sion and resulted in Maynard leaving his home and vowing never again to look on the face of the woman who had The men were decorated with balls and chains to prevent a repetition of

if she would send the child away where neither should ever hear of it again he York, Neb., Nov. 17.-Two tramps, shut up in a boxcar, came near being

would take her back to his heart and forgive all. This proposal the young mother bitterly resented and told her husband to go; if there must be a choice she would keep her baby. Now, through repeated pleadings from her family and husband, she has consented to give up her baby. "Only let me keep her a few days longer," she begs, trying to postpone the misery of having her darling torn from her bosom. The husband stands by, inexorable in his wounded pride, and says over and over: "You have deceived me. Tears will avail you noth-ing. Give up this child and I will be-lleve you are sorry." siding, and when the farmers who were hauling grain to the elevator saw two able bodied men crawl out of the car then pounced on them, offering 5 cents per bushel to shuck corn, free board, room and washing, and when one of the tramps replied "that he had all the work he wanted picking his teeth," the

animal. They agree, also, that there is a strong probability of the object being a petrified goose, though there is some question on the point. One man ven-tures the assertion that it a petrified KILLED BY MOVING MACHINERY

Body of Young Man Found Dead and Mangled on Shaft. Beaver City, Neb., Nov. 22.-The dead and mangled body of Earl Stearns, an employe of the Beaver City mills, was found wound around a shaft of the mill which is situated a mile west of town. It is believed he had been dead for fif-teen minutes when his lifeless body was discovered by the proprietor of the mill. The scene of the accident was in the basement where the line shaft is connected with the water power and where the various belts and pulleys direct the power to the different departments of the mill. The unfortunate man had gone to this place to put in operation Discovery. Humboldt, Neb., Nov. 17.—Quite a little interest is being manifested in this section over the prospect of finding coal in the southwestern part of the county. There is talk of a stock com-pany being formed to prospect the land of a farmer, who some time ago took from a well he was boring a nico supply of coal at quite a depth. The farmer in question kept the matter quiet for a long time in the hope o^{*} getting satisfactory options on sur-rounding land, but failing in this he revealed the facts to a neighbor, and the present agitation resulted. an auxiliary part of the machinery. In some way he was entangled in the moving machinery and met an awful death shaft. The lifeless body was found dangling from the shaft, the broken neck and many bruises indicating that the body had been subject to much violence, probably after life was extinct. It is believed the belt which encircled the dead man's neck had choked out life before a cry of alarm could be giv-en. The connection of belts, pulleys and shafting in that part of the mill is not considered at all dangerous. Just what accident befell the young man is

a mystery. FREMONT VETS AMONG DUPES.

Locating Agent in Employ of Cattle-men Makes Catspaws Pay Fee. Fremont, Neb., Nov. 21.-Among the old

soldier declaratory statements canceled by solution declaratory statements canceled by the United States land office at Grand Island were about eighteen or twenty made by residents of this city. They were procured by a smooth "locating agent," himself an old soldier, who represented to and and Burkett and Congressman Hin-shaw with the request that they take a through a railroad commission clothed them that actual removal to the land was not necessary, that they could dispose of their relinquishments, have credit for their length of service and when they proved up sell out at a good price. They made their filings in good faith and in ignorance of the rules of the department. Most of them paid the agent from \$10 to \$15 "locating free," which he claimed was much less than he usually charged. They are mostly men of advanced years, in poor health and of limited means, and no one made any attempt to complete his filing or make improvements. They have now learned to their satisfaction that the agen was in the employ of a cattle company his work being to secure soldiers' declara tory statements, and that they paid for privilege of being used as catspaws for the stockmen and fared worse than the soldiers' widows who received pay for making the filings. Naturally they decline to talk of the'r being so successfully duped, but are watching intently the proseedings of the federal grand jury.

PERJURY CHARGE FRED M. HANS IS AGAINST A BANKER BACK AT OLD JOB

Luse at Ainsworth Again

Railroad Detective.

Because They Refused to Aid in Get.

ting Out Large Corn Crop They

Are Nearly Mobbed at Knox,

a Small Town.

Norfolk, Neb., Nov. 17 .- Fred M.

Hans, who was recently acquitted of the murder of Ranchman David Luse, after a sensational trial at Ainsworth,

has been given his old job as detec-

Ready to Mob Men Who Refuse to

Work in Corn Fields.

county are hable to get mobbed it they refuse to husk corn. York county farm-ers have so large a crop and scarcity of labor that they are nearly desperate and owing to the scarcity of help hun-dreds of wives, daughters and small children are in the cornfields from early morning until dark husking corn. One

morning until dark husking corn. One farmer has just finished building a corn

crib holding over 8,000 bushels, attach-ing to it an elevator that elevates wagon and all except team and dumps

COAL AND GAS FOUND.

Farmer Boring a Well Made Happy Discovery.

the load of corn in top of the crib.

Man Who Killed Ranchman Vice President of Chamberlain Banking House on Trial at Tecumseh.

FARMERS CHASE TRAMPS HE IS A WEALTHY FARMER

Judge Ordered Complaint Against Him Owing to Conflicting Testimony-Defendant Confident He Can Show Court Its Error.

Tecumseh, Neb., Nov. 16.-In the county court here the case of the state county court here the case of the state of Nebraska vs. Frank A. Taylor, for perjury, came up for hearing before Judge James Livingston. Mr. Taylor was vice president of the failed Cham-berlain banking house of this city and in the trial in Nemaha county recently against Charles M. Chamberlain, in which Taylor was a witness Judge B. which Taylor was a witness, Judge B. F. Good ordered the action against him

r, Good ordered the action against him on the charge of perjury. It was the opinion of the court that testimony given by him in a case in this county, which hinged on the failure of the bank, and the case then at bar was conflicting and entirely different. Mr. Taylor was arrested about a week ago

Mr. Taylor's explanation of the matter is that had the judge, who was called into this district to try the case mentioned at Auburn, been thoroughly conversant with the facts he would not have ordered the proceedings. He is confident he can establish this fact. Mr. Taylor is a prominent farmer. The failure of the Chamberlain bank-

ing house was a catastrophe in this community which caused much suffering. Its influence is still felt and is clearly shown in various incidents that ing. are occurring almost daily. The col-lapse of the bank and the events fol-lowing it have aroused animosities that are bitter and relentless, and this feel-ing is injected into everything which savors, even in a remote way, of Chamberlainism. It has invaded the politics of the county and it is here that its influence is most keenly felt. It has runed the lives and reputations of men forever who had always borne the re-spect of the community and even the innocent have come under the deadly

WOODMEN WIN SUIT.

The Reserve Fund Will Not Be Taxed by State.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 16.—The suit brought by the state board of equaliza-tion to compel the Woodmen of the World and the Woodmen circle to pay taxes on their reserve funds which amount to several millions of dollars, has been denied by the supreme court. It was on this point that the Wood-men of the World threatened to remove their headquarters from this city in case the suit was sustained.

At the time the county taxes were equalized last summer by the county board of equalization, the latter body refused to tax the reserve fund. The state board then brought action for a writ of mandamus to compel County Clerk Drexel to assess the fund. It is this writ that the supreme court has denied.

The present action merely relieves the Woodmen of the World from being taxed on the fund for the present year. A test case, however, is being made by the Royal Highlanders, and it is ex-pected that this will settle once and for all whether reserve funds of fraternal insurance societies are taxable in Nebraska.

LIVED IN STRAW HOUSE.

Stranger Clad in Rags and with a Red

Handkerchief for a Hat Found. Plattsmouth, Neb., Nov. 16.—A per-son who has much the appearance of a wild man, with long hair and beard and ragged clothing and a red ban-

tive for the Northwestern railroad. Hans was acting as detective for the road when he killed Luse several years ago. At one trial he was sentenced to life imprisonment, but after consid-Husband Leaves in Rage. erable parleying in court he was granted a new trial. Hans claimed that he killed Luse in A terrible scene followed this confesself defense, while the prosecution claimed that he killed Luse because the cattle rustlers in Brown county wanted so grossly deceived him. He returned and told his wife that the aged rancher out of the way. MAKE IT HOT FOR TRAMPS.

petrified objects, one resembling a goose and the other the half hoof of a buffalo. The objects were about six feet below the sand level of the sand-

mobbed today at Knox, an elevator siding south of York on the Kansas City and Omaha railroad, not because they were tramps, but on account of refusal to accept work shucking corn. A freight train had set the boxcar on the

would take her back to his heart and

lieve you are sorry." A man and wife have beep found who are willing to adopt the fatherless one and in a few days it will be taken from the mother.

Men who have examined the stones farmers made a rush for the tramps who ran down the track and soon dis-appeared. Tramps coming to York county are liable to get mobbed if they say undoubtedly the one shaped like a half-hoof is the petrified hoof of some

PETRIFIED GOOSE DUG UP. Queer Discovery Made by Laborers of

their proceedings. James is a colored man, sentenced from Omaha in 1900 for burglary. Smith is a pugilist and is commonly known as "Denver Kid."

Fremont, Neb., Nov. 18.—Sioux City and Western workmen, digging sand in the Platte river south of Fremont for use in ballasting the track of the Sioux City and Ashland line, unearthed two patrided objects one resembling

Richard Bell in his new book, "My Birange Pets," tells of the solan geese, which, in Great Britain, in bygone days, used to be salted and dried for human food: "Many years ago these dried geese found their way to the low-lands of Scotland and were used as an annetizer" appetize

Louis Aston Knight, son of the well) known American artist, Ridway Knight, and himself an artist of re-Ridway markable power and originality, has sailed from Paris for his first visit to this country. He brings with him a this country. He brings with hin number of pictures for exhibition.

At Sangong, China, is the Lion bridge, the longest bridge in the world. It extends five and a quarter miles over an arm of the Yellow sea and it is sup-ported by 300 huge stone arches. The roadway is seven feet above the water and is inclosed in an iron network.

On a seismograph at Simia, India, presented to the meterological depart-ment by Professor Ormori, the Japan-ese earthquake expert, the shock caused by the blowing up of the steamship Chatham in the Suez canal, 2,500 miles away, was recorded.

Mrs. Newman K. Perry, of Pittsfield, Mass., wife of Lieutenant Perry, who was killed by the blowing up of the Bennington in San Diego harbor last summer, says she will devote the re-mainder of her life to nursing sick allors and soldiers ailors and soldiers.

The Nelson centennial has called attention to the age of Nelson's captains at Trafalgar. It averaged not quite y. Nelson's flag captain was 36. of the commanders was only 20. forty commander of one of the finest battleships was 31.

Roman Catholics flocked to Westminster Abbey recently to visit the shrine of Edward the Confessor, who was canonized on October 13, 1163. All day long pligrims were kneeling at the rail which surrounds the tomb, and offer-ing up neavers ing up prayers.

General Stoessel is about to be sued for libel by M. E. K. Nozhin, war cor-respondent of the Novk Krai, the famous newspaper printed at Port Arthur during the siege, the offense consisting in General Stoessel's description of M. Nohzin as a spy.

The prince of Wales has sent strict rders to India regarding the careful observance of Sunday during the royal four. When the prince and princess are traveling on that day their train will be stopped during the time of divine service

In color the squirrel fish is a brilliant ed, which makes it a conspicuous inabitant of the sea as it darts here and there with quick, alert movements. The body of the squirrel fish shows a few stripes and is well covered with sharp

John Paul, steward of a political club in New York, has the rare distinction of being a grandfather and grand on at the same time. His baby granta u h-ter has just been born, and his gr. n. mother is living at the age of 97

his own life rather than suffer capture. After the shooting, which occurred on a business street of the town, and the escape of Dance, a posse was imme-diately organized and a search for the man begun. A systematic hunt was kept up and he was discovered hiding strawstack, and when he in a found he lay dead with two bullet wounds in his body. One had pierced the heart and the other had gone through the top of his head, the muzzle of the revolver having been placed in his mouth.

WAS HIT ON HEAD.

Fragments of Stick Taken from Brain and He May Recover. Fremont, Neb., Nov. 21.-James Milliken

of this city was seriously injured by be-ing struck in the head by a piece of board while looking after the moving of a house from North Bend to his farm in Union township. A brace which helped hold the building on the truck frame snapped and piece of it struck him in the head, fracturing his skull. He was taken to North Bend by D. V. Stephens, who happened to passing in an automobile, and brought Fremont on a local train. Fragments of the stick and pieces of bone were removed from the brain, and unless some complications sets in he will recover. Later it was thought his injuries were fatal and his son, Harvey Milliken of Omaha, was sent for. For the last ten years he has been extensively engaged the stock business in Sheridan county, but has lived in Fremont.

BUYS POISON AND DISAPPEARS.

Old Resident of Long Pine Is Believed to Have Taken His Life.

Long Pine, Neb., Nov. 21.-Utterly dis-heartened over a little domestic quarrel John Kurtz, night foreman at the Northwestern shops and an old resident of this place, disappeared from home and had in his possession twenty grains of strychnine capsules purchased previous to his disaparance. With these, it is thought, he arance

It is thought the missing man has hidden himself in some remote place pricr to ending his career. Others believe he has lost his mind and is aimlessly wan dering about the country. He is 47 years old, sober and industrious and the father of five children. The Kurtz family is prestrated with grief.

SEN. BURTON'S TRIAL BEGINS.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 20 .- For the second time within two years, United States Senator J. Ralph Burton, 10 Kansas, was today called upon to defend himself in the United States circuit court against an indictment charging he was offered and accepted compensation from the Rialto Grain and Securities company, now defunct, for securities company, now definit, for using his influence, while a member of the senate, in behalf of that concern in certain matters pending before the postofiles department at Washington.

positive stand in favor of President Roose-velt's policy of supervision and regulation of the railroads of the United States with authority.

BOOST FOR PRISON.

Senator Burkett Wants Nebraska Fed eral Prisoners Sent to Lincoln. Washington, Nov. 17.-Senator Burkett made a plea with Attorney General Moody for the assignment of United States pris-oners convicted in Nebraska to the Lin-coln penitentiary instead of having them sent either to Sioux Falls or Leavenworth. Senator Burkett called the attention of the attorney general to the fact that Nebraska has one of the most up to date prisons in the country; that the health statistics showed that Lancaster county stood among the first in low rate of mor-tality, and he urged the attorney general to authorize the sending at least of United States prisoners convicted in Nebraska to Lincoln, Attorney General Moody was impressed with Senator Burkett's presentation and said he would send a ficer to the Nebraska penitentiary to recort on conditions.

SEVERELY BITTEN BY RATS.

Lad Goes to Sleep in an Empty Bo.

Lad Goes to Sleep in an Empty Bo. and Is Attacked by Rodents. . Omaha, Neb., Nov. 16.—Bleeding from eventeen wounds made by vicious rats which attacked him while he slept in an empty box, a 12-year-old lad, giving the name of "Nat," came to police headquarters for assistance. The lad was tramping his way west

from St. Louis and was entirely with-out funds. Crawling into a dry goods box partially filled with rags and pa-"Nat" cuddled up for a warm pers.

But he had invaded the home of several large rodents who attacked him soon after he went to sleep. In the darkness the boy fought desperately, but the rats bit him from all sides. He finally succeeded in crawling from the bay and opening from the box and escaping from the fierce rodents.

WOMAN SUFFERED BURNS.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Nov. 16.-Dr. E. D. Cummins was called called to attend a patient two miles west of Mynard, and arriving there found that Mrs. Edgar Barker had been frightfully burned from her arm pits nearly to her ankles. Mrs. Barwas rendering lard in a large kettle in the yard when her dress caught fire,

ARM AND HAND TORN OFF.

Northwestern Bridge Inspector Meets

with Terrible Accident. Creighton, Neb., Nov. 16.-Robert Eckles, a prominent Northwestern bridge inspector, of Norfolk, was blown sixty feet into the air near Creighton by the explosion of his gasoline velocioede.

One arm and hand were torn to pieces and the man's clothing was torn to breds. 't is not yet known whether he will recover.

CHEESE WAS BETRAYER.

Burglars Who Entered Beer Vault Also Ate Limburger.

Fremont, Neb., Nov. 22.-A slice of lim-burger cheese established the guilt of Harry Hurley of Mason City, Ia., charged with burglary. Hurley was one of the three prisoners charged with forcing entrance to the Blatz beer vault here and stealing a quantity of beer. Besides the peer the only thing missed was a pound of limburger cheese belonging to the Ger-mban custodian of the vault, Edward Pscherer. Pscherer, when examined by the police for evidence the morning after the burglary, said the burglars took his imburger.

While the trials of the three prisoners progressed a pungent odor prevailed in the oolice room. Pscherer was on the witness stand when an afficer produced from the pocket of Defendant Hurley a piece of

at once exclaimed:

"By Gosh, that's my limburger." Hurley and the other two prisoners, who

gave the names of Mifferd and Collins, had attempted to direct their testimony to show that they had not entered the beer vault, but found been in a gunnysack beside the railroad track. The cheese in Hurley's possession was the missing link defendants were bound

the cheese in Arlington. He became con-fused and then confessed he and his compaions were guilty of the burglary

DENOUNCES WESTERN UNION.

Pittsburg, Nov. 20 .- The American Federation of Labor convention today adopted all recommendations embod.ed in President Gomper's report. The committee on boycotts presented a

resolution against the Western Union Tel-egraph company, condemning that com-pany's attitude towards the Commercial Telegrapher's union.

Humboldt, Neb., Nov. 16.—A house oc-cupied by Section Boss Anderson was the scene of a lively blaze but the prompt arrival of the fire boys saved the place. The occupants know nothing of the origin of the blaze, but were awakened by the explosion of a number of shells which were loaded and hanging in a belt on the wall of the room where the fire started. By the time they sent in the fire alarm the fire had done considerable damage to the room, but by keeping the doors closed the family had been able to confine the flames to the two small rooms.

It is claimed the indications point strongly to gas and oil as well as coal, and the parties interested will stop at no length to determine the extent of the find.

BURSTING SHELLS WARN ALL.

Serious Night Fire Was Checked and

the present agitation resulted.

CLAIMS CHAMPIONSHIP.

A Butler County Man Husked Ninety Bushels of Corn in Four Hours. Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 16.-Butler county is

the residence of the champion "nubbin tosser" of the United States, according to Deputy Game Warden Smith, who just has returned from David City. So confident are the residents of the county that their man is "it" that they are willing to back up their opinion with a large amount of coin of the realm. The new champion is Ezra Ward, of Surprise, who husked ninety bushels of corn in four hours, or at the rate of 2021/2 bushels per day of ten hours.

The remarkable feat was witnessed by a number of reputable citizens of Surprise and they declare that M. Ward did not appear to be hustling much at that. The corn was husked, hauled a quarter of a and scooped into a crib after being hed. The wagon was weighed in and weighed. out each time. It is whispered that **Mr**. Ward can husk and scoop 230 bushels of corn in ten hours in fair weather. The best previous record this year was by an Illinois man who managed to gather 160 bushels in

FALSE TEETH STOP BULLET

Anaconda Man Has Narrow Escape from Being Murdered.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 15.—But for his false teeth, William Semper would now be the victim of a murderous attack on him at an early hour this morning at the Turf exchange, Anaconda, by Swan Anderson, known as "Swede Dutch, gambler. The assault was made w while mper had his back turned to his as-

semper had his back turned to his as-sailant and the gun was held within a few feet of his left cheek. The bullet passed through the cheek, knocking out two teeth, and was de-flected by part of the dental work in Semper's mouth. An examination of the wound afterward, showed that the course of the bullet was straight for the brain and if the plate had not blocked it, he would have been killed.

KIDNAP FAINTING BERTHA

Notorious Woman Crook Is Spirited Away from Insane Asylum.

Kankakee, Ill., Nov. 15.-Bertha Libeke, weil known to the police of a score of cities as "Fainting Bertha," shoplifter, pickpocket and all-round crook, was kidnaped from the Illinois eastern hospital for the insane Saturday night by two men, who eleased the woman from a screen room and then drove away with her in a buggy. No trace of the woman has yet been secured. She was committed to the hospital after serving a term in the Joliet penitestiary

dana handkerchief to cover his head, has been found living in a straw house made by binding straw bundles and setting them upon end like a long shock of grain just large enough for him to lie down under in a plum thicket on the farm of J. W. Thomas, near the big Burlington bridge, since last July, with nothing to eat but apples, pota-toes and vegetables, without being ooked, which he gathered in that

vicinity. The unfortunate mortal is about 50 years of age and is perfectly harmless, but Mr. Thomas feared he might freeze to death this winter, so he reported his find to the police.

EFFORT FOR MRS. LILLIE.

Friends Begin New Campaign in Be half of Convicted Woman.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 16.—Another ef-fort is to be put forth in behalf of Mrs. Margaret Lillie, serving a life sentence for the murder of her husband at David City.

Many of the convicted woman's friends believe that they have a chance to secure her freedom, claiming that another clue has been discovered, which, if presented to the court, will result in the opening of the peniten-tions decre for the women's exit tiary doors for the woman's exit.

is said that after the David City It murder a personal enemy of Mr. Lillie disposed of his property and quickly disappeared and his whereabouts are anknown to the authorities. The iden-tity of the man is known to Mrs. Lillie

and a number of her friends. Warden Beemer's wife is deeply in-terested in Mrs. Lillie and is active in all efforts in the convicted woman's behalf.

SAT WITH BULLET IN HEAD.

Aged Man Made Good His Threat to Kill Himself.

Kill Himself. Grand Island, Nov. 16.—Thomas J. Ritter, aged 71 years, and a resident of this city for the past twency-two years, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. The aged man planned to take his own life several days ago, having told relatives that he intended to do away with himself. His flaughter heard a shot in the house and on investigating found the old man on investigating found the old man sitting in a rocking chair with a bullet through his head.

SAT IN PAIL OF BOILING WATER Cedar Bluffs, Neb., Nov. 16 .- At the home of Mrs. Boulier's father, nine miles southwest of Cedar Bluffs, the infant southwest of Cedar Bluits, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Boulier was scalded to death. Mrs. Boulier had ipoured some boiling water into a pail and turned around to get some cold wa-ter to cool it with, and little Stanley backed up from the other side of the down in it. His mother saw him sit down and jumped and lifted him out. tearing his clothing off him. But the injury was too great and the child 'died.

eight hours.

cheese wrapped in brown paper. The witness, who speaks broken English,

It was strong evidence and Judge Cook so teclared. The defendant over to the district court. Hurley afterwards tried to explain to County Attorney Graham, that he bought