

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

The late Senator Ingalls was unable to restrain his tongue to indulge in sarcasm. This habit eventually lost him his place and his popularity. On one occasion, an intimate friend wrote to him, urging the appointment of another friend to a position under the government. To this letter the senator returned a very sarcastic answer, and received the following reply: "My Dear Senator: I think it would be well for you to reserve your sarcasm for the rapidly increasing number of your enemies, instead of offering it to the decreasing number of your friends, of whom I am one." It is said Mr. Ingalls never forgot the rebuke, but it was too late.

James B. Reynolds, of Boston, has been assistant secretary of the United States treasury for fifteen months, and in that time has signed his name somewhere close to 100,000 times. His signature is of a rather fanciful character, and consequently he uses ink by the gallon. As a rule he uses up three pens in a day. During a hot spell of weather at one time 12,000 Indian warrants came in. They had to be signed. The other assistant secretaries were on their vacations, and "Jimmie" signed them, the whole 12,000. He lost twenty-one pounds and soured his disposition.

Dr. Douglas Hyde, the famous Celtic scholar, in the course of a recent address at the University of California, claimed, on the authority of eminent German and Italian scholars, that "Ireland taught Europe the art of rhyming." He said further: "The earliest recorded rhymes in Europe are those in Latin, written by Augustine. He composed them while surrounded by a Celtic speaking people in the south of Gaul. In the year 550 A. D. we find the Irish people making perfect and elaborate rhymes. It was not done in other countries for two centuries later.

The Empress Eugenie has just given to the Swiss nation of the Grisons, a small town where Napoleon III. passed several years of his youth. Queen Hortense, on the fall of the first empire, fled to Switzerland, and in 1817 purchased the castle, which is delightfully situated on the shore of Lake Constance. In the castle are the Empress Josephine's harp, Queen Hortense's harpsichord and a camp bedstead of Napoleon III.

Insurance came from medieval Italy. It is believed to date from the sixteenth century, and at that time it was known in Florence. The Romans did not know insurance. The nearest they came to it was the practice of a company supplying the army to require a guarantee from the state against the loss of ships, and the practice was abandoned because damages had been collected for sunken ships too worthless to float.

The royal family of England has always been very keen on animals of every kind and variety. The queen's members it probably owns the finest collection of dogs and cats in England. Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein, the elder daughter of Prince Christian, has recently had erected at Cumberland Lodge, her home at Windsor, a beautiful little house for her famous Persian cats.

It is not generally known, says the London Express, that a generous country supplies members of the house of commons with gratuitous snuff. "The snuff," the Express says, "is snuff as described in the estimate as such, but to ward off the objection aroused by improving habits the charge of £200 a year was mixed up or covered in the estimates as 'lamp oil.'"

Senator Spooner has stopped smoking. He was mourning his sad fate when Senator Dooliver, thinking to be sympathetic, said: "Well, I guess it is pretty well admitted that the use of tobacco tends to shorten a man's days." "That's right," Senator Spooner replied, "I find that my days without it are about sixty hours long."

Lord Leigh, writing to the London Times, states that a large portion of the lofty tower of the old priory of Maxstoke in Warwickshire, England, fell on April 18. Allowing for the difference in time, this was the first building with the first shock of the earthquake at San Francisco.

A pulpit that has been consecrated by the British bishop of Carlisle for use in St. Cuthbert's, Carlisle, runs on wheels. It is brought in and taken out of the church by means of a trolley and endless rope. Made of mahogany and over nine feet in height, the pulpit cost \$1,000.

On an ashtray which has reached England from Germany, is the following: "Defilement of the room by ash of cigars is forbidden to the severest. Anyone who, notwithstanding, makes guilty of such a one will be punished irrevocably by house arrest."

There was a great eruption of Vesuvius in 1793. One who saw it told of a column of fire so high and so hot that black clouds passing through it reached the boiling point, and fell in scalding drops upon innocent gamekeepers ten miles away.

The Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who has just passed her 92d birthday, has enjoyed the remarkable experience of seeing her husband returned to parliament for Westminster on the centenary of her father's first election for that constituency.

A botanical clock grows on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, Mexico. In the morning the flower is white, at noon red, and at night blue, alternations of color being so regular that the time of day can be told from the tint of the flower.

In order that traffic may not be diverted from the railways in Manchuria the Japanese, it is said, have rebuilt the river bridges, destroyed during the war, so that they are too low for the Chinese freight boats to pass under them.

The Salvation army workers in India are using regularly, as their rule and book of devotion, the manual of the third order of St. Francis, and it is openly said in the army out there that some day they may all join Rome in a body.

There will be no scarcity of childhood's favorite means to produce noise on the Fourth of July this year. One ship which arrived in the port of New York from China the other day carried 200,000,000 firecrackers and 200,000 torpedoes.

Opportunities for trade in iron beds are reported by American correspondents. An important trade is done in Saloniki, Turkey, especially for beds with tall posts for carrying mosquito nets; rich brass ornamentation is favored.

SHOWER OF EGGS FOR RELIGIOUS EXHORTERS

Grand Island Youths Raid Band of Enthusiasts and Cut Ropes of Tent—Police Officials Called.

Grand Island, Neb., June 27.—A strange band of religious enthusiasts, carrying their devotions almost to the limits of physical exhaustion, has been creating considerable disturbance at the corner of Fifth and Sycamore streets. In this city, and something of a climax was reached between the exhorters and the youth of the vicinity last night when there was a shower of eggs and other articles, and finally a cutting of the guy ropes of the tents in which the band has its meetings, letting down the canvas on top of the worshippers. And now the band is said to be raising its supplication for a storm that may come down and wipe Grand Island off the map.

By those who have observed the services it is stated that they do not proceed far when some of the exhorters appear to be in trances. The shouting and singing, throwing themselves upon the platform and the weird gestures, have become almost obnoxious to the neighborhood, and this appears to have been seized upon by a younger and more irresponsible element, which has been taking the method referred to indicate the lack of welcome there exists in the vicinity. Upon one occasion a woman exhorter, for instance, is said to have gone so far as hysterically cry: "I've swallowed him! I've swallowed him!" "Swallowed whom?" asks another exhorter. "I've swallowed Jesus!"

A citizen of the city whose wife became imbued with the spirit of the exhorters was just going up to the platform last night to induce her not to participate so actively, when an egg struck the side of his face and exploded. The incident was then on some of the religious extremists being decidedly spattered. Finally some of the young element cut the guy ropes, the canvas fell and the services were over. The police department was called out but no arrests were made.

SOUTH OMAHA THE WINNER.

Turners Carry Off Prize in Tri-State Contest in Kansas.

Leavenworth, Kan., June 27.—Fully 2,000 turners were here Saturday to attend the annual turnfest of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas division. There was a parade with 1,000 active turners in line, followed by a picnic and athletic contests. The athletic contests consisted of two exercises with the high bar, two with double bar, two side horse, two long horse, high jump, putting the shot and a club swinging drill. The contests were decided on percentages. The South Omaha team was awarded first prize with 90.41 per cent. Kansas City second with 89.26, Topeka third with 88.08, Leavenworth fourth with 81.39, St. Joseph fifth with 77.25, and Sumner sixth with 62.88.

Only two teams competed in the singing contest, which was held later. St. Joseph was first with 83 per cent., and Leavenworth second with 76.

MORE RAIN FOR NEBRASKA.

Norfolk, Neb., June 27.—The farmers and ranchmen throughout this district, and especially that to the north and west of here, have been praying for rain, and they have got it. The rain of a week ago has put crops and grass into pretty good shape, but the rain yesterday was timely and plentiful. Farmers can get along without any more until after harvest. Grain has headed out rather short, and there is a week ago in this early date. Corn, especially on the heavy soil of the bottom lands, is quite backward. The first cutting of alfalfa has all been put in the stack several days, and never was put up in better shape. The present corn weather is all right for small grain, but it is not making corn very fast.

JOHNSON TO PRESIDE.

Mayor of Cleveland to Officiate at the Bryan Reception—Henry Watterson Will Speak.

New York, June 25.—Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland has accepted an invitation to preside at the reception to William J. Bryan in Madison Square garden on Bryan's return to this country.

Henry Watterson will deliver an address on behalf of the south and Alexander Hays, of New Haven, Conn., will speak in the name of the east. The name of the speaker for the west had not been announced.

FORTY MEN IN PERIL.

Powder House Blows Up, but Dynamite Fails to Explode.

Helena, Mont., June 25.—Thirty or forty men had a miraculous escape from being blown to atoms when the powder house of the Harris lime quarry ten miles from here was exploded by a week ago. The men were asleep in a brick house near there and logs from the powder house were blown over the brick house. Against the door of the brick house was found a sack containing thirty-five sticks of dynamite, to which a fuse was attached. This is said to be the second mysterious explosion at the quarry within the past few weeks. Many believe that the crazy man who is reported to be roaming about the country in the neighborhood, and who several months ago shot and wounded two telegraph operators is the perpetrator of the outrage.

SEE AMERICA FIRST.

Meeting of the League to Promote Home Sighting.

Spokane, Wash., June 25.—L. G. Monroe, secretary of the Spokane chamber of commerce, left Thursday for Chicago, where he will attend the meeting of the executive committee of the "See America First" league, which meets tomorrow with the Western Passenger association at the Auditorium annex. The entire coast and mountain states are alive with keen interest in this movement to show the scenic marvels and the political and economic advantages of the United States to the people of the east. The movement, however, is not confined to the west, but is national in its scope. The purpose of the league is concisely expressed in the slogan "See Europe if you will, but see America first."

ST. LOUIS GETS THE BRIDGE.

Washington, D. C., June 25.—President Roosevelt today signed the bill authorizing the city of St. Louis to build, operate and maintain a railroad, wagon, foot and passenger bridge across the Mississippi river at that point.

Ithaca, N. Y.—Three hours after receiving her degree as bachelor of the law, Miss Belle Rosebrock, Cornell, '06, was married to Alfred C. Weed, Cornell, '04. Miss Rosebrock is only the second woman to receive a degree from the law school and one of the very few co-eds who have ever taken law at Cornell.

LAD CONFESSES TO MURDER OF FATHER

Jess Headley Tells Sheriff He Shot Parent to Get His Money.

HE WILL PLEAD GUILTY

Preliminary Hearing of Tekamah Youth Now Being Held, but Lad Will Plead Guilty Before Circuit Court.

Tekamah, Neb., June 25.—The preliminary hearing in the Headley murder case was held yesterday before County Judge Basler. H. Wade Gillis appeared as counsel for the sons who are charged with the killing of their father. At the beginning of the hearing the county attorney dismissed the case against Noah, the youngest boy. The testimony was then taken similar to what was brought out at the inquest to prove when, where and by whom the body was first discovered. Dr. Clark, of Craig, and Undertaker Whitney testified as to the cause of death and the decomposed condition of the body when given to them in charge by the coroner and the identification of the garments worn by the deceased, by his wife and children. H. Plummer's son, aged 14 years, went on the stand and testified that it was along their line fence the body was found and that he saw Jess Headley with a two-wheeled cart in the pasture west of there one forenoon about the time that Headley was killed.

Sheriff Phipps testified that Jess Headley had confessed to him and the county attorney that it was he that killed his father; that he shot him when he was not looking; that it occurred near the house, and that he put him in the swill cart and wheeled the body nearly a mile to where it was dumped into Hell creek, a little distance above where it was found; that he took what money he had, throwing the pocketbook into a clump of willows; that he was sorry now that he killed his father, but he did it to get his money and get control of his father's property.

This ended the trial. No arguments were necessary. The court ordered that he be held to the district court which is now in adjourned session. It will only be a few days before he will be sentenced if the plea of guilty will be entered in the district court.

WILL MAKE DOGS HAPPY.

Omaha's New Poundmaster Takes Possession of Office.

Omaha, Neb., June 23.—Friend of dumb beasts, the dog and society leader, Alfred Millard Wednesday night formally took possession of his new office as city poundmaster, to which he was appointed by the city council Tuesday night. In company with Humane Officer Ellison, Mr. Millard went down to the dog pound, a short distance north of the smelting works.

"Our plan," said Mr. Millard, "is to make the dogs just as happy as possible during their stay here, and we intend to do everything that can be done for the dogs of catching and killing the dumb animals the easiest and quickest for the dogs themselves." At the present time charcoal gas is used to kill the animals, but Poundmaster Millard is in favor of illuminating gas as the method of catching and killing the dogs to animal heaven without pain or agony. A Denver man has written Mr. Millard concerning the use of illuminating gas and the new poundmaster is convinced that he will eventually be able to secure it when the dog pound is built. There is no gas main within several hundred feet.

STATE LOSES CASE.

Supreme Court Refuses Rehearing in Famous Bond Case.

Lincoln, Neb., June 23.—The supreme court has finally refused a rehearing to the state in the famous Bartley bond suit involving about \$700,000, in principal and interest, belonging to the people of the state which was lost through peculations of the former treasurer whose bondsmen are now finally relieved from liability on a technicality. The bondsmen since 1897, the date of the discovery of the defalcation have been waging an active political campaign to secure the release of their liability. At several different sessions of the state legislature efforts have been made to secure the passage of resolutions calling for the release of the bondsmen on the payment of the accumulated costs.

The bondsmen are all prominent in republican politics and were closely associated with the railway machine. The release has been a big factor in more than one convention. Much of the state money was lent to many of the big republican politicians and the banks in which they were interested, and some of the members of the railway machine carried on speculative enterprises with the money.

The state's case has been tried several times in Douglas county, but the jury always rendered a verdict against the state although the facts were plain. The suit has been remanded for retrial several times and has been pending on law points which were believed to be sufficient to give the state judgment. The record of the trial went to the supreme court in three volumes, each of the trials having been on the same evidence and the same records having gone to the supreme court each of the five times it has passed on the case. The court now holds that record must be quashed because two of the three volumes did not bear proper marks of identification to show that they were parts of the same record. Former Attorney General Frost is charged with the omission to have the record properly authenticated, but he contends that the objection is immaterial since the court accepted the very same record without question on previous hearings.

WHITE GIRL WEDS INDIAN.

Girl's Mother Gives Consent for Marriage with Full Blood Indian.

West Point, Neb., June 21.—Jesse H. Cox, aged 20 years, a full blooded Indian, was married yesterday at Onawa, Ia., to Sarah E. Scott, aged 16 years, a white girl, who had her mother's consent to the marriage. The groom was dressed in broadcloth and was a fine looking specimen of his race, while the bride was pretty good looking herself and seemed deeply enamored of her Indian husband. Both of the parties live in this (Douglas) county.

A BIG CONVENTION.

Five Hundred Delegates at State Sunday School Meeting.

York, Neb., June 25.—The Sunday school convention continues to grow for interest. This is certainly the best in the history of the association. There are 525 delegates enrolled. All are enthusiastic and attentive.

The association assembled Wednesday morning promptly at 8 o'clock for devotional services. The bible study, conducted by Rev. Daniel E. Jenkins, Omaha, was uplifting to those present. George G. Wallace, chairman of executive committee, Omaha, conducted conference with workers of the state. W. E. Nichol, recording secretary, gave report of the year's work, which was highly gratifying. P. S. Dietrick, Red Cloud, statistical secretary, gave a full report of the schools of the state. H. M. Stiedley gave a report of work done out in the field which has been continuously and faithfully performed.

Paul S. Dietrick, of Red Cloud, who conducted the county work in York county so successfully and raised it to a business standing, presided over the county organization in Omaha. D. Berg, of Ponca, presented it from the standpoint of the aim of county associations. "How Shall the Apportionment Be Raised?" and "How Can the County Association Help Its Constituency Do Better Work?" were presented by Robert W. Adams, Tekamah, and L. L. Coryell, Auburn. These subjects were discussed by those present.

Mr. E. C. Knapp, director of bible study, addressed the convention on the subject of "Building Up a Sunday School," which was followed by a conference when questions were asked which he answered in a scholarly, businesslike way, each answer containing the help asked for in concrete form. In the evening session the Methodist Episcopal church was crowded to its fullest capacity. Fifteen hundred people were present. The song service opened the evening's exercises and was followed by an address by L. D. Zichorn on the subject, "Improving the Music." He introduced songs for Sunday school taken from music of Beehoven, Mendelssohn and others of the best composers and showed how music of this grade might be used and would do great good in Sunday schools. He thinks the catchy, jingly songs used so much now of little value and written by musicians to meet the demand, not because it is the best they can do. Sunday will be the last day of the convention.

SMALL BOY DROWNS.

Undertow from Mill Dam Draws Lad Into Stream.

Neligh, Neb., June 26.—Late yesterday afternoon, while little Sterling Kay, of Jort Kay, was dipping for minnows south of the flume of the mill, the undertow from the mill drew him in, and before any help could come to him he was drowned.

There was no one near but some little boys and it was some time before they realized that he was drowning. The alarm was given, and after he was in the water for more than an hour his body was caught by a long handled hook and brought to the surface.

GUILTY OF BRIBERY.

Federal Jury Finds Crow Guilty of Trying to Influence Grand Jury.

Omaha, Neb., June 23.—The jury in the case of Joseph Crow, found Joseph Crow, of Omaha, guilty of attempting to impede justice while foreman of the federal grand jury.

Crow, who is a former postmaster of Omaha, and a former member of the Nebraska legislature, was charged with attempting, while foreman of the federal grand jury, to induce the indictment of Rev. George G. Ware, of Lead, S. D., who was some months ago convicted of conspiracy to defraud the government through illegal land entries. It was alleged that Crow tried to influence his fellow members of the grand jury by gifts of railroad passes. There were nine counts in the indictment, but conviction was only secured on three of them.

CORONER'S JURY SAYS SUICIDE.

Fremont, Neb., June 23.—Coroner Overgaard held an inquest over the body of Bert Stiles yesterday forenoon at Bader Bros.' undertaking rooms and a jury of six, after hearing the testimony of eight witnesses, returned a verdict that death was caused by a revolver used with suicidal intent.

WILL OUST PRESENT MUTUAL MANAGEMENT

This Action on Part of the Stockholders Is Predicted by Samuel Untermyer.

Baltimore, June 23.—"There is no doubt that the policy holders of the New York and Mutual Life Insurance companies will be able to oust the present management of both companies in the fall," said Samuel Untermyer, the New York corporation lawyer in Baltimore.

Mr. Untermyer is counsel for the international policy holders' committee of the New York city of the Mutual Life Insurance companies. "The international policy holders' committee is composed of the best known men in this country and Europe," he continued, "and it is probable that the names of the members will be made public early next week. It includes some of our cabinet officers and will be really a surprise when all the names are announced. We mean business, and I've no doubt of our success."

Just at this time there is a little difficulty about getting the names of the policy holders, but we will secure our lists.

MORE BOUQUETS.

Longworths Get Cheers and Flowers Upon Their Arrival at Kiel.

Kiel, Germany, June 23.—Several hundred people assembled at the railroad station today to cheer Congressman and Mrs. Longworth on their arrival here from London.

As they started for the hotel a loud voice called out in English "Welcome to Kiel," and a woman threw a bouquet which Mrs. Longworth smilingly caught when Longworth lifted his hat in acknowledgement of the gift.

FROM BLACK HILLS TO PAST THE MISSOURI

Rain Falls on an Average Depth of Over 2 Inches Over Large Area.

BUMPER CROPS ASSURED

Most General and Most Welcome Rain of the Season, as Farmers Had Become Alarmed.

The rain that visited Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and South Dakota Sunday night was the heaviest, most general and most welcome of the season. In all of the territory mentioned rain was badly needed and while crops had not suffered to any great extent, farmers were becoming alarmed. Now, however, they feel better and believe that with reasonable showers, fully an average crop of small grain and a bumper crop of corn will be harvested.

In Omaha the fall of rain commenced about 8 o'clock Sunday night and continued during the night and a greater portion of Monday. At 8 o'clock in the morning the precipitation aggregated 2.2 inches.

To give an idea of what the precipitation amounted to in other places, a few points are here mentioned: Sioux City, Ia., 2.4 inches; Ashland, 2.65 inches; Hartington, 1.65 inches; Tekamah, 1.36 inches. At Dodge City, Kan., the precipitation was 2.58 inches.

Railroads Feel Good.

At the railroad offices reports of weather conditions are received every morning at 8 o'clock from all the stations on the line. At that hour Monday morning, the Union Pacific had advised that it was raining over the greater portion of the system east of the mountains. On the main line the rain extended from Cheyenne to the Missouri river and on the Kansas line from Denver to Kansas City and on the Callaway branch from Grand Island to Callaway, the fall being from 50-100 to 3 inches.

On the Burlington it was raining on the Brush-Alliance branch from the Black Hills to Denver and on the two lines running through Nebraska from Oxford Junction, Neb., to the Missouri river.

On the Northwestern heavy rain was reported all the way from the Black Hills to the Missouri river and on the Omaha line, from Omaha to Worthington, Minn.

The Rock Island reported rain from Omaha to Kansas and over all of the branches in the southern part of the state. There was two inches at Fairbury, Neb., and almost as much at Hastings, Kan., with a heavy fall at all the intermediate points.

At the Missouri Pacific offices heavy rains were reported through all of the rich territory in the southeastern portion of the state, extending over into Kansas as far as Atchison.

Up Into South Dakota.

All of the morning trains coming in from the west on the railroad were over an inch in many places, while along the new line of the Milwaukee being constructed in South Dakota there was a fall in some places reaching two and three inches.

All of the morning trains coming in from Chicago passed through heavy rainstorms. The Northwestern struck the rain at Cedar Rapids, the Illinois Central at Fort Dodge, the Milwaukee at Pickering, the Rock Island at Grinnell, and the Burlington at Ottumwa. Between these points and Omaha the downpour was heavy and steady.

That the rain will be of vast benefit to the western country is conceded.

What They Say.

General Freight Agent Spens of the Burlington said: "This rain means millions of dollars to the farmers of Nebraska and adjoining states. It is a big crop throughout the entire Missouri valley."

Assistant General Freight Agent Lane of the Union Pacific says: "It is the best thing that we have had this year. Crops up to localities were much in need of rain, but this dispels all fears. It will put the ground in fine condition; will mature the small grain and assure a great corn crop."

Assistant General Freight Agent Miller of the Northwestern remarked: "There is no danger now about the crop. It will be a bumper. Every portion of our territory has been visited and the prospects for the farmers being on Easy street were never so good."

PLANS HUGE CELEBRATION.

Lincoln Is Preparing to Give W. J. Bryan a Great Reception.

Lincoln, Neb., June 21.—The homecoming of William Jennings Bryan will be celebrated by one of the largest nonpartisan celebrations in the history of the state.

For the first time partisan strife has been laid aside in the case of Mr. Bryan. Living in a town overwhelmingly republican, he has been the target for considerable petty abuse. The Commercial club has unanimously decided to outline plans for a monster reception and ask the railroads for special rates.

Mayor Brown has been authorized to spare no trouble or expense in making the reception the biggest and most enthusiastic ever offered a Nebraskan.

A mass meeting will be held next Monday noon to select committees. Mr. Bryan and the president of the Commercial club have wired Mr. Bryan not to accept any invitations for a reception until Lincoln's claims are considered.

ONE BOLT KILLS MANY.

Twenty-seven Cattle Killed by Stroke of Lightning.

Plainville, Neb., June 21.—M. H. Christensen, a farmer living south of this city, lost twenty-seven head of cattle from one lightning stroke in the rainstorm of last night.

The drought, which had lasted for about five weeks, was broken last night by a heavy rain.

Small grain has been damaged and will be short.

CRUSHED HER LEG.

Load of Hogs Overturns on Norfolk Woman.

MOB AFTER FARMER.

Gon Ran Away and Neighbors Feared Foul Play.

Norfolk, Neb., June 22.—An excited crowd of his neighbors were reported to be forming to attack Patrick O'Gorman, a farmer living six miles west of Norfolk, because of various ugly rumors that had been set afloat regarding the disappearance of his 14-year-old son, James. County Attorney Koenigstein and Sheriff Clements went to the home and investigated. It is their opinion that the boy was not injured, but ran away from home. The crowd quieted down. Jimmie disappeared eight weeks ago. His father says he struck him twice that day and has not seen him since.

JUST A PRESS AGENT'S STORY.

General Colby Did Not Come Near Losing His Scalp Last Week.

Beatrice, Neb., June 22.—Gen. L. W. Colby, about whom a sensational report was published recently, has returned from his wedding trip through the west. The story as told in the papers was to the effect that a band of Indians who were in the city with a circus were hunting for the general to recover an Indian child which the general had picked up years ago on the battlefield of Wounded Knee. It was further alleged that the father of the child was the leader of the pack of angry braves who were demanding the restoration of Lost Bird, and that the general had fled from the city to escape a scalp. The whole story, so far as the visit of the Indians is concerned, is the product of the fertile brain of a circus press agent. It was widely published throughout the country.

TWO NEGROES BREAK JAIL.

Men Held at Nebraska City for Burglary Saw Way to Liberty.

Nebraska City, Neb., June 22.—George Crockett and Robert Fleming, negroes held in the county jail on the charge of burglary, made their escape Sunday night by sawing the hinges off their cell doors.

The saw had been smuggled into the jail by friends of the prisoners and given to Crockett, who sawed his way into the corridor and then liberated Fleming by sawing his door open. The prisoners had easy access to freedom and their escape was not discovered until this morning.

The men were charged with robbing Goldberg's clothing store. They had been captured several weeks ago at Pacific Junction, Ia., and were wearing part of the stolen goods at that time.

YOUNG MAN COMMITS SUICIDE.

Seventeen-Year-Old Boy Shoots Himself in the Abdomen.

Tobias, Neb., June 22.—Lewis Sevee, aged 17, working for John Teser, seven miles north of town, committed suicide by shooting himself through the abdomen with a shotgun. He was operated on for intestinal wounds, but died in twenty-four hours.

"CATTLE QUEEN" BOUND OVER.

Wealthy Nebraska Woman Is Charged With Stealing Cattle.

Sidney, Neb., June 22.—Mrs. Mary Ingraham and her two sons, Dan and Ted, were bound over to the district court, charged with the theft of a 9-year-old steer, valued at \$35, the property of Henry Heard. Mrs. Ingraham furnished the requisite \$1,500 bail, but the boys were unable to get bonds, and Sheriff McDaniel incarcerated them in the county jail. The subject of "Cattle Queen" is near Bayard, Okla. She is 40 years of age, and she is known as the "cattle queen" of western Nebraska.

MICKEY SPEAKS AT RANDOLPH.

Randolph, Neb., June 20.—Governor Mickey spoke in the opera at this place last night upon the subject of "Character Building." The house was packed and many people were turned away, unable to get close enough to hear or see. After the address a reception was tendered by a host of his admirers.

The address throughout was a plea for temperance and for upright living. There was but little politics. However, his closing remarks would have been most fitting in a Cummins speech. He said the railroads owned too many men and such men are not safe for the people to trust in the business with, especially the subject of re-election. The governor says he will not be a candidate for re-election.

TEST CASES AT 'FRISCO

Insurance Company Worsted in Two Cases Brought to Recover Insurance Since Quake.

San Francisco, Cal., June 20.—Two test cases have been brought by two women who are suing the Pacific States Insurance company, London, England, to recover \$600 insurance money. The cases were tried in Justice of the Peace Quinn's court in Oakland yesterday, and decided in favor of the plaintiffs. Notice of appeal was given in each case and the matter will eventually be thrashed out in the supreme courts.

The defendant company, through its counsel, announced its intent to rest its defense on the legality of the "earthquake clause" in the policies issued to the plaintiffs. In rendering his decision the judge said that no evidence had been produced showing that the loss was caused by the earthquake.

MOODY TO QUIT SOON.

His Retirement Anticipated, and Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte May Succeed Him.

Washington, D. C., June 20.—Announcement of his forthcoming retirement from the cabinet will be made shortly by Attorney General Moody. He is not, however, to surrender his portfolio for several months. According to the understanding here, Moody will be succeeded as attorney general by Charles J. Bonaparte of Maryland, at present secretary of the navy. Gossip in connection with these expected changes has it that the naval secretary will go to George V. I. Meyer of Massachusetts, United States ambassador to Berlin, and that Truman H. Newberry of Michigan, now assistant secretary of the navy, will succeed him abroad