

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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'NEILL NEBRASKA

"Canard" is a French word meaning duck, but it is frequently used in English to signify a fabricated sensational statement...

Leprosy is increasing in both North and South America. Columbia, where there were only 400 lepers forty years ago, is said to have 40,000 now...

We have been favored with an interesting photograph of the first locomotive run on the first railway built in the southern hemisphere...

A strange etymological history is shown possessed by the word "quintana" which has caused so much talk in temperance and army circles...

Recently the International Anti-Vivisection council erected at Battersea, London, a \$500 granite drinking fountain to the memory of a brown terrier...

Piracy is no new thing in the waters around Hong Kong. As long ago as the thirteenth century the island of Hong Kong was a piratical stronghold...

Getting married at Sillwater, O. T., is risky business. The Gazette blushes at the conduct of citizens at a late wedding, saying: "The electric light was cut out and the bride party actually assaulted at the threshold of the bride's father's home..."

Sweden's government has fostered the use of the telephone for a number of years, with the result that in some parts of that country the instrument is in more general use than anywhere else in the world...

Mr. A. W. Pines has an unusual method of writing his plays. His working day does not begin until that of the average city man is over. In the morning he goes out, preferably on his bicycle, returning in time for early dinner...

Carl Lunde, a Norwegian artist, has made himself famous by painting on metal, an art even the Japanese have failed in, great as they are as metal workers. Lunde decorates ordinary tin with characteristic designs in colors and illuminates an ordinary tray or plate that would otherwise be cheaply japanned...

A German firm is achieving success in the sale of wrought iron wardrobe. They are supplied in four different sizes. The great advantage the wardrobe possess are extreme durability, convenient ventilation and cleaning, and easy of transportation...

One of the latest food products coming from Holland, that land of agricultural industry, is honey vinegar, which is now manufactured there on a commercial scale. The particular characteristics of vinegar made from honey are its agreeable aroma and pleasant taste...

An international exposition portraying the life of the laborer for the last 2,000 years, showing conditions surrounding him from the time of feudal slavery to the present time, is contemplated by the French parliament.

Fewer widows are sought in matrimony by Englishmen than formerly, according to official statistics. In 1870 the percentage was 21.1 a 1,000 marriages, now the widows led to the altar number only 12.5 a 1,000.

In order to combat the prejudice against cremation in Belgium, it has been decided to hold a cremation contest at Charleroi, under the direction of the National Association...

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS

New York—Bellamy Storer, former American minister to Austria-Hungary, arrived here on the steamer La Provence.

Naples—Maxim Gor'ky, accompanied by Mine Andrieva, arrived here from New York on board the steamer Princess of Irons.

Jefferson City, Mo.—The Bank of Jamestown, Moniteau county, was entered by robbers, who blew the safe, secured \$2,700 and escaped.

San Diego, Cal.—Articles have been signed for a match between Abe Attel and Billy De Coursey, to take place here November 16 before the National Athletic club. They are to weigh in at 124 pounds at 3 o'clock on the date of the match.

Biserta—The submarine boat Lutina was towed into the dock here. Flaga No. 10 on the ships in the harbor and the public edifices in the city. The bodies of the ill fated crew probably will be taken out of the vessel Sunday.

Washington, D. C.—Postmaster General George B. Cortelyou will retire from the chairmanship of the republican national committee before he becomes secretary of the treasury in succession to Secretary Shaw. This statement was made on excellent authority.

Washington, D. C.—Alford W. Cooley, a member of the board of civil service commissioners, appointed an assistant general to succeed Charles H. Robb, appointed to the district court of appeals. Announcement of Mr. Cooley's successor is withheld pending acceptance of the office.

Cincinnati, O.—The first test of the federal eight-hour day law ended in a victory for the government here. After being out only fifteen minutes the jury in the United States court found the Sheridan-Kirk Contracting company guilty of violating the law in the construction of the big Ohio river dam at Fernbank.

Washington, D. C.—One of the largest American flags ever made will be hung in the court of the postoffice department as soon as the huge piece of bunting can be completed. It will be sixty feet long and will have a proportionate width. The material used will be American wool bunting, and the cost will be about \$200.

Chicago—An advance of 1 cent a quart for milk delivered in Chicago after November 1 was decided on by the Retail Milk Dealers' association. Consumers who have been paying 6 cents will have to pay 7, and those who have been in the 7-cent class will be compelled to go to 8, the highest price ever asked for this necessity of life in Chicago.

Agua Calientes, Mexico—After 200 years of faithful duty, never missing a day in calling the faithful of five generations to prayer, the old bell which hangs in the tower of the Sacred church in this city has been sold and will be melted up for the gold and silver it contains. It will be replaced by a monster affair of iron. The bell sold for \$1,000.

Berlin—The school house at Bendziko, Prussian Poland, was set on fire and burned to the ground by an explosion of a petroleum bomb. The outrage was presumably committed by Poles as the result of the action of the Russian authorities in requiring Polish school children to say their prayers and recite the catechism in German.

Seattle, Wash.—Hundreds of \$5 and \$10 gold pieces are being "shaved" by some unknown men in this city. So well is the work being done that it has escaped detection by some of the most experienced bank cashiers. The criminal is evidently shaving the coins by placing them in a lathe and carefully trimming off the edges without, however, destroying the milling.

Battle Creek, Mich.—Addressing 7,500 school teachers at the annual convention of the Michigan State Teachers' association Professor Ellsworth Gage of Lancaster, of Olivet college, Olivet, made a number of radical suggestions for changes in present educational systems. He declared that children are started in school too young; that they should be at least 8 years old before taking up school work.

New York—The statement is made by a high authority that the Chicago story that an agreement had been reached between Stuyvesant Fish and S. H. Harriman in the Illinois Central controversy, by the terms of which Mr. Fish is to retire from the presidency, in favor of George J. Grammer, now vice president of the New York Central lines, west of Buffalo, is untrue, and that there has been no change of the two interests.

New York—Arnold Daly, actor, matinee idol and exponent of the art of George Bernard Shaw on this side of the Atlantic, has as his sole assets \$200 and a theatrical wardrobe, also worth \$200, and that is all. He has filed a petition in bankruptcy which states that Mr. Daly's known liabilities are \$10,471, and that he has no available assets. He claims exemption for his clothes and theatrical wardrobe.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The "Skidoo," club was organized at McKeesport, Pa., by Misses Gordon, Sterling and Klingsmith. The club is composed of twenty-three women, each 23 years old. The meeting night is the 23rd of each month. The membership of the club will be increased every time the list of applicants reaches twenty-three. One purpose of the club is to send "23" to all marriage proposals during the school term, as all members are teachers.

Chicago, Ill.—Only the "beautiful snow" of the white variety can be dumped into the Chicago river by the city street department when the snow storms make it necessary to clear the downtown streets. In an opinion to Commissioner O'Connell, Assistant Corporation Counsel Matthews declares the city has the legal right to dump the snow into the river, notwithstanding the objections of the drainage board, but that the snow must be "pure."

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Bonaparte has received a letter from a resident of Louisiana suggesting that the United States should force "all the tough, boot-leg desperadoes and bad characters generally" into a war with "some vicious nation" in order that the undesirable elements referred to might be killed off.

Cincinnati, O.—Alleging that they took more than the amount of cuticle bargained for, under a skin-grafting contract, William G. Doll has entered suit for \$10,000 claimed at damages against J. S. Atkins, George A. Fecker and John C. Silver, the surgeons and prominent Cincinnati physicians and surgeons.

OVER \$8,000,000 FOR MISSIONS

Methodist Women's Society Has Expended a Large Sum.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 31.—At the thirty-seventh anniversary meeting of the Women's National Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church held last evening, A. W. Pettet, of Evanston, Ill., vice president of the society, read her annual report, the chief points of which were as follows:

There are 167,463 members of the auxiliary women's societies, 40,530 members of the young people's missionary societies, 23,477 members of the children's missionary societies, 10,295 members of the German societies, and 2,541 of the Scandinavian societies. The receipts for this year aggregated \$16,457,771. This shows an increase of \$67,514 over the year preceding. In the thirty-seven years since the founding of the society there has been raised, \$8,551,697 for foreign missionary work. This year \$75,000 has been used in liquidating debts on schools and hospitals in India.

NEW CITY HALL FOR LINCOLN.

Council Buys Old Postoffice from the Federal Government.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 31.—The city of Lincoln will come into possession of a city hall during the week, the property to be transferred being the old government postoffice on O street. For many years the city has managed to get along with a two-story brick structure, which contains small offices for the city officials, one fire station and a small and poorly kept city jail. The city council chamber is also in the building. The old postoffice is a well built, four-story structure. For this building and a small plat of ground surrounding it, on the south side of Government square, \$50,000 is to be paid.

GOV. MICKEY VS. POLICE.

Arrest of Released Prisoners Arouses Ire of Executive.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 31.—"The arrest of these two men, against whom I understand there is no charge, is an outrage," vigorously declared Governor Mickey. "It is all right for the Lincoln police to protect the people of Lincoln, but instead of jumping onto every convict who is released they had better clean up among the people here who are not convicted and never have been." The governor referred to the arrest Thursday afternoon of Hayes and Alberts, who were released from the penitentiary and were taken into custody by the police before they stepped from the street car that brought them into Lincoln. Alberts was released in the morning and went directly from the jail to the capitol building, where he appealed to Governor Mickey for protection. Hayes is still in jail. The police told Alberts that they would release him if he would go to Omaha or get out of Lincoln at once. Alberts, who is not quite 19 years old, declared to the governor that he was afraid to go to Omaha for fear that he would be arrested on his arrival there, and that this would be kept up from town to town.

CUPID NO MISSIONARY.

Invariably Appears Upon the Scene at the Wrong Time.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 31.—During the opening session of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church Thursday it was stated that cupid is one of the most hostile enemies opposing missionary work in China. When native women come to America to receive medical education in order to be of service in the Methodist hospitals at Foochow, Kiu-kiang and Nanchang they are always much sought by Chinese students attending Yale and Harvard. "It has happened a number of times that when these native women have received their medical education and are ready for service they become missionaries to the natives. They have a husband, which precludes their usefulness in church work. Of course they are not obliged to take any vows to remain single and consequently their education is frequently of no utilitarian purpose."

FORT NIOBRARA IS NO MORE.

Frontier Post Deserted by the Soldiers of Uncle Sam.

Fort Niobrara, Neb., Oct. 31.—Nothing but the name is now left on the official records to the site of the once important military post of Fort Niobrara. These "piping times of peace" have taken one more landmark from the government map, until there is now left not one of the old forts that held in the warlike redskins of the days gone by. With the passing of the Indian as a real factor in the life of the state, the necessity for the existence of military posts also passed, and Fort Niobrara was the last of all.

FINDS OLDEST MAN.

Newspaper Man's Discovery Gives to Nebraska a New Distinction.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 31.—A discovery made by a newspaper man and confirmed by Professor Henry B. Osborn, vice president of the American Museum of Natural History, who made the trip from New York to Omaha on Saturday, gives to Nebraska the distinction of furnishing the skull of the earliest American man. According to the eminent scientist, there is only one older man, and that is the famous Neanderthal man of Europe.

SUFFOCATES IN HOG PEN.

Young Woman Falls in Mud and Hogs Tear Clothes from Her Body.

Wilber, Neb., Oct. 31.—Annie Kratochvil, 24 years old, while feeding hogs on the farm, fell into the hog pen with her face in the mud and was suffocated. Then the hogs tore the clothing from her body before she was discovered by her sister.

ON SWEETHEART'S DOORSTEP.

Rejected Lover Shoots Self Thrice in Her Presence.

Enkleman, Neb., Oct. 31.—Clarence E. Storm, a young farmer, 31 years of age, suffering from a shortage of fuel in the smaller towns in the western part of the state, early Tuesday morning a special started west, hauling a number of cars of coal from Omaha. At Valley, Fremont, Columbus and other larger towns cars of coal were picked up and taken west. Advice is that in many of the small towns the coal supply is very short, and should the storm continue a couple of days there would be suffering. To towns along the branch lines coal was sent last night. The coal is taken, regardless of to whom it is consigned. The policy of the road is to distribute the coal now and afterward settle with the owners. Freight officials of every Omaha road to the west and northwest are bending all of their energies to ascertain the condition of the coal supply in the towns in the western portion of this state and in Colorado and Wyoming. None of the smaller towns has a large supply of coal. Steps have been taken to rush coal in ahead of all other classes of freight, and unless the storm should be of long duration and continue severe, relief will be supplied before any suffering could result.

BROTHERS ARE MURDERERS.

James and John Strong Convicted of Brutal Murder of Orth Crocker.

Harrison, Neb., Oct. 31.—In the district court here two negroes, James and John Strong, brothers, were found guilty of the murder of Orth Crocker on September 17 last. The Burke Construction company's camp on the government irrigation canal in the south part of this county. Judge Westover sentenced them to life imprisonment. The crime was the most cold-blooded ever perpetrated in this section.

W. J. BRYAN TO TOUR NORTHEAST NEBRASKA

Will Speak at Fremont, Norfolk, Oakland and Other Points.

CAMPAIGN FOR A WEEK

Democratic Leader Will Put in Whole of Last Week in Home State To Talk on Dreams.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 27.—T. S. Allen, chairman of the democratic state central committee has announced the itinerary of W. J. Bryan on his tour of the state during the last week of the campaign. During the week beginning Tuesday, October 30, Mr. Bryan will make forty-one stops. The campaign in Lincoln will be wound up Saturday evening when Mr. Bryan will speak at the auditorium on "Dreams," the subject being suggested by Senator Beveridge's Lincoln speech, in which he characterized Mr. Bryan as a dreamer.

Mr. Bryan will open his tour at Springfield at 2 p. m. Tuesday, October 30. That evening he will speak at South Omaha. During Wednesday and Thursday he will be accompanied by A. C. Shallenberger. The latter will speak at the Oliver theater in this city on next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. Bryan and his party will travel by special train, the itinerary of which will be as follows:

Tuesday, October 30. Springfield—2:00 p. m. South Omaha—8:00 p. m. Wednesday, October 31. Arrive. Leave. Wahoo 11:30 12:15 Fremont 1:00 2:15 Hooper 2:45 3:30 Scribner 3:30 4:20 West Point 4:50 5:30 Ewing 5:45 6:30 Stanton 6:50 7:35 Norfolk 7:40 (Speaks at Norfolk at 8 p. m.) Thursday, November 1. Arrive. Leave. Norfolk 9:20 9:29 Battle Creek 10:30 10:45 Meadow Grove 11:30 11:45 Tilden 11:30 11:39 Petersburg 12:00 12:15 Albion 12:40 12:40 Oakdale 3:45 4:25 Clearwater 4:40 4:50 Ewing 5:50 5:55 Atkinson 6:15 6:29 Norfolk 7:15 (Speaks at O'Neill at 8 p. m.) Friday, November 2. Arrive. Leave. Norfolk 9:20 9:29 Wakefield 11:45 12:30 Emerson 12:30 12:49 Ruffalo 1:45 2:40 Lyons 2:15 2:45 Oakland 3:30 3:50 Blakamah 4:30 4:30 Omaha 5:40 5:45 (Speaks at Omaha at 8 p. m.) Saturday, November 3, Lincoln, Auditorium, 8 p. m. Monday, November 5, Mr. Bryan will speak at Tecumseh, 11 a. m.; Auburn, 1:35 p. m.; Peru, 2:30 p. m.; Nebraska City, 4:30 p. m.; and Plattsmouth, 8 p. m.

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ARITHMETIC AND RIFLE SHOOTING

Firearms Practice Will Hereafter Be Included in Curriculum of English Schools.

London, Oct. 27.—Rifle shooting will hereafter be included in the curriculum of elementary schools in this country, according to Mr. Birrell, president of the board of education. The announcement in the house of commons today.

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HANGS SELF IN JAIL.

Laborer Chose Bastille for Shelter and Commits Suicide.

Millard, Neb., Oct. 29.—Tom Coffey, a grader for Fitzgerald on the Union Pacific cutoff, hanged himself in jail. Coffey had asked permission to sleep in the jail, saying he had no other place, and had been left there with the door unlocked. About 10:30 he sent for Marshal Koch to lock him, saying he was afraid to sleep there with the door unfastened. The marshal complied. In the morning Coffey was found dead, hanging with suspenders around his neck. He was about 40 years old, apparently a man of some education.

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NEW W. U. SUPERINTENDENT.

S. E. Leonard Appointed Chief Telegrapher at Omaha.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 26.—General Superintendent T. P. Cook, of the Western Union in Chicago, who has been in the city attending to the funeral of the late C. B. Horton, has announced the appointment of S. E. Leonard to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Horton. The appointment of Mr. Leonard to such an important position in the city attending to the funeral of the late C. B. Horton, was a surprise to men familiar with the telegraphic situation in the west. Mr. Leonard has made a most enviable record. Less than one year ago Mr. Leonard was manager for his company at El Paso, Tex., where again he displayed ability that the heads of his company were looking for and which accounts for his rapid rise. Mr. Leonard has a most charming family which he expects to bring to Omaha for permanent residence in a week or ten days.

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