

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

"When I saw our latest Leviathan war ship, the Indomitable, launched at Glasgow the other day," writes a correspondent, "I could not help wondering what our forefathers of a century ago would have thought of her. In 1899 a leading naval authority wrote: 'The size of our ships seems now to have reached its ultimatum.' * * * * * Branch, indeed, have latterly built a ship of most extraordinary size, 174 feet keel, 55 feet 9 inches by the beam, tonnage about 2,850 tons; but she is pronounced to be entirely unfit for service. And yet this marine monster of 1899, whose size made her an unwieldy thing she hath never been out of harbor, was but a third as long as our latest cruiser, little more than two-thirds the width, and a sixth of the tonnage. In fact, she was relatively so small that she might easily, on a good day, have been carried on the Indomitable's deck. Although a 60-acre forest had provided her timbers, and it had taken 200 shipwrights a year to build her, her total cost was less than one-tenth that of her successor of today."

Paper wood fibre is now made into yarn and woven into cloth, the Saxon inventor, Emil Cavaye, having perfected the process. United States consul Hurst, of Plauen, tells of some of the uses of the cloth, which is called "xyolite." The thread is not brittle, does not have a hard finish and neither shrinks nor stretches to any appreciable extent. It is said to be a serviceable substitute for cotton, linen, jute and silk. Carpets, rugs and mats made from it are easily cleaned by beating or washing without fear of injury. Mats will not rot and are called "xyolite" washes and slippers have been made of it at nominal cost and it is said that last year 7,000,000 pieces of toweling were made of it and sold, wholesaling at 24 cents a dozen, medium size. It is said to make warm and sanitary garments.

The self-loading or automatic musket is now being seriously considered as the infantry arm of the future. The equipment of the modern soldier of the world with an improved rifle is hardly completed when the mechanics begin work on a new weapon. At the recent examinations of the German War Academy the automatic rifle was one of the themes for discussion. The present now on trial has a magazine holding ten cartridges; the recoil is utilized to load and recock. Consequently the soldier can remain quietly in position, never removing his eye from the target and fire his ten shots.

Comprehensive plans are under consideration in the ministry of railways for the introduction of electricity on all the state railways of the western part of Austria, embracing the lines between Vienna and Bregenz, and Salzburg and Trieste. It is proposed to use the water power in the country through which the roads run and an engineering commission has been engaged for some months in investigating the amount of power available. As Austria is particularly rich in rivers, and mountain streams, an almost unlimited water power is to be found in many parts of the country.

The arrival of the emigrant ship Plo Nono with a band of study natives of the Canary islands aboard will probably mark the cessation of immigration from the shores of Spain into the new world. The little band which made up the passenger list of the Plo Nono numbered thirty persons in all, men, women and children. They experienced no trouble meeting the immigration officials and the statutes covering immigration in Louisiana. All in the party appeared to be in the best of health and were found to be a most desirable set of people.

A new metal which last week attracted considerable attention in Germany, and which gives promise of becoming of importance to many branches of industry, has received the name of "alzin," the name being a compounding of the first letters of aluminum and zinc, of which it is composed. It is claimed that it equals cast iron in strength, but is much more elastic and that it has a greater superiority over iron in that it does not rust easily and takes a very high polish.

A story which to western minds may savor of ingratitude reaches us from one of the northern ports. It appears that among a large quantity of foodstuffs consigned to the famine-stricken people of China by American sympathizers were thousands of cheeses. It is asserted that the Chinese as a race abhor cheese, and the result is that in some of the northern places there is a glut of this commodity at present. Big cheeses of this rare are now procurable for 60 cents each.

The richest unmarried woman in France is probably the Princess Marie Bonaparte, daughter of the late Prince Roland Bonaparte. She inherited a vast fortune from her maternal grandfather, the late Edmond Blanc—"Monte Carlo Blanc." She is 25, pretty and accomplished, and although not affianced so far, is very likely to find a husband among the royalties of Europe. Princess Marie has also golden expectations from her uncle, Edmond Blanc II, who is a multimillionaire.

His honor, Judge Addison, who died this week, had once to deal with the problem, "When does an egg become stale?" The plaintiff suggested that in summer eggs become stale "about a week after they come to market," but the judge declared that the real test of an egg's staleness was the moment it became fit for use at a contested election.

Eleven years ago Mrs. Maude Balington Booth began her reform work in the prisons of the United States. Through her inspiration the Volunteer Prison League was organized for those prisoners desirous of leading better lives; the enrolled members number over 50,000, including many men serving life sentences.

The proposition is being discussed to pull down the Bank of England building, which is one-story in height and covers eight acres, house it in a seven-story building on a portion of the site and sell the remainder of the land, the value of which is estimated at \$32,500,000.

The Academie des Belles Lettres, of Paris, has awarded 2,000 of the 3,000 francs of the Prix Loubet to Henry Vignaud, secretary of the American embassy, for his book on Columbus.

A Bangor newspaper estimates that the lumber cut in Maine during the winter just passed aggregates 750,000,000 feet, a decrease of 50,000,000 feet from the season of 1905-06.

In the total quantity of tobacco grown the United States rivals Cuba and the Philippine Islands combined, and British Columbia very far behind the United States.

SENATOR BURKETT HALTS SPEECH TO THREATEN VIOLENCE

Central City, Neb., June 5.—"If you hoodlums up there don't stop that noise I'll call on six or seven self-respecting men to go up and clean out the gallery, and if they refuse I'll do it myself. Central City is the first town in which I've received such treatment."

"This was the ultimatum delivered by United States Senator Elmer J. Burkett to the occupants of the gallery during a commencement address at the opera house Friday evening. The object of his wrath, for whom he held the whole gallery responsible, was a group of small boys eating popcorn, and a few people in the house were aware of an unusual noise. And there was hardly a person present who was not painfully surprised at the senator's outbreak and his threat to use violence.

DEFAULTER ENDS LIFE FAR FROM EASTERN HOME
Philadelphia, June 5.—Augustus F. Schoenberg, who committed suicide at Chadron, Neb., Saturday was the son of August Schoenberg, a painter, of this city.

He was married and lived at the address given in North Fifteenth street. He was employed by William Jordan, a coal dealer, but mysteriously disappeared a week ago. After his disappearance it was discovered there was a shortage in his accounts. While in the employ of Jordan he made deposits in the Corn Exchange National bank, and thus came to know Benjamin Githens, president of the institution, to whom he referred as a foster parent. His wife says the story of his being robbed of \$4,000 is untrue.

SEVERAL HURT WHEN TRAIN JUMPS TRACK IN NEBRASKA
Alvo, Neb., June 5.—Engineer Gus Blitzer and Fireman E. F. Clark, of Fairbury, Neb., were hurt in the derailment of the Rock Island passenger train No. 68 between Prairie Home and Alvo Sunday, H. M. Waring, of Omaha, a passenger, was also injured, his head being cut by broken glass. The engine turned completely over. The engine had no chance to get out of the cut until it stopped rolling. Engineer Blitzer was badly scalded about the limbs. His condition is serious. A number of passengers received slight bruises. The train was running sixty miles an hour when it left the track.

HICKEY THOUGHT TO HAVE OBSTRUCTED TRACK
Was Point, Neb., June 5.—Michael Hickey is charged with placing ties and stones on the track of the Omaha railway in Cuming county. Passenger train No. 7, southbound, ran into the stones without serious damage and upon proceeding a little further a pile of ties was found placed on and across the track. Hickey was arrested at Lyons.

ENGLISH CAPITAL SHIPS AT HARRIMAN
Britishers Refused \$50,000,000 Because of Attack on Railroads.

New York, June 5.—That negotiations for placing a \$50,000,000 loan in Europe by the Union Pacific Railroad company failed of success because of attacks on railroad corporations in this country early in the year was the statement made by E. H. Harriman today.

Harriman said if the negotiations had been successful the proceeds would have been brought to this country at a time when the American money markets were urgently in need of funds, but as arrangements could not be successfully completed, different plans of financing was followed by the Union Pacific, as recently announced. Harriman said the present financial plans of the company will provide all funds required by the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific companies.

No policy of retrenchment has been inaugurated, according to Harriman, and no extensions into new fields are being planned.

TIGHT REIN BEING HELD ON NEBRASKA RAILROADS; BALKING

Angry Magnates May Resist Increased Assessments—Pass Law Evasion Must Stop.

Lincoln, Neb., June 4.—Attorneys of the Burlington and Union Pacific railroads spent all day yesterday trying to convince the state commission that they meant no disrespect in not complying with the order to report their pass lists, but that really it was too much of a job. They said that there were from 6,000 to 8,000 annuals that are good on Nebraska lines, but that most of these were issued in other jurisdictions, in other states.

Chairman Winnett was the only member present, and he was inclined to the belief that the board did not care to have the complete list, but only those issued good for within the state.

Would Nullify Act.
This pleased the attorneys, but it is likely that when they return they will find that the board did not mean just that. It has since favored upon the chairman that the roads could easily nullify the entire pass law and make ridiculous any restrictions of the board by issuing passes good for the holder between Nebraska points and Sioux City or Council Bluffs or some other point just without the state, thus making it inter-state business, upon which they need not report.

It is likely that the board will insist that all passes issued to residents of Nebraska, whether good within the state or between points in Nebraska and other states must be reported.

LINOTYPE VICTIMIZES PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE.
Lincoln, Neb., June 4.—A heartless linotype operator has made Mr. Bryan a victim. He inserted a stray line of type in an article in the Southern Christian Advocate. The Advocate reproduced an article from a Nebraska newspaper detailing how Mr. Bryan insisted at the banquet to Togo last year on drinking all the toasts in cold water, but there suddenly loomed up the line: "The dishes, and swear he would shoot."

Some thought the line meant Mr. Bryan, had kicked over the dishes and threatened to shoot a few Japs about him. A southern clergyman has written: "My Dear Mr. Bryan: There is much criticism of you on account of the utterance quoted in the clipping enclosed. I am sure that many of your former ardent supporters say they were shocked that you should have said such a thing. They do not understand. If you will explain it I will take pleasure in showing your letter to those of your friends who have taken offense. Mr. Bryan is writing an explanation."

WALTHILL BUSINESS MAN IS DROWNED WHILE FISHING
Winnepago, Neb., June 4.—The funeral of Harry Boyd, who drowned in Winnepago lake Memorial day, will be held Sunday. It will be the saddest event which has yet taken place in the new town of Walthill, where Mr. Boyd was engaged in business with his brother-in-law, Charles Hartley. The fact that deceased leaves a wife of 20 years and a baby but 10 months old, adds to the pathos of the affair.

Mr. Boyd was in an old hollowed out log when he was caught in the Winnepago lake when he was fishing. He had attempted to change his position, upsetting the sensitive craft. He was heavily dressed and wore rubber boots, but it was almost impossible for him to swim ashore. Mr. Boughn caught hold of the old log and saved himself.

AGED MAN FALLS 3 TIMES INTO 90-FOOT WELL; LEG IS BROKEN
Florence, Neb., June 4.—Paul Adams, aged 74 years, fell into a ninety foot well three different times, going to the bottom each time and his only injury is a broken leg.

Adams was assisting in cleaning out a deep well when he lost his balance and was pitched head first into the opening. There was six feet of water in the well. Adams struck the water with a mighty splash, came to the surface, seized a protruding rock and yelled for assistance. A rope was lowered and Adams fastened it around his body. He was drawn almost to the surface when the rope broke and down went Adams a second time. On the second time up Adams had reached the curb and had raised his hand for assistance when the rope broke and he went down for the third time. He was again drawn to the surface, this time being landed safely.

NEBRASKA ROADS TO FIGHT ASSESSMENT

Lincoln, Neb., June 3.—There was a strenuous session at the capitol last evening of the state board of assessment, at which representatives of the railroads intimated they would resist the increased railroad valuation, amounting in the aggregate to \$5,000,000. The board formally announced it would not reduce the assessments one cent. The session at times was stormy.

Attorney J. E. Kelby, for the Burlington, said it meant an increase in taxation for his road alone of \$500,000.

He produced a list of sixteen questions bearing on the methods of the board, and requested an answer to each. Members of the board told Mr. Kelby they were not under any obligation and that he was without power to make motions.

"I represent a taxpayer and will continue to make motions until I am forcibly ejected," was the reply of the attorney.

In the midst of the wrangle a motion to adjourn was put and hastily carried. It was then the railroad men intimated an intention to resist the assessment.

CONGRESSMAN POLLARD TAKES SWIPE AT TILLMAN
Nebraska City, Neb., June 3.—During the memorial services in this city Congressman E. M. Pollard delivered the address, the feature of which was the denunciation of Senator Tillman in the following language:

"When such men as Senator Tillman go about the country advising mob law to the people to take the law into their own hands in defiance of the law and all rules of civilized people; when such men go about the country not only advocating such views, but also openly and publicly declaring that in certain states the negroes shall not be permitted to vote whether they can comply with the law or not, openly asserting that before they will permit the negro to vote in any considerable numbers they will resort to the use of force, and that the shotgun if necessary, these men are enemies of the country and should be treated as such. I have great respect for the exalted officer Senator Tillman holds, but I hold in utter contempt the views he entertains and the doctrines he is preaching throughout the north."

DAN CUPID, TAMBOURINE PLAYER, MAKES A MATCH
Omaha, Neb., June 3.—After working side by side for six months in the Salvation army, under the command of Adjutant Conlin, singing on the streets and in services at the hall, Franklin R. Tway, of Omaha, and Louise Skaar, of Minneapolis, are engaged to wed, and General Dan Cupid is their present commander.

Mr. Tway is bookkeeper in the office of the cashier of the Omaha road at Fourteenth and Webster streets, where he has been employed for a great many years. Miss Skaar has devoted her life to Salvation army work, and is now with the army at Omaha, where she was transferred from Omaha.

RECORD BREAKING CLASS OF GRADUATES IN OMAHA
Omaha, Neb., June 3.—The largest class in the history of the Omaha high school will graduate from that institution on Monday, June 5, of which 144 are girls and only sixty-six boys. Hitherto the largest class was that of

SHOWS INCREASE OF \$5,329,031 IN R. R. ASSESSMENT

If State Board Stands by Assessors' List, Nebraska Will Gain.

Lincoln, Neb., May 31.—Provided the members of the state board of assessment listen not to the siren voice of the representatives of the railroads who are objecting to the assessment of this class of property, the taxable wealth of the state will be increased \$5,329,031. The total assessed value of all the roads in the state is \$53,025,068. Last year the assessed value was \$47,706,037. The actual value of the railroads in Nebraska as found by the board last Saturday is \$58,175,315. This sum is divided among the various systems as follows:

Burlington	\$109,672,500
Union Pacific	73,483,700
St. Joseph & Grand Island	2,602,750
Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha	35,689,895
Northwestern	12,139,700
Rock Island	10,445,926
Missouri Pacific	11,358,062
Pacific Railway in Nebraska	1,602,456
St. Joseph & Grand Island	3,650,072
Willmar & Sioux Falls	205,275
Mason City & Fort Dodge	500,000
Omaha Bridge and Terminal company	600,000
Illinois Central	60,000
Webb	60,000
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	100,000
Santa Fe	25,000
Total	\$265,175,315

RANDOLPH WINS TRIANGULAR MEET BY GOOD MARGIN
Randolph, Neb., May 31.—In the three-day meet between the high school teams from Randolph, Bloomfield and Hartington, held here, Randolph came out a winner by a margin of 18 points over Hartington, the nearest competitor. The final score was: Randolph, 59 5-6; Hartington, 41 5-6; Bloomfield, 8 1-2. In the basketball game Hartington was defeated, 7 to 6, by Randolph, and in the basketball game Hartington won out 7 to 2. A large crowd attended the meet.

PAST MURDERS IN VICINITY OF THE RECENT DUAL KILLING
Wayne, Neb., May 31.—When Henry Kneis deliberately followed his older brother, George Kneis, to the home of Henry Amends, a neighbor, Monday of this week and murdered him in apparently cold blood and then shot himself, he added another chapter to the story of slaughter in the neighborhood of Hoskins, seventeen miles from here.

The coroner's jury was unable to find sufficient motive for any sort of assault by Henry on his brother George. Some time ago they had a dispute over some hay, but the wives of the dead brothers declare they know of no cause for the act.

It was in the same neighborhood, about two years ago, that Jacob Niegendoff shot and nearly killed his neighbor, William Viergutz, for which he went to prison a year and lost \$7,500 trying to keep out of the cell. A son of this Niegendoff, three years ago, shot his entire family near Pierce in the most atrocious manner and fought off the pursuing posse for a time. A Mueller near Hoskins is in jail now for shooting up the Hohnecks family.

Other fights and feuds in the vicinity have given it a rather bad name.

ANGEL WIFE SLAMS DOOR ON HUBBY'S HAND
Kansas City, May 31.—"My wife has been here for twenty years," said S. E. Holmes, of 1629 Paseo street, to a friend who was seeing him home. "Best woman there ever was; only one made like her. She's my precious jewel."

Arriving at the house, Holmes could not find the keyhole, and he was shaking it around the door when he toppled through a bow window. To the accompaniment of crashing glass a woman with a determined visage, coming from Holmes, and after hitting him through the milky way and rendering to him all the signs of the zodiac darted back into the house. Holmes tried to follow her, but she slammed the door on his hand and so sadly smashed three of his fingers that they had to be amputated at the general hospital.

WIFE DESERTS TO CURE LOVER OF DRINK

Cody, Wyo., June 5.—The sacrifices of love are forever new. Giving up her beautiful home, the luxuries of wealth and the social leadership that these things involve, Mrs. Evelyn Raue, young and beautiful, wife of a prominent physician of Philadelphia, has taken up her residence on a Wyoming ranch, in the hope of winning from the allurements of drink a young society man of equal prominence in the east.

About one month ago G. Gordo Massey, son of General George V. Massey, chief counsel for the Pennsylvania railroad, disappeared from Dover, Del. He was 30, a college man, and well known in the east set of several eastern cities. He had a beautiful wife and three children in Dover. A short time after his disappearance Mrs. Raue also disappeared from her Philadelphia home. There was nine days' gossip, and the event has not ceased to be talked of.

Valet Goes, 'She' Comes.
It now develops that young Massey sought an opportunity to cure himself of the drink habit far from his former associates, on Sam Aldrich's "Dude" ranch near Cody. A few days after his arrival he discharged the valet who had accompanied him, and the next day Mrs. Raue appeared on the scene. Her arrival created a sensation. She is a very handsome and vivacious blonde and her gowns were several seasons in advance of ranch styles. The way in which she proceeded to take care of the young Massey added to the surprise that he visit inspired. They moved to a more secluded ranch on Tall creek, five miles from Cody, and set up housekeeping.

When Mrs. Raue came to Cody, Massey celebrated the event by buying unlimited champagne for everybody he could find to drink with him. The result was the attempt at isolation which was made the next day.

With a "Bad Man."
Last week Massey escaped from the ranch in company with a "bad man" named Berry. They came to Cody and proceeded to illuminate the scene. Mrs. Raue discovered the state of affairs, she rode across the desert to the town, captured Massey and his companion and, hiring a carriage, took them both back to the ranch on Tall creek.

Twice she has been thrown from a broncho and has figured in two run-aways, but her devotion to the young man is such and her hopefulness of winning him away from his evil habits so great that this delicately nurtured eastern girl has accepted every hardship with a smile.

Massey's wife in the east has begun proceedings for divorce.

JURY THAT WILL TRY HAYWOOD COMPLETED
WESTERN MINERS' FEDERATION GROWS 10,000 STRONGER.
Denver, June 5.—An increase of 10,000 in the membership of the Western Federation of Miners will be shown by the reports to be presented at the annual convention which will meet in Denver June 10.

Boise, June 5.—After a good night's rest, William D. Haywood, secretary and treasurer of the Western Federation of Miners, is apparently completely restored and expresses himself feeling as "first rate." The case against Haywood was recommenced at 11 o'clock.

The jury was completed at 12:30, as follows: Thomas R. Gess, real estate; Finley McBean, rancher; Samuel D. Gilman, farmer; Daniel Clark, farmer; George Powell, rancher; O. W. Seburn, farmer; H. F. Messer, farmer; Lewis Robinson, farmer; J. A. Robertson, farmer; Levi Smith, carpenter; A. P. Burns, retired rancher; Samuel F. Russell, farmer. At 12:30 the jury was sworn in.

RAISE MONEY IN HEAVEN TO SAVE THE OTHER WORLD'S SOULS

Bishop Fallows Predicts That Missionary Work Will Be Done in Paradise.

Chicago, June 5.—Missionary work for the salvation of souls is not to stop on earth but will go right on with renewed ardor and enthusiasm in heaven, Bishop Samuel L. Fallows asserted yesterday in the prelude to his morning sermon.

Missionary work in heaven, he said, will be carried on for the benefit of souls inhabiting the multitudes of other worlds than the planet earth, and he warned the congregation that it might as well be prepared to contribute liberally to missionary funds to be collected in paradise.

Chicago, June 5.—Arrangements have been completed for the erection of a great modern hotel at the northwest corner of LaSalle and Madison streets, where during the last few years have been located two or three projects of this character.

The building will be twenty-two stories high, the highest hotel structure in the world. It will also be the largest hotel building ever constructed under an original contract.

One interesting feature will be the arrangements in each floor for serving meals in rooms. Serving pantries, dumb waiters and electric heaters will be installed on every floor, so that meals may be served in guests' rooms with as much convenience and rapidity as in the restaurants below.

HOTEL, 22 STORIES; MEALS IN EACH ROOM

Chicago, June 5.—Wall street is snickering because it thinks it has a joke on John W. Gates, of Chicago, who reports that he had been hard hit by the recent slump in stocks. Mr. Gates was quoted as entering a denial in which he said:

"I stand just where I did six years ago."

Somebody who recalled that the Wall street panic of 1901 occurred just about six years ago had the curiosity to look up the newspaper files to see how Mr. Gates stood at the time. In an interview published the day after the May 9 panic Mr. Gates was quoted as saying:

"I feel like a dog that has been kicked so hard it has to walk sideways."

INDIA HEROES AT KING EDWARD'S LEVEE

London, June 5.—The third levee of the season was held by King Edward at St. James' palace this afternoon and was more than usually interesting because of the presence of a large contingent of officers who served during the mutiny in India half a century ago and some whose exploits constitute the most romantic chapters of the great siege of Delhi.