

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

The German emperor has \$5,000 worth of clothing, and changes his costume an average of twelve times a day. He takes an enthusiastic interest in their function he attends. To a foreigner who remarked upon this to one of the younger German princes, the latter replied: "That is part of father's wonderful character; for whenever he attends a christening he thinks he is the baby; whenever he honors a wedding with his presence he imagines he is the bride, and whenever he attends a funeral somehow or other he invariably manages to get hold of the idea that he is the corpse."

A Paris paper says that on every Sunday Mrs. Mackay receives her friends in a secluded corner of the Latin quarter's most famous park in Paris. The refreshments at these entertainments are supplied by passing vendors, such as old women who sell tempting raisin cake and other like dainties. The paper adds to this account, which, whether or not authentic, is pleasant to believe, that these novel little affairs have been most successful and are a great relief after more formal entertainments.

Ergin, which has come into quite extensive use in Germany, is an oil hydrocarbon obtained from coal tar by a secret process, and is claimed to be an ideal fuel for internal combustion engines of all sizes. Its heat value is slightly less than that of gasoline. It can be highly compressed without giving premature ignition, can be used in alcohol motors, and ignition is always effected with certainty. At Berlin where the price is 1.8 cents per pound, it costs one cent per horsepower per hour is about one cent.

Dr. Max Lederer, of Prague, who was sent to the United States by the minister of justice of Austria, to make study of the American juvenile courts, in an elaborate report on the subject gives high praise to the institution, which, he says, owes its existence to the "efforts of women who realized that the wrong course could happen to a child than to be thrown in direct contact with criminals of mature years." He advocated the establishment of similar courts in Austria.

The champion "lady shaver" of the world, as she was known in London, is dead. Miss Nellie Wick was only 20 years old, but as she had been a barber since she was 14 years old, she had done almost a lifetime's work. Her father was known as the "lightning barber," and taught his daughter the art of shaving almost as soon as her fingers were long enough to twine around the handle of a razor. Her record performance was the shaving of twenty-one men in as many minutes.

Among the varied uses of peat, that for the production of gas is perhaps the least known and used for this purpose, however, for the last thirty years in the steel works of Notala, in Sweden. From 13,000 to 16,000 cubic yards of peat are thus used yearly. It costs rather more than coal gas, but has the advantage of containing scarcely any sulphur or phosphorus. In several places in Europe peat gas is used for heating and in glass melting furnaces.

Professor Paul Clemen, historian of art at the University of Bonn and Prussian Conservator of Art for the Rhine provinces, has been assigned by the minister of instruction to lecture in the United States from September, 1907, to February, 1908, under the system of exchanging German and American professors. Professor Clemen is a student of Merovingian and Carolingian art and an authority on art of the Charlemagne period.

Natural soap baths are not an unmitigated blessing. The curious soap spring that forms a wonder of a village in Timor, East Indian Islands, consists of sulfurous water which bubbles from which water heavily charged with alkali and radium, the discharge giving the appearance of a miniature volcano. A disadvantage of such a washing place is that vegetation is ruined for miles around.

The preservation of wood with sulphur, applied in liquid form, is gaining favor in Germany. The material completely fills the spaces of the fiber, and at moderate temperatures it is little affected by water, acids and alkaline solutions, though it oxidizes readily at high temperatures. Popular has been adapted for this treatment, results with oak and pine being less satisfactory.

Sir William Crookes, as a result of his own researches and the experiments of Professor Krowstov at Moscow, of Freiburg university, has discovered a process of extracting nitric acid from the atmosphere. The process is available for commercial, industrial and agricultural purposes, and is expected to revolutionize the nitric industry and the world's food problem.

The Circassians, who live in the northwestern part of the Caucasus, and who think it more honorable to live by the sword than by the plow, have a custom to bring their daughters up to be sold as slaves to the Turks and Persians. Circassian beauties, therefore, shine not in their native land, but in the harems of the orient.

The aigrette in a lady's bonnet is the crowning beauty of an egret mother. The collector seizes the bird while she is on her nest, with the young just hatched, and tears off her plumes and wings, leaving her to die beside her little ones, who deprived of her fostering care, also die, victims of woman's vanity.

Two of the most attractive places for instruction in New York city are the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the American Museum of Natural History, yet there are thousands of residents of New York who have never been in them, and more than half of their daily visitors are strangers in the city.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy is, perhaps, the most literate monarch in Europe. He knows English, French and German equally well with his native language, and has a reading acquaintance with Russian. He spends at least three hours a day in his study busy with current literature of every kind.

The season for business and pleasure in Simla and the other summer resorts in the Himalayas is from the middle of April to the end of September. During that period the government is removed from Calcutta to Simla. During the hot months there are 4,000 white people in Simla; the rest of the year only 400.

The record power transmission is that of the Kern river plant in southern California, where 25,000 horsepower is sent 117 miles at a pressure of 55,000 volts. Extensions of this plant are contemplated which will increase the horsepower to 65,000.

NEBRASKAN IN HAZY LAND FOR RESEARCH, TO RETURN SOON

Harlin I. Smith Is Awaited in Omaha From Explorations in Wyoming Wilds.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 28.—Harlin I. Smith, archeologist connected with the American Museum of Natural History, New York city, is expected in Omaha soon, after spending nearly three months in a hitherto almost unknown area for archeological research. In June Mr. Smith went into Converse county, Wyoming. He was accompanied by Robert F. Gilder, of this city, who last October started the scientific world by his discovery of the "Nebraska man," conceded to be the oldest human remains ever found on this continent. The two scientists traveled 200 miles in central Wyoming and carefully studied the vast prehistoric quarries known as the "Spanish Diggings," bordering on the North Platte river.

Mr. Smith also made extensive notes of the territory and secured hundreds of photographs, besides shipping to the American museum hundreds of roughed-out implements from the quarries. He found quarries near sawmill canyon, upon which a scientist had never before looked. Besides making examinations of quarries, the scientists carefully examined many stone cairns to be found all over that section of Wyoming and visited scores of shops and village sites.

Mr. Gilder was compelled to return to Omaha, but Mr. Smith continued on across the entire state and to Fort Hall, Idaho, the trip being made on horseback.

The Record Rock.

While in Wyoming Mr. Smith became greatly interested in the famous "Record Rock," an immense cliff of red sandstone upon which are carved hieroglyphics and picture writings of an unknown race. The carvings are 200 feet up on the face of a cliff which is 1,000 feet high. The picture writings extend for half a mile. Most of them are apparently of great antiquity, there being but two that seem to be of modern times. It is evident that these two are of Indian workmanship as they show the figure of a horse and probably relate to a visit of white men to that country. Among other figures are great tortoises, lizards, rattlesnakes and the Aztec cross. The Shoshone and Arapahoe Indians say that the traditions of their tribe are to the effect that these inscriptions were on the cliff before the Indians entered the country. Mr. Smith considers his summer's work the most important he has done in years and archeologists connected with all the big museums await his report with great interest.

PIERCE PREPARES FOR THREE DAYS' CARNIVAL

Pierce, Neb., Aug. 28.—The Pierce carnival and race meet takes place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week, and a big crowd is anticipated. A base ball tournament will be a feature. Wednesday Pierce plays Stanton, Thursday Creighton plays Plainview and on Friday Pierce plays Plainview.

IOWA BANKER IN JAIL AT KANSAS CITY

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 28.—W. A. Farren, alias M. D. W. Adams, former cashier of the Farmers' bank of Clearfield, Ia., was arrested here yesterday charged with embezzling the school funds of Taylor county, Ia., on deposit in the bank, which caused the bank to fail.

INSANE WOMAN THROWS ACID ON GUARD, KILLS HIM

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 28.—J. Gallogly, of Chapman, Neb., died this morning as the result of the throwing of carbolic acid in his face and mouth last night by an insane patient at a suburban sanitarium. Gallogly was an attendant and was asleep at the time. The acid was thrown by a young woman, Miss Irene Pickle, of Alvo, Cass county, who was under his charge.

TRAVELING MEN APPEAL FOR BETTER RAILROAD SERVICE

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 28.—Representatives of the traveling men's association called upon the state railway commission today to request action to compel the Union Pacific to revoke its new order not permitting any persons traveling between points in the state upon freight trains. They also want an order requiring all freights to carry passengers.

TEDDY BEAR MAKES DOG FIGHT; BOY BITTEN

Big Animal Tears Into Nature Faker and Injures Owner.

Philadelphia, Aug. 28.—Growing pugnacious at the sight of a Teddy bear held tightly in the chubby clasp of Lawrence Merrington, 3 years old, who was sitting on the doorstep of his home, a big dog charged on that obvious piece of nature faking and badly injured the little fellow's right eye instead. When the dog came bounding fiercely at the bear the boy was so scared that he lost his balance and fell, the dog's fangs tearing his right eyelid so badly that he was taken to Samaritan hospital. It is feared the sight may be destroyed.

BRITAIN HIRES WYOMING MAN FOR \$15,000 A YEAR

Laramie, Wyo., Aug. 28.—Dr. Elwood Meade, ex-state engineer of Wyoming and later professor of irrigation and engineering at the Colorado agricultural college, afterwards being chief of the irrigation in the department of agriculture, has accepted the position of chief of irrigation investigations for Australia from the British government at a salary of \$15,000 per year. He will leave for Australia next month.

ENGINEER KILLED; SEMAPHORE IS GONE

Evidence to Convict Railroad of Negligence Disappears After Nebraska Wreck.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 26.—Harry R. Smith, an engineer, was killed last night near Humpston, Jefferson county, while piloting an eastbound passenger train.

At the crossing of the Burlington there is a semaphore. This was set for a clear track, but Smith noticed the derailing switch had been left open. He reversed his engine and jumped.

Three cars were overturned and falling on him crushed him to death. The semaphore has disappeared. Smith resides at Fairbury.

HAMEPHILLIA KILLS YOUNG LINCOLN BOY

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 26.—Suffering from hamephilia, young Emil Seefert died yesterday at St. Elizabeth's hospital, after an illness of six weeks, caused by a slash in his leg made by a jack-knife. This knife, which opens with a spring, cut into the knee of the lad accidentally. No physician was called at first, the matter being deemed unimportant. The physician who was called early the next morning treated the cut, and in a short time the wound was almost completely healed. However, hemorrhages set in again, and the combined skill of several doctors could not save him. The flesh began to slough from both legs. Weak arteries or deficiency of fibrin in the blood are both offered as solutions for the queer disease that caused the boy's death.

NEBRASKA WOMAN SPANKS SON IN COURT

Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 26.—Police Judge Ely is giving a fair sample of the strenuous life in police court yesterday morning, in the trial of three boys on a charge of disorderly conduct, he was frequently interrupted in the trial by the mother of two of the boys, who proceeded in the purest of German to give her views of the case. The boys pleaded guilty to the charge preferred against them and were fined \$5.80. After paying the same another of the women proceeded to take the amount paid "out of her son's hide." The judge finally cleared the room by threatening to impose additional fines upon the woman for contempt of court.

HARRIMAN ADVISES PEOPLE TO LAY IN SUPPLY OF COAL

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 26.—The scarcity of coal in this region is being an acute stage. It has resulted in curtailing so much coal mine work that the Harriman lines, which have an abundance of fuel in their own mines, have been compelled to order coal from Australia. They have also made contracts for 2,000 tons a week from Illinois, paying \$1 a ton and \$7 a ton freight to Garfield, Utah.

Japanese in some Union Pacific mines are drawing as high as \$10 a month and wages may go still higher. The Union Pacific is urging coal dealers and private consumers to lay in as large supplies for the winter as they can secure in order to offset a famine. The railroad itself has stored up 200,000 tons more than ordinarily necessary for its own use. It is likewise exerting special efforts to secure common labor from the east, but is meeting limited success. Labor agencies are swamped with orders for men.

RAILROADS YIELD TO SMALL SHIPPERS

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 26.—In just thirty minutes after Secretary Whitten, of the Commercial club, had filed a protest against the state railway commission against an advance of from 25 cents to 40 cents in the minimum charge of small shipments on the Burlington railroad, he was informed by Secretary Perkins, of the commission, that the rates had been put back. The advance was made on August 19, but the news of it reached the club today. The commission immediately demanded a reason for the advance, and local agents of the road were informed from Omaha that the old rate should be put back again.

EMERSON FARMER KILLED BY A TRAIN

Emerson, Neb., Aug. 26.—Richard Rastede, a well known Thurston county farmer, was found dead on the railroad track about two miles west of Emerson at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. His head was crushed by a freight train. Mr. Rastede left for home about 11 o'clock Wednesday night and it is supposed that a freight train going west about midnight must have struck him.

INTERFERED IN DISPUTE; CODY MAN IS SHOT TWICE

Valentine, Neb., Aug. 26.—In a shooting affray at Cody, J. Sanderson was shot twice by C. Butcher, the shots penetrating the fleshy part of the side and arm. The shooting was the result of Butcher's interfering in a dispute between Sanderson and a halfbreed Sioux Indian.

BUTCHER HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND WAS BROUGHT TO VALENTINE TO AWAIT HIS HEARING.

CUMMINGS AND SHELDON TO ACCOMPANY PRESIDENT

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 26.—Governor Sheldon is going to accompany President Roosevelt to St. Louis on October 1. Upon the invitation of Governor Cummings, of Iowa, he will go to Keokuk to meet the president and accompany the party to Missouri from that point.

GOVERNOR OF NEBRASKA SUSPICIOUS OF MEETING

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 26.—Governor George L. Sheldon has declined the request of the West End Business Men's association to appoint delegates to a national convention to recommend state and national constitutional amendments in the hope of harmonizing state and federal jurisdiction and authority. The call cities the North Carolina conference as evidence that the danger line is being approached. Governor Sheldon believes the convention is being called in the interest of corporations.

CROWD THREATENED TO MOB CREW OF CAR WHICH KILLED GIRL

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 24.—Mollie Kieser, the 7-year-old daughter of Oscar Kieser, was instantly killed by a street car on South Tenth street this morning. The car, which was running at excessive speed down a steep grade, ran thirty feet after passing over the child before it could be stopped. A great crowd gathered and cries were made to mob the train crew, which took refuge in the car and were guarded by the police.

GLANDERS EPIDEMIC STRIKES NEBRASKA

Frederick, Neb., Aug. 24.—Something of a sensation among farmers of this section was caused when it became known yesterday that an epidemic of glanders threatened horses and stock. William Hayes, a farmer living three miles south of Frederick in Saunders county, filed suit in district court asking judgment for \$1,500 against Arthur Rasmussen and Henning Nelson, both of Saunders county.

The complaint alleges that in February Hayes bought two horses from the defendants and both had glanders, that Nelson and Rasmussen knew it, but represented the animals to be sound in every way.

Innocent of the ailment Hayes used the horses for driving through the county, and many horses in both Saunders and Dodge were laid liable to infection of the fatal malady. About a month ago one of the horses died. Dr. P. Simmons, a local veterinarian, was called in to attend the other horse. He pronounced the disease glanders, and sent for the state veterinarian. The second horse was shot.

Last week Hayes found five horses sick. Dr. Simmons was called. "Glanders," he said. "This time the state surgeon shot all five horses. For the loss of the seven horses Hayes, who is highly incensed, because his wife and children may have caught the dread disease, wants \$1,500."

+ LIGHTED PIPE SETS +
+ FIRE TO BUGGY ON +
+ WAY TO CHURCH. +
Lindsay, Neb., Aug. 24.—A peculiar accident which might have resulted very seriously happened during the heavy wind here, Theodore Polzin and his little daughter were driving to church when the blanket caught fire from Mr. Polzin's lighted pipe. The blaze ignited the little girl's gown and she was quite severely burned about the shoulders and neck. While Mr. Polzin was extinguishing the flames, having taken the girl out of the buggy, the horse ran away with the burning buggy. The runaway horse, with the flaming buggy behind, dashed into the yard of Joe Polzin and nearly set fire to the premises. *****

GERMAN LUTHERANS TO LOCATE NATIONAL SCHOOL

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 24.—Representatives of five states met in Lincoln yesterday as a committee of the German Lutheran church, to locate the national theological seminary which will be founded by the church. Lincoln is the preferred site. The members of the committee and the Lincoln Commercial club is exerting itself to locate the institution so as to satisfy the committee. This committee was appointed at the last general conference of the church, which was held in Sunbury, Pa., in June. It was there determined that the committee be instructed to view the proposed sites for the seminary, which will be largely endowed, but preference was expressed for Lincoln because of the strength of the denomination in Nebraska.

One of the members of the committee is a returned missionary from India. Others come from Kansas, Iowa, Ohio, Illinois and Nebraska. They expressed themselves today as favorable to Lincoln.

FIVE YEARS IN PEN FOR SHOOTING BROTHER

Butte, Neb., Aug. 24.—Charles Nissen, the 16-year-old boy who shot and tried to kill his older brother near Bristow on the first day of this month, has been taken to the state penitentiary at Lincoln to serve a five-year term for his crime. He was sentenced at a special term of district court by Judge J. J. Harrington. Young Nissen claimed that his older brother had abused him until he could endure it no longer. It will be recalled that Nissen stole up into a cornfield and shot his brother in the back. The victim recovered.

NO CLEW FOUND IN OMAHA MAIL POUCH ROBBERY

Postal Clerks, Questioned by Secret Service Men; Amount May Reach Half Million.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 24.—Postoffice inspectors today began an extended investigation into the quarter million registered mail robbery of last week. All registry employees under whose observation or through whom the stolen pouches might pass, are being questioned.

Clerk Cole, who received for the pouches at Denver, and who was the last man known to have seen them, was under fire today. He spent two hours with the inspectors this morning, in the inspection of his pouches. It is understood the amount in the pouches may reach half a million. Government authorities are securing affidavits from banks, and the exact amount stolen will not be known until they are all in.

DISEASE RUNS RIOT IN CITY OF RIDGEWAY

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 24.—Dr. Moulton, assistant chief medical inspector of the state health department, has reported to Commissioner Dixon that Ridgeway, Pa., has ninety cases of typhoid fever, twelve cases of epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis and sixteen cases of infantile paralysis. The local health authorities are doing everything possible to relieve the distress.

NEBRASKA CALLS FOR YOUNG WOMEN TO TEACH SCHOOL

State Superintendent Alarmed Over Shortage in Western Part of State.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 23.—State Superintendent McBrien is sending out a general alarm for school teachers. Last year a number of schools could not run full time because of the scarcity of instructors and the same condition is likely to confront districts this year.

Farmers have become so prosperous in recent years that their sons and daughters can be sent to colleges and universities without being compelled to work their way by teaching, and this fact has seriously curtailed the supply of teachers.

Eastern Nebraska is well supplied with them, but many positions in western Nebraska, paying \$50 and \$60 a month are calling for some one to come and hold them down.

GIRL GONE; GOT CASH FROM HIRED MAN

Randolph, Neb., Aug. 23.—Lillian Ryland, daughter of Phillip Ryland, a wealthy farmer living near here, has disappeared from her home. She has not been seen or heard from since last Sunday afternoon. The young lady was last seen in Randolph on the afternoon of the day on which she disappeared. Her parents had been visiting with neighbors, and on their return home they found a note from the missing daughter telling them that she was going to leave and that it would be useless to look for her.

It is reported that the hired man on her father's farm gave her some money on the day she left home. There is no known reason for the action of Miss Ryland, her home life being pleasant.

WILL DIVERT THE PLATTE RIVER TO PREVENT OVERFLOW

Frederick, Neb., Aug. 23.—The dyking board has just completed the plans for the first big project for drainage purposes to be undertaken in Nebraska under the new drainage act. It has adopted a plan for the Fremont, Farmington and Railroad dyking district. By the scheme it is proposed to drain a section of the Platte valley and to throw the water of the Platte river into the south channel in such a manner that it will not overflow the south part of Fremont when the spring floods come.

The directors estimate that the undertaking will cost \$25,000. A big levee 7,000 feet long and 10 feet high will be built diagonally across the Platte river, commencing at a point west of Fremont.

FATHER SUED FOR PRICE OF DAUGHTER'S HONOR

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 23.—John Hendrick, of Dodge county, has been cited to appear in the county court of Douglas county Friday afternoon to show cause why he should not turn over \$500 to the guardian of his daughter, Dr. James Borglum. The daughter is Emma Hendrick, 17 years old, who was debauched some time ago by Hans Voss, of Webster city, Ia. He confessed and paid the father \$500. The father's right to that money is now to be contested. The contention of the guardian is that the money should be used for the maintenance and care of the girl.

RANDOLPH CITIZENS AID STRANDED COUPLE

Randolph, Neb., Aug. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Hammond, of Tuttle Lake, Wis., aged 77 years and 67 years, respectively, were stranded here yesterday while on their way to visit Mrs. Hammond's sister at Bloomfield. When they left home they had \$43, but the money gave out at Wayne. The couple then started to walk, but when they reached here, a distance of twenty-five miles, the man fell to the ground exhausted. The couple went on, however, but the good people of Randolph, in the meantime, were arranging to help them. Two carriages were sent after them and they were found two miles from town, the old man asleep by the roadside.

Bringing them back to Randolph the couple were taken to a restaurant and before they were sent on their way were given a purse of money. But a short time ago Mr. and Mrs. Hammond were happy at Tuttle Lake, and in their village had \$250 in cash laid by. One day while away from home, the house was destroyed by fire and the money gone. With the \$43 which the husband had in his pockets the two started on their long journey to Nebraska.

THREE MAIL SACKS STOLEN FROM TRAIN

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 23.—Three mail sacks containing registered letters, disappeared from a Burlington train Sunday night, between Denver and Oxford, Neb. The postoffice officials have just made the theft public. The train left Denver with seven sacks and but four remained when it reached Oxford. Detectives and postoffice officials are at work on the case.

LAUREL STATE BANK TO HAVE NEW HOME

Laurel, Neb., Aug. 23.—The Laurel State bank will have a new home before winter, having moved into temporary quarters while a new structure is being erected on the present site. The new home will be built from home, larger than the old, 30 by 60 feet, and used exclusively for banking purposes. It will be one story in height, and be lighted from all sides. The work of tearing down the old building will begin at once.

GOVERNOR REFUSES REPRIEVE

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 23.—Governor Sheldon yesterday refused to grant the reprieve asked by the negro for Omaha for Harrison Clarke. The case is in the supreme court, and he will not take any action until the court acts.

PREPARES FOR CARNIVAL

Randolph, Neb., Aug. 23.—Randolph will hold a three days' baseball tournament and carnival on September 2, 3 and 4. Walthill, Crofton, Plainview and Pierce teams will be the contestants for \$300. There will be numerous free street attractions and illuminated parades each evening.

COST OF TRAMPS \$25,000,000 A YEAR, SAYS PENN. ROAD

Railroad Asks Magistrates to Give all Offenders Limit Sentences.

Pittsburg, Aug. 28.—The Pennsylvania railroad, from its Pittsburgh office, sent out an official communication calling on county justices of the peace, borough burgesses and all officers of the law to assist in putting down the tramp evil by punishing those caught stealing rides on trains. Some startling figures are shown among them that vagrancy is costing the railroads of the country not less than \$25,000,000 a year.

The recent accident at Ridgway, Pa., where five trainmen were frightfully mangled by a tramp burglar who defended himself with a bottle of nitroglycerin, has set the Pennsylvania railroad hard at work on tramp extermination, and the appeal asks that magistrates give all tramps the law's limit.

It is asserted by the Pennsylvania Railroad company that the railroads of the United States have killed 23,944 and injured 24,236 trespassers in five years.

SOUTHERN BALKS AT DELAY OF CASE

Washington, Aug. 28.—Overtures tentatively made by Gov. Glenn, of North Carolina for the suspension of the present hearing in the North Carolina rate case until after the question of jurisdiction of the United States circuit court Judge J. C. Pritchard has been determined by the supreme court of the United States, were rejected by counsel for the Southern railway.

The plan of the governor as outlined by special counsel for the state was to suspend the present inquiry because of the expense attached to it, but the Southern railway argued that in order to expedite the adjustment of the controversy, necessary facts in relation to the cost of doing business in North Carolina should be gathered pending the settlement of the jurisdiction of the courts.

Had the Southern railway consented to the plan the present hearing before Judge Walter A. Montgomery, who was appointed master to take evidence and report to Judge Pritchard, would have been postponed today and indefinitely. As it is the hearing was ordered to proceed and indications are that it will continue for a week or more.

JAG SECURED FROM THE FESTIVE ONION

Texans Find More "Snakes" in New Highball Than in Whisky.

New Orleans, Aug. 28.—A new form of intemperance, the onion jag, has broken out in Texas. "As a matter of fact," says Percy W. Morrow, traveling passenger agent of the Louisville and Nashville in Houston, "half of the saloons in my part of Texas are making more money out of onions than they are on red eye, and the onion highball has supplanted the original article."

As described by Mr. Morrow and others, the effects of the Texas onion are pleasant and far reaching. First comes a period of peace with all the world, this being followed by a sojourn in the land of unalloyed bliss, and the climax coming when the onion eater attains to the full realization that he is king of creation and that all men do him homage.

To attain the full joy of an onion jag, one must indulge in the Texas article, which is the size of a well developed cantaloupe, and of 40,000 times 10,000 amperes voltage. The fruit is white and juicy, but the wires are said to be liable to do short circuit at any moment.

Instead of calling for whiskey straight or complicated concoctions, in these days of agricultural progress, the up-to-date Texan demands an onion highball, and the man behind the mahogany is busy devising all kinds of strange mixtures. Whiskey is in a fair way to become a drug on the market.

As the most defenseless creature from the Rio Grande to the Panhandle, the Mexican eye is blamed for introduction of the onion jag. Onions are cheap, and two jags may now be acquired for the price of one of the antiquated variety.

Fifty-seven new varieties of reptiles are said to have been discovered since the outbreak of the new dissipation.

KILLS PET HORSE THEN SHOTS SELF

Wealthy Bachelor of Atlantic, Ia., Didn't Want Horse to Live After His Own Death.

Atlantic, Ia., Aug. 28.—While temporarily demented, G. A. Long, of this city, killed his favorite horse with one barrel of a double barreled shotgun. "Now that he is dead there is nothing more for me to live for," shrieked the man as he turned the other barrel upon himself, kicked the trigger and blew off his own head.

Long was a wealthy bachelor. He leaves two brothers.

WELL KNOWN IOWAN DIES AT DUBUQUE

Dubuque, I., Aug. 28.—George Jenkins, traveling passenger agent for the Pennsylvania railroad, once a democratic candidate for state railroad commissioner, is dead of blood poison.

MRS. YERKES GIVEN FINAL DIVORCE DECREE

New York, Aug. 28.—Justice Guy, of the supreme court, has signed a final decree of divorce in the suit brought by Mrs. Mary Adelaide Yerkes Misner for an absolute divorce from her husband, Wilson Misner. By the decree Mrs. Misner is permitted to resume the name of Yerkes and she may marry again. Misner is forbidden to marry during the lifetime of his ex-wife.