

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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NEILL, NEBRASKA

We have extirpated gross humor from our modern literature...

Lucien Klutz, a Parisian art expert and collector, has in his possession what is claimed to be an authentic autograph of the poet Tasso...

Dr. Sophie Herzog, of Brazoria, Tex., is said to be the only woman railroad surgeon in the world...

Cornelius Dirksen was the first official ferryman on the island of Manhattan...

The bulletin of the Geographical society of Italy announces another arctic expedition...

At the end of 1909 the Bell telephone companies owned 3,500,000 telephones...

The travels of grains of sand have long been a matter of scientific record...

A St. Louis woman is advertising for a public trademark. The advertiser recites that no dairymen need apply...

A four-story laboratory for research into the nature of radium is about to be opened in Vienna...

With the following argument a woman suffrage lecturer made a hit: "I have no vote, but my groom has..."

Turkey has only one university, that of Constantinople, with faculties of medicine, law, theology, science and letters...

"Well, George," exclaimed the English farmer as he greeted one of his laborers on New Year's day...

At one old-time British election a candidate won by means of an umbrella. Sheard, in the absence of mind caused him to leave the camp...

When a widow in Oklahoma needs the wages her son of school age might earn, the state pays the mother the amount and the boy continues in school...

Berlin has a population of 3,000,000, an annual fire loss of less than \$175,000...

The total length of the new Manhattan bridge connecting the boroughs of Manhattan with Brooklyn is 8,555 feet...

Up in Boone county a Miss Parrott has just married. Her stepfather's name is Bird and her sister-in-law is named Peacock...

In Ireland, owing to a lack of sunlight and heat, peaches, grapes and tomatoes must be grown and ripened under glass...

A Roman tomb of the second century before Christ, containing a marble sarcophagus of exquisite workmanship...

The Koh-i-noor diamond originally weighed 800 karats, but by successive cuttings has been reduced to 106 karats.

Boys over 14 years of age and girls over 12 may marry in Scotland without the consent of parents or guardians.

Canada will be largely represented in the international hunting exhibition to be held this year in Vienna.

DESPERATE WOMAN COMMITS SUICIDE

Shoots Herself, Dying Instantly; Leaves a Note to Her Husband.

Lyons, Neb., March 16.—Leaving a note stating that after what had been said to her by a neighbor in the presence of her husband...

When Sabin heard the report of the revolver he rushed to the house from the outbuildings, where he was working, and found the woman lying dead upon the floor...

According to reports Crawford went to the Sabin home yesterday afternoon, where the matter was discussed and the woman is said to have regarded some of his statements as threats of critical testimony which would be offered at Montgomery's trial...

WIFE'S AFFECTIONS ARE VALUED AT \$400

Omaha, Neb., March 16.—In a confession of judgment, the current and legal value of a wife has been fixed at \$400. Robert Bilimler sued Louis Fredey for \$10,000, alleging that the affections of his wife had been alienated and thereby he had been damaged in this sum...

WIRELESS IS USED TO OPERATE TRAINS

Omaha, Neb., March 16.—Superintendent Sheldon is authority for the statement that on the main line of the Union Pacific, a distance of 720 miles, between North Platte, Neb., and Ogden, Utah, all of the equipment for dispatching trains by telephone will soon be installed...

Dr. Fred H. Millener, the chief electrical engineer of the Union Pacific, says that the wireless telegraph and perhaps the wireless telephone will be the next system to be adopted, adding that the former will come within the next few months and be put into general use...

NORTHWESTERN TRAIN KILLS A STRANGER

Dakota City, Neb., March 16.—Three Sioux City boys, going hunting, found the body of a man supposed to be Joseph W. Packard lying beside the right of way of the Northwestern near Coburn Junction yesterday morning.

The man was evidently killed instantly by a passing train, as he had a deep cut across his forehead, his left cheek torn open, his hip broken and numerous other bruises and contusions over his body.

Upon the discovery of the dead man the three boys notified Byron Buchanan, a station agent at Coburn Junction, who in turn notified Coroner B. F. Sawyer, of Jackson, Neb., who decided death was accidental.

UNDERTAKER TESTIFIES

Kansas City, March 16.—R. D. Mitchell, the undertaker who prepared the body of Thomas H. Swope for burial, testified today before the coroner's jury that he heard no objection in the damage suit brought by Dr. B. C. Hyde against John G. Paxton.

Fort Scott, Kan., March 16.—Fire practically destroyed the business portion of the town of Bronson, 20 miles west of here, last night.

Des Moines, Ia.—Charles Dorsett, 38 years old, an Italian, was shot five times in the back yesterday at the home of Paul Gigliotti.

EXPERT DECLARES SEED CORN TESTS REVEAL A CRISIS

Prof. Holden Tells of the Conditions and Shows Where Remedy Lies.

Ames, Ia., March 19.—Professor P. G. Holden, of the agronomy department of the state agricultural college, gives the following information about testing seed corn:

"The condition of the seed corn throughout the entire state of Iowa is critical. The college, through its farm crops and extension departments has tested more than 5,000 samples of corn representing every county in the state.

"Our experiments during the past seven years have shown conclusively that it is very unwise to import seed corn from other states to Iowa for planting. The only safe remedy I know of is to make a thorough germination test of each ear of corn and discard those that do not show the proper strength."

"The following table will give a pretty good idea of the condition of the seed corn that is now being sent to the college for testing. The first column on the left gives the number of the



PROF. P. G. HOLDEN, Ames, Ia.

Table showing seed corn test results. Columns: No. of Farmers, Strong, Weak, Bad. Rows 1-21.

"The above will be sufficient to give a pretty clear idea of the general situation. It will not do to conclude this year that old corn, that is, corn from the previous crop, or that seed harvested before the freeze can be absolutely depended upon."

"The testing of the seed is purely a business proposition. We cannot afford to guess that the 800 kernels on an ear will grow when we can find out at almost absolutely no expense."

"Let us not fool ourselves into thinking that our corn is all right or by cooling ourselves that we never have a failure, etc. I have studied a great many fields in this state and these expressions have become so common to me that I pay very little attention to them."

DRAKE STUDENTS FIGHT

Des Moines, Ia., March 19.—A serious riot was narrowly avoided at the election held at Drake university Tuesday night for editors of the college paper.

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time to secure it of some of their neighbors. If we attempt to do this work in April, when the spring work is upon us, it is very likely that it will be poorly done or neglected entirely.

"We plant on an average of three kernels in each hill in Iowa, and if two of these stalks should be destroyed, leaving only one stalk to each hill, and this stalk should bear a medium ear, yielding but 11 tunces, we would have 35 bushels of corn to the acre...

"There are a number of seed corn testers on the market. The sawdust germination box is one of the most practical ways of testing the seed corn. This box is a simple affair and can be made by anyone.

"Anv box about three or four inches deep and 30x30 inches in size may be used. Fill the box about half full of moist sawdust well pressed down so that it will leave a smooth, even surface."

"This box as it is made up with the corn in it and ready to be set away for germination may be described as follows: Two inches of moist sawdust is first placed in the bottom; then upon this the sawdust is placed in a germination cloth (ruled in squares) with the kernels of corn laid upon it, a second cloth spread over the kernels, then a third cloth larger than the box spread over this with two inches of moist sawdust packed firmly over this.

"Be sure to soak the sawdust at least one hour—or better still, over night. Use good quality of cloth (sheeting) for the cloth that is marked off in squares and the cloth which is laid over this upon the sawdust must be around the edges of the box to prevent freezing and drying out."

BOY IS CRUSHED TO DEATH WHILE SWINGING

Des Moines, Ia., March 19.—Dale Whitely aged 7 years, was crushed to death by falling timber in a barn at his home in Indianopolis, Ia., this morning.

SPECIAL OFFICERS OVER MITCHELLVILLE INMATES

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BOY DRIVING AUTO INJURES ANOTHER

Waterloo, Ia., March 19.—The first serious automobile accident for 1910 occurred Tuesday night, when a machine driven, it is alleged, by Meredith Place, struck Leslie Currier, aged 10 years, and fractured his skull.

ESTHERVILLE GUARD TO BE MUSTERED OUT

Des Moines, Ia., March 19.—Adverse reports as to the Iowa National Guard company at Estherville today led to the announcement that it will be mustered out.

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CHANGE IN COFFIN MADE DURING THE FUNERAL SERVICES

Will of Eccentric Widow Upsets All Plans for the Last Sad Rites.

New York, March 19.—Swift and decided were the changes made in the plans for the funeral of Mrs. Emily Frey, an eccentric widow, of No. 56 Randall ave., Corona, L. I., owing to the discovery of her late will and testament.

Mrs. Frey was a wealthy woman and well known to old time residents of Corona. She lived with her nephew, Peter Eberle, and unaware that she had made her last arrangements by a will executed some months ago, by E. A. Sauerlich, an attorney of Astoria, Mr. Eberle proceeded after her death to act independently in the matter of providing for the burial.

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Another clause of the will provided that the body should be cremated and the ashes thereafter placed in an urn and buried in the Lutheran cemetery, where the three former husbands of Mrs. Frey had been interred, the last being buried there 16 years ago.

OLDFIELD SMASHES ALL AUTO RECORDS

Daytona, Fla., March 19.—Barney Oldfield driving against time from a flying start in a 200-horse power Benz automobile of special design, covered the fastest mile yesterday ever traveled by a human being.

Oldfield again launched his great car from a standing start for a mile against time and crossed the finish line with another record.

CROWN PRINCE OPENS BIG ART EXPOSITION

Berlin, March 19.—Crown Prince Frederick William today opened the American art exhibition. He came with a large staff to the galleries of the Royal academy, where several hundred persons distinguished in the official, artistic and social life of Berlin awaited the prior view by royalty before having their own enjoyment of the pictures.

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MILLIONAIRE IS NOW IN RANKS OF EXILES

Refusal of Family to Approve Marriage Causes Him to Quit His Country.

New York, March 19.—Walter Phelps Dodge, millionaire lawyer, clubman and Anglomaniac, who married Helen Steck, January 3, in London, is to emulate William Waldorf Astor and shake the dust of America from his feet forever.

Mr. Dodge, who is connected with the Phelps and Stokes families, returned to New York secretly a little more than a week ago and will sail Saturday for London. He came back to the United States to try to reconcile his family to his marriage and to bring about friendly relations between them and his wife's people, but he is said to have failed absolutely.

Wherefore Mr. Dodge, "disgusted with and loathing"—to use his own words—Americans, will return to England, where he will resume his law practice and live on the estate which he recently purchased at Maidenhead for \$55,000.

SUICIDE FOLLOWS DOMESTIC FRACAS

Manila, March 19.—The military inquest into the death of Lieutenant Clarence M. Janney developed the fact that a silver champagne cooler was the cause of the final quarrel which led the lieutenant to kill himself.

The cooler originally belonged to the lieutenant, and according to the testimony taken was given by Mrs. Janney to Lieutenant Colonel Robert F. Ames, when the lieutenant and his wife dined at the home of Ames last Saturday night, Janney saw and recognized the cooler, whereupon he upbraided his wife for having given it to Ames.

A little later, however, Janney left the house and returned with a revolver with which, according to the coroner and military board of inquiry, he shot himself in the presence of those at the table. Mrs. Janney testified that her husband and Lieutenant Colonel Ames were intimate friends.

In army circles it is believed the action of Major General William H. Carter, commanding the department of Luzon, in returning the report of the board of inquiry with a request that further testimony be taken, means that a court martial is contemplated.

MAYOR GAYNOR AFTER GRAFTING POLICEMEN

New York Executive Does Not Intend That Liquor Dealers Shall Be Blackmailed.

New York, March 19.—In a letter to Police Commissioner Baker today Mayor Gaynor made his first formal utterance on Sunday selling of liquor. He recommends the trial of two policemen who last Sunday made arrests of saloon keepers in districts not their own, while in plain clothes, off duty.

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The crown prince passed through the galleries leisurely examining each of the 203 numbers and frequently remarking on the technique, beauty or interest inspired by the subjects. Gari Meicher's portrait of Theodore Roosevelt appeared to have special interest for the crown prince, who stood before it a long time.

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