# THE O'NEILL FRONTIER DESPERATE WOMAN

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MEILL NEBRABKA

We have extirpated gross numor from our modern literature, but we must not suppose that we are therefore more moral than the Elizabethans, whose literature was full of gross hu-mor. It may be that we are only more afraid of ourselves and one another. This kind of fear is destructive, not only of gross humor, but of humor of all kinds. In its essence humor is brave as it is honest, but with coward-ice and dishonesty there come base substitutes for it, substitutes that make fun of noble things with a humorous air and so bring humor itself into discredit.

Lucien Klotz, a Parisian art experi and collector, has in his possession what is claimed to be an authentic auwhat is claimed to be an authentic au-tograph of the poet Tasso, appended to a writing which, translated into Eng-lish, reads: "I, the undersigned, ac-knowledge to have received from M A Levy 25 livres, for which he retains in pledge a sword of my father, six shirts, four sheets and two table cloths. March 2, 1570. Tasso.

Dr. Sophie Herzog, of Brazoria, Tex., is said to be the only woman railroad surgeon in the world. She is a native of Austria, came to this country in 1886, studied medicine and surgery and for nine years after graduation practiced medicine in New York. Soon after mov-moving to Texas her work as a sur-geon attracted the attention of the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexican railroad, and she was appointed surgeon for the road.

Cornelius Dircksen was the first offi-cial ferryman on the island of Manhatcial ferryman on the island of Manhat-tan. The mooring place on the New York side was about where Water street crosses the present Peck slip. He started the system in 1637. Passengers who wanted to be rowed over blew a horn from the skipper, if he chanced to be absent when they arrived. From Dircksen's skiff grew the present ferry system of the city.

The bulletin of the Geographical so-clety of Italy announces another arctic exposition. The leader will be Baldwin, the leader of the arctic exposition of 1901-1902. He proposes an exploration of the polar regions and to reach the pole. He proposes to follow the route taken by Nansen in the Fram. It is proposed to spend four years altogether in the search.

At the end of 1909 the Bell telephone companies owned 3,560,000 telephones, while 1,500,000 were owned by companies under contract agreements with the as-sociated Bell companies. This is an in-crease of 600,000 telephones during the year. The system comprises 10,250,000 miles of wire, 400,000 miles of which were added last year. Half of the to-tal mileage is underground.

The travels of grains of sand have long been a matter of scientific record, says Harper's Weekly. Years ago it was established that particles picked up on the coast of Pas de Calais had their origin in the rocks of Brittany, from 120 to 130 miles distant. Another standard fact is, the discovery on the coast of Denmark of chalk dust which undoubt-edly came from the cliffs of Normandy.

A St. Louis woman is advertising for pure buttermilk. The advertiser recites that no dairyman need apply. She says she has tried all the dairies in St. Louis and has been half around the world in a vain search for buttermilk of the good old fashioned kind churned in the good old fashioned way, with little pieces of butter floating around in it.

A four-story laboratory for research into the nature of radium is about to be opened in Vienna. Infinitesimal quantities of the precious substance (about 1-17 of a gram) will be sold for \$216 in a vial, the present market value of "10 per cent" radium being es-timated at \$60,000 a gram.

With the following argument a wom-an suffrare lecturer made a hit: "I have no vote, but my groom has. I have a great respect for that man in the stables, but I am sure if I were to go to him and say John will you ex-ercise the franchise?" he would reply: "Please mum, which horse be that?""

Shoots Herself, Dying Instantly; Leaves a Note to Her Husband. Prof. Holden Tells of the Con-

COMMITS SUICIDE

Lyons, Neb., March 16.—Leaving a hote stating that after what had been said to her by 'a neighbor in the presence of her husband, she did not want to live longer, Mrs. Mae Sabin, wife of Edwin Sabin, eight miles east of this place, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by shooting herself with a revolver. revolver.

revolver. When Sabin heard the report of the revolver he rushed to the house from the outbuildings, where he was work-ing, and found the woman lying dead upon the floor. He at once rushed to a neighbor across the way, saying: "Come quick: Mae has shot herself." The coroner's jury today returned a verdict in accordance with the known facts. Back of the tragedy which leaves the home without wife or mother, there is the report that one day last week the woman went to the home of a neighbor named Montgomery and while there

woman went to the home of a neighbor named Montgomery and while there John Crawford, a single man of the community, came to the house and sought an interview. Mrs. Sabin is said to have refused and an alterca-tion arose betwen Crawford and Mont-gomery in which the latter, after being disarmed of a gun, grabbed a chair and struck Crawford over the head, mak-ing a bad contusion and felling him to the floor. For this assault Montgom-ery was arrested, but his trial has not yet been held. vet been held.

yet been held. 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 of-fered at Montgomery's trial. The Sabins have been married four or five years and came here from Will-iams, Ia. The woman was attractive

iams, Ia. The woman was attractive in appearance and popular in the neigh-borhood. Her maiden name was Mae Stiff and her relatives live at Windom, Minn.

# \* WIFE'S AFFECTIONS ARE VALUED AT \$400

Omcha, Neb., March 16.—In a confession of judgment, the cur-rent and legal value of a wife has been fixed at \$409. Robert Bilmier sued Louys Fredey for \$10,000, alleging that the affec-tions of his wife had been alien-ated and that thereby he had been damaged in this sum. In-stead of letting the case go to trial, Bilmier permitted Fredey to confess judgment for \$400, which was accepted in full of all demands. As a result all litiga-tion is at an end. tion is at an end.

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# OPERATE TRAINS

OPERATE TRAINS Omaha, Neb., March 16.—Superin-dent Sheidon is authority for the state-ment that on the main line of the Union Pacific, a distance of 720 miles, be-tween North Platte, Neb., and Ogden, Utah, all of the equipment for dispatch-ing trains by telephone will soon be-installed. Immediately after this, the work of installing the telephone psystem between Omaha and North Platte, a distance of 280 miles, will begin. Superintenden Sheldon states that the telephone lines between Omaha and Cheyenne, a distance of 500 miles, are used for transmitting train orders and upon occasion, when it is necessary to get "hurry" messages through, the train dispatcher uses the telephone lines between Omaha and Rawlins, Wyo, a distance of 680 miles. He says he has been shown that the telephone has three times the speed of the telegraph, even where the mes-sages and orders are sent without be-ing relayed. Dr. Fred H. Millener, the chief elec-

EXPERT DECLARES SEED CORN TESTS **REVEAL A CRISIS** 

ditions and Shows Where

Remedy Lies.

Ames, Ia., March 19.-Professor P. G.

Holden, of the agronomy department of

the state agricultural college, gives the

ties in the state, each corwing on an average \$0,000 acres of corn.

Results of Tests.

college for testing. The first column on the left gives the number of the

hill, and this stalk should bear a me-dium ear, weighing but 11 ounces, we would have 35 bushels of corn to the acre, or the average production of the state. There are, of course, many causes which contribute to reduce the vield of corn, but there is no cause so great and which can be so easily remedied as poor seed, which either fails to grow or produces weak stalks bearing small ears or none at all. Value of Good Seed.

the state agricultural college, gives the following information about testing seed corn: "The condition of the seed corn throughout the entire state of Towa 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. As a result of these tests we find that on an average there is not more than 50 per cent of the seed that is strong and really fit to plant. The other 50 per cent either fails to grow at all or is very weak. "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 germ-ination test of each ear of corn and discard those that do not show the proper strength. This can be done at very little expense, but unless the peo-ple are sufficiently encouraged there is great danger that many will plant their seed without making this test and "We have not yet begun to realize

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"There are a number of seed corn testers on the market. The sawdust germination box is one of the most "The following table will give a pret-ty good idea of the condition of the seed corn that is now being sent to the practical ways of testing the seed corn. This box is a simple affair and can be made by anyone.

"Any 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 sur-face. The sawdust should be put in a gunny sack and set in a tub of warm a gunny sack and set in a tub of warm water for at least an hour (or still bet-ter over night) so that it will be thor-oughly moistened before using. Rule off a piece of good, white cloth (sheet-ing) about the size of the box, checker board fashion, two and a half inches each way. Number the squares 1, 2, 3 and so on. Place it over the saw dust and tack to the box at the cor-ners and edges. Lay out the ears to be tested side by side on the floor; re-move one kernel from near the butt, middle and tip of the ear; turn the ear over and remove three kernels from the opposite side in like manner, making six kernels in all thus securmaking six kernels in all thus secur-ing a sample from the entire ear. Place the six kernels at the end of the ear from which they are taken. Use care that the kernels do not get mixed with the kernels from the ear next to it. After the kernels are removed boards may be laid over the rows of corn to keep them in place until the germina-tion is known. Place the kernels from the ear of corn No. 1 in square No. 1 of the sermination how: from ear No

**PROF. P. G. HOLDEN**, **Ames, ia.**  *Ames, ia. Ames, ia. Ames,* 

# 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 entire-ly, as is too often the case. "We plant on an average of three kernels in each hill in Iowa, and if two of these stalks should be de-stroyed, leaving only one stalk to each hill, and this stalk should bear a me-dium ear, weighing but 11 ounces, we MADE DURING THE

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

New York, March 19.—Swift and de-fided 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 tes-tament. There was first a delay of two hours pending the transfer of the body from a cheap coffin to a more ex-pensive one, and when this task was performed, the minister engaged de-clined to serve. The body was cre-mated and a newly dug grave filled in, while the ashes were buried in a plot alongside the bodies of Mrs. Frey's the former husband. 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 ad made her funeral arrangements by will executed some months ago, by E A. Sauermilch, an attorney of Astoria, Mr. Eberle proceeded after her death to act independently in the matter of providing for the burial.

# Friends All on Hand.

Thomas Grossmann, an undertaker, Thomas Grossmann, an undertaker, was commissioned to provide a coffin costing \$50. The Rev. S. G. Wyneken, mastor of the Lutheran church, was asked to preach the funeral sermon. The funeral service was set for 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and at that hour some 40 friends and ac-quaintances were in attendance. Just as the Rev. Mr. Wyneken was about to open the service Mr. Sauer-milch, the lawyer, appeared on the scene. He announced that he desired to read the will of Mrs. Frey, in ac-cordance with her expressed desire. Mr. Sauermilch then read the provi-sions of the will and the trouble be-gan.

Mrs. Frey directed that her body should repose in a coffin costing not less than \$350. The undertaker was directed to obtain another coffin an-swering as nearly as possible the re-quirement of the will, and this was done. The mourners waited two hours while the change of coffins was made and a new name plate provided.

Preacher Gets Balky.

Preacher Gets Balky. Another clause of the will provided that the body should be cremated and the ashes thereafter be placed in an urn and buried in the Frey family plot in the Lutheran cemetery, where the three former husbands of Mrs. Frey had been interred, the last being buried there 16 years ago. When the Rev. Mr. Wyneken heard this clause read he reached for his hat, declaring that it was against the rule of his denomi-nation to officiate at the funeral of it was against the rule of his denomi-nation to officiate at the funeral of cremated persons and left the house. This necessitated another vexatious delay. Messengers were sent out post haste for another minister, and after some persuasion the Rev. W. J. Peck, pastor of Union church, consent-ed to officiate. The cortege then pro-ceeded to Fresh Pond crematory, where the body of the widow was incinerated. The ashes were placed in an urn and taken to Lutheran cemetery, where they were interred. Mrs. Frey died from Bright's disease

Mrs. Frey died from Bright's disease. She was told in November last that her case was hopeless, and she seated herself in a chair, never thereafter leaving it until after death had claimed her.

# **OLDFIELD SMASHES**

MILLIONAIRE IS NOW IN RANKS OF EXILES

FUNERAL SERVICES 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. Miss Steck was the daughter of E. M. Steck, a millionaire coal man of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Dodge, who is connected with the Phelps and Stokes families, returned to-New York secretly a little more than a

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 oring about friend-ly 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-America and Americans, will return to England, where he will re-sume 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

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 testi-mony 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

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. During the verbal exchange that fol-lowed, Janney called Mrs. Janney a liar and insisted that she apologize to him. The wife apologized, and the din-ner was resumed, it being generally thought by the other guests that the incident was closed. 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.

husband and Lieutenant Colonel Ames were intimate friends. In army circles it is believed the ac-tion of Major General William H. Car-ter, commanding the department of Luzon, in returning the report of the board of inquiry with a request that rurther 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 utter-

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Turkey has only one university, that of Constantinople, with faculties of medicine, law, theology, science and letters. In this last department the literatures studied are the Turkish, Arabic, Persian and French. In time the study of German and English will be added.

"Well, Gearge," exclaimed the Eng-lish farmer as he greeted one of his laborers on New Year's day, "and 'ow did 'ee get on last yeear?" "Ay, mais-ter," was the reply, "it wur a bad yeer for I. I did lose my missus, I did lose my canary, and I did lose my dog. And it wur a good dog, too."

At one old-time British election a andidate won by means of an una At one old-time British election a candidate won by means of an um-brella. Sheer absence of mind caused him to leave the gamp behind at every house at which he called to canvass, and, of course, when it was returned by the voter, a sovereign was only a suit-able reward for honesty.

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. The women of Oklahoma are now try-ing to have the same law passed for doughters daughters

Berlin has a population of 3,000,000, has an annual fire loss of less than \$175,000. Its fire department costs a \$175,000. Its fire department costs a little over \$300,000. Chicago's fire loss is \$5,000,000 and its fire department costs over \$3,000,000. Chicago's popu-lation is two-thirds that of Berlin.

The total length of the new Manhattan bridge connecting the burroughs of Manhattan with Brooklyn is 6,855 feet. The total cost of the bridge, in-cluding real estate, is \$15,833,600. The weight of the cables is 6,300 tons.

Up in Boone county a Miss Parrott has just married. Her stepfather's name is Bird and her sister-in-law is named Peacock, while her father-in-law is a prominent member of the local Eagle lodge. That girl's nest ought to be matty well feathered. pretty well feathered

In Ireland, owing to a lack of sun-light and heat, peaches, grapes and to-matoes must be grown and ripened un-der glass. The prices are conse-quently almost prohibitory.

A Roman tomb of the second century before Christ, containing a marble sarcophagus of exquisite workmanship five feet long and admirably preserved, here been discovered at Creative has been discovered at Grosseto.

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.

ing relayed. Dr. Fred H. Millener, the chief elec-trician 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 along the main line of the Overland system. He contends that with the in struments he is perfecting, the ordin-ary telephone switchboard can be used for either wireless telegraph or wireless telephone. Even at this time the doc-tor says that in the Union Pacific shop tor says that in the Union Pacific shop yards the movement of engines is be-ing directed by wireless.

#### NORTHWESTERN TRAIN KILLS A STRANGER.

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 in-stantly 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 all over his body. He was about 27 years of age. The letter in the inside coat pocket was addressed to B. F. Packard and signed "Father." It was dated at West Cunningham, Mass. About \$5 in change, a quart bottle of whisky, a raffle ticket and a receipt belonging to Dugan & Hefferman's sa-loon was found in his clothes. He is suspected of the robbery of Dugan & Hefferman's saloon Saturday night in Hubbard, Neb. He was seen in that city at midnight Saturday night. Upon the discovery of the dead man the three boys notified Byron Buchan-

Upon the discovery of the dead man the three boys notified Byron Buchan-an, 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. Mitch-ell, the undertaker who prepared the body of Thomas H. Swope for burial, testified today before the no-tarial court that is hearing deposi-tions in the damage suit brought by Dr. B. C. Hyde against John G. Pax-ton. Dr. Hyde's attorneys have issued subpenas for the negro servants in the Swope household.

DENISON, IA.—A telegram says Michael Griffin, a former resident of this place, was murdered near Norda-way, Mo,

Fort Scott, Kan., March 16.—Fire practically destroyed the business por-tion of the town of Bronson, 20 miles west of here, last night, 20 buildings being destroyed. Only four buildings rewere badly damaged. The loss is es-timated at \$150,000. The fire started from natural gas in the town hall.

DES MOINES, IA.—Charles Dor-essi, 38 years old, an Italian, was shot three times in the back yesterday, in the home of Paul Gigliotti. Gigliotti confessed, saying he fired to protect himself from vengeance of the Black Hand.

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"The above will be sufficient to give "The above will be sufficient to give a pretty clear idea of the general sit-uation. It will not do to conclude this year that old corn, that is, corn from the previous crop, or that seed har-vested before the freeze can be abso-lutely depended upon. We have made a great many tests of both old corn and that harvested before the frost, and find that there is a large percent-age of ears, in most cases, that is weak or refuse to grow at all. A Business Proposition.

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"The testing of the seed is purely a business proposition. We cannot af-ford to guess that the 800 kernels on an ear will grow when we can find out, at almost absolutely no expense. I know that there are many who think they can tell by "knifting it." as they say. While in this way it will be possible to discard ; great many of the poor ears, yet there will be many ears which show life under this test that will not have sufficient vitality to bring forth strong plants in the field, and if there comes a cold spell and the ground is damp and cold, they will refuse to grow. At least six or eight kernels should be taken from the dif-ferent parts of the ear for the test ferent parts of the ear for the test.

#### Let Us Not Deceive Ourselves.

"Let us not fool ourselves into think-ing that our corn is all right or by consoling ourselves that we never have a failure, etc., etc. I have studied a great many fields in this state and these expressions have become so comthese expressions have become so com-mon to me that I pay very little at-tention to them. Frequently I find that these men are the very ones who have 50, 60 or 70 per cent stand of corn. This work of testing ought to be done now at the earliest possible moment, so that those who do not have enough seed of their own may have ing.

#### 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, Delphic. David Strife, candidate for business manager, attacked Harry struck Leslie Currier, aged 10 years, Wifvat, supporting another candidate, and fractured his skull. The injured and felled him with a blow of his fist. Immediately the rival factions, num- council recently adopted an ordinance bering hundreds of students, started a prohibiting persons under 16 years from row which was only quelled by the operating motor cars, Place is 14, if prompt interference of the faculty. is said.

the kernels in the germination box and discard all ears that are worthless or show weak germination. "This box as it is made up with the

"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 saw-dust firmly packed in the bottom; then laid upon this sawdust is the germination cloth (ruled in squares) with the kernels of corn laid upon it, a second cloth spread over the ker-nels, then a third cloth larger than the box spread over this with two inches hox spread over this with two inches moist sawdust packed firmly over this.

# Special Things to Be Observed.

"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 the kernels.

be abso-ve made "Leave at least two inches margin around the edges of the box to prevent freezing and drying out. "Rule the cloth off in large squares that is 21% x214 inches. "Never use the box the second time without first thoroughly seeding both

without first thoroughly scalding both the cloths and suwdust. (The clotl better be untacked and the sawdust re-

moved to do this). Do not open too soon. The stem sprouts should be at least two inches long. "Throw out all ears showing weak germination as well as the worthless

ones."

# **BOY IS CRUSHED TO** DEATH WHILE SWINGING

Des Moines, Ia., March 19.—Dale Waltz, aged 6 years, was crushed to death by falling timber in a barn at his home in Indianapolis, Ia., this morning. A swing dislocated a heavy timber which crushed his chest.

SPECIAL OFFICERS OVER MITCHELLVILLE INMATES

Des Moines, Ia., March 19 .- Governor Carroll today named Eugene Gear and Gustav Mahlke as special officers to see that the girls in the industrial school at Mitchellville do no more writ-

#### BOY DRIVING AUTO INJURES ANOTHER

Daytona. Fla., March 19.—Barney Didfield, driving against time from a flying start in a 200-horse power Benz automobile of special design, covered the fastest mile yesterday ever trav-eled by a human being. His time was 27 33-100 seconds. Nothing projected into space by man, save a bullet, ever has traveled at equal speed. The pre-vious record was set here four years ago by Marriott, who drove a special Stanley steamer one mile in 28 1-5 seconds at an average speed of 127.6 miles an hour. Oldfield's average today miles an hour. Oldfield's average today oldfield again launched his great was

car from a standing start for a mile against time and crossed the finish line with another record. His time was 40 53-100 seconds, as against 31 23-100 seconds made with the same car by Hemmery in England. The timing for both races was done by C H War for both races was done by C. H.

ner, official timer for the American Automobile association, with the same mechanical device he used at the At-lanta and Indianapolis speedways and which has been officially adopted by the association.

the association. De Palma Drops Out. Ralph De Palma, Oldfield's rival, who was unable to start against him because of a broken piston, acted as a representative on the contest board. A surveyor's certificate has been filed for the distance posts and only the formal acceptance by the contest board is necessary before the record passes officially into the history of the annihilation of distance. The best previous official record for the mile from a flying start by a gas.

the mile from a flying start by a gas-oline car is two miles in 58 2-5 sec-onds, made at Ormonde Beach, Fla., in a 200-horse power car by Demogot in 1906, at an average of 123.3 miles an hour.

The best speed ever made by a loco-

and the best speed ever made by a loco-motive is five miles in 2 minutes and 30 seconds over the Plant system. Glenn H. Curtiss, the aviator, cov-ered a mile from a flying start in an eight-cylinder motorcycle in 46 2-5 seconds in 1907.

BELGIAN CONSUL DIES. Cocoa, Fla., March 19.—Laurent de Give, for many years Belgian consul at Atlanta, and one of the most prom-inent theater owners in the south, died here this morning.

## 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

## CONVICTED OF MURDER. Salina, Kan., March 19.-John Henry shanks, who killed his wife last

Shanks, Thanksgiving day, cutling her throat, was found guilty of murder in the sec-ond degree here today.

# **CROWN PRINCE OPENS BIG ART EXPOSITION**

Berlin Official Society Out in Force to Attend American Show.

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 awaitartistic and social life of Berlin await-ed the prior view by royalty before having their own enjoyment of the pic-, tures. American Ambassador Hill and all the other members of the American embassy except Secretary Irwin M. Laughlin, who has been called home by the death of his brother, were present, with their wives. with their wives. The crown prince passed through the

alleries leisurely examining each of the 203 numbers and frequently re-marking on the technique, beauty or interest inspired by the subjects. Gari Melcher's portrait of Theodore Roose-velt appeared to have especial interest for the crown prince, who stood before. it a long time. The group of Whistler's works also held his close attention.

#### DISCOUNT RATE RAISED.

DISCOUNT RATE RAISED. London, March 17.—The directors of the-Bank of England at their weekly meeting today raised the minimum rate of dis-count from 3 to 4 per cent. This action, was caused by the continued foreign de-mands for gold, which seriously depleted the bank's reserves. These are now near-ity \$25,000,000 lower than at the same time-last year and prospective further with-drawals of the metal necessitated meas-ures to increase the bank's holding.

#### WESTON STILL GOING.

Hutchinson, Kan., March 19 .- Edward Payson Weston, the pedestrian, arrived here at 9:30 this morning, having spent the night at Nickerson, 12 miles from this place. He left here at. 9:40 o'clock for Newton, where he will 9:40 o'clock for Newton, where he probably will stop tonight. Weston is now eight days ahead of his sched-ule. He appeared in good condition this morning.

The American system of office towell service has caught on in several Eng-lish cities, including London.

Waterloo, Ia., March 19 .- The first serious automobile accident for 1910 oc+ curred Tuesday night, when a machine driven, it is alleged, by Meredith Place,

boy's condition is critical. The city