

# The O'Neill Frontier

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Investigation by the Smithsonian Institution begun in this country and to be continued in Mexico will, it is expected, show that the radiation from the sun varies, and that this radiation produces a corresponding variation in the temperature of the earth. This fact, if established, will have great interest from the point of view of science but it will have a still greater value as regards the practical concerns of our daily life and needs. Atmospheric conditions could be foretold with greater certainty and with beneficial effect to agriculture and navigation.

Dogs that match costumes and automobiles, to the great credit of American women, are passing, except in infrequent instances. Almost all foreign women still have their ornamental animals, and a handsome British guest in an art gallery in Philadelphia had a lively controversy about taking in her pet. The custodian was firm even when she explained the good qualities of the dog. The price was \$100,000, but the owner's hair and eyes and furs, and really was much better looking than a muff, and probably would have been as inert.

The Austrian and German Alpine clubs have published statistics showing that between the years 1901 and 1910, inclusive, 886 Alpinists lost their lives in the central Alps of Europe, an average of nearly 100 deaths a year. In 1909, however, there were 144 climbers killed and in 1910 100, not including 28 persons who met their deaths while picking edelweiss. Of this total of 128 fatalities, 42 were Germans, 24 Austrians, 19 Swiss and four English, while the rest, including eight guides, were of other nationalities. The largest number of fatal accidents in the Alps took place in August. It is estimated that the army of Alpinists now numbers 100,000.

Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, editor-in-chief of the Woman's Journal, the official organ of the National American Woman Suffrage association, recently said that one dark day in the 80's, when the Journal was struggling to get foothold, Miss Louise M. Alcott walked into the little office and handed the editor \$100. Miss Alcott said she had earned that money before breakfast and she wanted to give it to help the Journal go on its feet.

Nearly 100 American Indians, representing Zunis, Ogalallas, Onondagas, Yaguas, Navajos and Apaches, will leave for Paris to show their art in blanket making, tanning, beadwork, pottery and carving at the zoological gardens, near the Bois de Boulogne. The necessary arrangements have been made with the United States government by M. Fernald Akoun, director of the ethnological department of the Paris zoological gardens.

Queensland banana growers are rejoicing over the shipment of bananas to the south have risen from 3,000 bunches weekly to 8,000, and prices have risen as well. One man in the north this season cleared \$2,000 from 10 acres of fruit. His crop was 4,000 cases, and he was fortunate to strike a good market. The exports from Queensland will probably reach 15,000 bunches, as the fruit matures during the next six weeks.

Last year 12,554 women registered in Boston to vote for school committee. Twenty-nine years ago, when the privilege of voting at these elections was first granted to women, only 900 registered, and for the following nine years the average was only a little over 1,000.

The hottest place on earth is the Arabian desert between Oman and the Red Sea. The temperature there is known to exist in the interior, and even on the coast temperatures have been recorded higher than any other place in the tropics.

Venezuela received its name from the early Spanish residents who saw a resemblance to Venice in the sites of the inland cities. Since Humboldt first saw them, the llanos, or bleak plains, have largely changed their character.

In an effort to stamp out plague by removing the principal cause—the rat—Japan has exported 24,000 tons of arsenic from Great Britain and Germany.

The dominion railway commission has abolished the oil lamps from all railroad cars. In future all lighting must be done by compressed oil gas, acetylene gas, or electricity.

Last year Hawaii shipped 600,000 barrels of apples. When the new shipping facilities are complete, it is expected 1,000,000 barrels a year will be handled through that port.

According to the London Statist, the world's production of gold for 1903 was the largest in history. It is placed at \$409,000,000 against \$400,000,000 in 1902 and \$390,000,000 in 1901.

The northernmost mill in America is a flour mill at Vermilion, 700 miles north of the United States boundary and within 400 miles of the Arctic circle.

Natives of Burma and some parts of India prepare tea in a peculiar way called "pickling." The leaves are boiled and pressed into bamboo tubes which are buried in the ground.

There are seven Smiths in congress—three in the Senate and four in the House. Michigan furnishes two, Maryland, Texas, Iowa, California and South Carolina one each.

Maine, in proportion to its area, is the best supplied with surface water of any of the states. It has a square mile of water to every 14 square miles of land.

During nearly every month in the year waterproof garments are needed in Scotland. The average annual rainfall is about 45 inches.

In Austria most of the schools are owned and operated by the state governments under the supervision of the federal minister of public instruction.

Near Kodarma, India, 250 miles from Calcutta, 700 hands are employed by an American company in operating a mica mine.

The glass can be restored to limbo by washing it in a weak solution of glue and allowing it to dry thoroughly.

Alcohol is obtained from peat by treating the fiber with sulphuric acid and fermenting with a special yeast.

By a chemical process rubber is extracted from leaves in a rubber factory at Sourabaya, Dutch West Indies.

Lack of native fuel is the chief drawback to the development of factories in Brazil.

England's merchant marine brings to the port \$150,000,000 every year.

# GOLT SAVES MASTER

## THE PAY OF COWBOY BY APT COGITATION

### Intelligent Two-Year-Old Which Rides the Range and Shepherds the Flocks.

Eli, Neb., May 15.—That horses possess intelligence to a wonderful degree is clearly demonstrated by a colt possessed by Charles H. Walworth, owner of a 1,500-acre ranch near here, while but 2 years old, this colt takes care of a herd of nearly 100 cattle driving them to the pasture in the morning and bringing them up to the yards at night, thus doing the work of a regular cowboy whose salary would be not less than \$30 per month and board.

Two years ago in the employ of Mr. Walworth was an experienced cowboy from the Wyoming range. When hired he had his own horse, a fine mare that had been raised on the range. As soon as her colt was foaled, it went with the mother and her rider, taking care of the herd. In the fall the cowboy's services were dispensed with, but Mr. Walworth bought the colt. Last summer it ranged with the other horses and the care of all occupying the same pastures. At that time it was noticed that the little animal was developing into a leader and always closely watched the cowboys in charge of the herd. In the morning, when he started to drive the herd to pasture, the yearling colt was always on hand, rounding up the stragglers and keeping them in the bunch. In the evening, just at sunset, when the cowboy started the cattle and horses toward the corral, this colt that had been given the name of Gyp would commence rounding the animals up, doing it as successfully as any cowboy who ever rode the range. This was accomplished by the colt running on the far side of the cattle and horses, biting them on the hips and milling them toward the center. When they were all gathered in a bunch, the colt would dash in behind them, biting those in the rear and stampeding the herd, always keeping them headed toward the ranch house.

Gyp, although not of pedigreed stock, gave promise of becoming a valuable animal and last fall when the cowboy left, Mr. Walworth bought the colt, paying \$175, about double its market value. This spring the colt, having added another year to its age, commenced to show its real worth. As soon as the cattle and horses were turned out to the range the colt took up the duties of a cowboy of the herd. A man was sent along, but after a few days it was found that Gyp's services were not required and he was dispensed with.

Last summer whenever a storm came on the cowboy drove the herds from the pasture to the corral, keeping them there until the rain had ceased. This summer Gyp, unaided and alone is following the same custom. If it commences to thunder, or if a black and threatening cloud appears, this colt rounds up its mates and the cattle and horses to the shelter of the ranch house, keeping them there until the storm has passed.

### AGED GERMAN WILL REJOIN HIS FAMILY

Fremont, Neb., May 15.—Sixty-four years after he had lost all trace of his mother, brothers and sister, Theodore Moser, of Fremont, now at the age of 37 years, has just located his relatives once more by the aid of John Hauser, an old neighbor of the family in Germany. Moser came to America in 1840 and located at Milwaukee. For seven years he kept up a correspondence with the folks at home. Then he did not write for several years, and then when he did write his letters were returned to him. Mr. Moser ran upon John Hauser the other day, and Mr. Hauser, upon hearing his friend's story, decided that Moser's relatives had moved to Ulm, on the Danube. His mother is dead. Moser will leave for Germany next week.

### MILLION-DOLLAR CORPORATION

Beatrice, Neb., May 15.—A million-dollar corporation has been organized in this city, and stock is now being sold to investors. The name of the new concern is the American Barbers Chemical company. The officers are: President and manager, Dr. John B. Crutcher; vice president and chemist, Dr. W. H. Crutcher; secretary and treasurer, J. T. Harden. The main office of the concern will be located at Beatrice.

### FEELING FIT IMMINENT ANNOUNCES HE IS CRAZY

Fremont, Neb., May 15.—With the words, "I am going crazy, see that I get home," George Kniff, a young carpenter, employed on the new Wall theater building, suddenly went violently insane. It took eight of the carpenters to hold him until Sheriff Bauman and Deputy Condit arrived. Kniff was taken to jail where he was strapped to a bed. County physician Calkins says he will recover. Kniff's friends declare he is a fine fellow and has never caused any trouble before.

### NEBRASKA POSTMASTERS WILL CONVENE IN YORK

Blair, Neb., May 15.—It has been announced here that the annual convention of the postmasters of Nebraska will be held at York, June 13, 14 and 15. Instead of Omaha, as at first arranged. Objections were made by a number of the members of the association to holding the meeting in Omaha while charges against Postmaster Thomas, who is president of the association, are under investigation.

### VETERAN METHODIST PASTOR PASSES AWAY

Auburn, Neb., May 15.—The Rev. D. B. Lake died at his home in this city Thursday morning at the age of 64 years. He was a Methodist minister and had held pastorates at Union, Sterling, Howe, Nemaha City, Brownville, Syracuse, Elmwood and other towns. He was a member of the Good Templars of Elmwood. He had been in the ministry over 40 years, but had

### VETERAN LAWYER AND LEGISLATOR DROWNS

Lincoln, Neb., May 15.—Thomas M. Franze, the oldest practicing member of the Cummings county bar, and a former member of the state legislature, was accidentally drowned last night while fishing at a mill race near here. It is believed that he suffered a paralytic stroke, which caused him to fall into the water. The body was recovered late last night. Mr. Franze was 57 years old and leaves a widow.

# MOTHER AND SON KILLED BY TRAIN

## Engine Strikes Buggy at Crossing and Is Derailed, Also Injuring Crew.

Lyons, Neb., May 12.—A carriage with two occupants, Mrs. Al W. Craig and her 17-year-old son, Lee, was struck by the northbound Northwestern train at about 10 o'clock this morning. Both the mother and boy were killed and Dan Murphy, the engineer, and several of the train crew, badly cut and bruised, but not seriously injured.

Craig is the wife of a farmer located about eight miles from here. She and the boy were killed almost instantly, both being thrown nearly 100 feet in opposite directions. The injured were:

Engineer Dan Murphy, Omaha, cut about the face and neck.  
Fireman L. I. Rockwell, Omaha, cut over left eye.  
Baggage Clerk John Gilmore, Omaha, bruised about the head.  
Mail Clerk Chas. Kilgore, Omaha, injured internally.  
Supt. P. E. Nicles, Omaha, bruised and stunned.

Mail Clerk Arthur C. Rawson, Omaha, badly hurt internally.  
The accident happened as Mrs. Craig and her son were returning home from Lyons. They were in the baggage car of the train. The train was approaching the crossing and did not see the approach of the train as it rounded a curve. When the collision occurred, the buggy was dragged beneath the engine, causing it to be sidetracked and derailed and then turned over on the side of the switch. All the cars except one passenger coach left the track. None of the passengers were hurt, although badly frightened and thrown about the car by the force of the shock. The horses were not injured.

F. E. Nicles, superintendent of the Omaha division of the Omaha road, was in the baggage car at the time of the accident. He was stunned and bruised, but not seriously injured. The wrecking train was at work at 10:45 today, but will probably not have the track cleared until evening.

### BROAD STREET WILL RETURN TO ITS OWN

Fremont, Neb., May 12.—That Broad street in Fremont will come into its own when the interurban is constructed is contended by General Manager Baker, of the Nebraska Transportation company, now surveying. Broad street was originally laid out as Fremont's principal business street, but the railroad companies changed the map by locating their depot on B street, now known as Main. The interurban depot is to be on lower Broad street.

Manager Baker declared that the company would build no depots until the line is completed to Fremont, Norfolk, Madison and Sioux City.

### JUDGMENT AT LAST IN LONG LITIGATION

Fremont, Neb., May 12.—Judgment was entered today in the long pending case of the Pennington County South Dakota bank, Sheriff C. Bauman, who, on behalf of the Dodge County bank of Hooper, seized a carload shipment of horses belonging to the former institution to satisfy a note. The horses were seized as they passed through Fremont, broad street. The Pennington County bank, after six years of litigation, today paid a judgment of \$2,004.

### BIG STABLES BURN; ALL HORSES SAVED

Fremont, Neb., May 12.—A big sale barn at Fifteenth and Irving streets, owned by A. Bauman, sheriff of the county, was destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. Twelve horses were gotten out. The loss is \$3,500, fully insured.

### SENIOR CLASS ORATORS

Fremont, Neb., May 12.—Sixty seniors from the class of 40 to graduate from the high school this month were chosen to deliver orations at the exercises at the opera house. The six are: Sam John, Louis Brown, Ruth Jena, Charlotte Lake, Jessie Stewart and Jewell Perrin. Jewell Perrin is the class valedictorian.

### SLEEPS ON AS FLOOR AND BEDPOSTS BURN

Bells Ring, People Shout, Windows Crash, but He Keeps Snoring.

Oxford, Pa., May 12.—Rivaling the seven Sleepers in the annals of human slumber, Raymond Kerr slept on the matting on the floor of his room and one of the bedposts were burning. The ringing of the dinner bell, the frantic shouts of his brother, and even a stone which crashed through a window and broke a looking glass, failed to arouse him.

It was only when a second stone struck the head of his bed and fell on his face that he opened his eyes. One side of the room was in flames, and he made a dash for the window, jumped just as the bed clothing caught fire. He escaped injury.

The young man was spending the night with his brother, John Kerr, who lives in Londonberry township, on the farm owned by Harry Herbert, of Philadelphia. The fire started in the kitchen, directly under the room in which Kerr slept.

### WENDLING MUST END HIS DAYS IN PRISON

Frankfort, Ky., May 12.—Joseph Wendling, convicted of the murder of 8-year-old Alma Kellner, in Louisville, must spend the remainder of his life in prison, according to a decision today by the Kentucky court of appeals, affirming the life sentence of the lower court.

### SPEAKER CLARK ILL.

Washington, May 12.—Speaker Champ Clark is confined to his bed with a severe cold. His condition is so serious and his physicians hope he will be able to preside when the House meets tomorrow.

### CAN'T GET JURY.

Davenport, Ia., May 12.—Efforts to get a jury for the trial of Rudolph Brandenburg, charged with murdering his stepfather, Claus Muenster, are still futile. It being necessary to call another special venire today.

# KELSEY OF ARMY FAME MARCH NO MORE

Lincoln, Neb., May 11.—"General" Thomas C. Kelsey died late Tuesday afternoon in Lincoln. He was a noted labor leader. In the early '90s Kelsey was an officer in the division of Coxe's army, which started toward Wagon Mound, Mo., from Omaha. It was then that he gained his title of general. Kelsey was a member of the Leather Workers' union.

### GOVERNOR WILL STAND FOR NO DELAY IN STEWART SHORTAGE

Lincoln, Neb., May 11.—According to Governor Aldrich, proceedings against Bookkeeper T. E. Stewart, who was employed at the Beatrice home for the feeble minded, under the administration of former Governor Shallenberger, will be pushed with vigor unless the shortage with which Stewart is charged is made good.

"I do not see how captious in the matter," said the governor, "but I have warned the young man that he must make up the full amount or take the consequences. We have the matter lined up so that we know just where we are and will push it to a rapid conclusion unless he puts up." Stewart is charged with being short \$1,398.

### TEACHERS NOT PLEASED WITH BOARD'S CONDITION

Fremont, Neb., May 11.—There are 15 vacancies in the Fremont teachers' corps as a result of the action of City Superintendent Waterhouse and the board of education, in announcing that teachers who might resign during the summer, in case better positions were offered them elsewhere, need not apply. The board held its annual election and found that 15 of the old teachers were not applicants. Superintendent Waterhouse says the vacancies will be filled with little trouble.

### BURLINGTON CONDUCTOR LIVES BY NARROW SQUEAK

Walthill, Neb., May 11.—Conductor Shepherd, of the Burlington freight service between Sioux City and Omaha, met with a narrow escape here, missing death with slight injuries. He was standing behind the caboose when the engine suddenly jarred back the train, which was upon him before he could clear the track, the wheels cutting off the toes of his foot. He was taken to a hospital at Lincoln.

### COAL RATES PASSED UP TO FEDERAL COMMISSION

Lincoln, Neb., May 11.—The complaint of State Senator Bartos against the Burlington for alleged discrimination in coal rates against Wilber as between Beatrice and Crete will necessitate the state railway commission taking the matter up with the Interstate Commerce commission.

Bartos complained that Wilber was being discriminated against on coal shipped from Kansas, Iowa and Illinois. C. E. Spens, general freight agent of the Burlington, agreed to reduce the price on Iowa coal shipped from Avery, to 10 cents under the present rate to Wilber. Beatrice heretofore has had an advantage of 10 cents over Wilber, and Crete 20 cents.

### 25 AWARDS TO BE MADE FOR WHICH ARE 43 APPLICANTS

Lincoln, Neb., May 11.—The new excise board, composed of Mayor Armstrong, W. E. Unland and Harry Porter, will be busy for the next few weeks in disposing of the applications for saloon licenses. Forty-three have been filed. The board has not yet taken any action on any of them.

### NEW ADMINISTRATION APPOINTS OLD SLEUTH HEAD OF POLICE

Lincoln, Neb., May 11.—At the first meeting of the new excise board, Ernest Hunger was appointed chief of police to succeed James Malone. Patrick O'Shea was named as city detective.

Mr. Hunger has lived in Lincoln since the city was a village. For a quarter of a century, off and on, he has been a constable. For several years he was deputy game warden of Nebraska. In this capacity he has made a reputation for getting his man.

### NORTHWEST DEATHS

Beatrice, Neb., May 10.—The funeral of Mrs. Lydia A. Skinner was held from the house of her son J. M. Skinner. Mrs. Skinner died after a long illness at the age of 74 years. She leaves three sons.

Keokuk, Ia., May 10.—J. F. Kiedasch, 73 years old, a wholesale and retail druggist and a prominent resident of Keokuk for the last 53 years, died yesterday of stomach trouble. He was president of the firm of Wilkins & Co., drug dealers.

Mapleton, Ia., May 10.—Anton Uhl died at his home near here after an illness of several months. Mr. Uhl had been a resident of Monona county for upwards of 35 years and had accumulated a goodly number of acres of Monona county land. He was about 55. He leaves a widow and several children.

Britt, Ia., May 10.—Dr. H. J. Brink, one of the most popular physicians of this locality, is dead. Late in the evening the doctor was called into the country, returning about midnight. He had run his car into the garage and started for the house, as he was found face downward with a handkerchief in his mouth, seemingly as if he had been taken sick some time prior. It is generally supposed that heart failure caused his death.

### NORTHWEST WEDDINGS

Kearney, Neb., May 10.—Edward J. Isdell and Miss Hallie M. Young were married in this city last evening and left for Palestine, Col., where they will make their home. Lyle L. Huntley and Miss Lena Warren were also married at 8 o'clock at the bride's home.

Huron, S. D., May 10.—Miss Ina Mae Sparks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Sparks, of Broadland, S. D., and James P. Murphy, formerly of Huron but now also of Broadland, were united in marriage at St. Martin's Catholic church by Dean Desmond.

### NO RECIPROcity WITH NEWFOUNDLAND AS YET

Washington, May 11.—Secretary Knox, while ready to enter into negotiations with Newfoundland for a reciprocity arrangement upon lines similar to the measure now pending before congress, has decided to await the action of congress on the Canadian bill before proceeding with what would be a useless task in the event that the Canadian arrangement fails.

# NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

WEST POINT—The city council has granted licenses to eight saloons. This is the same number as last year and the proprietors are the same.

VALENTINE—The new three-story hotel which has been in course of construction, has been opened by Grace & Son, proprietors of the Dqnoher hotel.

MADISON—Willey Wyatt, near Tilden, was brought before the dipomanic board and adjudged a subject for the asylum for dipomanics at Lincoln. Also Ira Hamilton, of Norfolk, will take a course of treatment at the state institution.

WEST POINT—The Nebraska Transportation company, promoters of the proposed interurban, have applied to the council for a franchise to allow the road to pass through the city. The matter has been referred to a committee. Public feeling is favorable.

WEST POINT—Ernest J. Jensen, of Emerson, and Miss Anna A. Boyer, of West Point, were united in marriage at the Catholic parsonage by Dean Ruesling. The bride is the daughter of F. L. Boyer, of this place, and the groom is a young business man of Emerson, where the couple will reside.

FREMONT—Arrangements for Memorial day were made by the local G. A. R. and W. R. C. The schools will have patriotic exercises on the Friday preceding and the churches will unite in a union memorial Sunday service. May 30 the usual parade and decoration of soldiers' graves at Ridge cemetery will take place.

OMAHA—After fruitlessly trying to end the lives of herself and two small children with a defective revolver, Mrs. Wolfgang Eder, wife of a brewery worker, turned on a battery of burners of a kitchen gas range and closed the doors and windows. When found Mrs. Eder and the children were unconscious, but may recover.

FREMONT—Fremont inaugurated the Sunday closing postoffice plan and the usual crowd at the temporary quarters was absent. Heretofore the office has been open from 10 to 1. From now on only the general delivery window will serve patrons and those profiting by the carrier delivery will wait until this morning. The carriers who were off went to Ryan's lake.

MADISON—Jennie H. Danley, an inmate in the hospital for the insane at Norfolk, has started habeas corpus proceedings to be released from the hospital, claiming that her enforced detention there is contrary to law and the hearing will occur before Judge William Bates May 10, at which time her husband, Mr. Danley, of Chadron, will be present and represented by Attorney James Nichols.

VALENTINE—The junior state normal will be held this year at Valentine and will open on the 5th of June for an eight weeks' session. The faculty this year will be as follows: Mr. Jones, of Ord, Neb., principal, and the instructors are J. C. Michael, of Lincoln; A. Cargo, of Randolph; E. W. Lincoln; E. W. Marcellus, of Crete; Miss Van Drill, Miss Gordon and Miss Thackeray, of this city.

LINCOLN—That Chief of Police Malone and former Chief Cooper must turn over to an indemnity company something more than \$1,200, which they took from the Chapman bank robbers at the time of their capture, is the decision of the supreme court. The court has decided that none of the money found on the yegmen shall go to the local officers as their reward for arresting the men.

FREMONT—Ernest Coombs, who has been making a heroic fight against tuberculosis by living in a tent, is dead. Coombs and his girl-wife, the whole of last winter in a tent located on a city lot. The companies of the Fremont fire department assisted them financially. Coombs came to Fremont three years ago from Leon, Ia. He was of the age of 40 and was an occupation. He was an active member of the Mercer Hose company.

HARTINGTON—No new cases of infantile paralysis having appeared, the board of health has lifted the quarantine. The theaters reopened last evening and Sunday services were held at the churches as usual. The public and parochial schools, which have been closed for the past week, will resume work this morning. The two cases of infantile paralysis are recovering and the Mackenbrock home is now out of quarantine.

NORFOLK—Right-of-way for a road from the east end of the proposed new bridge across the Elkhorn half a mile north of Magenau bridge to the main road in Washington county may be secured by the Fremont Commercial club. As it lies outside the county the county board is powerless to contract for it. The Washington county commissioners have refused to co-operate with the Dodge county board and it is for that reason the Commercial club directors are getting busy.

WYMORE—Twenty-one hoboes were guests of the city yesterday. Eighteen were kept over night. The thirteen taken before Police Judge Crawford where six were given their liberty and seven held for further investigation. The seven are thought to have robbed a Burlington box car in the yards here and the railroad will prefer charges against them today. Some plunder was found where the gang was captured, but all deny any knowledge of the goods. In the bunch were two boys in their teens. One claimed Davenport, Ia., as his home.

WAYNE—In the chapel of the normal school occurred the annual debate between the Peru and Wayne schools. The question was, "Resolved, That the United States government should fortify the Panama Canal." Mr. Britton, Mr. Mann and Mr. Cross, for Wayne school, advocated the affirmative, and the negative was defended by Miss Bellas, Miss Mehleis and Mr. Roberts for Peru. President Conn presided and the judges were Dr. Edwin Maxey, of the University of Nebraska; Superintendent P. D. Haddock, and Professor P. G. Hunt, of Sioux City. The decision was in favor of Wayne.

CLEVELAND, OHIO—For alleged peculations amounting to nearly \$115,000, Julius W. Hopkins, paying teller of the First National bank, was placed under arrest yesterday. It is said he has confessed. When arraigned before United States Commissioner Walther the accused waived a preliminary hearing and was bound over to await action by the grand jury. Bond was fixed at \$50,000. Hopkins was unable to give bail and was taken to jail.

During the year 1903 more than 7,500,000 telephone messages were sent in the United States, the number of instruments in service having grown to exceed 7,000,000.

Silicic acid and boride of titanium, products of the electric furnace, are said to be as hard as the diamond.

With the exception of Belgium, more bread is consumed per capita in France than in any other European country.

Birmingham, England, has the largest pin factory in the world. It turns out 37,000,000 pins a day.

# News Brevities

SAN FRANCISCO—The Kern County bank of Bakersfield was closed yesterday by order of the state superintendent of banks. Assets and liabilities in the main statement were given at \$1,084,630; capital stock, \$100,000.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.—Gov. Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, arrived in Los Angeles yesterday on his speech-making tour and was accorded a reception at the station. He will address the City club in the auditorium tonight.

BOONEVILLE, MO.—George Maddox, a farmer, was acquitted here yesterday on a charge of murdering his wife. The jury was out more than 22 hours. Maddox's story was that he returned from a field one afternoon and found his wife in the barn with her throat cut.

SAN FRANCISCO—Detective Sergeant Fanning, official messenger for Mayor McCarthy, was accused yesterday by Chief of Police Seymour as the result of the grand jury investigation of alleged graft in connection with the municipal clinic. Fanning appeared before the grand jury as a witness. The suspension was made when the chief was informed that an indictment had been returned by the grand jury last night.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—On receiving the referee's report yesterday Judge Gager, in the superior court, granted Mrs. Eva Wheeler, wife of Prof. Henry Lord Wheeler, of Yale, a divorce and alimony. The largest ever granted by the state courts. Intolerable cruelty was alleged, it being charged that last winter Prof. Wheeler struck his wife several times, injuring her so that she was obliged to go to a sanitarium.

WASHINGTON.—B. D. Townsend, former United States district attorney for North Dakota, was yesterday appointed special assistant to Attorney General Wickersham to represent the government in the suits brought to test the validity of patents to thousands of acres of valuable oil and mineral lands now held by the Southern Pacific railroad. Francis J. Henry, retained by private interests, which are also contesting the railroad company's patents, will cooperate with Mr. Townsend.

ELK POINT, S. D.—Mr. Lillson, Schlarbe and Miss Anna Pearson, both of Sioux City, were married at the parsonage of the Congregational church in this city this afternoon. Rev. W. I. Beatty, pastor, officiating.

FORT DODGE, IA.—Miss Lela M. Lovin, of Mason City, and Raymond R. Clark, of Sioux City, were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodman yesterday. They will make their home in Sioux City.

SIDNEY, NEB.—Weddings of the week were: Byron W. Miller, of Denver, and Bertrude Romig, of Colorado Springs; Gordon H. Johns, of Palmer Lake, Colo., and Hortense Elizabeth McGovern, of Monument, Colo.

DANBURY, IA.—A happy wedding was celebrated at St. Patrick's church when Miss Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Fitzpatrick, was united in marriage to Mr. Earl P. Patten, of St. Paul, Minn. Rev. T. Meagher performed the ceremony. The bride formerly taught in the Danbury public school. Recently she has been teaching in the public schools at Mitchell, S. D. She has a host of friends here who will wish her and her husband the happiest kind of married life. Mr. Patten's home is at Sioux City, where he at present is connected with a large mercantile house in St. Paul.

### NORTHWEST WEDDINGS

HURON, S. D.—Funeral services for Eugene Baxter were held yesterday afternoon. Less than a week ago Mr. Baxter slightly injured one of his hands, blood poisoning followed and he died. He had been a resident of this city for a dozen years.

LYONS, NEB.—C. F. Walters had passed away in death. He was the son-in-law of the departed and venerated pioneer, William McMullen, and lived on the old homestead north of Lyons. Mr. Walters was about 42 years of age and has been ailing more or less all winter. He has been low for the last four weeks. He leaves a wife, two boys and one daughter. The funeral is arranged for at the Memorial Methodist church, Sunday at 2 o'clock p. m.

### NORTHWEST DEATHS

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Mrs. E. H. Hubbard and Mrs. J. W. Good, of Iowa, were among the women who were Mrs. Taft's garden party in the White House grounds last evening. It was one of the most fashionable functions of the year. Mrs. Cummins was among the guests invited, but was prevented from attending.