

The O'Neill Frontier

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Not so long ago, in a gas factory at Ivy near Paris, a Lavoisier turbine driven by jets of steam, was set to work, and once fairly under way, was driven for 3,600 hours, or 150 days, without stopping for an instant. An automatic oiler kept it lubricated, and a workman visited it once in 12 hours to replenish the oil reservoir. The speed of the circumference of the rotating disk being six miles per minute, a point on that circumference must have traveled in the course of the 150 days almost five and one-half times the distance from the earth to the moon.

Everyone knew Jonathan Skinfint as a millionaire, with the exception, so it appeared, of Skinfint himself. One day an old friend endeavored to persuade the miser to dress better. "I am surprised," he said, "that you should let yourself become so shabby. Remember your father. He was always neatly, even elegantly dressed. His clothes were very handsome. Skinfint gave utterance to a hearty laugh. "Why," he shouted triumphantly, "these clothes I've got on were father's."

Uniformed persons probably would assume that the begum of Bhopal is a man. Her appearance at the coronation, however, revealed the fact of the femininity to the English speaking world. The English newspapers report that her highness was somewhat shocked at the fact that her mind—masculinity of the English women. She has a horror of large extremities and was delighted to learn that Queen Victoria was a very small woman. The begum rules over a little Indian state having a population of 665,000.

Chicago's chief of police, James McWeeny—his Scotch—doesn't think much of the scheme now being tried on the Brooklyn bridge tolls by Police Captain Burke and several Irish men and women. The Chicago Tribune says that "he refuses to give the scheme a trial in Chicago. In the first place he believes the making of such a regulation would first require action by the city council, and secondly, he does not believe it would be practicable in Chicago."

A superintendent of a city Sunday school endeavored to give the summer meetings added attraction by serving a certain warm Sunday in August lemonade was served. At the close of the service the superintendent announced that slips of paper would be passed around and the pupils allowed to make suggestions as to methods of making the meetings still more attractive. One youngster wrote: "Put more sugar in the lemonade."

A humpback salmon weighing 15 1/2 pounds, caught in a trap near Annapolis, several days ago, is said to be the largest salmon on record anywhere. It was five feet one and one-half inches long, measured 39 inches around the body, and was at first thought to be a young catfish. The average 4-year-old humpback salmon weighs 25 to 30 pounds. The giant fish has been preserved.

The Louisiana Historical society has started a movement to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Judah P. Benjamin, secretary of war in the Confederate cabinet and a famous Louisiana lawyer and senator. Confederate organizations in Louisiana have lent their support to the plan, and it is probable that a big public meeting commemorating the centenary will be held in New Orleans in the fall.

Each morning now there are to be seen at the Mauna Kea wharf a great many outriggers. The Hawaiians report that the flying fish season is now in full swing, and every boat is laden with the little delicacies. They say that they are catching an average of 400 flying fish a night, by the simple method of placing a light in the boat to attract the fish toward them.

European visitors who do not know South American conditions are surprised at the extravagance of many of the women's toilets in that part of the world. The most extravagant of French confections are often scarcely elaborate enough for Buenos Aires, and firms in Paris create especially expensive fashions for the South American trade.

A Kansas woman who wants a husband who is "a tower of strength, energetic and generous, very loving, very tender, very kind and courteous always," falls to specify what he is to receive in exchange for this list of virtues. Her own qualifications might be more attractive, but than a statement of what she wants.

Mayor Gaynor's remarks at the state fair, in Syracuse, that "there must be 1,000,000 people in New York who never saw a litter of pigs," was short of a careful estimate. It leads the Syracuse Post-Standard to suggest that "the Bronx Zoo must soon have a farm yard exhibit for the entertainment and instruction of the people of New York."

The actual money invested in hotels in Switzerland is \$160,000,000. The payment of the interest on this sum, the maintenance of the properties and a profit on the enormous business, which employs many thousands of people, is practically all paid by tourists who come to Switzerland in pursuit of health, recreation and pleasure.

Berlin almost stands still. The increase since 1906 is only 1.2 per cent, or from 2,940,000 to 2,954,000 inhabitants. Besides the capital six cities have more than half a million people: Hamburg, 536,000; Munich, 505,000; Leipzig, 585,000; Dresden, 546,000; Cologne, 611,000; and Breslau, 610,000.

The employees in linen mills of the United Kingdom number about 96,000, whose average earnings in the pay week of September, 1906, were \$2.90. For those who worked neither less nor more than full time the average earnings were \$2.92.

Memorials to Augustus Toplady, who wrote "Rock of Ages," are being erected in the Devonshire parishes of Hartford and Fen Ottery, of which he was vicar from May, 1765, to April, 1768.

Tokio now has a Japanese Young Men's Buddhist association modeled after the Young Men's Christian association of this country.

In China they have capital punishment by proxy at times. A rich man convicted of crime can hire another man to take his place.

Water for the boilers of steam engines in France is now heated by exhaust steam. It economizes fuel more than 12 per cent.

During the last two years Canada has sustained a loss of over \$45,000,000 worth of property by fires.

In one London hospital alone—St. George's—some 2,000 patients are operated upon each year.

MARK HOUVER'S TALE

AS TO COHN MURDER CAN'T BE CONFIRMED

Story of Woodbury County Farmer Sets Police Agog—Hoover Arrested.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 9.—Mark Houwer, the Iowa farmer who Wednesday night made the startling announcement that he was prepared to point an accusing finger at the murderer of the late Herman Cohn, is in jail under a charge of drunkenness while the police delve into the mystery of his accusation against a young prisoner now occupying a cell in the county jail.

In a signed statement issued in the presence of detectives at police headquarters Friday, Houwer named Charles Filbert, awaiting trial in district court for highway robbery, as the slayer of Cohn. Houwer in his statement to the police reiterates the talk he made to a reporter last Wednesday night, that Filbert confessed the crime to him while a fugitive on his farm 15 miles from Sioux City, Ia.

Think Houwer Confused. Chief of Detectives Savage, following an interview with Houwer, declared that the latter is mindful of a confusion of ideas relative to the Cohn murder and the shooting of the late Druggist Elton in an attempted robbery at the latter's store, Twenty-fourth and Bristol streets. He says that Houwer at the present time is in condition to talk, owing to the apparent effects of a prolonged spree and that he will be detained until he has recovered.

"There is nothing in this man's story that is at all convincing or probable," said the chief. "After the Cohn murder I had all these young toughs rounded up and among them was Filbert. In him there was nothing to attract suspicion. This man Houwer is drunk now and couldn't tell a straight story if he had the will to do so. He is, however, pending a full investigation."

Filbert when interviewed in the county jail by a reporter Friday denied knowing any one named Houwer or that he had ever been at or near Sioux City, or that he ever shot a man. Houwer told the police that he had known Filbert for 15 years.

Talks to Fleming. Houwer would divulge nothing to any of the officers but Detective Fleming. With Fleming he claimed a personal acquaintance of many years, and to him, it is said, he confided the story. Fleming says he once knew a man named Houwer, but stated that he couldn't identify the man in jail as the one he had known.

Houwer was arrested in the Nebraska Clothing company's store by Sergeant Sigwart. Detective Fleming located Houwer's abode, while in the city, at 1019 South Twentieth street.

Houwer's story is in part as follows: "Filbert came to my farm and asked to stay a while. He appeared very worried and one day I asked him what was the matter. He made me swear never to divulge the secret and then he told me of the Cohn murder."

The story which has haunted me like a ghost, he claimed, I finally determined to come to Omaha, look up Eddie Fleming, whom I had known as a child, tell him the whole story and here I am. If there is any reward I want Fleming to have it. He is my friend and that is why I have been trying to find him. The murderer, Filbert, is in the Douglas county jail and can't get away. I knew of his arrest."

Houwer's Heroic Act. Houwer has an Omaha record which is of great credit to himself. On the morning of March 15, 1910, he rescued a woman from drowning in a cistern at 1430 South Seventeenth street, jumping into the water after her when she attempted suicide.

Anna Homella was the young woman's name, and she was employed as a domestic at the home of Ferdinand Kretz. In the rear of the house was a cistern with 20 feet of water in it. She was covered and boxed, so that no one could possibly fall in it. The Homella woman let herself down through this box, but her screams attracted the attention of the neighbors.

Houwer was visiting his sister, Mrs. C. Mervard, at 1412 South Seventeenth street, and was one of the first to the rescue. He boldly plunged in after her, and being a good swimmer; held her up by her hair until Mrs. Mervard and her brother, Blackman, lowered a ladder by which both rescuer and rescued were saved.

JOE M'KAY GETS

SECOND HEARING

Case of Antelope County Lifer Is Remanded on Account of Error.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 9.—Joe McKay, sentenced in Antelope county for life for the alleged murder of Albert Brown, in 1909, secured a reversal and an order for a new trial in the supreme court yesterday afternoon. The court found numerous errors of the trial judge, one being that he allowed Mike Harrington to aid in the prosecution without a request from the county or an order of the judge, and another being that bloody garments, which proved only that a murder had been committed, were flaunted before the jury.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER WAY TO REMOVE FOR DRUNKENNESS

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 9.—In an editorial two fire and police commissioners of South Omaha have been intimated on the streets and a petition for enforcement of the state license laws, a petition for writ of ouster has been filed in the supreme court asking that the two men, John J. Ryan and Joseph Pivonka, be removed from office. The suit is mediation, and the state attorney general under the Sackett law, permitting the summary removal of delinquent officials.

BRYAN ASKS TAFT FOR REASON OF APPOINTMENT

Hastings, Oct. 9.—While his moths-appearing this week, Mr. Bryan challenges President Taft to make public the written and verbal recommendations upon which he appointed Justice White to the position of chief justice over Justice Harlan, and the recommendation which he appointed the justices whom he has placed on the supreme bench.

In Japan among the poorer classes fully one-third of the marriages end in divorce.

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NORTH BEND—North Bend's annual corn show will open tomorrow for a three days' session. Prof. C. W. Pugsley of the state university and Miss Helen Beaman of the association at the educational sessions for agricultural and domestic science instruction.

TECUMSEH—Johnson county was visited by a very heavy fall of rain and a violent electrical storm last evening when the spire of the Presbyterian church was struck by lightning, and the roof badly torn, but the building did not catch fire. The lightning struck in many places in this vicinity.

YORK—The City National bank of York is preparing plans for the new bank building which it will build next spring. The brick laundry building in the rear of the bank will be torn down and the structure extended to the alley. The structure will be of stone and will present a handsome appearance when completed.

BEATRICE—The garage of D. F. Wheeler at Wymore was destroyed by fire and his touring car valued at \$2,000 was consumed. It is not known how the fire started. The loss is \$3,000. The garage was owned by Wymore men who is out on bond on the charge of being implicated in the robbery of the Hanover and Waterville, Kansas, banks.

CHAPPELLE—Wille Sudman, 14-year-old son of Fred Sudman, president of the First National bank of Chappelle, was instantly killed, Charley Hudson seriously injured and two other boys slightly hurt when their automobile, in which young Sudman was giving his boy friends a "joy ride," skidded and overturned.

YORK—The board of directors of the York Chautauqua association have elected the following officers for the year: President, Alexander Bennett; vice president, Joel Roberts; secretary, George F. Corcoran; treasurer, W. A. Miller; superintendent concessions, J. N. Kildow; preservation of order, J. B. Parks; committee on grounds, N. A. Dean, Joel Roberts.

NEBRASKA CITY—Frank Gorty, who shot his wife through the right breast three weeks ago and attempted to kill himself by sticking a fork into his left side, has been arraigned before Judge Wilson and the hearing of his case set for October 3. He could not give the \$3,000 bail demanded by the city. He was held in jail. His wife is recovering.

BEATRICE—Small worms in great numbers appeared in the wheat field of Wilber Halt, northwest of Odell, and after working 24 hours in the field destroyed about one-third of it. Today Mr. Halt found millions of them at work in the field and he will lose his crop if he does not find some way of destroying the pests, which work on the blades of the plant.

LINCOLN—Because the production of cream has fallen off with cooler weather and will continue to be lighter the food commission has suspended its inhibition against payment for milk by the same day the test is made. The rule was suspended because of the summer months because the rush of business resulted frequently in faulty tests. The postponement of payment allowed the tester more time.

OMAHA—Three men have been arrested in Omaha who are thought to be the parties wanted at Washburn, Neb., for the robbery of the Farmers State bank there Wednesday night of last week. The officers who were after the men have been working on the theory that they are the same parties who robbed the jewelry store of Mike Tritsch at Louisville the next night and secured \$1,000 in watches and money.

PLATTSMOUTH—Last Saturday afternoon the robbers of the Treitsch jewelry store, at Louisville, for a number of days, Sheriff Quinton located one of the men at Omaha and gathered him in by a quiet raid on the city. He gave his name as Frank McCann. At the request of the sheriff nothing was said about the arrest, as he was trying to locate some of the remainder of the gang, which the officers of Omaha succeeded in doing last evening, arresting one other man.

HOLDREGE—The 17th annual convention of the Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs opened at Holdrege last evening. The opening program is in the nature of a welcoming reception, with addresses by the mayor, president of the Commercial club and local and state club presidents. This is the real work of the convention will commence. There will be many interesting lectures during the session on educational, literary and household subjects. Chancellor Avery of the state university will be one of the speakers.

FREMONT—Efforts in behalf of Josef Broz and Marie Necla, the Bohemian affiliates, failed and Immigration Officer Adams took the prisoners away. The woman wept as she left the jail. Adams declared that the case of the couple had been thoroughly investigated and that he justified the action of the department. He declared that Broz left a wife and five children in Bohemia and that Miss Necla knew of this when she eloped to America with him. The couple will be sent to New York City from Omaha today for deportation.

GRAND ISLAND—The people's independent state committee at its meeting held in Grand Island elected an executive committee consisting of the following persons, one for each congressional district: F. D. Eager, of Lincoln; Orvado Cowles, of Valley; Frank Roth, of Tekamah; Dr. H. B. Cummins, of Seward; and W. H. Hastings, of Hastings, and W. H. Taft, of Cos. Three of the candidates on the state ticket, Messrs. Harman, Stark and Oldham, were present and the committee meeting was one of the best held for some time. Headquarters will be maintained at Aurora.

WOODLAWN—G. W. Ault, a farmer living a mile and a half south of Woodlawn, has demonstrated that cotton can be grown successfully in Lancaster county. Last May Mr. Ault planted a crop in his garden with cotton seed. He now has 76 cotton stalks. Most of the cotton is ready to pick. Some stalks are three and a half feet high. If the majority of the bolls on these stalks mature before a killing frost sets in, it is said that the ratio of a bale and a half to two bales to the acre. Mr. Ault obtained the cotton seed in Arkansas last spring when he was in that state for the benefit of his health.

NEBRASKA CITY—The coroner's jury held an inquest at Syracuse over the body of George Jarreis, the man who was found dead in his home with his head crushed with a hammer and throat cut, but could find no motive for the crime and rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death at the hands of a party or parties unknown. The jury suggested that Charles Thompson, a map peddler who had some misunderstanding with the deceased over a woman, be held for further investigation. Thompson claims that he was not at the scene, which was 14 miles away from the scene of the murder the night it occurred.

WERTZ HEIRS MEET

TO ADOPT PLAN TO RECEIVE MILLIONS

Product of Sum Left by General Wertz to Be Divided Among 400.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 7.—W. W. Wertz and Mrs. Wertz, of Lincoln, left for Rock Island, Ill., today, where they will attend a meeting of the 400 members of the Wertz family, at which reunion chances of dividing a fortune of \$180,000,000 among them will be discussed.

It appears that this colossal sum has grown from a modest fortune left General Wertz, who died in Amsterdam in 1817. He left no children and the crown became trustee of the property. Wertz had four brothers and the heirs of one, John Wertz, came to America in 1732. Since then the America branch has increased to about 400 members.

It is 1852 the Holland government issued an edict declaring that all unclaimed fortunes and property escheated to the crown. It is said that this edict has been set aside several times since, however, when convincing claims were presented.

ELECTRIC LINES UNDER THE COMMISSION JURISDICTION

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 7.—A passenger rate of 10 cent across the bridge between Omaha, Neb., and Council Bluffs, Ia., was sustained today in a decision by the commerce court, at Washington.

More far reaching than the mere question of the rate was the decision of the court that the Interstate Commerce commission has the power under the law to regulate the operations of interstate electric railways, this being the first determination by a court in support of the commission's jurisdiction in this regard. The court held that the commission had ample authority to issue its order, in addition to holding that the exercise of its was reasonable. The case was brought by the Omaha and Council Bluffs Railway company and the Omaha and Council Bluffs Bridge company in an action against the Interstate Commerce commission, which issued an order fixing the 10-cent rate.

SEEKS TO OUST COUNTY ATTORNEY OF NEMAH

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 7.—M. S. Mornish, attorney for Henry Morgenstern, of Nemaha county, has filed charges with Governor Aldrich, asking for the institution of an ouster suit against County Attorney Fred Hawxy, of Auburn. It is asserted that Hawxy has not been diligent in the prosecution of criminal cases. Hawxy was a member of the 1901 legislature.

In May, 1907, a grand jury returned a true bill against William Seaman, charging him with setting fire to and burning down a building owned by the Morgenstern. It is alleged that the county attorney has never caused Seaman to be arrested and tried and that, although urged to do so, has neglected and refused to perform such service.

BOY OF 17 AND GIRL OF 16 ARE REFUSED A LICENSE

Fremont, Neb., Oct. 7.—Miss Ruby Lewis, a 16-year-old Fremont girl, granddaughter of Mrs. Mary Hancock, with whom she has been residing, has disappeared. Yesterday Mrs. Hancock received a telephone call from Sidney, Ia., in which the county judge at that place told her that the girl in company with N. T. Mosler, of Nebraska City, Neb., had applied there for a marriage license, but that it was refused them. The judge said that the couple left the office declaring they would go to Missouri. They have not been heard from since. Mosler had been keeping company with the girl. He is only 17 years old.

WOMAN LITIGANT ASKS COURT FOR NEW TRIAL

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 7.—Arguments in support of a new trial for Mrs. Maggie Davis, who shot and killed the Rev. Churchill on a Cedar county farm on the 2d of November, 1910, were submitted today to the supreme court, and the matter taken under advisement. Mrs. Davis is now serving a life sentence in the state's prison.

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ARLINGTON—Arlington will have a postal savings bank, opening October 28.

LINCOLN—December 8, is the date as finally fixed for the intercollegiate debates this year, when Nebraska's affirmative team gives forensic battle to Iowa's team here at Lincoln and Nebraska's negative meets Minnesota at Minneapolis.

LINCOLN—According to the revised figures of Secretary Mellor, of the state fair board, the last state fair added \$11,000 to the surplus of the association. The total receipts were \$94,523.05 and the expenditures so far \$82,400.73. There are about \$1,000 of outstanding debts. It is believed, claims for which have not yet been presented.

BROKEN BOW—Cromwell Dixon, the young aviator who was killed yesterday at Seward, was the one chosen by the agricultural society to make flights here on the 16th and 17th of this month. This will make no difference as regards the aviation meet, as Mr. Dixon was merely named by the society as a competent man to do the work.

GRAND ISLAND—It is stated that the men employed upon the extension of the railroad from this place to Gandy are one by one quitting their work and the company is having a hard time to find men to do the work. As corn husking is now begun, it is said that about all of the men will quit and go to work husking corn. As the farmers are offering 4 cents per bushel and board, for husking corn, the men can make more money than they can working on the railroad.

DAKOTA CITY—D. E. Watkins, secretary of the Nebraska State Automobile association, has arranged with certain of the local automobile enthusiasts to hold a general meeting of all the automobile owners in Dakota county on October 14, for the purpose of organizing a county automobile club.

NEBRASKA CITY—Marcus Sichel, while hunting yesterday on the bottom lands of this city, shot and killed a large gray heron, measured 12 feet from tip to tip of wings. This is the first eagle that has been killed or seen in this part of the valley for the past 20 years.

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

FREMONT—W. J. Bryan is to speak in Fremont on the evening of October 21 on behalf of his old friend, Dan V. Stephens, who is running for congress.

LINCOLN—Twenty thousand dollars of Decatur water bonds and \$5,000 of Wayne city hall bonds, all bearing 5 per cent interest, have been purchased by the state treasury.

OMAHA—The republican state central committee will meet in Omaha next Tuesday night and will spend most of its time trying to devise a proper way to raise funds for the campaign.

WINNEBAGO—Supt. A. H. Kneale of the Winnebago reservation, and Expert Farmer J. D. Martin, also of the agency, are collecting samples of appraised by Indians on this reservation for exhibition.

GRAND ISLAND—In county court a temporary writ of injunction was issued against Governor Aldrich, the state board of public lands and building and Commissioner Hoyt, restraining them from discharging G. G. Van Ness from the soldiers' home.

LINCOLN—Dan V. Stephens, democratic nominee for congress in the Third district, was in Lincoln today, leaving his nomination certificate and his expense statement with the secretary of state. Mr. Stephens spent \$65 in his campaign, covering a period from September 16 to 25.

FREMONT—Marie Necla and Josef Broz, the Bohemian affiliates who fled from their native land to Nebraska in response to Cupid's beckoning, will be taken to the immigration department at Denver, Colo., where the complaint against them was lodged. They are to leave at 5 o'clock this evening. From Denver the couple will be taken to New York city for deportation.

FAIRBURY—E. J. Kerns was found in a dying condition in his room over the rear of a local saloon. The county authorities took charge of him. A telegram was sent to his only son in California, telling him of the condition of his father. Mr. Kerns lived alone and it is thought he has been ill and confined to his room for some time. He was formerly a bartender.

WINNEBAGO—Miss Lola E. Pierson, employed at the agency as field matron, returned last night from her vacation. Miss Pierson has been visiting relatives and friends in Kansas and Iowa. She has been employed at the agency for a number of years, holding the position of matron until the school was closed and then being appointed field matron.

CEDAR BLUFFS—Eight persons were thrown heavily to the roadside when John Fencotmacher's team ran into Walter Lichtinger's automobile on a high grade near town. Only one person, Miss Jaynette Denham, was injured, and she but slightly. The automobile was damaged to the extent of \$1,000 and one of the horses was badly cut up.

FREMONT—The board of supervisors has issued a call for a special election to be held in connection with the general election this fall for the purpose of voting on a proposition to erect a new jail costing \$40,000 in Dodge county. The present jail is in a dilapidated condition. At present it is sheltering two prisoners charged with murder.

LOUISVILLE—Robbers entered the jewelry store of Mike Tritsch last night and blew open the safe, getting away with \$1,000 in watches and money. They also got into the safe in which the elevator and stolen the safe in the jewelry store. The work is thought to have been done by the same gang of eggmen which attempted to rob the Farmers State bank at Washburn last Wednesday night.

GRAND ISLAND—C. C. Johns has accepted the offer of Chairman Kennedy of the republican state central committee to take charge of the publicity end of the committee's work and left for Omaha today. Mr. Johns, as secretary of the Nebraska State Press association, has an extensive acquaintance with the republican newspapers of the state and modern ideas as to effective methods of publicity.

LINCOLN—William J. Bryan may extend the hand of welcome to William H. Taft when the president of the United States arrives in Lincoln next Monday. The thrice-elected candidate for the presidency is in the city now and is endeavoring to arrange his speaking dates so that he can take part in the entertainment to be extended to his chief executive. Nearly all, if not all, the representatives of this state in congress will be here.

LINCOLN—A delegation of business men visited Governor Aldrich last evening and asked him to prevent the holding at Fremont, Neb., early in October, of the national coursing futurity. Among the delegation were men from the state where the race is to be held. There is no law in Nebraska against coursing, but it was claimed the law prohibiting cruelty to animals would apply. Governor Aldrich said he would refer the matter to the county attorney of Saline county.

HOPPER—R. J. Tate, of Omaha, a well known real estate man, was seriously injured when his automobile turned turtle off a high grade on the hill south of this place. Mr. Tate, accompanied by a companion, was on his way to Plainville when the accident occurred. He was brought to the Hooper hotel, where none but physicians were allowed to see him. Later he was taken back to Omaha. An examination revealed three fractured ribs and possible internal injuries.

FREMONT—After eight years apart W. H. Moran, of Omaha and Mrs. Hattie Moran, of Columbus, agreed to meet at a half way point to be married a second time. The knot was tied in Fremont yesterday by County Judge Stinson. Moran and his wife were married the first time in Columbus 10 years ago. Two years later they were divorced and since that time Mrs. Moran has been residing with her parents.

CRAWFORD—Owing to the recent supreme court decision holding that the control of railroad crossings in old and new towns is in the hands of municipal officers alone, the railway commission did not hear the complaint from Crawford, which had been set down for Wednesday afternoon. The mayor and other officials from Crawford were at Lincoln to offer their side of the case, but the commission held that it would be useless to proceed. The city government will now seek to get relief by acting on its own account.

NELIGH—Owing to the accidental fracture of the limb of Will Graybill, the star football player of the Neligh high school eleven, the schedule for the season has been badly handicapped. At one time it was feared that no games would be played at all on account of the protest made by the parents of the boys. Prof. C. A. Mohrman has given out the statement that games are being arranged with Atkinson, Stanton, Madison and Norfolk.

LINCOLN—The annual inspection of the Nebraska National Guard will begin October 30 and will be completed two months later. Major Louis H. Gage, chief of ordnance, making the inspection.

WOODBURY COUNTY

MAN TELLS SECRET

Will Name the Man Who Killed Herman Cohn and Thus Lift Mystery.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 5.—It looks as if the mystery which has hung like a funeral pall over the grave of Herman Cohn for so many months is about to be lifted and that his cruel slayer is at last to be brought to justice and punished.

Evidence, that appears to be indisputable, with the name of the murderer is to be put in the hands of the police today by Mark Houwer, an Iowa farmer, who claims to know Cohn's slayer.

Houwer has a farm about 15 miles from Sioux City. He says that Cohn's slayer fled to his home and stayed with him a week after the murder. Houwer observed that the man was worried about something and he questioned him several times. The murderer finally admitted that he was in deep trouble and one day towards the end of the visit he swore Houwer to secrecy and made a clean breast of the whole story.

"He made me swear never to divulge his secret," said Houwer, "but I can't keep it any longer. It is all too horrible. I will not be a party to it any longer. The story has haunted me like a ghost. I dreamed of it. I finally determined to come to Omaha, look up Eddie Fleming, whom I have known as a child, tell him the whole story and here I am. If there is any reward I want Fleming to have it. He is my friend and that is why I have been trying to find him."

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NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

BEATRICE—Theodore Skladny was shot in the jaw while cleaning a revolver last evening and probably fatally injured. He has a wife and nine children.

FREMONT—Passenger trains on the Union Pacific through Fremont are showing the effects of the strike. Most of them are running from three to 10 hours late.

BEATRICE—Against the strenuous opposition of the socialist city government, the commission form of government was adopted by this city yesterday by a majority of 62.

BEATRICE—Hog dipping proved nearly fatal to Prather Delow, a farmer living near here, who was overcome with fumes from an acetylene mixture used. He was rendered unconscious and fell into the tank, but was rescued.

FREMONT—Only six carloads of peaches were sold in Fremont this season, against 19 cars for the canning season of 1910. Fremont housewives are fighting the sugar trust by refusing to "put up" canned goods with sugar at its present high price.

TEKAMAH—Frank Larson, accused of killing his brother, Charles, in Lyons, has had a hearing and waived preliminary examination. He was bound over to the district court without bail. He was charged with first degree murder.

WAHOO—Johnson Crawford, a pioneer of this section, died here. Forty years ago Crawford operated the old ferry line over the Elsie river between Fremont and Saunders county.

FALLS CITY—About 120 men were given a 60-day layoff at the Missouri Pacific shops. This includes machinists, boiler makers and blacksmiths and their helpers. There are only a few skilled workmen retained in each department.

FREMONT—The Fremont horse and mule market has just completed the report of its first sale. Thirty-eight head went through the ring, bringing prices that were above the tops of nearby markets. The top was reached on a Cedar Bull gelding, at \$225.

LINCOLN—Vital statistics compiled during the month of August by State Health Inspector Wilson show 793 deaths and 2,271 births. Infantile diseases were responsible for nearly one-fourth of the deaths, heart disease, cancer and tuberculosis following in gravity.

YORK—