

The O'Neill Frontier

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The Rev. S. Baring-Gould, author of the hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers," recently celebrated his 75th birthday at his home in North Devon, England. For 50 years he has been a prolific writer, handling with amazing ease theological studies, historical researches, romances, novels and poems. In all that time his clerical work has not suffered. The origin of his famous hymn is thus told: Some Sunday school children were to march from one village to another, and as Mr. Baring-Gould knew of no suitable hymn for them to sing on the way, he sat down and wrote one, which he never dreamed would attain world-wide popularity.

Experiments made in France show that by adding 4 cents' worth of peanut oil cake to a cow's winter feed her daily yield of milk can be increased by 10 to 15 cents.

A new railway line is being built between Rome and Naples, which will shorten the present distance of 155 miles by about 24 miles. This road will run underground from the outskirts of Naples to the center of that city, and a number of underground passenger stations will be built.

The Canton-Macao railway, China, has already been surveyed, and it is probable that construction work will be commenced in the near future. Starting at Fati, across the SIKIANG river from Canton, the line will run almost due south through the districts of Shuntak and Heungshan to the boundary of the Portuguese colony at Macao. This line will be about 70 miles long and will penetrate one of the richest districts of south China.

Mrs. Robert La Follette was the first woman to graduate from the law school of the Wisconsin university. Nebraska is now said to have more women students than any other university west of the Mississippi river. Kansas has 846, Illinois 848 and Nebraska 1,785. In the recent Phi Beta Kappa elections 21 of the 33 students receiving the honor were women, though the highest average was made by a man.

Approach of the fiftieth anniversary, recently celebrated at the combat between the Monitor and the Merrimac, Mr. Hudson Maxim says in the Navy that a forty foot wooden motor boat, armed with a single three-inch gun, would today be able to attack and sink the Monitor. This indicates the great advance of the last half-century in the making of guns and of marine engines.

If a man in these days has only \$1,000,000 he can not expect to own a gallery of masterpieces. At the prices they are bringing nowadays three or four pictures would use up his fortune. A Frans Hals reported to have sold his "Portrait of a Dutch Merchant" for \$250,000. Rembrandt's "Portrait of a Dutch Merchant" has just been bought by an American multimillionaire for \$250,000.

Plans for an unsinkable trans-Atlantic ship have been made by Otto Kretschmer, dean of the engineering department of the Charloerburg Technical high school. In them he embodies the principle of constructing a hull, the inner body, which is entirely independent of the outer, contains all the engines and boilers and is walled in with steel plating and with no doors to the outer structure.

The faculty of Vassar college is said to be considering the abolition of the "daisy chain" thinking that the world may get the impression that personal beauty counts for more than scholarship at that college. Perhaps they are able to refute Max Beerbohm's epigram (in "Zuleika Dobson," the "Oxford love story") "Beauty and the last for learning have yet to be allied."

Since January 10 it has been a misdemeanor to throw a piece of waste paper upon a Paris street. If a policeman sees you drop a piece of paper he walks up to you, puts you on the shoulder, bears your pardon for addressing you, and tells you you have violated the law and asks you to pick up what you have thrown down.

Out of 20,000,000-horse power utilized in industrial and public utility enterprises in the United States six million is now developed by water. At a conservative estimate this saves about thirty-three millions tons of coal a year. Several million more power could be developed from the same source.

French officers experimenting with dropping bombs from aeroplanes find that it is most difficult to drop a first bomb. It is found that a slight wind gust is enough to send the bomb off the target. Much practice will be needed, but better work is expected.

An expedition from Yale university, led by Professor Hiram Bingham, is to make further explorations this year in Peru, in the regions where a Yale party last year discovered the ruins supposed to be not less than twenty thousand years old, imbedded in glacial deposits.

"Culture is knowledge gained not for its own sake, but for the sake of the refining of the mind and the sweetening of the world. To know by heart rote and not by heart rote, all the rules of politeness would never make a man polite. Knowledge is for living use."

"An Irishman was sleeping with a companion. In the middle of the night he was discovered out on the floor. Asked by his bedfellow what he was doing there, he calmly replied: 'I got out to tuck myself in.'"

The population of the city of Buenos Aires on December 31, 1911, was 1,860,406, an increase of over 50,000 for the year. The population of the city of La Plata was estimated at 102,925.

Girl Scouts must learn how to wash a baby, bake a loaf of bread, build a coal fire and darn a sock, to say nothing of being able to find their way about in woods and cure snake bites.

A locomotive that was originally built in 1847 has been reconstructed and given light work to do by an English railroad.

Exports of Ceylon tea last year amounted to 187,673,000 pounds, of which 19,011,000 went to America.

The use of motor wagons to carry parcels between London and Birmingham has proved so successful that the postal authorities are about to make an extension of the service to Manchester.

A statement was made in the house of parliament in 1610 that the coal mines of Newcastle would be productive for at least 20 years.

A flash of lightning has been known to cure a case of neuritis.

The railroads of Newfoundland total 450 miles.

AUTO COLLIDES WITH A HORSE AND BUGGY

Charge Of Reckless Driving Against Driver Of the Automobile.

Fremont, Neb., July 8.—As a result of an accident, in which the car he was driving collided with a horse and buggy owned by Otto Shallenberger, of Hooper, on a country road near Scribner, a warrant has been issued for the arrest of Ad. Muir of Hooper, on a charge of fast and reckless driving. Muir's car broke two of the horse's legs, and it was necessary to shoot the animal. The buggy also was damaged. Shallenberger claims he turned out to run the road as the car was running at the rate of 35 miles an hour; that Muir worked his Klaxon horn until the horse became unmanageable and jumped in front of the machine. Muir, on the other hand, says that Shallenberger was proceeding with a girl friend and wasn't holding the reins as he should have been. The case will be given a hearing in justice court.

CORONER SAYS VERDICT OF HIS JURY IS FARCE

Lincoln, Neb., July 8.—The verdict of a coroner's jury, termed by the coroner himself a farce and not rendered according to the evidence given, was returned here last night in the case of little 6-year-old Lawrence Lake, the University Place boy, who was run over and killed by an automobile during the celebration here.

The verdict declared the accident unavoidable and held J. H. Christensen, the driver of the car, blameless.

Citizens of the city who have been apprised of the jury's findings, have not failed to condemn the jurors, and have, compared to accidents of a similar nature which have occurred within the last year or more.

The chief contention against the jury and the one which the coroner "Jack" Matten held in the "rawest" he has heard of, was that it disregarded evidence to the effect that the man was going at the speed of only three miles an hour and then could not stop his car within 15 feet.

SIGHT OF AUTOMOBILE KILLS VENERABLE MARE

Nemaha, Neb., July 8.—"Dolly," 36 years old, the oldest horse in Nebraska, the property of William Hawxy of Nemaha, dropped dead at sight of an auto and will be given an honorable burial.

"Dolly" first became a mother when 3 years old and until 25 years old she kept up her record of adding to the Hawxy herd of horses every spring.

When a colt "Dolly" was black, but she eventually became snow white and away she backed the latter in carrying two generations of young Hawxys on her back. She had been on the pension list for the last 10 years.

LAST OF 'INVINCIBLES' ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT

Hurley, S. D., July 8.—A few years ago 15 young women of Hurley organized a club which they dubbed the "Invincibles," because all the members claimed to be invincible to the darts of Cupid. The other day the eight members of the club who still reside at Hurley held a reunion. All of them are married save one, and the reunion was held to permit this lone member to acknowledge she is not invincible and to announce her engagement. Of the seven who no longer reside in Hurley, all are married but one. She was the originator and first president of the club, who later moved to a Pacific coast state.

LACK OF INTEREST IN 'SANE' CELEBRATIONS

Fremont, Neb., July 8.—Indicating that with the same Fourth idea has come a lack of interest in the Fourth of July celebrations, the celebrations in many towns around Fremont were poorly attended. Local experts figure it out that it was cannon crackers and fireworks that drew the crowds. Winslow celebration amounted to little through the day, the town being like a deserted village. North Bend had a small crowd. Arlington, with its lake and its boating and its dancing, drew only a moderate number. People preferred to stay at home, it is said, to going to the mollycoddish form of celebrations.

NEBRASKA BIRD MEN MAKE GREAT FLIGHTS

Ewing, Neb., July 8.—Savage Bros. made two fine flights with their aeroplanes at Ewing. At 7:30 p. m. Mat Savage got in the big machine, started northwest and went about four miles, swinging gently around to the southwest, going about six miles and coming home again. He was in the air about seven minutes. Then John Savage got in his machine, started on the same course taken by Mat, only going much farther, swinging to the southwest, going clear around south of town and coming home right over the crowd waving his hand, but he did not stop until he was in the course, making another circle of about 12 miles and coming home, being in the air about 15 minutes.

FREMONT—Ed Krantz, an old man, attracted attention in Fremont's streets for several days by kneeling on the pavement to pray. Yesterday he prayed in the city park while curious people looked on. Sheriff Condit took Krantz in custody and the insanity commission examined him yesterday afternoon, with the result that he will be committed to one of the state asylums.

GREENEY CENTER—The proposition to vote bonds in the sum of \$65,000, recently submitted to the people of the county for the purpose of building a new court house, carried at a special election held Tuesday. The vote was very close and the result in doubt until the official canvass was completed today.

WAHOO—Wahoo's municipal electric plant is furnishing day current for the first time and on that account there is general rejoicing. A lively campaign has been inaugurated in an effort to secure enough patrons to insure its continuance.

SCRIBNER—Ed Gamble, for 43 years a resident of Dodge county, died at his home here yesterday. Mr. Gamble was well known. He was born in 1840. In 1869 he located on the farm which was his home through the balance of his life.

MILWAUKEE—Fourteen persons were injured last night, two probably fatally, when gas leaking in a subway conduit, was ignited. Florence Lemke, aged 14, and Dorothy Drake, aged 13, will die. One man was overcome when trying to fix the leak in the conduit and another was overcome when rescuing him.

WASHINGTON—Class freight rates from the Missouri river and points of origin east to destination in the Willamette valley through Portland, Ore., Monday were held by the Interstate Commerce commission to be unreasonable.

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

LINCOLN—One boy killed, run over by an automobile, another with his hand so badly mangled by a giant cracker that he may lose it; four fires, with nominal losses and a number of minor injuries marked the celebration of the Fourth in Lincoln. Lawrence Lake, aged 6, was struck and killed by an automobile, said to have been running recklessly, while the boy was watching a parade. Philip Steinbech held a giant cracker in his hand until it exploded and he may lose the member. The casualties on the whole were less than usual.

NORFOLK—Indications are now, according to Dr. Johnson, superintendent of the Norfolk insane asylum, that a new addition will have to be built to that institution to accommodate the increase in patients. About fifty patients now at Norfolk will soon be moved to the new building. The Lincoln institution will be the only available place to send new patients. At the present rate of increase it would only be a short time before the vacancy at Norfolk made by the removal of patients to Lincoln would soon be filled.

OMAHA—At a late hour last night only one serious Fourth of July accident had been reported in this city. Sitting on the back porch of her home, with her 11-month-old babe in her arms, Mrs. Frank Hasek heard a dull thud and felt the little one crumple up in her arms. Glancing at the child the mother discovered blood flowing from a bullet hole in its head. It is believed the shot was fired by a neighbor's boy in celebrating the Fourth. He is in the custody of the police.

LINCOLN—Another outbreak of typhoid fever, though not so serious as the one of a year ago, has been reported at the Beatrice state institution for feeble-minded. Information reaches the board of public lands and buildings that five of the inmates have been taken with it, and two attendants are also under treatment for typhoid. All of these persons have come into the institution since the inmates and attendants were vaccinated against the disease last fall, with a newly discovered virus.

KEARNEY—Governor Aldrich appointed Charles Knowles, of McCook, steward at the state industrial school, and Tuesday Mr. Knowles checked in at the institution. For the past year the school has been vacant and the work has been taken care of by the superintendent and his assistant. Mr. and Mrs. Knowles together will also have charge of one of the grade dormitories.

LINCOLN—Adjutant General Phelps, of the Nebraska national guard, is of the opinion that the Nebraska regiment will go into camp at Pole Mountain, Wyoming, for army maneuvers about July 28. Major Penn, who will soon leave Nebraska, having been relieved from further work as instructor of the Nebraska guard, has received orders to report at Pole Mountain, Wyo. July 7.

LINCOLN—Lawrence Lake, a 6-year-old University Place boy, was the only sacrifice to the pleasure of the Fourth, he being run over and killed by an automobile shortly after the parade had passed on one of the principal downtown corners. The car was driven by the chauffeur of J. C. View. The latter was not taken in custody at the time.

WEST POINT—State Fire Warden Buck, of Wisner, was in West Point and, upon complaint of citizens, officially condemned the old frame building adjoining the high school, and ordered its demolition. The building has been occupied for some years. It is slowly decaying and is a standing menace to the safety of the surrounding district.

BROKEN BOW—Ensign John P. Dalton, graduate of the United States naval academy at Annapolis, and hero of the football game played at Philadelphia last November, is home on a furlough, visiting his parents. Mr. Dalton expects to go into active service in a few weeks, being stationed, probably, at Philadelphia.

ALLIANCE—Glen Garrison, 19 years of age, while bathing in the Berry swimming tank here, was taken apparently with cramps and sank before assistance could reach him. His body was recovered twenty minutes later, but all efforts to revive him were unavailing. Garrison and his brother came here three days ago from Deer Trail, Colo.

SOUTH NORFOLK—A drowning tragedy marred the Fourth of July in Norfolk. Mrs. Guy Stockton, aged 30, wife of a local photographer, while wading with her husband in the Norfolk river, stepped into a hole 12 feet deep and was unable to deliver the signal. She leaves a daughter 3 years old.

LINCOLN—The first test of the Albert law instituted in Lancaster county will be made in a few days. Mrs. Maude Wiley, who has several times made the police of Lincoln hustle to hold up their end of the law, but who was in the last, caught red-handed and fined \$100 a week ago for running a disorderly house, will be the victim.

LINCOLN—Daniel Chester French, the man who designed the Lincoln statue on the state house grounds, has received his pay in full. His last remittance runs the amount up to \$20,000. No one has been found yet of sufficient standing to deliver the address at the ceremonies in connection with the unveiling of the statue.

LYONS—More than 5,000 people joined in the Fourth of July celebration here. There were ball games, races for the boys, fat men, sack races and street attractions. There were two ball games between Oakland and Rosalie. The forenoon game was won by Oakland, 3 to 4. Rosalie won the afternoon game by the score of 11 to 7.

YORK—A 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Curran, of this city, wandered away from her parents in the grove at Cedar creek yesterday afternoon. Searchers found that the child had been drowned in the creek. The Currans were picnicking in the grove.

ALLIANCE—A terrific rainstorm, closely approaching a cloudburst, swept over Box Butte county yesterday, doing considerable damage to small buildings and filling hundreds of cellars in Alliance. The registered rainfall was slightly over four inches.

BUTTE—Mrs. Agnes Fitzpatrick, wife of Thomas J. Fitzpatrick, of Dubuque, Ia., a member of the credentials committee of the Elks' committee at Portland, died suddenly last night near Arrowton, Mont., on the special Elks' train. The body will be sent to Dubuque.

COBURG—Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris, widow of the late Algernon Sartoris, of Warsaw, Eng., and only daughter of the late U. S. Grant, was married yesterday to Frank H. Jones, formerly first assistant postmaster, general of the United States, at her country home here.

PEEL ROSS LEADER IS WELCOMED HOME BY A FINE DEMONSTRATION

Lincoln Turns Out En Masse To Welcome Home Maker Of Possible President.

Lincoln, Neb., July 6.—The "home folks" were all at the station this morning when William J. Bryan's train pulled in at 10:10 o'clock.

Local and state officials, headed by Governor Aldrich, were on the reception committee, and most of the citizens of Lincoln were voluntary additions to the throng that crowded the station platforms and lined the streets of the business district through which Bryan was escorted by a brass band and a long string of shouting enthusiasts.

The "commoner" was conducted to a waiting automobile at the station and, preceded by a band and a large United States flag, he was given a triumphant entry into his home city.

Mr. Bryan was escorted to a local hotel, where he mounted the seat of his car and delivered a short address. Mrs. Bryan was with him, having joined him at the station and cheered for her freely interspersed with those for the "peerless leader."

The Fourth of July decorations along the line of march were made to do duty for Lincoln's additional holiday, and lithographs of four years ago, carrying the slogan, "Let the people rule," were freely displayed in windows overlooking the parade.

Mr. Bryan was to have delivered the address in the "safe and sane" celebration here yesterday, but the unusual length of the Baltimore convention made it impossible for him to arrive before this morning.

BURT COUNTY MILLIONAIRE DIES AT VENERABLE AGE

Tekamah, Neb., July 6.—W. W. Latta, whose funeral occurred here today, was one of the oldest and most respected of the Burt county. He died at his home in this city July 2. He would have been 80 years old next September.

Mr. Latta was born in Ashland county, Ohio, September 6, 1832. He was a young lad as driver for the Western Stage company on a route out of Richmond, Ind., and later drove a four-horse coach between Dayton and Xenia, Ohio. When 23 years of age he went to Jackson county, Mo., where he was connected with the 1857, to Mary C. Mason. Immediately after marriage they came overland with four yoke of cattle and a covered wagon to Nebraska. They crossed the Missouri river at Sioux City, came down through the nebraska reservation and bought a farm east of Tekamah, near the river, where they resided until they moved to Tekamah in 1877.

After moving to town Mr. Latta still carried on his farming operations and feeding cattle for the market, in which he was an extensive dealer. Mr. Latta continued to purchase land until his holdings at the time of his demise reached about 5,000 acres. He also carried a special interest in horses and was a large breeder of both roadster and draft horses.

Mr. Latta, during his 35 years' residence in Tekamah, was an active factor in municipal affairs. He served as mayor here for 25 years. His mature judgment, fair methods and interest in the public welfare will remain as an enduring monument to his memory. For some years he was interested in the hardware business and in late years was connected with the First National bank, at Tekamah, of which he was president since the death of his cousin, Congressman Latta, nearly a year ago.

During these years Mr. Latta still carried on his farming and stock business with his son, Bud R. Latta, who, with his wife, mourn the death of a true and faithful husband and father. Mr. Latta was worth \$1,000,000 at his death.

STATE TENNIS TOURNAMENT FREE OF PROFESSIONALISM

Norfolk, Neb., July 6.—Professionals are at work every day now on the clay courts at the Norfolk Country club grounds, putting the grounds into condition for the coming Nebraska state tennis tournament, which will be held in Norfolk during the week beginning Monday, July 15.

Beautiful trophies have been selected, as well as a choice lot of prizes for winners, runners-up and consolation winners in both singles and doubles.

One vital point which directors of the state association wish to impress upon all tennis men in Nebraska is that this is a "closed" tournament. No outsiders will be permitted to come in and gallop away with the prizes. Only Nebraskans may enter.

INDIAN WOMAN BEGINS TERM IN PENITENTIARY

Lincoln, Neb., July 6.—A full blooded Indian woman, Nancy Wells, has been received at the penitentiary. She is under sentence of from one to 10 years for manslaughter. She broke down completely and was heart broken when first taken into the prison, but after being turned over to the matron became more calm. The new prisoner is only 23 years old and is unmarried. She was convicted of the murder of her newborn babe, having thrown it into an open air vault where it remained for about 24 hours.

BRUTE GETS DESERTS AT SPECIAL TERM OF COURT

Rushville, Neb., July 5.—Judge Westover held a special term of court in Rushville in which he tried the case of the state against William Liptrap on a charge of attempted assault on the person of a 15-year-old girl named Davis, the daughter of a well known and respected citizen of Gordon. Liptrap, who pleaded guilty, was desperately resisted by the girl, who was in a buggy alone, the defendant getting off his horse and getting into the buggy from behind. During the struggle a team came in sight and scared the brute away. Judge Westover sentenced the defendant to from 10 to 15 years in the penitentiary.

VANCOVER—The dead bodies of two unidentified fishermen and a live dog were found yesterday in a fishing boat off Pender harbor, seventy miles north of Vancouver. The boat was nearly filled with water. The dog barked loudly and attracted the attention of the fisherman.

WASHINGTON—While Secretary of the Navy Meyer is still confined to his bed at Hamilton, Mass., he has so far received no word from the president. It is expected he can be removed soon by his flagship, the Dolphin, at Beverly, twelve miles distant, for a short run at sea.

TEAM SCARES AT AUTO AND DRAGS DRIVER TO DEATH IN MAD FLIGHT

Winnebago Farmer Falls From Vehicle and Feet Are Entangled in Irons.

Winnebago, Neb., July 5.—One man is dead and two injured as the result of a head-on collision between a runaway team and an automobile, one mile north of this place. Fred Kounzle, a German farmer living three miles northwest of here, was returning home from Winnebago. As near as can be learned he was driving rapidly when he probably lost control of the team or, some think, the machine was running without lights and he did not have warning of his danger. The auto, driven by L. H. Robinson, who had with him J. D. Williams and his son, was traveling south and was met by the team in a narrow pass in the road with no chance for either to pull out. The team and machine crashed. J. D. Williams sustained a serious injury of the knee and his son was also hurt.

The shock of the collision evidently threw Kounzle forward on to the dash of the buggy, which gave way with him and he fell, catching his feet in the brace irons of the tongue and doubletree. In this position he was dragged at least three-quarters of a mile. When found the body was badly bruised and life already extinct.

The team had evidently stopped of its own accord for when those who had followed arrived, the horses were standing by the side of the road, and Kounzle was hanging by the foot from the braces of the buggy. The body was brought to Winnebago late last night. Kounzle leaves a wife and five children.

J. D. Williams is manager for the McGregor Lumber company and Robinson is employed by the same firm.

TELEPHONE CONSOLIDATION MAKES RAPID PROGRESS

Lincoln, Neb., July 5.—The work of consolidating the independent telephone companies north of the Platte river under the Bell ownership and those south of the river under the ownership of the Bell Telephone and Telegraph company is being rapidly pushed. The taking over of the Omaha independent company by the Bell was not a part of the agreement of division of territory, but it was, nevertheless, tentatively admitted that there would be no opposition from the independents to the Bell buying the plant. It was started by a pair of promoters, who induced a number of men interested in independent telephone companies to file the state who desired Omaha connections to help them out. They later left the state and the bond holders had to take charge.

The Bell has taken over within the last three months the general policy changes at Norfolk, Grand Island, Fremont and in Howard county. They are now dickering for the independent exchanges at Blair, Madison, Columbus, Kearney, Elm Creek and Sargent. Others have submitted terms of sale, and within two years it is expected that all of the principal companies in the North Platte section will be owned outright by the Bell. Many of the smaller companies it does not desire to own, and is content with toll line connections therewith.

The Lincoln company has taken over Bell and independent companies in York, Seward, Cass, Otoe, Johnson, Saunders, Jefferson and DeWitt counties, totaling exchanges and 28,000 telephones. It now has companies in every county seat east of Kearney county and has negotiations on for taking over other telephone companies of fairly good size. The general policy is to let the small mutuals continue to own and operate their own lines, but to secure connection contracts on a percentage basis of tolls taken in.

ASSAILANT OF HOME GETS LOAD OF SHOT

Beatrice, Neb., July 5.—Last evening about 6 o'clock, Slim Beam was shot in the face and knee by Oliver Collett when, with two companions, Charles Vanboskirk and Oscar Hill, he endeavored to gain admittance to the Collett home. The Indian, who lives at Blue Springs, Mrs. C. Collett refused them admittance and her husband, returning from a hunting trip, shot at the disturbers, wounding Beam. Mr. and Mrs. Collett under arrest and brought Beam to this city for medical attention. His condition is not critical.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

WINNEBAGO—Supl. Kneale and wife left early this morning in the auto for Sioux City, where they will witness the baseball game this afternoon. With them were George Bear and his wife Louise. Louise is the mother of the Indian pitcher for St. Joseph's Western league. Louis Bear is well educated and enjoys all of a mother's pride in the accomplishments of her son.

FREMONT—At a meeting of the city council the Military avenue paving district was formally created. The provision of the petition showed a deficit more than the necessary frontage without the library and Barnard park, which are controlled by the city. The council voted unanimously to have the paving petition signed by the clerk of the city. The street, which is the widest one in the city, is to be paved this summer.

MADISON—Frank Massick, of Norfolk was brought before Judge M. S. McDuffee on the charge of wife desertion, he having been apprehended by Sheriff Smith on extradition papers in Lincoln, and bound to the city term of the district court on \$1,000 bond. Massick has a wife and three small children residing at Norfolk.

FREMONT—Celebrations are in progress today at Winslow, Leshara, Blair and Arlington. These have drawn largely upon Fremont and the city is pretty nearly deserted. Probably 300 Fremont fans went to Columbus by automobile this morning to see the Columbus-Fremont state league games.

FREMONT—An inch fall of rain yesterday morning did great good to the crops. The rain was general over the county. Jameson, Winslow, Ulling, Scribner and Hooper reported precipitations of from half an inch to two inches.

LINCOLN—The Lincoln Daily Star, politically independent, in a leading editorial last evening announces its advocacy of the candidacy of Woodrow Wilson for president and of the democratic platform.

DENVER, COLO.—Former United States Senator Teller, who is seriously ill at his home, is reported as somewhat improved. He spent a comparatively restful night.

HONOLULU—The yacht Lurline, of San Pedro, arrived here Sunday, leading its three rivals in the biennial trans-Pacific yacht race from San Pedro to this port.

STRANGE GUNBOAT IS BUILT AT PITTSBURGH

Vessel May Be Used Against Nicaragua In Near Future, Is Belief.

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 6.—An armored gunboat, the first ever built in Pittsburgh, is being constructed, presumably for the United States & Nicaragua company, a concern owning over 300,000 square miles of valuable mineral and mahogany concessions in the Central American quarter.

In some quarters it is doubted that the mysterious vessel is being built by the company named. These doubters affect to believe the boat is intended for former President Zelaya, who has been living in retirement in Belgium.

All Steel Construction.

Steel will be the only material used in the boat, which is to be 125 feet long, 26-foot beam, with a 5-foot hold depth. It will draw less than one foot of water, which will make it possible to send the boat into the shallow, tortuous channels. The whole lower deck will be heavily lined with steel plates. The upper decks will be protected, and extra heavy plates will keep the guns, gunners and boilers and engines from danger of artillery or rifle fire. It will carry seven guns—one six-pounder, a quick firing rifle, four Maxims and one two-pounder.

The United States and Nicaragua company is a close corporation, owned almost exclusively by Pittsburgh millionaires, none of whom will give any information concerning the building of the boat or the purposes for which it is intended. Secrecy has been maintained at the ship yards and although the vessel is partly constructed it has only now become known publicly.

TEXAS WOMAN WILL HEAD FEDERATION

Mrs. Pennybacker Wins Easily Over Opponent For Presidency Of Clubs.

San Francisco, July 6.—Election of Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, of Austin, Texas, to be president of the General Federation of Women's clubs for the next two years was admitted here last night in advance of the formal announcement to the federation.

Mrs. Pennybacker won by a good margin from Mrs. Philip Carpenter, of New York. Mrs. Pennybacker received 556 votes to 255 cast for Mrs. Carpenter.

The presidency was the only office for which two candidates were nominated. The remainder of the ticket as elected was as follows:

First Vice-President—Mrs. L. L. Blankenburg, Philadelphia.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. Samuel B. Sneath, Ohio.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Harry L. Keefe, Nebraska.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Eugene Reilly, North Carolina.

Treasurer—Mrs. John Thredgill, Oklahoma.

Auditor—Mrs. Charles H. McMahon, Utah.

The auditors elected are: Mrs. William E. Andrews, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Frances D. Everett, Illinois; Mrs. Grace Julian Clark, Indiana; Mrs. J. Creighton Mathews, Louisiana; Mrs. William P. Harper, Washington; Mrs. A. S. Christy, Montana; Mrs. Frank White, North Dakota; Mrs. Lucy White Williams, Michigan.

TRIAL OF DARROW IS HALTED AGAIN

Illness of Earl Rogus, Chief Counsel For Defense, Forces Court To Adjourn.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 6.—For the second time since it began, the trial of Clarence S. Darrow for alleged jury bribery, was temporarily halted today by the illness of Earl Rogus, chief counsel for the defense.

Attorneys for the defense asked an adjournment until Monday, which was granted by Judge Hutton.

At the request of Juror M. R. Williams, as spokesman for the jury, Judge Hutton announced that the jurors might go to their homes and remain in custody of bailiffs until the resumption of the trial.

COMORRISTS ARE TAME AS HEARING NEARS END

Viterbo, Italy, July 5.—The members of the Camorra who have been on trial here for nearly two years have now assumed a most humble attitude and show the most profound respect for the judges and jury, placing themselves entirely in the hands of the court, which is shortly to deliver its verdict.

The presiding judge today read a long list of questions for the jury to answer in order to establish who were the instigators of the crime of murdering General Cuocolo and Maria Cuocolo in July 1906, who were the material executors of the crime, who were the most profound respect for the judges and jury, placing themselves entirely in the hands of the criminal association.

The judge then began a summing up of the case.

MEXICO CITY—One thousand persons were made homeless by floods which destroyed two-thirds of the town of Salamanca, twenty-five miles south-east of Guanajuato, Sunday, according to advices received here today.