

# The O'Neill Frontier

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The hour of dining has advanced with the centuries. Froissart mentions waiting on the duke of Lancaster at 5 in the afternoon after he had dined and was about to go to bed, and the preface to the Heptameron shows that the queen of Navarre dined at 10 o'clock in the morning. From the Northumberland Household Book, dated 1512, we learn that the duke dined at 7, and the king at 7, and the queen at 10, and retired for the night at 9.

English cheese makers are somewhat dismayed at the announcement that at Desk, in Siberia, they are making Cheddar cheese of the best quality under the supervision of an English expert. A farmers' association promoting the enterprise proposes to establish 20 large dairy farms with an annual output of some 16,000,000 pounds of put or upwards. An experimental consignment of 40 tons is to be shipped to London presently.

Probably the earliest wall paintings are the ancient Egyptian. They comprise a mixture of ochre, red, yellow, white, blue, green, and black, and their principal pigments were white chalk, a vegetable yellow, ochres, Ethiopian cinnabar, blue powdered glass stained with copper and charcoal black. Their drawing was technical and accurate, and as in the case with the modern decorator, their coloring was purely decorative and their designs fanciful and extravagant.

Miss Emma G. Mullen, of Fox River, Wis., and Paris, France, is said to be one of the highest paid women wage earners in the world. She is spoken of as one of the three best women accountants in this country, but her large income is made as a fashion expert. Because her hat is in this line she has practically given up her work as an expert accountant. Miss Mullen was born and brought up in Fox River.

A writer in the Atlantic Monthly says some sharp things about the American imitations of the pergola. The trouble is that Americans refuse to cover their pergolas with vines, forgetting that the pergola's only reason for existence is the vine. "If we called a pergola a trellis, and were done with it, he says, we might be less in danger of disfiguring our gardens by a species of snowshed."

In Siam both men and women wear the "samsang," which is described as a piece of silk or cotton cloth wound round the hips, the slack being rolled up, passed between the legs and hitched up behind in such a way as to give the appearance of a pair of loose knickerbockers. For waist coverings the women wear jackets or blouses and the men wear coats—the Haberdasher.

Miss Eleanor Garrison, a granddaughter of William Lloyd Garrison, has been the star of the last several months of a familiar figure in the streets of Boston selling a suffrage paper. With her bag of papers slung over her shoulder she calls out her wares like any other news vender and apparently attracts many buyers. Her favorite stand is at the junction of Park and Tremont streets.

A placard has been put up in Charging Cross road, where there are many old bookshops, saying that one or more is about to be opened with a stock of 1,000,000 volumes. This leads a London newspaper to state that the biggest bookshop in the world is the Melbourne Book Arcade, which has never less than 2,000,000 volumes in view.

Mrs. Mary A. Hotchkiss, of Deep River, left her estate, valued at about \$600,000, to the Sheffield scientific school, Yale, subject to the use of the income for life by her daughter, Miss Marie Oakes Hotchkiss. The bulk of the estate is to be used by Yale to increase the salaries of the professors of the Sheffield school.

A new invention which may lessen the tension of travel to impatient passengers is an automatic device for replacing trolley poles when they get "off the trolley." It consists of a series of spiral grooves on each side of the trolley wheel; these run the wheel back to its center when it jumps from the wire.

Floating baths near great cities are now condemned by sanitary authorities. The vast quantities of sewage that are discharged into the waters that usually border such cities are thought to be productive of disease to bathers, and certainly render their abluitions of doubtful value as a cleansing agency.

Weiner-Neustadt and Waldhofen, Austria, have just given the women taxpayers the ballot, making voting compulsory for women as well as men. The legislature of Manitoba recently permitted women to practice law. The legislature of Georgia only a few days later defeated a similar amendment.

A London scientist has devised an instrument which gives the blind a "second sight" through the sense of hearing. This novel invention is called the optophone. By its use blind persons can locate lamps, windows or high lights and "perceive" shadows.

One day small Harry saw a turkey gobbler strutting around in a neighbor's back yard—the first he had ever seen. "Oh, mamma," he called, "come out here and see the big, red-nosed chicken with a folding fan!"

The greatest destruction of wild animal life in the history of Siberia was caused last year by the requirements of the fur trade. The returns for the fur trade—\$4,000,000—exceeded those of 1910 by \$500,000.

By walking two miles in a pair of white duck pants, with an umbrella over his head, says the Hartford Times, Governor Baldwin has attracted more attention than he did by having his name presented at Baltimore.

The number of meals given to school children in England last year was 16,872,000. The cost was \$153,000, of which only \$1,375 was recovered from parents as voluntary contributions.

Successful experiments in hog growing have been made in Italy. Heretofore, hogs have been imported. The consumption of beer in Italy is said to amount 26,000,000 gallons a year.

Experts have estimated the water power available in the streams of the United States to be with power 31,040,000 to 56,146,000 horsepower.

A captain is built into a new block and tackle with which one man can handle loads of 1,000 pounds and two men, loads of 4,000 pounds.

Andrew Carnegie, in London, says millions in this country are not taxed a cent.

Shakespeare's birthplace at Stratford-on-Avon is visited annually by 60,000 persons.

# COUNTRY DEATH TOLL

## BEATS THAT OF CITY IN AUTOMOBILE LEVY

### Omaha Takes Lead in Movement to Stop Bloody Record of the Roads.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 14.—The police departments of all the big cities of the United States are to be asked to participate in a campaign against the reckless driving of automobiles and the resultant toll of life and limb demanded by the "speeders" and others who are not careful in their management of the machines. In preparation for the campaign, Chief Dunn, of the Omaha police department, has been gathering statistics as to the number of these accidents and the reports so far received show a most appalling tax being exacted, both from motorists themselves as well as from pedestrians. The campaign for the suppression of automobile accidents is the outgrowth of a casual meeting of several police chiefs at the recent session in Seattle of the national convention of police officials and to Chief Dunn, of Omaha, fell the lot of gathering the statistics upon which the appeal to the public will be made.

"It's time something was done," said Chief Dunn, in making public a small part of the statistics he had gathered. "Talk about the regulation of railroads, the menace of the careless automobile driver is far worse. That, of course, does not apply to all automobiles, far from it. But there are enough of the reckless fellows to constitute a real menace."

"Over 6,000 people were injured by automobiles in the last year in just 12 big American cities. The killed for the same period numbered 18. With the exception of the statistics of New York, Chicago and St. Louis, these reports were not selected, but were taken just as they came in. Figures for St. Paul and Minneapolis are for six months, while those of Denver are for 18 months.

|             | Killed. | Injured. |
|-------------|---------|----------|
| St. Paul    | 30      | 30       |
| Boston      | 14      | 351      |
| Des Moines  | 2       | 52       |
| Chicago     | 62      | 1091     |
| Minneapolis | 1       | 24       |
| St. Louis   | 7       | 130      |
| Baltimore   | 3       | 168      |
| Kansas City | 6       | 470      |
| St. Louis   | 22      | 1274     |
| Cincinnati  | 4       | 47       |
| New York    | 69      | 2481     |
| Omaha       | 64      | 64       |
| Total       | 190     | 6142     |

"These figures were furnished by the police departments of the different cities and are absolutely accurate. Several cities seem to care so little for their citizens that they keep no record of the number of accidents, and from these we can secure no statistics.

"And all the accidents do not take place in cities. In fact, I have reasons to believe that there are far more accidents out in the country than there are in the cities. This may be due to poorer roads, but that does not excuse the driver. On a poor road a driver should take extra precautions.

"The next time you are on a railroad track, watch the dirt roads which often parallel the tracks. Just about half the time you will find some automobilist racing with the train. You are familiar with automobiles, know what the result would be if a deep rut was struck while going at so great a speed.

"Watch the rural items in the daily newspapers. Half a dozen accidents are reported every day. Yet there is no official who pays any attention to them. These accidents go unrecorded. No state so far as I have been able to discover, makes records of automobile accidents within its border.

"Most cities have speed ordinances and an infraction is punished by a fine. That is, provided the police catch the offender, which is not often. In only one instance have I found that offenders have been sent to jail. That is in St. Paul. In Omaha, two years ago, a speeder who killed another automobilist was sentenced to prison for several years.

"The statistics of the anti-accident campaign have not yet been worked out and it is probable that the national sheriff's association will be asked to join with the police chiefs in securing data and afterwards taking steps to put a stop to the reckless work which ends in death and disaster to so many.

### UNITED BRETHREN TO JOIN PROTESTANT METHODISTS

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 14.—The east conference of the United Brethren church for Nebraska, in session here, has voted to consolidate with the Protestant Methodist church of the state. This action was taken following similar decision on the part of the north assembly. As soon as the western assembly takes action, which is expected to be favorable to union, committees will be appointed to make plans for the consolidation.

The east district comprises all territory south of the Platte river and east of York, with the exception of Omaha. The beliefs and services of the Protestant Methodists are very similar to those of the United Brethren, and the matter of a church union between the two has been thoroughly discussed in recent years.

### OLD NORTHWESTERN AGENT GOES TO COAST ON PENSION

Platte River, Neb., Sept. 14.—Operator J. M. Willard, who has served the coast of California for 20 years at this station, will leave in a few days for Los Angeles, Cal., where he will locate. He entered the service of the Northwestern as operator at Blair in 1880. He has just been retired on a pension. Two sons of Mr. Willard are now in railroad service. One of them, Charles, has been agent for the Burlington at Randolph, but has resigned in order to go west with his parents.

### CEDAR BLUFFS—A bee stinging a girl driving horse while Miss Dora Lorenzen was driving through Main street caused a runaway, in which the young woman was thrown heavily to the street. Miss Lorenzen clungluckily to the lines and the horse, swerving suddenly, fell and became entangled in the harness. The young woman escaped with slight injuries.

### ALLEGED SLAYERS OF BLUNT GRANTED CHANGE OF VENUE

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 14.—Sheriff Myers, of Lancaster county, charged with manslaughter in connection with the killing of Roy Blunt, by the posse which pursued the convicts who escaped last winter from the state penitentiary, will not have to face a hostile crowd in Sarpy county, the scene of the killing. Judge Travis has awarded him a change of venue to Saunders county. Chief of Police Briggs, of Lincoln, is indicted with Myers, was also granted change of venue to Saunders county.

# NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

GRAND ISLAND—The police department is looking for Sidney Iser, a young man who had been keeping company with a Miss Reed and who took a shot at her in Pioneer park, a public square in the best residence district of the city, while she was in the company of another young man. The first attempt at which time he had the muzzle of the revolver pointed squarely at the young woman's chest, failed, the cartridge not exploding. The second shot grazed her arm. Miss Reed, by this time, having taken flight. A search was immediately made but Iser had disappeared.

MINDEN—The general merchandise store of George Weith, of Heartwell, was burglarized some time Saturday night or Sunday morning. The sheriff was summoned and made a thorough investigation. He found that shoes, hats and underwear had been taken and disturbed, but could not ascertain just what quantity. The thieves also helped themselves to a quantity of cigars. Dogs traced them east from Heartwell and it is sure they were on foot and were probably tramps.

BLOOMFIELD—Dr. Thos. P. Regan, of Yankton, has purchased the dental practice of Dr. W. H. Miller. Dr. Miller has practiced dentistry for a number of years, but he expects to give it up. He is going to take up the life insurance business for the Commonwealth Life, of Omaha. Dr. Miller has always been a thoroughly public spirited citizen, working zealously at all times for the welfare of this city and community.

OMAHA—Three cases of the dreaded horse disease have broken out in Douglas county and one death has occurred on the farm of Egbert Otto, Dr. C. C. Hall, city veterinarian and other doctors have been called. The cases were diagnosed as a form of meningitis. Dr. Palmer, recognizing the general similarity of the two diseases, experimented with tetanus serum on three horses, all in late stages of the disease. Two recovered at once. The other, whose condition was much worse, died.

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### FROZE CHILD TO DEATH; NOW SEEKS NEW TRIAL

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 13.—A motion asking for a continuance and for the appointment of a guardian to defend him has been filed by Henry Stehr, the Madison county farmer who was recently convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to 10 years.

The Stehr case created a great commotion in northeastern Nebraska at the time it was tried. The man's victim was his little step child, and the state charged that he had beaten the boy and shut him up all night in an out-house in intensely cold weather, from the effects of which exposure the child died.

Stehr was convicted November 27, 1911, and his case is on the docket for the next term of supreme court. In his affidavit Stehr says that he is without means to employ an attorney or to pay for the cost of an abstract and a brief. He declares that he is innocent of any intent to take the life of the child. He says he had come to Madison county from Germany only six months prior to his arrest, that he was unable to read English, was poorly provided for and did not know the rigors of winter in Nebraska when he shut the child up all night in the out-house. He asks 60 days' time to prepare for trial.

### MIKE HARRINGTON WINS IN EXTRADITION CASE

O'Neill, Neb., Sept. 13.—Joseph McHugh, late of Holt county, will not be compelled to return and face a charge of having defrauded Ferd Krutz out of \$135. Governor Aldrich, upon a showing made by Mike Harrington, deputy county attorney, of Wheeler's application for a requisition.

McHugh offered to sell Krutz a lease on school lands, but when he went to get it in a grip, where he said it was, he could not find it. Harrington went over later, Krutz gave him a check, but never got it. The governor held that the grip incident was immaterial, and that if McHugh had the lease anywhere in his possession he was not guilty of fraud.

### RECORD AUTO TRIP TO BUY A LOAF OF BREAD

Blair, Neb., Sept. 13.—Roger Ashbow, a farmer, drove into Blair in his automobile to get a loaf of bread. Every bakery in town had sold out and Ashbow was unable to get any bread.

"I'll just run over to Tekamah and get a loaf," he said, as he hopped into the automobile, and opened the throttle. Tekamah is 18 miles from Blair. Ashbow made the 36-mile run, and returned with the loaf of bread in 50 minutes. This is believed to be the record for a loaf of bread.

Nearly all farmers own automobiles in the vicinity of Blair. As Blair is a local option town, the citizens and farmers often run over to Fort Calhoun, 20 miles away, to get a glass of beer. They also go to Omaha to attend the theaters. Omaha is 25 miles away, and the farmers are at home and in bed at 12:30 a. m., provided the show closes at 11 p. m.

The use of the automobile has practically climaxed distance so far and the farmers of this part of Nebraska are concerned.

### 600 HOGS ON KIMBALL RANCH DIE OF CHOLERA

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 13.—Hog cholera has broken out near Fremont, and its weight of trouble to the already worried farmers who have lost many horses on account of the new plague. A. J. Smith, on the Kimball ranch, lost 600 hogs in the past four days. The sweep of the disease northward from the ranch and a dozen farmers' pens have been struck.

### LABOR FEDERATION WILL WORK FOR LAW REFORMS

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 12.—An appeal for a drastic employers' liability law, labor day closing of saloons, prohibition of night employment of women, stamps on convict-made goods and a minimum wage scale fixed by the legislature will be made by the state federation of labor, as a result of its session in progress in Fremont this afternoon. The election of officers will take place this afternoon. Frank Corfe, of Blair, and W. D. Daly, of South Omaha, are both seeking to be made president.

# EMINENT AUTHORITY

## ON ANIMAL PLAGES TO VISIT NEBRASKA

### Dr. Vaness, of North Dakota, On His Way To Investigate Horse Sickness.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 13.—In an effort to secure the services of one of the most prominent authorities on animal diseases in the middle west, the university authorities this morning wired Dr. L. Vaness of the North Dakota Agricultural college to come to Nebraska for two weeks at the state's expense. Later in the afternoon a telegram was received from the doctor, stating that he will arrive Friday to begin his work of combating the peculiar disease which is sweeping away Nebraska horses by the hundreds.

The scientists at the state farm, under the direction of Prof. G. H. Gain and Prof. L. B. Sturdevant, are conducting extensive experiments to study the disease and to discover means of prevention or cure. Chancellor Avery has given orders to cancel all the money necessary to purchase horses for experiments, and the veterinarians at the farm are bending every effort to find some means of prevention before the epidemic has carried away the thousands threatened.

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# SUBSTITUTE FOUND

## FOR BASEBALL SPIKE

### Dangerous Cleats On Players Shoes May Be Eliminated, Says a Golfer.

New York, Sept. 16.—Many attempts have been made to get rid of the razor-edged spike in baseball. None of them has been successful, and the ball players are more than half responsible for their retention.

Not because the players care to be injured with them nor for the reason that they wish to injure, but because the men insist that nothing has been devised which will give them a better grip on the turf.

A ball player must turn suddenly and twist quickly, and most of them have stated that they have yet to find an invention which gives them such security as the present spike. If the turf is not made as it should be, the player is likely to sprain an ankle, wrench a tendon or rupture a ligament, and any one of these injuries may terminate the career of a capital player.

It has remained for a golfer player of experience to solve the question of the spike by eliminating it, and he insists that his "invention" will work as well for the ball player as it has for him in playing golf. Golfers wear spikes so that they may not slip when they drive and make iron shots.

This player has fastened in his golfing shoes some blunt headed little screws, which are about deep enough for the sole, and project slightly into the turf. He uses 50 or 60 of them in his shoes, and says that they not only make it impossible for him to slip, but are a perfect safeguard for quick turns, and are twice as comfortable to the feet as the spike plates which the ball players wear.

Spike is not the easiest thing in the world on which to walk. They make the ball of the foot pain like a young bunton. "If any ball player wishes to try my invention," says the golfer, "I will show him what to do with the greatest of pleasure, and I will guarantee that he prefers my plan to the spike and, more than that, I will guarantee the owners of baseball clubs that they will not be losing valuable young men at ticklish times in a championship season because some player's leg, foot or hand is laid open by the murderous spikes which are in use now."

The baseball spike is such a weapon for offense that all players know only too well what the outcome of a severe case of skinned may be.

Occasionally there is a player who is mean enough to try to intimidate another. More than half a score of the best players of the major and minor leagues have been spiked this year, and there are three or four men out now because the shoe blades have done their mischievous work.

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# COBB WILL DEMAND ENORMOUS SALARY

## Greatest Player in the Game To Ask For \$12,000 a Year.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 16.—Cobb's three-year contract with the Detroit club expires this season. Before the Tigers start out in 1913 Tyrus must sign another contract and the new salary figure named by the player will undoubtedly make the most interesting bit of off-season gossip.

The salary the Detroit club is paying to Ty this year and also for the two preceding years is \$9,000 a season in real money. To sign a new contract the Georgian, it is said, will demand the largest salary figure ever named by a man in baseball, player or manager. He refuses to say what it will be, but it is reported that he will want between \$12,000 and \$15,000 to continue his career as a Tiger.

Cobb realizes that he is now in his prime, and that the next two or three years will mean a continuation of the same quality of playing, so if he is ever to better his income, now in the psychological moment.

There is no question that Cobb is the greatest player today, and has been the peer of players for at least the last three years. There is also no question that Cobb is the most valuable man in the game from the business end. He brings more money into the coffers of a club than any individual in baseball or any team in the American league.

Connie Mack says Detroit a losing team, is constantly drawing better than the Athletics, although the Philadelphia team is lugging a world's championship over the American league circuit, and recognized as the best nine-man team ever produced in Ban's organization.

Every club in the league realizes the value of Cobb as a drawing card. He means extra dividends for seven clubs besides the one he plays for. People who care little for the American league, or any team in the American league, who have no particular interest in any team go to the park when Detroit plays for no other reason than to see Tyrus perform.

He is the greatest press agent in the game. There is no one engaged in entertaining the public as widely advertised as he is.

### EXPECT BIG ENTRY FOR GLIDDEN TOUR

### Look For Many Cars From Both Owners and Makers This Year.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 16.—A hundred cars may be the limit put on the entry list of the American Automobile association national reliability run by the national tour committee. Entries are coming in steadily for the Detroit-New Orleans journey, which will start from the City of Straits October 7, and conclude in the Crescent city October 13. Recent notable entries include Dr. Wallace Wood of New Orleans; Frank Hardart, of Philadelphia; and J. S. Kinnan, of Toledo, Ohio, all long distance tourists of much experience. Dr. Wood arrived in New York during the week, after a very interesting trip from New Orleans. With his family, he left New Orleans August 6 and traveled through Mobile and Selma, Ala.; Atlanta, Ga.; Greenville, Charlotte, Asheville, Greensboro, N. C.; Roanoke and Staunton, Va.; Gettysburg and Philadelphia, Pa., and Trenton and Jersey City, N. J. Dr. Wood is a methodical tourist, and he computed his mileage as 1,900 miles, which required 123 gallons of gasoline and 5 1/2 gallons of oil. During the trip he ascended Saluda mountain, a rise of 3,600 feet in six miles.

Mr. Hardart has been in a number of big tours, and invariably is accompanied by his wife, son and three daughters. In 1909 he won the trophy in the Munsey run of that year. On the Munsey tour in 1910 he had a bad luck, after traveling 1,500 miles, and was forced to withdraw the last day. On the 1911 American Automobile association national tour, Mr. Hardart was permitted only 500 miles for being late coming in Roanoke, Va. On that day there was such a severe rain that the roads were in too dangerous condition to drive at the speed required, and Mr. Hardart would not permit his son to risk the lives of his family in an effort to get to the control on time.

### JOE WOOD WAS ONCE BOSTON BLOOMER GIRL

Hutchinson, Kan., Sept. 16.—From "kid" pitcher with a tough name to "Boston Bloomer Girl," to premier slabman of the champion Boston team of the American league.

That's the climb Joe Wood, a Ness City, Kan. boy has made in the baseball world since he was 16 years old. It is in the fall of 1906 that Joe Wood, wearing a wig and bloomers, and posing as a girl with a "Boston Bloomer" team, was discovered by Hutchinson fans pitching a series of games against an Ellinwood, Kan. team.

The next spring, when "Doc" Andrews was organizing the Hutchinson team in the Western association, these same Hutchinson fans remembered the Ness City boy, and Andrews sent for him.

The slender, 17-year-old youth from the shortgrass could field, bat and throw like a demon and pitched a ball that made him the terror of the old Western association circuit.

Joe Wood, the "boy pitcher," of the Salt Packers, was soon called to higher company, and in 1908 was drawn to the Kansas City Blues and went to the American association. Now, "Smoky Joe," the Ness City kid pitcher, is the king of the Boston and the premier pitcher of the American league.