

# THE O'NEIL FRONTIER.

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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

A few weeks ago a New Hampshire doctor, named Hollis, was at work in an attempt to rebuke his alma mater for not being "radical enough," or words to that effect. Can Senator Hollis have heard of that Harvard graduate and former instructor in the Hapsburg era, who is an avowed and self-proclaimed anarchist? "Feminism passionately determines that man shall be rescued from his own past accomplishments. He shall see woman rising in a fruitful excitement against those stultified prejudices which he calls morality, virtue and taste." Isn't that "radical enough" to compensate for a whole generation of conservatives?

Vinson Beale Walsh McLean, known as the \$100,000 horse, is said to have attracted more attention at the recent Philadelphia horse show than the horses did. In fact, this plutocratic 4-year-old had a chance to distinguish himself. His mother lost her \$15,000 diamond pendant, and while everybody was scurrying about in search of it, the youngster apied it to his sidewalk and proudly restored it to his parent. The baby, according to the press of Philadelphia, which probably knows, is a blonde young gentleman, who is not afraid of being stared at, and, indeed, is rather indifferent to the attention he receives.

A doctor in the eastern part of Massachusetts discovered the weight of the soul by placing a moribund patient on a scale and noting the change in the balance beam when death occurred. The doctor found that the man's soul weighed three-fourths of an ounce. This discovery, which has the same means every few years (at least, in the newspapers). Some years ago, when the same story was told, one Massachusetts clergyman, with an unusual trait of frankness, told his congregation that, if, at the moment of their souls of some people here, would surely not weigh many grains.

An extensive evangelistic campaign is planned for the next few months by the American board's workers in China, in Fukien province, which has a population of 22,000,000. G. Sherwood Eddy will be retained for work in the cities of Foochow and Amoy; Chinese evangelists will work with the missionaries elsewhere. High Chinese officials are co-operating in the arrangements, one leader even promising that the regular idol worship and procession should be deferred, in a certain town, so that the evangelists could have the use of the best hall on the date they wanted.

Because of the shifting of the trade routes owing to the opening of the Panama canal, the possibility of a visit from the yellow fever mosquito is anticipated, and already the health authorities are making the best half way, and precautions have been taken to guard the country against it. Surveys have been made in many sections with the view of correcting and removing any places where the mosquito breeds, and regulations are about to be put in force at all the ports which are calculated to keep the mosquito out.

Recent investigations of the Illinois state highway department indicate that few highway steel bridges in that state are painted after their final completion and acceptance. Very serious corrosion results and is illustrated in a number of cases, says the Engineering Record. A serious factor in the corrosion of iron and steel is the use of salt to clear the roadway of snow and ice. This was considered at least partly responsible for the bad condition of truss members in a bridge which had been about fifteen years in service.

A beautiful new flower has been evolved by a resident of California who has succeeded in building a rose to a blackberry bush. Following the budding, the bush grew rapidly and bore profusely. The new flower is white with irregular leaves shooting out from the center very much like the bloom of a carnation. The foliage and stems retain the characteristics of the blackberry. In spite of the many crosses favorably breeding, places and rules in the reaction of relatively few new fruits for consumption.

Some very singular and unexplained effects of hydrochloric acid on silica are brought out in M. Armand Gantier's paper recently read before the Academie der Sciences. In his recent experiments on this subject Gantier finds that the effect of the acid varies widely according to the form of the silica. In the shape of rock crystal the acid attacks favorably, places and rules in the reaction of relatively few new fruits for consumption.

The most expensive single fruit in Japanese fruit stores is the natsumi-kane, a species of grapefruit, which sells throughout the winter for 7 1/2 cents each. This is not eaten in great quantities by the class of people who make up the great fruit buying population in the United States. The average income of the Japanese family of four is about \$150 a year. This does not leave much margin for luxuries.

The woman cook at a small Philadelphia hotel accused a man of attacking her, but did not know his name. When she appeared before a magistrate to swear out a warrant, she suggested that the name of the offender be put down as "John Dishwasher." They are now telling how John Dishwasher has shared an honor held exclusively hitherto by John Doe.

"The city has been owing me 50 cents for almost half a century," said M. H. Scott, as he presented a yellow slip of paper, which was a check for 50 cents signed by H. Bartling, mayor of Topeka 40 years ago. It was cashed by City Treasurer Albert Hale.

An explosion in a Michigan mine killed all the rats and the miners refused to return to work until a fresh supply was obtained. They are regarded as scavengers and give warning of impending danger, thus saving the miners' lives.

The printing craft is said to be better organized in Germany than in any other country in the world, more than 90 per cent of the German printers being members of the union.

There is a plan to safeguard Manila against the longest possible dry season by building high up on the Montalban watershed a 2,000,000,000 gallon reservoir.

Samuel Compers is 64 years old and has been president of the American Federation of Labor for half that period, or for 32 years.

The cattle of Argentine outnumber the natives by five to one.

# GOVERNOR MOREHEAD MAKES DISTRIBUTION OF NEWSPAPER "PIE"

## Gets Incident Off His Mind That Has Been Source of Grief to All Executives.

Lincoln, Neb., July 27.—Governor Morehead made a distribution of pie yesterday that has caused every governor before him much grief, and it is fairly certain it will bring sorrow to the present executive. The state law providing for the publication of constitutional amendments submitted to the people gives the governor the power to designate one newspaper in each county, which gets \$40 for each amendment. As there are more than one democratic newspaper in most counties, the reason for the row that usually follows becomes evident. The newspapers designated in northeastern Nebraska are:

- Antelope—Neigh Register.
- Burt—Albion Argus.
- Burns—Lyons Mirror, two amendments; Tekamah Herald, one.
- Boyd—Spencer Advocate.
- Cedar—Hartington News, Wynot Tribune and Rudolph Enterprise, one each.
- Coffey—Clarkson Herald, Howells Journal and Schuyler Star, one each.
- Cuming—Banner, Times, Wisner Chronicle and West Point Democrat, one each.
- Dakota—Dakota City Eagle.
- Dixon—Ponca Journal, one, Emerson Enterprise, two.
- Holt—Nelson Independent.
- Knox—Bloomfield Journal, Verdgra Citizen, Creighton Liberal, one each.
- Madison—Norfolk Press, Battle Creek Enterprise, Madison Star-Mail, one each.
- Polk—Pierce Leader, two; Plainview News, one.
- Stanton—Stanton Register.
- Thurston—Pender Times.

# LOCAL SHOWERS BOLSTER NEBRASKA CORN BELT

Lincoln, Neb., July 27.—Additional rains in the last two days, covering a considerable part of the corn belt of Nebraska give assurances of safety for the corn crop for at least 10 more days. Some of the experts say that the corn has been "made" now, and that August can't do enough damage to hurt unless the hot winds come. In and around Lincoln is the only drought-stricken part of the state. In spite of the fact that only eight showers have fallen here in the last three weeks, the corn is in excellent shape. The grain men here say that only a duplication of the hot winds of last year can prevent a good crop. With more favorable weather the crop will be a big one.

# WOMAN CANNOT DECLARE THAT SHE'S LEGAL VOTER

Lincoln, Neb., July 27.—Miss Grace Ballard, of Blair, who wants to be a candidate for county judge of Washington county, has run up against a snag. Miss Ballard has a petition all ready to file, but with it is a statement which she must sign, and that statement sets forth that the petitioner is a legal voter. Miss Ballard cannot sign it, and the filing clerk is not inclined to accept it unless she does. The supreme court has held that a woman may be elected county treasurer and district court clerk, and half of the county superintendents now in office are women. Miss Ballard thinks that this ought to dispose of any legal question of her eligibility. The matter is now before the attorney general for an official opinion. The filing clerk will do as he directs. Miss Ballard was recently admitted by the supreme court to practice before it and all other courts of the state.

# MUST GO BACK TO IOWA TO FACE ANGRY FAMILY

Lincoln, Neb., July 27.—Governor Morehead has decreed that Karl Knudson must go back to Harlan, Ia., to face an angry wife and also an outraged father. The governor has honored a request for his return to Iowa. Mrs. Knudson, in an affidavit on file in the governor's office says that Knudson left her and their three children in the hands of the attorney general, and she is now trying to eke out a living with washing. Knudson wrote her from Nebraska that he would never contribute a cent to her support. Triplets, aged 9, are half the family left behind.

# CLERK OF BOONE COUNTY IS OUSTED FROM OFFICE

Albion, Neb., July 27.—O. E. Walters, county clerk of Boone county, was removed from office by the board of commissioners when it was discovered that he was more than \$300 short in fees of his office. The money had been used from the county funds since January 1, 1914. On April 1, to cover money used by him, he gave two personal checks, aggregating \$311.37, to County Treasurer King, but they were found worthless. When his office was checked this month his surety, the Lion Bonding company, was notified. They represented as they had to the county treasurer a certified check for \$320.35. Walters has not been placed under arrest and went to Omaha with his attorney, to try to make a settlement with the bonding company. He has been in the county for 11 years, four years as deputy and seven years as clerk.

# LIGHTNING KILLS ONE; SEVERE IN MANY SECTIONS

Tecumseh, Neb., July 27.—Henry Holster, who lived north of Burr, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. He was tending separator with a threshing outfit and there was very little evidence of the storm at that time, the lightning apparently coming from a clear sky. Mr. Holster was 23 and unmarried. During the electrical storm here Joshua Peck, a thrasherman from Tecumseh, was knocked off a wagon by lightning and his horses knocked down. Carl Brock, a farmer not far from where Mr. Peck was struck, and his hired man were walking in from the field and both were knocked down by lightning. At the home of Gus Clineburg, a mile and one-half south-west of this city, wind unroofed the barn. An inch of rain fell here.

# FREMONT WOMAN HURT WHEN MOTOR CAR UPSETS

Fremont, Neb., July 25.—Mrs. J. M. Shively of this city was quite badly injured in an automobile accident Thursday evening. The car, belonging to Gus Moore, upset on a smooth road east of town, going into the ditch. The driver, Mrs. Shively, had no bones broken, but was injured internally. There were several other cars with the party who were going to Arlington to a lodge meeting.

# HORACE BAGLEY, 103 YEARS OF AGE, DIES IN DAUGHTER'S HOME

## Was Oldest Citizen of Lincoln and Cast His First Vote for Andrew Jackson.

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—Horace Bagley, who was Lincoln's oldest resident, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. James Stevenson, aged 103 years. For 20 years he has been blind and almost totally deaf. At one time Mr. Bagley was a man of great wealth. He lived in Iowa near McGregor, at an early day, and owned large tracts of land which later became very valuable. He was one of the big farmers of that section and resided in a splendid mansion. In recent years he has made his home with his children. One of the regrets of his life was that he listened to a pessimistic view of Iowa's future when he first came west and turned down a chance to get lots in Burlington, Ia., for \$2 apiece. Mr. Bagley cast his first vote for Andrew Jackson for president. Later he became a whig, and still later an ardent admirer of Roosevelt.

# LANCASTER DEMOCRATS TO GO SLOW ON HITCHCOCK

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—Senator Hitchcock will receive no warm words of commendation from the Lancaster county democratic convention, which meets here Saturday afternoon. This is because the convention will be completely dominated by the Bryan element, and it is strong for the president and cool towards the senator. The administration will be commended highly, but the congressional delegation will get only perfunctory praise. Eighty per cent of the democratic county conventions will be held today and tomorrow. In those that have been held the administration democrats have had uniform success. A month ago the anti-Bryan element declared war on State Chairman Thompson, who was elected two years ago by the Bryan men. They said that Thompson could not be re-elected and they proposed to put in John J. Byrne again. Thompson accepted the challenge, and so far has secured every delegation he went after. The fatal blow to the anti-Bryan program is the Columbus, who controls the Douglas county delegation. Mullen's home county, said that delegation would vote for Thompson. In conversation here Dahlman said that the delegation would be used to force a harmony program at the national convention, which is taken to mean that he will favor commending Hitchcock as well as Wilson.

# WOMAN EVADES TESTIFYING IN SCHOOL INVESTIGATION

Omaha, Neb., July 25.—The chief complainant against Principal L. C. Rasmussen of the Omaha high school of commerce, charged with "indiscretions," has removed herself from the jurisdiction of the board of education and has refused to testify. Miss Edith Alderman, the witness in question, was told by the judiciary committee of the board of education which is hearing the charges, that unless she returned from her mother's home in Iowa to testify the board would go to her and take her testimony. She came to Omaha. Whether she is trying to knock the matter off by not testifying is not known. Miss Alderman, known to have been in Omaha the night before, had disappeared. She was located in Council Bluffs, beyond the jurisdiction of the committee, and she absolutely refused to go on the stand. Her father, Ellen E. Drummond, now in the east, and Miss Katherine White, now in Chicago, were brought back.

# CAN USE "NEST EGG" FOR SUPPORT OF INSTITUTIONS

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—The state school for girls, at Geneva, and the state penitentiary, at Lincoln, will not go on the fight with the attorney general as he has come to their rescue. The maintenance fund at each is exhausted, due to unexpected contingencies, and the board of control asked the attorney general whether it could use any part of its \$40,000 fund in trying to knock the institutions. The attorney general says that it is, therefore, available for use in both the case of the two institutions. The legislature passed a law providing that the board may transfer funds from one institution to another, but the attorney general is doubtful of its constitutionality, but says this cannot prevent the use of the \$40,000 for valid purposes.

# CLAIMS MAN LOST LEG BECAUSE HE WAS FIGHTING

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—The Burlington Railroad company tells the district court that it objects to paying Thomas Merkoures for the loss of a leg because when Thomas lost it he was engaged in trying to knock the daylight out of a fellow countryman. Merkoures belonged to a gang of men filling a railroad ice house. While they were waiting for cars, he became engaged in a fight with a fellow worker, and while busy at the task was hit by a moving train and his leg crushed. The company says that whipping a fellow worker was not within the scope of his employment, and that it is not therefore, liable.

# PARTY FILINGS.

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—Victor G. Lyford, of Falls City, the only candidate for congress in the First district on the progressive ticket, has accepted a nomination tendered by a petition of republicans, and his name will appear on the republican ballot as a candidate. Eight republicans are after the honor. P. F. Banker, of Anoka, Boyd county, ruled out by the secretary of state as a republican and progressive party candidate for representative from the Fifty-fourth district, because he saw his papers in too late. Affidavits have been filed showing that the papers were mailed in the postoffice Saturday evening, after the last mail had gone, and that the reason they bore a Sunday date was because that was when the next mail left.

# RAILROAD NOT ALLOWED TO REDUCE GRAIN RATES

Washington, D. C., July 24.—The Interstate Commerce commission further suspended, from August 1 until February 1, a Kansas City Southern Railway company tariff, which contains proposed reduced rates on grain and grain products, originating at points in the states of Kansas and Nebraska, when shipped from Kansas City to Port Arthur, Tex., for export. Suspension was made because of alleged discriminations caused by proposed reductions.

# NEBRASKA CITY FOLK MAKE OBJECTIONS TO CITY WATER QUALITY

## Suspicion Voiced That Sewage From Sioux City and Omaha Is of No Benefit.

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—Dr. Emmons, of the Nebraska City board of health, came to Lincoln to see what could be done to force the water works company at that city to furnish better water. One of the troubles with which the Otoe county capital has to contend with is the sewage from Sioux City, Omaha, South Omaha and Plattsmouth, which empties into the Missouri from which the city water supply is taken. Dr. Emmons had with him two bottles of water taken from a faucet in his office. A full inch of mud had settled in the bottom of one of these. The bottles were turned over to the state bacteriologist to find out if any disease carrying germs were embedded in the mud. Dr. Wild, of the state board of health, had previously ordered filtration methods used, but the company has not followed his instructions. A system of settling basins is used, but it is complained that these are not kept clean.

# IS WATERMELON FRUIT OR MERELY VEGETABLE?

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—Is a watermelon a fruit or a vegetable? Any one who knows positively can stop a row that is on between the city officers of Lincoln. The city clerk holds one way and the health officer the other. The difference in money is \$125 a month. A peddler of watermelons has offered to sell to sell his wares for six months for \$30, but an itinerant fruit dealer must pay \$5 a day. The city clerk issued a peddler license to a watermelon dealer, and the health officer is insisting that the man pay \$5 a day as a fruit vendor.

# OLD OFFICERS RE-ELECTED AT SHERIFFS' CONVENTION

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—Cincinnati, Ohio, was named as the next annual meeting place of the International Sheriffs' association at the final business session of the convention, which closed here shortly after midnight. Amalgamation with the International Association of Police Chiefs and Railroad Special Agents was discussed, and a committee appointed to confer with committees from the other organizations with a view to forming an international peace officers' association. The convention of the sheriffs in 1915 will be held at the same time the other organizations convene at Cincinnati. Today, the last of the convention, was spent in sight seeing and taking advantage of the entertainment program which had been arranged. Officers elected at the closing business session were: Louis Eckhardt, of Davenport, Ia., president; L. G. Calder, Saskatchewan, Canada, vice president; Wm. A. Gerber, of St. Paul, Minn., secretary. All were re-elected.

# BROWN COUNTY FILINGS FOR COUNTY NOMINATIONS

Alinsworth, Neb., July 25.—The following filings have been made for the Brown county primary election to be held on August 31: Treasurer—Republican, W. W. Jacobs, F. S. Finney, Leroy Bebout, L. M. Short; democrat, Marion Foster; progressive, Ray Grimes. County Attorney—Republican, John M. Cook, J. S. Davison; progressive, John M. Cook, J. S. Davison. County Clerk—Republican, Howard O. Wilson; democrat, W. E. Cunningham. County Superintendent—Republican, Harriet E. Nolte; democrat, Emma Barrett; progressive, Emma Barrett. County Surveyor—Democrat, J. W. Ferguson. Representative—Republican, George W. Chappell; democrat, J. J. Carlin.

# BEATRICE CLUB LOSES ITS COAL-RATE CONTEST

Washington, July 25.—The Interstate Commerce commission today found in favor of the railroads in three cases brought by the Beatrice Nebraska Commercial club. The decisions, including that of Iowa, which the commission held that rates on coal from Milwaukee, Chicago, East St. Louis, the coal fields of southern Illinois, southern Iowa, north Missouri, Kansas-Missouri district to Beatrice not found to be unduly prejudicial and compare with lower rates to Lincoln, Neb., to which point Beatrice is intermediate. The complaint is dismissed and carriers relieved from operation of the long and short haul rule.

# DAMAGE SUIT JUDGMENTS CLOSE SALOON AT HAVELOCK

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—A Havelock saloonkeeper has failed. Havelock is a suburb of Lincoln and the seat of the big machine shops of the Burlington railway. However, its four saloons have not been doing a rushing business and the one owned by John S. Brothers is in the hands of the sheriff. Secured claims are listed at \$4,764 and uninsured at \$18,625. However, the result of the failure is due mostly to judgments secured against the saloon by the United States Fidelity and Casualty company for \$3,148, one by the National Fidelity and Casualty company for \$5,000, and another judgment secured by Eva Sellers for \$2,993 for debauchery of her husband.

# KNOX COUNTY ASSESSMENT LOWER THAN LAST YEAR

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—Knox county is poorer now than it was a year ago, if its returns to the state board of assessment tell an accurate story. These returns show that notwithstanding 14,000 acres of assessable lands have been added to the list, the total assessed valuation of the county is but \$98,500, as compared with \$1,008,543 a year ago. Only three counties have not made their reports, Funaas, Gage and Garden.

# SOME NEBRASKA SECTIONS GET RELIEF FROM DROUGHT

Lincoln, Neb., July 23.—The perturbation of Nebraska farmers over their crop of corn was partly ended yesterday when good rains fell over a considerable portion of the corn belt. The central and southwestern sections were the best favored. More rain is predicted within the next day or two. The ground is well supplied with moisture in most parts, but the heat that has prevailed during the tasselng period has a tendency to kill off the pollen and thus prevent the formation of ears.

# WARBURG EXPECTED TO WITHDRAW NAME FROM BOARD

## Roberts Likely Will Succeed Jones as Head of the Reserve Board.

Washington, D. C., July 27.—It is reported here this morning, but not yet officially confirmed, that Paul M. Warburg will not allow his name to be used further for the federal reserve board. Mr. Warburg is unwilling to appear before the banking commission and said to feel that the controversy over him has made it impossible for him to serve effectively on the board. For the succession to Thomas D. Jones, eastern newspapers today are giving prominent mention to Director Roberts of the mint.

# MADAME CAILLAUX FAINTS IN COURT

Paris, July 27.—The chief judge challenging one of his colleagues to a duel, the reading of the mysterious letters which were supposed to affect the case so profoundly, and the physical collapse in court of Madame Caillaux were three incidents which today stirred the emotions in connection with the trial of Madame Caillaux for the murder of Gaston Calmette. A peculiarly French atmosphere was lent to the affair by the quarrel of the judges. For the first time by the pliant contents of the former premier's love letters, whose recital before the public caused the prisoner to fall unconscious and to remain for a long time in a swoon. Beside the reading of the letters, little progress was made, and it is generally expected that the trial would extend far into next week.

The sitting of the court immediately suspended amid great uproar. As soon as the hearing opened, Maitre Labori began reading some of the Gueydan letters. He remarked when he took up the second one: "In this you will find burning love, but nothing indecent as common rumor has reported."

In the latter M. Caillaux writing to the present Mme. Caillaux before his divorce from Madame Gueydan, referred to the happiness he would feel when he could "press a million kisses over your dear little forehead."

While the reading was going on, Mme. Caillaux, with her head bent low, was crying bitterly. Her sobs could be heard all over the court room. To the floor a sign she fell prostrate to the floor. Two republican guards standing near raised her and carried her out of the chamber.

The four judges at once arose from their seats and Judge Albaladejo announced the suspension of the hearing. In the meantime Mme. Caillaux had been laid on a bench in an anteroom. The physicians, who had thought she was suffering merely from a passing fainting spell, decided when she refused to be unconscious, to give her a hypodermic injection of ether.

Mme. Caillaux appeared to have broken down completely and was breathing with difficulty, and such was her condition that her husband was admitted to her side. The letters were written in the second person singular, indicating the closest friendship. The first of them said: "My Dear Little Riri (an affectionate nickname for Henriette) when I met thee I felt the disposition of all my being toward thee. I was unhappy, I was humiliated and wounded. I threw myself towards thee with a furious passion. With splendid courage thou hast reconquered thy liberty, asking me, but on promise to give thee my love. There was between another person and myself such a difference of character. We have everything to fear from a woman's duty."

The second letter of pages in length, was begun on October 18, 1909, and finished on the following day. It was written on the official note paper of the prefecture of the department of the Sarthe and said: "My Beloved Little Riri—At last I have a minute to write thee. Thou must be very reasonable and stay at Dinard for the present. I fear only one thing—blackmail. Perhaps some one will make a scandal. Sometimes I am very discouraged. What a life! I have but one consolation—thee."

The letter concludes: "A thousand million kisses over all your adorable little body."

# PRESIDING JUDGE ALBALADEJO CHALLENGES AIDE TO DUEL

Paris, July 27.—A challenge to a duel was sent today by Judge Louis Albaladejo, presiding judge of the court trying Mme. Henriette Caillaux for the wilful murder of Gaston Calmette, to Judge Louis Daguory, one of the three other judges sitting on the bench with him. The quarrel between the two judges arose out of an incident which occurred at the palace of justice late last night, but its nature could not be ascertained. The seconds appointed by Judge Albaladejo are Gen. Jules Dalstein, formerly military governor of Paris, and Emil Bruneau de Laborie. When the discussion concerning the reading of Mme. Gueydan's letters seemed to favor unfavorably for the defense during yesterday's hearing, Judge Albaladejo announced that there would be a recess. The Figaro affirms today that Judge Daguory then said, in a low voice: "You shall not see me." The two judges, after going into their private room during the recess, engaged in a heated discussion, it was said. This morning, however, a report was made public on the front page of Figaro which left Judge Albaladejo in no doubt to send his seconds to his colleague.

# SHOWED CLEMENCY TO HER FORMER HUSBAND

Des Moines, Ia., July 25.—Rather than have her former husband in the penitentiary, Mrs. Blanche Labertew today refused to prosecute the man when he was brought here by the sheriff for failing to support his two children. Labertew was arrested at Dunning, Neb., where he is in the real estate business. Labertew and his wife are divorced.

# LOSS OF \$210,000 IN FIRE AT SIOUX FALLS

## Malting Plant of Brewery Burns to Ground—Property Insured for \$94,000.

Sioux Falls, S. D., July 27.—Sioux Falls last night sustained its heaviest financial loss from a single fire when the large malting plant of the Sioux Falls Brewing and Malting company burned to the ground. The building was erected a few years ago at a cost, including machinery, of \$150,000. Since then an additional \$50,000 was spent on the plant in the way of increased buildings. The plant was under lease to the Lash-Stuppach company, of Milwaukee. The leasing company had a large amount of barley and malt on hand, but the amount of their loss could not be ascertained. The brewing company carried \$94,000 insurance.

The fire was beyond control when the fire department arrived. The firemen could simply confine their efforts to protecting the brewery and other buildings in close proximity. The origin of the fire is unknown. Whether the structure will be rebuilt will not be known until a meeting of the directors of the brewing company is held.

# PORK BARREL BILL DOOMED TO DEFEAT

## Senate Ceases Efforts to Pass Great Rivers and Harbors Grab.

Washington, July 27.—The \$53,000,000 river and harbor pork barrel bill is beaten. Democratic leaders in the Senate admitted today it is useless to attempt to force the passage of the bill as long as Senators Burton of Ohio, Keenyon of Iowa, Borah of Idaho, Norris of Nebraska, Lane of Oregon, and Ashurst of Arizona are willing to keep up their filibuster.

At a caucus certain democratic senators insisted that the river and harbor bill be given a place on the legislative program. This was done, but the opponents of the measure today signified their intention of keeping up the fight until the adjournment of the present congress on March 4 next if necessary to beat the bill.

When it became apparent that the opposition was gaining strength as it proceeded instead of losing it, the pork grabbers gave up the ghost and no attempt will be made to put the measure through either during the remainder of this session or in the short session beginning next December. The failure of the pork barrel bill through this session forestalls the doom of all such measures introduced in the future.

# IOWA RURAL CARRIERS TO ATLANTIC IN 1915

## Large Delegation Selected to Attend National Convention in Washington.

Des Moines, Ia., July 27.—Atlantic boosters took the convention of Iowa rural mail carriers by storm yesterday afternoon, and the delegates selected that city for the 1915 convention by an overwhelming majority. Des Moines and Cedar Rapids made strong conditions for the honor of electing the carriers next year, but there was not much in the final vote to show for their efforts. O. M. Florence of Shenandoah, was elected president for the ensuing year. R. Reed of Clarinda, vice president; R. W. Ford of Storm Lake, was reelected secretary, and J. P. Larson of Kanawha, was re-elected treasurer. C. A. Koppel, of Des Moines, and E. F. French, of Humboldt, are the retiring president and vice president, respectively.

H. E. Jones, of Rockwell City, was re-elected to the vacancy in the board of directors. W. H. James, of Council Bluffs, was elected delegate at large to attend the national convention, at Washington, D. C., next year. After considerable debate, it was decided to send a large delegation to represent Iowa, and other delegates were chosen. They are: R. W. Ford, of Storm Lake; F. P. French, of Humboldt; J. P. Larson, of Kanawha; I. N. Davis, of Floris; W. H. Clark, of Corydon; E. S. Lemmon, of Eddyville; O. W. Bryant, of Lomora; C. L. Reed, of Clarinda, and J. H. Homer, of Wiek.

# WOMAN CLAIMS TITLE OF OLDEST NATIVE IOWAN

Marshalltown, Ia., July 27.—Mrs. Mary F. Barber, aged 77, a member of the soldiers' home from Albia, Ia., declares that A. C. Thomas, who died at Sac City a few days ago, was not the oldest living native of Iowa. Thomas was born in Cascade in 1839. Mrs. Barber herself has a record two years better than that of Thomas. She was born in Burlington in 1837. Mrs. Barber herself has a record two years living native son or daughter. Her father, John E. Gray, named the city of Burlington after Burlington, Vt. Mrs. Barber says.

# MYSTERY IN DEATH OF NURSE AT MARSHALLTOWN

Marshalltown, Ia., July 27.—Mystery surrounds the finding in a hospital here of the dead body of Miss Bertha Burns, 38, a nurse, who came here last Saturday from Chicago. The coroner says the circumstances are suspicious of suicide by poisoning, but there is no proof that such is a fact. The woman disrobed in her room and went to the emergency room where her body was found lying on the floor. A two-ounce bottle of paregoric was found by her side, half drained, but this would not have caused death, the coroner said. The authorities are trying to locate relatives.

# SUSPECT HELD FOR SHOOTING BRAKEMAN BOB CANTLIN

Council Bluffs, Ia., July 25.—Following an extended search by a posse, a negro was arrested in the area near Crescent, in this county, as a suspect for the shooting of brakeman Bob Cantlin, near Cantlin, yesterday morning. Two negroes were trying to ride on a Northwestern train and were put off by Cantlin. One of the ejected negroes whipped out a revolver and shot the brakeman through the neck, inflicting a serious wound, but which is not expected to result fatally. Cantlin's home is at Boone.