

# THE O'NEIL FRONTIER

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O'NEIL, NEBRASKA

Emile Verhaeren, the Belgian poet, might have been a priest, but decided that his wild nature could not be clamped within cloister walls. As a youth he attended the Jesuit college of Saint-Barthelemy in Ghent. There he met Masterlinck. The fathers would have saved their young pupils from the world by making them priests, and endeavored to inspire in them a profound respect for the past, with a hatred of all innovation. After the school, at Saint-Barthelemy, Verhaeren studied law at Louvain. Admitted to the bar at Brussels, he joined a coterie of young artists, and, like Gautier, he won a name for shocking the bourgeois by fantastic freaks of dress and conduct. The muse called, and the law was deserted.

One of George Stephenson's first engines is still in operation at Hetton, Colliery in England, where it was first put into use and where it has been in constant service since 1825, the year in which it was built. Although the English government has offered to buy it for preservation in one of the museums, the owners desire to keep it in operation until its wonderful career has passed the hundred year mark and thus rounded out a full century.

A natural result of the war is the unusually large number of Latin American students who are entering colleges in this country. A quota of 35 from Brazil recently entered Princeton, Harvard and Yale, and it is safe to assume that these will do more to further our trade relations with South America than the most elaborate chamber of commerce joy ride that ever was or will be conceived and executed.

Finland has an area of 144,249 square miles, of which one-seventh is water on account of the innumerable lakes in the interior, and at the end of 1914 its population amounted to 3,196,700, divided among eight governments. Of the population of the grand duchy, less than one-sixth live in the cities, of which there are 15 having more than 5,000 inhabitants.

Herman S. Gerrish, of Portland, Me., has a belt which is 250 years old and which formerly belonged to a Belgian of royal blood. About 20 years ago the late native owner, who was a descendant of an American woman, who recently sold it and sent the purchase price to the Belgian relief fund. The belt is highly ornamental and is valued at about \$200.

The Infanta Eulalia of Spain, who it will be remembered, visited this country during the world's fair at Chicago, has published a volume of reminiscences entitled "Court Life From Within," in which she describes Kaiser Wilhelm: "He believes," she says, "that he has been divinely appointed to rule over Germany, and I believe that if he had not been born a king he would have become a religious leader."

Honduras is a rich country and its resources remain in almost a virgin condition. It possesses a climate that varies with its topography, the temperature on the coasts being hot, in the lowlands of the interior it is warm, and in some places it is temperate and in some places it is sub-tropical. It is abundant in minerals and its tablelands and valleys are especially adapted for raising cattle and for agriculture.

Platt (platt) the Turkish national dish is the favorite of all classes and is composed almost entirely of rice. For this purpose 80 to 100 tons of the cereal are consumed yearly in the Aleppo consular district, 30 tons of which are raised in Aleppo province or imported from the province of Diarbakir, while the rest is imported from Egypt and Rangoon.

The sister cities of Niagara Falls, on the side of the great cataract, are acting together in an effort to acquire the battery of electric searchlights now being used for the scintillating illumination at San Francisco, and to provide for the electrical illumination of the falls during a number of months of each year.

Henry A. Meals, of York Springs, Pa., has a pair of brass rimmed spectacles that have been handed down through four generations. They served his grandfather until his death at the age of 90, his grandfather until he was 82, his father until he was 80, and it is present, at the age of 75, Mr. Meals is still using them.

"Why don't you call on the girl and explain things in private?" asked the friend of the angry young man, after the latter had been reproaching his sweetheart by telephone for the better part of half an hour. "Not a chance," replied the one. "I'll fight it out on this line if it takes all summer."

Experts of the department of agriculture have estimated that the sea-weeds of the Pacific coast of the United States can be made to yield fertilizer worth more than \$150,000,000 a year.

Buenos Aires does more shipping business than any other city of the western hemisphere with the exception of New York, and it now ranks eighth among the great ports of the world.

A test by a Swiss city of the relative efficiency for street lighting of arc and metallic filament lamps was decided in favor of the latter, chiefly because more agreeable to the eyes.

The artificial coloring of gold fish to meet prevailing tastes by keeping them in water containing certain chemicals is extensively carried on in Sicily.

The natives of Guatemala are expert tanners, and it is probable that they will get some of the business formerly taken care of by European nations.

Fifty-four railroads, mining companies and municipalities are co-operating with the forestry service in making wood preservative tests.

In order to pay for the tuition, students at Montana university accepted work on a road in the vicinity, and made a good job of it.

The dust raised by automobile has been blamed by medical authorities for an increase in pulmonary diseases in the Philippines.

Canon loaded with sand have been found effective in breaking up swarms of locusts that frequently appear in Costa Rica.

An English inventor's electrical tool for removing boiler scale delivers 8,000 hammering and curing strokes a minute.

The corporation of Trinity church, New York, owns 339 houses, the rent of which maintains the church.

A man that weighs 150 pounds contains enough grease to make 75 candles and a pound of soap.

# FATHER AND SON HAD BEEN SEPARATED FOR 42 YEARS; REUNITED

## Son's Wife Finally Got Trace of Elder Man Through Pension Office Records.

Johnston, Neb., Nov. 22.—When A. H. Bedder, at the age of 27, was having difficulty in supporting his young wife and their baby, Charles, he left them at the little home in Sweet Springs, Mo., and went to another town where work was more plentiful. That was 42 years ago, and not until a few days ago did son and father meet again.

Shortly after leaving home Bedder received a letter, apparently signed by the mother, saying that the baby had been scalded to death in a tub of boiling water. He had idolized the baby. Enraged at what he believed the carelessness of his wife and her delay in sending him news of the accident, a month later, he determined to leave her. His wife never heard from him again.

The letter, however, had been written by a malicious neighbor. Two years later, Mrs. Bedder read in a newspaper that a man who answered the description of her husband had been killed in a mine at Joplin. Thenceforth she considered herself a widow. Little Charles was told that he had no father. Then came George Dulger, a neighbor, to court the young widow. Soon they were married. Bedder also married again. He named his first son Charles in memory of the baby he supposed dead. Four children followed. The family finally located in this city.

Before many years went by the original Charles also had four pygmies, brothers and sisters. When he was up he moved to Kansas City and married. When he told his wife about his father she believed the father alive and constantly urged her husband to search for him. To please her Charles wrote an advertisement. After several years he was ready to quit, but the wife persisted. Finally it was remembered that the father had been in the union army in the civil war. The pension office advised Mrs. Bedder that the father was living at Johns town, Neb. A letter was written here immediately.

The letter was answered and a meeting arranged at Kansas City. Now the father is going to Sweet Springs to meet Mrs. Dulger and the little Dulgers.

## HOSPITAL HEAD HAD MANIPULATED WARRANTS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 22.—Superintendent Vanderclose, of the state hospital for tuberculars, has placed himself in line for a castigation from the state board of control. Complaints had several times been received that the superintendent was retaining the warrants sent by the auditor to him for distribution among the employes, in-dorsing them himself and banking the proceeds. Then he would pay the employes with his personal checks. In these practices, and his retention of the warrants called for \$35, but \$25 was all the superintendent paid him.

## LINCOLN MAN SERIOUSLY WOUNDED BY OMAHA THUGS

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 22.—C. D. Campbell, of Lincoln, was shot and probably fatally wounded when two men held him up in the city district here last night. Campbell was on his way to the union station to take a train for Lincoln when two white men confronted him on Tenth street, between Farnum and Harney. Although Campbell's hands were thrown up at once, one of the men fired and the bullet struck Campbell in the stomach. He was taken to a hospital, where an operation was performed. Physicians say he probably will die.

## CHICAGO MAYOR LISTED IN NEBRASKA PRIMARY

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 22.—The name of William Hale Thompson, mayor of Chicago, was filed this evening with the secretary of state as a candidate for the republican nomination for the presidency at the April primary.

A petition containing 28 names accompanied the request, stating that he was the logical man for the place because he had made a record for law enforcement which placed him to the forefront. The petition was signed by Col. John O. Yeiser, of Omaha, who also asked permission to withdraw a petition filed by him in 1912 placing Theodore Roosevelt in nomination, claiming that Roosevelt's ideas on the war situation did not meet his approval or the approval of a majority of the people of the country.

Under the state primary law, the petition filed for Mr. Roosevelt in 1912 is still in effect and cannot be withdrawn except on demand of the petitioner who filed it, or through injunction proceedings instituted by Mr. Roosevelt.

## DIXON VOTERS ASK FOR ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT

Dixon, Neb., Nov. 20.—By an easy majority the voters of Dixon yesterday decided in favor of installing an electric light plant in this little city. The vote was: For, 33; against, 6.

## HEAVY BOND REQUIRED IF GAS COMPANY APPEALS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—Judge Pace Morris, of the federal court, has issued an order compelling the Lincoln Gas & Electric Light company to put up a bond for \$75,000 if it wishes to continue, in the higher courts, its fight against the \$1 gas ordinance. The bond is to cover all refunds that the company may finally be compelled to make to customers if the ordinance, which was passed nine years ago, is finally upheld. The lower court has done no more than merely to deny a fight over the refunds, as the company has put \$1 gas into effect.

# NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

## MANY FARMERS GUESTS OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—Four hundred folks from the farms of the commercial club—men, women and children—were guests of the Lincoln Commercial club yesterday afternoon. It was the beginning of what is expected to be a great community movement. The plan is to have the facilities of the club used by farmers whenever in which all classes were vitally interested, could be mutually considered and solved.

## PETITIONERS WILL OBJECT TO HUGHES' WITHDRAWAL

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—Justice Hughes will not have an easy time of it getting his name off the presidential primary ballot in Nebraska. Most of the Lincoln men say that when they signed the petition to have his name placed thereon they were well aware that they were acting contrary to his wishes and that he was not even a receptive candidate for the office. They were of the opinion, however, and this is what actuated them in taking the step—that he is the never man of all those who have been nominated for the position who ought to be nominated and who will unite the two wings of the party. The petition contains the names of a number of men, including National Committeeman Howell, who were Roosevelt men in 1912, and the information these men give is that hundreds of other former Roosevelt supporters would welcome the opportunity to support Hughes.

The Nebraska presidential primary law was evidently drawn by a man in whose head is the never man of all those who have been nominated for the position for president would ever refuse. Hence there is no provision relating to withdrawals, but one that deals with acceptances only. So that all that the secretary of state can do when he receives the declination of Justice Hughes is to do as he pleases. The practice has been to act in accordance with the wishes of the candidates if his proponents do not object. This time they are going to object because they are not in favor of the man who is the national convention and thus formally place him in the race.

## "HOSS DOCTORS" GETTING INTO PROFESSIONAL CLASS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—One hundred and fifty "hoss doctors" are in Lincoln today proving up. The college bred chaps who have won the title of veterinarian succeeded in getting through a law at the last session of the legislature which goes with the practice of veterinary medicine to present diplomas or undergo examinations for their fitness. The only exceptions were those who had practiced for more than 10 years and who had no diplomas. These men, however, were required to present diplomas, and in practicing that number of years, one year of which was in the county where they now reside, and they are here for that purpose.

## EVANGELISTIC SERVICE IN HASTINGS SALOON

Hastings, Neb., Nov. 20.—With the proprietor and three bartenders acting as usher, church service was held in the saloon. The evangelist's success in connection with the evangelistic campaign. Miss Florence Cartright, assistant to Dr. John S. Hamilton, the evangelist, delivered the exhortation, and the service was assisted by the revival party assisted. "God's Marvelous Love" was the theme. Nearly 200 men and 29 women attended. One man who attempted to buy a drink before the party left was refused service.

## ITALIAN "WAR WIDOW" SEEKS NEBRASKA PENSION

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 20.—Whether Mrs. Louise Saco, destitute wife of an Italian deserter and her three children, 3 months to 4 years of age, shall receive a mother's pension to be paid by Douglas county, is to be decided by Juvenile Judge Searns. Joe Saco, the husband and father left for Italy two weeks ago, leaving his family, in answer to the call of Italy for soldiers. Mrs. Saco and the three little children are destitute. Lawyers assert it is Italy's duty to pay the support of women and children rendered destitute by the calling of heads of families to fight in the big European war.

Probation Officer Gus Miller is in doubt whether Mrs. Saco should receive the pension. Mrs. Saco should receive the pension. "From a neutral standpoint Douglas county should not pay part of the war cost of the Italian government," he said, "but from the standpoint of the mother and children there is much to be said on the other side."

## TELLS FANCIFUL STORY OF ALLEGED CRIME PROMOTERS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—Luwik Szymanski is either a fictionist or proved merit or else he was the victim of a bold attempt to force him to commit a crime. Chief Justice Miller, trying to decide yesterday at the chief's office and told him that he had been induced to visit a room on Ninth street or the promise of being given a job. There he was told that he was wanted to aid in robbing a bank. When he refused a gun was shoved in his face and he was informed he would be killed if he told the police about it. The police went to the room indicated and there found two men who were identified by the youth. They denied the entire story.

## FATHER OF NINE CHILDREN ENDS LIFE WITH SHOTGUN

Madison, Neb., Nov. 19.—William Rencelius, residing eight miles east of Madison, blew off the top of his head with a shotgun about 7 o'clock last night at his home. His wife and children were at a neighbors at the time. No motive for the crime was ascertained. The coroner's inquest found death due to suicide. Deceased had no insurance, leaves a wife and nine children; also his father and brother of this city.

Fifty years ago tea was too dear to be an ordinary beverage in the average household.

# J. BERGSTROM, ANOKA POSTMASTER, HELD ON TECHNICAL SHORTAGE

## Had Used Postal Funds to Discount Mercantile Bills, But Made Adjustment.

Anoka, Neb., Nov. 20.—Joel Bergstrom, postmaster here, was placed under arrest yesterday by Deputy United States Marshal William Morgan, at St. Joseph, Mo. The charge against Bergstrom applies to a technical misappropriation of funds, previously adjusted. He was arraigned before United States Commissioner Vayha and held to the grand jury under \$5,000 bonds.

Morgan operates a store here, in connection with the postoffice, and it was the use of postal funds in discounting his mercantile bills that got him into trouble with Uncle Sam. When an inspector appeared here several months ago to check up the postoffice, there was an apparent shortage in the cash of \$2,800. Mr. Bergstrom explained that he had made temporary use of the money in discounting some bills and that there was no thought, on his part, that the transaction involved any serious misapplication of the funds.

The inspector demanded that the cash be restored at once, emphasizing the criminal aspect of the case. Mr. Bergstrom's relatives assisted in making a quick adjustment of the cash balance, and the inspector was inclined to be satisfied with the arrangement. However, the explanation would be under the necessity of making a detailed report to the department. Developments yesterday indicate that the postoffice department regards the case as one calling for prosecution. Postmaster Bergstrom is a young man, is said to have suffered great mental torture since being informed by the inspector of the serious possibilities of the technical shortage. In discussing the situation with relatives and friends, Mr. Bergstrom stated he intended himself to be the custodian of the fund and thought he had a right to make personal use of it, if in position to make a settlement with the department at any time called upon.

## COUNTY BOARD CHECKED ON IGNORING LEVY LIMIT

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—The mad rush of the county board of Blount county to levy a higher tax rate than the law permits, was stopped today by telegraph by Attorney General Reed. The commissioners were anxious to build a county high school and had decided to risk the disapproval of the voters or state did not care to call a special election. They included 5 mills in their levy for this purpose, and this made a total of 20 mills. The constitution says that no county shall levy to exceed 15 mills. The attorney general goes with the attorney general. The only way to get what is desired in excess of that rate is to submit the specific proposition to the people.

## MANUFACTURERS DISCUSS STATE'S POWER PROSPECTS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—The Nebraska Manufacturers' association, before adjournment yesterday, elected C. D. Marr, of Fremont, as president. Other officers are: Vice presidents, J. W. Steinhart, Nebraska City; W. C. Shinn, Lincoln; L. A. Kinney, Hastings, and J. E. Bondurant, Omaha; secretary, H. E. Gooch; treasurer, A. C. Stooz, Omaha; directors, two years, C. L. Aller, Crete; W. J. Monaghan, Omaha; Eugene Huse, Norfolk; C. C. Quigley, Lincoln; R. A. Leussler, Omaha, and T. E. Adams, Ravenna; directors, one year, J. W. Steinhart, Nebraska City; H. E. Tulley, Grand Island; John W. Towse, Omaha; F. E. Gillen, Lincoln; C. C. Smith, Exeter; W. H. Clark, Omaha. President Sharp, of the Lincoln Traction company, an authority on the subject, said that the state through investments in experimental work, would be the manufacturers that every Nebraska factory is daily paying tribute to the men of other states where coal, wood and oil are produced. He said that his investigations had shown the need of a federal grand jury, and that he would be glad to dispose of it to them. He admitted in the letters, that this was against the law, but that it afforded his customers their only chance to get the "dope."

## STARTS ACTION AGAINST MEMBERS OF SUPREME COURT

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—C. A. Lord, automobile dealer of Lincoln, is not a timid man. He has begun suit in district court with Chief Justice Morrissey as the principal defendant to cancel a contract for the sale of a downtown business block. Morrissey and a partner bought the block from an agent for \$40,000, and Lord refused to complete the deal because he says the agent sold it to him at a price that was not the price had been withdrawn. Morrissey has refused to cancel the contract and Lord sued.

## MANY ASPIRANTS FOR NEBRASKA GOVERNORSHIP

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—Two more candidates for the republican gubernatorial nomination are expected to be announced. Walter A. George, a Broken Bow banker, who finished a four-year term as state treasurer, was at the state house today getting blanks, and a brother of Judge Hostetler, of Kearney, another candidate. He is the judge would shortly announce himself. Mr. George was chairman of the state committee in 1914, when the party ticket went down to defeat. He belongs to the standpat wing of the party, and his candidacy is probably the most formidable of any of that wing.

Former Congressman Pollard, who is already in the ring, has announced his platform. He insists that as agriculture is the basis of all wealth the time has arrived for the state to embark upon a constructive program that would build up the farming industry. He points out that there is \$1,500,000 invested in the farms, and that the business is subjected to great loss because it has not the proper scientific aid that it needs. He outlines a number of matters, including rural credits, that he wants the state to adopt.

## FRUIT GROWERS OPPOSE ANTI-PEDDLING ORDERS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.—Fruit growers, wholesale and retailers from seven counties in Nebraska, met yesterday Wednesday all day before the state railway commission in opposition to new rules adopted by the common carriers, which are intended to prohibit the peddling of fruits, vegetables and other commodities from the cars of the companies on sidings. The railroad representatives declared they ought not to be required to furnish sales-rooms for dealers. They said that this use of the cars was improper, that it tied up the equipment and that it was dangerous in that it drew many wagon peddlers to the yards. The pressure for the adoption of the rules, it developed, came from the jobbers who had been importuned by customers in towns where the wagon peddlers took away a large part of the so-called legitimate trade. The railroads admitted that sand, lumber and coal cars were similarly used.

## NOTED ELK DIES

New York, Nov. 18.—Arthur C. Moreland, widely known among the members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and editor-publisher of the Elks-Antler, one of the leading publications of the order, died in a hospital here yesterday.

# VACCINATION PLACES BURDEN OF GRIEF ON OFFICERS OF SCHOOL

## Enforcing Quarantine as Alternative Stirs Many Patrons to Loud Protests.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—The school board is having more trouble than it can accommodate. A smallpox epidemic broke out in the school a few days ago, and so many were exposed to contagion that the board ordered all pupils vaccinated. Included in the enrolled list are a number of scions of Christian Science families and others who do not believe in vaccination. The board sent the city physician to the school with 700 vaccine points. All who had been exposed to the disease either in school or out were lined up. They were told that they must either allow themselves to be vaccinated or they would be quarantined. Several declined to be vaccinated, and they were ordered home and placed under quarantine. Their parents are indignant and are storming the school board citadel with threats of injunction suits and a few other things if they are kept in quarantine for the specified 17 days. Two new cases among high school students were reported today, making a total of eight.

## COUNCIL IN QUANDRY ON FIREMEN'S DOUBLE SHIFT

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—The city council has been set upon by the supreme court, which has ordered the council to put into effect a double shift of firemen. The firemen lobbied a bill through the legislature, when the councilmen were not looking, and they sought to evade its enforcement by saying they had no money with which to pay for the double shift. The court says that this does not matter. The council thought they could get around the difficulty by cutting the wages in two, but the city attorney advises them this cannot be done. The only way out of it is to add a few new men and then divide the entire force into two shifts. The last budget adopted included no provision for payment of these salaries, and the council cannot at this time levy any additional sums.

## HUGHES DISPLAYS INTEREST IN NEBRASKA CONVENTION

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—Around the statehouse there is a strong suspicion that Justice Charles E. Hughes may not be so averse to being injected in the republican presidential primary race in Nebraska as was supposed. His private secretary has wired the secretary of state for a copy of the petition filed there last Saturday. A copy with the signatures omitted was wired him. In the petition it was stated that the signatures were well aware that the justice did not wish to be known as a candidate for the position, but that they felt this was a time for conscription and that Hughes is just the kind of man who ought to be drafted.

The fact that the justice wanted to sign the petition contained and did not do so as he had a right, withdraw his name at once is the basis for believing he may not do so.

## CIRCULARIZED PROSPECTS FOR SALE OF MORPHINE

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—Julius C. Woempener, formerly a druggist in business in Lincoln, was arrested on a farm near Haigler, yesterday, and is held without bail to answer to an indictment returned by the grand jury. Woempener is accused of violating the Harrison law relating to the sale of narcotics. It is said that he sent letters to various persons whom he had come to know as users of morphine, telling them that he had a certain amount on hand and would be glad to dispose of it to them. He admitted in the letters, that this was against the law, but that it afforded his customers their only chance to get the "dope."

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## ON TRAIL OF ANTHRAX

New York, Nov. 20.—Inspectors of the state bureau of industrial hygiene today began an examination of 200 for making shops, most of them in the lower east side of this city, as a precaution against anthrax.

## MUNITIONS PLANT TO BE BUILT IN CANADA

St. Johns, N. F., Nov. 16.—Announcement was made today that the first plant to be established in New Foundland for the manufacture of shells for the British army would be put in operation early in January. A foundry in this city is being transformed into a munitions factory. Its operation while backed by local capital, will be under the direction of the munitions commission at Ottawa.

# ROME GOVERNMENT MAY DECLARE WAR ON GERMANY SOON

## Diplomats in Switzerland Understand Action By Italy Is Now Merely Matter of Hours.

London, Nov. 22.—The correspondent at Berne, Switzerland, of the Central News, telegraphs: "Diplomats understand that an Italian declaration of war on Germany is only a matter of hours."

## TOO LATE TO SAVE SERBIA

London, Nov. 22.—Although no official confirmation has been received of the report that the Bulgarians have captured the Monastir, in southwestern Serbia, little hope is felt in England that the announcement is premature. Accepting it as true, the impression is growing that the entente allies arrived too late to give any service to the Serbians.

## Anglo-French Armies Holding Own But Austro-German-Bulgarian Steam Roller Is Crushing Ally.

The only thing certain in regard to the plight of Serbia is that its military situation is going from bad to worse. In the north the main Serbian armies are giving way slowly before the battering Austro-German forces, which probably would move more rapidly if weather conditions were better. It is established that the Bulgarians are in Prilep and at least have made Monastir untenable. The Anglo-French armies based on Saloniki seem to do no better than hold their positions.

## British More Cheerful

Optimistic feeling in regard to the diplomatic situation in Greece still persists in England. The reasons for this optimism, however, continue to be obscure. The weather seems to have intervened again in Russia. Little activity is reported except the retirement of the Poles to the east bank of the Styr in Galicia. In Courland evidently weather in the swampy district which has brought both sides to a standstill. On the other fronts there are few changes. Desperate fighting continues between the Austrians and Italians. In Mesopotamia, General Nixon is reported to be in sight of Bagdad.

## ATHENS DISPATCH CONFUSES SITUATION ABOUT MONASTIR

London, Nov. 22.—An Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company, filed yesterday, says Serbian troops at Monastir succeeded yesterday in "advancing to a distance of several kilometers (about four and two-thirds miles)." The telegram adds that the intentions toward Monastir of the Bulgarians, who have occupied Prilep are unknown. Denys Cochran, minister without portfolio in the French cabinet, has left for Saloniki after an interview with King Constantine.

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## HAUSER TO FACE TRIAL FOR MURDER IN OMAHA

Wichita, Kan., Nov. 20.—Arthur Hauser, wanted in Omaha for the murder of W. H. Smith, a national officer of the Woodmen of the World, will be taken to Omaha for trial, so the Wichita police announced today, following a conference with Omaha authorities.

England and Sweden are said to be the two healthiest countries in Europe.