

THE O'NEIL FRONTIER

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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

A new record has been established by the United States bureau of fisheries up to March 1, 1916. In its fish cultural operations of the present fiscal year. During the period the actual distribution of fish of all species in the various fields of activity shows an increase of approximately 800,000,000 over the distributions during the same period in 1915. This would indicate that the output for the entire year will exceed the record output of 4,238,757,804 fish and eggs for the fiscal year 1915, and will probably reach 5,000,000,000 or more.

An interesting trainload of folks who passed through the United States recently, were the German women and children, also one paralytic man, removed some weeks earlier from the steamship China by a British cruiser and dispatched under surveillance to their homes, by way of the United States, the men being held prisoners and taken to one of the British stations in the orient. Also in the party were some of the women and children from Kiauchau, China, which the Japanese captured so long ago.

The chief justices of the United States beginning with the first and continuing to the present day, have been as follows: John Jay, 1789-1795; John Rutledge, 1795 for one term of five court, but was not confirmed by the Senate; Oliver Ellsworth, 1795-1799; John Marshall, 1801-1835; Roger B. Taney, 1836-1864; Salmon P. Chase, 1864-1873; Morrison R. Waite, 1874-1888; Melville W. Fuller, 1888-1910; Edward D. White, 1910.

One of the strangest animals known to zoologists is the tenrec, an insect-eating animal found only in the island of Madagascar. It is supposed to represent a very ancient type of animal which is now almost extinct. Madagascar, once a part of the mainland of the African continent, was separated therefrom at a very remote period in the past. As a result a fauna peculiar to the island has been developed.

London Boulevard, when his first play, "London Assurance," was accepted by the manager of the Lyceum theatre, London, refused to have the play produced in the original version because it gave no part to Mrs. Nesbit, an actress, for whom he had conceived a high boyish infatuation, and rewrote the whole work in an incredibly short time so as to supply her with the role he wished.

The lines in the Dutch national hymn, "Preserve, O God, the dear old ground, thou to our fathers gave," seem to indicate a considerable modification on the part of the Netherlands, supposedly correct fact being that they reclaim the ground themselves, Providence actually being something of a hindrance, both to its acquisition and its "preservation" for which they pray.

Walt Mason, of repute as a prose poet, has bought a motor car and after learning to run it will make his initial trip through Nebraska county, Kansas, where he used to work for \$12 a month and failed to win when he struck for a raise of \$14. He hopes to create an impression that will make the one-time employers sorry they didn't hang on to him.

As a heavy passenger train near Colfax, Cal., was passing a curve a man leaped from the rear of the train and waved at a young woman in one of the forward coaches. The engineer chanced to be looking back, caught the wave, and, thinking something had gone wrong, stopped the train.

The 554 people out of every 1,000 in Switzerland who save money must be compared with a meager 108 in this country, the difference accounting, according to a Chicago banker, for the fact that in our large cities one burial out of 10 is made in a potter's field.

Royalties on oil and mining developments, rents on state lands, leases and fees pour in so rapidly to the state of Wyoming that she may soon be in the position of not having to raise any taxes at all for support of the state government.

It seems that after all there is a knack to this long life business, Alec Panchoe, oldest member of the Mt. Carmel order of Indiana, accepting the suggestion that baths should be taken never less than once a year.

As an addition to the Bertillon system of identification an Omaha dentist has perfected a way to register the ridges of upper gums, which, he says, never change and are different in every individual.

Several carloads of Montana flax are being shipped to Belfast, Ireland. The flax will bring \$400 a ton in Belfast because of the war. The average price in peace times was \$180 a ton.

A fifth of the export trade of Tripoli is in sponges and a third in esparto. The export of sponges to the United States is a wily device, product which is sent in large quantities to England where it is used in papermaking.

Although there was a falling off of 14,000,000 gallons in the consumption of whiskey and of 6,000,000 barrels of beer, the nation's drink bill for 1915 is computed at \$2,500,000,000.

Viggo and Aga are the names that have been bestowed on two of Denmark's princelings, making one wonder whether Hamlet had such good reason to be melancholy after all.

Mars, the planet, has no rain or clouds, making a close analogy between it and the earthly Mars, the symbol, which also stands for some of the great heights of discomfort.

According to the geological survey an almost inexhaustible supply of oil can be obtained from the shales of Colorado, Utah and Wyoming.

A Russian government bureau is organizing a scientific expedition to make a thorough investigation of the mineral resources of Siberia.

Water and fireproof barrels will be made in Hawaii from bagasse, a sugar mill byproduct, for exporting sugar and importing potash.

The government of Uruguay will assume control of all telegraph and telephone services and reorganize and improve them.

Practically inexhaustible deposits of asphalt discovered in the Philippines two years ago will be developed commercially.

Two billions of lead pencils are made each year. Half of them are made of American cedar.

Forty-five per cent of American income is spent for food and 20 per cent for rent.

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BRYAN MEN GET HALF OF NEBRASKA'S DELEGATION
Lincoln, Neb., May 1.—While eight counties are still missing from the official returns at the office of the secretary of state, including Lancaster and Douglas, the two largest in the state, it is fairly safe to say that while W. J. Bryan landed in sixth place in the delegate contest, where seven were entered, but that he will split the delegation to the national convention with his enemies.

The Bryan faction elected two delegates at-large, two from the Third, one from the Fourth, one from the Fifth, and two from the Sixth district, while the anti-Bryans elected two at large, two from the First, two at large, two from the First, two from the Second and one each in the Fourth and Fifth districts.

The standpat section of the republican party fared very well in the selection of delegates, getting three of the four at large, one from the First, one from the Second, one from the Fourth and one from the Sixth—a total of seven. The line-up of one in the Fifth is not definitely known. The progressives secured one at large, two in the Third and one each in the other five districts. F. M. Currie, who was the state chairman for the fair faction, was elected at large, while A. C. Epperson, who was chairman of the Roosevelt crowd, was beaten.

COLORED GASOLINE SOLD AS MYSTIC ENGINE TONIC
Lincoln, Neb., May 1.—U. G. Muck paid \$150 and costs in court here because he neglected to notify the state oil department and have inspected a product he was selling labeled "Gasoline Tonic." It was intended for the use of automobile owners and two spoonfuls of it were guaranteed to take the kinks out of any refractory motor. The chemist at the state department said that it was composed almost wholly of gasoline, but had been colored a neat and delicate shade of green.

MISSOURI PACIFIC REFUSES TO EXHIBIT ITS RECORDS
Lincoln, Neb., May 1.—On the advice of its general attorney, the Missouri Pacific Railroad company has refused to permit the state railway commission the right to inspect the company records at Falls City. The commission expert desired to get some information as to the passenger traffic of the Missouri Pacific in Nebraska in order that it might be used in defense of the action brought by the company attacking the 2-cent fare law. The company secured a temporary injunction against its enforcement and is now charging 3 cents a mile except to competitive points. The law requires the railroads to furnish access to all of its books to duly accredited representatives of the commission, and the company has been notified that its penalties will be invoked if prompt action throwing them open is not taken. This is the first time in eight years that a railroad company has refused such a request or demand.

MOVEMENT LAUNCHED FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION
Lincoln, Neb., May 1.—The Lincoln Constitutional league, with A. W. Richardson of Lincoln, as president, and a full set of officers, was organized Friday for the purpose of launching a movement to have the people vote the coming election, through the initiative and referendum, on the question of calling a convention to write a new constitution. Money was raised to hire men who will at once begin the circulation of the necessary petitions.

TWO INMATES OF PRISON TRANSFERRED TO ASYLUM
Lincoln, Neb., May 1.—Two men confined in the state penitentiary have been transferred to the insane hospital. They are Charles D. Denny, serving a one to seven-year sentence for shooting a man in Dawes county with intent to wound him, and Joe Garcia, a Mexican from Omaha, who killed a fellow laborer. Owing to the fact that none of the state insane hospitals are equipped with facilities for confining convicts who may be crazy, so that escape is almost impossible, the state board of control is considering the erection of a separate apartment at the penitentiary to take care of insane convicts.

IRISH SYMPATHIZERS NOT TO BE BOTHERED
Government Has No Proof That They Have Violated American Neutrality.

Washington, D. C., May 1.—Department of justice officials said today that no steps had been taken as yet to investigate alleged activities of sympathizers in this country with the revolutionist movement in Ireland. The only information relating to such activities, officials said, was in unconfirmed newspaper reports, and the statement made yesterday in London by John Redmond to the effect that the movement had been abetted by men in this country.

No investigation is likely in the immediate future, officials say, unless disclosures, unlooked for now, come to their attention.

Thus far there have been no official indications that activities of Irish sympathizers had resulted in a violation of American neutrality laws, it was said. The solicitation of funds in this country by Sir Roger Casement was not investigated, it was said, inasmuch as it was believed he was in his legal rights.

RUSH RAILWAY WORK.
Seattle, Wash., April 29.—Positive announcement that work would soon begin on the Fairbanks end of the government railroad in Alaska, which will mean the opening of the Nenana coal fields and the consequent operation on a large scale of mining operations in the big Fairbanks district, was made today by G. F. Cramer, distributing agent for the Alaskan engineering commission for the Fairbanks division.

AMERICA SURPASSES GERMANY IN PRODUCTION OF MUSTARD
Cleveland, April 28.—Prior to the war abroad, Germany produced practically all of the oil of mustard used. Now, the Musterele company of Cleveland, have installed the most complete plant for the production of synthetic mustard oil. This is the only plant of its kind in the United States and the largest of its kind in the world. When put into operation, this plant broke the world's record and yield of allyl iodine.

The normal cost of one pound of mustard oil was \$1.20. Now the cost is \$2.80 a pound and not obtainable even at that price.

CLAIMED BANKRUPTCY

PELLETTI ACQUITTED

COVER GRAIN LOSSES

Banker at Ulysses Is Named By Elevator Manager as Member of Conspiracy.
Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—George Dobson, Ulysses banker, is charged in a petition filed in federal court with trying to have Jesse A. Smith of that town declared a bankrupt in order to escape liability for claims aggregating \$60,000. The petition to put Smith's affairs in the bankruptcy court was filed by John Dobson and three others some time ago. Now comes Smith and avers that the Ulysses Grain company, which was the name under which he did business, was the private business of George Dobson and that he (Smith) had been merely working for him at \$75 a month. He declares that Dobson has offered him large sums of money if he will assume the liability and go into bankruptcy. Smith says that of the four creditors who asked for his liquidation as a bankrupt one is a brother of Banker Dobson, two others are his tenants and one is an employee of his bank. Farmers in the vicinity of Ulysses stored grain in the elevator a year or more ago. This grain was marketed early by the company but when the farmers ordered it sold the price had gone up so much that the elevator company was in the hole about \$60,000.

A great deal of bitterness exists in the town and vicinity against Banker Dobson. One of the newspapers has openly charged him with responsibility for the losses and a town row of great virulence has raged over the matter.

WOMEN'S CLUB DECLARES FOR "PORK" AT PINE RIDGE
Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—The First district federation of Women's club, at its meeting, adopted a resolution endorsing the movement for the establishment of a state park at Pine Ridge, Nebraska. The personal influence of individual members upon congressmen and state legislators was pledged for the support of the measure, which has the approval of the state conservation commission. The attitude and physical conformation are such that the ridge possesses all the advantages of mountain climate.

SHEEP WILL BE USED TO CLIP EXPOSITION GROUNDS
Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—Live lawn mowers are to be used by the state fair board to keep the grounds of the big exposition in shape. For years the board has been paying \$500 a year to keep the grass and the weeds down. Now it has purchased 239 head of Merino sheep and will turn them loose in the grounds. By this means it is expected not only to save the cost hitherto expended, but to cash in on the feed when later the sheep are marketed, after being clipped. The tract comprises 25 acres and is fenced.

HAD FORMALLY AGREED TO ACCEPT POPULIST DICTUM
Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—Charles W. Bryan, George F. Barge and James Pearson, respectively, candidates for governor, attorney general and lieutenant governor on the democratic ticket, are not barred from competition if they desire to run at the November election. The official returns of the state house has progressed far enough to disclose that all three have been nominated by the populists. They will have to decline if they do not wish to run, and when they filed they swore they would accept if nominated.

Total returns from all but seven counties show that Chairman Clarke, of the state railway commission, is defeated for a third term nomination, and that C. A. Randall, of Meadow Grove, has been named in his stead as the republican nominee. Clarke is the lawyer of the commission and the reformed man on rates and rate legislation, as well as on powers and duties of the commission. He declined, as in previous campaigns, to make any effort at securing the nomination. He solicited no votes, distributed no literature and printed no advertisements of his candidacy, taking the ground that if the people wanted him they could have his services and if they did not he was satisfied.

INDICATIONS OF MURDER IN BODY FOUND ON TRACK
Omaha, Neb., April 29.—Rosie Black, 20 years old, employee of a bakery in this city, was found dead on the Minneapolis & Omaha railroad tracks, near Florence late last night. She had been beheaded by a passenger train. Police believe the circumstances indicate the girl had been murdered and the body placed on the tracks. She was seen walking with a man early in the evening, and the police are searching for this man.

FALLS CITY—A fire at Strayville four miles northwest of here, destroyed the store building and the stock of goods and the residence adjoining. Willis Yoder, of Falls City, owned the stock and Pat Rawley, also of this city, owned the building. The blacksmith shop owned by George Strums caught fire, but was saved. The building was valued at \$2,500 and insured for \$1,500.

GRAND ISLAND—While raking corn stalks, Henry Ernstmeier, a young Hamilton county farmer, was badly injured by a runaway team. The horses pulling the rake became unmanageable and dragged the rake and driver through a barbed wire fence. When found Ernstmeier was unconscious, with many cuts about the head and fractures of limbs.

PLATTE CENTER—Ernest Meyer, son of P. S. H. Meyer, who lives near Humphreys, was thrown by a horse he was riding Sunday and his neck was broken. His body was found by his father Monday. The funeral will be held at Grand Prairie Lutheran church.

WAYNE—The marriage of Miss Mollie Piepenstock, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Piepenstock, to Lester W. Math, a druggist of Sidney, Neb., occurred Thursday. Rev. W. M. Moehring, of the German Lutheran church, officiated.

ALLEN—On Wednesday afternoon the wedding occurred here of Miss Daisy Herfel to Gustav A. Paetz, a business man of this place. The Rev. Wm. Kilburn, pastor of the Methodist church, performed the ceremony.

PONCA—The Eastern Star lodge elected the following officers: Mrs. Carl Lindvall, worthy matron; Mrs. George McCordell, assistant matron; A. D. Townsend, worthy patron; Mrs. F. D. Fales, secretary.

OMAHA—Mrs. I. N. Jones, 67 years old, residing on a five-acre tract at Fifty-ninth and Fowler avenue, died following an attack of dementia during which she burned herself in a chicken brooder house.

ALLEN—In the county court Tuesday a mother's pension was allowed to Mrs. Mary Mitchell, 20 years old, residing about a mile ago. She has three small children.

RAILROAD INVOLVED

IN ELOPEMENT CASE

Woman Uses Father's Pass and This Fact Is Cited Before State Commission.

Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—Romance and law are inextricably mixed in a case presented to the state railway commission, or were until that body decided the legal point involved. J. O. Mahaffey, railway news agent, ran away last October with the daughter of John T. Stewart, an engineer at North Platte. They went to Omaha to live, but a month later the young woman left her husband and went back to live with her father. She had left her trunk and wardrobe behind her when she departed her husband's domicile, and when she went back to get them she rode on her father's family pass. Mahaffey found this out from her when she came, and he lodged complaint with the commission, averring that the railway news agent by the woman was a violation of the anti-pass law of the state. This would have cost the Union Pacific heavily and it proceeded promptly to make a vigorous defense. The case turned on the point whether a married woman who has left her trunk and wardrobe behind her father for support in the sense that the word "dependent" is used in the anti-pass law. The commission says she is, and that the Union Pacific is free from blame. Mrs. Mahaffey is suing for a divorce.

MOREHEAD RECEIVES MORE VOTES THAN WILSON
Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—Governor Morehead is more popular in Nebraska than a resident Wilson, according to the returns so far tabulated at the office of the secretary of state. Sixty-one counties have so far officially received 35,627 and Wilson 35,134. Ross, the livery stable keeper of Lexington, who is obsessed with a mania for running for president on all tickets, reported that in the Morehead camp he received 4,813 votes. These counties represent about half of the vote cast at the primary. Douglas county, with its very large ballot, is not expected to complete its report for two weeks. The canvassers are paid by the day.

C. A. Randall, of Meadow Grove, is probably the successful candidate for the republican nomination for railway commissioner. The official count may be needed to settle the matter, but on the official returns so far received, combined with the unofficial figures collected by the newspapers, the vote stands: Randall, 23,215; Johnson, 22,590; Clarke, 22,424. This compilation excludes the counties of Frontier, Sioux and Arthur.

LEGAL FIGHT PROPOSED TO OUST SALOONS AT SIDNEY
Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—Walter Hoagland, attorney, is in Lincoln looking up precedents for a lawsuit he is about to begin in order to keep the saloons out of Sidney. The vote on whether to have saloons or not was as close as it could possibly be, being a tie. The city council was also evenly divided between saloons and no saloons but the mayor is "wet" and voted in favor of issuing licenses. The lawsuit will hinge on the returns from one precinct, where one tally clerk reported 79 votes against the saloon and the other 80. Sidney is one of the few towns in western Nebraska that has saloons and one of the few railroad division points that have not banished them.

FOUR NEBRASKA COUNTIES IN FOREST RESERVE FUND
Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—State Treasurer Hull has notified the state superintendent that he has received government funds of a total of \$1,140 which is given as a bounty to those counties where there are forest reserves. There are four such counties in the state. The distribution occurs annually. The last time the money came the state treasurer made the mistake of handing it over to the custodians of the permanent school fund. It is still there, and a legislative act will probably be necessary to get the money paid to the beneficiary counties.

ALLEN—The Eastern Star lodge at this place elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. Laura Warner, worthy matron; August Erdmann, patron; Mrs. August Stewart, assistant matron; Mrs. Mable Hecht, conductress; Mrs. Bevil Graham, assistant conductress; Mrs. Martha Erdmann, secretary; W. F. Filley, treasurer.

PONCA—The new Methodist church at this place will be dedicated Sunday, April 29. The principal speaker will be Rev. J. M. Bothwell, of Columbus, Neb. He will be assisted by the local pastor, Rev. A. H. Eggleston, and former pastors of the charge and neighboring ministers.

ALLEN—The farm house of Gus Swanson, five miles southwest of here, caught fire between a partition wall and had it not been for the early discovery of the blaze and the assistance of the neighbors the house would have been destroyed.

NIORARA—The ferry boat City of Niobrara has been newly painted and repaired. A dance will be given at the Z. C. B. J. hall April 29 to defray the expense of this work.

SHOWS MEAT ANIMALS BRING HIGHER PRICES
Washington, April 27.—Prices of meat animals continue to rise on an average increase of 4.3 per cent from March 15 to April 15, it was announced by the department of agriculture. Prices being paid to producers for hogs, cattle, sheep and chickens on April 15 averaged about 19.1 per cent higher than a year ago, 6.1 per cent higher than two years ago and 14.4 per cent higher than the average of the last six years on that date.

Hogs were selling at \$1.75 per 100 pounds, higher than on April 15 last year, and higher than two years ago and 84 cents higher than the six-year average. Beef cattle were selling at 70 cents per 100 pounds higher than last year, 37 cents higher than two years ago and \$1.08 higher than the six-year average. Sheep were selling at \$1.01 per 100 pounds higher than last year, \$1.65 higher than two years ago and \$1.45 higher than the six-year average.

BRITISH BEATEN BACK IN BATTLE IN EGYPT
London, April 27.—A further official account of fighting in Egypt Easter Sunday, says the Worcestershire Yeomanry was attacked by a superior force, including 1,000 Germans, at Quatia village and forced to retire, a number of the Yeomanry being taken prisoners. The account adds that the Quatia oasis now is nearly cleared of the enemy, excepting a force of 1,000 Turks at Birebad.

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FIGURES VERY CLOSE ON RAILROAD COMMISSIONER
Lincoln, Neb., April 28.—The official count will be necessary to decide which of three republican candidates for state railway commissioner has been elected. Thirty-three official county reports, added to unofficial figures from other sources show: Randall, 19,527; Clarke, 19,543; Johnson, 19,991. On seats at large, Marsh and Minor are also running a close race, with Marsh only 400 ahead in the 55 counties reporting.

Ninety of the 93 counties on presidentave Cummins a safe lead of nearly 1,000. The figures are: Cummins, 23,748; Ford, 22,786. In 77 counties, Neville has 26,543 and Bryan 25,182. Later returns have reversed the prediction that F. C. Hamer, of Omaha, who was defeated as the republican nominee two years ago by George E. Hall, has lost the republican nomination this year to W. H. Ross, one of the northwestern.

The returns on associate justices of the supreme court make certain the nomination of the following six: Judge Barnes of Ponca, Judge Cornish of Lincoln, Judge Sedgwick of York, Judge DeLoach of York, Judge DeLoach of Broken Bow, and John C. Martin of Central City.

STATE SHOWS "DRY" BUT "WETS" CAPTURE SENATE
Lincoln, Neb., April 28.—In spite of the fact that the primary returns disclose that Nebraska is "dry" by from 20,000 to 30,000, it is fairly certain that the state senate has again been captured by the "wets." A complete tally from data furnished by the anti-saloon league before the primary, shows that the "wets" are sure of 12 seats outside of Douglas county, which is fairly certain to send five more, giving a total of 17 of the 33 members. The "wets" are fairly certain of electing two others and have a chance at four other districts. It is likely that a conference of temperance workers will be called to decide whether to put "dry" candidates in the 12 districts where all are "wet."

STATE REGISTRATION BOARD ACCEPTED BOGUS PEDIGREES
Lincoln, Neb., April 28.—H. R. Smith, W. R. Mellor and A. Bastron, members of a former state station registration board, are defendants in a suit filed by J. W. Keller, asking \$3,000 damages because a Percheron that he bought and which was registered by the board was not an animal with a pedigree. The members of the board, which was declared by the supreme court to be illegally created, say they did not accept a certificate from an association to the effect that the animal was a Percheron. Later on it was discovered that the certificate was bogus and that the secretary had issued a number of them for money.

MUSICAL EDUCATION THROUGH DIFFICULTIES
Lincoln, Neb., April 28.—Five young men from Torrington, Wyo., have arrived in Lincoln for the purpose of establishing bachelor quarters and proceeding to acquire a musical education. They started out from the homesteads of their father, a farmer named Anderson, in a prairie schooner, and have paid their way by giving musical entertainments along the route. They arrived with \$300 saved, and a determination to imbibes all the music they can get. They range in age from 14 to 23 years.

WOMAN MAY ACCUSE HER LOVER OF SHOOTING
Lincoln, Neb., April 28.—The mother of Ethel Scott, who at first claimed she shot herself in a quarrel with her lover, says that the girl now declares that her lover shot her, and she will ask the county attorney for a complaint against him. The Scott family has a record for turbulence, while the alleged lover in the case is a man of wealth and standing. A big scandal is expected to break if the woman carries out her threat to ask a prosecution.

BLOOMFIELD—The convolve of the Jerusalem commandery elected the following officers: C. T. Hecht, E. C. J. Harvey Matten, Gen.; Fred Wiese, C. G.; L. M. Caya, treasurer; J. J. Barge, recorder. Dr. A. O. Carmock, of Center, had the degrees conferred upon him at this session, also.

BEEMER—The volunteer fire department at this place elected the following officers for the ensuing year: E. H. Ross, president; E. H. Roepke, vice president; H. Hemmingson, secretary; Charles Albright, treasurer, and J. S. Severa, chief.

CREIGHTON—A special municipal election will be held here May 5 for the purpose of deciding the question of issuing bonds to the amount of \$20,000 for the erection of a city hall.

BLOOMFIELD—A civil service examination will be held here on May 13 to fill the vacancies of rural carriers in this county.

BLOOMFIELD—The Bloomfield and Oakdale high school teams will hold a debate here on April 28.

PAYROLLS 20 TO 60 PER CENT GREATER
Washington, April 26.—Manufacturing industries in the United States are shown by figures published today by the department of labor to be spending generally from 20 to 60 per cent more for wages than they were a year ago. Much of the increase is accounted for by the additional number of men employed, but a considerable amount is credited to higher wages.

The iron and steel industries lead with a 6.3 per cent increase in the amount of wages paid and 36 per cent increase in the number of men employed. The car building and repairing industry is next, with a 51 per cent wage increase against 36 per cent increase in men employed. Cotton manufacturing alone of the bigger industries shows only a nominal wage increase.

A Reference Bureau.
From the Minneapolis Journal.

Mistress (to prospective cook)—Your virtues all seem of a negative quality. Haven't you anything else to offer?

The Candidate—Well, yes, ma'am, I have. I worked a few feet from high-an-mighty Van Dams, an I know they'll survive as plate, an' their cut glass isn't cut, an' their imported gowns is from Chicago, an' the young Frenchman who is goin' to marry Clyde Van Dams—the an' losin' her hair—is no more a baron than I am a queen. Aw, I know all about 'em.

The Mistress (highly interested)—On second thought I'll engage you.

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General Townshend, Besieged Since Last December, Surrenders to Turks With Command of 10,000.

DESTROYS WAR MATERIALS
All Efforts to Relieve Engaugered Troops Fail—Guns and Ammunition Blown Up Before Yielding.

London, May 1.—Major General Charles Townshend, commander of the 16,000 British forces besieged at Kut-el-Amara, Mesopotamia, by Turkish forces since last December, has surrendered. This information was contained in a British official statement issued this afternoon.

The official statement added that General Townshend destroyed all his guns and munitions before surrendering.

The following statement was made: "After a resistance protracted for 143 days and conducted with gallantry and fortitude that will be forever memorable, General Townshend has been compelled by the final exhaustion of his supplies to surrender.

"Before doing so he destroyed his guns and munitions.

"The forces under him consists of 2,970 British troops of all ranks and services, and some 6,000 Indian troops and their followers."

An Ill Fated Venture.
General Townshend probably was driven to surrender to avoid starvation of his forces. A recent official Turkish communication that the position of the British at Kut-el-Amara was critical and that they were expected to receive small supplies of food by aeroplane. An official statement received here yesterday showed that a last effort to send supplies to the garrison had failed.

It was announced that a ship laden with supplies had been sent up the Tigris; that it had been grounded about four miles east of the city.

Less than a score of miles away, on the banks of the Tigris before the city is a relief army that for months has been attempting to reach the besieged forces of General Townshend. Of late the Turkish forces have been reinforced and aided by floods they have been able to hold the British in check.

No official figures have been given out as to the number of troops which set forth from the Persian gulf in November of 1914 on the expedition which has ended in disaster. The number the number has been estimated as high as 50,000, but it was probably considerably smaller than this. This force has suffered heavy losses in severe battles with the Turks.

5,000 WORKERS ARE LOCKED OUT TODAY
Vain Effort Made to Induce Manufacturers to Rescind Orders.

New York, May 1.—Five thousand workers on women's cloaks, suits and skirts already have been locked out by the Manufacturers' Protective association in a fight against the International Ladies' Garment Workers' union and its purpose to prevent the employment of nonunion operatives. The manufacturers have announced that 25,000 more will be locked out tonight.

Jacob H. Schiff, the banker, attempted today to induce the manufacturers to rescind the lockout order and thus prevent a threatened strike by 30,000 makers of women's clothing now employed in shops not represented in the manufacturers' association and a possible strike of 60,000 makers of men's clothing.

DEFEAT OF BRANDEIS GENERALLY FORECAST
Doubt That Senate Judiciary Committee Will Favor His Confirmation.

Washington, D. C., May 1.—That the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis for justice of supreme court is more likely to be defeated in the Senate than at any time since it was made was disclosed here today. Not only is the judiciary committee likely to refuse a favorable report, but a number of southern democratic senators are showing strong signs of opposition. Supporters of Brandeis are much concerned over the outlook.

NEW CARRANZA PESOS VALUED AT TEN CENTS
Mexico City, April 29.—A decree issued by General Carranza announces that Mexico's new issue of paper money will be worth 20 cents in Mexican gold for each paper dollar. This will make the new pesos equivalent to 10 cents in American gold. The present paper peso has a value of little less than 2 cents in American gold.

The new money will be issued May 1 next, but only in payment of government salaries. The old issue will be received in payment of taxes and other governmental obligations and in accordance with the decree will be retired immediately.

The new issue totals 500,000,000 pesos and is unconvertible, having been printed by a large American bank north of Mexico.