

## THE O'NEIL FRONTIER

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The enormous cost of the present war is largely accounted for by the vast quantities of ammunition that are daily being used. According to figures compiled by United States ordnance officers, the material used in constructing torpedoes and the expert workmanship that is required to perfect them brings the cost of firing one torpedo to about \$7,000. (A torpedo must be accurate in all parts to 1-5,000 of an inch or it will not work properly). Shells and shrapnel cost about \$20 apiece and machine guns eat up ammunition at the rate of about \$12 worth a minute. Rifles and bullets cost 5 cents apiece and pistol cartridges about 2 cents.

In addition to telling you the time of day, your watch may be used for keeping track of the sun. When the orb of day finishes its day's journey and disappears in the west, not the time by your watch. Then draw a horizontal line (diameter, of course) from the point of the hour hand to the opposite side of the dial. The time indicated by the line on this side will be the time at which the sun rises in the morning. Thus if the sun sets at 8 at night, the line shows that it will rise at 4 in the morning; if it sets at 7 it will rise at 5; if at 6 it will rise at 7, and so on.

The liquor imported into Indo-China is consumed almost entirely by Europeans. The change in the European population, the closing of many cafes and places of amusement, the prohibition of the sale of absinthe and the closer regulation of the liquor trade caused a decline in the imports of liquor of 25 per cent from the figures of 1914, and of more than 40 per cent from those of 1913. France enjoys a practical monopoly of the liquor trade of this district.

A new ruling which is expected to strengthen the law forbidding chauffeurs to operate cars while under the influence of liquor, and which is believed to be an important step toward cutting down the number of auto accidents in the vicinity was issued recently by the Philadelphia license court. Saloon keepers of the city were warned that their business certificates would be taken away from them if they sold liquor to chauffeurs while on duty.

Horticulturally, Porto Rico is a gem. The island is nearly a rectangle 35 miles wide and 100 miles long, of great fertility, great beauty and a healthful and almost perfect climate. Although the population is 320 to the square mile, nearly all are engaged in horticulture. The chief crops are citrus fruits, coffee, cocoanuts, pineapples, bananas and many other tropical fruits.

Although milk is selling for 10 cents a quart in Middleboro those who live near the freight yards recently received a free supply. There was a carload of 16 cows delayed in transit, and people living near the tracks who had pails handy had them filled by the caretaker of the cattle. No money was accepted for the milk as the milkers were glad to get rid of it.

Straight hair is the longest known; woolly hair the shortest. The length is almost the same in both sexes in certain races having straight hair (Chinese, redskins), and also in the majority of races with curly hair. It is scarcely so among the races with wavy hair, in whom it is more or less manifestly longer in the female.

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In addition to the plant to be erected on the southern Pacific coast to manufacture potash from kelp the department of agriculture is co-operating with cement mills and blast furnaces to determine whether the potash now lost warrants the expense necessary to recover it.

In 1916 the California raisin crop brought about \$500,000 more than the crop the preceding year. This was in spite of the short crop. At the end of January partial payments amounted to \$1,156,672.46. This brought the total for the year's crop to \$8,503,288.76.

The earliest placer mining in Alaska was done on Fourmile river in 1886. This led to the opening up of inland Alaska and the discovery of the famous Klondike placers. Over \$200,000,000 worth of gold has been taken out of the Klondike and Yukon placers.

In the presence of a large number of citizens the radio station at San Diego was tested the other day and said "good morning" to Australia and other points on the globe. It cost \$300,000 and is the largest in the world.

While we are gathering seaweeds for fertilizer we should introduce one from the British Isles known as alaria esculenta, and used in many parts as an article of food. The Scotch call it bladderwrack.

During the year 1916 Mexico was the largest trader sending goods to the port of Los Angeles. The total imports for the 12 months were worth \$5,462,765, of which amount Mexico furnished \$4,488,336.

The number of hairs is greater in the blond haired than among the black haired or brown haired, for example, 147 black hairs, 162 brown hairs and 182 blond hairs a square inch.

Ten presidents of the United States have been elected twice: Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson, Lincoln, Grant, Cleveland, McKinley and Wilson.

A man who boasted he could "blow up" anything from a tin can to a battleship" was accepted at Chicago for the marine corps. He is a professional dynamiter.

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## YOUNG WIFE SUED ON LOVE THEFT CHARGE

Widow Asks \$25,000, Claiming Other Alienated Husband Before Wedding Dentist.

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## PROVIDES WAY TO BEAT ALLEGED RISK COMBINE

Lincoln, Neb., April 30.—Governor Neville finished the last of the bills bequeathed to him by the legislature Thursday, when he signed H. R. 192 permitting the organization of associations for reciprocal insurance. These concerns are a new form of mutual being interstate in composition of membership, and permit insurance of fire and liability risks when 75 have joined together and the risks amount to \$1,500,000. The fire insurance companies came close to beating the bill in the senate, and they argued very strenuously with the governor that he ought to veto it because it did not sufficiently safeguard the interests of the assured. Most of the big department stores in the state are members, and they claim their insurance costs them but a small part of what the fire insurance combine exacts.

The governor signed the university and the general maintenance bills, vetoing a \$10,000 appropriation in the former that was shown to be a duplication of 272 became laws. One was vetoed by the governor because of technical defects and another was substituted. The other veto was of a bill providing for the letting out of state funds to the highest bidder, on the ground that this would take active funds out in the state where they could not be readily used in the daily transactions.

## SAHOONS CLOSING DOORS AS THEIR STOCKS ARE DEPLETED.

Fremont, Neb., April 30.—Six saloons will go out of business some time during Monday. Up to last May, Fremont had 13 saloons and they had prevailed under the license system for a score of years. Last May the council reduced the number to nine by refusing to grant four petitions for licenses. Three more saloons quit last week because of low stocks and the approach of the "dry" date. The Fremont brewery has been doing a big business in the last few days stocking Fremont cellars. Hundreds of barrels of beer have been sold. The brewery will be closed Monday and it is announced by Vice President Larson that it will be boarded up.

## EMMA MANCHESTER GIVEN OFFICE PENDING INQUIRY.

Lincoln, Neb., April 30.—Mrs. Emma Manchester, supreme guardian of the Woodmen circle, was reinstated by order of the supreme court after a hearing lasting most of Friday. This was ordered pending an investigation by a referee as to whether the convention held at Memphis that assumed to oust her was legally called and legally constituted. Mrs. Manchester claims that it was not. The record disclosed that the Manchester convention was held at the same time in the same city and she claims that she had one more delegate than the other, which placed Mrs. Mary LaRocca in charge of the organization. The latter had taken physical possession of the headquarters at Omaha and Mrs. Manchester is restored to supremacy there.

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## NEBRASKA RANKS NINTH IN REGULAR ARMY RECRUITING.

Omaha, Neb., April 30.—Nebraska ranks ninth of the 48 states in the union in its contribution of men to the regular United States army, proportionate to population, according to announcement by the war department yesterday.

In the period from April 1 to April 24, the regular army recruited 570 Nebraskans. The state's quota to raise the army to war strength, divided among the states according to population, is 2,384. Nebraska thus raised 23.9 per cent of its quota in this three-week period.

## TEN WAHOO BOYS ENLIST FOR SERVICE ON WARSHIPS.

Wahoo, Neb., April 30.—A recruiting officer for the United States navy, on this day, signed up the names of 10 Wahoo boys for service in the navy. The farewell reception is to be given the Wahoo recruits when they leave. They are all well known and connected with leading families. The 10 are: Grand Johnson, Cleo Brown, Bert Clever, Reuben Eckholm, Theodore Brabec, Charles Albert, Nelson Elmendorf, August Anderson, Allen Olson and Daniel Robertson.

## BABY BOY FOUND DROWNED IN FOOT OF WATER IN TUB.

Beaver City, Neb., April 30.—When Mrs. E. E. McKown went into the doorway to look for her little 2½-year-old son, who had been at play, she found the lifeless body in a water tank. The little one had climbed to the edge of the tank and had fallen in. Although there was but a foot of water, he perished. An older brother was nearby, but heard no outcry.

## REMONT DRUGGISTS WILL ABANDON FEDERAL LICENSES

Fremont, Neb., April 30.—Fremont druggists at a meeting yesterday, decided unanimously to throw away their government licenses to sell liquor. They signed an agreement to handle no alcoholic beverages. Pure alcohol will be sold in prescriptions. Fremont will be the driest spot in Nebraska.

FAIRBURY—A flag measuring 15x2 feet is being manufactured in Kansas City for Fairbury. The "rading" will be a municipal event.

WEST POINT—West Point citizens, so far enrolled in the service of the government, are Charles Korb, formerly a law student in the Creighton university, a son of the late Charles Korb; Leo Risso, son of the late Frank Risso; Homer Peterson, son of the late Mayor Peterson; and Edward Risso, a son of Anton Risso, a prominent farmer of this place. All are natives of Cuming county.

LINCOLN—Christian Elsloe, German artist of international reputation, died in a rooming house in Lincoln. His death is attributed to worry over the war and over an estate tied up because of the war.

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## MAIL INSURANCE LAW SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

State to Back Project—Optional Torrens Land Title Bill Also Approved.

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The bill creates a new office at \$1,200 a year. It provides that the assessors, in making their rounds, shall take applications and collect premiums. These are paid to the county treasurer, who remits to the state treasurer, who pays out the money on proved losses after September 15 on warrants drawn by the auditor. Lines drawn north and south with the west line of the counties running from Nuckolls north to Knox and on the west line of counties running from Furnas to Keya Paha divide the state into three zones, the rates in the first per acre being 23 cents, in the second 35 cents and in the fourth 45 cents.

The governor also signed the bill amending the law which permits the Torrens system of transfer of land titles to be adopted. As amended the law permits its inauguration where 10 taxpayers ask, if it is not necessary to buy a new set of books. The most important change, however, is that it provides that hereafter all proceedings in court to clear title are to be considered as suits against the land, which means that they bar all claimants and not only those who have hitherto been named in the suit.

Another important bill that met with his favor provides for a system of inspection of seeds so that farmers may not be hereafter bilked. A state seed analyst is to be appointed, to whom samples sent by the state food inspectors shall be submitted. A standard of purity and life is provided, and penalties are stiff for those who allow more than 2 per cent of foreign seeds or inert matter to remain.

## CAST IS CHOSEN FOR SENIOR CLASS PLAY AT WAYNE NORMAL

Wayne, Neb., April 30.—The senior class of the Wayne State normal will present the play, "The Man From Home," commencement week. Miss Josephine Mack, head of the department of expression, has chosen the following class members to compose the cast:

COOPER, Ellis, John R. Massie, Charles Sabin, Herman Stiens, Louis Leuck, Gustave Rundquist, William Young, Ira McDonald, Maurice G. Phillips, Forrest Rockwell, Vern Morgan, Elsa Mihner, Elizabeth Schrad and Henrietta Moier.

## FAILURE TO READ PAPER IS COSTLY TO POULTRY RAISER.

Barlett, Neb., April 30.—Just because he did not read a newspaper for more than six months cost Alfred Herrington \$75. Herrington, who resides 30 miles from a postoffice, operates a small poultry farm. He lives alone and neighbors are few and far between. In the last half year he stored 500 dozen eggs. A floater happened along and bought the eggs at 15 cents a dozen. The market price for eggs here is 30 cents a dozen.

## OFFER TO PAY FOR FILCHING OF FRAT MEN CAUSES SURPRISE.

Lincoln, Neb., April 30.—H. J. Hall, manager of the Lindell hotel, is recovering from an attack of heart failure occasioned by a call from the executive officer of the state universities, who expressed a desire to pay the hotel man for the various articles that fraternity members have taken from the place in the last year or two. It is the noble and exalted custom of the frat men to annex all moveables they can get away with, and this is the first time such an offer was ever made to the hotel men.

## NEBRASKA HOUSE LEADER APPOINTED TO JUDGESHIP.

Lincoln, Neb., April 30.—Governor Neville has named W. C. Dorsey, representative in the legislature from Franklin county, as judge of the Tenth district, a place created by the legislature at its recent sitting. There is one judge now in that district. Mr. Dorsey declined as a member of the house before the appointment was made and takes charge at once.

Mr. Dorsey is one of the "big" lawyers of western Nebraska and was one of the leaders of the house at the last session. He is a republican.

## HUNDREDS OF NEBRASKANS TO ATTEND FORT SNELLING CAMP.

Lincoln, Neb., April 30.—Rev. F. W. Burleigh, pastor of a Congregational church at Cortland, Gage county, has resigned to enter the army. He served in the regular army, both in the infantry and the coast artillery, for four years and will be assigned to one or the other corps. He passed the physical examination and will be sent shortly to the Fort Snelling officers camp. More than 500 enlistment blanks have been given out by Commandant Parker for this camp, mostly to former officers of the university cadet battalion.

A large number of fraternity men at the university have asked permission to go and a number have already gone.

Nebraska's quota can be more than filled from the ranks of drilled students and officers.

## LINCOLN—The Minneapolis & Omaha railroad has filed with the state railway commission and been permitted to cancel a commodity rate on beer from Omaha to the navy.

The fare, which was 10¢, was to be given the Wahoo recruits when they leave. They are all well known and connected with leading families. The 10 are: Grand Johnson, Cleo Brown, Bert Clever, Reuben Eckholm, Theodore Brabec, Charles Albert, Nelson Elmendorf, August Anderson, Allen Olson and Daniel Robertson.

## BLOOMFIELD—At a patriotic meeting held here the opera house with a capacity of about 600 was dedicated to the U.S.A.

The Phoenix, which has been recently organized, made its first public appearance and was accorded an enthusiastic reception. Speeches were made by Rev. Mr. Steiner and Mr. Harmann.

They grew up here by which was named Halykovic in his honor. Henry Halyk died several months ago, but his wife and daughters still make their home on the ranch.

It was at the personal solicitation of General Haig that his nieces were sent to England for part of their education.

## MISS CATON REFUSES TO BE DISCHARGED FROM JOB.

Lincoln, Neb., April 30.—The state board of control has a woman scorned on its hands. The woman is Miss Etta Caton, who has been superintendent of the home for dependent children for years. Recently the board decided that now that a big new building for the home had been erected next to the state orthopedic hospital, it was the proper thing to save money by placing the two under one management. As a doctor was needed to head the hospital it meant that Miss Caton must go. When the board notified her she informed she would go when she got ready and maybe she wouldn't go at all. The board replied that it had discharged her once, and it would not do so again. Miss Caton refused to talk to the reporters, but promises a warm little statement when she steps out.

## PENDER REFUSES TO VOTE NEW HIGH SCHOOL BONDS.

Pender, Neb., April 30.—The bonds for enlarging the present high school building were defeated by a vote of 146 to 135.

The Pender Woman's club reelected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. R. A. Thomas; vice president, Mrs. B. E. Goble; secretary, Mrs. F. R. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. H. J. Arnolt.

Pender had a flag raising on the school grounds which was well attended.

The Federal band furnished the music. Judge C. L. Day and E. A. Wiltsie gave appropriate addresses.

## ANOTHER ELEVATOR BURNS.

Erie, Pa., April 30.—More than 200 bushels of wheat and a large wooden grain elevator, known as "elevator A" of the Western Transportation company, were destroyed by fire with a loss estimated at \$60,000. The grain was consigned to the allies.</p