

# THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

The salute to the national flag, the president of the United States and the presidents and sovereigns of foreign states is 21 guns; to the vice president of the United States and foreign ambassadors, 19 guns; to the president of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, cabinet officers, chief justice, governors within their respective states or territories, governor generals of foreign states and generals of the army, admirals of the navy and the same ranks in foreign armies and navies, 17 guns; United States and foreign ministers plenipotentiary, assistant secretaries of war or the navy, lieutenant general, major general, commander in chief of the army and foreign armies and navies, 13 guns; charges d'affaires, brigadier generals, commodores and corresponding ranks in foreign armies and navies, 11 guns; consul generals, nine guns.

The myth of Adam's skull has its origin in the ancient tradition, according to which the first man is buried at Golgotha, beneath the cross of Christ was erected. It is for this reason that in the presentations of the crucifixion, painters and sculptors were wont to place a skull at the foot of the cross. The fact that a skull embedded in the wall of the Church of the Holy Cross at Jerusalem was calculated to give credence to the tradition. It has, however, been discovered that the skull in question was artificial, made of brass and painted over with gray color to give it the appearance of a natural skull.

During the past year two oil shale reserves have been set aside for our navy, one of over 45,000 acres in Colorado; the other of over 86,000 acres in Utah. Investigation by the geological survey indicates that this land should yield a commercial supply of oil possibly at a price that would make it a competitor of petroleum. The potential resources of this region are estimated at billions of barrels, says Popular Mechanics. Some of the deposits carry from 30 to 50 gallons of oil to the ton. There is also available a large amount of superphosphate, which could be recovered as a by-product and used for fertilizer or explosives.

Junker—pronounced yoon-ker—is a term applied to member of the noble Prussian family. As used commonly today, the word indicates a narrow minded and arrogant member of the aristocracy. It acquired its political significance in 1892, when the aristocratic party, under the leadership of Bismarck, came into power, and designated those who desired to hold intact their exclusive social, military and political privileges.

Chris Kirilas, of Allentown, Pa., is a real "candy kid." The Greek was stationed at Camp Meade when a call came from Camp Aniston, Ala., for a man skilled in making candy. Kirilas was Kirilas's old trade. He was selected. "I do not want to go to Alabama to make candy," he protested. "I want to go to France to fight the Germans."

When the war broke out Germany's merchant shipping totalled 5,018,000 tons, of which the British allies, the United States and other powers have taken in one way or another, 2,000,000 tons, and there is quite a number of vessels still lying inactive in neutral ports. This leaves some 2,000,000 tons still under the German flag.

The advantages of smokeless powder besides its virtue of high explosiveness are twofold. It does not create a smoke cloud that betrays the location of the gun or gunners, and at the same time the man behind the gun is not confused for a second by a pall of smoke that obscures the range of vision in the direction of the enemy.

California has but two species of native trees that are normally of weeping habit. One is Quercus lobata, the valley oak, having its most southerly range near Burbank. The other is Picea breweriana, the weeping spruce, which is found in a few isolated mountainous sections in the northwestern corner of the state.

No conservation rules were followed by 2,600 seagulls which ate a Muskegon, Mich., hotel last winter. The unusually cold weather drove the gulls ashore for food all along Lake Michigan. The birds gathered at a hotel Benton Harbor, where they were fed. Benton Harbor organized a fund to feed the birds there.

The strength of the ostrich is prodigious. He can dismember a horse or kick through a sheet of corrugated iron. To an unprotected man he is open, an infuriated ostrich is as dangerous as the lion. Many have lost their lives through ignorance of his strength, his speed and his implacable ferocity.

The chief inventions used in the present war are distinguished from the Napoleonic wars are: Steamship, submarine, aircraft, high power guns, smokeless powder, breech loading gun, rapid fire gun, revolver, automatic pistol, telephone, wireless telegraphy, automobile, poisonous gas.

George Osborne, while "cutting his cord" in South Royalton, Vt., lost his watch in the woods on Hubbard mountain last Thanksgiving day. Recently he went to the spot where he thought he lost it, and found the timepiece which, on being wound, ran on schedule time.

The shell of the lobster is imbued with a black or bluish pigment, secreted by the true skin, which also gives out the calcareous matter after each moult, so that time and pigment are blended together. The pigment becomes red in water at the temperature of 112 degrees.

Here's the pronunciation of the following French names: Ypres, Soissons, Aisne, Amiens, Dzal, Bapaume, Meaux, Yser, Lys, Arras, in the order named; Ee-pr, Swabson, Ain, Am-ee-ee, Dewal, Bah-pome, Mo, Eazer, Leeez Ah-ee.

The steady advance of coal in Japan since the war started has led to increased colliery enterprises. The recognized coal fields being limited, efforts are now being made to exploit the Japanese portion of Saghalien.

William Stevenson, a farm employe of Waverly, Pa., has bought Liberty bonds "until it hurts." His salary is only \$50, yet he contracted to buy \$250 worth of bonds, paying \$25 a month. Of the remaining \$5 he needs \$22.50 for board, leaving him \$2.50 for spending money.

The earliest guide book printed in English is "Instructions for Farraine Trevell," published in 1642 by James Howell, a famous traveler of that day.

Indians have perfected a process for making an edible oil, that also can be used in soap and as an illumination. It is from grape seeds.

# BRYAN SAYS NATION TO SOON BE BONE DRY

## Asserts Saloons Will Close as War Measure and Will Never Reopen.

Fremont, Neb., June 15.—While in Fremont between trains on his way to Asheville, N. C., from a lecturing tour through Pacific coast states, W. J. Bryan declared that the nation will be "dry" within the next eight months. "I predict," he said, "that no liquor will be sold anywhere after March 1, 1919. Senator Jones' 'bone dry' nation bill certainly passes. It prohibits both the manufacture and sale of liquor. The saloons will close as a war measure and they will never open again. Hoover challenged congress, continued Mr. Bryan, "and congress will give him the legislation he wants."

## THREE CHARGED WITH VIOLATION ESPIONAGE ACT

North Platte, Neb., June 15.—District Attorney Allen has caused the arrest in federal court of five western Nebraska farmers for violation of the espionage act. John Harshfield, of Lincoln county, is accused of having called the president and his cabinet a bunch of crooks and grafters, declared that he would sell the Liberty bonds, regretted he was too busy to go down and shoot the president. He said he had ammunition on his farm to kill a regiment. George W. Davis is accused of having declared this is a rich man's war, and that the transports ought to be sunk. Perl Cross, of Banner, is accused of having threatened to kill the president. Charles McKee, of Cheyenne county, is said to have called the president a dirty cur who ought to be shot at sunrise, and the Liberty bonds were worthless, that Hoover is a crook who ought to be hung and that he is for Germany because he has a German wife. He is said to have declared he would be pleased to face a court and tell it "he had with the American flag." Matt Lipbil, of Dawson county, is said to have declared Germany should sink all the American ships, because they have no right to enter the war zone. He also charged with discouraging drafting.

## BELIEVES A. O. W. WILL WEATHER STORM

Lincoln, Neb., June 15.—Auditor Smith is of the opinion that the Nebraska grand lodge of the A. O. W. will emerge from its financial difficulties. Smith, who is president of the state, said that the insurance board has been urged to ask for a receiver, but it has so far declined, and on the present showing of the lodge will not do so. The report shows that a year ago the lodge had unpaid death claims amounting to \$215,500. By December the amount had been reduced to \$210,000, and at the present time the deficit is but \$104,000. The company was able to do this by adopting the national fraternal congress rate and re-rating policies. A receiver would have given practically nothing to the claimants, as the order would have collapsed with no large assets available.

## FREMONT BUSINESS AND G. A. R. MAN DEAD

Fremont, Neb., June 15.—Funeral services for F. M. Smith, G. A. R. man and veteran tin worker of Fremont, who died yesterday afternoon at the residence, Mr. Smith was a native of Pennsylvania. He served in the civil war with a Pennsylvania regiment. Coming to Fremont after the war he was a charter member of the local post. He was a Mason and Knight Templar. Up to a few days before his death, he continued in charge of his business.

## STUDENT SELECTS ARE GIVEN BIG SENDOFF

Fremont, Neb., June 14.—This evening 29 business men of Fremont will act as hosts to the 29 Fremont draft selects chosen for special work at the University training school.

## FARMERS' MEETING IS FORCED TO BREAK UP

Lincoln, Neb., June 15.—A meeting of about 250 farmers at Wahoo, Neb., last night was compelled to adjourn by orders of a member of the county council of defense there and representative of the state council of defense, according to the story told by W. E. Nelson, who is driving to Seattle. It is reported that the car was going about 35 miles an hour when it turned turtle. Brod's home was in Wichita, Kan. His parents were visiting in Humboldt, Neb. In his pocket was a paper on which his father had written "safety first."

LINCOLN.—The Beatrice Gas company has closed down its plant after an ineffectual effort to induce the city council of Beatrice to permit an increase in rates. State Fuel Administrator John L. Kennedy, of Omaha, tried to effect a compromise and, failing, has offered the matter to National Fuel Administrator Garfield.

FREMONT.—Charles Green, an escaped convict from the Utah penitentiary, wanted, it is said, for parole violation, was picked up by the Fremont police. After wiring the Utah authorities it was decided to release Green because of his weakness and condition. He was suffering from lung trouble.

LINCOLN.—The state railway commission has issued an order permitting stock yards company of Omaha to increase its switching rates to an equality with the charge for similar service authorized by the Interstate Commerce commission on interstate business. The new rates are to be absorbed by the railroads.

## PUSH FIGHT TO OUST FRANK WOODS

Washington, D. C., June 14.—Although Chairman Frank Woods of the republican congressional committee, has no intention of quitting the chairmanship, his opponents showed still further activity against him today, and insisted they would force him. They declared the case of Mr. Woods was much like that of National Committeeman John T. Adams, of Iowa, who lost the national chairmanship because he was accused of having been too adverse to a declaration of war against Germany.

# COMMON LAW WIFE SEEKS BIG MONEY

## Escaped German Officer Is Brought Into Testimony In Omaha Divorce Suit.

Omaha, Neb., June 14.—That William F. Stoeker asked Theresa Yflek, his alleged common law wife, to assist an escaped German officer, "Lieut. Hans Berg, to make his way to San Francisco, was testified by Theresa in district court in her suit for divorce from Stoeker and \$100,000 alimony. "We are introducing this testimony only to show the kind of things Stoeker tried to get this little woman to do for him," said McKenzle. The woman testified that Lieutenant Hans Berg, of the German ship Prince Eitel Friedrich, who was interned by the Americans at Newport News just before America declared war on Germany, was friend of Stoeker's. She testified that when Lieutenant Berg tunneled his way out of the internment camp last fall Stoeker heard of it in Omaha and immediately told her that the escaped lieutenant would be likely to come to Omaha and that she should offer assistance from Stoeker to make good his escape. "If he comes here," she testified Stoeker said to her, "I want you to travel with him as his wife to San Francisco. He will be very likely to be caught if he has a wife with him. From San Francisco he can escape to Japan and then get home."

The young woman said she told Stoeker she would not do this, even though the lieutenant should come to Omaha, but that he never came.

## HOME GUARDS PLAN TO GO TO ENCAMPMENT

Norfolk, Neb., June 14.—Letters from many home guard commanders in this state are coming to a local committee which has charge of the home guard military congress which will be held in Norfolk sometime late this summer. These letters indicate that many companies of the new guards will attend the first encampment. The committee has announced that Ex-President Roosevelt would be asked to make the principal address during the encampment. Other speakers to be invited are the colonel are coming from leading democrats, among them J. W. Rice, a colonel of Governor Neville's staff.

## DISLOYALTY GETS HIM LONG PRISON TERM

Fremont, Neb., June 14.—Because it is alleged he spoke disrespectfully of President Wilson and said he would rather serve a term in the penitentiary than in the army, Ernest Sundberg, a resident of Snyder, Neb., who is sentenced in district court here to serve from one to five years in the state prison. He was charged with violating the Nebraska sedition law.

## TRAVELING MUSICIANS IN SERIOUS TROUBLE

Norfolk, Neb., June 14.—Jerry Mitchell, the Greek musician who was arrested here on a white slave charge, and Tom H. Johnson and Sam Tekaha, Hawaiian musicians, arrested as witnesses in the same case were bound over to the federal court by United State Commissioner John R. Hays here. The three men are now awaiting trial in the federal authorities. Mitchell Nelson, girl says that Mitchell played pretty music on a train going from Cokeville to Kemmerer, Wyo., and that the romantic music and his promise to teach her how to become a Hawaiian dancer, and earn \$30 per week induced her to accompany him to Nebraska. She says that Mitchell deserted her at Sidney, Neb., and that she was then turned over to Johnson and Tekaha.

# DAKOTA STATE NEWS.

## BELLE FOURCHE PLANS FOR BIG CELEBRATION

Belle Fourche, S. D., June 14.—In preparation for the greatest celebration ever held in this section of the country, the Belle Fourche Fourth of July committee, headed by Secretary Roscoe C. Bangs of the Commercial club, has engaged for trial of metal and electric fireworks, the under-riders outland broncho from the C. H. Wilson ranch near Camp Crook, and Sam Brownell, the world's 1917 champion rider, of Cheyenne, Wyo. The unconquered horse will be mounted in front of the grandstand at 2 p. m., both the 4th and 5th.

There will be a competitive drill by five different organizations, on which is hung up a fancy purse. The program of the Great Western Vaudeville circuit will entertain the visitors during all intermissions between other features for the two days.

The speaker for the occasion is Hon. Frank P. Odell of the Federal Loan bank of Omaha.

The entire net proceeds of these two days of exhibition and entertainment will be donated to the Butte county Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. funds.

## BABY WEEK IS TO BE OBSERVED PROPERLY

Elk Point, S. D., June 14.—Commencing Sunday, June 16, Baby Week will be held in this city under the direction of Miss M. A. Winters, County Red Cross nurse. Among the speakers for the occasion will be Rev. Mr. Dorson, of Akron; Franklin Jones of Vermillion, and Dr. Mortimer Hertzberg, Edith Dodge, county emergency food demonstrator, will also be present.

## IS BUT FEW MEN TEACHERS IN BODY

Mitchell, S. D., June 14.—Fully 95 per cent of the 600 teachers attending the teachers' institute at Dakota Wesleyan university this week are women, according to Dr. H. P. Patterson, director of the institute. This percentage is abnormal and due to the war.

ONIDA.—Clayton Gansaul, the 15-year-old son of residents of a farm in this vicinity, ran away from home for the purpose of enlisting in the service of his country. Notwithstanding that he is six feet and two inches tall and weighs 175 pounds he was rejected by the recruiting officers because of his youth. He now writes his parents that he is in Minneapolis and will work on a dry line in that city.

# NEBRASKA PAPERS LOYAL TO THE CORE

## Democratic Press of the State to Support All War Measures of the Administration.

Lincoln, Neb., June 13.—The democratic State Press association, held here today, adopted resolutions declaring that the true test of loyalty is unswerving allegiance to the president and instant support of his every purpose and plan for the winning of the war; calling upon the state convention to adopt a platform in harmony with the best progressive sentiment of the day, particularly pleading for a pledge of state ownership of water power, and pledging all senatorial and congressional candidates to favor legislation for the conscription and classification of wealth upon the payment of the conscription and classification of men; for legislation making war bonds legal tender, and protesting against fixing of prices of farm products without fixing the price farmers must pay for necessary things.

## CHILD IS DROWNED IN SWIMMING POOL

### Damming of Small Stream at Winside, Neb., Causes Doctor's Son to Lose Life.

Winside, Neb., June 11.—Walter, the 5-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. B. M. McIntyre, was drowned in the Logan river, late yesterday evening. He, with two other boys about his age, went to bathe at a place where the water had been dammed up by a dam which had been constructed across the stream. The water was about seven feet deep. When the child got beyond his depth his companions were unable to give him assistance. They hurried into town, only a few blocks distant, and gave the alarm. A number of men hurried to the scene, the unfortunate lad's father in the crowd. The father recovered the body about 30 minutes after the child disappeared under the water and efforts were made to resuscitate, but they were unavailing. The shock of the accident caused the mother of the child to collapse and her condition is said to be serious. There is another child, a boy who is older than the one drowned.

## NEBRASKA PROFESSORS' CASE IS NEAR CLOSE

Lincoln, Neb., June 13.—The closing act in the drama in which 13 university professors have figured in a hearing before the board of regents on charges of failure to properly support the war, was staged today. All day was devoted to arguments. The state council of defense attorneys, Messrs. Hall and Gurley, made the first presentation of the case, and asked for a judgment against eight of the professors. They were followed by attorneys for the professors, and the closing argument was by H. H. Wilson, manager of the case for the regents. All of the accused were heard on their own behalf, and in the case of 10 of them a judgment of dismissal was asked by the manager of the hearing. The others sought to justify their conduct, but the claim of opposing counsel is that they displayed a halting and lukewarm attitude that justifies the severance of their relations with the institution.

## NONPARTISAN WORKERS HAVING HARD TIME

Lincoln, Neb., June 13.—Opponents of the Nonpartisan league have thrown the legal gauntlet down to the leaders of that organization and have caused the arrest at Ord of Jacob Thull, a well known Nebraskan in that section, on the charge of violating the sedition law. The offense charged is that he was organizing branches of the league. This action was taken under the ruling of the attorney general that the soliciting of men to become members of a new political party does not constitute a useful occupation and comes under the prohibition of the sedition law, which says that men who are able to work at a useful occupation and do not shall be deemed guilty of sedition. Thull was released upon bonds, and is here today in consultation with the officers of the league. They propose to furnish him with the best legal assistance possible, and will test the ruling of the attorney general. The league had arranged to bring 10 organizers from Minnesota as soon as the primary election there is over, on June 17.

## BELIEVE SOLDIER IS MENTALLY INCOMPETENT

Norfolk, Neb., June 11.—Fred C. Seadore, who is believed to have enlisted in the regular army somewhere in this vicinity several months ago, was brought to Norfolk by a private from a California army camp, and turned over to Sheriff Smith. Seadore is believed by the army officials to be insane and as soon as the insanity commission passes on his case he will be given an honorable discharge from the army. Sheriff Smith is making an effort to locate his relatives in order that his case may be given proper attention. His sister, it is believed, lives in Lincoln and the authorities there will be asked to find her. In the meantime Seadore is held at the state hospital here.

## ROYAL HIGHLANDERS IN MEMORIAL SERVICE

Winside, Neb., June 13.—Sunday the Royal Highlanders observed their memorial day. Rev. J. Bruce Wylie preached the sermon for the occasion. After the sermon the Highlanders drove to the cemetery and decorated their fellow members' graves.

## STATE BANKS HOLDING NEBRASKA'S WEALTH

Lincoln, Neb., June 13.—Nebraska state banks now hold over \$14,000,000 worth of Liberty bonds, according to a quarterly report made by Secretary Tooley, of the state banking board. The total deposits in the 929 reporting banks are \$226,087,650, which is a decrease of \$24,413,000 in the last three months. Most of the decrease being represented in the Liberty bond investments. The total number of depositors is 507,315.

# IRRIGATION FIGHT TO BE WARM ONE

## State of Nebraska and Federal Government Wrangle Over North Platte Project.

Lincoln, Neb., June 12.—The United States and the state of Nebraska will clash this week at North Platte in a finish fight in the United States court over water rights in the irrigation country. The case involves the seep waters from the great Pathfinder ditch and involves also many new and intricate law questions. The case is in the nature of an injunction brought by the government against the Ramhorn Ditch company and the state of Nebraska to prevent them from interfering with the project. The state claims these developed waters. There is no question involved about the ownership of the irrigation water. The government's right in this case is based primarily on the fact that the seepage water appearing in Sheep creek draw is all water which the government stored in the Pathfinder reservoir and brought to the project by its canal. It is contended that there was no water in the draw before the government came in. The government will be represented by Federal District Attorney Allen, of Lincoln; Ethelbert Ward, of Denver, special assistant to the attorney general; A. R. Honold, counsel for the reclamation service. The defendant will be represented by Attorney General Reed, Morrow, and Fred Right, of Scottsbluff.

## QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED CANDIDATES THIS YEAR

Lincoln, Neb., June 12.—Edgar Howard, lieutenant governor of Nebraska and candidate for United States Senator, tells the people of the state in a signed statement that they should ask candidates for national offices three pertinent questions. These are as follows: Will he vote for a bill to conscript and classify wealth for war purposes? Will he vote for legislation to make all war bonds legal tender for the payment of all debts? Will he vote for legislation to enable the people of Nebraska and adjoining states to build water power plants on the Mississippi, Missouri and other inter-state rivers such power plants to produce electric energy for the distribution to the people at actual cost? He also suggests three questions for state candidates to answer. They are: Will he favor legislation to enable the people of the state to form water power districts to furnish electric energy to them at low cost? If they are willing to release the people from the strangle hold of the coal trust, whether they favor the creation of public grain warehouses and are for legislation which will enable the purchase and building of state owned and operated stockyards and release the people from the rapacity of foreign syndicates. He reminds the other candidates that they are simply hired men sworn if elected to work night and day for their employes the people.

## RED CROSS LAMB ON STATE HOUSE LAWN

Lincoln, Neb., June 12.—"Red Cross Mary" is now browsing on the state house lawn, and she is in the official custody of Governor Neville. William Wood, the care taker of the governor's mansion, will have the immediate supervision of Mary. Red Cross Mary is a Hampshire lamb five months old and now weighing 85 pounds. She was donated to the Red Cross service by Professor H. J. Gramling, head of the department of anti-livestock supervision at the state farm. The wool now growing so fast on the back of Mary will be sheared and will be sold at the next Red Cross drive for the benefit of the fund. Mary will room in a garage where Governor Neville keeps his automobile. During the day she will feed on the state house lawn. One of the claims of the lamb to fame is that she weighed 15 1/2 pounds at birth, and was one of the largest at birth ever produced at the state farm.

## CHURCH CELEBRATES FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

West Point, June 12.—The Immanuel Lutheran church, located northwest of West Point celebrated the 50th anniversary of its founding yesterday. This is the oldest congregation of the Missouri synod in Nebraska and was founded in 1868, by Rev. A. W. Freese, who was succeeded by Rev. M. Adam, now of Omaha, Mr. Adam has in turn succeeded by Rev. M. Leimer, the present pastor, who has been in charge of the congregation for the past 25 years. These pastors in 50 years is the record of this parish. It is located in one of the finest sections of the county, the members of the congregation being among the wealthiest people of the district, and have shown themselves patriotic in the extreme, doing more than their share at all times toward the different war activities.

## WEALTHY FARMER DISORGES AND MAKES RETRACTION

Lincoln, Neb., June 12.—Reports have been received here telling of the appearance before the Nemaha county council of defense of Ben Casper, wealthy resident of the Brock, Neb., where he was, after a hearing was compelled to pay \$1,000 to the Red Cross and retract slanderous utterances he is alleged to have made. Evidence was introduced to show that Casper had said the American flag should be torn down and burned and that spies should be sent to soldiers in training camps so they could dig their own graves if they wanted decent burials.

## NEBRASKA SELECT TAKES OWN LIFE

O'Neill, Neb., June 12.—Edgar Egger, 22, committed suicide Saturday near Joy. The young had been inducted into the army, was vaccinated and the vaccine settled in his brain. The young man's brother died three months ago while in the service of his country. He was the first patriot from Holt county to make the supreme sacrifice.

WEST POINT.—The city school board has made its annual tax levy and has increased the same 29 per cent over the levy of 1917. This large increase is due to the advance in the cost of everything and partly to the total cessation of the former large income from the liquor traffic.

WEST POINT.—The final returns for the Red Cross for Cuming county show a total of \$7,977.00 collected. The quota for the county was \$15,000. Money is still coming in and Chairman E. H. Baumann is confident that the subscription will reach \$20,000, double the quota called for.

# TWO LAUREL ROBBERS ARE IN CUSTODY

## Bandit Gang Kills Two and Injures One In Hot Running Fight With Citizen Pursuers.

## CAPTURED MAN WOUNDED

### Home Guards and Volunteer Posses Scour Cedar County For Third Member of Outlaw Band.

Dr. Sackett, wounded by outlaws at Laurel, Neb., early today, following a running fight, died at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at St. Joseph's hospital, Sioux City.

The doctor was rushed to the hospital in an automobile, a record breaking trip being made over the country roads.

Laurel, Neb., June 14.—In a running battle with three robbers about 4 o'clock this morning, Harold Conover was killed, Dr. S. S. Sackett was shot through the side and seriously wounded and John Newman received a shot through his right arm.

News of the battle and the killing and wounding quickly spread and posses have since been scouring the countryside for the three men in the bandit gang. One of them was caught in a wheat field about two miles from here at 9 o'clock. He was wounded in both legs and one arm. He is understood to give the name of Albright and speaks of one of the other men with him as "Joe," claiming to have first met "Joe" in Omaha but a few days ago. He is believed to be a Sioux City man and it is the belief of the authorities the other two are also Sioux City men. This man is 28 or 30 years old.

About noon searching parties came upon a man hiding in the hay mow on the old Clarence Burton place, five miles southeast of here. It is confidently believed he is one of the three men in the robber party. He had a fresh wound in one hand. He has been brought to town but refuses to talk, except to say, "You've got me now and you can string me up if you want to, but I am not guilty." He caused a serious case of insanity. He is thought to be about 25 years old.

Dr. Sackett has been taken to Sioux City for treatment.

Harold Conover who was killed was the local manager of the telephone company, though his home is at Sargent, Neb., where his parents live. He was 22 years old and been located here about a year.

It was about 3 o'clock this morning when A. F. Witt, photographer, who lives in the business part of town, discovered a light in the E. J. Hoile general merchandise store. He told the telephone central who called the manager, Harold Conover. He in turn called City Marshal Ed Walter, John Newman, a stock buyer, and Dr. S. S. Sackett. They got into Dr. Sackett's car, prepared to pursue the robbers. About this time the phone operator, by arrangement, rang the fire bell. The robbers, knowing they had been discovered, clambered into an automobile and started into the country, pursued by the Sackett auto.

A little more than a mile from town the robbers were being overhauled and started to shoot. Marshal also used his gun, where his parents live. He and their car and disappeared into the adjoining fields.

Conover's Wounds Fatal.

In the fusade of bullets from the robber car Conover was shot through the head and died an hour later.

Dr. Sackett was shot through the side in the neighborhood of the kidneys and has been taken to a Sioux City hospital for treatment.

Mr. Newman's injuries are not regarded as serious.

As soon as the word of the shooting spread the home guards were called out and farmers in all this part of the country turned out and formed posses which have been searching every nook and cranny in the part of the country, determined that the bandits shall be run down.

Prior to entering the Hoile store the robbers had entered the John Aikens store, where they secured about \$200 in money and quantities of jewelry, silk shirts, etc., the total value of all taken being in the neighborhood of \$300.

It has been positively learned that the three men in the robber party came out from Sioux City last night on the Burlington road, dropping off at Dixon about 8 o'clock. From there they walked into the country and some time during the night stole an automobile at the farm of Lee Gavin. It was this auto in which the flight from here was attempted.

# PREMIER OF AUSTRIA OFFERS RESIGNATION

## Emperor Refuses to Accept Until He Consults Parliament Leaders.

Amsterdam, June 15.—Premier von Seydler, in an audience with Emperor Karl on Wednesday, offered his resignation, according to Austrian advices received today. The emperor postponed action until he could consult parliamentary leaders.

# RELATIVE OF TIRPITZ FAILED TO REGISTER

Portland, Ore., June 15.—Charles Tirpitz, 21, who failed to register June 5, declared today he was a distant relative of Admiral von Tirpitz, grand admiral of the German navy and father of Tirpitzness. Young Tirpitz said he would be glad to enter the army, but did not explain why he did not register. His father who brought the boy from Canada at the age of 6 years, is an American citizen although he is at present in the German penitentiary.