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## TELEGRAPH BRIEFS

The amount of radium known to exist in the world is now placed at 200 gram-

Both Australia and New Zealand are preparing for large representations in the Olympic games to be held in Paris next year.

Some German cities have forbidden the showing of "Reigen" a play which was condemned by moralists in New York City.

France is offering \$3,000 each to the airplane firm or firms which beat the speed and curation records now held by American airmen.

Fully 50,000 gymnasts took part in the national gymnastic meet recently held at Munich. Many foreign countries were represented.

The war-build naval cantonement at Coddington Point, R. I., which cost the government \$6,000,000 has just been sold for \$61,050.

Cleveland, Ohio, is now using orange and black paint in place of chalk marks on the streets to regulate traffic, park-All theaters and motion picture houses in Dublin were closed recently by a strike of employes against a proposed wage reduction.

Jackrabbits are said to be so numerous in some parts of California that they are seriously menacing crops. Drives to try to reduce the number of the pests are being planned.

Many postmasters of the United States are now insisting that letters intended for local delivery carry the name of the city or town rather than just the word "City."

Legislation to prevent the rapid cut-ting of chestnut forests in France is being urged to restrain floods, prevent washouts and protect the electric power of the rivers.

The British Empire Service League in a recent conference at London adopted resolutions fevering the formation of an English-speaking veterans' association. Which would include the American Legion and all similar bodies.

A wrecking crew was called out one day recently when a stray dog fell through the ties into a net of insulated wires under an elevated electric line

A "safety first" car carrying surgeons and experts in first aid has been sent by by the Red Cross to make a tour of the United States to aid in the safety

University students at Geneva university have formed an association in support of the League of Nations. Sunday postal deliveries have recently been re-established in France. A solid trainload of 1,250,000 pounds of chocolate, enough to cover 5,000,000 pounds of candy, was shipped recently from Stamford, Conn., to candy manufacturers in the middle west.

Because of the high cost of cigarets, the cheapest and poorest of which now sell at \$00 marks each, August 2 will be observed as "cigaretless day" in Ger-many.

#### **ORGANIZE BAND TO HUNT VILLA KILLERS**

Mexico City, -Nicolas Fernandez, a Villa lieutenant has arrived at Canutillo to organize a column to pursue Francisco Villa's slayors from among followers of the late chieftain. He attended Villa's funeral at Parral and left after the burial in the municipal cemetery.

It was learned that the unidentified man who was killed in the attack upon Villa and his retinue was the aged Mexican who had rented to the ssassins a vacant house from which they fired upon the passing party. He was put out of the way apparently on the theory that "dead men tell Po tales."

WAR MINISTER QUITS Lisbon. Portugal, minister of war has resigned and Premier Silva is assuming the portfollio temporarily.

#### **NEBRASKA INVENTOR** TAKES SHOT AT SELF

Omaha, Neb., / - Joseph M. Koziol, 58 years old, inventor of a busking hook, used in the corn belt and manager of a husking peg factory at Columbus, Neb., shot himself, perhaps fatally, at Columbus, according to a dispatch received here which says a suit by a Joseph C. Zoucha is believed to have preyed on his mind. The suit, filled in Platte county district court this month, alleged Zoucha gave his life's savings to help start the Columbus factory when the invention was patented and charged Koziol froze Zoucha out of the plant.

### WOMAN FIRST ENTRANT IN ST. LOUIS AIR RACE

St. Louis. woman to enter the international air races to be held here October 1 to 3, is rMs. Bertha Dale Horchem of Ransom, Kan., who recently established a new altitude record for women by ascending 16,300 feet. Mrs. Horchem has entered the "On to St. Louis" contest which will be for civilians. Entrants in this race will fly from all parts of the country to St. Louis and points will be awarded on speed, distance, number of passengers carried and horsepower of en-

### **LABORITE MOTION FOR CONFERENCE DEFEATED**

motion of London. Ramsay MacDonaid, laborite leader, for a world conference for the limitation of armaments was defeated in the House of Commons Monday evening by a vote of 286 to 169.

#### NEBRASKAN KILLED IN IOWA AUTO ACCIDENT

Mason City, Ia., Lyman Steenblock, cashler of a bank at Douglas, Neb., died this morning from a skull fracture suffered by him late Saturday afternoon when the car in which he was riding went into a ditch two miles south of Belmond. He was hurried to a Belm hd Hos-

A brother, Lewis of Rolfe, Ia., escaped with minor cuts.

Steenbook is sure and by a widow

## FRIGHT CAUSE OF WOMAN'S DEATH

The Whizzing-by of an Automobile Results in Heart Failure for Nebraska Pioneer

Grand Island, Neb., July . -Just as Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Carter, residing near Giltner, were turning into the driveway of their farm home, another automobile passed them at a terriflic rate of speed. Mrs. Carter threw up her arms in fright. Shortly afterward death ensued heart failure. Mrs. Carter was 67 years old and leaves, besides her husband, seven children. The Carters were among the early settlers of the community.

FARM BUREAU STAGES

SUCCESSFUL PICNIC Nebr., July -Bus-Battlecreek, Nebr., July iness in every town and hamlet in Madison county, Nebraska, was suspended Wednesday and approximately 20,000 people gathered in a huge grove near here to attend the annual picnic of the Madison County Farm bureau. Automobile parades led by bands coming from each town was the opening feature of the day. Princ ipal speakers at the picnic were Congressman Edgar Howard of Columbus, and Walton Petit, of the commodity marketing department of the American Farm Bureau.

DROVE 900 HEAD OF HOGS IN TO MARKET

Plainview, Neb., July - (Special) -Otto Saathoff of this place shipped 900 hogs from this point Monday afternoon. The hogs were driven several miles from a farm and it required the entire night to make the journey, two stops being made to let the hogs rest, one at 11 o'clock and another at 2 o'clock. When the big drove arrived here the fire department was called out to turn the hose on them, as they were so tired and worn out it was feared many would be lost in the shipment.

DROVE RURAL MAIL

ROUTE TWENTY YEARS Randolph, Neb., July -E. W. Casteel of this city recently completed 20 years of service as rural carrier on route three out of Randolph. Mr. Casteel drives a horse which has been in service on the route for nearly the entire time he has been carrying mail.

PAY IS TOO LOW;

QUITS STATE POSITION Beatrice, Neb., July '-Dr. S. J. Stewart, head of the Nebraska institute for feeble minded youths here, who has served with conspicuous success under both democratic and republican state administrations, has decided to tender his resignation to the state board of control at Lincoln. In a brief announcement Dr. Stewart, whose resignation has no political slant, states that he cannot in fairness to himself continue to serve the state at an "inadequate salary." The salary is now \$2,500 a year.

### PERSHING TO ATTEND

LEGION CONVENTION Lincoln, Neb., July (Special.)-State headquarters announced that the annual convention of the American Legion and of the Auxiliary will be held simultaneously at Hastings on September -17, 18 and 19. General Pershing is to be pesent. The Legion Auxiliary now has a membership of 6,955, or 225 more than it had a

CATTLE ARE AFFECTED

WITH NEW DISEASE Lincoln, Neb., July (Special) .-A new disease among cattle is reperted from several parts of the state to the state veterinarian. It attacks the hoofs of cattle, and these swell and break, producing death in some instances. It was at first feared that this was another variety of the deadly foot and mouth disease, but the veterinarians report that it is not.

LOW RAIL RATES

TO SOUTH DAKOTA FAIR Huron, S. D., July .- Secretary John F. White, of the South Dakota State Fair board has just received word from Eben E. MacLeod, chairman of the Western Passenger association, that a round trip rate of a fare and a third has been granted on all roads in the state for the fair this

Tickets will be on sale at points east of the Missouri river on September 8, and west of the river September 7. The tickets will be good returning September 15. The dates of the fair this year are September 10 to 14.

WELFARE WORKERS

ELECT NEW OFFICERS Mason, Ia., July '-Ralph J. Reed, secretary of the Des Moines public welfare bureau, was elected president of the Iowa State conference of social work at its closing season here. Other officers named were: A. E. Kepford, Toledo first vice president; Wesley Johnson, Dayton, second vice president; Louise Cottrell. Iowa City, secretary and treasurer. Dr. F. F. Sampson, Creston, retiring president, was elected a member of the executive committee. The welfare workers unanimously adopted a resolution urging the state legislature at the coming extra session to confine itself to codifying existing laws dealing with children.

REFUSES REGISTRATION

FOR WINNEBAGO BONDS Lincoln, Neb., July (Special).— Bonds filed with the state auditor by the villages of Winnebago and Rulo have been refused registration. Winnebago voted \$7,000 worth of bonds in 1917 for municipal improvements, but issued only \$2,500 at the time. Now it wants the remainder registered so that they may be sold. The auditor rules that the law which authorized such issues having been repealed, the bonds cannot be issued. Rulo had voted \$10,000 for electric lights and issued only a part of them.

# NEBRASKA'S SEA MONSTER A MYTH

Many Newspapers of Country Hoaxed by Clever Writing of Town's Publicity Agent

Omaha, Neb., July 27 .- Stories circulated in Nebraska frequently and elsewhere in the coutry, occasionally concerning the movements of a "sea monster" in an Alkali lake near Hay Springs, in the western part of the state, are myths, according to an article appearing in the Omaha Bee, which declared mythical animal is "a creature of the great god of press-agenting."

"For weeks," the article said, "before anything was done about it, the fame of the monster was spread. Then the natives of Hay Springs organized the Hay Springs investigation association with the avowed purpose of dragging the lake in search of the monster."

"An artistic touch," the story continued, "was the decision to send for a whaling outfit and harpoon the brute.

"When suddenly the investigation hit a snag. The snag was named Edward Walgren and it owned the land, round the lake. Walgren wasn't going to have his beautiful pasture tromped down by a lot of foolish sightseers in automobiles.

"Officials of the association went to Edward with tears. They spoke to him of 7,000 cars pledged from Omaha and Lincoln and Alliance, and Crawford and Chadron. They touched on the four passengers in each car, on admission fees; on the \$10,000 they ought to clear, and of his share of \$4,000.

"They submitted to him a lease for the land and lake for three months. But the lease didn't say anything about the \$4,000. It wanted to split 50-50. Edward made a lease of his own with the \$4,000 in big black letters, but officials of the association couldn't see them. As a result the dragging enterprise has gone by the board."

# PHONE COMPANIES HAD A POOR YEAR

But 57 of The 220 In Nebraska Paid Dividends While 37 Actually Lost Money

Lincoln, Neb., July 27 (Special)-The summary of the annual reports of the 220 telephone companies under the jurisdiction of the state railway commission, just issued by that body, shows that only 57 of them paid dividends last year, while 37 lost money by reason of their operation, not counting interest or dividends.

On \$14,000,000 worth of property devoted to the telephone business in the state, not counting the Northwestern Bell, which reported only a part of its figures, there was paid to stockholders but \$494,000 in dividends and deducting the other big company the Lincoln, dividends of but \$85,000 were paid on \$5.000,000 worth of property owned by the smaller companies of the state.

There are 243,369 telephones in use in the state, an increase in 10 years of 90,853. The largest companies are the Bell with 101,550 and the Lincoln with 67,110.

STATE OFFICERS CHASED BY LAW ENFORCERS

Lincoln, Neb., July 27 (Special)-It didn't look like a joke at the time. but F. C. Radke, secretary to the governor, W. J. McNichols, head of the blue sky department, and George W. Hall, secretary of finance, are inclined to admit it now. With Frank Harrington of O'Neil, they were returning to Lincoln Wednesday night in an automobile. They were hitting it up at a 40 mile gait when they saw a big car shoot out of a road and take after them. They feared it was robbers, and pushed their car to the limit. In fact is was a party of law enforcement officers looking for some bank robbers, and they surmised that the car, going at the rate it was, contained possible prey.

The officers had some difficulty in establishing their identity, but when Mr. Hall told them he was the man who passed on their pay checks the officers let them go.

CHILD LOSES AN EYE

IN ODD MANNER Wayne, Neb., July 27 (Special)-Evelyn Liverhouse, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Livererhouse, accidently lost the sight in one eye while playing with her brother in an automobile. The glass doors in the car had been broken and while looking out of the door the spring holding the glass was released, the same closing and the glass hitting the child in the eye. She was taken to Omaha to an eye specialist in hope of saving the other eye, which is said to be affected by the accident.

A new postoffice is to be built at Singapore, costin about 500,000 pounds sterling, it is announced at London.

CANTWELL NAMED AS STATE VETERINARIAN

Lincoln, Neb., July 27. (Special)-Dr. L. R. Cantwell, who has been in the service of the state department of agriculture, stationed at Alliance, has been named as head of the state veterinarian bureau by Secretary Shumway. W. T. Spencer, former veterinarian, esigned some time ago, and the place has been temporarily filled by Dr. F. R. Woodring, who remains in the state service.

\$2.50 for Honeymoon Coffee Letter O, Num-ber 7. If you have one please phone MRS. W. C. Meacham Auto 67977.

# STATE HAS BEST OF TAX ARGUMENT

Railroads Shown To Have Erroneous Figures On Farm Values In Their Contention

Lincoln, Neb., July 28 (Special)-The state had its innings today before the state board of equalization. Previously the railroads had introduced testimony to show that while they are being assessed at full value, farm lands are paying on a 50 and 60 per cent basis. The state's testimony showed that the railroads are earning from 1 per cent. for the Omaha road to 11.5 per cent. on the Union Pacific, whereas Nebraska farm surveys show that the best farms are paying but 2 and 3 per cent. on their valuations, while many are not paying anything at all. Affidavits were also presented to show that the figures presented by the railroads gave an exaggerated idea of the real value of Nebraska farm

Due of the exhibits covered a survey of 26 farms in Nuckolls county which, if 5 per cent. were allowed for capital employed, failed by \$230.70 of enough to pay the interest charge, without any allowance for the labor of the farmer and his family.

NEIGHBORS ASSIST IN

INJURED MAN'S HARVEST Plainview, Neb., July 28 (Special) -Several young men of this place, formed a bee and went to the farm of Peter Kuhl, who was severely bruised and burned when his tractor crushed him against a hog tight wire fence, and spent the afternoon and evening shocking his oats. Mr. Kuhl was pinned under the tractor when his boy, who was driving the machine through a gate, got hold of the reverse lever and the tractor came back with a rush. Realizing the danger in which his boy might be he grabbed him and threw him over the fence just as the tractor knocked him down. He had presence of mind to drag himself up a little and shut off the gas, but was pinned fast in such a manner that his leg was against the red hot exhaust pipe until help arrived.

REGISTERED BONDS FOR THE CROFTON SCHOOLS

Lincoln, Neb., July 28-The state auditor has registered bonds issued by the school district of Crofton, Knox county, to pay a \$231,591 judgment obtained by Edward C. Eickoff and also to pay teachers' salaries and other expenses.

SPECIAL DOCTOR FOR

SICK NEBRASKA BANKS Lincoln, Neb., July 28-F. L. Vlach of Leigh has been appointed a special doctor to look after sick Nebraska state banks. His apopintment came from the state guaranty fund commission. Mr. Vlach is said to be specially fitted for the work. His duty is to make recommendations to the commission what ought to be done about it when he finds a bank in a bad condition.

STATE ENGINEER GIVES

TALK ON ROAD WORK Randolph, Neb., July 28 (Special) -At a meeting held between State Engineer Cochran and delegations from surrounding towns, the question of construction and maintenance of the Antelope Trail from Sioux City to O'Niell was discussed. There will be very little construction work done on the trail until 1925 it was reported, as state funds will not become available until that time if at all. However, Mr. Cochran urged the county commissioners to work this trail as much as possible.

ATTEMPTED BLACKMAIL

IS DISMAL FAILURE Omaha, Neb., July 27.-Failing in an attempt on her own life last night at the city jail after being trapped by a ruse and arrested in connection with an attempt to extort \$500 "hush money" from a young real estate and insurance man who took her motor riding, a girl describing herself as Mrs. Gertrude Folsom, 19 years old, signed an alleged confession and is being held for investigation. A statement was also signed by her

alleged husband, J. A. Folsom, 24 years old, who said he knew of the attempt at blackmail, but took no part in it. The couple said they were married

last November in Albert Lea, Minn. Since then, they said, they have been traveling about soliciting magazine subscriptions. They came here four cays ago from Auburn, Neb., and broke.

Mrs. Foisom said her maiden name was Gertrude Walker, and her home Grand Forks, N. D. She said her parents are dead. Folsor, claimed Mason City, Ia., as

his home town.

HEAVY RAINS IN

NORTHERN NEBRASKA Norvolk, Neb., July 28 (Special)-Heavy rains fell Thursday night over most of north Nebraska. In some places it was of cloudburst proportions, and was accompanied by heavy wind. Around Norfolk it was light.

BRAKEMAN SHOT IN

FIGHT WITH WOBBLIES Omaha, July 28.-Wiley W. Jones, Omaha, a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad brakeman, is in a hospital here suffering from bullet wounds inflicted during a fight precipitated when a transient refused demands of alleged I. W. W. organizers to join the I. W. W., and pay membership dues.

Swordfish range from four to fifteen feet in length, the sword itself being as long as three feet in some

### **IOWA BRIEFS**

LE MARS—Herman Eggbrecht, Craig, Ia., farmer, had to jump fast when his tractor accidentally started while he was repairing the machinery. He didn't jump quite fast enough, for he lost part of a toe.

ROCKFORD Playing with matches caused the death of Margaret Brooks, 5 years old, daughter of Mrs. Pauline Unger Brooks. The girl was fatally burned when her clothing caught fire. DES MOINES—A resolution was adopted by the trades and labor assembly here condemning Postmaster George A. Huffman "for his mistreatment of our union brothers in the postmaster with refusing to reinstate soldier and sallor members of the local union at the close of the war.

GLENWOOD—Mrs. Edwin Boxes and

GLENWOOD-Mrs. Edwin Boyce and her 16-year-old daughter, Irene, shot yesterday by Everett Valliere, 30, who then killed himself, will recover from their wounds.

RED OAK—After vanishing a year and a half ago, Lou MicMullen, Red Oak barber, is in jall here charged with desertion. He was arrested in Peoria, Ill. His wife died a year ago and his children were placed in an orphanage.

### HIGHWAY BUILDING IS BIG QUESTION

County Supervisors of Iowa In Annual Convention Not Agreed

Mason City, Ia., July 26.-County supervisors of the state, holding their annual convention here today will go on record tomorrow on the proposition to put primary roads under full control of the state highway commission.

The resolution that will come up before the supervisors declares the "construction and maintenance of the primary road system is the duty of the state and not the duty of the various counties" and urged control by the highway commission to prevent the state from losing federal aid.

The attitude of the opponents of this proposal was expressed in a resolution adopted by Pocahontas county supervisors declaring themselves opposed to "any plan that will place in the hands of the state highway commission power to pave roads in counties which do not vote for such paving or that will take away from the people of the respective counties the right to determine for themselves the type of road most suited to their needs and ability to pay."

FATHER AND SONS ARE

HAPPILY REUNITED Cedar Rapids, Ia., July 27.-There was a joyous reunion here this afternoon between Abraham and Joseph Skaff, father and son, of northern Minnesota, and a search that had been conducted by the son since the close of the war, came to an end. Ten years ago the Skaffs' were operating a farm in Minnesota. The son did not like farm life and decided to leave His father was old and gray, but that did not matter to Joseph. Then came the war. He joined a Wisconsin regiment and was sent to France. For twenty months he faced guns in Flanders. With death on every side, Skaff said his conscience began bothering him. Then he prayed that he might return, find his father and do

his duty by him. As soon as he got out of the army he rushed back to Minnesota only to learn that his father had been defrauded out of his farm and had disappeared. The boy hired detectives and for a greater part of five years the middle west was combed for the aged man.

There was no clue until a few days ago, when Joseph heard through a friend that his father was in Cedar Rapids. He came here today and the reunion took place. It was happy. "We shall return to Minnesota and I will devote the rest of my life in caring for dad," the boy said as he

SUPPLEMENTARY RULING IN ASSESSMENT CASES

brushed away a tear.

Des Moines, Ia., July 26.-A supplementary ruling in the cases of the Chicago, Great Western and Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad systems against the state of Iowa was made by Judge Martin J. Wade in Federal court Thursday. By this ruling the restraining order heretofore entered will not be construed to interfere in any way with the performance of the executive committee in making assessments upon the railroad, certifying any assessment to the different counties of the state or to the officers. The order further provedes for a court of three judges appointed by the court who are expected to give attention early in September to the matter of the injunction requested by the railroads.

EARLY OATS YIELD

SHOWN TO BE HEAVY Cherokee, Ia., July 27 (Special)-Threshing has been commenced in three townships. No machine returns are in from Grand Meadow or Cherokee, but Joe Hamilton of Marcus reports 60 bushels measure and nearly 80 bushels weight to the acre for oats. Ray Owens of Marcus reports 45 to 50 bushels measure to the acre. Weight not given. Another report gives weight of 42 pounds to the measured bushel, yield per acre not given. There is a general belief that late oats has been injured by the heat of the past ten days. However, the soil is moist and little damage may have been done.

Reported discovery of gold quartz which assays \$1,000 to 40 pounds of ore has caused a considerable gold excitement in northern California recently.

#### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT KILLED BY OWN WEAPON

San Francisco, July 26.-Robert Oles, 15-year-old high school student, is dead today from an injury suffered while protecting his pet dog from the attacks of two strange dogs. Oles, when his pet was attacked while he and companions were out hiking seized a gun from one of his friends and clubbed the strange dogs. The weapon was discharged and Oles was shot in the abdomen.

# **BELGIUM PARTLY** BACKS BRITAIN

Note Sent Paris Approves Reptrations Parley But Sticks to French Policy on Ruhr

BY BASIL D. WOON

Universal Service Correspondent Paris, July 29.—Belgium accepts the British demand that a conference be held to fix the total of Germany's debts.

This is the outstanding point of the-Begian reply to England that reached Quai D'Orsay Sunday morning and will be forwarded to London, along with the French reply Monday. The Belgian note reveals the

schism that has developed between France and Belgium. The French note insists that the time is not ripe to consider the German debt and refuses to consider an inter-allied reparations conference. contending that Germany must first.

make an acceptable offer. Nearly all of Premier Baldwin's negotiations have been turned down in the document by Premier Poin-

What Belgium Suggests Belgium, on the other hand, recognizes the desirability of following this program: First-Adoption of measures to re-

store German finances. Second-Liquidation of Allied debts, linked with reparations. Third-Revision of the Spa per

centages in favor of France and Belgium, the devasted countries. Fouth-Indication of guarantees whereby reparations can be obtained (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.) without injuring Germany's budget-

ary equilibruim. Fifth-Regulation of Franco-Belgian security by an alliance among the former Allied powers.

Agree on Ruhr Policy The Franco-Belgian notes agree on the basic principle of continuation of occupation of the Ruhr and ona policy of refusing to negotiate with Germany until it has ceased passive-

resistance. Each reply, it is considered here,

will be unacceptable to England. BELGIUM CONCILIATORY London, July 29 .- Notwithstanding the Belgian government's submission in principle to France on the question of occupation of the Ruhr, Universal Service is informed that Brussels has intimated to Premier Baldwin that it is willing to go much further than Paris facilitating progressive evacuation of the invaded area. It is known now that Premier Theunis of Belgium was ready to define in Belgium's reply to the British questionnaire the modification of theoccupation program of Belgian troops that would follow Germany's pledgeto abandon passive resistance, but

Poincare to support the stiffer position of France. Italy Suggests Paying Meanwhile, Italy has thrown a monkeywrench into French diplomatic machinery by the insistence of Premier Mussolini that, instead of adopting a pooling arrangement for the settlement of war debts, including: those owed America, the Allied na-

was induced eventually by Premier

tions follow Britain's example. This probably means that Britain,.. recognizing the generous attitude regarding debts adopted by Rome toward Austria-Hungary and powers of the little entente, is willing to wipeoff a considerable percentage of Italy's war obligations to her, but isnot willing to cancel debts owed by France, which up to the present has failed to pay any of the war debts.

### **ROB PAROLED MAN OF \$1,700 SAVINGS**

Sing Sing Inmate Wins Freedom But Loses Money Saved For Voyage

New York, July 29 .- Although he proved an investment wizard whileserving 20 years in Sing Sing, Joseph Huevfcher, 51 years old, Sunday night was penniless and all hisdreams have tumbled.

Starting on a small allowance from relatives in Switzerland, Huevfcherdirected investments from within the prison, where he was sent for manslaughter, so successfully that he had \$1,700 when he gained his freedom.

two weeks ago. While riding through Brooklyn in a motor car, Huevfcher was stopped at the point of a gun and beaten and robbed of all his money. The liner Volsndam, on which he had planned to return to Switzerland to spend therest of his days at his boyhood home, sailed Sunday without him.

#### ESTHERVILLE STATE BANK CLOSED BY EXAMINERS:

Estherville, Ia., July 29.-A shortage of funds was announced Sunday by state bank examiners as the reason for closing the doors of the Estherville State Bank Saturday. The examiners said that they would continue their investigation Monday. The bank was organized in 1882 with a capital of \$50,000.

BOARD WILL INSPECT

GIRLS' REFORMATORY SITES Sioux Falls, S. D., July 27.-It is announced here that members of the state board of charities and corrections, of which Charles M. Day, of Sioux Falls, is secretary, will spend part of next week inspecting proposed sites for the new industrial school for girls, for which the last legislature provided. Sites have been offered by Wessington Springs, Huron, Pierre, Sturgis and Deadwood.

Cancer is twice as common in women as in men.