

# GIRL TOOK CAR, OWNER RELENTS

### She Just Wanted to Drive to Norfolk to See Boy Friend

Clearwater, Neb., (Special)—Senorita Simkins, 14 years old, has been returned to her parents here, following her taking of a car belonging to Art Smith and driving to Norfolk alone, "to see a boy friend." Smith refused to file charges against the girl, asking only the return of his machine. The girl told Norfolk authorities she was afraid to go home for fear of a scolding. It is said to be the third time she has run away from home.

# OLD PLAINSMEN MEET TO VISIT

### New York Publisher Comes West to Revive Old Memories

Columbus, Neb., (Special)—George Bird Grinnell of New York City, former publisher of Forest and Stream, is here visiting Capt. Lute North, brother of Maj. Frank North, and former partner of Buffalo Bill. Grinnell first met North in 1872 when he came to Nebraska, fresh from Yale university, to see the west. North showed him by taking him on a buffalo hunting trip with some 4,000 Pawnee and Omaha Indians. Adventures and dangers created such a bond of friendship between the two that Grinnell returned year after year, and now that hunts and explorations are no longer possible, he comes back just to talk about them.

# PHONE COMPANY ALLOWED TO ALTAIR ITS RATES

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—The Washington & Western Telephone company of Verdigris, Knox county, has been given permission to reduce residence and increase business rates, following a consolidation with another small local company. Nobody protested the application, and hence no hearing was held.

# RAIL BOARD REFUSES ORDER FOR CONNECTION

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—The state railway commission issued an order today dismissing the application of business men of Schuyler, who wanted a track put in near the town of Edholm, a few miles south, to connect the tracks of the Burlington and Northwestern railways. This would have given the main opportunity to enter Northwestern territory directly instead of by way of Fremont.

# TRAIN KILLS 40 HEAD OF FARMER'S HOGS

Allen, Neb., (Special)—Fred L. Benstead, farmer, living northeast of Allen, lost 40 head of hogs when a freight train hit the herd which had gotten into the railway right of way. Fourteen head were ground into sausage meat under the wheels of the train, six were killed when thrown from the tracks and the balance were injured so they died later.

# LARGE CROWD AT OLD SETTLERS' PICNIC

Allen, Neb., (Special)—The annual old settlers' picnic was held Thursday in a grove one mile west of Allen, with an attendance estimated at about 4,000. Rev. E. G. McDaniels, of Lincoln, delivered an address.

# TWO BUSINESS PLACES DESTROYED BY FIRE

Shoales, Neb., (Special)—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the H. A. Johnson & Son store and the Adkinson pool hall Thursday night. The blaze also did some damage to the Hovelson lumber yards, but did no extensive damage, owing to the activity of the local fire department, assisted by the department from Randolph. There was some insurance on the destroyed property.

# RELIQS OF MANY WARS IN HIS COLLECTION

Columbus, Neb., (Special)—Relics of battles in many lands and many ages may be found at the home of Clyde Burge, manager of the telephone exchange at Columbus. His hobby is collecting swords. Chief among this array of sturdy blades is a huge broadsword which was used in the crusades. Another saw service in the battle of Waterloo. A curved specimen is a scimitar from northern India. There is a revolutionary period naval sword, one that was used in the war of 1812, and another that went through the Civil war. Later models include those used by present-day army and navy officials for dress parade. Burge was in the navy for several years and has visited nearly every portion of the globe. He has had a mania for swords ever since he was a youngster.

# WANT FEDERAL AID HIGHWAY TO SIOUX CITY

Chambers, Neb., (Special)—The business men of North Platte, Neb., have started a movement to have a federal aid highway constructed from North Platte through Broken Bow, Burwell, Chambers and Ewing to connect with the Grant highway at Orchard and then east into Sioux City. Business men and others in all of these towns are getting behind this project and the hope is to have some action taken within the next few months.

# WORKERS FIND PLENTY TO DO

### Employment Situation in Nebraska Found Satisfactory Generally

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—All classes of labor in Nebraska are employed on a satisfactory basis reports the state and federal employment bureau, with headquarters here. Road construction is giving common labor all the work demanded, and will keep it busy until cold weather. Building is brisk, with good demand for carpenters, painters, bricklayers and mechanics. The migratory workers that descended by the hundreds during the harvesting season have about all disappeared. A few remain to help out with threshing, and still fewer have taken jobs as hired men on farms and settled down for awhile. Farm labor demands are being fully met. Some instability is found in the hired man market due to the fact that a number of these farm workers have acquired cars, and are prone to use these to get somewhere else when conditions do not suit them as they are located.

# LAW ATTACKED ON NEW ANGLE

### Attorneys for Convicted Omaha Doctor Want Advantage of Technicalities

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—Attorneys for Dr. F. A. Edwards, convicted in Douglas county of causing the death of a girl by an illegal operation, have filed a motion for rehearing in which they attack the constitutionality of the law which says that the supreme court, in giving opinions, should disregard technical errors of the trial courts, if otherwise substantial justice was done. They say that this takes away from prisoners the constitutional guarantee of due process and equal protection.

They say that not all of the trial judges make the same mistakes and that this throwing of a blanket mantle of charity over their errors is violative of equality and uniformity. They insist that something more than substantial justice is required, and that something more is as near exact justice as can possibly be secured. They say that the court erred in allowing evidence found in Edwards' office by a searching pair of officers to be admitted as this was equivalent to making him testify against himself.

# CRUDE OIL SPRAY CAUSES BAD FIRE

Crofton, Neb., (Special)—A fire believed to have started from a crude oil spray caused the destruction of 40 hogs and the building in which they were housed on the farm of John Crandall, 8 miles northwest of Crofton.

# CIRCUS EMPLOYE IS BADLY INJURED

Columbus, Neb., (Special)—Frank Allen, employe of the Sells-Floto circus, will be confined to a local hospital for several weeks with a fractured hip received while the circus was being loaded on the train after its performance here Saturday night, attending physicians say. Allen was guiding the tongue as the wagon was being put on the car. One wheel struck the approach in such a manner as to throw it sidewise against his hip.

# TO ERECT MONUMENT TO NEBRASKA POET

Wayne, Neb., (Special)—A monument to be erected in the Bressler Park in Wayne to the achievements of John G. Niehardt, poet laureate of Nebraska, will be dedicated Wednesday afternoon, August 19. The Niehardt club and residents of Wayne are sponsoring the program honoring the poet whose boyhood home was Wayne.

Governor Adam McMullen and Chancellor Samuel Avery of the University of Nebraska, have accepted an invitation to speak. Mrs. Paul Perryman of Broken Bow, president of the State Federation of Women's clubs, will preside. Walter Locke, philosopher and columnist with the Lincoln State Journal, Judge Vinson-haler of Omaha and Keene Abbott, dramatic critic with the Omaha World-Herald, have been invited to speak. Mrs. Marie Weeks of the Norfolk Press, is to be present. Dr. Niehardt will read from his epic poems.

Wayne Kiwanis club met Thursday evening and chose committees to cooperate with the Niehardt club in the day's plans.

The monument is of gray granite and will bear the record of some of Dr. Niehardt's achievements as well as a quotation from "The Poet's Town."

# DES MOINES MAY GET NEW TELEPHONE COMPANY

Des Moines, Ia., (Special)—Entrance here of an automatic telephone company, probably the Tri-State Telephone organization, is forecast by citizens who are protesting the recent telephone increase made by the Northwestern Bell company. A meeting to discuss the question has been called by community club officers.

# FIND BALLOONS FROM ST. PAUL

### Floated From Minnesota Town to Northeast Nebraska Counties

Hartington, Neb., (Special)—A number of small balloons released by the United States department of agriculture at St. Paul, Minn., have been found near here by farmers. The balloons were sent out as a part of the campaign of the government against the black stem rust on small grains, caused in a great measure by the barberry bush. Fred Wuebben, living between here and Wynot is one of the recent finders of a balloons. Julius Kramer found one a month ago. Others were picked up near Stanton.

# TO GIVE SHEIK TASTE OF LAW

### Husband Forgives Wife Third Time But to Prosecute the Man

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—Dwight Watkins, a Burlington, Ia., railroad man, is to be broken of the habit of running off with Mrs. Goldie Schroeder, of Burlington, if the authorities and the woman's husband can bring it about. Six weeks ago the pair left Burlington and came to Lincoln. This was the third time that they had eloped, and each time the woman was taken back by her husband. The husband and wife left last night for home, after having furnished the authorities with evidence sufficient to hold Watkins on a white slavery charge. Schroeder told the officers that his wife wanted to go to shows and dances, and that he was tired after his day's work in the shops to accompany her. She went alone and there it was that she met the shiek.

The first intimation Schroeder had of his wife's whereabouts was when her sister returned to Burlington from Lincoln, and told him that she and her sister and Watkins and a pal had lived together here for six weeks, but she had got tired of it. All of the parties are married.

# MISSING FARM HAND IS FINALLY LOCATED

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—The suspicion that Adolph Smetak, who admits having killed his father, a Saunders county farmer, had also made away with the hired man, was dissipated when Smetak, at the state penitentiary for safe keeping, received a letter from the man, Charles Michalek. The man's home is at Glover, N. D., and the letter was from there. The prison authorities read it before handing it over to Smetak, and say that it contained nothing touching on the murder or on anything other than personal matters. Michalek suddenly disappeared a few weeks ago, and as he left some of his effects behind him the authorities were roused to action because of the possibility that he had known something of the murder of the old man.

# GOVERNOR McMULLEN FACES BUSY DAYS

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—Governor McMullen leaves Tuesday for a tour of the state parks in company with other members of the board in charge of these playgrounds. He is billed to make speeches at Broken Bow, Wednesday; Alliance, Thursday; and Chadron, Friday. At the latter place he is to talk to the graduates of the summer school at the state normal and then to a picnic at the state park. On the 16th, he speaks to the National Guard in camp at Ashland; on the 19th at an old settlers' picnic at Randolph, and the unveiling of the Niehardt monument at Wayne; on the 20th at an old settlers' picnic at Albion; the 21st at the Burwell rodeo, and on the 22d at a picnic at York.

# STRANGE BONES OF EXTINCT CAMELS

Hartington, Neb., (Special)—The Smithsonian Institute at Washington has found that some of the bones sent there for identification after being found in the George Detmer gravel pit, near here, are those of an extinct species of camel. This is the second shipment from here classified by the institute.

# INSISTED ON DANCING AN OBJECTIONABLE STEP

Hartington, Neb., (Special)—When he refused to quit dancing the "lea hop" and other alleged objectionable steps, Mike Patsche was ordered off the floor of the bowery dance hall at Breslau. Later when he was not looking, Patsche assaulted Manager Dufex. Deputy Sheriff Bob Luebke arrested the youth. With the assistance of the Pierce sheriff the pugnacious youth was finally handcuffed. He was fined \$15 and costs in court for disturbing the peace. He was then put under a peace bond for resisting and striking an officer. Not being able to furnish it, he was remanded to jail to await a hearing.

# LAUREL, NEB., PASTOR IS CALLED TO OMAHA

Laurel, Neb., (Special)—Rev. L. A. Laursen, pastor of the Danish Lutheran church of this place, has resigned after a two year pastorate, to accept the call to his former church at Omaha, known as the Pella church. Rev. Laursen came to Laurel from Pilger, and that congregation with the Laurel congregation gave a farewell picnic dinner here last Sunday, which was an enjoyable affair.

# TODAY

### BY ARTHUR BRISBANE

William Jennings Bryan made many speeches worth hearing, and the world applauded.

What would the world give if he could come back and make another speech of 30 seconds on "what I saw, what I felt, what I knew, where I went, the minute after I died?"

The Rev. John Haynes Holmes, preaching in his Park avenue church in New York calls agnosticism a great help of the world. It is, he says, "A great spiritual philosophy, which has done more for human beings than any other belief."

Many will deny that, but this is certain: Agnosticism is the belief of those that say, "I do not know." And the man who realizes that he does not know, is often on the road to know something. But that does not apply to religion. There, no one knows anything, it is all faith.

The Rev. Mr. Holmes added, "my blood runs cold to think what Mr. Bryan would do if he had the power."

That was said before Mr. Bryan had died, and it was too strong a statement. Mr. Bryan would never have done anything more cruel than to make others believe as he believed, if he could, and he couldn't. He would have made his religious belief part of the constitution, if he could. But he could not have done that either.

The British government, to fight depression in the British trade, will undertake international world advertising on a gigantic scale. This proves again, what everybody knows, that Great Britain has statesmen working for her.

Five billion dollars will be appropriated at first to boom colonial goods. The idea of the British empire, solid and sound as a steel bullet, is that quality, plus advertising, can overcome any trade depression.

The marriage of a young girl in the Vanderbilt family has caused newspaper discussion.

A Protestant bishop performed the ceremony, although the mother is a Catholic and her daughters were brought up in the Catholic faith.

All that is the business of the family and of those immediately concerned.

But in one statement made by the family you observe the ancient wisdom of the Catholic church.

When young Mr. Vanderbilt, a Protestant, married Miss Fair, a Catholic, it was stipulated on the mother's behalf that all daughters born of the union should be brought up in the Catholic church.

There is wisdom. Daughters become mothers, influence the children and the men about them, and form the next generation.

The mothers are the strength of every church and every religion. In the Bible they were the last at the cross and the first at the tomb.

The church that has the mothers on its side is the church that will survive, for mothers create and guide the children and influence the men.

Victor L. Berger, socialist congressman from Wisconsin, and an educated man, better educated probably by 80 per cent than 80 per cent of the other men in congress, isn't going to run for La Follette's place in the Senate, and doesn't want "young bobby" as he calls him, Senator La Follette's son, to be elected.

He thinks La Follette's son should first win his spurs, and adds that we have no room here for "Crown Princes."

Mr. Berger's wide informant falls him when he says: "You can't show me a single instance where sons have inherited the genius of a great sire."

What about Pitt, who is buried in Westminster abbey in the same grave with his father, Lord Chatham? Those are two great men, if there is any greatness in statesmanship.

And Filippo Lippi, as good a painter as his father, Fra Lippo Lippi?

What about Alexander the Great, whose father, Philip of Macedonia, was so able a man that the greater son feared his father would leave nothing for him to do?

And what about the great men whose paternity is uncertain? There are many of them.

Two young roughs, each a gang leader, engaged in a fist fight and a blow on the head stretched Anthony De Lucca, 17, dead on the sidewalk.

The police will do something about this, because it wasn't a "regular fight," with ropes around the fighters, ruffians watching and gate receipts that make it profitable to violate the law. How long will the states disgrace themselves by licensing brutality?

Anybody can stand poverty, because almost everybody is compelled to stand it. We have plenty of practice. Few can stand prosperity.

Farm lands on the edge of Detroit have boomed, and farmers have sold out at prices never dreamed of. Now 15 of the suddenly rich, according to doctors, are nervously unbalanced. The shock was too much for them. In poverty they could have kept their balance indefinitely.

Five representatives of the Interior Department, Bureau of Education, two representatives of the Virginia State Board of Education, and the Dean of the School of Education of the University of William and Mary will cooperate in making a complete survey of the school system of Charlottesville, Va. The survey was undertaken at the request of the State Board of Education of Virginia and the School Board of Charlottesville.

An Artistic Disappointment. From the Washington Star. "How did that fight come to start so suddenly?"

"We was misled," answered Cactus Joe. "Of course, all us Crimson Gulchers is anxious to get into the movie game, an' when a stranger come along with a lot of equipment we naturally got busy. We thought he was a motion picture man, but he was only a drummer."

A large radio-telegraphic station of seven towers, each 150 meters high, is to be erected at Pernambuco, Brazil, to serve as a relay station between the United States and Europe in the northern hemisphere and Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires in the south.

# RAILROAD SHOP MEN COMPLAIN

### Want State to Restrict Privilege Enjoyed by Auto Busses and Trucks

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—The shop council of the Union Pacific at Omaha has sent a petition to the state railway commission asking its aid in getting through a law that will give the commission full power of regulation and control over the auto busses and trucks. The shop men say that the competition of these two lines has made itself felt in the shops, that fewer men are being employed because of this and those that are working are earning less money. They say that this work brings \$200,000 a month of new money into Omaha, and that the prosperity of the city is bound up a lot more in the railroads than in the operation of bus and truck lines.

What they want done is to have the busses and trucks run on a regular schedule and without any interruptions in service. They also object to their being given free use of the highways that the railroads are taxed to construct and maintain.

# TAKE FISH FROM LAKES THAT ARE DRYING UP

Tekamah, Neb., (Special)—More than 30,000 fish have been taken from the drying lakes and ponds east of Tekamah and placed in Lake Quinnebaug, a large lake and summer resort 12 miles northeast of this city. The fish thus changed were mostly bullheads. Permission is being asked the state to seine other lakes which are becoming dry.

# DEPOSIT REQUIRED FOR METER CAUSES PROTEST

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—Dr. A. T. Johnson, of Omaha, has protested to the state railway commission against the practice of the Tri-State Utilities company in requiring some of their customers to put up \$10 meter deposit, while others are not called upon for any deposit. The company pays 6 per cent interest on the deposit, but he says it is a hardship to require people who haven't got the money to loan to meet this requirement. He blames it on the commission, but will be informed that that is a purely local regulation, and that the commission has no supervision over security issues.

# CLAIM SEED SOLD TO THEM WAS BAD

York, Neb., (Special)—An appeal to the supreme court will be made by John Schlondorf, who with twelve other farmers of the county, filed damage suits against Robert H. Glasser of Polk, claiming that seed corn purchased from Glasser failed to germinate, and they were obliged to replant. The jury in district court returned a verdict for Glasser.

# PRISONERS ASSAULT WIFE OF SHERIFF AND ESCAPE

North Platte, Neb., (Special)—Two men facing penitentiary sentences knocked down Mrs. Berthe, wife of the Lincoln county sheriff, when she was allowing a "trustee" to enter, and escaped jail.

The men, R. A. Davies of North Platte, awaiting sentence upon a charge of grand larceny, and Robert Hood of Hershey, awaiting sentence upon horse-stealing charges, rushed the door as the wife of the sheriff opened it, throwing her to the floor and running for their liberty.

The eight remaining prisoners took no advantage of the situation and coming out of their cells, offered their assistance to Mrs. Berthe. They later returned to their cells on her request.

# CHARGE HE USED MAILS TO DEFAUD

Columbus, Neb., (Special)—John Renken, 26 years old, farm hand, is being held here pending the arrival of W. N. Coble, chief post office inspector, of Omaha, who may file charges against him for using the mails to defraud.

He was arrested following receipt of a telegram by Postmaster Fred Scofield from Montgomery Ward and company, when he sought to get a package of goods ordered from that firm. A check for \$80 sent in payment and signed "George Brauns" had been found fraudulent.

Quizzed by police officers, Renken admitted writing the check and also confessed to another for \$77, made payable to Sears Roebuck and company.

Renken rented a postoffice box under the name of George Brauns about three months ago and has been receiving mail from the two mail order houses involved through this box. His other mail, however, has been coming in care of William Kipple, at whose dairy farm he had been working prior to his arrest.

He came from Linden-Oldenburg, Germany, about two years ago and has been employed on various farms in this vicinity. He intended to return to Germany, sailing August 18, and had ordered tickets and was planning on leaving here Tuesday of this week.

# BUT SLIGHTLY HURT WHEN PLANE DROPS

York, Neb., (Special)—A cut on the lip was the extent of injuries suffered here when the airplane of George Sprague of Bradford, Ida., fell 25 feet to the ground when Sprague was landing with two passengers, Eugene Taylor and Miss Ruth Ebers. Sprague had risen to about 5,000 feet and was landing when the plane made a sudden dive towards the ground.

Taylor sustained the cut lip and Miss Ebers and Sprague escaped with slight bruises.

# QUICK THOUGHT PREVENTS WRECK

### Brakeman Raced in Auto to Stop Train With Broken Brake

Fremont, Neb., (Special)—Floyd Bracken, Northwestern brakeman, didn't jerk the red cloth off the dining room table, rush out and flag the 'Midnight Express' from running into a wreck like the woman in the storybook, but he almost duplicated her feat.

Bracken was standing in the Brunswick restaurant Tuesday night, opposite the Northwestern depot, as passenger train No. 3, bound for Norfolk, pulled out. He saw a broken brake beam hanging.

There was no time to lose. The train was making speed. The broken beam might cause a wreck.

Bracken's mind worked fast. He remembered that the train made a sweeping circle half around Fremont, in leaving the city. There might be time before it reached the Broad street road crossing, nearly three miles out of town.

Running from the cafe, Bracken jumped into an automobile, brushed all speed laws aside, and sped across town and out the Broad street road. He won the race. He was at the crossing as the train came rumbling down the track.

Leaping from his car, Bracken ran down the tracks and flagged the oncoming train to a stop. He notified Engineer Kennedy, of Norfolk, of the broken beam. The repair was made and after a few minutes delay, the train proceeded.

# WAYNE WILL HAVE MUNICIPAL POOL IN 1926

Wayne, Neb., (Special)—That the city of Wayne will have a municipal swimming pool next year is assured. At a meeting of the Greater Wayne club the proposition was taken up and was assured that the city will construct one next spring.

# BE YOUR OWN GUIDE IN BUYING STOCK

Lincoln, Neb., (Special)—The public buys at its own risk when it purchases stock of public utilities not originating in Nebraska is the ruling of the state bureau of securities. It has received requests from Iowa investors in the stock of the Red River Valley Power company asking as to its financial status and if it is allowed to sell stock in the state. It is a Delaware corporation, and operates in 26 municipalities in six counties in Minnesota, with headquarters at Crookston. Under Nebraska laws the blue sky department does not pass on public utility security issues and the state railway commission regulates only those issued by corporations organized in Nebraska.

# BUILDING OPERATIONS ARE BEING RUSHED

Wayne, Neb., (Special)—The laying of brick for the walls of the main floor of the new training building at the state normal is progressing rapidly. Last week a day and night shift worked running concrete floors. The addition to the Presbyterian church is progressing rapidly and all outside work will be completed before cold weather. The Blair store building will be completed in 60 days. The contractors are now roofing the building, the masons having completed the brick work.

# WENT ON WAR PATH, NOW HELD IN JAIL

Flandreau, S. D., (Special)—Clarence Holbrook, who threatened to kill his wife and shoot up the neighborhood generally near Trent Saturday evening, was arrested by the sheriff's force and lodged in jail that night. At the preliminary hearing in Judge Halver's court here Tuesday morning he was held to the circuit court under \$1,000 bond and will remain in jail until the court deals with him.

It seems his wife came from their home in Minnesota about two weeks before and was working for L. Michael. He arrived Saturday and demanded that she go with him, which she refused to do. He then made his threats and named several men he would "get" along with his wife and would end by taking his own life. In the evening he proceeded to put his threat into execution. He first fired off his gun to see if it worked and then started for the house to get his wife. Some of the men present disarmed him and sent for the sheriff. There happened to be a threshing crew at Mr. Michael's and this fact probably averted a tragedy.

# ORDER TOWN TO RAISE PRICE OF CITY WATER

Audubon, Ia., (Special)—State examiners have informed the town of Audubon that water rates charged by the city there are too low and should be raised. According to the examiners, the city faces a large loss in its water department with the rates now charged in effect.

# GETTING READY FOR WAYNE COUNTY FAIR

Wayne, Neb., (Special)—The Wayne county fair and stock show will be held, September 16, 17, 18 and 19. The new exhibition hall for educational exhibits is nearing completion. Two new horse barns will be finished in time for the fair. The race track is in first class shape and will be exceptionally fast for a new track. No effort is being spared to make this one of the largest fairs in the state.