# **DIXON COUNTY** TO GET GRAVEL

#### Allen-Martinsburg Road to Be Treated This Fall-Work in Prospect

Wakefield Neb., (Special)—Work will begin October 1 on graveling the highway from Allen north to Martinsburg. This is what is officially known as project No. 31, and is the only remaining strip of highway between the southern end of the county at this point and the county seat at Ponca. All other portions of the road have been graveled for some time, and the last strip, comprising 6.1 miles has been held up on account of

Boosters for the finishing of the work had given up hope of it being graveled this year, and the news, which comes direct from the state department, is received with delight, as the strip of highway referred to becomes almost impassable during the spring months, at a time when it is needed most.

The dirt highway from Emerson to the point of connection with the Washington highway north of Homer is being graded and will be finished shortly, and will give Sioux City visitors a much better road

during the coming winter.

At the same time, however, shortage of funds has caused the laying off of some of the maintenance men, which has caused no damage to highways due to the prevailing good weather. The department expects to have the available funds to put them on again before bad weather sets in.

#### HOTEL MAN ON TRIAL

FOR WOUNDING ANOTHER Alliance, Neb., The trial of John Tschacher started today. He is charged with shooting with intent to kill. He is a hotel owner of Himingford and has been accused of wounding Joseph Burtle, 20 years old of Yakima,

Burtle, according to Tschacher, was found robbing the hotel cash register and Tchacher said he shot in self defense.

Burtle was carried into the courtroom on a stretcher today to testify against the hotel proprieter. Burtle was paralyzed from the waist down by the bullet.

#### BEGIN TRIAL OF FORMER

DUNBAR, NEB, BANKER Nebraska City, Neb., (UP)-A jury was chosen here today to hear evidence in the forgery case against Thomas Murray, former president of the defunct Dunbar State bank.

Murray pleaded not guilty to charges of forging the name of Henry Kashbohm to a note for \$5,000.

The case started after a new jury had been impaneled. The case had been continued from Monday when the original jury panel was dismissed by District Judge James T. Begley because all precincts in the county had not been represented when the panel was drawn.

## GREATER PART OF CORN

IS SAFE FROM FROST Lincoln, Neb., (UP)-The greater part of the 1928 corn crop is matured enough to escape injury from a light frost, according to the mid-month report of the Nebraska bankers to the state and federal bureau of agricultural statistics. By October 1 more than 90 per cent. will be past this stage-

There is a great lack of moisture throughout the state, the report said. This condition is true everywhere except in the northeast and southeast corners where a majority of counties are in good condition.

Generally, over the state, plowing has been retarded because of the dearth of moisture, only 42 per cent. of the plowing for winter wheat being finished, September 1. The range is from 18 per cent. in the south central counties, which have been dry, to 73 per cent, in the southeast where one county has suffered from excessive rain.

#### HUNTERS REPORT PLENTY OF NATIVE WILD DUCKS

Alliance, Neb., (UP)-Local hunters are finding native ducks plentiful since the opening of the duck season last Sur lay. Migratory ducks are expected over in about 10 days. A large number of native ducks hatched in the sandhills this year.

Grouse are not so plentiful in the range country and they are believed to have gone to the wheat and corn fields on the table lands.

#### W. C. T. U. WILL OPEN HEADQUARTERS IN OMAHA

Omaha, Neb., Headquarters will be opened here for the state campaign committee of the Nebraska W. C. T. U., it was announced here today by Mrs. C. C. Clayton, state president. A vigorous battle will be staged for election of "dry" candidates. Headquarters will be in charge of a chairman who will have several assistants.

#### TWO MEN ON HAY TRUCK ARE KILLED BY TRAIN

Hastings, Neb., Two men were killed and their bodies were badly mangled when their truck was hit by a Burlington passenger train three and onehalf miles east of Kenesaw today. J. L. Shaneyfelt, 35 years old, was identified shortly after noon and his companion was believed to be a man named Beaucamp, who

was about 65 years old. The men were driving a load of hay across a grade crossing when the train struck them.

CREAMERY COMPANY MAN DIES BY HIS OWN HAND

Lincoln, Neb., Nels O. Nelson, superintendent of the Beatrice Creamery company at Topeka, Kan., committeed suicide in a Lincoln hospital today by firing five shots into his heart with a revolver. Officials are at a loss to understand where he procured the weapon. Nelson was being treated for a nervous disease.

# **CHARGE YOUTHS** WITH FORGERY

#### Hartington and Omaha Boys Arrested at Pierce Said to Admit Guilt

Pierce, Neb., -Donald Martin, Bernhard Wieneman and Marvin Taylor, of Hartington, Neb., and Jim Walters, of Omaha, were arrested on a charge of forgery.

Authorities at Creighton, Neb., had called Sheriff E. A. Lambrecht to be on the lookout for the four young men who would probably pass through Pierce, and asked him to hold them. Upon receipt of this call. Sheriff Lambrecht posted himself near a filling station and m a short time, the youths put in their appearance, driving a dilapidated car. They were put under arrest by the sheriff and in the evening an officer from Creighton came and took them back to that

These boys have given their ages to be only 17 years old. They have admitted that they forged checks. It was learned that they had also forged checks in Bloomfield, Randolph and other nearby towns. The automobile in which they were riding was stolen.

# PLAN ANOTHER SUGAR FACTORY

#### Farmers in Cozad Territory Will Be Asked to Grow 7,500 Acres of Beets

Lincoln, Neb., sugar factory to cost at least \$1,-000,000 will be constructed near Cozad if contracts for 7,500 acres of beets in the territory can be obtained, Governor McMullen was informed here yesterday.

J. S. Good and L. M. Arnold of Cozad said the Nebraska sugar company will build the factory. Good said contracts for the required amount of beets for next year have been obtained. If the contracts meet the approval of the company the factory will be started about January 1.

The price offered in the contracts with the Nebraska sugar company meets the price demands of the beet growers in Scottsbluf county, Good said.

## GUARANTY FUND GIVEN

ADDITIONAL BURDEN Lincoln, Neb., -The guaranty deposit fund has been given a tremendous wallop by reason of the failure of the three banks in the chain operated by Paul Wupper in northeastern Nebraska, the total of deposits reaching \$1,250,000. How much of this the fund will have to stand eventually is not known, but the shortage in the Beemer bank is expected to run to \$400,000.

The Bank of More Bluffs had \$30,000 of bad or forged notes dumped onto it, but efforts are being made by local stockholders to make this sum good, and to reopen the bank.

Wupper also was president of the McLean State bank at McLean. Pierce county, owning a controlling interest. It has notes Wupper sold to it that may be of the same kind with which the other banks are loaded. It has \$160,000 deposits, while that at More Bluffs had \$450 .-

#### CURTIS WILL SPEAK AT OMAHA NEXT TUESDAY

Omaha, Neb. (UP)-Governor and Mrs. Adam McMullen will head the reception committee which is to welcome Senator Charles Curtis, republican vice presidential candidate, when he

speaks here Tuesday. Curtis is to arrive from the west at 3:25 p. m., and will be escorted in a parade over much the same ground as was traversed by Al Smith to Hotel Fontenelle. He speaks at the auditorium in the

## NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY HAS

5,474 STUDENTS ENROLLED Lincoln, Neb., The University of Nebraska opened here today with a total enrollment of 5,474 students. It was 223 over the last year's attendance and was a record.

Students who register late and registration at the college of medicine in Omaha tomorrow and Saturday will add to the total.

#### PIERCE ATTORNEY WON CASE IN SUPREME COURT

Pierce, Neb., (Special) -Attorney Douglas Cones recently was notified by the clerk of the supreme court of Nebraska that defendant's motion for rehearing the case of Colfax County bank vs. Frank Konvalin, Emil Konvalin and others, has been denied. This decision of the supreme court concludes a long drawn out and hard fought case. Attorney Cones has earned commendation for his sucplaintiff to a successful conclusion. 3, 1847.

Fall Coats of Skin



Skins that have here ofore been used for smart bags and shoes are now being put to a new use-to provide fall and winter coats for milady. Here are two of the pretty creations designed for fall. The one on the left is of snakeskin trimmed with nutria, that on the righ is made of Galyack in beige. Hats match both coats.

## Gotham Day by Day

BY ROSS DUFF WHYTOCK A year and more ago I made the prediction that the flea circus was likely to equal the record run made by "Abie's Irish Rose." Now I am convinced of the fact, for the strange entertainment is well into its third year and going strong. In a Rialto ramble the other afternoon I dropped in for a look at the educated fleas and a chat with Prof. ing breeder, trainer and exhibitor of Pulex irritans. The professor also is an authority on what he terms pulicology, or, in the vernacular of Broadway, fleaology.

The Hecklers, father and three sons, are the dominating factors in the "flea industry" of the United States. In fact, they are interna-tional in their endeavors, for Professor Heckler has made several world tours with his troupe of performing fleas and has just returned from South America. The father has been a flea impressario for 30 years and has thoroughly schooled his three sons-William, Roy and Robert-in his profession. The fleas which they use in their exhibitions are an imported variety, which they breed and train in their Brooklyn home. The "dog" and "sand" fleas native to our heath are not suitable for show purposes. It is the human flea that the Hecklers employ, and it reaches its highest development in Europe.

A flea circus requires the services of 24 well trained insects, but for performer there are understudies ready to take to the stage in the event of any trouble or tragedy among the principals. There is no trickery about the stunts performed by the Heckler fleas. They are trained to dance, to juggle, play football, race with chariots, ride and turn merry-gorounds and do other things that cause strong men to blink and won-der if that stuff they had down the block was really off a ship.

"The color of a flea gives evidence of its strength and temperament,' said Professor Heckler. colored flea has no vitality, while the black flea is full of agility and strength. A flea weighs about half a grain and can jump three feet. If man possessed such ability, he could jump about five miles and could hurdle the Woolworth building with little effort. In many tests I have demonstrated that a flea can lift objects 150 times its own weight. A horse can pull a wagon and a load three to four times its own weight, but a flea can pull a wagon 300 to 400 times its weight.'

No Tears Shed Gotham is wet, almost as wet as the Atlantic that swells outside its portals. It hears of places here and there about the hinterland that are reputed to be as arid as a Sahara sand dune, but like a dryvoting congressman with a cellar of "suds," Gotham gives little thought to the droughts that may exist elsewhere. The padlocking procedure of the last two years has proved mildly amusing to the Gothamite with a thirst. He knows too many places where the "stuff" is to be had to be concerned over the closing of one or several score speakeasies by the federal authori-

#### ties. The latest attack on the night An Inducement

From Answers, Prospective buyer: But you have only two or three houses in this new suburb of yours. Real estate agent: I know. But

just look at all the parking space. Q. How early were adhesive postage stamps used in this country?

A. Adhesive postage stamps were issued by several cities of the United States independently of the government about 1845. Well known examples were those of New York City and St. Louis. Stamps of this kind clubs has him chortling, for they have been generally regarded as places for the trimming of the sucker. Like the cabarets of old and many of the theaters, they are largely supported by the folk from out of town in search of a "good time." They may have had a good time, but in most instances they have received a good trimming as well. The closing of the night clubs will not bother Gotham's wets, and it can be set down that no tears will be shed. The methods practiced by many of the night-shebang proprietors and managers make the name of Jesse James a synonym for Gotham is not a bit agcharity grieved because of their wholesale

Summer Loans All the Gothamites who pledge valuables for small loans are not compelled to do so because of the baying of the lone grey wolf. fact, an everygrowing multitude takes its valuables to Uncle's place that they may properly be safe-guarded during the vacaton or the out-of-city periods. An official of a large loan organization says its vaults are made the repository for large quantities of silverware, jewelry and other valuables that householders do not wish to take with them to the mountains, the seashore or to Europe. They pledge such effects for small sums, knowing that they will be well guarded against their return in the fall. Fur coats and winter clothing are taken to the pawnshop, where they are placed in mothproof rooms for the summer. However, many New Yorkers are able to finance their vacations "hocking" effects that they need not redeem until snowfall.

## SEASIDE SLUMS

The owner of a two family house in the Rockaway region has achieved departmental fame by ensconcing therein nine families. Bad enough, one would say: but what the inspectors of the tenement house department regarded as even worse was the fact that each family had a gas stove. Fire hazards in such an overoccuppied structure with its nine gas stoves are obvious

It might seem that on the sands of the Rockaway there was room enough to avoid the worst overcrowding of the densely congested areas of the east side of Manhattan, but it costs money to build seaside bungalows and seaside renters are not always averse to economies in space and cash. At any rate, the six inspectors who have been paying special attention to that locality unearthed evidence which charges have been upon made against more than 200 defendants.

There was a time during and after the war when it would have been cruel to enforce the full rigor of the tenement house law; when it would have been condemning many families to homelessness. We should by now be well past those conditions. Let the law be enforced; to turn our invigorating stretches of ocean sands into seaside slums would be an intolerable wrong. Public opinioin in Rockaways should be prompt to demand enforcement.

Did Lew Wallace's Prince of India have a subtitle? M. M.
A. It is listed as Prince of India
or Why Constantinople Fell.

## The Scandal Dish

From Il Travaso, Rome from Judge. "But my dear young lady, it is not charitable to speak like that of your enemy." "She's not my enemy, she is my best friend."

Q. Are Turkey in the Straw and

Zip Coon the same? I. S. A. Carl Sandburg says Turkey in the Straw goes back to Zip Coon and early minstrel songs. According to this the version Zip Coon is older than the name Turkey in the Straw. The tune of both pieces is practical-

#### NEBRASKA WOMEN TO

ATTEND VOTERS' SCHOOL Grand Island, Neb., (UP)-Women in this district will attend a one day voters' school, September 27, according to Miss Ruth Gaulke of Lincoln, executive secretary of the Nebraska League of Women Voters. The session will be sponsored by the Grand Island

league of Women Voters.

Technical points in balloting, nominating, and other phases will be discussed. Mrs. W. W. Ramsey of Chicago, member of the national board of the league will be in charge of the gathering, it was announced.

O. Abbott, mayor of Grand Island and republican chairman of the election board, and A. E. Joseph, democratic chairman, will be speakers on the program.

The state convention of the Nebraska League of Women Voters will be held in Grand Island October 8 and 9 instead of October 11 and 12 as had been previously announced

# O'CONNOR CASE IN HIGH COURT

#### Three Sets of "Heirs" Still Angling for Estate of Wealthy Nebraskan

Lincoln, Neb., The notorious O'Connor \$150,000 heirship case came before the supreme court here today. Three claimants of the estate of the wealthy cobbler brought their cases before the supreme court in consolidated form.

The cases today represent only a small part of the large number of persons who have claimed heirship to the estate since O'Connor died in 1913, apparently intestate, and wth the dying words that he knew of no living relatives.

One of the claims today was brought by Elizabeth O'Connor a second is that of the children of Burgoyne, claiming to be a neice; a Michael O'Connor, said be a brother of the wealthy man, and the third is brought by the "Beebe heirs," from Beebetown, Ia., who profess to be neices and nephews.

The cases in court over the estate all have been directed against the state as the law provides the property shall be given over to the state if no legal claim to it ic established.

## SCOLDED BY SWEETHEART'S

FATHER, DRINKS POISON (UP)-Up-Omaha, Neb., braided by the father of Charles Wilson, with whom she had been keeping company, Mrs. Alice Arlund, 35 years old, wife of William Arlund, garageman at Nashville, Neb., ended her life by drinking poison here Tuesday.

Mrs. Arlund was the mother of three children. She has been estranged from her husband for several months, and had been going with Wilson, according to the latter's father.

When she called at the Wilson home Monday evening, the elder Wilson berated her for her attentions to his son. After taking the poison shortly after midnight, she telephoned Wilson, who found her

When found, Mrs. Wilson was holding a school poster made by one of her children. The poster was labeled "Mother."

#### MARATHON DANCE HALTED FOR AL SMITH'S MEETING

Omaha, Neb., Omaha's first marathon dance, stopped temporarily Tuesday night to give Governor Al Smith use of the municipal auditorium, resumed immediately at the close of the speech and the competitors had hoofed for 40 hours at noon today. During Smith's speech the hoofers were taken to another hall where they continued their dance.

Forty couples started the marathon Monday evening. Three had fallen by the wayside today. The remainder announced that they were going to set a new world's record for continuous dancing if necessary to win the prize.

The dancers were beginning to feel the effects of their exercise today. During the first 24 hours many of them did not take advantage of the 15 minute rest which was grant ed them every hour.

#### GERMAN LUTHERAN SYNOD IS OPENED AT HASTINGS

Hastings, Neb., The Thirty Ninth annual convention of the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska opened here today. Eighty five pastors from six states were included among the delegates attending. The meetings will last until Sunday.

#### NEBRASKA CITY AND LYONS PASTORS ARE SWITCHED

Lyons, Neb., Rev. W. A. Allbright, pastor of the M. E. church here for the last four years, has been transferred to Nebraska City, and leaves with his family for that place this week. Rev. Mr. Wright, of Nebraska City, takes charge at the same time of the pasorate here.

## HE FEARED ARREST

(UP)-Believing Omaha. his wife was going to cause his arrest because of continued drinking, Frc Stumpimaier, 37 years old, a laborer, ended his life by blowing off his hear with a shotgun last night. He had been drinking heavily recently and his wife had quarreled with him, she said. Shortly before he killed himself she threatened to report him to police and taking her three children with her, went to the home of her parents. The body was found in the attic of the Stumfmaier home.

# W. O. W. CASE TO HAVE HEARING

## Supreme Court Soon to Consider "Loan" of 2 Million Dollars

Lincoln, Neb., (Special) -The state supreme court today opened its fall session, which will continue uninterruptedly for the next nine months. The first and only case up was the appeal of William Wegner from a Holt county district court conviction, on a charge of having violated the law relating to the practice of medicine. Wegner claims that the treatments he gives do not constitute any violation of the statute.

The two billion dollar case in which members of the Woodmen of the World secured a district court order that the Globe Life company, financed by the fraternal order return that amount of securities and go out of competition, has been advanced, and will be heard early next month. Twelve lawyers are listed in he litigation. The officers of the fraternal society and of the life company are the same, and they say that what they did in using the money was under instructions from the head camp.

The protesting members are relying largely upon their interpretation of the Nebraska statute which provides that all fraternals are run for the benefit of their members and their beneficiaries, and not for profit, and that as they cannot do anything not specifically granted by law, the fact that the head camp voted to go into the commercial life business, does not give them power to do it when members protest. They say that the real scheme is to swallow the fraternal and its big surplus and to center stock control of the commercial life in a few hands.

# ASK CUT RATES HAY AND SEED

## Pierce County Appeals to Railway Commission Because of Short Crops

Lincoln, Neb., -Formal application was made today by the county authorities of Pierce county to the state railway commission for authority to be granted to the railways serving that county to make special rates on shipments of hay and seed grain into that section. It is set out that the corn and hay crops are both short, and that it will be necessary for feeders and farmers to ship in supplies from other sections. There is plenty of precedent for such an order, and it is understood the railroads are willing to help in the matter. Following the shortage of corn in the central part of the state a few years, special rates on seed grain were made into a number of counties from all sections where a surplus existed, and it helped the situation very materi-

## RAISE FUND TO SAVE

OLDEST ELM TREE Neligh, Neb., (Special)— Nebraska may lose its oldest elm tree, if efforts to raise \$400 for the tree, which stands in an old Indian camping ground near here, do not succeed. It is said by tree experts to be 165 years old.

The tree was struck by lightning a few years ago. Infection set in, causing the interior to begin to rot. If the rotting can be checked, the tree will live another 200 years, it is estimated.

Antelope county people are attempting to raise a fund for doctoring the tree. If saved it will be dedicated as a memorial to the American Legion.

#### SUPREME COURT DENIES REVIEW IN SEVERAL CASES

Lincoln, Neb., -The supreme court today denied a rehearing in the case brought by the O. M. Campbell company, accountants, against the County of Boyd, won by the latter. Rehearings were also denied in Dingle vs. Gilbert, Burt county; Colfax Bank vs. Konvalin, Peirce county, and in re claim of J. T. Bigelow against Farmers State bank of Wolbach, de-

#### MISSING WOMAN HAD JUST GONE ON VISIT

Lincoln, Neb., Miss Martha F. Brown returned here yesterday from a trip to Hastings, after her relatives and friends had started an extensive search for her.

Miss Brown was known to have been in poor health. She disappeared without telling her friends where she was going. When she did not return for two days the

#### search was started. DENIED DAMAGES FOR

## DEATH IN SWIMMING POOL

Lincoln, Neb., (UP)-The supreme court denied a rehearing today in the case of Edwin Lyman against Walter Hall, proprietor of a swimming pool at Stratton.

Lyman sought damages for the death of his son, who drowned in Hall's pool, and was awarded damages in the district court, but the supreme court held Hall was not legally at fault.