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# TROOPS OFF FOR CHINA

Reported that British Government is to Send More Troops to the Orient.

# SOLDIERS ARE FROM SOUTH AFRICA

Portions of Army Which Fought Hoers Rest in India-Americans to Establish Permanent Communication Between Pekin and Tien Tien.

LONDON, Sept. 17 .- In consequence of the prediction by Sir Robert Hart that there would be further hostilities in China in November, the Associated Press understands the British government is considering the transfer of troops from South Africa to India in order to make it practicable to send more troops to China. The miltary authorities consider the war in South Africa so far ended that troops may now be removed.

It is probable that the Russian legation has already been removed from Pekin to Tien Tsin, but there is no definite news as yet whether Li Hung Chang will after all go to Pekin.

General Dorward is going to the capital, leaving the troops at Tien Tsin under command of Brigadier General Horno campbell. Vice Admiral Alexieff has returned to Taku.

The Americans have begun at Ho Si Wu a permanent telegraph line between Pekin and Tien Tsin.

The Pekin correspondent of the Morning Post's representative says that the question is being discussed of sending relief to a few British, French and American engineers, who are besieged in a city 200 miles south of Pe-

Shangnai advices say that a house has been engaged there for Count von Waldersee, who is expected to arrive next Saturday.

Chinese officials estimate that 20,000 disbanded hinese soldiers managed to remain behind in Pekin. Other dispatches confirm the report that in addition to Hsu Tung, guardian of the heir apparent, Hu Lu, viceroy of Chi Li, and Wang Yi Yung, president of the imperial academy, with 200 members of official families, committed suicide when the allies entered Pekin.

Chinese regulars are reported to have relieved the Roman Cahtolic stronghold at Ho Chien, in the province of Chi Li, which the Boxers had been besieging since June.

'1...e Shanghai correspondent of the Hung Chang has been notified from Berlin that he must submit his credentials to the German minister at Shanghai, who will then communicate with Emperor William and await the result.

Dr. Mumm von Schwartenstein, in an interview with Sheng, expressed the opinion that although the powers were adverse to the partition of China, any delay in negotiating was calculated to produce that result, and that Germany was prepared to remain in occupation indefinitely pending a settlement.

Earl Li accordingly telegraphed General Yung Lu to use every effort to persuade the empress dowager and emperor to return to Pekin and to remove Prince Tuan and his entourage.

# TRAGIC DEATH OF A SOLDIER.

Captain McQuestion Shot While in a Fit

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 .- The war department today televed information from General MocArthur of the tragic death in the Philippines of Captain Charles McQueston of the Fourth regiment of United States infantry, the result of a wound by a private soldier. General MacArthur's dispatch is as follows.

"MANILA. - Adjutant General. Washington: Charles McQueston, captain Fourth United States infantry. died yesterday, Mangonone, Bacoon, Cavite province, 8:30 evening, result from gun shot wound caused by private soldier. Captain McQueston in a fit of temporary insanity attacked men of company. Shot one or more and was shot himself in self defense. Further particulars when received."

# BOLRS MAKE HASTY FLIGHT.

General McDonald Captures Wagons, Provisions and Ammunition.

CAPETOWN, Sept. 17.-The military nuthorities have taken over The Netherlands railway.

General McDonald, operating in the northeastern corner of Orange colony, compelled the Boers to make a hasty retreat from the Vet river. He capcattle and stores and 65,000 rounds of officials. rifle ammunition.

# China Declared War in June.

BERLIN, Sept. 17.-The Shanghai correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger reports an Interview with Dr. Roathorn, secretary of the Austrian legation, in which the secretary is quoted as saying that the Chinese government presented to the mester a formal declaration of war on June 19, considering the capture of the Taku forts an act of war. The ministers were required to leave Pekin in twenty-four hours.

Kruger Gues to Negotiate Peace.

LONDON, Sept. 17 .- A special diapatch from Naples says that an agent of the Transvaal says the object of Mr. Kruger's visit to Europe is to negotiate a settlement with Great Britain

# CUBAN ELECTION RETURNS.

Reports Show the National Party Again Triumphs in Bavana.

HAVANA, Sept. 17 .- In yesterday's election of delegates to the forthcoming convention the national party again triumphed in the province of Havana. Not only did it elect the five delegates of the majority representation, but it also captured one of the minority representatives, the republican party electing the other two, namely

Maluele Sanguilly and Berriel. Returns from the other provinces come in slowly owing to the heavy rians. In Pinar Del Rio there seems to be no doubt of the election of Gonzalo de Quesada Rius Rivera and Civil Governor Quiles. Nothing definite is yet know here as to Santiago because of the difficulty of getting returns from the outlying territory, but it is reported that Juan Guilberrto

In Puerto Principe Senores Cisneros and Silva were the only candidates, so that their election is secured. It is conceded that in Santa Clara the federals will win. No definite news of the results in Matanzas has been received here. From no part of the island is there any report of disturbance. The large vote polled by Senor Gener in this province may be looked upon, apart from his individual popularity, as an endorsement of Governor General Wood's recent appointment of him as secretary of justice. It is remarked that the republican and union demo-

cratic electors bolted for Senor Gener. The nationalists, as a concrete whole, assume to be anti-annexationists, but it is well known that they are moderate in tone. More than one Daily News says that the assassin of of the delegates representing the ma-Baron von Ketteler has been shot. The Jority in this province are pro-American. Where their personal feelings are concerned and irrespective of politics they desire closest relations with the United States.

At 7 o'clock this evening the returns from twenty-five towns in the province of Havana, including the city, with only nine towns to heard from, show the following polling: Lacret, nationalist, 12,767; Rodriguez, nationalist, 12,-106; Gener, nationalist, 11,281; Sanguilly, republican, 11,043; Nunez, nationalist, 10,720; Berriel, republican, 10,022; Tamaxo, nationalist, 9,639; Zayas, nationalist, 9,283.

## LOUBET FIXES THE BOUNDARY.

Differences Between Costa Rica and Colombia are Decided.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 .- The minister of Costa Rica at Washington, Senor Calvo, has received a cablegram from the minister to Costa Rico at Paris, which conveys the information that the president of the French republic, M. Loubet, who was the arbitrator appointed to decide the boundary question between Costa Rica and Colombia, by his award of yesterday fixed the boundary limit between the two countries on the Atlantic side at Mona Point (or P. Carreta), and on the Pacific side at Punta Burica. The republic of Colombia claimed that the limit should be fixed at Cape Gracias Adios, in the Atlantic, including the whole of Costa Rica and Nicaragua Atlantic coast, and that the limit on the Pacific should be placed at Boruca river, to the northwest of Golfo Dulce, which would have given Colombia a right to half the territory of Costa Rica and about two-thirds of that of Nica-

Costa Rica claimed the old limits between Central America and Colombia, piaced at the island Sscudo de Veragua on the Atlantic and the river Chiriqui Viejo (at the base of Punta Burica to the southeast), on the Pacific.

# Sunday at Galveston.

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 17 .- Yesterday was a dreary Sabbath in Galveston. Services were held in the few churches made fit for use since the great storm. All day men and boys were at work clearing the debris. Only a few dead were found during the day and they were quickly burned, no attempt being made to identify them. 'ine military authorities and the civil authorities are now co-operating harmoniously and consequently there is less looting and desecration of corpses. roops are ordered to make short work of looters and arrest all suspicious characters.

# Objections to Evacuation.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 17.-The news of the contemplated withdrawal of the allies from Pekin has caused a great sensation and is regarded here as a great mistake, which is likely to eventuate in disturbances in other parts of China, where the people are certain to attribute the evacuation to a defeat of the European forces. Even here the | 1900. Chinese as a whole do not believe that the allies ever reached Pekin. They think the story a fabrication concocttured thirty-one wagons, a quantity of | ed for the purpose of imposing on the

# Communication with Galveston.

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 17 .- Tellegraph and railroad lines are being rapidly restored. This morning the Postal Telegraph and Cable company has four wires working into the city and within 48 hours will have its system almost completely re-established to the basis existing before the storm. The Western Union is in even better shape, but with both companies the atringing of wires has been but temporary, time being the all important consideration at present.

# Nebruska Storm Victims.

YORK, Neb., Sept. 17 .- Among the victims of the Texas flood disaster are J. Wickman, wife and seven children. The Wickmans were formerly residents and that he has full power to act to of York county, where they were well | Show association. known and much respected.

# NOTHING TO GIVE OUT

State Department is Still Wrestling with the Chinese Problem.

# THE SITUATION IS NOT SO ACUTE

Change of Attitude on the Part of Russia Seems to Relieve the Strain-No Official Confirmation Received-United States Has Not Committed Itself.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 .- There were no developments in the Chinese negotiations today with which the public could be made acquainted, the whole matter being still in the diplomatic phase and therefore not calling for military orders. War department officials are awaiting word from the State department as to the next step expected from the troops, but it is now intimated that this next step will not be taken immediately.

The situation has lost something of its acuteness, owing to the change in the attitude of the Russian government, as indicated in yesterday's dispatches. No official confirmation has reached Washington of the postponement of the withdrawal, but the fact is not doubted here. Regardless, however, of the course to be taken by Russia, it is noted there is nothing in the American note of response to Russia that demands immediate evacuation in the event that the Russian troops are called away. Instead, it is stated that the control of the situation would simply pass from the State department into General Chaffee's hands and it would be for him, after conferring with the other military commanders, to determine when and how and to what extent the American forces should be withdrawn. He might choose his own time and in a degree his position would be similar to that occupied by him in the advance upon Pekin, so far as having a free hand is concerned. The statement of the condition governing the American reply to the withdrawal proposal may be of significance, in view of the fact that it is made with the express purpose of clearing away an erroneous impression that has been made upon the public mind.

Mr. Adee was again acting as secretary of state today during the tem-porary indisposition of Dr. Hill, who is suffering from a cold. The former spent some time this afternoon in conference with Attorney General Griggs.

# BORROW IN THE UNITED STATES.

New York Banks Take s Portion of the German Loan.

BERLIN, Sept. 15 .- It is officially announced by the board of directors of the Disconte Gesellschaft that, with the co-operation of the International. and through the intermediary of the Disconte Gesellschaft, the Deutsche bank of Hamburg, the M. M Weldburg company of Hamburg and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of New York, acting in conjunction with the National City Bank of New York, have taken over 80,000,000 marks of 4 per cent treasury bonds of the German empire, falling due in 1904 and 1905. With the approval of the Imperial bank, the issue will be placed on the market in the United States.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.-The New York Life Insurance company today closed negotiations for taking \$5,000 of the imperial German government loan of the \$20,000,000 negotiated in this city.

# Saved by a Confession.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 15 .- Henry Peyton, who is in custody, awaiting requisition papers to be taken to Sioux City, Ia., to stand trial for alleged murder, this afternoon confessed in Captain Reinold's office at the Four Courts that it was he who robbed the safe at the big mercantile establishment at Clydesdale, Miss.

The confession will clear the name of George Simmons, a young man of Clydesdale, who has been accused of the crime and who was compelled to leave the home of his childhood because of the shame that had come to his family.

### Popu'ation of Topeka. WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 15 .-

The population of the city of Topeka. Kan., as officially announced today, is: 1900, 33,608; 1890, 31,007.

These figures show, for the city as a whole, an increase in population of 2.601, or 8.39 per cent, from 1890 to

The population in 1880 was 15,452. showing an increase of 15,555, or 100.67 per cent from 1880 to 1890.

Nany Cases of Small Pox.

MUNCIE, Ind., Sept. 15 .- In the vil-

#### lage of Wheeling, near the Grant county line, health officers today found eleven cases of amalipox, the school and whole community having been exposed for weeks. The malady was be-

ing treated as chickenpox.

Postal Official Removed. WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 .- Walter 21. Davis, assistant postmaster at Kansas City, has been removed by the postmaster there. No reason is assigned, but the action will be confirmed

by the postmaster general. Chicago will have a horse show October 29, 30 and 31, and November 1 2 and 3, to be held at the new coilseum on Wabash avenue, under the auspices of the New Chicago Horse

## CABLE FROM LI HUNG CHANG.

Assurance that He Has Power to Protect Americans.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.-Minister Wu has received a cablegram from Li Hung Chang, answering the hope expressed in the American note of a few days ago that his powers are sufficient to protect American lives and interests in China. Earl Li says he has that power and will see that the protection is given.

The Chinese government has made swift answer to the latest communication from the state department relative to the recognition of Li Hung Chang as an envoy competent to negotiate a peace settlement. There had never been any doubt here as to the sufficiency of Li's credentials as a plenipotentiary, but the effort of the state department has been to cause him to use any extraordinary powers he might have for the protection of American life and property in China, pending a final settlement. It has succeeded in attaining this object, as is indicated in the response from Li Hung Chang presented to Assistant Secretary Hill this morning by Minister Wu. The department asked Li Hung Chang "without further delay to give assurance that the life and property of Amercians will henceforth be respected throughout the Chinese em-

The viceroy has given the assurance asked for. His word came in the shape of a cable dispatch to Minister Wu, dated yesterday, at Shanghai. Mr. Wu cailed at the state department this morning and presented the answer to Mr. Hill. He in turn sent it forward to the president. It will be for the latter to decide whether Li's assurance is sufficient to meet the needs of the case.

It is believed that if the powers can get together themselves and through commissioners arrange for certain common bases of compensation for certain classes of outrages good progress can be made toward a final settlement. However, if the attempt to secure unity of action in this direction is no more successful than that directed to the evacuation of Pekin the United States government will look to its own interests, and, appointing its own commissioners, proceed to deal directly with the Chinese commission-

It is believed here that Li Hung Chang already has been advised by Prince Ching of the urgent necessity for his attendance in Pekin to initiate the negotiations, hence his announced intention to sail tomorrow from Shanghai for the capital.

# CITY'S CRYING NEED IS MONEY.

Charitably Disposed Persons at a Distance Advised of Wants.

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 14.-To the Associated Press: We are receiving numerous telegrams of condolences and offers of assistance. As the telegraph wires are burdened we ask the Associated Press to communicate this response to all. Nearby cities are supplying and will supply sufficient food, clothing, etc., for immediate needs. Cities further away can serve us best by sending money. Checks should be made payable to John Sealey, chairman of the finance committee. All supplies should come to W A. McVittie, chairman of the relief committee. We have 25,000 people to clothe and feed for many weeks and to furnish with household goods. Most of these are homeless and the others wil require monay to make their wrecked residences habitable. From this the world may understand how much money we will need. The committee will from time to time report our needs with-more particular-We refer to dispatch of this day of Major R. G. Lowe, which the committee fully endorses. All communi-

entire population. W. C. JONES, Mayor. M. LASKER. J. D. SKINNER. C. H. M'MASTER. R. G. LOWE, CLARENCE OWSLEY.

# Committee.

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An Appeal to Druggists. HOUSTON, Tex., Sept. 14.-The following appeal was issued tonight:

"To All Druggists: The storm-stricken district is very much in need of the following drugs: Iodoform, chloride of lime, gum camphor, assafoetida, crude carbolic acid, phenol sodique, gauze bandages, quinine and iodoform gauze. "Contributions should be sent to the

Houston relief committee. (Signed) "HOUSTON RELIEF COMMITTEE, "By A. E. Kesling."

Damage to the Cotton Crop,

HOUSTON, Tex., Sept. 14.-There is no doubt the cotton crop has been considerably damaged throughout the southern and central part of Texas. Owing to the excessive rains this year the cotton has grown to weed more than ever known and in some fields it ranges from six to ten feet high and is very rank with leaf.

# Duluth Has Grown.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 14.-The population of the city of Duluth, Minn., as officially announced today, in 1900, 52,969; 1890, 33,115. These figures show for the city as a whole an increase in population of 19,854, or 59,9 per cent, from 1890 to 1900. The population in 1880 was 838, showinging an increase of 32,277, or 3,851.67 per cent, from 1880 to 1890.

Unwilling Labor Forced to Help in Burial of Festering Dead in Galveston.

# FEAR PESTILENCE MAY PREVAIL

Penned Up Survivers of the Storm Famished for Lick of Pure Water-Saloons Ordered Closed-Ghouls Shot to Death for Robbery.

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 13 .- (via Texas City and Houston.-At a meeting of the relief committee held this afternoon reports were received from various wards. The chairman called for armed men to assist in getting labor to bury the dead and to clear the wreckage and arrangements were made to supply this demand.

The situation in this city today is that there are plenty of volunteers for this service, but an insufficiency of arms. There have been two or three small riots, but the officers have managed to quell them. The committee rejected the proposition of trying to pay for work, letting the laborers secure their own rations. It was decided to go ahead impressing men into service, if necessary, issuing orders for rations only to those who worked or were unable to work. All of the ward chairmen reported the imperative need of disinfectants. A committee was appointed to sequester all ...e disinfectants in the city, including the lime which escaped wetting, and to secure more. Houston was called upon for a bargeload of lime. The relief committee was greatly encouraged by the offer made through Herman Frick and William Cowan of the White Screwmen's association, tendering the services of all its members, and in number. They were placed at the disposal of the various ward chairmen and foremen appointed for each division.

Chairman McVittie announced that it was necessary for him to have help. John Kinlicks and Dr. A. W. Fly voiunteered their services.

Captain Sinclair Taliaferro of Houston, who did such efficient work during the Brazos flood, arrived here this morning. He was asked to assist Chairman McVittle in his work. Dan Henderson announced that Mr. Van Vleck, the general manager of the Southern Pacific road, authorized the committee to draw on that company for \$5,000. Mr. VanVleck returned to Houston on the tug Juno to send a bargeload of supplies.

The Galveston, Houston & Henderover its line to Texas City Junction and thence over the Texas City terminal to, or nearly to, Texas City. Arrangements have been made to start

a passenger service tomorrow. Work on the water works has not progressed so satisfactorily as had been hoped. The men did not work last night. Chief Engineer Reynolds has not been at the works since vesterday morning. Alderman McMaster took cahrge of the work today. The machinery has been cleared of the debris and the pipes found to be badly damaged and plumbers and steamfitters and boilermakers are at work on them. Mr. McMaster says he thinks it will be possible to turn water inco the mains tomorrow.

All saloons were closed by the chief of police on Sunday.

At a meeting of the committee with the city officials this morning the policing of the city was discussed. Mayor Jones announced that Adjutant General Scurry would take charge. The city is patrolled by about 2,000 police officers, special officers, soldiers and deputy sheriffs. Deputy Chief of Police Amundsen is acting as chief.

Orders were issued to the soldiers and police to kill any person caught in the act of robbing the dead. Up to Tuesday morning seven negro vandals had been discovered and had paid the penalty of their crimes with their lives. They were shot dead and their bodies were carted away with dead victims of the storm.

# BRUTAL WORK OF ROBBERS.

Ohio Man is Killed and His Wife and Five

Children Tertured. CAREY, O., Sept. 13 .- W. C. Johnson was murdered by burglars early today. He had sold a carload of celery yesterday and the robbers demanded the money secured for it. After killing Johnson his wife and five children were bound and tortured till all the valuables in the house were secured. The proceeds from the celery had been deposited in the bank and Mrs. Johnson showed the bank book. A posse is in pursuit of the robbers.

Proceed Against Boxers.

TIEN TSIN, Sept. 8 .- Via Shanghai Sept. 12.)-A body of 4,000 allied troops including 200 men of the Fifteenth infantry, under command of Major Roberson, marched today against the cities of Sheng Hae Sien and Title, where the presence of Boxers threatens th. Tien Tsin region. The advance was made in two columns for the purpose of flanking the two towns. General Dorward personally commanded the expedition.

# Russia Holds Indemn ty.

PEKIN, Sept. 5 .- The Russo-Chtnese bank, which as announced yesterday, closes here today and removes to Shanghal, will confiscate as part of the indemnity to be paid to Russia, the imperial university fund of 5,000,000 tacks deposited with against which the Chinese drew for the payment of their troops.

# NEBRASKAN RETURNS FROM NOME

He Does Not Give Encouraging Account of the Situation.

KEARNEY, Neb., Sept. 17.-C. V. Evans, son of J. C. Evans of this city, is home from Cape Nome, Alaska. He was formerly a druggist of Omaha and went to Cape Nome last June to go into the drug business. When he got there he could not find a location for a build-

ing and was compelled to sell his stock. He tried mining but the beach had been gone over three times and would give up no pay dirt. The people who had been at Nome and were well located were making money, bt late arrivals could do nothing at all. An experienced miner could not earn more than \$3.50 a day and a prospecting outfit was worth from \$300 to \$500. Mr. Evans said the city covered a ten acre strip of beach a block wide. The population of the city was between

20,000 and 30,000 inhabitants. Back of the city it is hilly and to the north for hundreds of miles extends the tundra, which is a marshy formation of moss and decayed vegetation. It is impassable and can only be used for travel when it is frozen. Vessels are compelled to anchor five miles from shore and their cargoes are landed by means of lighters. He said that there were 860 passengers on the vessel that took him to Nome, and 200 of this number returned on the same vessel after they had been there six days. The fare was \$165 and the net earnings of the company for one trip to Cape Nome was

Journeying to Prison.

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 17.-Frank M. Dorsey, formerly cashier of the First National bank of Ponca, came in Wednesday from Cripple Creek, where he has been for some time past, and re-ported at the office of the United States marshal in accordance with the mandate of the federal court in order that the sentence imposed might be put into effect. The sentence is for six years at the Sioux Falls penitenitary, and is for violating the banking law in connection with the wrecking of the Ponca bank. It is expected that Judge Munger will be in the city soon and that an order will be entered and the defendant taken to Sioux Fails without

Dorsey insists that the violation was technical and similar to others that are necessary in banks every day, and that he was convicted simply on the failure of the bank. The court of appeals affirmed the action of the lower court, and the supreme court refused to consider the case.

Supreme Court Docket.

LINCOL., Neb., Sept. 17 .- The bar son railroad is operating relief trains | docket for the September term of the supreme court contains 1,645 cases, or about 1,000 more than can possibly be considered by the three judges in one. year. Among the cases set for hearing at the first setting, which begins September 18, are those of the state of Nebraska against the Standard Oil company and the various railroads doing business in this state. The cases against the Burlington and Elkhorn railroads were submitted during the last term of court, but by general agreement of all parties concerned they have been reopened again for argument on the constitutionality of the board of transportation.

Killed by an Engine.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Sept. 17 .- J. F. Schaffroth, for many years a resident of this county, was accidentally killed near Hartington, Neb. He was in the act of coupling a threshing machine engine to a separator when the engine started back and run over him, causing almost instant death. Peter Schraffroth, father of the deceased, left to make arrangements for the purial, which will probably be made in Cedar

# One Family Escaped.

OVERTUN, Neb., Sept. 17 .- George Crandell is in receipt of a letter from his daughter, Mrs. McCallum of Hungerford, Tex., stating that town was completely annihilated by the storm, Mr. and Mrs. McCallum escaped with their lives by clinging to posts for six hours during the storm and flood.

It is feared that Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wales and family, who removed from here to Galveston, Tex., have been killed, as no tidings have been received from them as yet.

# Suits for Damages.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Sept. 17 .- Two damage suits for \$3,000 each have been filed in the district court against Frank Helder of Humphrey by Bernaru Bodewig and George Bloedorn, minors, about 15 years of age, by their fathers. Jacob Bodewig and Martin C. Bloedorn. The allegation is made that on August 21 in the presence of divers persons Heider faisely stated that the plaintiffs had stolen a lot of postage stamps and \$45 from his lumber office.

Arrested After a Struggle.

SYRACUSE, Neb., Sept. 17 .- Jessie Jennings was committed to the county jail for want of ball, on a charge of assault with intent to do bodily injury to one James Creasman. He not only severely injured Mr. Creasman, but defied the whole community to arrest him and it was only after much chasing and the persuasive argument of a six shooter that brought him to time. He claims to hail from Coffeyville, Kan.

Mail Such Under Wheels.

TRENAON, Neb., Sept. 17 .- The mail sack of No. 3, the Denver flyer, went under the train and was badly damaged. Papers were strewn the length of the switch. The letter sack was not found, but it was learned No. 89 had picked it up on the cow catcher and carried it to McCook.