

### Man Kills Self as Wife Screams

#### Sickness and Drink Causes for Suicide of Stephen Gerzad.

Despondent because he suffered from a malady brought on by heavy drinking, Steve Gerzad, 35, 2540 Jefferson street, arose from bed, took a revolver from a dresser drawer and shot and killed himself Tuesday night while his wife looked on. Mrs. Gerzad screamed when he placed the muzzle of the gun against his temple.

Gerzad had been drinking heavily for two weeks, his wife said, and believed himself unable to recover from sickness as long as he continued to go on periodical "sprees." Last night he spent the evening at home and retired at 9 with his wife and adopted daughter, Mary, 12. For half an hour he tossed about in his bed, according to his wife, and about 9:30 he arose, stepped to the dresser and took out a revolver.

After turning on the lights in the room he placed the muzzle of the weapon against his right temple. Mrs. Gerzad screamed, "Don't do that, Steve," and leaped from the bed in an attempt to prevent him from firing. "This is my last night with you, Good-bye," Gerzad said and pulled the trigger.

Gerzad died instantly. The bullet passed through his head, emerging below the left eye. The body was removed to the Larkin Brothers' undertaking parlors, where it is being held pending funeral arrangements. Mrs. Gerzad denied that there had been domestic trouble.

#### Dr. Summers Dead.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. West Point, Neb., April 10.—Dr. Summers, one of the oldtime physicians of this city, died at his home here after a long illness. Dr. Summers practiced here for many years and was at one time superintendent of the hospital for the insane at Norfolk. He is survived by his widow.

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### Mary Lygo Says She's Not a "Vampire"



Denial that she ever called Mary Lygo (above) a "vampire" is plea of Mrs. Katherine Thorne, Chicago defendant in \$100,000 slander suit.

### Shoots Daughter and Kills Himself

#### Blair Farmer, Thought Crazed by Drink, Enacts Home Tragedy.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Blair, Neb., April 12.—Martin Schneemayer, 46, living on a farm three and one-half miles west of Fort Calhoun, this county, shot his 18-year-old daughter, Marie, Tuesday evening so severely that the arm will have to be amputated, and then placed the muzzle of the gun under his chin and killed himself, using a carpenter's two-foot rule to reach the trigger.

He had been working at carpenter work all day in Calhoun and had gone to his home where Dr. S. B. Gessamar of Calhoun had been called to see Mrs. Schneemayer a short time previous. Upon Schneemayer's arrival a quarrel took place with the family and the daughter summoned Sheriff Maurice Mehrens, who arrived at the home in a few minutes after the shooting. Schneemayer was supposed to be under the influence of liquor as a quantity of booze was found on his person.

Schneemayer is the father of six children.

### Man Held in Fremont Holdup Claims It Was "All a Joke"

Fremont, Neb., April 11.—Wilbur Booth, 33, charged with attempt to hold up a party of card players, was bound over to district court Tuesday under \$1,000 bonds. He was unable to furnish the required sum and was taken to jail.

Booth was implicated in the alleged holdup of the poker party with Harley Williams, 23, who has disappeared. The eight members of the card game were recently bound to district court charged with gambling.

### Bandits Fail in Attempt to Rob Bank at Ong

Ong, Neb., April 11.—Cracksmen early Tuesday morning gained access to the Bank of Commerce here by breaking through the rear door. They were unsuccessful in attempts to enter the vault, although they drilled two small holes through the walls. Officers of the bank said they had found nothing missing. Cutting of telephone wires running from the town is credited to the cracksmen.

### Bond Issue Lost in Grand Island

#### Majority Against School Board Proposal 149 on Official Count.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Grand Island, Neb., April 11.—An official canvass of the vote cast at the recent city and school election verified all unofficial reports except that an error of 48 votes in favor of the bonds instead of 48 against them was found, increasing the majority against the issuance to 149. It is the third time the proposal has been defeated and there are now indications that any further special elections will be enjoined.

A new procedure was introduced in the canvass of the vote when the council was advised by its attorney, who is also the attorney of the board of education, that it was the council's duty to canvass the vote on school board members and on the yes and no vote on the bonds, but not the total school vote cast, this being turned over to the school board. The council declared the candidates having the majority of votes to be elected, but made no finding on the bond proposition excepting the total vote for and against.

It is alleged by some attorneys that they must carry a majority of all ballots cast at the school election. This, it is reported, the school board will combat at its special meeting Wednesday evening. It is found that all prior bonds were submitted at a special election, the school board canvassing all the former votes, but always computing majorities from the total vote cast as well as from the direct expression.

### "Old-Fashioned" Religion Object of Meeting Called

There will be a meeting for the purpose of organizing a Nebraska State Bible association in the First Baptist church Thursday at 2, when Rev. H. Ellis Linsinger of Wisner will deliver an address on "Fundamentals of the Faith."

The proposed association is to be made up of believers in the "old-fashioned" Christianity. Fundamentals mentioned in the call for the meeting include belief in the trinity, the deity of Christ, personality of the Holy Ghost, second coming of Christ, resurrection of the body, everlasting life for believers and endless punishment for the impenitent.

The association aims to encourage organization of Bible classes in many communities, arrange Bible conferences, assist pastors to obtain evangelists and to direct students to colleges and seminaries where orthodox doctrine is taught.

### State Convention Opened by Lutheran Brotherhood

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Fremont, Neb., April 11.—About 150 delegates to the state convention of the Lutheran Brotherhood gathered in Fremont Tuesday. John F. Kramer, Mansfield, O., first prohibition enforcement officer appointed in the United States, was the main speaker at the banquet in the evening.

The session opened in the afternoon with an address by W. F. Ottoman, Omaha, on "The Local Brotherhood Program." It was followed by a round table discussion, led by Rev. R. E. Rangelier, Lincoln.

Fred Bell, Fremont, scouted executive addressed the meeting on "proposed Lutheran boys' camp." He urged that the brotherhood adopt a summer camp on an island south of Fremont, where members of the state could gather every year for outings.

Late in the afternoon the members visited the proposed site to be used as a camp if the plan is accepted.

Following Kramer on the program was W. F. Gerandt, Omaha, who delivered an address. Glee club songs and other musical numbers were intermingled.

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### Kansan Will Get Bank Board Job

#### Senators Cannot Agree on Man to Receive Appointment This Week.

By Universal Service. Washington, April 11.—The south cannot expect representation on the federal reserve board at this time, it was made known at the White House Tuesday.

The appointment of a "dirt farmer" member to succeed the late Milo D. Campbell of Michigan to be made by President Harding this week will go to a representative of the western agricultural belt. Indications point more strongly to a Kansas selection, though the two Kansas senators have not been able to agree on a candidate and each has one in the field.

Senator Capper favors Walter H. Chappel, a farmer of Chanute, Kan., while Senator Curtis' choice is Albert H. Denton, a farmer and banker of

Arkansas City, Kan. The farm bureau federation has presented three names for the president's consideration, while other names have been presented by other farm groups.

At the White House today, in announcing that the south would not be given representation at this time, it was stated that the nomination of James G. McNary of New Mexico to be comptroller of the currency, which carries ex officio membership on the reserve board, was with the idea of giving the south a representative on the board. The failure of the senate to confirm McNary's nomination eliminated him.

### Second of Two Brothers Guilty of Shooting Charge

Chief Deputy County Attorney Yeager Tuesday secured the conviction of Joe Tashich charged with shooting with intent to kill.

A year ago Yeager prosecuted and obtained conviction of Joe's brother, John, on a similar charge.

Both men were charged with shooting Stella Denie, who they alleged informed prohibition officers that they were selling liquor.

Joe stated he would appeal his case, as did his brother.

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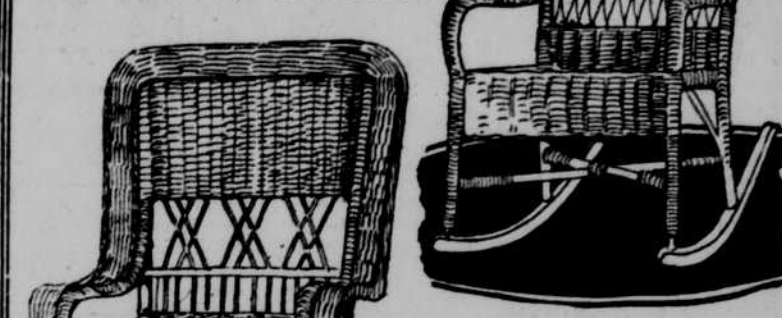
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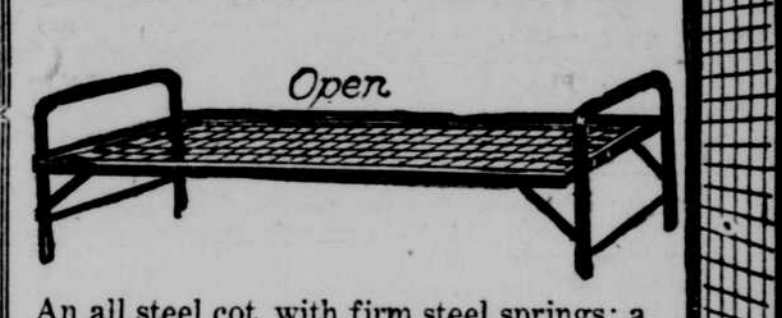
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