

Hunters Flock to Sandhill Region

More Sportsmen in Western Nebraska Than for Several Years, Report.

Hastings, Neb., Oct. 10.—More than 1,200 hunting and fishing licenses have been issued so far this year by County Clerk Cates, all to Adams county people except four. Probably in no recent year have

there been so many people hunting and fishing in western Nebraska as in the last few weeks. Practically all towns of any size in the sandhills have attracted hunters. One man returning from a northwestern county said that at some road intersections far from the nearest town it was necessary to wait for some times as many as a dozen cars containing hunters to pass. Rains have materially interfered with fishing in the last week or so, and because there have yet been no cold days, it is said the flight of ducks is too high for satisfactory shooting. The Evening Bee is the only Omaha paper printing International News Service dispatches.

Old Indian Villages and Relics Are Discovered in South Dakota

University Party Locates Granite Boulder of Thunder Bird Legend, Which No White Man Had Ever Before Been Able to Find.

Vermillion, S. D., Oct. 10.—The discovery of old Indian villages, sites and skeletons of the early Indian inhabitants of South Dakota as well as an interesting collection of stone implements and shell ornaments, are the results of an expedition sent out early this summer by the University of South Dakota to investigate and study the natural history and archaeology of the state, according to the report of Assistant Curator W. H. Over of the university museum. Professor Over, with Mrs. Over and Maurice Kirby, has returned to Vermillion after a two months' trip through the eastern part of the state. "Large groups of Indian mounds were discovered along the James river at Redfield and Mitchell and at Lake Tetonkalia near Bruce," the report said. "It is believed the group at Redfield is the western limit of the Indian habitation of the Mound Builders in South Dakota. On a high bench land overlooking Firesteel creek at Mitchell was discovered a fine old Indian village site revealing a culture different from and more recent than that of the Mound Builders.

Beads on Skeleton.
"At the south end of Lake Traverse in Roberts county fine mounds were excavated and several skeletons of these early inhabitants were collected, besides many stone implements and shell ornaments. An interesting discovery was several articles made of native copper, which originally came from the Great Lakes region, taken from two of the mounds and about 20 beads found around the neck of one skeleton. The copper had been hammered with a stone into thin strips, cut into small sheets and rolled into beads."

Another interesting event, according to Prof. Over, was meeting Samuel T. Brown, sr., an educated quarterbred, 80 years old, and for whom the valley and town of Brown's Valley, Minn., was named. "This venerable old man, who has been an invalid for many years, still is able to recall many interesting stories connected with the early Indian history of South Dakota and Minnesota," Prof. Over said. "He spoke of the legend of the Thunder Bird of the Sioux Indians and said that the large granite boulder was located only a few miles from Brown's Valley, but that no white man had ever been able to find it, and that

only a very few of the older Indians knew of it.

Find Thunder Bird Stone.
"The university party, accompanied by William H. Jensen of Brown's Valley, who knew well the surrounding country, but who had many times searched for the stone in vain, set out on a short time found the boulder on a high hill about five miles west of the south end of Lake Traverse. "Two tracks on the stone are really the prints of human hands, one of four fingers and the other of seven, that have been pecked into the boulder by Indians of a culture much older than that of the Sioux. The fingers are extended toward the west, while, as the legend runs, the toes of Thunder Bird should point east, as he was supposed to have been flying toward the Great Lakes and alighted on this boulder to rest. The older Sioux will always cherish the thought that these are the tracks of Thunder Bird."

Nebraska Boomed Over California

Hastings Ex-Mayor Says Cornhusker State's Resources Must Be Better Advertised.

Hastings, Neb., Oct. 10.—Paid publicity by the state and the different communities of Nebraska was urged by former Mayor Madgett in an address at the chamber of commerce luncheon, to counteract draining of the state along with others by the publicity of California.

Mr. Madgett, who recently returned from California, drew a gloomy picture of what California has to offer, in comparison with the greater opportunities to be found in the middle-west.

"On my arrival in San Francisco the first thing to impress me was 'California Incorporated,' which had

a campaign on to raise \$5,000,000 for advertising that part of the state," Mr. Madgett said. "California is all publicity and some of it is criminal," he continued. "Thousands and thousands of people have lost their all in widely advertised schemes that have no merit. The middle-west, with its wonderful resources, must wake up and meet this propaganda face to face and inform the public through the press of the facts as they really exist."

Seven Are Held on Liquor Charges at Geneva, Neb.

Geneva, Neb., Oct. 10.—Four men were arrested on charges of illicit handling of liquor. Clarence Chamberlain of Fremont was stopped at the Turkey Creek bridge, a mile north of Geneva, and two half-gallon jugs of whiskey found in the car. Walter Foltz and Alvin Moritz were arrested in their homes at Grafton and A. T. Smith of Fremont was arrested in Fairmont. The men are in jail awaiting preliminary hearings. This makes eight arrests here within the last few days on liquor charges. Seven men are in jail and one is out on bond.

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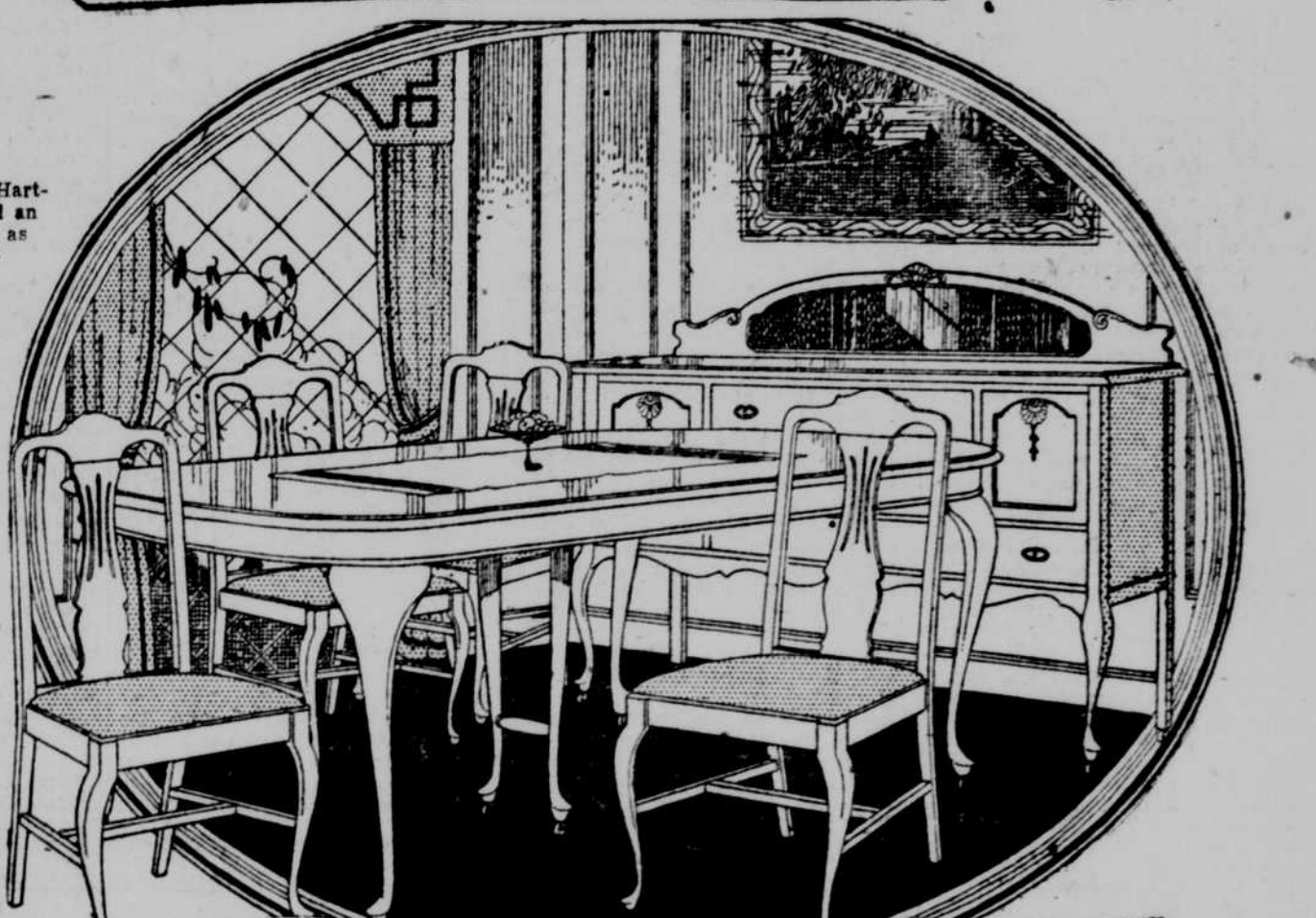
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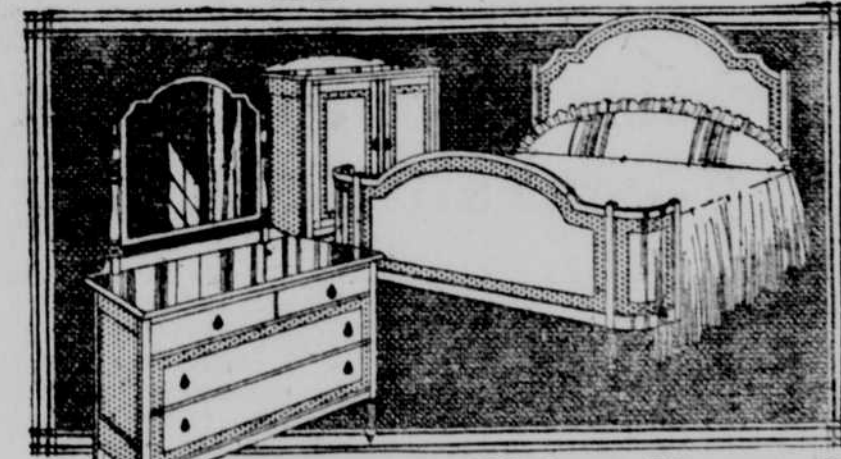
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