

State News.

Last Thursday considerable excitement was occasioned in and about the Morton house at Nebraska City when a woman was heard pleading in one of the upper rooms in the servants quarters and a scream for help was followed by two shots.

Officers were called and found the door of the room locked. They broke it open and found Charles Norris, the night clerk of the hotel, lying, fully dressed in a pool of blood on the floor with a bullet hole through the side of his head, and Miss Pearl Crouse, one of the dining room girls, lying on the bed, partly disrobed, and blood streaming from a hole in her forehead.

From what can be learned, Norris, who came here about a month ago, met the girl and became infatuated with her. They were both together a great deal on the streets and he was insanely jealous.

He is thought to have called the girl into her room and, after making her partly disrobe shot her in the forehead, and, thinking she was dead, placed the revolver to his head and discharged it, blowing a large hole in the side, from which blood and brains gushed.

It is not thought possible for him to live, but some hopes are entertained for the recovery of the girl.

Men are queer. Wouldn't there be a roar when they went home to their meals if they had to climb up on a high stool in front of a table on which there was no cloth, and eat their meals in that fashion? Yet a majority of men, when they go to a restaurant to eat, will pick out the high stool and the feed board with no cloth on it, in preference to a comfortable chair and a cloth-covered table. A man will borrow a chew of tobacco and most of them will set their teeth into the plug right over where some other man gnawed out a chew. Offer him a piece of pie at home from which his wife or one of the children has taken a bite and he would holler his head off. At home he would not drink out of a glass or cup from which some one of the family has been drinking. Call him into the back stall of a livery barn, pull out a bottle, and he will stick the neck of the bottle half way down his throat in order to get a swig, after a half dozen other fellows have had the neck of the bottle in their mouths. A man is a queer duck.

Professor Lyon of the experiment station reports that a five-acre tract of wheat, planted by the station, has been threshed and yielded 59 1-2 bushels to the acre. The tract was sown with carefully selected seed of the Turkey Red variety, which is commonly used throughout Nebraska. Three years this tract was sown to alfalfa. The alfalfa was afterwards plowed up and corn was planted. Two crops of corn and one of oats have been taken from the land before the wheat crop which has just been threshed. Manure was used as a fertilizer during the time that the tract was in alfalfa.

J. T. Harden, a prominent business man of Beatrice had a narrow escape from death beneath the wheels of the Burlington special train at Wyomere yesterday. The train had pulled out of the station, and gained considerable speed when Mr. Harden seized the guard rail and attempted to mount the platform. He was able to get a hold with but one hand. He fell backwards upon his head and shoulder and had almost rolled upon the rail, when he was rescued by Frank Harrison, editor of the Beatrice Express. Mr. Harrison was preparing to board the rear car, but seeing Mr. Harden's dangerous position, he threw him-

self upon Mr. Harden's body and rolled over and over away from the wheels.

Louis Cogsdall, a 12-year-old boy of Rulo tried a powder experiment Wednesday evening. He filled a bottle with powder and touched it off. His legs were filled with glass, an artery was severed and it took several stitches to close the gashes.

W. L. Woodward, who lives near the mouth of Four Mile creek, some four miles south of Nebraska City, unearthed what promises to be quite a mystery, and the question now is whether a murder has been committed or whether thieves got scared, abandoned their booty and went to pastures new.

Mr. Woodward was on the river bank and looking across the river saw a skiff aground on a sandbar, and getting his own boat went to the skiff. It was nearly on the Iowa side, out of the main channel and in a slough. He recognized the boat as one belonging to E. Ervin, of this city. Three boats were stolen from this point Thursday night and this was one of them.

In the boat was a fine leather suit case, locked, and quite heavy. It appeared full of clothes. There was also in the boat a small hand satchel, two pairs of shoes, one black and the other tan, the latter being in stretchers; a complete paper hangers' outfit, folding dinner pail, a fine wine colored coat, black soft hat and a good straw hat. From the appearance of the clothes the men were good dressers. In the pocket of the coat was found a ticket on the Missouri Pacific railway, from Union to Nebraska City, dated July 10, but it never had been used. There was a bank book issued by the Milwaukee Trust Co., to Alex Woztowicz, which showed the last deposit to have been made June 6. He had a balance at that time of \$19.40. The book was No 12949. In the book was also a card issued to Alex Plebere, showing that he was a member of the building trades' council, union No. 222, and the card was good of April, May and June, 1906, and was issued from Milwaukee.

Friday morning a man bare-headed, in his shirt sleeves his trousers rolled up nearly to his knees, with large revolver in his pocket, passed the home of Mr. Totten, near Old Foster lake. He was observed by three men. The man did not speak, but walked very fast and was coming towards this city.

He carried a small sack in his hand, but what was in it none were able to ascertain. Sheriff Donovan and Chief Downing went down Saturday afternoon to try and unravel the mystery. Some are of the opinion that a murder has been committed, while others are of the opinion that the boat got away from thieves and they were afraid to stop and get it, fearing capture.

Secretary W. R. Mellor, of the state board of agriculture, has received 500 yellow horse blankets adorned with advertisements of the state fair. He will place these on the unprotected backs of the dray horses in the state. His reasons are partly humanitarian and partly commercial. He will keep the flies off the horses and so advertise the state fair that "there will be no flies on it."

Chief Game Warden George L. Carter has informed Mr. Mellor that he has a huge catfish at South Bend which will be the chief attraction of the fisheries building at the state fair. The "bull-head" weighs 87 pounds and was captured at the mouth of the Platte river. The fish will be placed in the tank in the center of the fisheries building. Superintendent O'Brien of the state fisheries has the big fish in charge, having shipped him from the point of his capture to South Bend.

ARE KITCHEN PERQUISITES.

Cooks and Stewards Who Get Commissions on Purchases Make Marketman Groan.

Perquisites for the head of the kitchen are matters to be mentioned with bated breath, says the New York Times. They are something that neither the cook, chef nor market man will allow, yet it is a well-known fact that in most large households the steward of the establishment, whoever that may be, makes a comfortable income in commissions. It was the dealer, undoubtedly, who began this, but the custom has developed as it has grown, and demands for commissions have multiplied, and occasionally a little information crops out through some one who feels aggrieved.

"It was all right," groaned the marketman the other day, "when I allowed them 5 or 10 per cent. on the bills, but when they begin to demand 15 and 20 per cent. it looks serious."

At some of the bureaus where high-priced servants register they will not take one whom they know exacts commissions. There are few who are refused on that account, however, for, as stated, it is not a subject that is usually mentioned. One high-priced cook, however, has waited for several months for a position because she refused to take one where a house-keeper was employed, and she was conscientiously kept from others on the grounds that she was looking for perquisites.

One family in New York absolutely refuses to allow anyone in its employ to receive commissions on household supplies purchased. They look into the matter carefully, and none is given. However, if the shopman is so minded, or the cook sends a letter saying that times are hard and money scarce, and he then sends out a little present of \$20 or \$25, who can object? That is a simple way to get around the matter and no one is the wiser.

There may be an understanding with the family that a commission is to be received, and the matter is then on as legitimate a basis as that of any other business. As a rule, however, it is generally understood, and the mistress of the house, though she may have objections, closes her eyes and puts the whole thing comfortably out of mind. If she doesn't it makes no difference; she can do little to prevent it.

"I know my servants receive commissions," said the mistress of one wealthy family the other day, "but what can one do? If I should allow myself to be worried by such things I should be perfectly miserable, and if I watched the servants all the time I could do nothing else."

INSURING AGAINST TWINS.

Underwriter Makes \$125 in Venture Which He Knew He Could Not Lose Out.

An English gentleman of limited means had married recently into a very prolific family, says Leslie's Monthly. There was prospect of an addition to his household.

"Twins," reflected the gentleman, "are much more expensive to support than one child." And he sent his broker to one of Lloyd's underwriters. The underwriter set an actuary to look over the vital statistics and make a few calculations. Then for the sum, I think, of 25 guineas, he insured the gentleman in £1,000 against the advent of twins.

This somewhat threadbare tale shows fairly both sides of the game of insurance. The evident side is chance. The underwriter invited a loss of £973.15.0 for which he would have nothing to show. The other side:

The point of the story is that the lady presented her impetuous husband with one fine son. The underwriter, deducting, say £2 as the value of his time and his actuary's, set down a net profit of £24.5.0, for which he had advanced nothing—but the risk, science.

Still the Same. "I met Dumley to-day for the first time in years. He hasn't changed much." "O! he hasn't changed at all, but he doesn't seem to realize it." "How do you mean?" "O! he's forever talking about 'what a fool he used to be.'"—Catholic Standard and Times.

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Republican State Convention.

The republicans of the state of Nebraska are hereby called to meet in convention at the Auditorium in the city of Lincoln, on Wednesday, August 22, 1906, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices, viz:

- One United States Senator.
One Governor.
One Lieutenant Governor.
Three Railway Commissioners.
One Secretary of State.
One Auditor of Public Accounts.
One Treasurer.
One Superintendent of Public Instruction.
One Attorney General.
One Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings.

And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

The said convention shall be made up of delegates chosen by the republicans of the respective counties of the state, apportioned one delegate at large for each county and one for each one hundred twenty-five votes or major fraction thereof cast at the last election for Hon. Chas. P. Lutton, republican nominee for judge of the supreme court. Said apportionment entitles Richardson county to a representation of 16 delegates in said convention.

It is also recommended that the delegates to said convention be instructed to vote for or against the endorsement of the constitutional amendment relating to the creation of a State Board of Railway Commissioners, to the end that the action thus taken may determine the attitude of the party relative to said amendment and may be made a part of the ballot.

It is further recommended that no proxies be allowed and that the delegates present from each of the respective counties be authorized to cast the full vote of their delegation.

The various odd numbered senatorial districts are also notified that they will at the same time by their delegates choose members to represent them on the state committee for a term of two years.

It is important that the uniform credential blanks which will be furnished by the state committee to each county chairman be used for furnishing credentials of the delegates to said convention, and that the name of each delegate, his postoffice address, and precinct in which he resides, be plainly written thereon. Credentials should be prepared immediately after adjournment of the different county conventions, duly certified by their officers, and forwarded at once, to State Headquarters at Lincoln.

By order of the state committee: WM. P. WARNER, Chairman. A. B. ALLEN, Secretary. Dated at Lincoln, Neb., May 2, 1906.

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Table with columns for Train No., Destination, and Time. Includes routes to Portland, St. Louis, Denver, Kansas City, etc.

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