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## STREET CAR COASTS

### BAD ACCIDENT ON A HILL AT BURLINGTON.

### Fourteen Lives Lost at Peoria in a Disastrous Distillery Fire—Cars Collide in Indianapolis and a Number of People Are Injured.

A heavily loaded electric car rushed down Valley Street hill at Burlington, Ia., Sunday afternoon and was wrecked against a shade tree. The passengers jumped as the car flew along, sixteen persons being badly injured. Mrs. Joseph Keckne was killed. Several had arms and legs broken and many were cut about the head and shoulders.

In some unknown manner the brake-beam on the open car broke just as the car was beginning to descend. The car dashed down the long incline with frightful speed, and at the foot of the hill jumped the track and crashed into a shade tree. The car was crowded with people, who began to jump as soon as the danger became apparent. The injured were strewn on both sides of the track down entire length of the hill.

An Indianapolis, Ind., dispatch says: Two heavily loaded street cars returning to the city from Riverside Park collided Sunday night.

The accident occurred at a loop, where the outgoing car must cross the track traversed by the returning car.

According to Motorman Cheesum, of the outgoing car, he saw the returning car approaching the loop, but supposed that it would be brought to a stop before crossing the tracks. Too late he saw the car was beyond control, and he attempted to increase the speed of his own car in order to clear the track.

Conductor Dunn, of the city bound car, was thrown from where he stood on the rear platform to the track in front of the outboard car. He was unconscious when picked up, and it is thought that he cannot recover.

There was a wild panic among the passengers when the collision occurred, and in the scramble to leave the car a number received severe bruises.

### BULL FIGHT NOT ALLOWED.

### Arena Near World's Fair Ground Destroyed.

Incensed over their failure to see a "genuine Spanish bull fight," which the authorities had ordered stopped, a riot was started in an arena near the world's fair grounds at St. Louis Sunday evening by a crowd of 2,500 men and boys, who were unable to get their money back, and the building was burned to the ground. The admission charged was \$1.

Four men were placed under arrest by the authorities of St. Louis County, charged with the destruction of property.

The building is said to have cost \$2,500. It is a total loss, with no insurance, it is reported.

### FIRE IN GOTHAM.

### Seven-Story Wholesale Drug House Destroyed.

Fire was discovered early Sunday morning in the seven-story house of McKesson & Robbins, wholesale druggists, in Ann Street, New York City. The fire had been burning a long time before it was discovered. It started in the boiler room in the basement, and had gone up through the entire seven stories before it reached the unshuttered windows on the top floor and was discovered. The building was gutted and practically everything, the firemen say, must have been burned before they reached the scene. The loss will be heavy.

### FOURTEEN LIVES LOST.

### Disaster at Peoria Worse Than at First Reported.

Instead of nine dead, at first reported, it is now known that fourteen men have lost their lives in the fire and explosion at the Cornish distillery at Peoria, Ill., Saturday afternoon. Eight bodies were recovered from the ruins Sunday.

Of the eight bodies taken from the ruins only four of them were recognized, and these only by means of particles of clothing, watches, knives and other pieces of metal.

The search is being continued, the fire having been extinguished, and the firemen are now able to handle the debris.

### Passenger Train Wrecked.

A southbound Frisco passenger train was wrecked Sunday night just before reaching Cherokee, Kan., two coaches leaving the track at a switch and crashing into a freight train. Allen Ridley, the 11-year-old son of Thomas Ridley, the engineer, was killed.

### Fireman Fatally Crushed.

A Lake Shore special from Toledo, O., carrying an excursion of the National Union, and a Grand Trunk passenger train just leaving for Chicago collided head on at Detroit, Mich. Fireman Schofield, of Midland, Mich., was probably fatally crushed.

### Arrested at Little Rock, Ark.

Blanche Ryan, charged with the theft of \$5,000 worth of diamonds from a woman at Chihuahua, Mexico, has been arrested at Little Rock, Ark., by Deputy United States Marshal Charles Haskell, of St. Joseph, Mo.

### Engineer of the Merrimac Dead.

George F. Phillips, who was renowned as engineer of the collier Merrimac, sunk by Hobson at the mouth of Santiago harbor, died at his home in Cambridgeport, Mass., of Bright's disease.

## RESULT OF RACE WAR.

### Two White Men and Three Negroes Killed.

As a result of a fight which occurred on the Sims & Williams plantation at Trail Lake, Miss., thirty miles east of Greenville, Thursday night John Sims and his manager, named Cato, were killed by negroes, and three of the negroes have been killed also. The country is in a state of intense excitement, and it is expected further trouble may ensue between the whites and blacks.

Sims was at work in his store when a negro convict guard named Clark entered, and without a word, and before Sims could make a move, the negro shot him dead. Clark immediately turned on Cato and shot him in the right side. As Cato staggered out of the back door a negro convict guard named Van Horn struck him over the head with a rifle, inflicting wounds which resulted in Cato's death.

The sheriff and a posse went to the scene of the tragedy, but the negroes had escaped. Van Horn was tracked into the woods, and another convict guard named Mayfield interfered with the posse and was shot dead. Van Horn was captured and taken to the Leland jail, but a mob seized and lynched him.

Meantime Clark returned to Sims' store, with the intention, it is said, of killing other employees there. As he entered the store he was shot dead.

It is believed at Trail Lake that the shooting is the outcome of a meeting held in the vicinity of Trail Lake by a negro secret society, and that the negroes involved were picked out to do the killing.

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### APPEAL TO A BANDIT.

### Moroccan Chiefs Will Ask Him to Free Prisoners.

A delegation of chiefs of the Angera tribe has left Tangier, Morocco, to make a personal appeal to Raisuli, the rebel chief, to release Perdicaris and Varley, "in order to prevent the debarkment and permanent occupation of Morocco by foreigners opposing the Moslem faith and the expulsion of the native Mohammedans." The mission is considered important.

The French government relies much upon the appeal to Mohammedan sentiment.

Rear Admiral Jewell and Consul Gummere visited a representative of Sultan Mohammed el Torres Thursday and were saluted by the town battery. Mohammed returned the visit to the consulate, the flagship Olympia firing a salute in his honor.

### COTTON TAKES A TUMBLE.

### Sensational Slump in July on New York Exchange.

There was a sensational break in July cotton at New York Thursday. A change for the better in weather conditions recently and a continued light spot demand in connection with the persistent hammering of bears seemed to have demoralized the bulls, and since the market opened last Tuesday there has been a steadily increasing heavy outpour of long cotton. On last Friday July closed at 12.80. It reached 11.55 during Thursday morning, a decline for a little over two business days of 125 points, or 1 1/2 cents a pound.

### TORNADO AND CLOUDBURST.

### Considerable Damage Done in Dallas, Tex., and Vicinity.

A cloudburst, accompanied by a tornado, caused more or less damage at Dallas, Tex., early Friday.

Water coming through the roof of the Western Union Telegraph office flooded the dynamo and shut off communication for several hours.

Many wires throughout the city are prostrated and several small houses were wrecked. There were no casualties.

It is believed considerable damage has been done in the country.

### Lieut. Burbank's Divorce Case.

The war department has refused to grant a leave of absence or a transfer to Lieut. Sidney S. Burbank, of Leavenworth, Kan., to visit the Philippines. It is said that Lieut. Burbank will be required to remain at his post until his suit for annulment of a ceremony of marriage with Concepcion Vasquez, a Filipino woman, is settled.

### Drowned While Fishing.

Louis Probst, one of the oldest cigar manufacturers in Marshalltown, Ia., was accidentally drowned Thursday night while fishing in the Iowa River. His body was not recovered until noon Friday. He leaves a family in rather straitened circumstances.

### Williams Must Hang.

At The Dalles, Ore., Norman Williams, convicted of the murder of Alma Nesbitt, formerly of Omaha, and her brother, was sentenced to be hanged.

## A FATAL COLLISION.

### Six Dead And a Score Injured Near Norwalk, Ohio.

Six persons were killed and a score were injured Thursday on the Lake Shore Electric Railway as the result of a head-end collision between a passenger car and a freight car at Wells Corners, near Newark.

The dead are Charles Peck, Lorain, O.; W. W. Sherwood, Garretson, O.; Neil Sullivan, Binghamton, N. Y.; Clarence Ketcham, Lorain, O.; Ralph Williams, Indianapolis, and an unidentified man.

The severely injured are Steve Watergo, body crushed; Frank Libling, head cut; Amelia Furnice, head cut; Rose Burns, head cut; Gertrude Miller, leg injured; Mrs. Louise O. Miller, head cut; Chief Electrician Moore, of the Lake Shore Electric Railway, head cut; Mrs. George E. Jansen, head cut; M. McDonald, internal injuries; D. C. King, back bruised; Mrs. W. R. Ensign, leg broken; Mrs. R. G. Sayers, head crushed; Myrtle Nagle, arm hurt.

All the injured live at or near Cleveland.

The injured were taken to the St. Charles hotel, at Norwalk, the third floor of which has been turned into a hospital.

All those who were killed were in the smoking compartment of the passenger car, and death came instantly. The injuries of several may result fatally.

Just how the accident occurred is not known. The cars were the largest type of electric cars, and they were smashed to pieces.

Both cars were running at high speed.

### SAID THE SLAYER OF MISS SCHAFER WILL NOT ESCAPE.

New evidence is being presented to the grand jury investigating the murder of Sarah Schaffer at Bedford, Ind. A number of women of Bedford, who were not examined heretofore, are testifying. The local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company has been summoned and copies of some telegrams have been demanded.

Information was given to the grand jury to the effect that James Richards, a carpenter, saw a certain person near the mouth of the alley about 6:15 o'clock on the night of the murder. A summons was issued for Richards.

Attorney Palmer testified before the grand jury for some time.

"From the mass of evidence I gave to the jury," said he, "it will be several weeks before the investigation ends. As sure as fate the guilty man will be brought to justice."

### DENEEN THE MAN.

### Named for Governor by the Illinois Republicans.

The long deadlock in the Illinois Republican convention at Springfield, Ill., which opened May 13, ended Friday afternoon, Charles Samuel Deneen, of Chicago, being nominated for governor on the seventy-ninth ballot.

The seventy-ninth ballot (official) resulted: Deneen, 957; Lowden, 582; Warner, 21; Yates, 1; necessary to nominate, 752.

The first ballot in the convention on May 13 resulted: Yates, 507; Lowden, 354; Deneen, 386; Hamlin, 121; Warner, 45; Sherman, 87; Price, —.

Deneen has been state's attorney of Cook County, Ill., since 1896. He was born at Edwardsville, Ill., May 4, 1863. He was admitted to the bar in 1891.

### THREE INSTANTLY KILLED.

### Another Fatally Injured by Lightning at Booneville, Ind.

Three children were killed, one man fatally injured and a woman and child were seriously hurt at Booneville, Ind., Thursday by lightning, which partly destroyed their home.

The dead are John Gentry, Jr., Opal Gentry and a baby.

The injured are John Gentry, sr., fatally; Mrs. Gentry and daughter Orta.

The storm swept over the greater portion of southern Indiana, doing great damage to telephone and telegraph lines, fences and outbuildings.

### THE BARTLEY CASE.

### Attorney General of Nebraska Files an Appeal on Supreme Court.

Attorney General Pratt, of Lincoln, Neb., has filed an appeal in the supreme court in the case of the state against the Bartley bondsmen, Cadet Taylor, William Paxton and others.

The suit is for \$555,790.63, alleged to be due from the defalcation of J. S. Bartley, state treasurer.

The case was last tried in the Douglas County district court and the judgment was in favor of the bondsmen.

Lake Steamer Goes Ashore.

The steamer State of New York, en route from Toledo to Cleveland, O., with forty passengers on board, went ashore Wednesday night during a dense fog on the middle of Bass island. The passengers were taken off by the steamer Arrow and conveyed to Sandusky. Tugs have been sent to the steamer's assistance.

### Battleship Aground.

An unconfirmed report has reached St. Petersburg, from Mukden that the Japanese battleship Fuji is aground on a reef off the Miao Tao islands between the Kwan Tung and Tung promontories, where she is being guarded by torpedo boats.

### Maobinists Are Restrained.

At Albuquerque, N. M., Judge Baker, of the district court, made permanent an injunction restraining the striking Santa Fe maobinists from molesting the company's property or interfering with non-union employees.

### New Cable is Completed.

Advices from Nordenham, Oldenburg, Germany, state that the last section of the second cable connecting Germany and America was completed Wednesday night.

## STATE OF NEBRASKA

### NEWS OF THE WEEK IN CONDENSED FORM.

### Worst Floods Ever Known—Tremendous Damage in Western Nebraska—Many Head of Stock Drowned—Four Persons Lost Their Lives.

Division Superintendent Bignell, of the Burlington, who has returned to Lincoln from the flood districts in Greeley and Nance Counties, gave details of what is regarded as the worst flood ever known in that territory.

Thousands of head of stock were drowned, and it is believed four persons lost their lives, either from drowning or being struck by lightning. T. B. Hord, a stockman on the Cedar River, near Fullerton, lost 100 head of fat cattle and 300 head of hogs. Ranchmen all over the district were sufferers. Trains were tied up from washed out tracks and some of the smaller towns have been without mail since Tuesday. Twelve inches of rain fell, overflowing every creek and small stream in the two counties.

The known fatalities are: John Pollard, drowned; Edward Bennender, drowned; William Ray, killed by lightning.

A Greeley special says: A man by the name of Pollard and a young man from Omaha, who was visiting with him, were drowned in attempting to cross Freeman Creek while the bridge was under water. The accident occurred near the Davelin farm, southeast of Spaulding. The body of the young man was found a little way below the bridge. Parties are still searching for Pollard, but no trace of him, horse or buggy has been discovered.

Reports coming in from the country indicate that a good many farmers have met with loss in the recent storm. Cattle and hogs have been drowned and crops have suffered and will nearly all have to be replanted.

### STORM AT TEKAMAH.

### Wind Almost Reached Velocity of a Cyclone.

About 2:30 Wednesday there seemed to be a thunder storm of ordinary occurrence approaching Tekamah from the southwest. Almost without warning two clouds seemed to meet directly over the southwest corner of the city and the first warning residents had was a tremendous roaring and the whirling of debris, broken branches, shingles and lumber.

It first struck Mr. Speelman's brick residence on the hill just west of the depot and unroofed it; then zigzagged northeast catching and tearing to pieces all the fine large shade trees in front of Crowe's residence, but not injuring the house; then jumping across the railroad and striking Mrs. Paris's house, blowing down the chimneys and partially unroofing a part of the house; then directly north, striking and completely wrecking Brune's blacksmith shop. Near this, to the north, is the opera house, which it moved from the foundation a few feet west and unroofed it and crushed in the walls. No one was injured.

The total damage has not been estimated.

### IMPORTANT LAND BASE.

### Ruling is Made in the District Court at Niobrara.

Judge Boyd held a special term of court at Niobrara last week. The most important case was over an old case that has been hanging to settlers for several years. When the allotment of land was made to the Ponca Indians about fifteen years ago they went according to the survey known as the Meyers survey. Upon opening of the reservation the first settlers were located by this survey and by the government field notes, which did not tally by eighty rods. So the stakes of the survey and the field notes have been in contention ever since. A case of trespass was brought before Judge Boyd, and he decided in favor of the stakes of the Meyers survey.

### WIFE NEEDS HIS LIBERTY TO ASSIST HER SUIT FOR DIVORCE.

Frank Fox, the Fort Crook man, who in a fit of insanity tried to saw through his ribs with a razor to take out his heart, making a bad wound in the side, was taken back to the asylum at Lincoln. The asylum officials sent a man to Pappillon after him as soon as the act was learned. Fox was paroled through the efforts of a South Omaha attorney, who was endeavoring to obtain a divorce for Fox's wife, it being necessary for the man to be out of the asylum before such a decree could be obtained.

### Result of Horrible Crime.

Little 5-year-old Maud Storts died at the Saltar sanitarium at Norfolk, where she had been sent from O'Neill to receive treatment for a loathsome disease. Her death is the sad culmination of a crime told for years, which was committed a short time ago at her father's ranch, thirty-five miles southwest of O'Neill. Her assailant was Dell Sweet, a farm hand, employed on the ranch.

### Private Soldier Killed.

A special from Crawford says: Private Walker, of K troop, Tenth cavalry, of Fort Robinson, was shot and instantly killed Tuesday by Private Wilson, of C troop. The two men were carousing in Crawford and the shooting followed a fight between them. Wilson escaped and is still at large.

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### Honors Kansas Requisition.

Edgar Evans, formerly of Jackson County, Kan., now under arrest at Falls City, will be taken back to the Sunflower state to answer to the charge of statutory assault filed by Nellie Soegot, who claims to be 17 years of age. A requisition was honored by Gov. Miekley.

### Wants Damages.

Mrs. Anna E. Warren, who was badly injured at the merry-go-round at Beatrice several weeks ago, has begun a suit for damages in the amount of \$2,000 against A. Diller and others.

## MINISTER CHARGES ADULTERY

### His Wife Arrested at Sioux City, Ia., with Another Man.

Under circumstances highly sensational, Mrs. George B. Richardson, the beautiful wife of the pastor of the First Baptist church of Wahoo, and John B. Whitney, the dashing city clerk of Wahoo and assistant county treasurer of Saunders County, were arrested Wednesday night sitting at a table in the Eureka restaurant, Sioux City, Ia. They were arrested by John Dineen, chief of police, upon a warrant charging adultery, secured by Rev. Mr. Richardson.

Mr. Richardson made this statement: "A certain woman of my congregation boasted that she would ruin my wife. This woman was herself of loose character and because Mrs. Richardson associated with her her name soon was besmirched. Taking advantage of this report against my wife's character, Whitney sought to and did exert an evil influence over her. Therefore, in order that my friends may know why I have taken this action, I say that I have caused his arrest in the hope of protecting my wife and accomplishing her redemption."

### BRYAN AT THE HELM.

### Was in Complete Control of Nebraska Democratic Convention.

Democrats in state convention at Omaha, Wednesday unanimously selected W. J. Bryan to head the Nebraska delegation to the national gathering at St. Louis, and adopted a platform which reaffirms the Kansas City platform of 1900 and places before the public Mr. Bryan's views of what should be embodied in the platform of the coming national convention. Mr. Bryan was himself chairman of the committee on resolutions, and he wrote the platform.

The following delegates at large were chosen by acclamation: W. J. Bryan, C. J. Smyth, Omaha; W. H. Thompson, Grand Island, and Waller Phillips, Columbus.

The following alternates were chosen: J. H. Coppenhaver, of Holt; J. M. Gilchrist, of Otter; H. B. Ward, of Johnson, and L. C. Dwyer, of Richardson.

James C. Dahlman, of Omaha, was unanimously elected national committeeman from Nebraska.

### TOURNAMENT AT NORFOLK.

### Nebraska Firemen Will Meet There Some Time This Summer.

It is announced by the Norfolk committee that the location of the state firemen's tournament this season is now settled, and that it will be held at Norfolk.

After the failure of Nebraska City to make the necessary arrangements for the event, Norfolk secured a short option from the board of control, and wired Chairman McNeer, of Kearney, closing the deal. The date is not yet fixed, as it will have to be made with reference to the exposition races at St. Louis. The all Nebraska hose team will participate in both events.

### MUST PRODUCE THE COIN.

### Judge Munger Gives Samuel Daimant One Day to Get \$5,000.

Judge Munger, in the federal court at Omaha, gave Samuel Daimant one day in which to produce \$5,000 and Samuel Harwick two weeks to get \$7,000 or be adjudged in contempt of court, subject to imprisonment or other punishment.

Both were merchants who filed petitions in bankruptcy. Creditors allege that they were concealing assets in the amounts named, and on these allegations Judge Munger has given them the alternative of producing the assets or go to prison.

### KNEW DEAD MAN.

### Is the Body of Arthur Willard Who Worked at Council Bluffs.

Charles F. Nicholas, of Council Bluffs, Ia., has identified the floater that was found four miles below Nebraska City last Thursday evening. He says that it is Arthur Willard, who had been a resident of Council Bluffs, worked in the railroad yards there and who disappeared May 3. Nicholas thinks that Willard was out of funds at Council Bluffs. It is said that Willard's parents live at Williamston, N. Y., and that he was 23 years of age.

### STOCKMEN WILL QUIZ KINKAID

### Some of Them Think Benefits of His Bill Are Exaggerated.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the reception of the Nebraska Stock Growers' Association convention, which will be held in Alliance this week. Congressman Kinkaid will be one of the principal speakers and great interest attaches to his address, for it is a matter of discussion in the minds of many stockmen whether his new 640-acre homestead bill has in it all the merits for stockmen it is claimed.

### Death of H. A. Babcock.

H. A. Babcock, deputy state treasurer, who died suddenly at Lincoln, Sunday, was one of the best known men in Nebraska. He was elected state auditor in 1892. Later he was the head of the insurance department under Auditor Weston, which place he filled with ability, resigning to become deputy to State Treasurer Mortensen upon the latter's election.

### Berries Are Ripe and Plentiful.

A steady rain has prevailed at Auburn. The ground is in excellent condition for farming purposes. The farmers, as a rule, are through planting corn. Small fruit of all kinds is in splendid condition. A large crop of strawberries and raspberries seems assured. Strawberries will be on the market in a few days.

### Child Fell Thirty Feet.

The 2-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. D. Leup, of Babcock, fell from a window in the third story of the Watson building to the ground, a distance of 30 feet, and was uninjured. The ground on which the child fell had been recently covered with blue grass seed which made a spongy cushion.

### Killed by Lightning.

A young man by the name of Ray was killed by lightning five miles northwest of Greeley. It appears that he had got out of the buggy and was holding the horses by the heads, when the bolt struck, killing both horses and man. The vehicle was unharmed. Ray lived at Fullerton.

### Artificial Stone Plant.

Jones & Cramer are establishing a plant at Bartley for the manufacture of concrete stone and expect to commence operations in a very few days, or as soon as machinery is received.



## Short Notes

### A Grand Fourth of July celebration will take place at Plattsmouth.

A stock company has been organized and will take charge of the Cambridge electric light plant.

A class of twenty-three boys and seventeen girls graduated from the St. Paul high school this year.

The corner stone of the new Saunders County court house at Wahoo was laid on the afternoon of June 2.

Decorations day exercises were observed in nearly all cities and villages in the state with more detail and better attendance than for several years.

The Columbus city council has given a published notice that a penalty of \$150 will be imposed on all who fail to take out the required license for dogs.

George B. Robinson, of the Lincoln vinegar works, looked down into a jug of gasoline by the light of a match, and as a result has a badly singed face.

At a called meeting by Mayor Perky, of Wahoo, the business men decided to hold a rousing Fourth of July celebration. A hustling committee is now out.

At a meeting of business men at Petersburg it was decided to celebrate the Fourth of July this year. A committee was given full charge of arrangements.

The annual conference of the Nebraska district of the German Reformed church held a six days' session at the Dry Branch church, southeast of Humboldt.

At Beatrice, the 6-year-old daughter of A. J. Jones, a farmer residing near the city, was thrown from a wagon and sustained a broken arm and numerous bruises.

The annual gathering of the Nebraska Stock Growers' Association assembled at Alliance Thursday, June 2. Representative stockmen were there from all over the country.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Beatrice at the Paddock opera house appointed a committee of six business men to consider plans for a Fourth of July celebration.

Wahoo and vicinity has been visited by a continuous shower for the past twenty-four hours. Crops are in fine shape. Most of the corn is planted in that vicinity.

Mrs. Eliza Rife, an old resident of Sicily Township, Gage County, was pronounced insane by the board of insanity commissioners at Beatrice and ordered taken to the asylum.

The new \$1,800 pipe organ has arrived and been installed in the Methodist church at Hastings. Aside from the one in the Presbyterian church, this is the only pipe organ in the city.

At Beatrice, considerable corn has been marketed the past few weeks. The price ranges from 33 to 45 cents per bushel, and farmers have no trouble in disposing of their grain at these prices.

Miss Buehmann, who has taught one of the primary schools at Geneva since Christmas, sails shortly for the Philippines, where she has accepted a position in the government schools.

The contract for cement walks around the new court house at Hebron and to otherwise beautify the grounds has been let to a Lincoln firm, who are on the ground and have commenced work.

Edward Kiem dropped dead at his home in the north part of Fairbury. He had been in apparent good health up to the moment of his death. Mr. Kiem was 53 years of age and left no family except a wife.

Mayor Hackett, of Humboldt, has been advised that his position in refusing a license to Al Shaffer to operate a billiard hall has been sustained by Judge Kelliger, before whom the case was heard a few days since.

At the last session of the Hartington city council action was taken condemning the Union opera house for want of proper exits in case of fire, and notice was served upon the proprietor to conform with the state laws relative to opera house requirements.

At Harvard, Stokes' opera house was well filled to listen to the graduating exercises for the public schools, there being nine in the class, with the somewhat reversed rule of more boys than girls, as there were six of the former and three of the latter.

The preliminary trial of the state against Cunningham before Judge Williams at Stockville, came to a close after a lively legal battle lasting three days. The case was dismissed and Cunningham was cleared of the charge of stealing several head of horses.

Corn has been struck in paying quantities at Lynch. The artesian well there, into which a pipe 600 feet long has been sunk, is shooting out chunks of combustible carbon that the citizens feel proud of. It is estimated that it will boom the town. The quality is good.

The history and Art Club of Seward will give a first and second prize for the lawn making the best appearance during the summer. An account of entertaining the General Federation of Women's Clubs in Seward on next October, strenuous efforts at every sort of improvement are now in progress.

Complaints have been made recently to the South Omaha city officials about the dirty condition of alleys in the downtown district. This condition is explained in a measure by the fact that those having the hauling of garbage have plenty of orders ahead, but are not able at this time to remove the refuse.

Louis Housman, a young man residing about fifteen miles below Beatrice, shot himself with a 22-caliber revolver. It is supposed that Housman committed suicide, although no reason is given for the act. Housman was a soldier in the Philippines and was discharged from the service only about six months ago.

The Norfolk members of the State Firemen's Association have named their committees for the work of the tournament this year and the fighters of blazes are all busy now getting things in shape to advertise the event and to take care of the visitors when they have arrived. The dates chosen are Aug. 2, 3 and 4.

Robert Kelly, an aged flagman in the employ of the Burlington at Lincoln, has reported to the police that someone entered his room and stole \$70 from the pockets of his trousers. Kelly is a cripple, having been injured in a