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## SECURED NO BOOTY

### ROCK ISLAND TRAIN HELD UP IN NEW MEXICO.

#### Explode Dynamite on Safe—Made a Bad Wreck of the Car, but Found No Money—Statement of Engineer—Robbers Said to be Surrounded

A train crew which has just arrived at El Paso, Tex., with a light engine from Santa Rosa reports that Rock Island passenger train No. 4, which left El Paso Saturday morning at 7 o'clock, was held up near Tucumcari, N. M., and robbed. The passengers were lined up and their valuables taken from them, after which the express and mail cars were uncoupled from the train and run about two miles up the track and there dynamited and robbed. The robbery was reported at Logan, a small station some distance from Tucumcari, by one of the passengers.

At the headquarters of the El Paso and Northeastern Railroad the news of the train robbery has received partial confirmation, but the officers say they can learn nothing definite, as the holdup occurred off their division. The passenger officials in El Paso, while admitting a knowledge of the reported robbery, profess to know no particulars.

According to a dispatch dated Delhart, Tex., Rock Island passenger train No. 4, eastbound, was held up Saturday night at Logan, a station about seventy miles west of Delhart, by three masked men.

Engineer G. E. Walker made the following statement concerning the holdup: "We had made our regular stop at Logan, when both myself and fireman were covered with guns and ordered to move up. We did as ordered and stopped the train at the end of the switch. The robbers then had us uncouple the mail and express cars and run a short distance up the track, where they ordered us to stop, when they proceeded to enter the express car and attacked the through safe with explosives. They exploded two charges of dynamite on the safe, but failed to effect an entrance. Having used up all their explosives, they made off in the darkness. The mail car and the passengers were not disturbed. The explosions badly wrecked the express car and safe. The local safe did not contain any money, consequently the robbers did not secure anything."

Officers are on the trail of the men, who are believed to be the Evans gang.

A posse from Delhart, headed by Sheriff J. N. Webb, was rushed to the scene of the holdup, and at a late hour Sunday evening it is said they had the robbers surrounded and expected to make a capture.

### WOUNDED MAN IN A SWAMP

Supported of Assault, He Fights a Deputy Sheriff.

A special from St. Joseph, Mich., says: An armed posse scouring the swamps near this city in search of a suspect who is thought to be lying in hiding mortally wounded.

A pitched battle occurred Sunday between Deputy Sheriff Detemple and two suspects who were detained for an attempted assault. The deputy was slightly wounded and nearly fifty shots were exchanged, the two suspects leaving a trail of blood when they escaped. One of them was arrested later when he ventured into the city to secure aid for his companion. He refused, however, to reveal the hiding place of the wounded man.

### TORNADO IN KANSAS.

Considerable Damage Done North of Norton.

A small tornado and heavy rains prevailed in portions of Kansas and Oklahoma Sunday.

Ten miles north of Norton, Kan., a tornado wrecked several farm buildings near the Nebraska line and killed a number of head of live stock. No person was hurt.

Near Salina, and Wellington, Kan., and at Alva, Okla., very heavy rain, amounting to nearly 2 inches, fell, and probably will benefit grain.

### HANGED HIMSELF IN CELL.

Wife Murderer Commits Suicide in Chicago.

After a week of mental anguish during which he continually wept and prayed, Frank Benedetto, who murdered his wife during a fit of jealousy at Chicago, committed suicide in his cell in the county jail Sunday by hanging himself. The murderer made a rope of the sheet on the bed, tied one end around his neck and the other to the highest available point in the darkest corner of his cell. Then he lifted his feet from the floor and slowly strangled to death.

### Sioux City Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market were as follows: Butcher steers, \$3.50@5.50. Hogs, \$5.00@5.25.

### Paintings Badly Damaged.

Charles Frank, an artist in the department at the world's fair at St. Louis, made the statement that three paintings loaned to the exposition by Miss Helen Gould and valued at \$100,000 were badly damaged by remaining packed for two long a time after having arrived at St. Louis.

### Fire in San Francisco.

Fire Sunday at San Francisco, destroyed the establishment of the Shilbest Mercantile Company. Loss, 125,000.

## NEW YORK IS AFFECTED.

### Butchers' Strike Extends to that City.

Unable to arrange a conference with representatives of the New York packers, Michael J. Donnelly, president of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of America, has ordered a strike of all the members of his organization employed in New York by Schwarzschild & Sulzberger and the United Dressed Beef Company. The order was telegraphed to New York Friday night.

That the probabilities of a settlement by the opposing interests in Chicago are as remote as ever was plainly demonstrated Friday when Henry C. Wallace, of Des Moines, Ia., and A. L. Ames, of Buckingham, Ia., called on the packers with a proposal from the strike leaders, offering to concede the most important point in the controversy if the employers would agree to renew peace negotiations. Mr. Wallace and Mr. Ames were told by the packers that there was no possible chance for any further conciliatory move, and that the packers were in a position where they could ignore the labor unions and that they purposed to ignore the strikers. The packers' answer was delivered to the strike leaders, and the men from Iowa left for home.

From a statement made by President Donnelly Friday night it would appear that the men are becoming anxious to return to work.

"We shall be glad to confer with the representatives of the packers at any time," said Mr. Donnelly. "While I can not say that our position is in any way changed, we are not anxious to keep up a running fight and shall be glad if a settlement can be effected."

Following the arrest of George F. Golden, chief of the Packing Teamsters' union, for picketing, riots became more frequent near the stock yards Friday afternoon. A mob captured a loaded meat wagon after it had left the stock yards, upset the wagon and threw the meat into the street.

### BLOW FOR PEACE.

#### Chicago Police Arrest Leader of the Strikers.

Peace prospects at the stock yards at Chicago received a black eye Friday in the arrest of President George Golden, of the teamsters' union, who was taken from his office and locked in a cell for issuing instructions from his office window to a union driver.

Not until nearly all the labor leaders directing the strike had surrounded the police station demanding Golden's release on bail and threatening habeas corpus proceedings was Golden released on bonds.

The hitherto pacific attitude of the strike leaders was suddenly changed into sullen, bitter defiance, and it was openly hinted the strike would be spread as far as possible.

### LIPTON STILL HAS HOPE.

#### May Again Attempt to Lift the America's Cup.

Dr. Andrew S. Draper, of Albany, N. Y., state commissioner of education, has received from Sir Thomas J. Lipton a letter in which the latter speaks about the possibility of sending another yacht to America to compete for the America's cup. In the letter he says:

"Whether or not I shall make another attempt I cannot say with any certainty, as this depends upon many things outside of my control, although I may say I have not given up hope of lifting the famous old trophy, and I do not imagine I could rest content to leave it in its present environment. I presume it has by now become somewhat naturalized, nevertheless, I think a change of air to its original home might do it good."

### STRIKE BREAKERS ILL.

#### It is Supposed Poison in the Soup Was Cause.

One hundred men employed at the Armour Packing Company plant at St. Louis, Mo., in place of the striking butchers and meat cutters have been made violently ill, the result, it is supposed, of some unidentified poison drug in the soup served for supper Wednesday night. In several cases the condition of the men is regarded as serious.

Shortly after the meal had been eaten first one and then another of the men complained of feeling ill. Dr. J. L. Wiggins, the company physician, was notified. He hurried to the plant and prescribed an antidote.

### FEAR MINERS' STRIKE.

#### Trouble is Threatened in the Anthracite Field.

There is grave fear that the executive board of district No. 1, United Mine Workers, will order a strike, involving approximately 75,000 men, when it meets in special session at Scranton, Pa., to consider the question of the refusal of the coal companies to deduct check weighmen's wages.

The fear of a strike is heightened by the action of the Scranton Coal Company in failing to make the deductions when paying at several of its collieries.

### Five Are Murdered.

Henry R. Hodges, wife and three children, living near Statesboro, Ga., were found with their skulls broken and home burned. Robbery is the supposed cause of the crime.

### Veterans Object to Negro.

Members of Walter C. Whittaker post, G. A. R., Louisville, Ky., will separate from the Kentucky department. Commander Smith, of Kentucky, has appointed W. H. Pearce, colored, junior vice commander to lead the delegation in the parade.

### Port Arthur Rumor.

A telegram received at Shanghai from Wei Hai Wei confirms other telegrams received from Che Foo to the effect that Port Arthur has been captured.

## THE GREAT LOTTERY.

### Drawing for Rosebud Lands Begins at Chamberlain.

Surrounded by the hills and highlands that encircle Chamberlain, S. D., the embattlements, the last chapter in the story of the Rosebud was concluded.

The drawing by which the disposition of 356,000 acres of free homes was disposed of was conducted by W. A. Richards, commissioner of the general land office, assisted by Judge Wakeley, of Omaha, and P. P. Sherman, of Sioux Falls. The drawing was conducted on a little frame platform, which will later be exhibited at the World's Fair. The platform was crowded with the government clerks, officials and a host of newspaper men.

Uncle Sam's lottery scheme was conducted with a religious observance of the laws of chance.

Surrounding the little frame platform was a crowd of spectators anxious to hear the names of the lucky winners of the valuable first prizes.

At 9 o'clock Thursday morning Commissioner Richards, of the general land office, made the preliminary dramatic announcement. He announced the conditions of the drawing, following with the reading of the proclamation throwing open the Rosebud lands.

The huge box in which the numbers were to be placed was the conspicuous part of the furniture of the drawing platform. Eight Chamberlain boys had been chosen, from which four were to be selected by chance.

The boys who drew the lucky numbers to draw were Arthur Rogers, No. 1; Lillian Baker, No. 2; "Lucky" Somers, No. 3; Edgar Clute, No. 4. Somers drew the opportunity to draw the first number.

As the numbers were drawn they were handed to P. F. Sherman, then to Judge Wakeley, of Omaha, and by him to Commissioner Richards, and the clerks stamped the envelope and took the number.

When Lucky Somers placed his hand in for the first number the silence again became tense. "Bet he's a South Dakota man," yelled someone. There was some difficulty in reading the name, but it was noised about that he had registered at Chamberlain. Later Commissioner Richards announced the lucky winner of the first number was William McCormick, a Spanish-American war veteran, aged 27, who had been registered by William Powell, as agent, at Chamberlain. McCormick's residence is given as Lancaster County, Neb., and his birthplace was Philadelphia.

"Hurrah for Mack!" yelled the crowd for the winner of the grand prize in Uncle Sam's big lottery.

### ACCIDENTS ON RAILROADS.

#### A Long List of Casualties During the Past Year.

According to the accident bulletin issued by the interstate commerce commission at Washington, there were 70 passengers and 840 employes of railroads killed and 1,500 passengers and 10,854 employes injured in accidents on railroads in the United States during the quarter ended on March 31, 1904. This is a decrease of eight killed for the corresponding quarter last year.

The amount of damage done to railway property caused by accidents during the quarter was \$2,258,447.

The bulletin says the increased use of the air brake, diminishing the necessity for employes on top of trains, has made a reduction of 32 per cent in the number of persons falling off of cars.

### GREAT COTTON MILL STRIKE.

#### The Ranks of the Army of Idle Remain Unbroken.

A Fall River, Mass., dispatch says: "Unless the operatives agree to come in to the mills and work under the proposed 12 1/2 per cent reduction in wages, it is doubtful whether any attempt will be made by the manufacturers to run the mills before October." This statement was made by a prominent mill treasurer in reference to the cotton mills strike, involving 20,000 men.

In explaining this attitude the man quoted said that the manufacturers under the old wage scale would mean a loss of money. They prefer, therefore, to have the mills closed rather than to have them run at a loss.

### KILLED BY BOMB.

#### Russian Minister of Interior is Assassinated at St. Petersburg.

A St. Petersburg special says: Minister of Interior von Plehve was assassinated at 10 o'clock Thursday morning while driving to the Baltic station to visit the emperor at Peterhof palace.

A bomb was thrown under the minister's carriage, completely shattering it, terribly mauling Von Plehve and killing the coachman, the horses running away.

The assassin was arrested, but declines to give his name.

Immediately there ensued a scene of wildest confusion. Police and gendarmes hurried up from every direction and vast crowds gathered about the spot where the mangled body of the minister lay weltering in his own blood.

### Bandit Confesses.

George F. Hammond, one of the bandits who dynamited a Northern Pacific passenger train near Bear Mouth, Mont., on the night of June 16, has made a full confession to Sheriff Doust, of Spokane, Wash.

### Suffers from Freight Famine.

According to mail advices Irkutsk, eastern Siberia, is beginning to suffer acutely from a freight famine, owing to monopolization of the railway for military purposes. Much freight sent from Europe in January has not yet been received.

### Nordica Gets Divorce.

Justice Scott, of New York, has signed the formal decree of divorce dissolving the marriage of Lillian Nordica and Zoltan Deome.

## STATE OF NEBRASKA

### NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

#### Tragedy at York—O. V. Van Orman of Omaha Ends Life with Revolver—Spends Evening at Home of York Widow and Threatens to Kill Her.

O. V. Van Orman, of Omaha, shot himself at York with a revolver, the bullet striking near the heart. A few minutes later Van Orman was found and carried to the nearest house and Dr. O. M. Moore was called.

After examining the wound it was found to be of a very serious nature. His daughter at Omaha was immediately sent for. Van Orman was a carriage trimmer and upholsterer for N. E. Tidwell, of York. The shooting occurred in North York, between the residence of Mrs. Carlton and the City Hotel. Van Orman had spent the evening at her home, and during that time he had become enraged.

Mrs. Carlton is a widow with five children, of whom Ralph, the oldest, is a young man grown. She is a hard-working woman and is well known at York, where she has lived for a number of years. At present she is living on York street, near the City Hotel. Her oldest son, Ralph, has rooms in the Kuns block.

Mrs. Carlton says that Van Orman had been calling on her for the last six months. The evening before the tragedy he came to her house as he had been doing every evening. Mrs. Gill, who runs the City Hotel, had hurt her foot, and she was going over to help bathe it, and told Van Orman of her intentions.

At this he became very angry. She told him if he did not like it she would not go. He then demanded his photograph which he had given her, and a little souvenir of his work as an upholsterer, which he took and cut to pieces before her. After this fit of anger had passed he seemed sorry for what he had done, and wanted to make amends. He remarked that this would probably be the last time she would see him, as he was going to Omaha in the morning and blow out his brains, and would make a square job of it. Mrs. Carlton became frightened at this and left the house, and after staying in hiding for some time came down to her son Ralph's room. She told him to go up to the house and care for the children, whom Van Orman had been terrifying by telling them that he would shoot Mrs. Carlton and then himself.

At first Van Orman said that the woman had shot him, but after being informed that he could not live, he owned that he had done the deed himself. He died at 2:30 Friday afternoon. It is said that he has a wife and one daughter at Omaha.

### HORSE THIEVES BURN A BARN

Remains of Stolen Animals Supposed to be in Ruins of Stable.

Wednesday morning about 1 o'clock a team of mules belonging to William Whitaker, driver of the Standard Oil wagon at Weeping Water, was stolen from his barn and then hitched to a wagon belonging to Troy L. Davis. The mules were tracked about one mile north to a barn belonging to E. F. Marshall, a grain man, who resides in town. It is supposed the mules were put in the barn and three good horses belonging to Marshall stolen, after which the thieves set fire to the barn. In the ruins was found a mule's hoof. The barn was a fair one, filled with hay. After that it is supposed they traveled west, as at another house on the same farm, the reuter heard them going past at 2 o'clock. No trace of the mules could be found after they reached the barn.

### OLD SETTLERS HAVE BIG TIME

Men from Kansas and Nebraska Join in Reunion.

Tuesday was the first of the three days of the annual old settlers' picnic of the State Line Association. The association includes Pawnee and Nemaha Counties, and the picnic is held in Scott's grove, six miles south of Pawnee City. There are in camp almost 100 tents, making a town of almost 500 people. This is the big event for that section of the country and 10,000 people are expected to attend each of the last two days.

Among the attractions is Gov. Bailey, of Kansas, who will speak. There is plenty of entertainment and the "soft" and "fakir" are in evidence. Pawnee City is in reality a "deserted village" during the event.

### New Stock Food Plant.

The Payne Investment Company, of Omaha, has ordered its Grand Island representatives to proceed with the matter of putting up the buildings necessary for the manufacture of a new stock food from alfalfa, meal, salt and syrup, and it is stated that \$25,000 worth of machinery will be put in.

### Small Twister Near Table Hook.

About an inch and a half of rain fell at Table Rock in twenty minutes, so that all the streams were bank full. The rain was accompanied by a hard wind, and much of the corn was blown down. The wind assumed the shape of a cyclone between that place and Pawnee City, where the barn of Mr. Finney was torn to pieces.

### Fatal Accident Near Papillion.

Philip Saalfield, age 19, met with a fatal accident while unloading hay on Fred Hagedorn's farm, near Papillion. While driving to the barn to unload the hay the rope holding the fork became loosened from its pulley and the pulley flew up, striking young Saalfield in the abdomen. He was removed to his home, where he died a few hours later.

### Worry Causes Insanity.

G. B. Stroble was under examination at Fairbury by the commissioners of insanity and was sent to the hospital for insane at Lincoln. He has been working in a barber shop for several months. His trouble appears to come from worrying about his young children, the youngest of which is 3 years old.

### Thrashing at Harvard.

Most of the farmers about Harvard began thrashing on Monday. Rain has caused several delays, however, during the week.

## CROP CONDITIONS.

### Past Week Showery, with Rainfall Above the Normal.

Weekly bulletin of the Nebraska section of the climate and crop service of the weather bureau for the week ending Monday, July 25, 1904:

The past week has been cool and showery, with an average amount of sunshine. The low temperature has averaged 6 degrees below normal.

The rainfall was generally above normal and exceeded an inch in most of the state, while in a few places it exceeded two inches.

The showers of the past week have not interfered at all seriously with harvesting. The oats harvest is about finished in southern counties and is beginning in northern. Rye and barley are about cut. Haying is in progress, and some hay was damaged by rain. Rain retarded thrashing in eastern counties, but in central counties some thrashing was done of both wheat and oats, with fair to good yields reported. Corn has grown well, but the low temperature has prevented any substantial gain in condition, and it is still a week or ten days behind normal advancement. The crop, however, is in good, healthy, promising condition.

### GIRL'S BODY FOUND.

#### Remains of Nellie Thompson Taken from Republican River.

Last Sunday, while fishing in the Republican River three miles west of Red Cloud, a farmer discovered the remains of Nellie Thompson, of Bloomington, whose tragic death by drowning was reported two weeks ago. The party notified the authorities of Webster County, and the sheriff, accompanied by a dozen or more people, went to take charge of the body if identified. The identification being positive, the remains were brought to Bloomington and were interred in the cemetery north of town.

For two weeks the citizens of Bloomington and nearby towns had kept up a ceaseless search for the body of the drowned girl, watching the river as far as Guide Rock, forty miles below, but no trace of the body was discovered.

### POSTMASTER UNDER ARREST

#### Inspector Checks Him Up and Declares Him Short.

B. Breckner, who has been postmaster at Oconto, Carter County, for the last two years, was brought before United States Commissioner Hegral at Holdrege on the charge of embezzling \$442 from the money order fund. Breckner waived examination, was placed under \$1,000 bonds, in default of which he was committed to the Douglas County jail to await the action of the United States grand jury.

The arrest was made by Deputy Marshal Homan on complaint of Postoffice Inspector Swift, who checked Breckner up and pronounced him short. Breckner is a married man and is about 45 years old.

### STARCH FACTORY IS CLOSED

Low Price of Product and High Labor Given the Cause.

The Argo starch factory at Nebraska City, has closed down, throwing 350 men and women out of employment. The management gave as the reason for closing the plant the low price of starch and the high price they have to pay for labor. The shipping force is the only one at work and they will be discharged as soon as the starch in the store rooms can be packed and shipped.

The managers claim the factory will not be closed down for good, but will be started as soon as the conditions are possible. The left side about two inches below the heart, from the effects of which he died Saturday morning.

### ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

#### Four-Year-Old Child Shoots Himself with a Revolver.

While the family was absent from the house, the 4-year-old son of Mrs. Wilson McClure, of Turner Valley, secured a revolver from a trunk and accidentally discharged the weapon. The ball entered the left side about two inches below the heart, from the effects of which he died Saturday morning.

Owing to the shot being fired at such close range, the child's clothing caught fire, and he promptly left the house, removed the burning garments in the yard and walked about fifty paces to where his mother was working in the garden.

### Rush for Harvest Fields.

The rush of harvest hands to the wheat fields of the Dakotas has begun. Through Norfolk a score of these men a day, and perhaps many more, are passing. They are not mere tramps. They are men willing to work, but they are beating their way on the railroads because it is cheaper than to pay fare and ride the cushions. Some of them are intelligent looking men, and some of them, of course, are battered and dispirited. They go to the Dakotas to work at the wage of \$4 to \$5 per day.

### Mule Kick Not Fatal.

Arver Coates, the little son of Manager J. F. Coates, of the Koehler Hotel, Grand Island, who was kicked in the head by a mule ten days ago, is slowly recovering from the effects of the frightful blow. After lying unconscious for nearly a week he began to call for his father, periodically, though at first not recognizing his parents. He now recognizes nearly all whom he knew and complete recovery is expected.

### Child's Hand Lacerated.

While playing near a hay loader which was in operation near Papillion, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Zeel caught hold of a rope attached to the loader and her hand was drawn into the machine. The hand was badly bruised and burnt and every particle of flesh was torn from the middle finger. It will be some time before the child has the use of his hand.

### Curious Peach Tree.

Chester Weeks, a Columbus farmer, living near the Merrick County line, has a curiosity on his farm in the shape of a peach tree. The tree is eighteen years old and has never before borne any fruit, nor even blossomed, but this year it is fairly loaded down with peaches.

### Object to Train Suedule.

A change in the Union Pacific time card is very much disliked by residents of Calloway. Under the present system mail from Omaha is two days late in reaching there.



## Short Notes.

The sugar beet crop is thriving in all sections of Nebraska.

Owing to the continuous rains the Salem Chautauqua has been called off.

The business men of Cortland held a meeting and decided to hold a street fair at that place Aug. 12 and 13.

J. S. Kline, an aged man, fell dead in the street at West Point. The deceased was a farmer, and heart failure was the cause of death.

The peach crop in Gage County promises to be unusually large. A large amount of the fruit is being marketed at Beatrice at present.

L. J. Capps, of Hastings, has been appointed deputy United States revenue collector to succeed J. D. Mines in the 11th congressional district.

The school census of Cuming County shows a total of children of school age of 5,461. This is a reduction of 133 from the census of last year.

Mrs. Helen Slattery, of Wood River, was the unfortunate victim of a serious runaway, in which she was thrown from the buggy and sustained severe injuries.

A load of meat billed to London, England, was wrecked in the Burlington yards at Plattsmouth. The contents were transferred to another car and sent on to its destination.

A heavy wind and rain storm swept Andrew Mangin, of Greeley, a painter, fell from the roof of a two-story building while attempting to remove some scaffolding. No bones were broken, but internal injuries are feared.

Judging from reports from Marysville, Kan., Kilpatrick Bros. & Collins, of Beatrice, will in all probability secure the contract for building the proposed new line of railroad between Topeka and Marysville.

The Bartling Grain Company's elevator at Paul, seven miles south of Nebraska City burned to the ground. The building and its contents are a total loss, which will amount to about \$4,000; fully covered by insurance.

The tender of a southbound Union Pacific passenger train jumped the track between Cortland and Pickrell. The train was delayed several hours on account of the accident, which might have proved more serious.

Louis Zimpler, the man who fell out of a window of the Dabell house at Fremont, was taken to his home in Ravenna. There was no improvement in his condition and the physicians give little hopes of his recovery.

The Beatrice city council held a special meeting and fixed the estimate of expense for the coming year at \$52,000. This will make a levy of 4 1/2 mills upon the dollar, as against 5 1/2 last year and 40 mills the year before.

The Ravenna street carnival is being advertised, the dates being Sept. 7, 8 and 9. Horse racing, baseball, several good shows and athletic sports will be on the program each day. No fake shows will be allowed to participate.

Fremont is to have an unusual number of attractions during the month of August and the Commercial Club is making an effort to secure good attendance to them for the purpose of aiding the business interests of the city.

William McNully and R. W. Fur were arraigned before Police Judge Weber at Plattsmouth on the charge of burglary. Each entered a plea of not guilty. The prisoners are accused of having broken into and robbed two stores in Union.

Northbound Burlington passenger train No. 89 struck a buggy in which two little boys of Mr. and Mrs. Epkrah were riding, as it pulled into Dewitt Tuesday morning, probably fatally injuring both. The vehicle was completely demolished.

At a special meeting of the Fremont school board, the contract for putting in a steam heating plant at the high school was let. The old Smead plant has been very unsatisfactory for some time past. The work is to be completed before the fall term.

The funeral of A. Ellis occurred at Holdrege Monday. Mr. Ellis died from an injury received in the month of July from a large firecracker exploding in his hand. While it was thought the injury was not severe at the time, blood poison set in and he died of lockjaw.