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REDUCE MUELLER'S

FIFTEEN YEAR SENTENCE IS CUT DOWN TO THREE.

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN TRAGEDY

The Penitentiary Sentance of August H. Mueller of Stanton, Who Shot Wife and Her Parents, is Modified by Supreme Court.

The sentence of August H. Mueller of Stanton, who had been convicted and given fifteen years in the penitentlary for shooting his wife and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hohneke, has been reduced to three years by the supreme court of Nebraska. Muel-Stanton, announces that he will immedistely appeal for a new trial. Muelsince the shooting a year ago, will remain there pending the decision of the supreme court on the motion for a rehearing.

The supreme court modified the sen the evidence the jury would have been justified in finding a verdict for acquittal but that, since a conviction was the sentence, which is pronounced to have been greatly in excess, is modified from fifteen years to three.

His Wife Married Again. Mueller's young wife, whom he-shot in the breast, is now married again. A divorce was granted shortly after the shooting. Thirty days after the shooting it is said she was in Stanton to get a license to remarry. The woman is thought to be about seventeen years of age now, though her age has not been definitely learned at Stanton.

Attorney Erhardt, in speaking over the long distance telephone of the mary, Miss Idelle Taylor; second pricase, said: "The supreme court simply accepted the record instead of newspaper reports. The newspapers have never been fair to Mueller. They day for Japan in the interests of the created prejudice against him without getting at the causes underlying his shooting. Mueller could not have fired the first shot. If he had shot never have been able to grab his gun and shoot later. Hohneke, urged on by his wife, had been trying to get Mueller's wife, their child, away from ager at St. Joe. him. Twice Hohneke had got the sheriff to arrest Mueller on an insanity charge. Once Mueller was brought wife. They refused to give her to and Norfolk high school nines clash him. At this particular time he went, as he said, 'for blood.' He had before gone over to take his wife her clothing. He had once taken her cow over for her. She had begun action for divorce and he was angry. He was justified in being angry.'

with her husband. Lack of definite information in the first telegrams telling of Mr. Hirsch's illness occasioned much alarm among his friends and gave rise to street rumors of his

death. District court will convene in Knox county next Monday.

Work has begun on the new cement North Fourth street.

The Ladies guild of Trinity church City Attorney Weatherby Says That as will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. Weills at the rectory. Al Wilkinson has been retained by C. F. Horr & Co., who have bought out the department store of the Mrs.

Robert Craft company. Dr. O. R. Meredith will entertain church Sunday school bible class this

evening at his home. A four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hyde was seized with an attack of convulsions yesterday noon. Toler's atternoy, John H. Erhardt of day the little boy was much better. A small bridge over a slough one mile north of the Kost bridge is beler, who has been in jail at Stanton ing replaced, forcing Rural Carrier J. R. Rouse to make a short detour in covering route No. 2.

Foreman Hartford and a cable gang in the service of the Nebraska Tele-

phone company were expected in Nortence when an appeal was made for folk today. The amount of cable work reversal in the case. The finding of to be undertaken in Norfolk this spring the supreme court states that under has not yet been determined by the company.

daughter leave on the early train Fribrought, it will not be disturbed and day for Sioux Falls, S. D., to attend out the requirements of law it was golden wedding anniversary of voted that the property in the paving the Mr. Engle's parents in that city Monday, April 29. Mr. Engle will return of \$100 per front foot for the purpose the first of the week and Mrs. Engle

will go to Huron, S. D., for a week's the district. visit with a sister at that place. The resolutions adopted also pro-The following teachers have been elected to teach in the Tilden schools the coming year: Principal, William C. Green; assistant principal, Miss Mira L. Kerns; grammar room, Miss mayor and councilmen thought that cleaned and piled up for future use Myrtle Bennett; first intermediate, Miss Audrey Cloyd; second intermediate, Miss Emma Putney; first pri- probably fall to the lot of the new city administration.

mary, Mrs. Nelle Bently, B. E. McKibben, a brother of Mrs. O. R. Meredith of this city, sailed Tues-International Fisheries company. Mr. in Japan but his territory will cover in the east. Mr. McKibben is an old the reason that Mr. Machmueller rewas the western league baseball man-

nine will play a return game with the river, that part of the sewer contract Neligh high school tomorrow afternoon providing for the covering of this part foundation of the old high school and ready wit more than a match for to town and then Hohneke declined to at Neligh. Saturday the Norfolk ball of exposed pipe at 21 cents per yard building and calling Architect Laten the rascality of the shop lifters. A the a complaint. Mueller had been season will witness the first regular of dirt was ordered canceled. Con- ser of Omaha to furnish detailed plans mistreated. He went over to get his game of the spring when the Pierce tractor agreed to have the section for the new building, was announced stolen property tumbling to the floor on the old fair grounds. The game thought that the city would save mou- by the board of education last evening will be called at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Estabrook, Hoffman and time to have the grading done. Faucett will comprise the Norfolk battery Saturday. The Norfolk boys promise a speedy contest for the open- tend private drains into the new sew-

er without taking out a plumber's liing game. conse was brought up but no action C. C. Gow has secretaryship of the Norfolk Commer- taken. Contractor Herrick is to put old foundation lines was taken last little woman who had more than the cial club, having been elected to that in several house connections with the position at the Tuesday morning ses new sewer within the next few weeks. News representative by special mo-All councilmen were present at last tion being asked to depart from the sion of the directors. At the time Mr. Gow was notified of his selection to night's meeting save Craven, Stafford deliberations of the board. As soon men in custody and headed for the the position of secretary, he asked for and Spellman, time to weigh the matter in his mind. Mr. Gow felt that if he should accept the responsibilities of the office he would feel bound to devote to his new duties the attention that they would demand and that this time could ill

be spared from his own business. Af-

ter consideration, however, Mr. Gow

has informed the Commercial club that

he is prepared to take up the work

of the secretaryship, taking time from

TRICT ASSEMBLE.

the Fortnightly Culture clubs of Stan-

ton were hostesses to the visiting del-

Mrs. John R. Hays, Mrs. S. F. Er-

district convention at Stanton.

Mrs. Charles Miller of Genoa were in

Had Snow on Rosebud Yesterday.

day afternoon for a two days session. of the Niobrara river,

Days in Stanton.

egates.

his business to meet its demands.

any but two or three years' men. It is not payable to a soldier discharged before he has served two years to accept promotion, or for a disability other than wounds received in service CITY COUNCIL HOLDS SPECIAL and in line of duty, or to drafted men

or substitutes. 2. When a soldier received an advance installment of the \$300 recruit sidewalk leading to the city hall on ARE ONE STEP NEARER PAVING bounty, or of the \$400 veteran bounty and was required to refund, or pay back \$25 of that advance installment WITH QUICK EYE, NERVE AND AN because he was discharged by promo-

> Where Street Intersection Paving two years as an enlisted man, said \$25 may be allowed This law does not apply to sailors

Only the cost of paving street interwho served in the navy only. ections now stands in the way of pav-In all letters to this office the full the young people of his Christian ing Norfolk avenue from Seventh name of the soldier, and each company street to the Northfork bridge. At a and regiment in which he served, with special session of the city council last the dates of enlistments and discharge evening the last of the technical steps as near as can be given, should be preparatory to paving Norfolk avenue stated. If the soldier is dead the rela- THEN USED GUN WITH EFFECT were taken. When city funds can be tionship of the nearest of kin should also be given.

Soon as it is Definitely Determined tion, or otherwise before a service of

found available for paving the street intersections the city, according to City Attorney Weatherby, will be in a position to call for bids on the contract for paving the avenue.

SESSION FOR IT.

Cost Comes From, Things Start.

A proposition that the cost of street intersection paving should be assessed against the paving districts encoun-

SCHOOL BOARD WILL ERECT ENtered opposition from Norfolk avenue property owners present at the special session of the council last evening. The meeting of the council was

held for the purpose of arranging to

against adjacent property. To carry district should be valued at the sum

of the assessment to pay for paving

vided that the cost of paving the street intersections should be paid by the city. Exactly where this money is to come from was not known, but the the necessary money could be made available in some way. This task will

The rest of the council's time last last night that of the plans for a new evening was consumed in detail matters connected with the new sewer board, the plans drawn by John Latsystem. The special committee of enser of Omaha should be selected as the council reported that they were the general plans for the new build-McKibben will have his headquarters farther than ever from reaching an ing, that Mr. Latenser be asked to agreement with Gust Machmueller re- appear before the board this evening China, Japan, the Philippines and Man- garding the matters under dispute be- and that if he can furnish the plans Hohneke in the arm, Hohneke would churia. He will spend some two years tween Machmueller and the city. For within such time and work out the Hastings boy and later for three years fused to put what the council thought board would enter into a contract with to be a fair price on the dirt necessary to cover the 700 feet of sewer ture.

The Norfolk high school base ball pipe extending across his land to the stricken from his contract and this morning as the final action taken A step behind the counter and the ey by waiting for a more opportune in the special meeting held in Dr. who had not escaped were "covered" The question as to whether or not Secretary H. C. Matrau alone voted backed against a stove and pleading Contractor Herrick had a right to ex- in opposition to the motions adopted, for mercy, his companion trembling breast and limbs. Her head became a

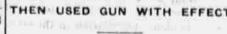
rect a new building away from the



EMPTY REVOLVER.

TRAMPS LAND IN POLICE COURT

SHE SAW THEM STEAL THREE PAIRS OF TROUBERS.



Norfolk Woman's Courage and Quick Wit Proved Too Much For a Bunch of Shoplifting Hoboes Who Tried to Steal From Her.

Mrs; Robert Craft, armed with an anloaded revolver, held a sneak thief and his partner at bay in her Junc tion store Wednesday morning until help arrived from without the store. A woman's courage and a woman's MISS ANNA LYNCH IS VICTIM OF hand grasping the threatening but

harmless revolver prevented the escape of the two men, one of whom had been detected in the act of trying

Mrs. Craft's department store at the tion of the old high school building Junction. These two men with a third partner, all transients of doubt tion should be ordered torn down, that ful character passing through the city,

were turned over to Officer Living- SHE RAN OUT INTO OPEN AIR stone and lodged in the Norfolk Jity jail to await trial.

The Three Tramps Enter.

Mrs. Craft's store was visited by the three strangers at about 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning when Mrs. Craft and a saleslady were alone in the de partment store. Under the apparent ruse of making small purchases, one of the men was afforded an opportunity to flash three pairs of trousers from the clothing stock into safe hiding under his overcoat. Quick as the light fingered man performed his act it did not escape detection.

Cowed by Her Pluck. Events followed with rapidity and

disclosed a Norfolk woman's courage quick jerk at the overcoat brought the sneakthief and one of his partners with the store revolver. One man

The final decision of the board to the barrel of the revolver until Junc- the fire and was burned off. tion men rushed in to the relief of the

and interesting features were introduced. The Black Diamond quartette deserve special mention. The parade was one of the neatest and most interesting ever seen on the streets of Boise." This attraction will be at the Auditorium in Norfolk Monday night, April 29. Seats on sale Saturday. Popular price, 25c, 50c and 75c.

Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice at Norfolk, Neb., April 23, 1907;

Miss Flora Adler, Robert Boettger, Miss Birdie Curry, L. F. Ivans, Miss Clara Rausch, Mrs. Emma Taylor, Miss Sadie Whitney, If not called for in fifteen days will be sent to the dead letter office.

Parties calling for any of the above please say "advertised." John R. Hays, P. M.

Get in touch with your fellow-men by looking over the ads.



FATAL FIRE.

AN ALCOHOL LAMP EXPLODED

CARRYING IT OUT, HER CLOTHING WAS IGNITED.

Miss Lynch Was Day Nurse in Women's Infirmary Ward-Was Heating Paraffine Over Alcohol Flame for Floor Polish-At Breakfast Time.

Miss Anna Lynch, aged twenty-two, day nurse in the infirmary ward at the Norfolk insane hospital, was burned to death at the institution Wednesday as the result of an alcohol stove explosion. She was carrying the flaming stove toward a bath-

room when her clothing became ignited from the fire which enveloped the stove and which was fanned toward her as she ran.

Miss Lynch lived six hours after the accident . It was at a quarter before 7 in the morning, just when patients on the ward were eating breakfast, that she was burned and at 12:45 she succumbed. Her clothing was burned entirely off before aid could reach her. She was terribly burned about the beside a counter, the two looked into mass of flame when her hair caught

Was Heating Paraffine.

It was in the second story of the

cattage that the tragedy occurred.

Miss Lynch, who had been engaged in

institution work of this kind for seven

years, was heating paraffine with

which to polish the floors. She was

holding the floor wax over the alcohol

flame when the little stove exploded.

Seizing it in her hands, Miss Lynch

raced toward a bathroom but was

aflame herself before she had reached

With her clothing ablaze, Miss

Lynch became panic-stricken and be-

gan to run about the room as though

seeking to escape the flame but in

reality only fanning it into greater

Ran Out Upon Porch.

After desperately circling the large

ward, the young woman dashed fran-

tically out upon the porch, in the open

air and before assistance could avail

her clothing had been destroyed and

burns so deeply inflicted that recov-

She was taken at once to her apart-

ments where Dr. Young, superinten-

Home Was at Yankton.

her destination.

ery was impossible.

volume

LATENSER WILL DRAW PLANS Mr. and Mrs. Ed C. Engle and assess the cost of the proposed paving Board of Education Took Final Action on Norfolk's Building in Secret Session Last Night, Excluding Newspaper Reporter From the Room. The Norfolk board of education vot-

ed last evening that from the best to "lift" three pairs of trousers from advice at hand and after a careful examination they deemed the founda-

TIRE NEW BUILDING.

unsafe to build upon, that the founda-

The board of education also voted high school building submitted to the

him as architect for the new struc-

such portions of it as are fit should be and that the grounds should be prepared for a new building.

details satisfactorily to the board the

The above action, discarding the Cole's office. It was also stated that

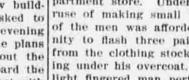
The plans presented by Mr. Laten

the grounds for the new building will,

it is understood, continue under the

direction of A. Morrison.

News Reporter Excluded.



THURSDAY TIDINGS.

H. E. Gerecke left at noon for Fre mont.

Fred Fuehring of Seward is in the city today.

G. A. Eberly of Stanton is in the city today.

John Pearson of Ponca is a Norfolk visitor today. P. A. Froehlich of Emerson was in

Norfolk yesterday.

H. A. Drebert visited relatives in Pierce yesterday. P. F. Panabaker of Wayne was in

Norfolk yesterday. N.J. Weatherholt of Hoskins

in Norfolk yesterday. .W. A. Witzigman returned at noon

from a business trip to Tilden. E. J. Evans of Carroll stopped in

Norfolk yesterday between trains. H.-C. Burbank of Plainview was in Norfolk for a few hours yesterday. Mrs. Rufus Barnes and her grandson, Rufus Hanks of Creighton, spent yesterday in Norfolk, enroute for a

visit at Central City. Dr. and Mrs. J. M. O'Connell of Ponca visited in Norfolk yesterday.

Mrs. C. E. Greene and Miss Nina Walker left today for a visit at Oma-

H. P. Peters and bride of Minneap olis are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J C. Spellman.

Misses Matrau and Herman returned yesterday noon from a visit at Lincoln.

Misses Stella Wright and Lorinda Wauser of Plainview are visiting in Norfolk.

Mrs. F. E. Ballard and Mrs. I. W Seaverns of Randolph were in the city yesterday.

Miss Etta Carberry returned from Omaha where she had been for med ical treatment.

A little son of Sam Hanan is sick with lung fever. Mr. Hanan recently moved to Norfolk from Madison with his family.

Frank A. Peterson, city superintendent of the Creighton schools, passed through Norfolk yesterday returning from Lincoln where he had been called by the death of his father.

R. C. Reinecke of the Sioux City firm of Reinecke & Jenkinson, one of the younger firms among western Norfolk over night, leaving for Stanarchitects, is in Norfolk submitting ton at noon. plans to the Norfolk board of educa

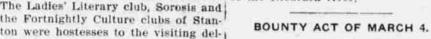
tion for the new high school building Word received from Deadwood states that Frank Hirsch's illness there resulted from an attack of asthma affecting heart action. The illness was not serious and, though confined to his room; Mr. Hirsch is improving. Mrs. Hirsch, who left Nor\$15,000 IS DISTRIBUTED WEDNES-DAY AT NIOBRARA.

\$35,000 MORE ON SATURDAY

Government is Liquidating to the Red Men for Great Sioux Treaty, Relin-Hills Country.

WOMEN'S CLUBS OF THIRD DIS-Niobrara, Neb., April 24 .- Special to their opinions with the meeting to The News: The Ponca Indians closed against reporters. As for to-NORFOLK DELEGATION THERE \$35,000. This is part only of the pay- at the meeting this evening when

Federation of Women's Clubs is these Indians, all payments to minors in conference with the board. and adults not found capable of tak-Holding Annual Convention for Two ing care of themselves being delayed ser for the board's approval were acfor further investigation. This move companied by an estimated cost of With a large attendance from Nor- is in settlement for the interest these \$35,000 excluding plumbing. The folk and other towns in the Third dis- Indians had in the great Sloux treaty plans as approved may be modified trict, the district convention of the that relinquished any rights they had by later action of the board. As prewoman's clubs of northeastern Ne- in the Black Hills country and all ter- sented by Mr. Latenser the new plans braska convened in Stanton Wednes- ritory west of the Missouri river north follow the general outline of the Blair



Instructions to Vetrans Seeking Pay ment From Government.

skine, Mrs. A. H. Viele, Mrs. J. Baum, Mrs. J. C. Stitt, Mrs. George B. Christoph, Mrs. E. M. Huntington, Mrs. Burt Mapes and Mrs. O. R. Mapes bounty under the act of March 4, 1907: were among the representatives of the Woman's club of Norfolk at the makes no provision for the payment Mrs. W. E. Reed of Madison, district vice-president of the Third district, accompanied by Mrs. Mary E. ly authorized by law. It does not Ottis and Mrs. J. E. Hugg of Hum- authorize the payment of any new phrey, and Mrs. Arthur Anderson and bounty.

Nearly all soldiers, or their heirs, have already received all bounty due tion in Nebraska." under existing laws.

by this act:

Gregory, S. D., April 24.-Special to The News: A blizzard struck the the act of July 28, 1866, has been de-Rosebud country at 9 o'clock this nied because it was not claimed be of the program and the record breakfore July 2, 1880, it may now be al- ing attendance of the Arbor day meetmorning. A driving wind and fine snow from the northwest are raging. case where the soldier has received

folk as soon as word was received, is ad .- if you have nothing easier for it! his services, and is never allowed to ciation.

evening in executive session, The best of the situation. Gun Was Empty.

And when the police had the three as the meeting was called to order last city jail and when the store was back evening President Cole announced that in the routine of business, Mrs. Craft a motion to pass into executive sesconfided that she had been neither sion would be entertained. Matrau brave nor frightened, that the situaand Hazen did not appear to favor tion had been without danger because, such a course but Dr. Cole's suggesshe said, "I knew all the time that that tion prevailed and after two months awful revolver was not loaded." of discussion the final decisive action Late in the afternoon the men made

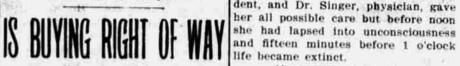
of the board was taken in closed ses captive by an empty revolver were hauled before Justice Eiseley, giving sion with the details of the final meeting barred from public print. their names as Frank Howard, Frank

Martin and Harry Williams. Prepara-Action Ended, Censorship Lifts. Members of the board who favored tions made for trial proved unneces-

the executive session last evening said sary, Howard pleading "guilty" to the this morning that the procedure had charge of petit larceny and Martin and been taken for fear that the debate Williams to aiding and abbeting in the quishing Rights of Tribes in Black might take on a personal nature and crime. Each man received a sen also in order that the members might tence of thirty days in the county be at liberty to give freer expression jail at Madison.

At the Junction the spring move ment of tramps has set in, seven members of Wednesday's party being re

ported in the city by the police.



YANKTON & SOUTHWESTERN OF-FICIAL IS HERE.

OPTIONS NEARLY TO NORFOLK high school. The work of preparing

Options to Within Ten Miles.

Convention Notes. C. F. McGrew, vice-president of the William Poppe of Yankton, right-of-Congressman J. F. Boyd is issuing Omaha National bank, left on an early way agent for the proposed Yankton the following official circular letter for morning train for Omaha after attend & Southwestern railroad that has been the instruction of claimants as to ing the Northeast Nebraska bankers surveyed past Norfolk, was in the city convention in Norfolk. Mr. McGrew today. Mr. Poppe is securing options The act of March 4, 1907, applies to has participated in practically all of for the right-of-way from Yankton soldiers of the civil war only and the state conventions and attended south to Norfolk. Before leaving for that Miss Lynch had been warned not most of the district gatherings of Ne- Pierce, he stated in Norfolk that opof any bounty other than that previous braska bankers, but he said last even tions covering the course of the road tal regulations," said Dr. Young, "reing before leaving Norfolk, "That was had been secured to within ten miles quire that the floor was shall be heatof the city from the north. An effort the most elegant and the most successful banquet that I have ever attended will be made to secure at once the rein connection with a bankers' conven- maining options required to complete accident."

> the right-of-way to this city. 'We certainly want to come back to Norfolk," said Harry A. Cheney, presi-

Harry Ward's Minstrels. Boise City News., March 15. "Harry dent of the Security bank of Creighton before leaving for home Tuesday. Ward with his Big White Minstrel terrific sufferings.

"The royal entertainment, the merits company ,was the attraction at the Columbia theatre last evening. Harry is an old timer in these parts, and bled, prepared to fight flame in the lowed. This bounty is not due in any ings has won us to Norfolk as a con- the town turned out to greet him in building, should it develop. It was vention city." Mr. Cheney was elect the same old way it has for the past at first thought, when the burning girl Give that "hurry job" to a classified more than \$100 bounty altogether for ed to the vice presidency of the asso- fifteen years. The company is com- rushed out upon the porch, that the posed of a strong cast, and many new building was in flame. a no dote and base and mand

for the Yankton & Southwestern, Was in Norfolk and Said He Had

William Poppe, Right of Way Agent Yankton informing relatives that Miss

folk friends regarding the matter.

Dr. Young, superintendent, said that the use of an alcohol lamp in heating the paraffine was contrary to the regulations of the hospital and to pursue this practice. "The hospied in hot water and not over an alcohol lamp, for fear of just such an

Patients Remain Calm.

It is said that patients in this ward remained calm in spite of the sight of the nurse burning to death and her

The home of Miss Lynch was at Yankton, S. D., and the remains will be taken back to that place. A brother-in-law will reach Norfolk tonight to accompany the remains home. Funeral services will be held at the hospital here. Word was immediately sent to

Lynch's recovery was doubtful. Queerly enough, news of the accident did not reach Norfolk itself until queries

began coming from Yankton to Nor-Had Been Warned Against Lamp.

Hose Company Out. The hospital hose company assem-

The following cases only are affected

1. Where additional bounty under

will receive about \$15,000 today, or night's session the censorship prom-\$114.50 each. Friday and Saturday ises to be lifted, The News having rethe Santee Indians will receive about ceived an invitation to be represented

The Third Congressional District's ment that the government is to make Architect Latenser is expected to meet