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INSANITY WILL BE CHARLTON'S DEFENSE

CONFESSED WIFE MURDERER IN JAIL SEEMS UNCONCERNED.

EXTRADITION WILL BE FOUGHT

CONSUMPTIVE AND OF UNSOUND MIND, FATHER SAYS.

FEARS MEETING HER BROTHER

ARRESTED WHEN HE STEPS FROM STEAMER IN NEW YORK.

CONFESSES MURDERING WIFE

AT FIRST DENIES IDENTITY, IS GIVEN "THIRD DEGREE."

TRIES TO SHOOT POLICE CHIEF

Porter Charlton, the American whose wife was found dead in a trunk in Lake Como, Italy, reaches New York on steamer Prinzess Irene.

New York, June 24.—Apparently unconcerned over his desperate plight, Porter Charlton, the young bank clerk, who stands the confessed murderer of his wife, the former Mrs. Mary Scott Castle at Lake Como, spent a restful night in his cell in the Hoboken jail, where he was lodged after his arrest on the North German Lloyd line pier yesterday and calmly awaited his arraignment in the recorder's court today.

Quits Talking of Himself.
Obedient to the advice of his attorney, R. Floyd Clark, the youth has stopped talking about himself and his affairs and it was only his anxious father, Judge Paul Charlton of Washington, who with careworn face was early on the scene, and to his legal advisers that Charlton had anything to say.

A Shower Bath in Jail.
His comfort during the night was materially increased by the kindness of the jail officers who, when the boy expressed a desire to take a bath, rigged an impromptu shower in his cell and permitted Charlton to indulge in an unwonted luxury, for prisoners are rather meagerly bathed in Hoboken lock-up.

Fears to Meet Wife's Brother.
A desire to avoid Captain Henry Harrison Scott, his wife's brother and the man whose vigilance and resourcefulness played such an important part in Charlton's chase, and aversion toward the attentions of newspaper photographers, were apparently still the youthful prisoner's main concern as the important proceedings of the day were awaited.

Hearing Postponed.
While much hinged on the attitude of the judicial officers in the New Jersey district where the capture was effected, it was understood before the arraignment today that when Charlton was brought into court an adjournment for twenty-four hours at least would be asked to enable a better preparation to be made for Charlton's defense.

To Take Him Back to Italy.
A rather imposing marshalling of forces on both sides was indicated. It was understood that former State Senator William J. Edwards had been retained to assist in Charlton's defense while on the other side were found Italian officials who were expected to ask Charlton's extradition to Italy to be tried for the murder of his wife.

Italian Officers on Hand.
Here from Washington to appear in the case was the Marquis Di Montalfari, charge de' affaires of the Italian embassy, who had with him the Italian vice-consul in New York, Gustavo Di Rosa.

Fight Extradition; "Insane."
It was expected that the opposition to Charlton's extradition would largely hinge on the young man's physical and mental condition.

"A consumptive whose actions point to an unsound mind," was the way the prisoner was characterized by his father.

Proof of such a condition of affairs, it was thought in some quarters, might even influence the Italian government to forego an extradition demand and it was considered certain in any event to weigh heavily with the action to be taken on any such demand by the Washington authorities.

Another Bath Under Dishpan.
Whatever nervousness Charlton might have felt over the ordeal of

his arraignment did not effect his early preparation for the day. After rising he took an early bath under the big dishpan that had been punched full of holes, hung from the ceiling of his cell and fitted out with a hose attachment. He emerged refreshed and cheerful in appearance and with a hearty appetite for his breakfast of eggs, coffee, rolls and cereal.

Reads All the Papers.
Then Charlton sent out for all the papers and read with evident eagerness every story of his own crime that he could get hold of. He was occupied thus until about noon, when the time for the conveying of court.

Meantime a big crowd gathered outside the city hall, where police headquarters, jail and courtroom are grouped together in a convenient jumble. A policeman at the door of the building kept the throngs back.

Insanity His Defense.
An indication of likely procedure was given by R. Floyd Clark, Charlton's counsel, who said that in the event that the Italian government moves for an extradition it would be two weeks before the papers can reach this country. In the meantime, Mr. Clark says an inquiry will be made into Charlton's insanity.

His Acts Point to Insanity?
Friends and relatives of Charlton reiterated today their conviction that while many circumstances of the crime pointed to irrationality on the young man's part, his actions after the commission of the murder, particularly in his flight to this country, and his attitude on his arrival, offered what they considered conclusive proof of his unsoundness.

Guard Him, Fearing Suicide.
Lest Charlton might make an attempt on his own life, a close guard was kept on him last night. Charlton's slumbers, however, were uninterrupted, the guard said, the youth hardly turning on his cot after the early hour when sleep claimed him.

Mr. Edwards arrived after 10 o'clock.

Mr. Edwards, addressing Recorder McGovern, said that he had just been called into the case and had not yet had time to make himself acquainted with its intricacies.

He thought an adjournment would be agreeable to all concerned and asked the court to carry the case over a few days.

Case Continued Till Tuesday.
Prosecutor Garven offered no objection and the court ordered the case adjourned until next Tuesday at 10 o'clock. The question of what disposition should be made of Charlton was discussed at some length, and it was finally decided to commit him to the county jail at Jersey City.

Arrested As He Steps From Steamer.
New York, June 23.—Porter Charlton, husband of Mrs. Mary Scott Castle Charlton, whose body was found stuffed into a trunk which was taken from Lake Como, Italy, recently, was arrested as he stepped from the steamship Prinzess Irene in Hoboken today.

Give Him "Third Degree."
Charlton at first denied his identity, but after being given the "third degree" he admitted that he was the husband of Mrs. Charlton.

Charlton made a signed statement to the Hoboken police.

Tries to Shoot Police Chief.
While he was being sweated under the "third degree" he became infuriated and drawing a revolver tried to shoot Chief of Police Hayes.

Confesses the Crime.
He was disarmed and a few minutes later confessed the crime.

Charlton's Signed Statement.
Within a half an hour after his arrest Charlton had signed the following statement:

"My wife and I lived happily together. She was the best woman in the world to me, but she had an ungovernable temper. So had I.

Wife Was in a Rage.
"We frequently quarreled over the most trivial affairs and her language to me was frequently so foul that I knew she did not know the meaning of it.

Quarreled On Fatal Night.
"The night I struck her she had been quarreling with me. She was in the worst temper I had ever seen her in. I told her if she did not cease I would leave her and put a stop to it. She stopped for a little while and started again.

Kills With a Mallet.
"I took a mallet which I had used to do household repairs and struck her three times. I thought she was dead. I put the body in a trunk in which I also threw the mallet.

Drags Trunk to Lake.
"About 12 o'clock that night I brought the trunk to my house and dragged it down to a small pier and threw it overboard. I left the following night and went to Como and from there to Genoa, where I took the steamer Irene three days later.

Murdered in Sleeping Room.
"The room where I killed her was an outdoor sleeping apartment.

(Signed) "Porter Charlton."

At the suggestion of an attorney whose service he secured, shortly after his arrival at the police station, Charlton added this postscript to his story:

AN INSURANCE FAKER CAUGHT

O. J. SCOTT OF SCRIBNER IS TAKEN AT NELIGH.

WRITING NORFOLK POLICIES

Man Wanted at Brunswick, Royal, Orchard and Other Towns in Northern Nebraska, is Arrested and Pleads Guilty to Two Counts—Is Jailed.

Neligh, Neb., June 24.—Special to The News: O. J. Scott, representing himself to be an insurance agent, was arrested yesterday afternoon on two counts filed by County Attorney Rice. The defendant pleaded guilty on both charges, was fined \$100 and costs, which he was unable to pay, and is now in the county jail in this city.

Scott had at one time been employed by the National Accident Insurance company of Lincoln, and had, it is reported, been discharged by the company a short time ago. He managed to have a good stock of blanks on hand and was doing business on his own hook and pocketing the money, which was later sent to his family at Scribner. He did remarkably well at Brunswick, Royal, Orchard and other towns up the line. Twenty policies were written by him in the town of Concord, Dixon county.

Writing Norfolk Policies.
H. W. Robbins, adjuster for the National company, had finally got on his trail and located the gentleman at Newport. Scott was caught in the act of writing a policy for the Elkhorn Valley Life and Accident company of Norfolk. According to the county attorney he had not been employed by these men as agent, and was doing business on the same scale as that of the National of Lincoln. He was brought to Neligh by Mr. Robbins and was soon arraigned on his complaint and that of W. M. Barr of Brunswick, and the above fine and costs soon followed. In all probability there will be many other counts filed, and his stay in jail will be of an indefinite period.

A want ad in yesterday's News, inserted by W. M. Barr of Brunswick, offering a reward for Scott's arrest.

BLIND MAN'S FALL FATAL

C. L. Craig, Formerly Station Agent at Royal, Neb., Is Dead.

Orchard, Neb., June 24.—Special to The News: Notice of the death of C. L. Craig at Struble, Ia., has been received by the local lodge of the A. O. U. W. of which the deceased was a member.

On June 16, Mr. Craig, who is totally blind, fell from an open window of a hotel in Struble to the sidewalk, a distance of about twenty feet, receiving internal injuries from the effects of which he died Tuesday, June 21.

Mr. Craig was for a number of years station agent at Royal, at which time his eyesight began to fail and he was finally compelled to leave the position and became totally blind.

At that time the general lodge of the A. O. U. W. raised funds to send him to New York, where he was under the care of eye specialists, but nothing could be done for him.

He leaves two daughters, his wife having died some years ago. He made a visit to friends in Orchard and Royal the week previous to the accident.

FOR KILLING WILLIAM KRUG

Reckless Omaha Auto Driver Held for Criminal Negligence.

Omaha, June 24.—From the testimony of nineteen witnesses a coroner's jury last evening found Al Schultz, driver of the automobile that rammed another and killed William Krug Tuesday, guilty of criminal negligence and recommended that the county hold him for prosecution.

Picnic for Dr. Tindall.

Niobrara, Neb., June 24.—Special to The News: The Niobrara Methodists held a picnic and fishing party on the island in honor of Rev. Dr. Tindall of Norfolk, who delivered an interesting lecture on Palestine in the evening in the Methodist church.

Sell Lots at Auction.

Gordon, Neb., June 24.—Special to The News: Allen Strong and Ray Lyon sold their holding of lots in the town of Clinton at auction. There were a large crowd of enthusiastic buyers. The thirty-six lots sold at from 9 to \$155 apiece.

Point for Oklahoma City.

Guthrie, Okla., June 24.—Holding that W. H. Coyle, the complainant, had no standing in court, Judge Ralph Cample dismissed on jurisdictional grounds the action brought to enjoin Governor Haskell and Secretary of State Cross from removing the capital of the state to Oklahoma City. The court did not pass directly in validity of enabling act.

Seventeen Passengers Hurt.

Carlville, Ill., June 24.—Seventeen persons were injured, several seriously, when the Chicago and Alton prairie state express train was wrecked a mile and a half north of Carlville at

3:25 p. m., due to spreading rails. Forty-five passengers were on the train.

KETCHEL-LANGFORD FIGHT OFF

Hester Washes Hands of It—Ketchel Has Been Dissipating.

Reno, June 24.—Promoter Hester confirms the announcement given out by Tom O'Day in San Francisco concerning the calling off of the Langford-Kitchel match. Hester said:

"I am in receipt of information that Ketchel has not been taking proper care of himself, and is not now and could not get into proper fighting shape. Rather than burden the people of Reno with a match of this sort, I have decided to wash my hands of the whole affair and call it off."

NORFOLK TAX IS INCREASED

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION RAISES NORFOLK 25 PERCENT.

SOME OTHER TOWNS INCREASED

The Assessor Brought in a Report Showing Norfolk's Assessed Valuation \$26,279 Less Than a Year Ago and the Board Boosts It.

Madison, Neb., June 25.—Special to The News: The board of equalization raised the assessment of the city of Norfolk 25 percent, the returns brought in by the assessor being \$26,279 less than the assessed valuation a year ago. Tilden will be raised 10 percent, Grove precinct 16 1/2 percent, Green Garden precinct 10 percent, the city of Madison, 16 1/2 percent, and Schoolcraft 25 percent. Fairview will be reduced 8 1/2 percent, Emerick 16 1/2 percent, Shell Creek 10 percent, Newman Grove village 16 1/2 percent, and Madison 5 percent. The other precincts of the county will remain as returned by the precinct assessors.

IT IS RAINING IN NORFOLK

After Forenoon of Heavy Clouds, a Downpour Begins at 11 a. m.

It began raining hard in Norfolk at 11 o'clock Friday morning.

The sun was shining in Omaha at 11 o'clock. There had been no rain there.

Great, heavy black clouds covered Norfolk at 11 o'clock Friday morning and the crack of lightning and roll of thunder promised welcome rain. Other parts of north Nebraska reported clouds with promise of thunderstorms.

Deadwood, June 24.—Crops today are much more hopeful. Since yesterday afternoon considerable rain has fallen in practically every part of the northwestern and western section of South Dakota and parts of Wyoming and Montana have had a soaking. Hay and potatoes are in the worst condition but small grains are improving. More rain is predicted for today.

TO OPEN MORE DAKOTA LAND

Senator Gamble Secures Passage of Cheyenne Bill.

Washington, June 24.—Special to The News: Senator Gamble secured passage of the bill opening to settlement surplus lands in the Cheyenne Indian reservation in South Dakota. This bill will throw open 1,210,000 acres and an appropriation of \$160,000 is made for schools in territory to be opened.

Senator Gamble also secured an amendment to the Indian omnibus bill to pay the Mission Farm company on the Rosebud Indian reservation and others for losses sustained by fire proved to have been caused by carelessness of Indian police. The fire occurred last September and the loss was \$8,000.

TAFT SAVES CANNON'S SEAT.

Insurgents Promise Not to Depose Venerable Speaker.

Washington, June 24.—"Uncle Joe" Cannon will be permitted to end this session as speaker of the house of representatives. The insurgents have sheathed their snickerers and will allow the venerable standpatter to depart in peace and seek the suffrage of his fellow citizens for re-election to an ordinary seat in the next congress.

President Taft is credited with having succeeded in calling off the insurgents from the plan, which has been under consideration off and on for several weeks, of ousting the speaker. The president doesn't want any more quarreling in the house this session. He wants to get all the bills on his program through, and the accomplishment of this demands the utmost peace and quiet in the legislative halls.

The president in the last few days has done a lot of conciliating among the insurgents, and it has transpired that there no longer is any thought of an overt move against the speaker.

Several insurgents, including Lindbergh of Minnesota, have gone home assured there will be nothing attempted in the evicting line.

LABOR UNION NOT EXEMPT

NOT PROTECTED FROM PROVISIONS OF ANTI-TRUST LAW.

TAFT PUTS UP ALL-DAY FIGHT

The President Finally Wins His Point Against Exempting Labor Unions From Prosecution Under Anti-Trust Law—Fought it as Class Legislation

Washington, June 24.—Labor organizations have lost their fight to gain exemption from prosecution under the anti-trust and interstate commerce laws.

Following a lively debate, and by a vote of 138 to 130, the house agreed to the senate action striking out a provision in the sundry civil bill that would have effected this immunity.

When the sundry civil bill was before the house that body tacked on an amendment by Mr. Hughes, New Jersey, a democrat, providing that no part of the appropriation for the enforcement of the anti-trust laws "shall be spent in the prosecution of any organization or individual for entering into any combination or agreement having in view the increasing of wages, shortening of hours or bettering the condition of labor, or for any act in the furtherance thereof not in itself unlawful."

The senate struck out the amendment. The house instructed its conferees to stand by that provision, and the senate conferees, resenting such an ironclad exemption, refused to consider the item.

Mr. Tawney of Minnesota, one of the house conferees, moved that the house recede from its position and concur with the senate's action. The motion stirred up a hornet's nest.

Taft Fought it as Class Legislation.
The action of the house of representatives in preceding from its labor amendment to the sundry civil bill marked the successful termination of an all-day fight by President Taft against what he termed class legislation of an improper sort and apparently relieved the last real obstacle in the way of an adjournment of congress within the next few days.

President Taft spent the day and bent every energy toward the defeat of the house amendment which proposed to exempt labor unions from operation of the Sherman anti-trust law. He threw his whole influence into the fight, sending for several scores of representatives and urged them to defeat the provision. Mr. Taft said that if it cast him the support of every laboring man in the country he would not approve such a provision of the law. "The laboring man, he believed, was only entitled to equality before the law and was entitled to no more."

T. R. KISSES OLD NURSE

She'll Live at His House—May Never Make Political Speech.

New York, June 24.—"I don't know that I shall ever make another political speech," said Theodore Roosevelt yesterday.

The colonel had just popped out of his office late in the afternoon, his collar wilted and his face red from the heat. He saw a group of interviewers, and stopped. They told him that his first political utterance was awaited with the greatest interest—and when, please, would he make it.

"I have no idea when I shall make a political speech," he replied. "I shall make no speech of any kind for two months, and my first speeches in Kansas City, Cheyenne, Milwaukee and Chicago will have nothing to do with politics. I do not know that I shall ever make another political speech."

"What? Never again?" someone asked.

"I didn't say never," he corrected, "I simply don't know."

But speeches or no speeches, conferences will continue. Gifford Pinchot and James R. Garfield, former secretary of the interior, went to Oyster Bay last night. Two or three of the rough riders were the colonel's guests at luncheon today. Mr. Roosevelt did not reach his office until 10:30 o'clock yesterday. The place was boiling all day long. Interviewers, photographers, old friends and people bent on every sort of mission besieged it.

After luncheon Colonel Roosevelt spent an hour at his editorial office, where he talked with Louis and Temple Abernathy, the boys who rode on horseback from Oklahoma to see him.

Then in an automobile for Oyster Bay, on the way to East river ferry, Colonel Roosevelt stopped at the home of Mrs. Bridget Flynn to visit her sister, Mrs. Mary Ledwith, who nursed his children during their infancy. Colonel Roosevelt kissed her and asked when she was coming to visit them. She will have a home with the family the rest of her days. She is 85 years old.

OLDFIELD AGAIN LOWERS MARK.

Makes Mile in Auto in 49 1/2 Seconds, Cutting Off 2 1/2.

St. Paul, June 24.—Barney Oldfield in his 200-horse power Benz again lowered the one-mile record for a circular track at the Twin City aviation meet. He drove the mile in 49 1/2

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours. Forecast for Nebraska.

Maximum 85
Minimum 65
Average 75
Barometer 29.88

Chicago, June 24.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows: Generally fair tonight and Saturday; cooler in west portion tonight.

seconds which is two-fifths of a second better than the record he made Wednesday afternoon and 1 1/2 seconds better than the time made by Ralph De Palma on the same track one year ago.

Glenn H. Curtis made a 15-minute exhibition flight in his aeroplane. J. C. Mars, in attempting a flight in a Curtis machine, ran into a fence and the machine was considerably damaged.

JEFF WON'T TALK TO JOHN L.

Sullivan is Turned Away From Jeffries' Camp Unceremoniously.

Reno, June 24.—Ex-champion John L. Sullivan was told by ex-champion J. J. Corbett that his presence was not desired at the camp of ex-champion James J. Jeffries.

"Why," asked Sullivan, as he stood at the gate that had been closed to bar him from Jeffries' cottage at Moana Springs.

"Because," replied Corbett, "you have knocked the big fight and called it a fake. Jeffries wants me to say that he will not shake hands with you."

"That's a mistake. I've been misquoted," protested the veteran John L. "I don't believe you were misquoted," calmly answered Corbett, and after a brief colloquy Sullivan moved away and returned to Reno, with his manager, Frank Ham.

The incident, which was witnessed by a number of Jeffries' trainers and newspaper men, created a profound sensation and tonight is the talk of the town.

The outcome is a matter of conjecture.

Speaking for Sullivan, Manager Ham declared that John L. refuses to regard Corbett as Jeffries' spokesman and that he will return to Moana Springs and make another effort to see Jeffries personally.

Speaking for Jeffries, who at the time of Sullivan's call was lounging in his cottage, Manager Sam Berger asserts that Corbett was fully empowered to speak for Jeffries and that if Sullivan makes another effort to seek him out, he will be accorded the same reception.

"Of course," said Berger, "as the public is given access to our camp Sullivan has as much right as anybody else to come and watch Jeff work, but Corbett quoted Jeffries correctly in telling Sullivan that he will have nothing to do with him."

Sullivan, in a statement to the Associated Press, said he was totally unprepared for the treatment given him and has no intention of forcing himself on Jeff if Jeffries does not care to receive him.

He declared there was no foundation for the belief of Jeffries' trainers that he had "roasted" Jeffries and had termed the coming fight a "frame-up."

SENSATION IN BRIBE TRIAL.

Witnesses in Lorimer Scandal Were Given School of Instruction.

Springfield, Ill., June 24.—Disclosures of a sensational character were made before the Sangamon county grand jury of the existence of a sort of "school of instruction" for witnesses who have been summoned by States Attorney Burke.

The activity of certain representatives of the accused legislators who have been watching for the issuance of the subpoenas and the arrival of witnesses caused a quiet investigation. It appears that the witnesses were coached as to what to say before the grand jury.

So positive is the evidence of such a plan to thwart justice that indictments were drawn against several persons.

NELIGH LIMITS EXTENDED.

Judge Welch Annexes Considerable Territory to the City.

Neligh, Neb., June 24.—Special to The News: An effort has been made for several months past by the city officials to take in additional territory and increase the limits of the town. This was accomplished yesterday when District Judge Welch decided that the city of Neligh was entitled to annex such lands and residences that heretofore have derived city benefits but were outside of the limits.

The territory taken in is twenty rods wide and three-quarters of a mile long on the north and west of town; the depot grounds and property south, extending east and taking in the park and all residences and lots both sides of the C. & N.W. railroad tracks. The portion of the Conger farm, the George Romig farm and the Roach & Anderson addition was left out. The parties that have been fighting the annexation were: C. J. Allison, M. O. Daxon, A. J. Anderson and Broder Ketelsen. Attorney Charles H. Kelly represented the city and J. F. Boyd, E. D. Kilbourn and O. A. Williams represented those not in favor of coming into the limits of the town.

The Worden Funeral.

Neligh, Neb., June 24.—Special to The News: The funeral services of Marvin Worden were held yesterday afternoon at the Methodist church, Rev. J. V. Hawk officiating, after which the remains were placed at rest in Laurel Hill cemetery. The deceased is survived by a mother, two sisters, one brother, a wife and three children.

TAFT IS PLEASED

ISSUES SIGNED STATEMENT REGARDING WORK OF CONGRESS.

PARTY PLEDGES ARE FULFILLED

REPUBLICAN PARTY HAS KEPT ITS ENTIRE CONTRACT.

AN UNUSUAL RECORD FOR YEAR

Heretofore It Has Been Customary to Fulfill Pledges of Party During Entire Term of President—This Time They're Finished in One Year.

Cincinnati, June 23.—In a signed statement in the Times-Star, President Taft is quoted today as follows:

"Washington, June 23.—"I am elated at the legislation which has been enacted by this congress. It has fulfilled the pledges of the party. It is a great satisfaction to me that we have accomplished so much. It has been the custom in the past to try to fulfill party pledges during the term of the president elected; we have secured what we set out to get during the first regular session of congress.

"We now have the best railroad regulation law we ever had. The provisions for the supervision of capitalization were omitted but that does not mean that they have been abandoned. Renewed efforts to enact them will be made at the next session.

"I think the party in power has enacted legislation which will inure greatly to its benefit. It has kept its contract.

"The congress which is now closing its first regular session has done what it promised the people to do, and the republican party has good record to take the people in the coming elections."

Building Bill to Conference.

Washington, June 23.—By unanimous consent the house today non-concurred with the senate amendments to the public building bill and the measure was sent to conference.

Rebels Occupy San Vicente.

Washington, June 23.—General Mena and his force of 1,500 men occupied San Vicente, a few miles from Acopya, yesterday, according to dispatches received this morning by Dr. Castillo, representative in Washington of the Estrada government of Nicaragua. General Mena was then advancing on Acopya. Only a few miles of comparatively country and the Tipitapa river now separate the insurgent army from the city of Granada, where the people are in sympathy with the insurgents.

This brings the insurgent army to the same point where it received a crushing defeat from the Madrid troops early in March.

BOYS GAVE ALARM.

Save Train Near Crowell From Going in Ditch.

Crowell, Neb., June 23.—Passenger train No. 1 was delayed half an hour Tuesday forenoon caused by bridge No. 46, one mile east of town being on fire. The blaze was first observed by George and Rudolph Steinhofel, two small boys, who ran for assistance to have the train stopped just in time to avoid a serious wreck. The bridge is not seriously damaged. The cause is unknown.

Bought Minnows of Maybury.

Neligh, Neb., June 23.—Special to The News: John Maybury sold two dozen minnows (as they run) to W. H. Compton yesterday afternoon. Mr. Compton is a musical director and has been instructing bands in music in different parts of the United States for a number of years. He is now visiting relatives at Tilden, and has been making weekly visits to Neligh instructing the concert band of this place. While in town yesterday he conceived the idea that the weather conditions were about proper to catch a good string of bass and crappies, and upon inquiry was informed that Maybury always had plenty of