DECLINE IN BANK BURGLARY

Modern Inventions Deprive the Cracksman of Paying Business.

HAULS NO LONGER POSSIBLE Many and Varied Operations of

Jimmy Hope, Master of the Craft, and a Crafty Cuss He

Modern inventions have crushed the professional bank burglar. The associations formed by the bankers for their mutual protection and the watchfulness of detective agencies have wiped out a profession which used to reap a lucrative income from the repositories of public funds. The absence of the glowing reports concerning the exploits of cracksmen has given rise to inquiries as to the cause of

Time was when the most successful of the broadest shoulders and the shortest arms. In the past a job of this sort was only atthat they weighed hundreds of pounds. Such has been the advance of science that lately these men have been able to work sione, with electricity as their assistant, and if they wish they may wear evening clothes, as there is no grime, oil or dust connected with the operation.

With every advance made by the burglar to work the destruction of the bank there have been added inventions for its protection, until now the profession, and so it was regarded by the most proficient of its members, has become so hazardous that not even the bravest care to risk their precious down upon such small fry, and would have struggle. nothing to do with them.

Out for Big Hauls. The "yeggman" is content with breaking

higher star than that. An instance of this was the great Manbattan bank robbery, which took place in 1875, in which almost \$3,000,000 worth of Sing for a term of years.

No such robbery had been attempted before that time, and none has since assumed such magnitude in the amount of property lost at one time. For years the robbery had been planned, and the perpetrators waited for a favorable opportunity to put their scheme into operation. From the confession of Patrick Shevelin the whole story of this remarkable robbery was

According to Shevelin, who was night watchman at the bank, he was approached men who had been schoolmates of his in his boyhood, and of whose subsequent areer he knew nothing. One of them was well known cracksman, nicknamed "Litile Tracy," and the other man was almost famous, bearing the sobriquet of the great chance that he had of making money easily, and also represented the small risk that there was to such pro-

beggarly salary he was receiving. sistance, but finally consented to a meeting, when he agreed to become a party to the crime. "Little Tracy" and the "Big Kid" started to organize the gang who were Tracy" and a man named Dollard, but after three or four months of meetings the gang bers being sent to jail for other crimes.

After the abortive attempt the matter languished for some time, but finally, Hope was brought into consultation with Shevelin, and they had several interviews in regard to the advisability of making attempt. Hope finally appeared satisfied and organized another gang to do

glar, and several times they were within an ace of making the break, but somehow they had always to give it up. Finally, after many meetings, the members became disheartened and decided that it was not

Hope, however, did not lose faith in the scheme, and some six months after the on Shevelin. This time he made arrangements to associate "the "Big Kid" and Johnny Dobbs with himself, and the trio

On the first available Sunday Hope vis ited the bank and examined the vaults. Then be gave Shevelin some wax to take being done he had a key made which, when tried, operated the lock quite easily.

The next Sunday he took Johnny Dobbe bination, threw the fore tumbler of the combination lock back, opened the door and entered the vaults. Here for a time they were in doubt just what to do, as there combination locks. Fifty minutes was all the time that could be allowed in which to do the job, and they concluded that it could

They came out and attempted to lock the vault. Somehow Dobbs dropped the screw and was able to force only three of the tumblers back, as he had lost the wire of the fourth. They at once realized that if the bank officials in the morning were not able to unlock the safe suspicion might be entertained that the lock had been tamered with, so they plugged up the hole wit putty and smeared it with dirt from the floor so as to make it appear that the nitely against him and he was allowed his

in the morning and tried to work thte compination they were unable to do so. A local do would budge the door an inch. Then an navy yard. For this crime he was sent to expert was regulationed, and he took the prison, but, with the good fortune that door off the hinges, discovering at the same afterward followed him, he escaped. ime the hole that had been drilled by Hope, but was unable to determine whether it bank in the interior of New York state and

The strange part of this proceeding was he very eyes of one of the men concerned companions, rented a house next to the in the attempted break. Hope had been First National bank and attempted to take apprehensive of what course the bank offials would pursue when they came across the result of his handiwork, so when the and Hope, with his companions, was arbank opened in the morning the "Big rested. They were sentenced to forty a \$100 bill changed. Under one pretext or

confederates then started a plan to make the break, but the prime mover, Mason, being arrested and sent to Sing Sing on another charge, brought the attempt to an

untimely end. Then matters rested quietly until Jimmy Hope was liberated from jail at Bangor, Me., when he hunted up Shevelin and instated on making the break at once. They met several times, and Hope said that he had the men together to do the trick, but it was fully six months after that before the robbery was consummated, as they desired to test Shevelin's reliability.

Preparing for a Job. One Sunday Jimmy Hope appeared, and after examining the vault, went across the street and was joined by another member of the gang who was waiting for him, and

the pair took the cars. Three weeks later. Saturday, October 26, the gang met on the corner of Mulberry and Bleecker streets. They were prepared to do the work, and had agreed to begin at 8 p. m., but Shevelin told them that it would be impossible which used to fill columns of the papers for them to start then, as another man would be on duty in the bank and that he did not come on until the morning. At the hour appointed the men gathered

and after leaving some of their number bank burglars were the men with the posted around the building to give warning entered the jaintor's rooms, and, at the point of a pistol, forced him to give up the tempted by a burly gang of thieves, half a keys of the bank and the combination key dozen of them at least, and armed with of the safe. They handcuffed the janitor implements so complicated and expensive and his wife, and, leaving one of their numher to look after them, the burglars entered the bank and opened the safe.

After effecting an entrance into the safe another problem presented itself for the cracksmen. In the center of the vault was a long open space where five or six men could stand single file. On either side of this space were compartments, which in reality were separate safes, with heavy fastenings, bolts, bars and combination locks. This, then, was the problem presented for the burgiars, or their previous

work would count for naught. With their well appointed kit of tools liberty in robbing safes. True, the "yegg- however, they succeeded in wrenching off man." as he has come to be called, has some of the doors and securing their conseemed to fill in the vacancy caused by the tents. But one compartment, in which was retirement of the professional burgiar, but kept \$50,000 in bonds, resisted all their efhis work is small compared with such mas- forts to pry it open, although the marks ters of the craft as Adam Worth and "Old around the frame of the door showed that Man" Jimmy Hope. These men looked they did not give up without a desperate

From the fact that the burglars were forced to leave their expensive tools in the into postoffices and taking what stamps and vault it was surmised that they had been small coin may be left in the safe, and disturbed in their operations and forced to with robbing isolated houses, but the true fiee before they had completed the gutartisan of this craft, when it was in its ting of the bank. As is was, they got prime, disdained anything short of \$50,000, away with cash and securities amounting and sometimes he hitched his kite to a to \$2,747,700.

About a week after the robbery the gang met and divided the cash, and to the uninitiated members it was explained that they would have to wait for an offer from the securities and cash was abstracted from bank for the securities before any further the vaults. "Old Man" Jimmy Hope was division could be made. This the bank resuspected of this crime, but nothing could fused to make, and a bill was introduced ever be proved against him, although his into congress providing for its relief by is son was convicted and sentenced to Sing suing duplicate government bonds. Notwithstanding the fact that the robbers organized a corruption fund, and claimed to be able to defeat the bill, it was passed five days afterward and signed by the

president on February 20. The New York legislature followed the lead of the national government and passed a law which relieved the bank of the state, county and city bonds and annulled the value of the originals.

The work of running down the criminals was an interesting piece of work, and while it shows with what care the criminals opthree years before the robbery by two erate, and how they plan for months and months, it also shows what patient waiting and untiring watchfulness can accomplish in the unraveling of these seeming mysteries.

The only ciue the police had to go upon as the tools left in the vault after th job was completed. Each man of the force had his theory of how the work was done and by whom. Early in the affair Capta'n Byrnes came to the conclusion that Jimmy ccedings, egging him on by pointing to the Hope was implicated in the case, and an exhaustive search was made for him, but

without results. Trucking the Crooks All this time Captain Byrnes had kept his eye on Shevelin, the night watchman of the bank, and it was soon found that he appeared to have plenty of money and was spending it quite freely. Investigation revealed the fact that before the robbery he had been pressed for money and could hardly eke out an existence on the salary he was receiving. Detectives were placed

on his track and his every movement was watched. Soon results became apparent. He was discovered one day talking with Billy Kelly, a well known criminal. Kelly was then watched, and it came to light that he had been seen standing on the corner opposite the bank the morning of the break, when he should have been at work, and that from the date of the robbery he had given up his job and apparently changed his whole course of life, having plenty of money and blossoming out into

a full blown sport. Having discovered, as he thought, a nection between the two men, Captain Byrnes approached Shevelin and accused him of the robbery. This Shevelin stoutly denied, but he was taken to the police sta tion and subjected to the third degree without avail. Finally the captain decided to surprise the secret out of his, and so your pals have played you for a sucker? Now, you possibly didn't get over \$20,000 out of that break, and they cleaned up

hundreds of thousands." Shevelin was so taken by surprise tha he blurted out: "So help me God, captain,

I didn't get but \$400," Then, realizing what he had said, he broke down and confessed the whole plot From that followed the arrest of Johnny Hope and Johnny Dobbs for complicity Kelly was also taken into custody, bu nothing that the captain could do would get him to talk, but on the strength of Shevelin's testimony he was convicted and sentenced to ten years in state's prison This so frightened the others implicated that they scattered to different parts of the country, and it was not until an attempt was ide to negotiate some of the stolen secur, les that more of the gang was Miss Mercer in the parior of the inn. "It caught. Coakley and Emerson were ar

rested in Philadelphia. All of the members of the gang received long terms in prison with the exception of the instigator of the plot, "Old Man" Jimmy Hope. Nothing could be proved defi-

tional as this, the greatest of his achievements. He first came into prominence in police annals at the time of the robbery of ocksmith was called, but nothing he could the paymaster's safe in the Philadelphia

Next he was arrested for the robbery of a sent to prison, but again did he escape. The scene of his operations was then changed fact that all of this was done under to Wilmington, Del., where he, with some prisoner the cashler and his whole family One servant escaped and gave the alarm,

All jails were apparently alike to another he managed to stay around the man, for he soon made his escape and was bank within sight and hearing until the next heard of in Deep River, Conn., where hank within sight and hearing until the have completed.

After this flasco the attempt was given the for the time being. Some of Hope's but taken to Dexter, Me., to see if he could assistance and proceeded on its voyage.

throw any light on the murder of Cashier Barron of that place. Aythough the crime had been committed while Hope was in prison, it was thought that he knew who

the fullty party or parties were. After the Manhattan bank robbery Hope went west. He got into prison in California for trying to break into the Sather banking house, where some \$500,000 was to be had. He served his term out there and when he got out was taken back to New York to finish an unexpired term. He came out broken in spirit and seemingly content to live on what he had left of the fortune that he had stolen.

There is a tradition that the American Bankers' association put him on a pension and that he respected the implied promise to cease from troubling.-Chicago Inter

JOLLY MAID A-FISHING GOES American Girl Casts a Line in Holland and Lands a Husband.

Miss Anfta Mercer of Worcester, Mass. will be married next month to Allen Carter Watson of New York as the result of her participation in the strangest lottery in the world-and, it is binted, rank bribery on the part of her husband-to-be.

She won her husband in the famous lot tery held at Maradidi, in Hungary, on "All Husbands' day"-January 19-when every bachelor in the village writes his name upon a card and casts it into a great tub on the village square, and every single woman in the village and for miles around approaches the tub with a long pole spiked at the end and fishes for a husband. She plunges this sarp-spiked noke into the bis bran tub, transfixes a card with it, and draws it forth in triumph; and thereafter the man whose name is upon the card is expected to be her sweetheart and to marry her-if neither has any objection.

It happened that on January 19, 1906, there was a party of American tourists composed of Miss Mercer, her aunt, Mrs. Clara Spence of Malden, Mass.: Mrs. George R. Burley of Malden and Miss Edna Burley who decided to run up to Maradidi and witness the strange ceremony.

By some peculiar twist of fate it happened that Allen C. Watson of New York. an artist possessed of wealth and most of the other good things of this life, also had decided to leave his studio in Budapest and run up to Maradidi for the express purpose of making a sketch, of the odd cerenony of fishing for husbands.

The morning of January 19 the party of women from Massachusetts observed a young, handsome, well dressed stranger at a table across the little breakfast room of private business. the picturesque inn, and, without seeming to be unduly observant, Watson saw a girl of rare beauty, tall, with light, wavy halr and lustrous blue eyes, abrim with fun and pleasurable excitement. There was no chance for them to meet, but, as it afterwards developed, they each knew in a moment that the other party came from the United States, and being in a far land, among foreigners, they felt a sort of kin-

Watson, much impressed by the winsome ness of one of the women of his country, went to the market square shortly before 11 o'clock and set up his apparatus, preparatory to sketching the girls as they fished for lovers in the big bran pail, that already was in position in the most prominent part of the market place.

While he was blocking out his sketch he observed his fellow Americans entering the square, fluttering with excitement and laughter in enjoyment of the strange scene They were near him, and as he bent over his work he could hear their laughter and catch scraps of their conversation. He vate business, if as good. If a young

Mercer accent the challenge The party stood watching the young mer casting their cards into the tub, and, being This may be claimed as one of the doubttold that the girls would not begin fishing until noon, they returned to the inn for

Watson, sketching away, suddenly became filled with an idea. In a moment he had with three or four of the young men, who laughed loudly, smote their thighs, laughed again, and then roared as he talked.

Then, evidently accepting his offers, they hid certain coins in their trousers' pockets and, still smiting their thighs and laughing, set to work.

An hour later the Massachusetts party almost deserted. Watson still was sketch ing away, but when the American women appeared on the scene ne arose from his seat, deliberately walked to the tub and cast a card into it, then returned to his

cousin. "You don't dare accept it." "I do," said Miss Mercer, and without oment's hesitation she walked forward borrowed a spiked rod from a blond beauty who laughed and wished her luck, ap-

proached the tub and speared at the bot The spike came up with a card transfixed and, almost breathless with excitement, Miss Mercer removed it from the barb and read: "Allen Carter Watson, New York." Much agitated, she hurried back to her relatives, and, after some resistance,

showed the card. In her agitation she did not notice, not did her relatives, that the tub was dragged behind a piliar and another dragged into its place, into which the maidens of the village were plunging their spears with anxiety, laughter and mirth.

An hour later, at the inn, Miss Mercel was approached by Watson. "I have come to claim my right to walk with you," he said, laughingly. "I cannot deny the right," she said. "I

took a chance and suppose I must pay the So they walked together through the vil lage and Miss Mercer wondered at the passed. Before they returned to the inn they were friends and Watson was intro-

duced to the others of the party and took dinner with them. "I have a confession to make," said Wat son suddenly that evening as he sat with is a confession and an apology. I bribed the men to help me and I filled the bottom of that tub with my cards-to make sure

would meet you." "I thought it was fate-at first," she said. I'm sorry you cheated; perhaps I would have speared you, even if you had not." But-after all, she forgave him; and be fore they parted in Budapest a week later they were engaged-and Miss Mercer bought her trousseau in Paris on the way home.

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POLITICS IS A POOR TRADE

A Fermer Mayor Says So, and He Has Had Much Experience. FEW ADVANTAGES FOR YOUNG MEN

Feeling of Insecurity About Public

Jobs and Chances of Advancement Not Good-Range of Government Salaries.

Carter H. Harrison held the office of mayor of Chicago for four terms, retiring a year ago. Looking back over his experience as general manager of the municigality and boss of the pie counter, he is convinced that politics is a poor business, offering little to tempt the ambitions of young men. His views, expressed in the Chicago Tribune, follow:

What are the principal advantages offered to the young mun in public service such service being either an appointive office or an elective one, but not in a clerical capacity? Political or public service appointments

sunly, if accompanied with a salary, are given to men who have interested themselves in practical politics, but rarely to young men. Such appointments may be for a term of from two to four years, or more. They give a man an opportunity for acunintance, which may or may not be valuable, depending upon the use to which he puts it. Some of these positions may give to a young man a comparatively easy "job" at a pretty good salary. If this is an advantage he has it. As an opportunity for ludging human nature many of these postions afford splendid opportunities.

Elective offices as a rule are not thrust now upon Cincinnatuses summoned from the plows. The average man elected to public service goes after \$t, horse, foot, and dragoons, and enlists all of his friends in his behalf. Elective or appointive office is, of course, sometimes a stepping stone to higher official positions. Men have gone from the office of constable to that of governor. Everything depends upon the man himself and there are no cook book recipes for success. Public service has ruined some men and advanced others. Courage, honesty, faithfulness to duty-in a word, character-will inevitably tell, whether with advantages or disadvantages.

Feeling of Insecurity About Job. Opportunities for promotion to young men in appointive public positions may result from good work, influence, caprice, or any other influence, the same as in a

What are the principal disadvantages

to the young man in public service?
The principal disadvantage to oung man in public service is the precarousness of his tenure of office. He must be ready to fold his tents like the Arab when a new administration steps in. Civil service has, of course, made political situations more stable of late years, but civil service is not omnipotent. The average man, holding a political position, feels when a new administration comes in that "the gobblins'll get him of he don't watch out." This feeling of insecurity is liable to have a disquieting effect upon his work. Then, too, whether appointed or elected, he must spend considerable money and time in assisting the political administration which placed him in power. He is bound to do this or be ungrateful. The result is that the man who honestly saves money in a political tob is a wonder.

Chances for Advancement Not Good. As for leisure, that word is a stranger to his vocabulary. The opportunities for advancement are not better than in priheard Miss Burley challenge Miss Mercer man is fond of seeing his name in the to fish for a husband and he heard Miss papers, he is liable to have that feeling ful advantages, appealing more to youth than to the congealed wisdom of middle

For the work done in public service, the criticism, the anxieties, responsibilities and even great triumphs achieved, the legitimate pecuniary results are the poorest in any line of business on earth. It is almost impossible to combine business and politics successfully. If politics interferes with a young man's business, the only way to be successful politically is for him to give up his business. At the same time politics is an exceedingly uncertain business.

Every Man Should He a Politician. It is the duty of every man, young an old, to take an interest in politics, outside of any question of preferment. The only way in which good government can be obtained is by citizens of all classes taking an active interest in seeing that good prin ciples and measures are upheld and honest officials elected to uphold those principles The fact that many reforms have been inaugurated and brought to a successful conclusion has been due, in great measure, to disinterested efforts of the good citizenship of the community, enlisted without any hope of pecuniary reward, but solely from patriotic motives. The man who merely votes a party ticket, right or wrong, is a poor specimen of an American. He owes it to himself, to his family, to his com- in August. munity and to his country to interest himself actively in practical politics, and to do everything in his power to improve the condition of things from a political stand-

A volume larger than a good sized book would be necessary to contain a complete schedule of the saiaries and wages paid to United States government officials and employes. A general table is presented, herewith. Unless otherwise stated, the figures given are the amounts received for a year of service:

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cretary of state, secretary of war, Assistant secretaries Secretaries of legations.... Chiefs of divisions, national

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NEWS FROM OMAHA SUBURBS

West Ambler.

Mrs. J. Higely has been quite ill the past week with a severe attack of malaria, Mrs. Lena Carlson Talbot was the quoet of her mother, Mrs. L. Carlson, this week. Miss Myrtle Blake is planning to attend the chautauqua at Glenwood, Is., the com-Mies Ruth Cunningham left on Friday to make the acquaintance of her new

Mrs. L. Darling, accompanied her friend, Mrs. Spoerre, on a drive to Forest Lawn on Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Olesen and little daughter have returned from their trip to Hastings, where she visited her father. Mrs. Mae Clayton and son, Victor, of Formosa, Kan., are the guests of their old Wisner friend, Mrs. J. E. Aughe. Aifred Oleson, Sydney Bonewits and Har-non Gourtz are the young men who have seen on the sick list this week.

Mr. I. Syas and family are entertaining their brother, William Todd, wife, son and daughter, from out in the state, this week. Milton, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gauts, has been under the doctor's care the last two weeks and is gaining strength daily.

Word has been received here of the marhere, to a lady at Arlington, Neb., where they will reside. Charles Henderson came down from Sioux

City Saturday evening to spend a short time with his parents and his sisters, Mrs. Pratt of Omaha and Mrs. M. Emory of New Mr. M. Faverty and sone, Allen and Albert, have purchased a 100-acre farm in Illinois this week, and the probability is that his son will go there in the spring and work ft.

and work it.

The bridge company has completed the new bridge on Forty-sixth and Frances streets over the big washout caused by the rains, thus giving the residents of West Ambier a good road out to Center.

J. E. Augne celebrated his seventieth birthday on Thursday, July 19, by taking dinner with his son Frank, supper with Mrs. A. Cavender and family and attending the ice cream social in South Omaha the evening. Mr. Ormsby remeved his family from Fifty-fifth and Center to Nineteenth and Sprague streets Monday, where he has work carpentering on the old exposition grounds. He rented his home here to Mr. Vander-

He rented his home here to Mr. Vander slice, foreman of the new Union Paciti Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Henderson attended services at the First Methodist Episcopal church Sunday and were the guests at dinner at their daughter, Mrs. Nelson Pratt, who was also entertaining her sister, Mrs. M. Emory and daughter, Miss attel, of New Jersey.

Ethel, of New Jersey.

The Ladles' Aid society met at the church on Thursday instead of at Mrs. Ormsby's, as was intended. They completed a quilt. A picnic tunch was served. Rev. Wilnam D. Stambaugh was guest of the day. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. Bonewitz, Forty-ninth and Pacific streets, August 2. Mesdames fienderson, Shandy and Bonewitz are the committee.

Mrs. Long and daughter, Miss Gertrude Roessig, Ruth and Roy Cunningham; Mr. and Mrs. Aughe and Mrs. A. Cavender and daughter, Miss Nettle, and granddaughter Florence, were of a party which attended the ice gream social at Lefler Memorial charch, South Omana, from here, Thursday evening, and report a fine time. Mrs. Aughe was on the program and recited two selections.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sorensen were visiting friends in Biair Tuesday afternoon. Miss Josephine Heilman went to Pacific Junction, is., iast Tuesday for a few days'

Miss Laura Turner of Omaha was here Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kimball of Omaha

Mrs. D. E. Smith of Benson, and a former of Florence, was here this week visiting friends.

Some damage the last week on account

of the continued wet weather was done to cats, as they are ready to cut and the rust getting in them. Haying is a couple of weeks behind on account of the same thing.

Mrs. Charles Befink of Jefferson, Ia., is here for a few days visiting her sister, hirs. W. H. Rose. and Mrs. James Wilson of Omaha spent Sunday here visiting Mrs. Lou Coic, arrs. Wilson's mother.

Miss Lulu Raymond of South Omaha is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs.

D. C. Lonergen of Spruce hill farm. Mrs. Jones and daughter of Bellevue Neb., were the guests of Mrs. J. H. Hol-lingsworth a couple of days this week. Miss Patterson of Omaha has taken the place of Miss Philia Vanepps as night op-erator in the Florence telephone exchange. Ars. W. C. Lewis and children of Chalco, Neb., spent Wednesuay and Toursday here issting Mrs. Lewis' sister, Mrs. W. K.

Mrs. George Francis and Miss King of South Omana spent Sunday here visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Mary

The Christian church gave a social at the city hall Thursday night. Ice cream and case were served. There was a good attendance. Bert E. Crouch has taken the place of P. H. Briggs as agent of the Omaha road at Florence. Mr. Briggs has been trans-terred eisewhere.

Miss Edna Morse of Fremont couple of days here this week, the guest of the family of B. H. Robinson, manager of the Nebraska Telephone exchange. The people of Florence precinct will call in a body Monday morning at is a. m. on the county commissioners for the purpose of getting their part of the permanent road

Mr. F. S. Tucker and daughter, Jessie

Air. F. S. Tucker and daughter, Jessie, were visiting friends in busir saturday, air. Tucker returned home saturday night. Miss Tucker returned home saturday night. Miss Tucker remained until Sunday evening before returning home.

air. Allison, formerly of Omaha, and who purchased a line site just west of Buff street on willet, has his residence nearly completed. This win sad another line residence to the city, which is getting a good many the present year.

Amanda Thompson of Sait Lake City. Utan, accompanied by a sister, whose home is at Nebtaska City, were the guests of Miss Frudence Tracy Tuesday. Amanda Thompson is a kindergarten teacher in the public schools of sait Lake City.

The Florence ferry has everything in

The Florence ferry has everything in shope now and is crossing people and teams every day who come to Florence and Omaha to transact their business and drive their stock to South Omana. Heretofore they had a long drive via Council Buil's. oClonel W. H. Marks and wife of Will-mington, N. D., spent a couple of days here this week visiting Colonel Mark's brother, Fred Marks and family. They were on their way home from Idano, where they had been looking after some land interests. Miss Sophia Grossman entertained a few of the women of the Saratoga Congrega-tional church from Omaha Wednesday even stmaster of first-class office.\$3.000 to 5,000 ing. On account of the rain and storm stmaster of accond-class but those who did greatly enjoyed the hos pitality of Mrs. Grossman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pyke are visiting their daughter in Indiana. Mr. William Pindell arrived during the week from Memphis, Tenn. S. R. Rush is at home again from fishing excursion in Wyoming. W. R. Lighton is making visit at Nine Bar ranch, Wy

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for London, where they will visit rela-The Dundee Sunday school picnic, which was to have been held on Thursday at Elimwood park, was postponed on account of the rain.

Mrs. Ida Willard of Galesburg, Ill., is topping at the home of Rev. Joseph J. Lampe until further arrangements are nade for the family. Mrs. Nelson A. Buck returned home on Vednesday from Tolcho, O., accompanied y her father, Mr. John Peters, and her sin, R. C. Peters.

A daughter was born on Tuesday to Captain and Mrs. Stone, who are making their home at present with Mrs. Stone's mother, Mrs. George A. Hongland. Mrs. Noah Perry entertained informally Friday afternoon for Mrs. Willard of Galesburg, Ill., and Mrs. Curtis of Dexter, Me., who is visiting Mrs. P. J. Barr. Mrs. P. J. Barr is entertaining her mother, Mrs. C. W. Curtis of Dexter, Me., and also her cousin, Miss Lucy Thurston of raylorsville, N. C., and her nleees, the Misses Sarah and Ada Viele of Salisbury, N. C.

Mrs. J. W. Marshall will leave this week for a visit to relatives in Philadelphia.

During her absence Mr. Marshall, with his daughter Ethel and son Leonard, will tour the lakes, and the Misses Elia and Alice Marshall will keep house at home.

Benson. Miss Lina Degan has returned from a visit in Imogene, Ia.

Mass will be said at St. Bernard's Cath-blic church at 9 o'clock today. Wulff Bros, are making extensive im-Miss Mattle McGuire has returned from visit with relatives in Central City,

Mrs. W. S. Wedge, who was seriously injured in a street car accident, is doing Swedish Lutheran services at the town hall today at 3 o'clock, Rev. Lindburg. H. F. Bone and family have gone to Den ver, where Mr. Hone will fill his new po ast Sunday all day, which attracted a large crowd. A number of the Benson women held a casant piculc at Elimwood park on Mrs. O. Engler of Plainvlew made a short risit at the home of her mother in Benson few days last week. Services will be held at the Methodist hurch today at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Suh-ay school at 10 a. m. Miss Lizzie Schling and her father went west last wock. Miss Schling will spend the ummer in South Dakota. Dr. A. V. Holmes has returned from

we weeks' outing in the pent some time on a ranch. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith entertained last week at luncheon at their home. Covers were laid for eight guests.

Baptist Sunday school will be held at the tent today at 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 by Rev. Mr. Foster of Omaha. Presbyterian services will be at the Odd Fellows' hall today at 3 o'clock by Rev. Hart Jenks of Omaha. Francis W. Baker died suddenly last week at his home. Funeral services were held in Omaha at the home of T. J. Baker.

Mrs. I. L. MacPherson entertained the Missionary society of the Immanual Baptist church of Omaha at her home last Friday. Mrs. Congdon entertained during the bast week Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Cunning-nam of Omaha and Mrs. Ely of St. Louis. The next regular business meeting of the Praternal Union of America lodge will be seld next Friday evening at the Odd Fel-Miss Sarah Bosworth arrived from

English Lutheran church services will e held at the Town hall today at \$ p. m. y Rev. J. A. Lowe of the Lutheran synod

Mrs. E. P. O'Connor delightfully enter-ained the B. L. S. club at her home last fhursday afternoon. The house was beau-ifully decorated with flowers. Mrs. Mary Butcher returned to her home n Missouri last Wednesday. She was ac-ompanied by her daughter, Mrss John No-le, and children, who will visit with her. Mrs. Frink had as guests last week Mrs. S. G. Huhter and Mrs. E. W. Wise of Atlantic, Is. Miss Margaret Frink accompanied them home, where she will visit. The annual picnic of the Methodist Sunday school will be held next Thursday at Hanscom park. Children and parents and friends meet at church at 2 o'clock. A special has been chartered, which will start from the church.

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Mrs. M. Sharkey were held last Sunday
at the home of Sidney Dillon. Messrs. J.
McGuire, Jerome Allen, C. Stiger, Adolph
Bleik, A. S. Somes and Lew Raber, all old
yetersons, were the pallbearers. Rev. Mr. veterans, were the pallbearers. Rev. A Leidy of Benson conducted the services.

ECHOES OF THE ANTEROOM

Ancient Order United Workmen. The degree team of North Omaha lodge to 159 reported that all arrangements had sen completed for the moonlight steam-The degree team of North Omaha lodge No. 129 reported that all arrangements had been completed for the moonlight steambout excircion next Thursday evening, to which all members and Degree of Honor members and their families and friends are invited. The boat leaves the foot of Douglast street at 8 p. m.

The central committee met Monday night and elected these officers: H. Hempen, fr. of No. 129, president; A. Jensen of No. 28, vice president; I. P. Hicks of No. 18, treasurer; Pred Mengedoht of No. 26, sentinel.

Arrangements were completed for a grand joint picnic of all the Ancient Order of United Workmen lodges in Omaha and vicinity to be held at Krug park Baturday, August 18. An interesting program of sports and amusements for the afternoon and a grand-prize competitive drill for the evening has been provided for. Grand Master Workman O. J. Van Dyke and Past Supreme Master J. G. Tate will be present and deliver addresses.

officers were Sarah Smith as great scout and Ella Jackman as deputy grand scout. William Gannon acted as chairman of the entertainment committee. The following officers were installed for the ensuing year: Pocabontas, Nellie Tinker; Winonah, Margaret Whiting; prophetess, Laura Van Ness; Powhatan, William Gannon; first scout, Sarah Johnson; second scout, Miss Langston; first runner, Mary Kellogg; second runner, Ella Jackman; suard of wigwam, Susie Flossinger; guard of forest, Belle Moel; warriors, Sisters Schneiderwind, Yarton and Nelson; deputy great scout, Sarah Smith.

Garfield circle No. 11 held a picule at Hanscom park Friday afternoon. Hanscom park Friday afternoon.

The regular meeting of the circle will be held Monday evening, when much important business is to be transacted, as well as the initiation of one or more members. Matters pertaining to the approaching national convention at Minneapolis will be discussed. All members are requested to be present. Fraternal Union of America.

Ladies of the Grand Army.

On Monday night, July 23, the officers of Mondamin lodge No. 111 will give a midsummer's night ball at the hall of the lodge, Seventeenth and Farnam streets, for members and their friends. Tribe of Ben Hur. Omaha court No. 110 at its last meeting made provision for a contingent fund for the benefit of its members. It is required that any member who desires to avail of

that any member who desires to avail of this fund will call on the scribe on or before the 25th of each month. The court is planning for a picnic, lawn social or excursion about August 16. State Manager C. F. Way was present at last Tuesday's meeting and made a re-port on the supreme meeting held in May.

NEWS FROM THE ARMY POSTS

FORT NIOBRARA. Neb., July 21.—(Special.)—Musician Nicholson of Company L. Twenty-fifth infantry, attempted to commit suicide on Monday. He shot himself through the left arm near the shoulder and is in a serious condition. Little hope is entertained for his recovery.

The baggage of the troops ordered to go to Texas has been partly hauled to Valentine and placed in the old Indian store house. Lieutenant Douglas Donald has been placed in charge of the building. For some unknown reason the troop trains have been delayed and it is thought that the trains bearing the troops will not leave here until Sunday. A great deal of the property that is to go to Texas still remains at the post until the freight cars

Arrive.

Nrs. Donald and children accompanied the lieutenant to Valentine. They will remain with Mrs. Donald's roother, Mrs. E. J. Davenport, while Lieutenant Donald is

J. Davenport, while Lieutmant Donald is at the Texas maneuver camp.

Captain M. J. Lenihan will report in Washington on August is for duty on the general staff. He is one of the most efficient officers of the regiment and is deserving of the good things that the War department thrusts upon him.

Major William B. Shockley of Kansas City and Colonel Thompson of Valentine have been selected by the secretary of war for caretakers of the reservation. They will take charge in a few weeks.

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Lieutenant and Mrs. R. P. Harbold are receiving congratulations upon the arrival on Saturday of a tweive-pound boy.
The officers who will go with the First battalion to Fort Brown, Tex., are: Major Penrose, in command; Lieutenant Chandier; Lieutenant Grier, quartermaster; Captain S. P. Lyon and Lieutenant W. W. West, with Company D; Captain E. A. Macklin, Lieutenants Higgins and Hay, with Company C, and Lieutenant G. C. Lawrason, with Company B. The officers who go to Fort McIntosh, Tex., with the Third battalion are: Captain J. P. O'Neil, in command; Lieutenant Bugber, adjutant; Eleutenant Bigth, quartermaster; Captain nant Blyth, quartermaster; Captain hilds and Lieutenant Clark, with Company Lieutenant Wiegenstein, with Company Lieutenant Denald, with Company M L; Lieutenant Denaid, with Company M; Lieutenant Bugber will have temporary command of Company K. Captain Powell and Lieutenant Harbold will remain with twenty enlisted men to abandon the post. Mrs. J. P. O'Nell, Mrs. Troup, her mother, and Miss Troup will accompany Captain O'Nell. Mrs. Porrose will go with Major Penrose. Mrs. Bugber will spend the summer in Kansass City and New York. Mrs. S. P. Lyon will join the troops at Kansas City. Mrs. Macklin will spend the summer in Michigan. Captain and Mrs. M. D. Cronin will go with the bands to Fort Bliss. Tex. Mrs. H. S. Grier will spend the summer at the coast near Fort Brown. Captain Lewis, recently transferred from the Eighteenth infantry, will join the troops Eighteenth infantry, will join the troops at Kansas City. Chaplain Steward will ga to Fort McIntosh with the Third battalion. The general court-martial tried two cases last week of assault with intent to kill. The sentences have not been published as yet.

Fort Riley.

FORT RILEY, Kan. July 21.—(Special.)—
Last Saturday a telegram was received from department headquarters directing that the field artillery at this post should be excused from participating in the 250-mile practice march. Previous instructions had been received excusing the Second cavairy squadron from going on the march and on Sunday morning the Ninth and Thirteenth cavairy squadrons left the post under command of Colonel Godfrey. They arrived at Elisworth yesterday and are in comp at Lincoln Center tonight. The column will return to Fort Riley on the afternoon of the 28th.

The Second cavairy squadron went into camp on Pawnee flats Monday morning, and in the absence of the other two squadrons the post is entirely garrisoned by arrillerymen for the first time in many years. Major Eli D. Hoyle, artillery corps, is in command of the post, with Pirst Lieutenant W. P. Moffet, Thirteenth cavairy acting as adjutant.

J. G. Harris, clerk in the office of the purchasing commissary at St. Louis, arrived here this week and entered upon his duties as a clerk in the office of the chief commissary of the maneuver division. He will remain until the conclusion of the maneuvers and will then return to St. Louis.

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Neb. are visiting their daughter, Mrs. W.
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