

PAINTING BERTHA IN LINCOLN

Woman Held for Shoplifting an Omaha Police Character.

GOVERNOR ALDRICH ENDS TRIP

Chief Executive Returns After a Speaking Tour Over State—Railway Commission Puts Over Capital Rate Case.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, May 19.—(Special.)—Mrs. J. Armstrong, who was arrested at the Landell hotel yesterday, on a charge of shop lifting and who attracted great attention on her way to the police station by screaming and crying loudly, was brought into police court this morning. She refused to give any of her past history and still manifests occasional hysterical moods.

The police are inclined to believe that they have the famous "Painting Bertha" Leebke in charge. A traveling man assisted in the identification.

Governor is Back.

Governor Aldrich has returned from a strenuous trip and speechmaking tour. He first went to Kearney and after remaining over night reviewed the parade of old soldiers at the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at 9 o'clock in the morning. There were 350 veterans and 1,500 children in the parade. Governor Aldrich reviewed the parade and delivered an address. At 11:35 he started to Gothenburg. A company of North Platte High school cadets camped near the city was visited by the governor and he delivered another address. In the evening the Gothenburg Commercial club gave him a reception and the governor again gave an address. Later in the evening he delivered a commencement address to the high school graduates. At this time more than 1,000 people were assembled. The governor was taken during the day to visit some of the farms near Gothenburg. He found the country settled mostly by Swedes and he is loud in his praise of their thrift and work as citizens. At the high school commencement most of the graduates were children of Swedish parents.

Trolley Rates Stand.

The State Railway commission today issued an order continuing the present rate of fare of the Lincoln Traction company in force until January, 1922, deferring final action on the request for an increased rate of fare and without holding that the present earnings are adequate. Chairman H. J. Winnett of the commission wrote the opinion. He holds that under ordinary circumstances a street railway company should be entitled to earn 3 per cent in excess of the customary and existing rates of interest on fixed interest bearing securities.

The opinion was given in the matter of a request of the Lincoln Traction company to increase its rates from six tickets for 25 cents to 5 cents straight. The company alleged that the present rate does not produce sufficient revenue to pay operating expenses, depreciation, fixed charges and a fair return upon the value of the property as fixed by the commission.

Remonstrators contended that the company should not be permitted to charge a higher rate, because the management had dealt unfairly with the people by making promises that were not fulfilled, by drawing salaries not earned, by building lines that were not needed, by employing men who fall below the standard in efficiency, by continuing to operate unprofitable lines, by threatening to discontinue or give less service on lines not paying expenses and by paying salaries to officers who are already fully compensated for their time by other organizations with which they are connected.

Gates Parker Arraigned.

The case against Gates Parker, charged with child desertion and failure to support, was heard yesterday afternoon by Justice Stevens. The complaint was signed by Mrs. Parker. The defense sought to show that Mr. and Mrs. Parker had settled their financial matters before they separated and with the understanding that the wife was to thereafter support the child. He is wanted in Omaha for passing a worthless check for over \$500. When arraigned on the child desertion charge he gave bail in the sum of \$500.

COMMENCEMENT AT FAIRBURY

Class of Forty-Four, Largest in History of the School, is Given Diploma.

FAIRBURY, Neb., May 19.—(Special.)—The annual commencement exercises of the Fairbury high school were held in the opera house Friday evening and the largest class that ever graduated from the Fairbury schools received diplomas. The class of 1921 comprised forty-four members and is the largest graduated since the commencement was first inaugurated in 1884. The junior class, 1920, occupied front seats in the balcony. Rev. I. F. Roach, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church of Lincoln, delivered the commencement address to the graduates. The opera house was crowded with friends and relatives of the graduates.

Following are the graduates who received diplomas:

Josephine Ingersoll, Sheldon C. Ayres, Charles A. Williams, Devo J. Hughes, Glenn H. Wells, Elizabeth L. Hirsch, Rachel Hauck, Ottilie S. Welch, Albe G. Harvey, Marcella A. Weaver, Ruth Howell, Edwards S. Goodrich, Reba True, Warren P. Friedman, Margaret M. Toomey, Vera Dugger, Albert Stutaves, Mer J. Shelley, Theodore L. Shaffer, Alphonse M. Crum, Russell D. Davis, John E. Collier, Dorothy K. Simpkins, Albert L. Cooper, Grace E. Schoonover, Delbert E. Cory, Lillian Russell, LeRoy W. Costello, Vera Rigdon, Celia A. Porter, Mollie M. O'Neal, Edith L. Cole, Anna E. Olson, Lois M. Clark, Louis Meyer, Meira H. Brown, Dick McLean, LeVera A. Bone, Wanda McCoy, Grace Lois Bee, Annie G. McCoy.

SALINE COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Margaret E. Burns and W. H. Kimberley Make Addresses.

DORCHESTER, Neb., May 19.—(Special.)—The Saline county Sunday school convention closed at Friend Wednesday night. Miss Margaret E. Burns gave her lecture on the work in the foreign fields Tuesday evening, after which W. H. Kimberley, state adult superintendent, of Lincoln, gave a very interesting illustrated stereoscopic lecture on "The Men of the Church—Their Service."

Wednesday afternoon officers were elected as follows: President, R. F. Farrar of Western; vice president, E. M. Owens of Friend; secretary and treasurer, Russell Freidell of Dorchester; superintendent of teachers' training department, Rev. Harley Swift of Dorchester; superintendent of elementary department, Miss Daisy Kaup of Western; superintendent of intermediate department, Mrs. W. H. Albright of DeWitt; superintendent of adult department, Rev. H. P. Young of Western; superintendent of home department, Mrs. L. B. Martin of Crote; superintendent of pastor department, Rev. F. H. Shults of Western; superintendent of missionary de-

partment, Rev. Joseph Tuma of Tobias, superintendent of temperance department, Mrs. Harriette Wade of Dorchester; superintendent of visitation department, Miss Grace Hooper of Crote. Russell Freidell, B. F. Farrar and J. S. Dick were appointed to attend the state convention at Grand Island in June.

William F. Stolley, Pioneer, is Dead

Man Who Did Much to Help Settle Western Nebraska Passes Away.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 19.—(Special.)—William F. Stolley, a pioneer resident of Hall county, well known to many of the older settlers in other portions of Nebraska, died last night at the age of 80 years. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at the farm home, his original "squatter's claim," as laid out in 1857.

Mr. Stolley assisted in the organization of the colony of Germans at Eversport, Ia., in the summer of 1857, which located Grand Island and placed stakes and unfurled the flag here on July 4 of that year. In the early years of the conquest of the wilderness he often played leading and important parts.

He often spoke interestingly of the difficulties that presented themselves in rather rapid succession in those early days, and especially of the trouble encountered in securing governmental aid after the grasshopper scourges. He undertook this work and was compelled to battle against the contention, in congress, that this section of Nebraska could never be made profitably inhabitable by the white man. He held in appreciative memory the help given him at the time by the late ex-Governor Crounse, and by General Ord.

He not only did battle with the contention of the time that nothing would grow in Nebraska, but optimistically claimed that everything would grow here and his life's work was, in a way, to demonstrate. His home claim now contains a park and orchards covering thirty-five acres and it is a veritable park, so pronounced a success in Nebraska forestry, in fact as to draw forth the compliments of ex-President Roosevelt when the latter, some years ago, on a horseback ride here, was taken through the grove. He leaves his widow, eight children and many grandchildren. He was a native of Germany, born in Schleswig-Holstein. A brother, at the age of 30, a resident of Texas, survives him, as does another brother in Germany. His sister in this city. He is believed to hold the record as school board director, having served forty consecutive years.

Nebraska News Notes.

BEATRICE.—J. B. Brown, a pioneer resident of Beatrice, died last evening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. F. L. Kincaid.

YORK.—Soliciting committees report that over \$2,000 has been subscribed by citizens toward building the \$10,000 gymnasium for York college.

BEATRICE.—John Nies of Beatrice and Miss Ida Nies of Blue Springs were married here yesterday by County Judge Walden.

FRANKLIN.—L. A. Sprout has sold his interest in the Franklin creamery at this place and will remove to Oregon, where he will engage in business.

CREIGHTON.—The Electric company is making preparations to give patrons here day service. The mill property is in condition and will be run by water power.

YORK.—Plans and specifications of the new Congregational church have been received. The plans show that the church will be one of the finest, most modern large church edifices in the state.

GRAND ISLAND.—The police department was today called upon to furnish a baggage car of the Union Pacific which had been used for the purpose of conveying a smallpox patient from Denver to Cheyenne.

FAIRFIELD.—Victor Elliott and Miss Anna Williams of Glenview were married here Thursday afternoon. Mr. Elliott is in the employ of the St. Joseph & Grand Island Railroad company at this place.

FREMONT.—Word was received here yesterday that G. W. B. Dorsey was quite ill at his home in Salt Lake City. He has lost the use of one limb and amputation may be necessary. He also has stomach trouble.

FULLERTON.—The juniors of the high school gave their annual banquet to the seniors in the parlors of the Presbyterian church. Plates were laid for sixty, which included the members of the high school faculty.

GIBSON.—The fine \$12,000 residence of R. F. Leonard, southwest of town, burned to the ground in the heavy wind Friday morning. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

CALLAWAY.—Mrs. L. Wilbourne passed away at her home southwest of Callaway after an illness of several years standing. Funeral services were held at the church in Callaway today and interment made in the Rose Hill cemetery.

ORD.—District court will convene May 24 for a two weeks' sitting. A number of important cases will be tried for consideration, particularly the Jenkins will case from Arcadia, in which a considerable sum of money is in controversy.

ORD.—The commencement exercises of the Ord high school will occur Thursday evening, May 25, at the Westworth opera house. Superintendent Jones will leave at once for Valentine, where he will have charge of the Junior State Normal school.

FREMONT.—A story and a half dwelling house on the farm of Nick Schreiber, about a quarter of a mile north of the city limits on Broad street, was almost totally destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. Loss, \$500, with no insurance.

YORK.—The funeral of the 1 year and 6 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Couch, living east of York, was held this morning. The little boy by accident got some strychnine and swallowed a large enough dose to produce death in a very short time.

FREMONT.—A local camp of Spanish War Veterans will soon be organized in Fremont. While this town sent a goodly number to the front in the Spanish war there are only about twenty men now in Fremont and vicinity who were in the service.

YORK.—Local postoffice officials and employees and the York Commercial club and business men have already started to make every arrangement for the entertainment of the Nebraska postmasters, who will hold their annual convention at York, beginning June 13 and lasting three days.

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Detailed Census of Nebraska Counties

The director of the census has announced the population of Dakota county, according to its minor civil divisions, as follows:

	1910	1900	1890
DAKOTA COUNTY	15,642	8,298	6,384
Corydon precinct, including South Sioux City	1,543	1,780	1,628
South Sioux City village	1,196	1,290	936
Dakota precinct, including Dakota village	821	1,046	1,077
Dakota City village	474	821	1,077
Emerson precinct, including part of Emerson village	792	664	424
Emerson village (part of)	189	129	...
Total for Emerson village in Emerson precinct, Dakota county, and Perry precinct, Thurston county	808	617	...
Hubbard precinct, including Hubbard village	150	90	...
Hubbard village	111	1,157	1,028
Omaha precinct, including Omaha village	1,111	1,157	1,028
Omaha village	287	341	...
Pigeon Creek precinct	498	358	368
St. John precinct, including Jackson village	290	329	308
St. Jackson village	239	299	...
Summit precinct	617	428	200

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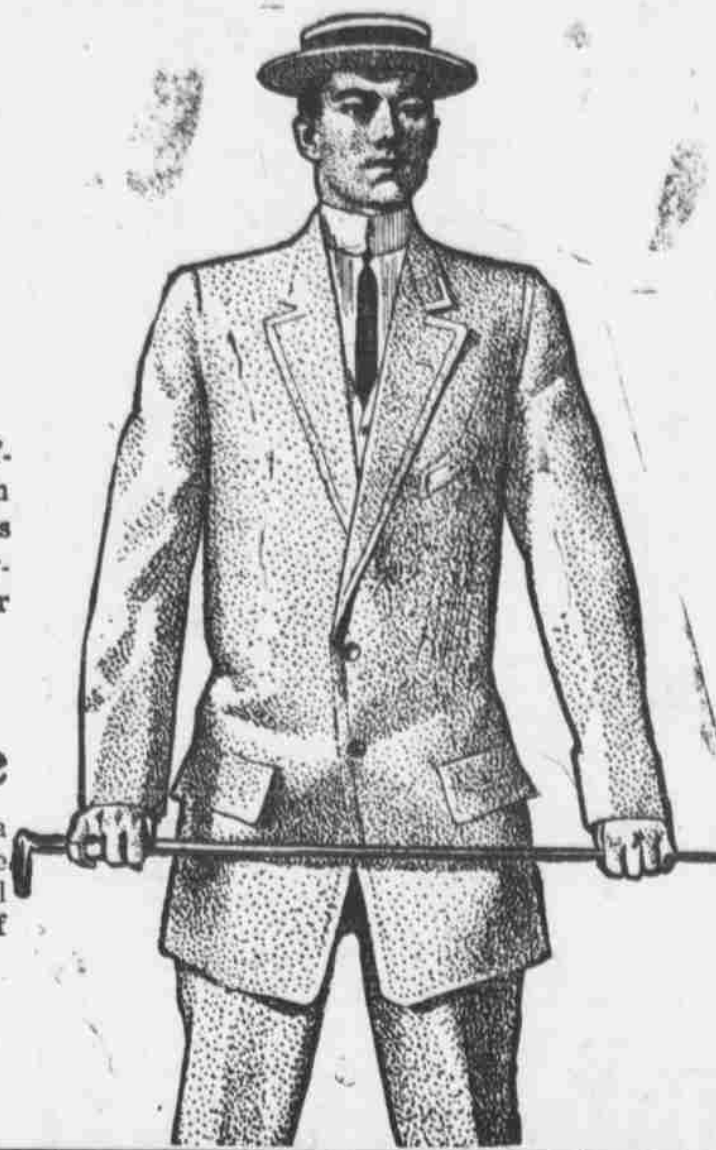
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NEGRO PAYS DEATH PENALTY

Johnson Swings for Brutal Crime Committed in Omaha.

GOES TO HIS DEATH BRAVELY

Felon Meets End with Same Indifference that Marked Behavior During Trial—Last Minutes with Minister.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, May 19.—Thomas Johnson today gave his life for the murder of Henry Frankland, committed in Omaha October 13, 1909. The trap fell at 2:15 this afternoon and the negro was pronounced dead at 2:27. Six minutes after the trap fell the negro's pulse was beating at 130 and two minutes later at only 125.

Johnson left the solitary cell at 2:08 accompanied on either side by two guards, John McNeal and Thomas Copely. He walked firmly across the prison yard, displaying no nervousness.

When he entered the gallows house he cast but a brief glance at the crowd and then mounted up without the assistance of either of the guards. To Ollie Jackson, a local colored Christian worker, he turned and, shaking hands, said, "Goodbye, meet me in heaven."

As his hat was taken off and the death cap was being fitted to his head he began muttering prayers, continuing so until the fall.

At about 1:30 or ten minutes before it had been arranged to hold the hanging Ollie Jackson, who had long been a friend of the condemned man, appeared and asked leave to see Johnson. He went into his cell and remained about twenty-five minutes talking, most of the time about the religious condition of the man. After coming out Jackson declared that his friend had appeared very calm and that he was not thinking of the event with any fear. "He evaded my question, however, when I asked if he had committed the crime, by saying that he had fixed all of that," said the colored preacher.

The negro ate a hearty dinner at 11:30 and enjoyed one of his usual smokes afterward. He spent most of the time during the morning singing and praying, occasionally stopping to ask his day watch if he thought it was going to rain.

More than 150 persons saw the hanging, including Sheriff Bratley of Douglas county, ex-Warden Smith and other visitors who had come at the invitation of Warden Delehanty.

Kills Man in Cold Blood.

The crime for which Johnson was convicted was committed October 13, A.D. Henry Frankland, the victim, was found diving under the viaduct near the Union station at Omaha with his throat cut. Frankland was a cook on his way from Belle Fourche, S. D., to his home in Chicago, where he expected to go into the teaming business. He was known to be a man of sober habits and particularly averse to negroes. This led his relatives and especially his stepson, F. A. Gilbert, who came to Omaha to take the body of the murdered man home for burial, to believe that Frankland was drugged before being robbed and assaulted.

A watch found in the possession of the negro and which was identified by Gilbert as his stepfather's timepiece was a strong chain of the evidence against the black man. Conflicting stories as to how he came to have the watch led Johnson into deep water at the trial and served to clinch several other points against him.

Several attempts were made to obtain a commutation or reprieve for the con-

demned man, but to no avail. Only recently Attorney Kaley of Omaha poured lengthy arguments into Governor Aldrich's ear in the hope of saving the man from the gallows, but the state's chief anxiety failed to act. In the opinion of the governor there was no new evidence unearthed and nothing to submit which would justify a stay of sentence or a new trial.

Second Term in Prison.
Johnson came to this state a little more than three years ago and not long after his arrival here was convicted of burglary

and sentenced to a short term in the penitentiary. It was only a short time after his release that he was captured by the police of Omaha and charged with the Frankland murder.

Johnson was about 41 years old. His business has been that of cook and waiter. He enlisted in the army during the Spanish-American war and served in the Ninth cavalry for two years. He was discharged in 1900. His last service before his arrest was that of a waiter in a Union Pacific dining car. His wife died several years ago, and he has a 9-year-old son, John-

son lost a portion of his foot in the service, and drew a pension for it.

AUTOMOBILE THROWS TIRE AND TURNS SOMERSAULT

Herman Krueger, While Speeding Near Lewis, La., Has Accident That May Be Fatal.

ATLANTIC, La., May 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Herman Krueger, residing near Lewis, while speeding on the White Pole road, lost a damaged tire on his car and

the machine turned a complete somersault. Krueger was so badly hurt that doctors declare he cannot recover. He is a single man, about 40 years old, and wealthy. This is the third car he has owned.

The Key to the Situation—Bee Want Ads.

Judge Charged with Embellishment.
TOLEDO, O., May 18.—Charged with embellishment of \$475 from the Ohio German Fire insurance company, Judge Michael Donnelly of the circuit court was placed on trial here today. Donnelly was once president of the company which is now defunct.

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