

By ROBERT J. HORTON. Life is just one celebration after mother these days.

First it was the flu ban lifted.

The Daily News with its exclusive report about the declaring of an celebration that the supply of many Chance bootleg dealers was speedily ex-

hauster

up in advance.

for his life.

Then for its late afternoon edi-

KAISER FLEES BERLIN

ion it could have run this:

Bill and Hank Wield Caustic TongueWhile Plying Brush

You've got to hand it to these vocalist-painters, Bill and They've got the proper idea about

day as well as on Thursday. work They combine art with their man-Nothing like the kind of "news"

ual labor. They mix metaphores and split infinitives with their paints; to pad circulation. they wield the caustic tongue while they ply the dabby brush. And they're never late to meals.

Promptly at eight-thirty, or thereabouts, they aare on the scaffold. paint pots handy, brushes poised, and then-

"I see where the republicans all got elected, Bill." "Sure they did. I knew they

armistice sent by "the president of tionists are shooting iron crosses () the United Press" and verified by out of cannons at the fleeing exthe Ouija board lost a chance to king of Prussia.

make some money. It would not have been necessary People who did not suspect that to state that the former kaiser had We had to celebrate that. Then, after a nerve wrecking campaign, the dare to perpetrate an outrage with caution would leave the way clear republicans were elected and we had a fake like that celebrated accord- for a night extra stating that he had to celebrate that. Next the Daily News declared peace and we were cases included a few healthy nips blown to atoms within two and a at a bottle of bootleg. There were so half miles of the Switzerland fron-

Chance for Winter.

A smart young reporter in the News office could have done some

Missed the Big Dough. splendid descriptive writing on this It thereby goes without saying feature. The speeding train-the that if the News had given the kaiser standing with the empress bootleggers 48 hours notice that it in his arms on the observation was going to declare peace the platform-the engineer straining bootleggers would have been glad every nerve-eight firemen (former to kick in with a wad of dough for the privilege of being able to stock dam) shoveling in the coal-the great columns of black smoke marching across the sky in the The trouble with the News "peace train's wake-the bursting shellsoffensive" was that the News got

cold feet after it started and quit. If it had kept right on with its United Press and Ouija board 'news" reports it could have sold all the blast! kinds of papers on Friday and Satur-

up its Ouija board and taken a difwhich the News printed Thursday ferent tack.

789 TRUCKS REQUIRED TO For instance on Friday it could HAUL FIRST INSTALLMENT

ALLIED BANKS.

And the American troops.

THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE

OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 10, 1918.

Bumble Bee Buzzings

DEMAND, Among the armistice terms should be a provision that Germany pay for lough, associate editor of The Bee, were forward-looking people when they gave him the middle name, Wilson. Managing Editor Sturgess the damage to the court house lawn. We Inquire.

Suppose the Germans do depose Suppose the Germans do depose the kaiser what is to prevent him from resuming his throne after peace? peace?

Of All Things!

OF PEACE Once we had a dream and we dreamed that President Wilson had done something that suited ex-President Roosevelt. Wasn't that a ridiculous dream?

Kissing in crowds of more than 12 people should be avoided. It may spread the "flu."

Victor Rosewater, editor-in-chief, hasn't any middle name at all.

WARNING!

Lou Loony Says-

Did you ever observe that, in go-

ing west, on Farnam street let us

say, after leaving Sixteenth street.

you come to Seventeenth and so on up; while in going east from Twen-

tieth street, for example, the succes-

sive streets reached are in exactly the reverse order. Curious, is it not?

Do You Belong? "The Euphemia Sodality of Beati-

tude" is the name rudely printed on a sign at 116 North Tenth street.

SHAME ON YOU GUYS!

those who laugh at the sign on the

Woman's War Work building, "This

WAR could not have been

We Propose a Toast.

Here's to the girl who sticks to her

home town position in spite of the

romance of a job in Washington,

A CRY OF DESPAIR.

We know there are girls as pretty

as those on the magazine covers

but we never saw a man as nifty-

looking as the men in the clothing

ads-speshly the colored ones. We

By Hugo Castberg.

go "over the top" every day and think nothing of it. Who are they?

The days before automobiles were

like a certain vegetable. Yes, those

What Are We Coming To? In the year 1890 there was not a single automobile accident in Oma-

ha. This year there have already

"It's An Ill Wind--'

Albert Tightwad of the South

Side says the "flu" closing order was

a good thing. He saved \$3.48, he

been scores of such accidents.

There are lots of Omaha men who

mean the colored ads, not men.

London or Paris.

Why, the barbers,

days were in the cab-age.

FOUGHT without the WOMEN.

We decline even to smile with

MIDDLE MONICKERS. The parents of Theodore McCul-

No! No! The new premier of Japan started his business life as a newspaper man. Not all newspaper men, however, become premiers.

What Are They?

OLIVING We read something about the winter styles in "cravats" and 'great coats" in a haberdasher's journal. Did you ever hear a man speak of his "cravat" or his "greatcoat?

> NORTH FROM FARNAM Farnam Douglas Dodged into the

Capitol building and sat on the Davenport. He had just traveled from Chicago to California. His friend, Webster Burt met him as he was Cuming. He had been Cald-well. In the Park-er-public square they met Grace, a Blond-o' drug store type. Er-Skin-e was clear and she looked

Spruce. They went out to the Lake. "Miami! Look at the Locust and Maple trees," cried Grace. "'Emmett! A Fowl-er a Burd-et-

te my Sprague fishbait," said Burt. "Not a single Sahler on the lake," said Grace.

"And I don't see any Jaynes, ex-cept Mary and Ida," said Douglas. A Gust swept through the Laurel and Reed but it wasn't a Whit-more violent than usual in Kansas and Nebraska.

They picked up a large Stone and Made a Firestone and roasted some Brown Saratoga chips. A passing Carter gave them a lift fater to the

You have to Grant that they had

By Frank Carey.

when he goes farming next spring.

will be imposed on any person This notice, written by some mute, inglorious humorist, appears over the files of old pa-

the window will weigh, when placed,

"More than 11 tons of glass were "Oh, it's six billion dollars that needed to complete the design and they raised! I thought it was six million," we heard a woman exclaim

America Ending the War,

Then they could have told how far the vast sum would reach if put into thousand dollar hills and

"Anyway, it's all true, only we and we made a new sort this week.

the reservation to Decatur, where their greatest renown and prosper-

they drank to excess, returning to ity during his chieftaincy. Of him their homes in a quarrelsome mood. it might have been written, "If any-

Arriving at the tent of his host, Neil body wants to know who is boss

Writes an English Woman

In a letter to her cousin, Mrs. J. J. Murphy, 507 North Forty-first street, Mrs. Mary Foley of Cheshire, England, a munition worker, pays high tribute to the Americans. This Englishwoman is an acetulence multicate the state of an acetylene welder, making the censor would not let it pass.

service of her country. Speaking of the Americans, she says: special job, they get me to do it. The bombs we make are 250 pounds,

Fort. a Grand time. Frank Carey is going to buy a cow that gives fresh buttermilk and

DOVE

HI COST

plant a whole carload of egg trees OFFICE HUMOR.

"A FINE, not to exceed \$10,-000, or IMPRISONMENT, not to exceed 20 years, or BOTH convicted of cutting these files."

pers in The Bee office. Total\$3.48

Mathematics Defied.

ceive the deposed ruler-and then with a machine gun in each hand. The News missed a chance there. On Saturday it could have shaken

Friday Possibilities.

have described the arrival of the returned peace envoys in Berlin. That OF GERMAN INDEMNITY TO would have been great stuff for the noon edition.

"All Germany Cheers as Peace Envoys Return-15,000 Dead."

"Sure they did. I knew they would. It was all a frameup letting the demycrats in in the first place." "Frameup! How did to give it more pep. That would have made a great added to give it more pep. That would have made a great into thousand dollar bills and stretched out, and how many times larger than the Washington monu-

the frontier in the near distance driving, to give it a human touch) with a few ex-barons standing with and Hindenburg in the back seat outstretched arms waiting to re- holding the pursuing rebels at bay

What a chance

Why, the News fell down something awful!

ALLIES HANG 300 U-BOAT COMMANDERS Row of Scaffolds 22 Miles Long Required for Wholesale

Also they had the submarine com-manders for material.

SIGN

THERE

Executions.

The people would have ate that

Frameup! How d'ye make that "The republicans put 'em in and now the republicans taken 'em out, that's all; what I mean."

"Why Bill, I never heard that.

How'd they put 'em in?" Business of laying the brushes on the paint pots and taking out the old black plug of chewing. "It's this way, Hank. Didn't the epublicans have that last national election won? Sure they did. It was a cinch fer Hughes and then when he was sure to be elected the word was passed around that war was a pipe. So they wired out to California, 'Lay offen him'-meaning Hughes-'Lay offen him. It looks like war and we don't want the blame for it' That's how they

got in; the republicans put 'em in. Now they're taking 'em out." Dab-dab-dab-splash! "But what are they taking 'em out

for, Bill?" "Can't depend upon 'em, that's what. They're too fresh. Look what they've done. Why the hull dministration is getting to be an advertising agency fer McAdoo.

If you take a trip anywhere on the train you see McAdoo's name on the timetable, you see it twice on the ticket and the conductor mentions t to you besides. It's on the signs in the vestibule-'Don't spit on the floor--McAdoo.' It's on the menus in the diner. Too much publicity, that's what's killing the demycrat

party; too much publicity.' "I guess there's something Bill. Maybe they is figuring on ning McAdoo for president." guess there's something in that Maybe they is figuring on run-

"Sure they are; sure they are. hat's just what they're figuring on ing and they're going to get left. e people is getting too much of his name sticks out at 'em ywhere they look. By 'lection they'll be sick and tired of Great man and all that, but much publicity. You know what

igger said? (o; what'd the nigger say?" caid he wasn't going to war. id they could'nt make HIM go to war. That was just after they set clocks ahead. But the other igger says, 'Lookye here, I guess t the president kin take a hour away from the Lord and give the railroads to his son-in-law, he kin make you go to war!' He went,

Business of deep thought regis-

"I got a nephew in the army, Bill," he finally confided. "That so, Hank? How does he

"Fine. Says it's great. You ghta see the big muscle in his right arm. Ain't got much muscle n his left, but you oughta see his right. SOME RIGHT!" Bill was mystified and showed it.

Hank?. Withered or something, in't it normal?" "Oh, it's normal, all right. But

ne in his right, ch?"

their guns, part time with one arm, part time with the other." "Well, it sounds funny to me, Hank; more muscle in right arm an in the left." "Sounded funny to me, too; so ist him why 'twas." What did he say?" "Said he got it saluting second itenants!

For the first afternoon edition it ment is would be if piled up in twenty-dollar gold pieces. could have sprung this: In the afternoon they could have

KAISER ABDICATES put it on a ship and for a rousing And in its United Press-Ouija night extra have sunk the vessel. Board account it could have decribed a tempestuous scene in the

TREASURE SHIP SUNK! Reichstag with the kaiser hurling

his crown into the midst of the would have made a striking extra scores trying to get at him with and would have sounded good called razors and everything and running by newsies in the residence section.

What About Hindy?

Also they had the Crown Prince and Hindenburg and all the rest Copenhagen, Nov. 8-(Via Quija back on. Board.)-Former Emperor Wil-

liam has fled with the empress and 1,800 trunks to Switzerland. The former kaiser is pursued by nine (9) divisions of his former troops. The great palace at Pots-

dam was wrecked by the explo-sion of a limberger bomb at 2:10 (German time) and the revolu-

They could have had Pershing crossing the Rhine just as Washington crossed the Delaware. They could have captured Metz as a minor detail with one crisp sentence. They could have put down the bolsheviki on Monday; made the sultan commit suicide on Tuesday; buried the kaiser, or what was left of him after that horrible blast, reremember ?--- on Wednesday; brought

him to life again on Thursday by printing that it wasn't the kaiser at all on that train but a dummy, and then they could have gone to it for of the military autocrats to fall a week hunting down and killing the real kaiser, who was somewhere in

hiding for his life.

war for us, the papers are full of welded round eight of the bodies President Wilson and say he has of the bombs. They stand higher would have been driven out of him. France, as our men were retreating 30 miles a day, leaving everything behind them. He says that they have done some good work and he

said such fine chaps. Everyone is

justice for what they are doing for us. I cannot speak too highly of them. They are surely ending the war for us the reason of the surely ending the war for us the reason of the surely ending the them are surely ending the they are surely ending the sample they got me to help and I any of its parts.

Germany in the hollow of his hand. than myself when finished, have God bless him, and good luck to four wings at one end. Should one him. I was talking to a soldier over drop on the kaiser he wouldn't from France and he said if the have any hair left for the soldiers Americans had not come in we to get a lock of when they reach

A Sporty Lion,

Blackbird was the first chief of the

A party of sportsmen had been out all cisco air flight will probably be over Omaha on his flight. He re-day big game hunting and as they rested made by Edward V. Gardner, ac- cently made a daylight flight from A party of sportsmen had been out all after their day's labors they spun yarns. back on. Why, just think of it! They could have hung the Crown Prince to the statue of Bismarck in Berlin; thrown Ludendorff into a deep, dark, smelly, dungeon; staged a wild automobile race for the Hol-land frontier with two of the kaiser's sons in the front seat (one

Neil had been settled by the ex- and the terror and detestation of grandson of Amelia Lockett, who change of presents, according to the others" is a quoted reference to this was a sister of Lucien Fontenelle. Indian custom. They drove from famous chief. The Omahas gained Mrs. Lockertt and Fontenelle were children of the Marquis du Fonte-nelle, who was secretary of war to King Louis XVI of France. Lucien Fontenelle was the first of his line to travel into this territory during the early days to trade with

was attacked by Tecumseh and around here, just start something." probably would have been killed if Blackbird was the first chief of the Susan had not poured hot grease Omahas to enter into treaty negothe Indians. He married a maiden from a pan over the back of her tiations with the government of of the Omahas and his children were: Logan, Tecumseh, Henry, Albert and Susan.

A few years after the death of Henry Fontenelle, DeMilt came west with a desire to find his relatives. Most of his life has been spent with the Indians, but he is a man of unusual intelligence. He has One day the Poncas started something and to their sorrow is an inveterate student of Shakelearned that Blackbird was boss. speare, having memorized many lines of the great bard. His travels Realizing defeat, the Ponca chief dispatched a herald, bearing the calumet, the pipe of peace. They did have taken him to the newspaper not write peace notes in those days. offices of New York, Chicago, St. Instead of accepting the pipe and Louis, New Orleans and Washingsmoking it to express a desire for ton, as printer and writer. During utes getting filled up with gas. Left the last 25 years he has lived 'n Cleveland at 1:12, clouds breaking

near or with the Fontenelles in De-Then the Ponca chief sent catur. touched the romantic nature of the

stern warrior, who established the Ponca maiden as his favorite wife.

Buried on Blackbird Hill. When Blackbird realized that the

end of his earthly journey was near, he requested his attendants to bury him on the hill which bears his name. The Omahas bore his body from the reservation to Decatur and with impressive ceremonies buried him astride of his favorite white horse. A description of that memas traveler and painter, dug into a quiver and tobacco pouch with a toric spot and found the skull of and many scalps he had taken from Blackbird. When he returned to his victims. He was in the full dress that the warrior might have sustenance in the happy hunting ground. he present site of Bellevue college.

Paul DeMilt Local Character.

over one ton," says the Chicago on the street car.

Air Mail Pilot Who May Fly Here Tells Experience

The first New York to San Fran- wrote that he expected to pass cording to information received by Chicago to New York. He de-

all that welcomed me in the sky, but my determination to eat supper in New York could not be bothered with weather conditions, so at 6:25 a. m. I was New York bound. Rain and clouds were so dense that I would lose sight of the ground at 400 feet of altitude. I headed across lower Lake Michigan directly for Gray, Ind., with a head wind of 22 miles an hour.

Flies Above Storm.

"From there I flew a compass course of 104 degrees which landed me at Bryan, Ohio, at 8:45. Took on 38 gallons gas and 9 quarts oil. Left Bryan at 9:26. Still raining, heavy haze and fog. Climbed to an altitude of 7,800 feet and flew a direct compass course of 92 degrees After flying for an hour and 30 written many verses, was author of After flying for an hour and 30 "The Story of an Old Town," and the story of an Old Town," and the story of an old Town." storm, I came down to get my bearings and was on the shore of Lake Erie, directly on my course. Landed at Cleveland at 11:16, Had lunch, took on gas and oil. We were delayed one hour and 54 min-

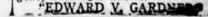
Another herald met the same Burt county and has made his home and clear weather ahead Arrives Over New York.

Left Lock Haven at 5:45, clear sky, and flew a compass course of 104 degrees over mountain ranges DeMilt's Sketch of Himself. A few weeks also DeMilt wrote the following sketch of himself: "My and beautiful levees. Flew two father was a member of the cele- hours, when dusk set in. Checking brated Pickwick club of New Or- myself on the map. I was directly

leans. This was the most famous over Jersey City, and Beltaont not club in the United States during more than 20 minutes on my way. By this time New York was the ante-bellum days; that is, the days before the civil war. Its mem- lighted up and a most wonderful bers were the pick of the northern sight. New York at my right and and the southern blue-blood. And I back, Belmont should be close, but would like to say that in those days all lights looked alike. By this time a man had to be a gentleman to it was 8 o'clock and pitch dark. My enjoy the society of a lady. My next thoughts were of Mineola Fly-

father was a paper and twine sales-man, with headquarters in New "I picked a field that looked clear man, with headquarters in New York City, his working territory the United States and his salary territory the condition of field, whether it plentiful supply, his flint and steel, \$10,000 per year, besides a com- was level or a stone quarry. I came n.ission and all expenses paid. down to a level with the tree tops "In the evening my father played Washington he placed the skull in of a chief, with eagle plumes and the guitar and sang to my mother started to level, when I felt a brother of the distinguished man the Smithsonian institute, where the banner of his rank. For years and the children. His voice was crash, my landing gear gone. Bobbed the Indians observed the custom of sweet and low. My mother was a on the ground with fusilage until placing food and drink at the grave, gifted singer, receiving her musical over on my back I went at 8:12 p. education in Paris. Her voice was m., with a record run of 7 hours strong, sweet and clear. She was and 46 minutes, flying time, the only Blackbird was succeeded by Big also a gifted musician. My moth-lk, who was buried on Elk hill, er's father was Judge Lockett, a Chicago to New York. But I can noted lawyer of New Orleans, and say it is an unpleasant place to be One of the residents of Decatur is Eugene Fontenelle, nephew of Chief Logan Fontenelle and son of state of Louisiana. My maternal grandmother was the daughter of experience, and every hangar and

the Marquis du Fontenelle of flying field in the United States One of the local characters is A. France. My father's mother and should be equipped with star rock-Paul DeMilt, who married his sec-





Vebraska towns having a wealth of glorious future, but that line did not lines of Decatur: istory, and yet it may in truth be materialize. When the first passtated that it is one of the least senger train steamed into Tekamah figured in the early history of Neknown hereabouts, probably because on August 30, 1876, Decatur might braska, and served to give force t is not on a railroad line.

Located in the northeast corner thrilled Burt county. The town has was one calling himself Stephen Def Burt county, nearly 60 miles upriver from Omaha, it continues to the last few years in connection nephew of the old original Commomove and have its being without with steamboat traffic being develrail transportation, although it has oped with the port of Omaha. Shiphad many rail lines on paper. The ments have been made between Desound of a locomotive whistle has catur and Omaha by boat and until never been heard in the town, but somebody feels inclined to give Dethat is another story. This town takes its place in Necatur a trunk rail line, water transportation and automobiles will sufbraska history chiefly on account fice. Forty odd years ago railroad of the burial place of Chief Black- officials went from Omaha to Debird, on Blackbird hill; also on ac- catur to importune the citizens to count of Commodore Stephen Decatur, an unique character of the and-west propagandists waged a trading post, and afterwards at early days, whose name the com- successful campaign against Deca- Bellevue. He could speak the lanmunity adopted more than 60 years tur being made a stub line station. ago.

Founded 63 Years Ago.

Decatur was established in 1855 by the Decatur Town and Ferry

tered by Hank.

like it?"

"What's the matter with his left,

ust normal, that's all." "Maybe he carried his gun all the

"No they use both arms to carry

Silence. Dab-dab-da-a-a "Whup! Hold on Hank.

They wanted a trunk line or nothing. They received the latter. Commodore Stephen Decatur. The name of Commodore Stephen company, among whose members Decatur stands out in bold relief in were Peter A. Sarpy, Ben R. Fol-Nebraska history. For a time he som, Stephen Decatur and W. B. Beck. During 1857 the Porter had charge of the Sarpy trading post house opened its doors as the first service over the body of Chief Logan Fontenelle of the Omahas. hostelry and in that year Peter Sarpy, C. Lambert, John Chase, Dr. His early meanderings in this coun-

Horner, Dr. McDougal and Brown try were attended by mystery, but & Co. announced their readiness to it was later determined that his traffic in merchandise or render their name was Stephen Decatur Bross, professional services. Sarpy already brother of Lieutenant Governor ad been identified with the business Bross of Illinois, who was proprietor life of Bellevue. The first birth recof the Chicago Tribune. Decatur ord was of Margueretta Decatur married the widow of Mr. Thomp-Wilson and the first deceased was son, who had been editor of "The ohn Gardner. Capt. S. T. Leaming Bugle," in Council Bluffs. During was the first mayor. Lambert was the summer of 1857 he took his wife associated with Kit Carson, famous and her three children to Decatu., where he settled on "Decatur's scout who guided the Fremont exoloring expedition. Claim," still known as "Decatur's

Could Have Had Railroad.

Springs." He went to Colorado during the gold rush in 1859, served This town could have had a railin the civil war, and then published oad if it would have accepted a "The Mirror," in Georgetown, Colo. stub line 42 years ago, from Teka-He served as commissioner from mah, but it has been waiting for an Colorado at the Centennial exposieast and west trunk line from Iowa tion, Philadelphia, where he was one and is willing to wait until it gets what it wants. Business is going of the striking characters, being followed by curious crowds wherever on as usual with steamboats on the Missouri and automobile lines be- he went. He lived many years tween Tekamah. Sixty years ago Stephen Decatur had a survey made for a railroad line at a time when in 1880, at the age of 80.

John A. MacMurphy wrote these

"Among the characters who have joined in the celebration which and piquancy to its frontiier days, been heard of more or less during catur, and as he claimed to be a dore Decatur, the title of 'commodore' was tacked to his name. As 'Commodore Decatur,' he cut a wide swath at times. He claimed to have come here from Jackson county, Missouri, and to have served in the Mexican war with Donovan's famous Missouri regiment, and I think this was true. About the first that was

known of him here, he was one vote for an extension, but the east- of Sarpy's employes at the old guages of the Omahas, Poncas, Pottawattamies and Sioux.

A story has been told, that while

Decatur was secluding himself in the Colorado mountains, Horace Greeley, Vice President Schuyler Colfax and William Bross, then head in Bellevue, where he read a burial continental journey, when Bross exing to locate a long-lost brother. Bross is said to have told his companions that he had traced the brother several times and that he catur has been recorded as not albut after that occasion the identity of Decatur was generally accepted as being Stephen Decatur Bross, from Illinois.

Decatur Saved Neil.

Decatur played a heroic role on the occasion of the fatal stabbing married Susan Fontenelle. Tecum- His tribal name was Washinga-sahseh and Susan were brother and ba and he has been referred to as a sister of Chief Logan Fontenelle. brave, skillful warrior who wielded Neil and his wife at the time were an uncanny influence over his peoliving on the half-breed reservation ple. It has been said of him that along the Nemaha river, and had he was invincible and diabolical, been invited to visit Tecumseh at credited with many exploits in bat-

brother. Neil then inflicted a fatal Spain. The first treaty between this wound on Tecumseh, was hurried to chief and the Spanish governor gen-Decatur by friends, and was fci- eral of Louisiana was signed at lowed by the enraged Omahas. Wise New Orleans May 12, 1796, the origheads persuaded the Indians to sus- inal document being in the possespend judgement until Decatur could sion of the Nebraska State Historbe summoned. The commodore ical society. saved the situation by promising the Indians that Neil would be taken to Omaha, delivered over to the Indian agent and tried according to the white man's law.

Decatur adjudicated many disputes among the Indians, his connection with Sarpy giving him added prestige. He had a dignfied personality, a short, commanding figure and flashing eyes deeply set beneath unusually long eyebrows. He

peace, Blackbird ordered the herald shot. fate. affected a picturesque manner of forth his beautiful daughter, ardress which harmonized with his rayed in bewitching garments. That Blackbird Hill.

physical characteristics. The chief point of historical interest near Decatur is Blackbird hill, a commanding prominence which offers a view of many miles along of the Chicago Tribune, were on a the river. Upon this hill, Blackbird, chief of the Omahas, watched pressed his intentions of endeavor- for the Spanish and French traders who came from the south in their boats laden with wares. He died in 1800, a victim of smallpox, and was buried on this hill, which has been

believed the brother was a hermit. The meeting between Bross and De-the nation. In 1832, Catlin, famed orable event relates that with the chief were buried his shield and together satisfactory to the former, gopher hill while visiting this his-

it found a permanent resting place. Audubon, in 1843, visited the hill and referred to it in his memoirs. Chief Blackbird is said to have of Tecumseh Fontenelle by his been the first Nebraska Indian brother-in-law, Louis Neil, who whose name is known to the whites.

Henry Fontenelle.