Omaha Couple Found Guilty of Selling Liquor

Fremont Jury Deliberates Seven Hours on Case-Attorneys Speak Frankly in Pleas.

Fremont, Neb., April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Ray Cooley and Birdie Cudona of Omaha were found guilty of possessing intoxicating liquor and bootlegging by a jury in district court here and fined \$200 each. A charge of transporting liquor was dropped and Cooley was given possession of his automobile. The jury deliberated seven hours.

Alleging that they are entirely in nocent of all booze charges, Ray Cooley and Birdie Cudona took the stand in their own behalf. Both de-fendants denied knowledge of liquor alleged to have been found in their room at a hotel here on the night of March 6 and assert that it had been left under the bed, probably by a former guest. They denied that they brought the booze from Omaha and that Birdie sold a quart to a detec-tive for \$15.

Their deliberate denial resulted in

a stormy and scathing attack upon the defendants by County Attorney J. C. Cook in his argument to the He stated that their claims were baseless. Despite the testimony of the several officers and the hotel clerk, given under oath, the Omahans insisted that they were nnocent of crime.

Attorney Frank Dolezal of Fre mont, in his argument for the de-fendants, accused the police force of "framing" on Cooley and working in league with the hotel clerk, who he stated, was probably the rightful owner of the nine quarts of liquor. Dolezal scored the hotel clerk and the plain-clothes man for their apparent attempts to double cross Cooley, after they had pretended friendship on the night in question.

The attorneys became so excited and so frank in their pleas to the jury, the court was forced to threaten clearance of the court room, the ight proving so amusing to the au-

In his charge to the jury, Judge Button instructed the jurors that the impropriety of Birdie Cudona's presence in the room with Cooley whose wife lives in Omaha, should not be considered in the verdict. The time taken by the jury is very un-usual for a prohibition case and the session was the longest ever held by any jury in Dodge county on a booze question.

announced a straight 10 per cent reduction, effective next year, on products in which steel is the principal raw material.

The reduction applies chiefly to harvesting machines and covers grain and rice binders, shockers, reapers and push machines, mowers, hay rakes, side delivery rakes, com-bination side rakes and tedders, loaders, corn binders and pickers, huskers and silo fillers. "The reduction on steel came after

our year's product had been provided for and will have no bearing on the cost of machines we sell this year,"

County Treasurer Faces Trial Monday affair.

Thedford, Neb., April 14.—Jurymen were notified today to be in the court house next Monday for service in the trial of J. L. Heilman, former county treasurer, who is charged with misappropriating county funds. After an alleged shortage in his accounts had been found, following the burning of the Thomas county court house, Mr. Heilman resigned and moved to

Wymore Chief of Police

Is Appointed by Mayor Wymore, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Mayor B. O. Youll went into action Monday night by appointing C. W. Lytle chief of police, withholding other appointments until he has received reports from the various departments of the city. Lester Cadman was elected presi-dent of the council. A canvass of the vote showed that moving pictures on Sunday were defeated by 73 votes instead of 36 as at first

Fire Department Names

Offcers at Nebraska City
Nebraska City, Neb., April 14—
(Special.)—At a meeting of the Nebraska City fire department the following officers were elected: Harry
H. Feldhauser, chief; Clark Dickson,
Section 1. Day Hill president: Open the logical Union in Many assistant chief; Dan Hill, president; F. A. Bartling, secretary; A. B. Wilson, treasurer. The name of the new chief will be presented at the next meeting of the city commissioners for confirmation.

High School Athletes to

Hold Meeting in McCook McCook, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—The high school track meet in McCook will be held May 5. About 20 towns will participate, with two to ten members from each high school. 'A banquet will follow the meet and prizes will be distributed. It is aimed to make this an annual

Labor Leaders in Capitol Washington. April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles J. Hall, a representative of the Nebraska railroad crafts and a member of the Central Labor union of Fremont, who is in Washington on labor matters, called upon Representative Evans.

Nebraskans in Washington Washington, April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Visitors to Washington include Mr. and Mrs. H. Waldrum of Hastings, and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Birdwell of Dalton, all of whom are on their way home from the inter poent in Florids

N. Y. Beauty Denies She Bride, 17. Rides Will Visit British Prince



Folly beauty, has denied, which she hopes is for the last time, the persistent rumor that she has been invited by the Prince of Wales to spend the summer at Buckingham palace. Miss Feldman, who met the prince when he visited this country last year, states there is absolutely no truth in the rumor.

Hitchcock Protests Against G. O. P. Rule To Raise Committees

Washington, April 14.-Loud and ociferous outcries were raised by the democrats against what they ermed as "steam roller tactics" of the republican majority on reorganzation of the senate committees. Senator Brandegee of Connecticut epublican, brought up a new rule adopted by the republicans in cau cus yesterday, increasing the size of the 10 major committees to 16 mem-bers, of which 10 are to be republicans and six democrats.

Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska desounced the rule "as an attempt to grab outrageous majorities" on all the committees. Senator McCumber of North Dakota, republican, pointed out that the present republican majority is nearly 2 to 1, while the This strip has been declared a state

Brother of Holdup Killed Is Charged

with highway robbery.

With his brother, Ray, 25, he attempted to rob the W. C. Mason drug store here last night.

Ray Fletcher was shot by the druggist and died a short time of a women's rest room.

ater in a hospital. Police announced the arrest today of William Pavey, an ex-convict, and Paul Slagel, taxi driver, who are charged with implication in the attempted robbery by young Fletcher. Both deny any knowledge of the

Box Butte County Gets

Permit to Raise Fair Fund Alliance, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Through the efforts of Secrepermission to Box Butte county commissioners to increase the annual budget in order that the county may have a fair this fall. When the budget was made up in January no provision was made for a fair. The local commissioners are expected to pass a resolution raising about \$800 through taxation for this purpose and this together with aid given by the state fund will enable the farmers to put on the exhibition as original-ly planned.

State Permits No Longer

Needed to Sell Alcohol State permits to sell alcohol will no longer be issued to druggists, since the passage of a bill by the legislature doing away with them. Loui Horne, secretary to Governor Mc-Kelvie, notified Clyde Sundblad, chief clerk in County Judge Craw-ford's office that in the future it will

Ornothological Union in May A joint meeting of the Nebraska Audubon society and the Nebraska Ornothological union will be held in Omaha May 13 and 14. A banquet will be held at the First Unitarian church May 13 and the following day will be field day, when parties will make up the annual bird lists for the government survey.

Important Detail Overlooked. C. A. Richards is alleged to have departed from Hordeville, Neb., a few weeks ago, overlooking the payment of his hotel bill. He was arrested at Sixteenth and Dodge streets Wednesday night by Deputy Sheriff Nick Halter.

been organized at Seneca, Kan., and the by-laws have been approved by the Kansas state banking department. The new institution is soon to open and a secretary is to be employed to look after the business.

Poultry Business Big

Drive for Hospital McCook, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—McCook and Red Willow

county will stage a concerted drive next Monday for funds for the pro-posed \$75,000 hospital at this place. Bishop Goes to New York. Bishop Ernest V. Shayler of the Episcopal diocese of Nebraska, left Omaha Wednesday night for New York. He will be absent from the

city several days. Japanese are making a paper chief- day thaat his condition is about the used for cigarets from seaweed. same as it was Wednesday

Train Bumpers to **Escape Husband**

Girl Tells Omaha Police She Was Married at Point Of Pistol in Wyo-

ming.

Because her husband of a month William Draper, 38, of Osage, Wyo. "didn't make a fuss" over her, Elsie Draper, 17, ran away to Omaha, Sh is now in the matron's ward at the police station, held for investigation. have to have some one to make' over me or I'm not happy," she pouted. "When he went to

town, he'd never take me with him, or if he sent me, he wouldn't com along-just let me go by myself. Aside from being remiss as an escort, her husband fed her on beans and rice every day, she complained. Couldn't Love Him.

"A young girl like me can't love an old man of 38, I only married him so I could get away from my mother, but I'd make a good wife for a young man; I'm a good cook and housekeeper," she volunteered. Elsie said she was forced to marry Draper at the point of a gun.

"My mother, Pearl Hudson and nan companion forced me to marry Draper so I could get him to deed ver his 640 acres of oil lease and life insurance to me. They said I could get rid of him.'s Disguised as Boy.

disguised as a boy, in order to make her getaway.

rode the bumpers from there to Edgement and climbed on the tender of No. 42 passenger train from there to Crawford. I barely escaped the yard officers when we reached there, but I managed to clude them and got to Chadron. A. T. Davis, Chadron welfare worker, wired the Travelers' Aid to

stop the girl here.
She relies on the mother of South Side youth to give her a home and help her find work, she said. David B. Wolfe, a prominent resident of Montevista, Colo., is her grandfather, the girl stated.

Saunders County Buys

Tractor to Build Roads Wahoo, Neb., April 14 .- (Special.)-Saunders county has purchased a new tractor and has ordered a new elevator road grader for work on the roads between Cedar Bluffs and Morse Bluffs. Will Cut Its Prices

New rule would be at the ratio of about 10 to 6.

A motion by Senator Brandegee to go into executive session to take to go into executive

Radolph Community Club

Plans Women's Rest Room Randolph, Neb., April 14.-(Spetorney Matson today filed a com-plaint charging Frank Fletcher, 18, ness and social meeting with over 200 members present. The club membership has been increased by drives from 75 to about 275. A large majority of the members are farmers. Action was taken for the promotion

Athletic contests provided the entertainment of the evening. The main bout, between Fritz Maschulet and Gus Swanson, was called a draw by the referee.

Saunders County Farmers

Stop Selling Wheat Crops Wahoo, Neb., April 14.—(Spe-ial.)—The sudden drop in the price of wheat has again stopped the movement of that commodity to market and once more the farmers tary Carey of the Chamber of are guessing as to the best course Commerce, the attorney general and to pursue. Many predict that wheat state tax commissioners have granted will go still lower, while others permission to Box Butte county feel that they can afford to take a chance on its increasing in value. About 35 cars of wheat left Saund-

Fairbury Girls Octet

Gives Concert in Beatrice Fairbury, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—The girls octet of the Fairbury High school, accompanied by their director, Mrs. Mable Wilcox Ewing, motored to Beatrice and gave a concert before the Beatrice Will recipro-High school. Beatrice will recipro-cate at a later date by sending to Fairbury one of their musical organizations which will give a concert or entertainment before the Fairbury student body.

Municipal Light Service

Urged in Beatrice Suburb Beatrice, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Peter Droullard of Glenover, a suburb of Beatrice, is circulating a petition to be presented to the city commissioners asking that electric-ity for that section of town be fur-nished by the municipal plant instead of the electric company. Citizens of that section of town hold that the rate of 12 cents charged by the company is too high and they want cheaper service.

Savings and Rural Credit Body Formed at Seneca

Pawnee City, Neb., April 14 .-Special.)-A new financial institution known as the Seneca Savings and Rural Credit association, has been organized at Seneca, Kan., and ment. The new institution is soon to open and a secretary is to be em-ployed to look after the business.

Industry in Saunders County

Wahoo, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—The Wahoo Produce company shipped 63,000 dozen eggs from Wahoo last year and 375,000 pounds of poultry. This required about 50 cars for eggs and 30 cars or poultry.

Judge Crawford III. County Judge Crawford is quite Il at his home with a severe cold. He has been confined to his bed

Norris Proposes Bill To Regulate Packers

Washington, April 14.—Chairman Norris of the senate agricultural committee, reintroduced his bill for general regulation of the meat packing industry. It is in the same form in which it passed the senate at the last session.

Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, resubmitted a bill penalizing by imprisonment and fines, law officers who prevent citizens from exercising constitutional rights.

Senator Keyes, republican, New Hampshire, proposed the creation of bureau of aeronautics in the Navy department as recommended by President Harding in his message yesterday and Senator Fletcher, democrat, introduced a measure to make farm loan banks eligible for federal reserve rediscount privi-

Officers Confer With Harding on **Highway Program**

Executives of Association Anxious to Learn Whether Congress Will Appropriate Further Funds.

Washington, April 14. - (Special Telegram.) - Members of the execu-Telegram.)—Members of the execu-the district court against her son in tive committee of the State Highway 1909. The granchildren allege that Elsie says she walked 20 miles tive committee of the State Highway 1909. The granchildren allege that from Newcastle to Clifton, Wyo., Officials' association, led by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and T action and it was agreed that a setroad-building program, which had an important part in the chief executive's message of Tuesday to conwill which

The road officials were anxious to ascertain the president's attitude with regard to authorization during the present session of congress o further funds under federal road aid act. Present appropriations are about exhausted or covered by contracts and a great need exists for authorization for surveys during the later part of the present year in order, that the building program may proceed intelligently in the spring of

The committeemen expressed themselves in hearty accord with the president's stipulation that federal funds are to be applied to state roads on condition that the state guarantees the upkeep. They declare that more than 30 states secure ample funds for maintenance from vehicle

Those present at the conference today were W. S. Kelly, president of the association, Alabama; George P. Coleman, Virginia; S. E. Bradt, Illinois; W. R. Neet, Georgia; W. D. Uhler, Pennsylvania; George E. Johnson, Nebraska; Paul D. Sargent, Maine; F. R. White, Iowa; W. C. Markham, Kansas, and R. J. Windrow, Texas.

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Omahans Deny Son's Right to

And Sent Her to Insane Asylum.

Fremont, Neb., April 14 .- (Special Telegram.)-Heirs of the \$12,000 estate of Mrs. Elizabath Helmerick of this city, who died in March, 1920, in the Norfolk insane asylum, are in Dodge county court wrangling over the rights to the property. Her son, August Meyer of Salt Lake City, who calls himself "Professor," because of his ability to shoot pool, claims the estate on a will made in 1907, which left most of the property

to him.
Four grandchildren of Omaha,
Esther Redmer Cline, Laura Redmer Peschek, Alma Redmer and Arthur Redmer, dispute Meyer's right to the estate with the allegations that Mrs. Helmerick was the victim of fraud practised by her son, in which he secured the property by handling her business and signing transactions in his own name. He made several purchases and received money from his mother at various times to take care of her property and in every in-stance, it is claimed, used his name on the papers, soon leaving the moth-Mrs. Helmerick brought action in

H. McDonald, chief of the bureau of good roads, called at the White plaint that placed his mother in the House today for a conference with insane asylum on charges of mental President Harding on the nation's deficiency, where she remained until ner death.

The Omahans produced another class of Minden High school, under

The Omahans produced another class of Minden High school, under will which gives the son only \$1,000 the direction of Miss Nelle Gingles (Special.)—T. R. Rice has installed and divides the remainder among the of Bethany, Neb.

four grandchildren. County Attor-ney J. C. Cook drew up that instru-ment in 1911, witnessed by himself and the paster of a local church. The case was appealed from county court and appeared in district court vester-Woman's Estate

And Sent Her to Insane

and appeared in district court yesterday. After the attorneys had presented their opening arguments and several witnesses had given testimony, something went wrong in the legal phrasing of some documents and the case was sent back to the county court for settlement.

The Omaha defendants will attend to prove that Mover founds.

tempt to prove that Meyer fraudulently secured his will by his over-powering influence on his mother, whose mind was in an unstable con-

Bird Sanctuary Planned

Geneva, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)

At the annual meeting of the Gefrom the nature study department of the ax murders, as shown in this case. He ruled that everything relating to

Plans for the project will include the murders, introduced at this trial, pird bathing fountains, nesting houses was immaterial and declared it mad and winter feeding stations. Boy no difference whether Jones and Mc scouts, camp fire girls and other or- Caul left Villisca the morning of the ganizations are to be enlisted to make murders at 7 or 6 or 5 o'clock. the plan a success.

Pawnee County Woodmen

Pawnee City, Neb., April 14.— (Special.)—H. H. Hawkins of Dubois has been selected delegate to the state camp of the Modern Woodmen of America. He was elected at the Pawnee county camp meeting

Minden School Play Minden, Neb., April 14 .- (Special.)—The three-act comedy, "Mrs. Briggs of the Poultry Yard," was

Judge Frees Man Held in Bluffs In Ax Slayings

Takes Villisca Murders Case From Jury and Orders Acquittal on Grounds of Insufficient Evidence.

Judge G. W. Cullison in district

court in Council Bluffs yesterday took the case of W. B. McCaul, on In Cemetery at Geneva trial for perjury in connection with evidence given by him to a Montgomery county grand jury in 1919 neva Cemetery association approval investigating the unsolved Villisca was given to the plan of making a ax murders; from the jury and or-"bird sanctuary" of the cemetery dered a directed verdict of acquittal. grounds by protecting and fostering Attorneys for McCaul requested a the bird life which abounds within directed verdict Wednesday. Judge the 58 acres of wooded and meadow Cullison ruled that no materiality was land. The action was taken at the shown in the evidence connecting request of a committee of women either Albert Jones or McCaul with

The state boldly claimed Wednes-day that Albert Jones was directly implicated in the murder of Joe Name Dubois Man Delegate were killed while asleep in his home

June 9, 1912.

Witnesses testified Jones conversed with Moore until interrupted by Mrs. Moore, saying it was 8 o'clock and time to go to church. Witnesses also testified Jones, knowing all the family had gone to church entered the house at 8:30. All this testimony was ordered stricken from the record by Judge

Auto Top Factory

Simplicity Planned By

Pawnee City Girl Graduates Pawnee City, Neb., April 14--(Special.)—The Nebraska State College of Agriculture has put out a circular condemning the extravagant dresses worn by high school girl graduates. The senior class of Paw-nee City High school have taken the matter up, through the sugges-tions offered in this pamphlet and are seeking a simple costume which will do away with the common competition in graduation dresses.

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