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NEBRASKA STATE  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Trenton, Nebraska,  
March 25, 1926.

*Carmony Art*

Mr. A. E. Sheldon,

Dear Sir:

I received your letter this A. M. and returning with a rough sketch of the valley and battlefield, for it must have been a battlefield or why the pits?

It is hard now to estimate the number of the pits as you will remember if you went over the ground as it is very sandy and some of them have been filled up by early homesteaders in order to cut hay over them, there is also a heavy growth of buck-brush there now.

Since I wrote the letter of the 19th to you I was talking to a Mr. W. O. Finck now of Trenton who as a cowboy rode over all of this country. Mr. Finck tells me that in 1873 he rode over these rifle pits and that they were not yet entirely grassed over. His recollection of the battle as he had heard it told was that a party of soldiers were enroute from Ft. Wallace, Kansas to Ft. Robinson Nebraska and were attacked and dug in and either defeated the Indians or were rescued by reinforcements from Ft. Mepherston.

I dug in one of the pits and unearthed what looked like a very broad rib but was informed that it was one of the large flat bones of a buffalo hump, it crumbled up when handled much. I will try and obtain some of the old shells that have been dug up and send them to you, they were all rim-fire large caliber supposedly for the old Spencer Carbine.

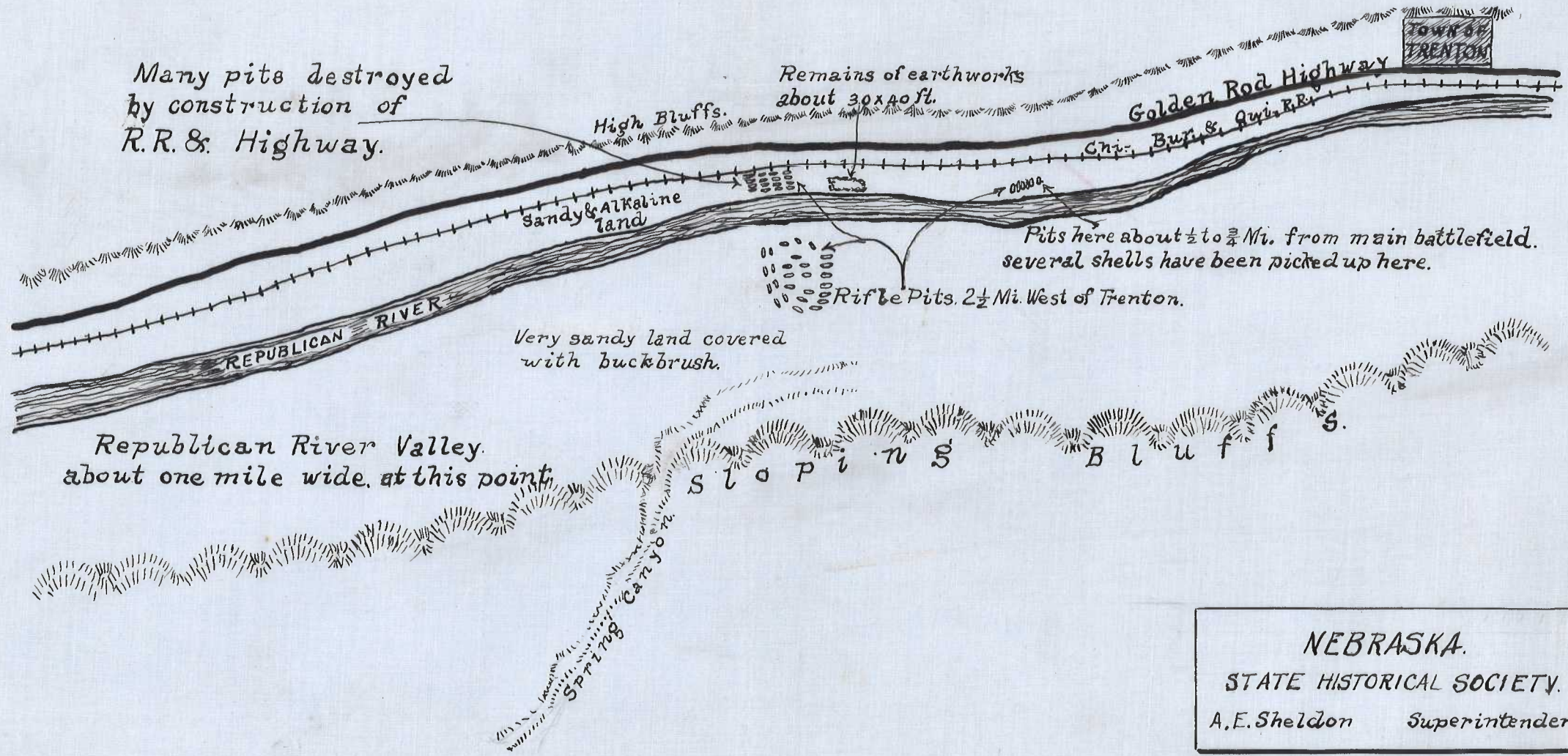
On the north side of the river there is an old embankment in the shape of a rectangle about 30 x 40 feet that is still very plain to see. I thought that this might possibly have been used for horses as the wall are still about 2½ feet high.

I would be very well pleased if you could find the exact date etc., of this battle, and in the meantime will try to find more about it myself. Will gladly answer any questions that you may wish to ask concerning this matter

Yours truly, Art Carmony.

# TRENTON BATTLEFIELD.

Sketch of Art Carmody.  
Reference - Letter of A.E. Sheldon Mar. 22, 1926.



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MAJOR MANIS MC GURRIN

QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR.

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Mr. Art Carmody,

Dear Sir:

The writer is an old Frontiersman, Buffalo Hunter Trapper, and Indian War Veteran, having served in the U.S. Cavalry from 1888 to 1906, during some of the Indian Campaigns conducted in the States of Montana, Wyoming, and the two Dakotas. I also had service in U.S. Army during Spanish-American War, Philippine Insurrection, Mexican Border trouble, and as Major of Cavalry in French Army in France during World's War, 1916-1919.

I was born in Montana in 1861, moved to Omaha, Nebraska in 1869, I had the pleasure of meeting personally a number of the early Frontiersmen of this period, amongst whom are Doc. W.F. Carver, Maj. Frank North, Capt. Luther R. North, Tom Rivington, Deadwood Dick (Richard W. Clarke, Diamond Dick (Richard J. Tanner) Bony Earnst, and a host of others of this type.

After the settled condition of the west I studied Law and practiced this profession for many years in Miles City, Montana. I have recently moved to Quincy, Illinois where I am doing Law work.

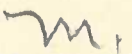
I have taken the notion to write up the Biographies of some of the most noted Frontiersmen, Buffalo Hunters, & Ets. with whom I came in contact with personally. I have a letter from Hon. Bayard H. Paine, Judge of the Supreme Court of Nebraska, whose office is at Lincoln, Nebraska.

The Judge informs me that you were very well acquainted with the late Doc. Carver and is able to give me some true facts pertaining to his life. Where was he born? What year? Where did he first Scout during Indian Wars? When did he arrive in Nebraska? Where did he first live in Nebraska? Where did he have his camp when Buffalo Hunting & Trapping? What year did he first establish his Camp? Name as many names of the men who were with him in Hunting & Trapping business. When did he first marry? What was his wife's maiden name? When was his daughter Senora born? When and where was Lenora his younger daughter born? Did he have any other children, if so please give me their names, boys or girls? Where and when and where did he die and where is he buried?

Now my dear sir I am very anxious to complete my biography on this my ideal Frontiersman, and I wish you would add any other information you can to your letter to me pertaining to the life of Doc. Carver.

I am inclosing stamp and self addressed envelope which you will please use for reply.

I sincerely thank you for an early letter ,

 Sincerely Yours

Maj. Manis McGurrin (Montana Mack, 22, Sterns Building, Quincy, Ill.

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

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QUINCY, ILLINOIS

*Send to Hunt*

Maj. Manis McGurrin  
Attorney, 22, Sterns Bldg.  
Quincy, Illinois.





*Ms file  
Carmody  
Sheldon  
Paune Scouts*

Trenton Nebr  
Feb. 17, 1934.

Mr. A. E. Sheldon  
Lincoln Nebr.

NEBRASKA STATE  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Dear Sir:

The enclosed clipping is self-explanatory and will give you an idea of what we are doing out here.

I have had some correspondence with Capt. Lute North related to the battle ground just west of Trenton, but he could give me no information.

The War Department records show that the Paune Scouts Co. A under Capt. C. E. Mose had a fight with hostile Indians on July 30, 1868 somewhere on the Republican River, and on July 30, '68 the Paune Scouts Co. B, commanded by Capt. Fred Matthews had a fight on the Republican - fighting Cheyennes, Sioux and Arapahoes. No official reports of these engagements have been located yet, and no further information is available at this time.

I shall appreciate any thing that you can find out about this fight, as the Southwestern Nebr. Historical Society wishes to mark this battle



site when more information has been secured.

Mr. W.D. Cline of Trenton, Mr. D.F. Peir-  
wanger of Cambridge and the author made  
a trip to Beaver City and Hollinger's place in  
search of the Buck Surveying Party Mound  
site - We located the spot where the  
wagons were buried, just  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile  
south of Hollinger's on the south bank of  
the Beaver Creek - Old settler told of  
ropes being tied to the trees - The Indian  
cut the lower base, and buried the  
wagons - Settlers used to go there  
to get bolts etc.

Capt. or Col. Buck was killed  
about four miles southeast of where the wagons  
were buried - most of the men, perhaps  
killed and were buried at some distance  
from the camp.

A family named Gowde found  
Buck's Cap and ball pistol (7 miles or so) -  
and his stumps were found also a thigh bone  
supposedly his were found in a plow  
the pit - (?) if true, probably crushed in  
the white wood lot, but not was  
devoured by walrus)



Mr. P. W. Wallace of Hastings who  
was raised near this place has been  
trying for several years to have the Govt  
erect a monument where Bucke's remains  
were found. -

The N. S. W. Rebr. Sectors Society  
plan to erect a marker where the wagons  
were buried, and, I suppose dozens of the men  
were killed.

I thoroughly enjoyed the last  
number of the magazine, particularly Capt  
Cook's article on Gallala - more power  
to his pen.

Very truly yours,  
Art Carmody

Trenton, Nebr.,  
February 17, 1934

NEBRASKA STATE  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Mr. A. E. Sheldon,  
Lincoln, Nebr.

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Mr. W. D. Otis of Trenton, Mr. D. F. Neiswanger of Cambridge and the author made a trip to Beaver City and Hollinger, Nebr., in search of the Buck surveying Party massacre site. We located the spot where the wagons <sup>were</sup> ~~was~~ burned just 1/4 mile south of Hollinger, on the south bank of Beaver Creek. Old settlers told of ropes being tied to the trees -- the Indians cut the horses loose and burned the wagons. Settlers used to go there



to get bolts, etc.

Captain or Colonel Buck was killed about four miles south-east of where the wagons were burned. Most of the men jumped on horses and were killed at some distance from the camp.

A family named Powde (Powder?) found Buck's cap and ball pistol ( 7 (some undecipherable word) on it) -- and his stirrups were found, also a thigh bone supposedly his were found in a plum thicket. (If true, probably crawled there while wounded, died, and was devoured by wolves.)

Mr. G. W. Wallace of Hastings, who was raised near this place, has been trying for several years to have the government erect a monument where Buck's remains were found.

The S. W. Nebr. Historical Society plans to erect a marker where the wagons were burned, and, I suppose, (und<sup>de</sup>cipherable) the men were killed.

I thoroughly enjoyed the last number of the magazine, particularly Captain Cook's article on Oglalla. More power to his pen.

Very truly yours,

Art Carmody.

Columbus  
Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> 1881

My

I am very much ashamed of  
or not answering your good letter long  
ago. It got mislaid and I just ran across it  
now. I was very sorry to hear of Jack Lynch's  
misfortune and surely hope that he will get all  
right again soon. I slipped on the Ice  
three or four years ago and broke three  
Ribs and my left arm so I know something  
about it. I will write him today. I don't  
know of anything that would give me more  
pleasure than a trip into the Medicine  
Country and if ever I should get there I  
would surely call on you people I will never  
forget the night I spent at your house and  
the kindness shown by your family  
I always hoped that your father & Mother  
would be able to return that visit and  
perhaps your Mother will yet be able to  
do so we would certainly be glad to  
see her. I am glad you liked the Magic of  
Traveling Bear you wonder what he  
would have said had I asked him how it  
was done I will tell you the story of another  
Indian one of their Priests or Medicine men  
who was the last one and very old I was at  
it once in Oklahoma and I said

if dont you teach som  
how to do there things.

once he was very feeble and  
was not good but the next morning  
in six boys about 18 or 20 year  
they were all his relatives and fairly well  
educated we went out in the woods near  
the house and he cut down a small tree  
or bush with his hand ax he then looked  
around until he found a flat stone  
perhaps a foot square and laid it on  
the ground. This sapling was about as big  
around as your arm and say five feet  
long he squatted down on his heels and took  
the sapling in his right hand and stood it  
upright on the stone he then began to pray  
to the great spirit this was his prayer  
Father you are the Creator & you can do  
everything my mind is poor have pity on  
me and do this thing for me he was ribbed  
for a moment when he got up took his  
hand away and the tree stood up we took  
hold of it and I pulled on it so hard that  
a small twig broke off and the tree bent  
but when I let go it straightened up again  
the old man then picked it up and handed  
it to one of his nephews and said to him  
now do as I did. Make your mind strong  
when you pray and you will be

Let go the tree will shake  
if did as he was told a  
Let go the tree fell down he  
in one of the six boys with  
result when the last one was  
there you he picked up his small tree and  
said you have no faith I can teach you  
nothing and he walked off to the house  
he wouldn't talk any farther than that  
and I believe died not long after and  
the Peewees have never been able to do  
magic since, there was about forty of  
these men the first time I saw them do  
those things they had a great celebration  
every year. Well I guess this will be all  
of that I don't pretend to understand  
it and never saw any one who could,  
give our love to your mother and I will  
be glad to hear from you any time  
you feel like writing

Sincerely

L H North

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J. D. WHITMORE  
GENERAL LIVE STOCK AGENT

1416 DODGE STREET  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

March 21, 1934.

File Z-P.

Mr. Art Carmody,  
Trenton, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 14th to Union Pacific Railroad Company has ben referred to me, and I have had the Custodian of the Union Pacific Museum make a thorough check of his records to see if he could develop the information you desire.

He developed that the Railroad was completed and the first Union Pacific train was out of Ogallala during April of 1868, and no doubt the first shipment of cattle moved out shortly thereafter, but I am unable to tell you the exact date which I regret very much.

It is possible that the State Historical Society at Lincoln would have some further data on this subject and would suggest that you write them also.

Yours very truly,

*J. D. Whitmore*  
General Live Stock Agent.

*DRH.*

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DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC

J. D. WHITMORE  
GENERAL LIVE STOCK AGENT

1416 DODGE STREET  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

March 23, 1934.

File Z-P.

Mr. Art Carmody,  
Trenton, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your letter of March 14th and my reply of March 21st in connection with first shipment of Texas cattle from Ogallala:

Have further developed that the cattle movement from the south to Ogallala began in 1869 and lasted until 1876 when some railroad farther south was built and took the business away.

In addition, have written Capt. Luther North of Columbus, Nebr. who was a captain of the Pawnee Scouts in and around Ogallala during the construction of the Union Pacific through that country and who no doubt will have some further information on the matter. As soon as reply is received from him, I will write you again.

Very truly yours,

*J. D. Whitmore*  
General Live Stock Agent.

*SRB*

C O P Y

Columbus, Nebraska,  
March 24, 1934.

Mr. J. D. Whitmore,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 23rd just received. I do not know when the first shipment of cattle was made from Ogallala. Your letter says the records show the road was finished and first train out from Ogallala April 1868. I think this should be 1867 as my company of Pawnee Scouts reached the end of the track April 1867 and the next morning a War Party of Sioux attacked a grading camp just west of where Ogallala is now and we got out after them and recaptured the mules they had stolen over near Ash Hollow. But this has nothing to do with your questions.

The railroad was finished as far west as Cheyenne in 1867. I don't remember of any cattle driven to Ogallala in the '60's, but they may have been. There was a herd of three thousand head that passed through just west of here (Columbus) in 1869 for the Spotted Tail Agency on the Missouri River but of course they were not shipped anywhere. We patrolled the line of the UP the years of 1867-1868-1869-1870, and I don't remember any shipments of Texas cattle in those years. The fall of 1870 my brother and myself with a company of our Scouts went on a buffalo hunt just across the river south of Ogallala. There was quite a number of U.P. employees with us - A Mr. Shanklin, Division Supt., Bill Woodruff, Conductor Con Groner, Engineer, and others whose names I have forgotten. The Valley south of the Platte was covered with Buffalo so there couldn't have been many cattle there at that time.

I would be glad to have you come to see me at any time and will give you any information I can,

Sincerely.

L. H. North.

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J. D. WHITMORE  
GENERAL LIVE STOCK AGENT

1416 DODGE STREET  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

March 27, 1934.

File Z-P.

Mr. Art Carmody,  
Trenton, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to my letter of March 23rd and previous correspondence in connection with shipments of Texas Cattle from Ogallala, Nebr:

Reply has been received from Capt. North, copy of which is attached, but it does not reveal any further definite information.

Our records indicate that 1868 is the date of operation of first train from Ogallala, instead of 1867 as mentioned by Mr. North. However, he no doubt refers to construction trains and not to trains carrying freight.

Yours truly,

*J. D. Whitmore*  
General Live Stock Agent.  
*SKB.*



RECRUITING PUBLICITY BUREAU, U. S. ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF BUREAU

IN REPLY REFER TO:

GOVERNORS ISLAND, N. Y.

April 26, 1934

Mr. Addison E. Sheldon  
Editor, NEBRASKA HISTORY MAGAZINE  
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Sir:

With reference to the next to the last item, page 206, in the Nebraska History Magazine of July-September 1933 (April 1934), the following information may be of some value to you.

I do not know whether or not you have access to copies of Francis B. Heitman's "Historical Register and Dictionary of the United States Army" (Washington, 1903), but if you have, turn to Page 433 in Volume Two. Listed under May 16, 1869, on that page, you will find the information that at Spring Creek, Nebraska, Troops A, B, F, H, I, L and M of the 5th U.S. Cavalry participated in action of some kind there.

Three days previously, on May 13th, the same troops were engaged "At Beaver Creek or Elephant Rock, Kansas". In view of the fact that your item says "The battle is said to have been between...5th Cavalry on the way from Fort Wallace to Fort McPherson" it is possible that this is the battle to which Mr. Carmody refers. Fort Wallace, Kansas, according to Page 554 of the same volume of Heitman's, was located on the South Fork of Smoky Hill River. Fort McPherson was originally established as Cantonment McKean, at Cottonwood Springs. It would seem that on a journey northward from Wallace, across the Beaver Creek and into Nebraska, that the 5th Cavalry may have passed west of Trenton--if Spring Creek lies in that vicinity, then the engagement of May 16th may have been the one in which Mr. Carmody is interested. However, the 5th Cavalry for quite a period was engaged in Indian warfare in Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado. I am enclosing a copy of our publication RECRUITING NEWS, which on page eight touches upon the matter in a history of the regiment.

I am sending a copy of this letter, and one of the same issue of Recruiting News, to the Southwestern Nebraska Historical Society. No-- I am not, I find that I do not have the address hence I will enclose additional copies which, I trust, you will forward to Mr. Carmody and the Society.

Trusting that this material may be of value, I am

Yours truly

Colin Kerr Cameron  
Associate Editor.

Columbus Neb  
May 6<sup>th</sup> 1934

Dear Mr Carmody

(in reply to yours of May 2<sup>nd</sup>) I will begin with my skirmish with the Cheyennes on Whittier Creek in Feb or perhaps March 1866 this was part of my Brothers first company of scouts and they were enlisted in the fall of 1864 and mustered into the service in Jan 1865 and my Brother (who was Capt. at that time) joined the campaign under Gen. P. E. Connor and went on the Powder River Campaign of 1865. on their return that fall he was sent to the Pawnee agency for the winter. in Feb or March of 1866 fifty of his company with Lieutenant Jimmy Merric in command was sent to Fort Kearney to join a campaign into the Republican River Country I asked my Brother to allow me to go along on this trip, I was not in the Govern-ment service at this time and went along just to have a hunt. when we got up the Republican River probably

2 Somewhere above Trenton the Officer  
in command sent word to Lieut. Merie  
to send a scouting party south to the  
Smoky Hill or Salomon River I  
told Merie I would go with them.  
I knew all these Pawnees but at that  
time I had no authority over them.  
I started with ten men and had gone  
about twenty miles when one of the  
Pawnees (a sergeant) pointed to a hill  
ahead of us and said over there is a  
good place to camp but before reaching  
the Hill a War party of more than one  
hundred Cheyennes come over it and  
charged us we turned and ran  
our horses were cornfed and in good  
condition and we knew the Indian  
horses were weak and thin at that  
time of the year so we were not much  
alarmed but when we got near Drift  
wood my horse slipped on some ice  
and fell pinning me under him I was  
knocked unconscious but the Pawnee  
Boys stopped and dismounted and  
as they were armed with Spencer  
Carbines they stopped the Cheyenne.  
When I regained consciousness one of  
the boys was rubbing snow in my

face three of the boys were wounded  
 three horses were dead and four  
 wounded but the Cheyennes were at a  
 respectful distance. I was helped on  
 my horse and we moved to the creek  
 which was dry where we crossed it  
 we got back to the Republican the next  
 morning and the command started  
 back to Fort Kearney. I don't remember  
 much about this trip as I rode in an  
 ambulance most of the way. The Pawnees  
 were mastered out soon after we got  
 back and the following winter 1867  
 my Brother Organized the Pawnee Battalion  
 four companies of 50 Pawnees and  
 two white men a capt & 1st Lieut. to  
 each company my Brother was  
 Major of the Battalion and I was  
 Capt of one of the companies in 1867  
 1868-1869-1870- I was not on the  
 Expedition in 1868 but my Brother  
 was and he with Capt R E Morris  
~~was~~ and seven Pawnees was surroun-  
 ded by a Band of Sioux, Cheyenne and  
 Arapahoes for about 5 hours their horses  
 were all killed. but Capt Fred Mathew  
 with a part of the same company  
 come to their relief first which

they were out of ammunition. this was on Muddy Creek. you probably know as much about the Buck surveying as I do. we had many skirmishes in the Republican River and its tributaries but I am afraid I can't go into them. I know almost nothing about the old Cattle Trails. I was with the Pawnee Tribe on their Buffalo Hunt in 1872 and in 1877 when we were mustered out of the service at Sidney Neb we took them home from there by way of Fort McPherson then down Medicine Creek to its mouth and on through Kansas to the Indian Territory. in the late seventies my Brother with Mr Alfred Samsonson of Omaha ~~we~~ wrote his life he (my Brother) died before it was published and my Older Brother J. E. North and myself bought the manuscript it has never been published but there is a typewritten copy of it in the State Historical Society at Lincoln several years ago there was a book written by Dr George Bird Grinnell called Two Great Scouts and the Pawnee Battalion

5 This Book was published by  
the aurther H Clark Co  
Cleveland

Ohio

I dont know that there is much of  
Historical Value in what I have  
written, but I have done the best I  
can. The Dr George Bird Grinnell  
mentioned accompanied me in  
1872 on the hunt with the Pawnees  
and we have met nearly every year  
~~since~~ since until 1929 since then  
he has been in poor health. I am  
pretty tired and will have to close  
Sincerely

L H North

Capt Pawnee Scout,  
1867-1877

After 5 days, return to

C. H. North

2918-13-10

COLUMBUS, NEBR.



Mr. Curt. Carmody  
Box 1245 Trenton  
Nebr

"The Recruiting News"

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New York City~~

RECRUITING PUBLICITY BUREAU, U. S. ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF BUREAU

IN REPLY REFER TO:

GOVERNORS ISLAND, N. Y.

May 15, 1934

Mr. Art Carmody  
Trenton, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Carmody:

Sorry that the Spring Creek fight doesn't fit into your picture--would have been quite pleased if our information had been of help to you.

In connection with the Heitman's Dictionary, it would be hard to say just where you might get a copy now. Titled the "Historical Register and Dictionary of the United States Army, from its Organization, September 29, 1789, to March 2, 1903, by Francis B. Heitman", the work was published in two volumes, by Act of Congress approved March 2, 1903, by the Government Printing Office at Washington (1903). You would probably get information concerning new copies by writing to the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D.C.

However, I would not be surprised if your Nebraska History Society has copies in its library. Any fair-sized Public Library should have it also, as it is a fairly authentic, although unofficial, work "purchased and published by direction of Congress".

It is quite valuable from the standpoint of military history, and contains lists of all officers, chiefs of bureaus and corps, killed and wounded, volunteer officers and militia during certain periods, general officers of the Confederate Army, lists of volunteer organizations, losses in battle during several wars, lists of wars, campaigns, battles, skirmishes, etc., lists of blockhouses, forts and reservations, national and state Homes for soldiers, cemeteries, and so on.

Incidentally, Mr. Carmody, your name strikes a familiar note in my memory--or at least it seems to. Haven't you done quite a little writing of various kinds?

Trusting that this information will help you, I am

Sincerely yours

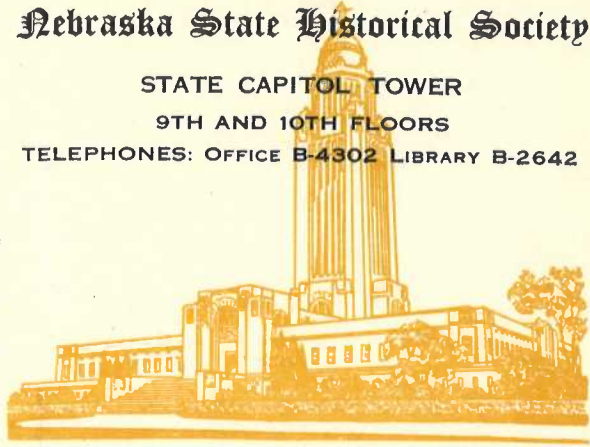
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May 24, 1934

Art Carmody,  
Trenton, Nebr.

Dear Mr. Carmody:

Answering your letter of May 24:

"A Nebraska Episode of the Wyoming Cattle War" is included in our Society publications -- Volume V, Second Series. My Life on the Range, by John Clay we have here in the office, as well as Historic Sketches of the Cattle Trade by Joseph G. McCoy, published in 1874 and reprinted by Rare Book Shop, Washington, D. C., 1932, and Osgood's The Day of the Cattleman, University of Minnesota Press. You probably have access to these out there.

Trail Drivers of Texas, by Hunter, Nashville, Tenn., 1925, we do not have but it is probably available through your library. They can usually borrow such books, if they will, from a larger library for you. Sometimes the Public Library Commission can loan you the more common books for the postage -- at a special rate of postage, too.

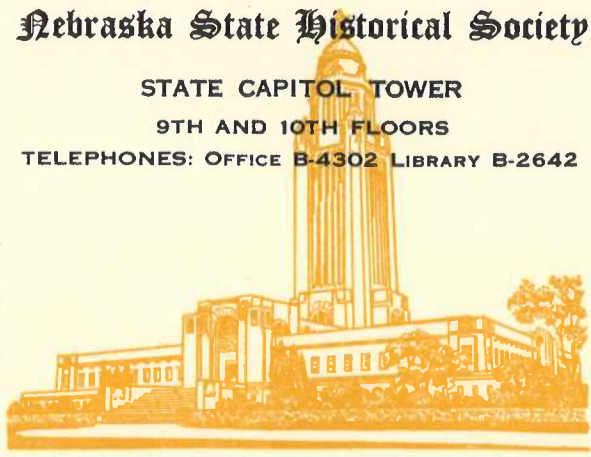
I suggest that you write to the Kansas Historical Society, Topeka. They can locate When Kansas Was Young for you.

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Mr. Art Carmody,  
Trenton, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Carmody:

Answering your request regarding two  
books, I send you this information:

MY LIFE ON THE RANGE by John Clay

was published by R. R. Donnelley & Sons, Lakeside Press,  
Chicago in 1924. Our copy does not show its price.

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May 29, 1934.

Mr. Art Carmody,  
Trenton, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of May 24th we wish to advise that we cannot supply you with a copy of McNeal: *WHEN KANSAS WAS YOUNG* as it is out of print and our stock is completely exhausted. You may be able to secure it from Theodore Schulte, 80 Fourth Ave., New York City, dealers in old and out of print books.

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Dr. A. E. Sheldon  
Lincoln, Nebr.

Dear Sir:

I visited Beecher's Island the other day and took a few snapshots which I am enclosing - legend is on the back of each. I am enclosing a picture of the monument taken before the flood of 1935. The shaft of the monument is missing, must have been buried in the quicksand as they haven't been able to find it. The shaft of the present monument is a wooden one and is set on a new concrete base.

Prior to the flood the channel ran on the north side of the island or rather what used to be an island for it had joined the mainland years ago. Now the main channel is south of the old island and the appearance of the latter is greatly changed.

I presume that later another shaft will be placed on the old base and the temporary wood monument removed.

The inscription on the base removed from the river gives the number of dead Indians as seventy-five. Indians' own story places their lost at nine ("Fighting Cheyenne" - G. B. Grinnell). Most of the accounts that I have read the number killed by Forsyth scouts varies from twenty-five to fifty or sixty. Everett Dick's late book sets the number at 7-8 hundred - more Indians than there were in the battle.

The grave markers were of course washed away and buried in the sands - for I saw none of them on the bank. The Indians returned to the scene of the battle and removed most of the bodies after the fight was over.

Lieut. Joinson reported that he visited the scene of the battle in Dec. '68 and found the body of one of the scouts, but Lieut. Beecher's and Dr. Moengraves' (?) graves were empty. (Indian Fights and Fighters, page 112)

Yours truly,

(Signed) Art Carmody



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Dear Senator:

Senator Arthur Carnody  
Trenton, Nebraska.

Vivited Boot Hill looked  
for a Carnody, couldnt fing  
him, an old timer told me he  
left here for Trentom Nenr.

Yours truly,  
Dodge City, Kid, Sen. Foster

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December 28, 1948.

Senator Arthur Carmody,

Trenton, Nebraska.

My dear Senator Carmody:

Historian Merrill J. Mattes has informed us of his conversation with you in Lincoln recently concerning historical features involved in the proposed Culbertson Reservoir area, and our attention is now called to your letter of December 22, to Mr. Mattes, giving data found in Heitman's Historical Register.

We enclose a copy of a "Reconnaissance Topography" map showing the outline of the Culbertson Reservoir area, and we are wondering if you would indicate on this map the exact location of the old rifle pits and other historical features you are acquainted with, returning the map to us at your convenience. Be sure to let us know of any features of interest, historical, archeological, paleontological, or otherwise, which to your knowledge will be affected by the future reservoir, as shown on the map. Is it possible that there are any old homestead structures in this area, similar to the Allen homestead cabin opposite the mouth of Lime Creek in the Medicine Creek Reservoir area? We note that the reservoir at maximum pool level impinges upon Stratton. Possibly there is something here of interest likewise. It may be next spring before Mr. Mattes can visit the area personally, but we will want to incorporate any known historical data in the report, which will be due shortly.

We are in possession of a photostat copy of a map in the National Archives (Records of the War Department, Office of the Chief of Engineers) entitled "Outline Map Indicating Lines of March of Scouting Parties in Department of the Platte in 1868 and 1869." No battle action is shown in the vicinity of the reservoir area, that is, west of the mouth of Frenchman's Creek, although there was apparently considerable marching and counter-marching of troops in this neighborhood. There were apparently several engagements with hostile Indians in a radius of 200 miles. Knowing of your interest in the early history of this region, we are arranging to have a photostat copy made of that section of the map embracing the Republican River Valley, which will be sent to you soon under separate cover. You may retain this historical map for your personal information.

Sincerely yours,



Russell L. McKown,  
Acting Chief Recreation Planner.

Enclosure: Map of Culbertson Reservoir area.

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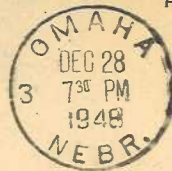
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The Honorable Arthur Carmody,  
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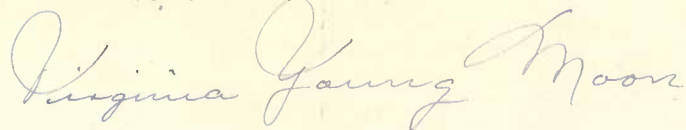
A group with whom I am studying Public Speaking here at the college this summer plans a panel discussion on "How Can We Have Better Highways in Nebraska ?"

We would greatly appreciate even one sentence of comment from you, or a statement concerning your reasons for voting for the truck-measure which over-rode the governor's veto.

Our panel is to be Wednesday July 8th. I would have written sooner, but we selected our topic today.

With great interest I have read, year by year, of your splendid work in our state legislature. Your friends are justly proud of your accomplishments.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia Young Moon". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Virginia Young Moon

V. Y. Moon  
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The Honorable Arthur Carmody  
Trenton, Nebr.

216 W. 22 St.

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July 16, 1953

The Honorable Arthur Carmody,

Trenton, Nebr.

Dear Senator Carmody,

I am indeed grateful to your prompt reply for help in our recent panel discussion at the college here, and to you for sending it. We had an interesting and worthwhile presentation. Of course it is much too large a subject to cover in one brief panel.

Thank you too for the snap-shot. You certainly have a fine boy. He must be a fisherman like his dad. Hope you are catching some fish this summer. We had a few black bass in the spring. Whenever we go up to the ranch we bring home a few fish, even in winter there is good fishing through the ice. Next month we shall spend in the mountains where we've never failed to find trout. I've never tried to catch them...I just preside over the frying pan.

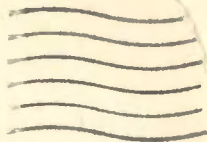
Yes, Valentine has certainly changed. I don't seem to know many people there myself any more. There are some new highway equipment buildings on the road out to the old State Experimental Farm. I went out there not long ago with Father trying to find some blue-print paper I needed at the time. Has your son ever made sunshine pictures with blueprint? Children enjoy pressing flowers, ferns and grasses, then laying them on a piece of glass, topping them with blue-print paper and a cardboard, and exposing the fern-side to the sun while counting to sixty or the prescribed number. With pans of water ready the print is completed in a few minutes and ready to dry. One time we made them up at J. C. Quigley's camp in the Black Hills.

Best wishes to you and your family. Thank you again for your helpful letter on highway problems.

Sincerely yours,

*Luquicia G. Moore*

216 W. 22 St.  
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The Honorable Arthur Camm  
Trenton, Nebr.

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McCook, Nebraska  
November 4, 1953

Dear Grace:

It says in the little Woman's Club yearbook that you are the corresponding secretary of Trenton Woman's Club, so I shall direct this note to you that it may be shared with the members when next you meet.

I specially want to thank everyone for such a happy time there yesterday. I really appreciated the attentive audience; the hospitality and the good "eats". It was great fun to review my book and share the meeting with your Club members.

Will you please thank the president, Mrs. Shackelford, for her kindnesses. And to the members, my particular thanks for the thoughtful gifts. I am always thrilled with tokens which "smell" nice. Both these parcels were most fragrant and using them will constantly remind me of a happy and enjoyable afternoon.

Affectionately yours,

*Leta m Edwards*

(Leta m. Edwards)

PS....This can be your personal share in the note, for I do want to say I had looked forward to meeting you again yet I am in complete sympathy with the circumstances that kept you away. I'd not want any such wholesale rearranging going on, behind my back either, and I hope that, under your supervision, everything was done that will contribute to happy living in your home. Had I have been "on my own" rather than escorted by my good husband, I'd have whipped by and stopped to see you a minute, but Men! He has a darned horse to tend and both he and the horse are highly indignant if suppertime runs past 5 o'clock, so we literally flew back toward McCook and "the critter," to beat the deadline. The animal was patrolling along the fence of her little pasture, eyeing every car that dashed by and when she finally saw her master's vehicle, she began to dance and kick up her heels in welcome. Anyhow, it was a nice afternoon, both socially and weather-wise. Another day, such as this, would have been something different. Imagine snow! We have been "dry" so long that both rain and snow all but startle us. It is kinda "purty" though to watch the flakes descending. Thank you for your support, in absentia, for I felt it, nevertheless.

Most cordially,

LmE

*Leta m E*

Martin

South Dak.

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1954

Dear Mr. Arthur Carmody  
your letter of Oct-13<sup>th</sup> at hand.

I have heard my uncle  
Hank and my Father Minister  
Clifford discuss the killing  
of Chief Whistler and two  
Other Indians while enroute to  
Fort McPerson they did all they  
could to find out who did the  
killing but to heir dying  
days it was a mistery to them

and to all of the Whites that were  
living in the vicinity of the  
Medison at that time. My uncle  
Hank was in charge of those Indians  
at that time, and it was his duty  
to investigate the killing that is  
all I can tell you about it, all I have  
to say is that some one made a false  
report in Washington

as ever your Friend

Orlando W. Clifford  
Martin S. Dak

Box 523

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Trenton, Nebraska

Dear Art:

Congratulations on the editorial write up in  
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I would give a great deal if my good friend  
Mike were here to read it. Doubtless he would be  
more proud than I am, and that is saying a very  
great deal.

With the best of good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

  
Carl F. Marsh

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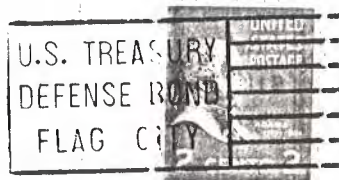
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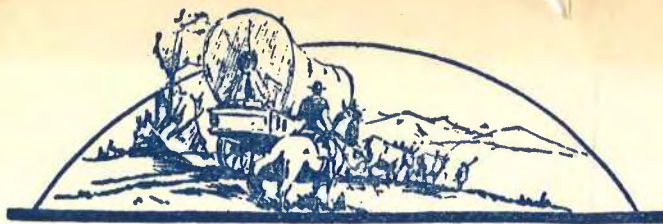
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Omaha 27, June 1957

Dear Mr. Carmody,

Under separate cover I am sending you brochures on Gen. Custer and The Battle of the Little Big Horn, June 25-26, 1876.

I read the article mentioning you and your collection of "Custeriana". I am one of the few living who personally saw General Custer - this in April 1876 when in my 10<sup>th</sup> year - I am now heading for 91. The booklets tell of my interest, that of erecting an adequate memorial to the General and the men who died with him, I hold that General Godfrey's story in the blue smaller brochure, is the most reliable story of the disaster. The yellow brochure carries the name & rank of every man that died on the battlefield & was taken from the government Army records. It also carries the names of the 24 men who received the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Sincerely yours

Eugene McAuliffe

Mr. Art Carmody  
Winton, Neb.

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Dear Sir, I see by the N.H. that you are a student of history, especially of Geo. A. Custer, and that you have taken a good look at the A+B picture. I see I did the same thing. I will remember 1876 where Custer was slain. I looked for F.M.C. all over Neb. Wyo & S Dakots and naturally heard much about the pioneers & met many of the old timers. That New Custer. Bill Poston was a customer of mine and I visited with him quite some. I also was acquainted with a Mr Skaper who was a merchant that drove one of the supply trains for Custer & arrived on the scene 48 hours after the battle. He told me Goul played the battle & Croy horse & pain in the face carried out the murder. He said really there was no battle. Sitting Bull only sat in his tape and watched it. Some time when you pass through Hastings I will give you the details. C.G. Wallace

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he was a very nice friendly boy  
the best friend I had at  
Stockville the only one he  
made<sup>to</sup> that we moved to  
Pine Ridge Agency insted  
Rose Bud. I sold  
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so we can move to Washington  
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Rowt. 1. I have not heard  
from W. M. Shelley for over  
a year. We haven't moved in  
the house yet as the house  
needs repairing.

I hope to hear from  
you again in the  
near future.

Yours sincerely  
Colando H. Clifford

April 8, 1958

Mr. Art Carmody  
Trenton, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Carmody:

Your good letter of April 5 is at hand.

As of yet I have located no definite information on the old stockade. However, the surveyor's map of the region made in August, 1871, indicates an "old Indian camp" about one and one half miles (in a straight line) east of the mouth of the Medicine. Mr. Kivett tells me that the Pawnees built horse corralls from logs set upright in the ground. These corralls would resemble a stockade to some extent. The old stockade may have been an old corrall. The area is near the Sky Chief Spring east of Cambridge which, Gus tells, me was a favorite site for the Indians. The only thing that troubles me with this theory is that North called it a stockade not a corrall and that North was well versed in Indian ways.

I have written to Mr. Eli Simon as you suggest.

I have read Mr. Shelley's letter and would like to keep it a few weeks.

May we borrow the map of Carr's and Duncan's routes in 1869? Perhaps it would be suitable for an illustration for the article.

Thanks for your interest.

Sincerely yours,

Donald F. Danker  
Archivist

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# Nebraska State Legislature

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~~State Senator, 37th District~~  
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Trenton, Nebr.  
July 7th, 1958

Dr. Donald F. Danker  
Lincoln, Nebr.

Dear friend Don:

Have read with much interest your North Journal. It clears up things a bit in regard to the Porcupine Creek you wrote me about.

The Big Timbers of the Republican extended from the west edge of Trenton, to the mouth of the present Muddy Creek just west of Stratton, -about 12 miles. They were large old cottonwoods. They were the only trees on the river when my father came here in 1884. A few of them are left, but the vast majority were cleared out when the lake was created here by the Trenton Dam. The lake is almost in the middle of the old Big Timber area.

From Trenton to Benkelman by the old valley road was thirty miles. Benkelman is just west of the spot where the old fork of the Republican was. Possibly about one mile. The present junction of the two rivers is farther west, due to the big flood of 1935. North said that they were camped in the Big Timbers then they "marched 12 1/2 miles passed our old camp on Porcupine and came up six miles and camped on little creek emptying into Republican" -- "This morn we moved -- having marched 12 miles" This would place their Porcupine camp about 18 miles below the Forks on the north side of the river. This must be the Muddy Cr. at Stratton, and the Big Timbers camp six miles below would now be covered by the lake, and must have been on what we called the Macklin Cr. (called Spring Cr. in 1872 when country was surveyed)

From all accounts the stockade must have been built in the sixties, or possibly in the late fifties. Tibbles was not that far west was he? I located him with the hunting party in the Rep. City area.

How about this thesis of James T. King? This might be a good one to have in the magazine. I wonder if I could get a copy of it to look over?

This is an interesting country out here. You must get out this way and look it over. I will be glad to act as a guide.

Say, before I forget it. I never did get the Shelley letter back. Keep a copy of it if you wish, but I would like to get the original back. Shelley is very reliable. I have a file of his letters on early day happenings on the Medicine.

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July 8, 1958

Mr. Arthur Carmody  
Trenton, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Carmody:

Enclosed is the thesis of James King. He has submitted it for possible publication in the magazine and Dr. Aeschbacher informs me that after a few revisions he thinks that he will accept it. Dr. Aeschbacher will need this copy returned when you are finished with it, but I don't think that there is any hurry.

When we received the map from the National Archives, I noted that there was a Big Timbers Creek listed on it. I am not certain now that North did not have this creek in mind when he mentioned Big Timbers.

I will send the fine Shelley letter to you in a few days. We have not gotten around to making a copy of it, but we will do so at once.

Sincerely yours,

Donald F. Danker  
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Sincerely yours,

*Don*

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Enclosure

Thanks so much, Don. I read it all last nite. I think that it should be published. Is the Journal of the March available? That should be most interesting. Their maps should settle some doubts. E.S. Sutton at Benkelman has a copy of Custer's 1867 Journal. I have wondered why no mention was made of Custer camps etc. - It is now clear to me, that Gen Carr was not happy with Gen. Custer, and did not even want to mention him.

The present Big Timber Cr. south of Benkelman, which emptys into the south fork of the Republican just above the Forks, is the Thickwood Cr. mentioned by North and the Journal. It was so called by Custer in '67. I do not think that he named it, but he may have. It still has much heavy timber on it. The Custer rail from the Forks of the Republican to Ft. "allace run up and along this

Creek. Some of the early day settlers of that area (in Kansas - about 1879) opened a grave on a little hill on the west bank of the creek, and dug up a soldier, who had probably been buried some 10-15 years. I think that they reburied the remains, which no doubt are still there. I have seen the spot, but did not examine it closely. E.S. Sutton is quite familiar with that part of the country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E.S. Sutton". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "E.S. Sutton" in the original document.

*File A*

July 14, 1958

Mr. Arthur Carmody  
Trenton  
Nebraska

Dear Mr. Carmody:

The King thesis arrived last Friday. The Journals of the March are not, to my knowledge available in any form other than microfilm. Dr. Olson acquired the film for the Society when he went to Washington several years ago to do research on Red Cloud. The material which I used in editing the diary is found by the following designations. NAS-68-Roll 3, NARS RG 98, Records of U. S. Army Commands, Selected Documents, Hq., Dept. of the Platte, Letters Received, 1867-1869.

NAS-68, Roll 4. Continuation of Letters Received, 1867-1869, from Roll 3. NARS-RG 98, Records of U. S. Army Commands, Selected Documents, Hq., Dept. of the Platte, Letters sent April 2, 1866-Oct.30, 1877; Telegrams sent 1867-1868; Telegrams received 1866-1874.

I expect that you could obtain a microfilm of this from the National Archives or that we could have a positive copy made for you from our film which is a negative. If you are interested in the latter, let me know and I will find out what it will cost.

Very sincerely yours,

Donald F. Danker  
Archivist

DFD:bp



# Nebraska State Legislature

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Hitchcock, Hayes, Dundy,  
Perkins and Chase Counties  
Trenton, Nebraska



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Trenton, Nebr.  
Apr. 21st, 1959

Dear Don:

Just a note to tell you that the name of the book I told you about is "Building a New Empire" by Nathaniel Ayers. Published by the Broadway Publishing Co. N.Y.C. in 1910.

The author dedicated the book to the Nebraska State Historical Society, so we should have a copy hidden away some place.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, consisting of several fluid, overlapping loops and curves. The signature is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

May 12, 1959

Mr. Arthur Carmody  
Trenton  
Nebraska

Dear Mr. Carmody:

Thank you for the note about Building a New Empire by Ayers. We have the book and since your letter I have read parts of it with interest. Ayers had quite a sense of humor as well as recording some interesting history.

Sincerely yours,

Donald F. Danker  
Archivist

DFD:sls

Aug 5th-59.

ELMER KEITH  
Salmon, Idaho

Mr. Arthur Carmody,  
State Senator,  
Trenton, Nebraska.

Dear Mr Carmody:

While I agree with you on the need of a light load for the forthcoming 22 S.R.F. Magun in both rifles and revolvers, I seriously doubt if we will ever get it for the reason that the present and time tried old 22 W.R.F. works very well as a shirt in them. I have the fine K<sup>M</sup>odel S & W here and find it shoots both the 22 W.R.F. Mag and the old 22 W.R.F. in exactly same hole at 15 yards. Ture it does gum up the front of chamber with continued useage and you have to take Hoppes No 9 and bras brush and scrub out chambers after its useage but it does shoot just about as accurately as the magnum and t o exactly same point of aim in this 6" S & W K model. I also have the Colt Buntline here and the Ruger Single Six will be here today or tomorrow. The Colt seems to shoot to same place also and expect the Ruger to do likewise.

Sincerely,

P.S. Will be writing these up in GUNS Mag.

Keith.



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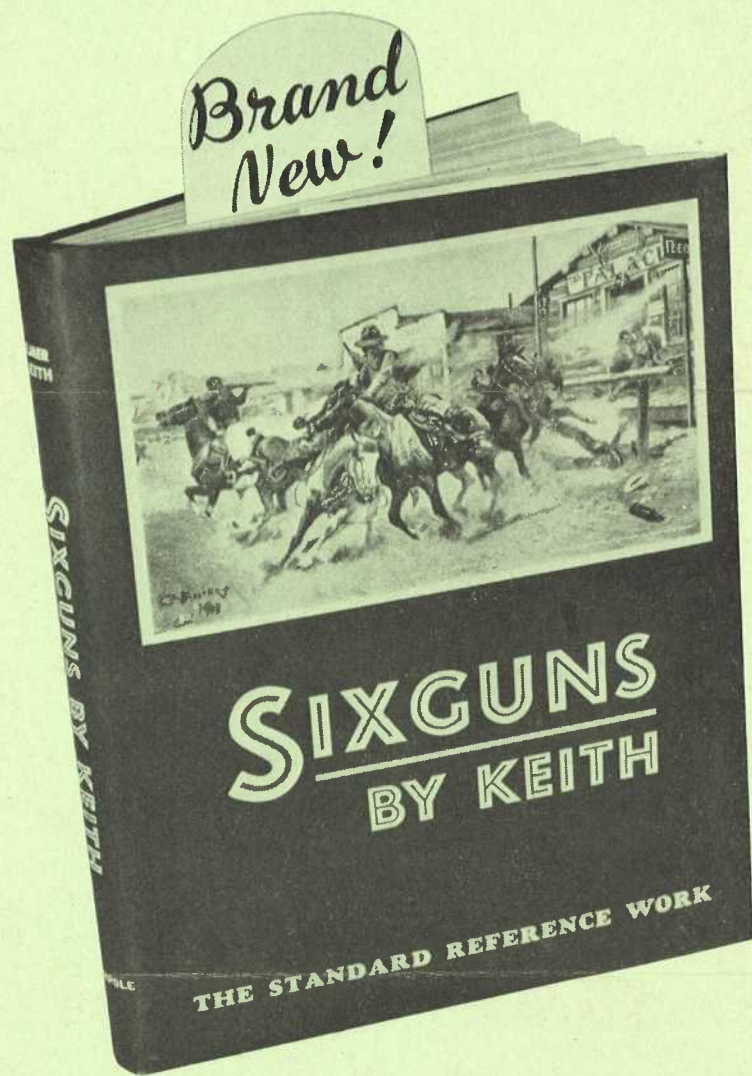


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