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Neighborhood News.

The citizens of Aurora are raising funds enough to purchase medals for all of the Hamilton county members of the First Nebraska.

Buffalo county alfalfa fields are suffering from an invasion of a worm which very much resembles an army worm. The worms have ruined several fields of which they have taken possession.

The first samples of sugar beets have been analyzed at the Grand Island factory but it was found that they were not yet ripe enough to use and it will be at least a week before the factory will be able to start on the beets.

Receptions for the members of the First Nebraska are still the order of the day and the boys are really in greater danger now than they were in the Philippines on account of the number of reception feasts they are expected to dispose of.

Beemer citizens witnessed a rather strange spectacle the early part of this week, a number of ladies hauling brick when the thermometer registered 100 degrees. The bricks were for the new Congregational church and the ladies had agreed to look after the hauling. They did the work quickly and well.

The creamery separator station at Sidney has been completed and will be open for business on Saturday. On that day the machinery will be started and the plant thoroughly explained by P. I. Taylor superintendent of stations and in the afternoon experts in the dairy business from Lincoln will make addresses at the court house.

A Fatal Accident.

Tuesday afternoon Joe Sebria was accidentally shot and instantly killed at a hay camp near Brady. There were a number of men in the gang which was haying there and as chickens were plentiful they had all brought their guns to see if they couldn't add chicken to the usual hay camp fare. That afternoon a flock of chickens was seen in the field and T. C. Stevens, one of the men, commenced to load his gun. The trigger of the gun was probably pulled back because in an instant the gun went off, the charge entering the forehead of Joe Sebria, who was setting on a chest about ten feet away from Stevens. On account of the short distance the charge inflicted a frightful wound and Sebria's death was instantaneous.

Sebria was forty-three years old and has been working for J. G. Kittle for several years. He was unmarried. He was well liked by all his associates and his sudden death was a very great shock to his friends. His funeral occurred at Brady yesterday.

Council Meeting.

A regular meeting of the city council was held Tuesday night. The mayor and councilmen Peterson, Isehart, White, Lloyd and Vernon, and the city clerk were present.

The street committee was instructed to notify all persons having irrigation ditches or laterals within the city limits that they must keep them in good repair.

A contract was made with Reimer & Fried to build a cement walk across the alley between the Ottenstein and Foley building and also an approach on Dewey street to the McDonald sidewalk. The cost of both not to exceed twenty-five dollars and the work not to be paid for until after it is approved by the council.

The proposition to put in a sewerage system was referred to the committee on public privileges. The committee will report at the next meeting of the council.

The regular monthly report of the city treasurer was presented and placed on file. The report shows that there is a balance on hand in all funds of \$2094.21 and that there are registered outstanding warrants amounting to \$1107.31.

Railroad Notes.

Clarence Redmond has been acting as extra call boy.

Supt. Baxter spent Wednesday here looking after railroad matters.

The Union Pacific baseball nine from Grand Island will play the North Platte nine to-morrow afternoon at their grounds south of town.

The stock business is steadily increasing and it keeps all of the force busy looking after it. Two switch crews are on every day.

Yesterday there were nine sections of train No. 1. In addition to the regular sections there were seven loaded with soldiers.

H. J. Roth is off duty and J. F. Clabough is dispatching during the first trick. H. E. Cox is handling the key on the second trick and Vic Anderson on the third trick.

A meeting of the base ball club will be held in the district foreman's office tonight to look up baseball rules and make preparations for the reception of the Grand Island baseball nine.

Fireman Cheney is becoming an expert surgeon. Wednesday evening he skillfully amputated the tail of a pet water spaniel with the lawn mower. The dog has filed a request asking Cheney hereafter to practice on the cat instead of on him as Cheney's methods are not exactly painless.

Engine No. 1722 has set the pace for fast freight runs and it will probably be some time before it is equaled. On Thursday, in charge of engineer White it brought the fourth section of train No. 19, a train of 850 tons, from Grand Island to North Platte in three hours and fifty minutes.

While Bert Winget was attempting to board the switch engine Wednesday morning he slipped and fell striking his knee either on the tender foot board or on the low switch which was beside the engine, in falling an ugly flesh wound. He was taken home and the wound dressed. Although the wound is very painful it is not very serious but it will be some time before he can walk with any degree of comfort. At the time the accident occurred the engine was moving, but at a very slow rate of speed.

Nearly all of the trains from the east which connect with the Northwestern are late now-a-days. The trainmen claim that it is owing to the heavy business the Northwestern is handling, it being almost impossible to handle it on its single track. The road will soon be doubletracked the entire distance from Chicago into Omaha and then traffic can be handled to greater advantage. The railroad prophetic claim that the doubletracking of the Union Pacific is not very far distant, especially if the traffic keeps increasing as it has during the past year.

The rumor that the Northwestern is seeking an entrance into Salt Lake City is again afloat, and this time there seems to be some foundation for it, as Northwestern representatives have been negotiating with the owners of right of way in canyons which would give them access to the capital of Mormondom. The Northwestern already owns a line into Casper, Wyoming, which

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is only 500 miles from the Mormon city. It is claimed that the country through which the road will run is quite accessible, and the building will not be very difficult. The reason given for this move is that the traffic arrangement with the Union Pacific may be terminated as soon as the Illinois Central is completed into Omaha, and it will then be without a western outlet.

Last night, shortly before eight o'clock the wreck whistle sounded and it startled everyone as seven sections of train No. 1 had just gone west. The wreck was reported at Sutherland and the natural supposition was that one of those trains had been wrecked. It afterwards developed that the wreck at Sutherland was only a slight one, three empty flat cars, and the principal wreck was at Pine Bluffs. The wreck at Sutherland was caused by a car breaking down and piling up two others. The wrecking train cleared it up and went on to Pine Bluffs where there had been a tail end collision, an extra having run into train No. 22. The caboose and several cars were smashed up and it is reported that one man was hurt.

The use of crude petroleum by the Union Pacific on its road-bed to keep the dust down and preserve the ties has not, thus far, proven very much of a success. About 14,000 gallons of crude petroleum were sprinkled for a distance of four and one half miles along the O. & R. V. division, in Saunders county. Within twelve hours after it had been sprinkled sparks from the fire box set the oil afire and it was necessary to call out the section men, who smothered it out by throwing dirt on it and ever since then it has been necessary to send out a man on a railroad velocipede after every train which goes over the oiled section in order to put out the fires. The B. & M. has had excellent results from its experience with the petroleum and intends to continue its use.

Owing to a lack of power the wrecking train failed to make its usual time in getting out of the yards last night.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury, as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Reception to First Nebraska.
The state reception to the returned First Nebraska Regiment will be held at Lincoln, Sept. 13th, 14th, and 15th. Every member of the regiment will have his railroad fare paid to and from Lincoln and the committee in charge is planning to make the reception the greatest patriotic demonstration ever held in Nebraska.

The annual G. A. R. reunion will be held at the same time and the veterans of both the civil war and the Spanish war will be there and help to make the occasion a memorable one. The military parade will be held on the 14th and it will be the greatest of its kind ever held in the West. At the close of the parade the colors of the First Nebraska which have had a fearful baptism of shot and shell will be returned to the governor to be put with the other valuable relics in the state house. On all three nights the battle of Manila will be rendered in realistic fashion at the fair grounds and the display of fireworks will be unusually fine. The committee is anxious to have as many Nebraskans as possible honor the regiment by attending the reception.

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