

THIS WIDE WORLD.

INTELLIGENCE FROM ALL PARTS.

FEARS FOR CONGER

HOPE FOR HIS SAFETY IS FAST FAILING.

Officials Feel that Their Gravest Apprehensions Are Likely to Be Realized at Any Time—Minnesota Republicans Meet.

Washington: None of the members of the cabinet who were present at last Friday's meeting could see the least chance for the better in the Chinese situation. It was stated every possible effort is being made to secure intelligence of the ministers' whereabouts, but with no results. When the cabinet meeting broke up there could be no doubt the members shared the general depression at the lack of news from Minister Conger. While unwilling to admit hope for his safety was fast failing, they felt their gravest fears might be realized at any time.

The state department has also been made acquainted with the terms of agreement between the consuls and viceroys looking to the protection of the southern provinces in China. The text is withheld here from publication, but it is understood its general purpose is to make neutral Chinese treaty ports in Nanking and Hankow. Before it can become effective it must receive the formal approval of the government here, and to that end the matter was laid before the cabinet, but the cabinet failed to ratify the agreement.

MINNESOTA NOMINEES.

Harmonious Convention of Republicans Held in St. Paul.

Governor—Samuel R. Vansant of Wisconsin.
Lieutenant Governor—Lindon A. Smith, Attorney General—W. B. Douglass, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court—Charles M. Starr.
Assistant Justice—J. L. Collins, State Treasurer—Julius Block, Secretary of State—P. S. Hanson, Railroad Commissioners—For two years, C. F. Staples; for four years, J. G. Miller and Judge Ira B. Mills.

St. Paul, Minn.: The Republican state convention last week nominated the foregoing ticket. All the offices except the secretaryship were uncontested and four were renominations.

Chairman Robert G. Evans of the resolutions committee read the platform and it was adopted unanimously. It is devoted chiefly to national issues, commending the president's administration and the work of congress; denounces trusts and maintains that the Republicans can and will control and will suppress them; avows continued friendship of the party for labor interests; indorses Senator Knute Nelson for re-election; approves the pending bill before congress for the suppression of oleomargarine being sold as butter; favors the election of senators by popular vote; reaffirms belief in the gross earning tax system and the taxation of foreign corporations doing business in the state.

NEW INDUSTRY FOR JAPAN.

Americans Will Run Refinery and Develop Oil Fields.

Philadelphia: When the British ship Hudson leaves this port for Japan within a few days it will carry an oil refining plant, the first ever shipped to that country. The cargo, which is now being packed on the vessel, will also include tanks and the necessary apparatus for the discharge of the oil into vessels and cars. The refinery will be located at either Kobe or Yokohama.

The work of running the refinery and developing the newly discovered fields will be under the direction of skilled Americans, their subordinates being Japanese. The development of oil in Japan, it is said, is likely to restrict the demand from the United States, which amounts to many millions of gallons every year. Eleven large sailing vessels are now under charter to load in Philadelphia for Hogo.

\$250,000 IN GOLD ON BOARD

Steamer Arrives at Port Townsend with Klondike Dust.

Port Townsend, Wash.: A steamer arrived from Skaguay last Saturday bringing sixty passengers and \$250,000 in dust from Dawson. Col. E. D. Wiggin, land commissioner at Rampart, was among the passengers. He says the camp proved itself far better this winter than ever before. Creeks heretofore considered worthless have turned out to be big gold producers. He estimates the clean up at \$2,000,000. He says Rampart bids fair to rival the Klondike as a producer.

Big Order for Big Guns.

Bethlehem, Pa.: The government has placed an order with the Bethlehem Steel Company for guns, including, it is said, seven 10-inch and four 12-inch breech-loading rifles and fourteen 12-inch breech-loading mortars and other smaller ones for immediate dispatch to the Orient.

Accuses Man He Killed.

Hopkinsville, Ky.: James Dudley Ware, who recently shot Rev. Dr. Pinner at his home, filed a sensational answer in a divorce suit brought by his wife, charging Mrs. Ware and Rev. Dr. Pinner upon proof of his charge.

Tax on Chinese Immigration.

Ottawa, Ontario: The Chinese restriction bill, increasing the tax on Chinese immigrants from \$50 to \$100, has been practically adopted by the house of commons. The measure also restricts the immigration of Japanese to twelve per month.

Kansas Relief for Stricken India

New York: Fifteen thousand dollars was received June 27 from the Kansas India famine relief committee and cabled to the inter-denominational mission at Bombay.

TRAIN ROBBERY IN NEBRASKA

Lone Bandit Seizes Almost \$200 from the Passengers.

Lincoln, Neb.: Pullman passengers on the through St. Louis-Portland vestibule express, on the Burlington Railway, were held up at 1 o'clock on the morning of June 28 by a masked robber near Bradshaw, sixty miles west of Lincoln. The robber proceeded quietly, going from berth to berth and poking a revolver under the noses of the rudely awakened passengers, and demanding their money. When he finished the robber pulled the air cord and stopped the train a mile and a half beyond Bradshaw. He then jumped into the darkness and disappeared. The Pullman conductor and porter, it is reported, did not know the robbery was in progress. The first intimation was when the air cord was pulled and the train came to a sudden standstill. Conductor Green, in charge of the train, says a passenger in the chair car with a ticket for Aurora, Neb., was missing after the train stopped. It is supposed that the missing passenger was the robber, and that he boarded the train here.

Further information given out by Burlington railway officials concerning the robbery shows the bandit secured almost \$200.

AMERICAN LIFE HELD CHEAP

Cuban Who Killed Citizen of United States Goes Scot Free.

Havana: A Cuban policeman, who recently killed an American named Welsh, and against whom the evidence was apparently complete in the opinion of officers and others who saw the whole affair, has just been acquitted by the judges in circumstances so extraordinary that Gov. Gen. Wood will order an investigation.

The fiscal said the case had been completely proved and he demanded a sentence of fourteen years.

Americans in Havana are very indignant over what they claim is a studied attempt to show the Cubans that it is no crime to kill an American. They refer to a case occurring some months ago, when a Cuban editor killed Mr. Smith, the American collector of customs at Gibara. On the trial the fiscal said he rose with regret to request the punishment of a Cuban for killing one of the "interveners," an act which, in his opinion, was scarcely a crime.

ALARM IN RUSSIA.

Criticalness of Financial Situation Causes Grave Anxiety.

London: A dispatch from Moscow says: "The Boxers' troubles and the death of Count Muraviev have greatly accentuated the difficulties of the financial situation in Russia, which is in such a critical state as to arouse the gravest anxiety. The black-list of good firms falling lengths, and the sense of insecurity and fear of something worse to come has caused vast sums to be temporarily withdrawn from the market. In Moscow alone within two months, it is stated on good authority, \$20,000,000 rubles have been lodged in the Imperial Bank, without interest, for safety."

IS A VERY RICH HEIRESS.

Girl Found Near Davenport, Iowa, in a Pitiful Condition.

San Francisco: Marian Bybe, who was found near Davenport, Iowa, in a pitiful mental and physical condition, is the daughter of W. E. Bybe of Los Gatos, but always made her home with her uncle, L. P. Drexler of this city. She will receive nearly \$100,000 from his estate. On the 11th Miss Bybe started for New York to visit friends. Mrs. Drexler has telegraphed to the girl's sister, Mrs. Edna Hollis, of Fredonia, Kan.

HEPBURN'S SON VERY ILL.

Iowa Congressman's Boy Sick with Fever in Havana.

Washington: Capt. C. B. Hepburn of the volunteer signal corps, son of Representative Hepburn of Iowa, lies at the point of death at Havana, suffering from yellow fever. Capt. Hepburn caught the malady while visiting a sergeant who was dying of the fever, in order to find out what should be done about the man's wife and children in the event of his death.

Accused of Goebel's Murder.

Harlan Court House, Ky.: Capt. John L. Powers was arrested here charged with being an accessory to the murder of Gov. Goebel. Powers at once instituted habeas corpus proceedings. He holds a pardon issued by Gov. Taylor while in office and was released once before on habeas corpus proceedings in Knox County. He is a brother of Secretary of State Caleb Powers.

Murder and Suicide.

Fort Wayne, Ind.: Wm. Nairwald, a barber, 35 years old, shot and killed his wife and then turned his weapon on himself, sending a bullet into his brain. No real cause is known for the tragedy, but they were heard quarreling a few minutes before the shots were fired. Both had led somewhat dissipated lives. They were married in December.

Report of Gibson's Death Denied.

San Francisco: The persistent publication in New York newspapers of a story to the effect that Rev. J. George Gibson of this city is dead, and that before his demise he made a confession that he murdered Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams has no foundation in fact.

Combine Handles Prune Crop.

San Jose, Cal.: The California Packers' Company has finally arranged with the California Fruit Association (the prune men's combine) for handling the coming crop. The fixing of prices is left to the direction of the association. There will be no bonus on foreign exports.

Severe Storm in Kansas.

Atechison, Kan.: A terrific electrical storm, accompanied by a gale, occurred here June 28. Trees were blown down and many small buildings overturned. The roof of the Ogden block, the largest building in Atechison, was blown off.

Return With Crane's Body.

New York: Among the passengers who arrived per steamer Bremen from Bremen and Southampton were Mrs. Crane and daughter, who accompany the remains of Stephen Crane, who died aboard June 3.

STORM IN NEBRASKA.

Entire Northeastern Part of State Swept by Hurricane.

Sioux City: Northeastern Nebraska was swept by a severe storm on June 27. At Wakefield it blew out the front of George Green's livery barn, tore off the cornice of George Baucus' drug store, blew down several wooden awnings and smashed in store fronts. People fled to their cyclone caves. Much damage must have been done to crops in that section.

The storm struck Osmond about 6:30 a. m. The roof of the Great Northern depot was blown off, the Great Northern elevator was moved bodily several feet, empty cars were blown from the sidetrack and a number of buildings in the business part of the town partly damaged. There was no loss of life or casualties of any kind.

The wind had a few characteristics of a tornado at Hubbard, but was hardly strong enough. Trees were uprooted and small outbuildings were overturned and telegraph and telephone wires suffered. Otherwise, however, the damage was not serious. One of the trains on the Omaha line had some difficulty in pulling through the storm. Its passengers were badly frightened.

Considerable damage was done to barns, signs and trees at Norfolk. The metal cornices were blown off the blocks of W. H. Winter and Charles Ehle.

The storm extended practically all the way from O'Neill east to Osmond. At Plainview a church was wrecked and store buildings damaged. The crops have suffered greatly. Corn and small grain was all blown flat to the ground and pounded down with the torrents of rain. No casualties were reported.

It will take many thousands of dollars to repair the damage done in Thurston County. The heaviest losers were J. R. Kingston, barn; Dr. Comfort, barn; L. C. Browning's house; depot at Pender, partly unroofed; heavy elevator at Thurston, partly wrecked; Pleasant Valley M. E. Church, off foundation and tower down. Five out of every six windmills were blown down.

Outhouses and small buildings were turned over and trees broken down all over the city of Wayne. The brick yard sheds of J. S. Lewis were blown to pieces, the agricultural hall and amphitheater at the fair grounds was lifted high in the air and scattered in every direction; the plate glass fronts of the stores of Furehner, Duerig & Co., F. S. Jones and August Piepenstock were partly blown in, doing considerable damage.

Some of the slate roof of the new court house was blown off. Many corn cribs were blown over and the sidewalks were strewn with the wreckage of trees. Reports from the country are to the effect that few windmills were left standing. Many barns and outhouses were blown over and considerable damage done to the wheat and corn crops.

Executive Council of Porto Rico

San Juan, Porto Rico: A meeting of the first executive council of Porto Rico will be held soon, and it is thought that all the members, with the exception of Messrs. Russell and Brumbaugh, will be in attendance. The meeting will be of an entirely preliminary character and no routine business has been mapped out. There will simply be a formal organization of the council.

Japanese Driven from Town.

Redding, Cal.: Two hundred miners and smelter employes of Kesewick and vicinity drove twenty-one Japanese railroad workers out of town. The Japanese were put on a train for this place and at this point the railroad conductor put them off. There was no violence. The miners object to the Japanese, who were employed to take the places of white men.

To Repeat Goebel Law.

Lexington, Ky.: As a result of a conference of political leaders here it is authoritatively stated that Gov. Beekham will call an extra session of the legislature to repeal the Goebel election law. It has been strongly argued that a continuance of the law will defeat the party in Kentucky.

Wagon Prices Not to Be Raised.

Louisville, Ky.: The National Wagon Manufacturers' Association has decided not to raise the prices.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Sioux City—Cattle, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$4.65 to \$5.00; sheep, \$2.25 to \$5.00; wheat, 54c; corn, 30¢ to 31¢; oats, 20¢ to 22¢; butter, dairy 14¢ to 16¢, creamery 18¢ to 20¢.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, 87c to 88c; No. 2, 25c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 61c to 62c; butter, creamery, 18c to 20c; eggs, fresh, 11c to 13c; new potatoes, 50c to 80c per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 87c to 88c; corn, No. 2, white, 43c to 45c; oats, No. 2, white, 27c to 29c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, 87c to 88c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 41c to 43c; oats, No. 2, 24c to 26c; rye, No. 2, 61c to 63c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 87c to 88c; corn, No. 2, mixed, 44c to 46c; oats, No. 2, mixed, 20c to 28c; rye, No. 2, 63c to 65c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 91c to 92c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 44c to 45c; oats, No. 2, white, 28c to 30c; rye, 61c to 63c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2, mixed, 80c to 91c; corn, No. 2, mixed, 43c to 45c; oats, No. 2, mixed, 26c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 61c to 63c; clover seed, prime, \$5.25 to \$5.35.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2, northern, 86c to 88c; corn, No. 3, 42c to 43c; oats, No. 2, white, 27c to 29c; rye, No. 1, 63c to 65c; barley, No. 2, 47c to 49c; pork, mess, \$12.00 to \$12.50.

Buffalo—Cattle, choice shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, fair to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.25; lambs, common to extra, \$4.50 to \$7.25.

New York—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$6.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$6.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, red, 94c to 96c; corn, No. 2, 48c to 50c; oats, No. 2, white, 31c to 33c; butter, creamery, 16c to 20c; eggs, western, 18c to 19c.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Cicero H. Thompson Sentenced to Fifteen Years' Imprisonment for Killing a Man Who Was Forcing an Entrance to His Residence.

In district court at Valentine Judge Harrington sentenced Cicero H. Thompson to fifteen years in the penitentiary. The trial lasted a week. Thompson was tried for the murder of Arthur London, whom he killed last March. London and a comrade named Milleman went to the dwelling house of Thompson, and while in the act of forcing their way into the house Thompson fired three shots into the head of London, from the effects of which he died, and two into Milleman's head, which did not prove fatal. Thompson claimed that the shooting was in self defense. Thompson is a pioneer settler and was well liked, and had accumulated considerable property. His counsel served notice that an appeal would be taken.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Omaha Man Shoots Wife, Kicks Son and Finishes Himself.

John Stumfmaer, a German carpenter living in the southern part of Omaha, shot and mortally wounded his wife and killed himself. The tragedy was the culmination of a quarrel over domestic affairs. After shooting his wife Stumfmaer lighted a match and stooped over her prostrate body to assure himself that she was dead. Enraged by the sight of his 12-year-old son sobbing upon the neck of his dying mother, Stumfmaer kicked the boy off the porch and out into the street, and then going into the house shot himself through the left eye, dying instantly.

Attorneys Quarrel in Court Room

Two well known attorneys of North Platte, J. J. Halligan and A. F. Parsons, almost came to blows in the district court recently. Their disagreement first arose during the argument of a case in which they were the opposing counsel. It did not take long for the dispute to reach a climax, and almost before the court and other attorneys realized what was about to happen the two men were squaring off for a fist encounter. At this point District Clerk Elder rushed in between the belligerent pair and others pulled them apart.

Smallpox at Seward.

E. P. Connett of Seward was taken sick a few days ago and Dr. Towne of the state board of health was called upon to examine the case, which he pronounced to be smallpox. One of the local physicians agreed with him and another was not certain, but thought it was not smallpox. The city council after considering the matter decided not to quarantine, its excuse being that as Seward was expecting to celebrate the Fourth of July it would keep people away from town if it was quarantined, so it decided to await developments.

Will Send a Flag.

In response to a telegram sent by the president of the Rough Riders' Club, organized at Lyons, to Theodore Roosevelt, stating that a large rough riders' club had been organized and asking him for a flag, the following reply has been received: Oyster Bay, N. Y.: To John F. Piper, Chairman Republican Central Committee, Lyons, Neb.: Thanks. Will send flag. Theodore Roosevelt.

Strength of State Militia.

In response to a request from the war department Adj. Gen. Barry reported on the strength of the state militia. The First Regiment numbers 608 officers and men, the Second Regiment 580, Troop A of Seward 46 and Battery A of Wynome 57. Total aggregate strength, 1,291. The state's apportionment of the national appropriation will be based on these figures.

Hayward Ordered to Frisco.

Dr. E. P. Hayward, son of the late Senator Hayward, has received orders from the war department to proceed at once to San Francisco and report for duty. He does not know where he will be sent from there. Dr. Hayward returned to his home in Nebraska City from the Philippines two weeks ago, where he has served a year as surgeon in the United States army.

Teachers' Institute at Sidney.

The teachers' institute for Cheyenne County will be held at Sidney from July 8 to 19 at the high school building. The work throughout will be practical. The state superintendent and other well known educators will be present at various times during the session. Many teachers from contiguous counties have signified their intention of being present.

Runaway Proves Fatal.

Mrs. Will Hefferon of Hastings, who was thrown out of a buggy as the result of a runaway, died about forty-eight hours later from the injuries sustained by the fall. She became unconscious as soon as she struck the hard ground and remained in that condition until death came.

Fight Against Black Leg.

Johnson County farmers are having their herds of cattle inoculated against black leg. Veterinarians from the state board of animal industry have operated upon some of the herds and local veterinarians have also been employed.

Farmers Want Rural Mail Delivery

The farmers living one mile south and six miles east, and seven miles west and then to Lyons, have petitioned the post-office department for two separate free rural deliveries to include this territory.

Wagon Runs Over a Boy.

A son of W. R. Woods, living about four miles southwest of Greeley, was run over by a wagon loaded with lumber. The little fellow was driving the team and fell off the load.

Grasshoppers Damage Crops.

Grasshoppers have made their appearance in countless millions and are doing much damage in the vicinity of Wallace.

Creamery Does Big Business.

The South Platte Creamery Company, located at Osola, is running out 1,000 pounds of butter every day of the week and they cannot supply the demand. This year they are shipping to Providence, R. I., and Boston, where they get the top of the market.

Fat Cattle for Market.

C. M. Chamberlain and F. M. Taylor, two of the most extensive cattle feeders of Tecumseh, this week marketed 400 head of fattened cattle. The gentlemen fed the critters through the winter and spring.

MAKE A NEW CHANNEL.

South Dakota Farmers Change the Big Muddy's Course.

Considerable excitement was occasioned at Jackson, Dakota County, one day last week over a rumor that a body of armed men were cutting a channel through Begger's Neck, or as it is known on the map, Brughier's Bend, on the South Dakota side of the Missouri River. This movement on the part of South Dakota men had its origin in McCook, S. D., a town at the extreme north end of the bend. They have contended that if a channel could be cut across the neck, making the river run straight instead of around a twenty-five mile bend, it would prevent the spring floods which have so frequently overflowed the southwestern portions of Union County. It is supposed the overflow is caused by the ice banking up at the bend in the river. The channel, if cut, would remedy this.

The rumor proved to be a fact. The channel was cut through the neck and now several thousand acres of choice Nebraska land is on the South Dakota side of the Missouri River. The officers who put in an appearance on the scene immediately after news of the cutting was out, took no trouble to secure information that would enable them to make arrests later on. It is an offense against the navigable stream, but there is little likelihood of any prosecution in this case.

There has been a general idea that the change of the channel would transfer the land in the great bend from the jurisdiction of Nebraska to that of South Dakota, but decisions of the supreme court of the United States declare against this proposition. The area left in the bend will remain subject to taxation in Nebraska and under the authority of the laws of the state.

FLOOD'S SLAYER IS FREE.

Omaha Authorities Release Charles King from Jail. After an incarceration of four days Charles H. King, who shot and killed James Flood, the hack driver, is a free man. No complaint of any kind has been filed against King and he was detained in jail as long a time as the law permitted under such circumstances. He expresses himself as entirely satisfied with his treatment.

Judge Hastings Wins Big Prize.

Judge W. G. Hastings of Wilber has been notified by the American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia that he has been awarded the Henry M. Phillips prize of \$2,000 for the best essay on "The Decisions Relating to the Police Powers of the State," offered by the society in April, 1897, and for which competing essays had to be sent in by May 1, 1896, upon which the award has just been made.

Omaha Man Missing.

G. S. Wegener, who left Omaha over a week ago, has not yet returned, and all efforts to locate him have so far been unavailing. Immediately before leaving Mr. Wegener had been seen drinking and displaying in a number of places a roll of bills amounting to several thousand dollars. The last heard of him was when he left the Grand Hotel in Council Bluffs, where he had spent the preceding night.

Horses and Wagon Stolen.

Some one entered the stable of Rev. O. L. Barnes, pastor of the Free Methodist Church at Blair the other night, and stole a fine driving team, one set of nearly new double harness, one set of leather fly nets and a two seated spring wagon. Sheriff Mencke offers a reward of \$50 for the thief or thieves.

Belden Man Disappears.

O. C. Swain, a harnessmaker of Belden, took the train June 19, supposedly for Laurel, but has not been heard of since. He had been sick most of the winter, but had reopened his harness shop and no reason is known for his leaving so suddenly.

Prohibition State Convention.

The prohibition state convention has been called to meet in the auditorium at Lincoln, July 12, at 2 p. m., to nominate presidential electors and state officers; also the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

Farmer Killed by Heat.

Ira J. Miller, a prominent farmer living near McCook, was overcome by heat on his way home from that city and died without regaining consciousness. He was an early settler and about 60 years of age.

Bridge Over Platte Completed.

The South Platte bridge over the south channel of the river is completed. The work of construction has been carried through with speed, as it is only three weeks since the contract was awarded.

Must Have Lamps in Beatrice.

The Beatrice police are waging war against all bicyclists found riding without lamps or bells on their wheels. The matter is the outgrowth of several serious accidents to pedestrians lately.

Nebraska Short Notes.

Six Broken Bow men were caught in a poker game and promptly fined \$10 each. A boy named Clark, living at Auburn, fell down and bit the end of his tongue off. The York Masonic lodge celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary last week.

The new \$10,000 school house at Loup City was struck by lightning and damaged to the amount of several hundred dollars. Willard Eakin, a Kennard boy, dropped a target rifle and it went off, the ball striking him in the fleshy part of the leg.

Camera finds at St. Edward have been busy lying in wait nights along the promenade frequented by young couples and taking flashlight photographs.

Ex-Superintendent W. L. O'Brien of the state fish hatcheries has gone to Dunbar, Wis., where he will take charge of the hatcheries and the Gayle Club House at that place, both of which are the property of wealthy capitalists in the east. Mr. O'Brien has had his eye on the job for some time, but it is just lately that the proprietors came to his terms.

Grain harvesting is now in progress in the southern counties.

The little Sammy Enderwald, the 7-year-old son of Mrs. Margaret Enderwald of West McCook, was bitten by a rattlesnake on the ranch of a sister in Cheyenne County, Kansas, about twelve miles south of Hastings, and died at the home of his mother in West McCook. The little fellow now lies a rattlesnake going into a hole and taking his knife attempted to cut from the tail of the serpent its rattles. As is the habit of the rattler, the head was curled about until it was just inside the opening of the hole, and when the boy attempted to secure the rattles he was bitten.

NEWS FROM OUR COLONIES.

Dean C. Worcester, one of the Philippine commissioners, tells the following story of the late Gen. Lawton: "I was with Gen. Lawton at the village of Imus after our soldiers occupied it. The natives were very glad to see us, and they soon formed an affection for Gen. Lawton, who never tired of listening to their complaints and helping them. The Filipinos are natural musicians, and I suggested one day that we teach, if possible, the village band of Imus to play the 'Star Spangled Banner.' Gen. Lawton was greatly interested. I took the leader of the band to my hut and whistled the air over and over for him and he wrote out the music after half an hour's work. Then he drilled the band, and in the course of a day or two the band played it excellently. The village priest was so glad to see Gen. Lawton that he introduced the 'Star Spangled Banner' into the regular mass music of the church, to show, as he expressed it, that he appreciated what the Americans had done for them. The priest told Gen. Lawton that he was always going to have the 'Star Spangled Banner' played as part of the mass, and as long as we were there he did so."

Mrs. Daniel Case of Honolulu, who is now visiting Topeka, Kan., relatives, has some interesting things to say of life in her new home. It is warm in Honolulu; the thermometer never rises above 90 nor falls as low as 50. She is able to have fresh fruit on her table all the time. Honolulu is a very cosmopolitan city. Mrs. Case says that many families own their own private automobiles. Many of the residents are wealthy, and the churches and schools rank among the finest in the world. There are about 8,000 white people there, but there is little social life, as many of the women are engaged in doing missionary work for the outlying islands. There are a few women's clubs, but as a rule they do not long survive, as the climate is so enervating. The styles are of the latest, as they are introduced there even before they are in this country, and the people are quick to adopt them.

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