

# THE NORTHWESTERN.

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## NEBRASKA.

Lightning killed twenty steers on the Stewart ranch in Logan county. Burglars entered the house of W. J. Warbritton at Ashland and stole \$40 worth of jewelry.

Columbus' school board has purchased ground and will put up a \$25,000 educational building.

Applications for \$7,500 worth of the new government bonds have been made by residents of Hoskins.

George Blackwell, colored, of Omaha, during a quarrel with his wife on the Fourth of July, was fatally shot by the latter.

D. N. Syford of Lancaster county, at large, has harvested ten acres of turkey red wheat that he is confident will yield forty-five bushels to the acre.

Albert Gripskey, who murdered Postmaster Glenn at Hildreth, was adjudged insane by the Board of Insanity. He has been taken to the asylum.

The bootlegging case of H. W. Monroe and Charles Ellis, which has occupied the attention of the county court at Tekamah for several days, terminated in the binding over of both of the defendants to the district court under bonds of \$300 each.

J. M. Snyder and wife of Loup City celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage the other day and four generations were present. The remarkable feature was that not one of the families in these four generations have suffered a single loss by death.

There are some pretty big grain fields in the vicinity of Gothenburg. W. P. Black has in 300 acres of small grain; H. L. Williams, 700 acres; J. W. Hiles, one section; while 100 more farmers adjacent to the city have from 100 acres to 320 in small grain, which promises an immense yield.

Harvest is on in earnest in Johnson county, says a Tecumseh dispatch, and there never was a time when men were so scarce. There is a great demand for harvesters and, any man who can shock wheat and desires work in the field. The wages paid generally is \$1.50 per day and board.

Mortgage record of Hitchcock county for the month of June is: Farm mortgages filed, none; farm mortgages released, 7, \$3,834; chattel mortgages filed, 24, \$11,209.20; chattel mortgages released, 2, \$338.50. The chattel mortgages filed for June were for the purpose of paying for twine and binders to take care of the wheat crop.

Edward Fanning, a tramp 20 years old, whose home is at Kenesaw, Wis., while hurrying across the railroad tracks to catch an eastbound train, was struck by a switch engine. His right arm was cut off, the skin and the coat holding the injured member in place. A physician amputated it above the elbow.

Excessive heat and high winds, says a Trenton dispatch, have damaged spring wheat and oats to at least one-half, other crops have been damaged but little. Corn is making a splendid growth, alfalfa is in the stack, rye mostly in the shock and a good crop, fall wheat has been injured but little and is ready for harvest.

Some time ago J. C. Hood was bitten by a dog belonging to Dr. C. P. Fall of Beatrice and he has filed a bill with the city for \$500 damages. He claims that the city authorities had been notified several times that the dog in question was dangerous and that falling to have the animal killed the city became liable for damages.

Hay McClure, who owns one of the finest ranches in southern Holt, went to O'Neill on business and on seeing Holt county's brave boys in camp ready to go to the front, became so infected with the prevailing war spirit that he sent his team home, with a message to the boys on the ranch to look after matters, with certain other instructions, as he was going to fight for his country.

About twenty more men have enlisted in the Second regiment, says the Lincoln Journal, but did not leave yesterday as expected. Many of the boys wanted to take in what may be their last circus and Lieutenant Hartman was not disposed to deny them the happiness. Then, too, he hoped to have more men by morning so as not to divide the recruits into too many small squads.

For some time the citizens of the vicinity of Table Rock have been pestered by petty thieves, and last week a man named McKinney, who had previously borne a good reputation, was arrested, charged with stealing four crates of eggs and a sixty-pound ferkin of butter from a car on the city track. Part of the goods were found secreted in his barn and when he was brought before the court he pleaded guilty, restored the goods and was given a nominal fine.

Edward D. Larson of Hubbard, Neb., says an Omaha dispatch, lost his savings, amounting to \$165, yesterday at the hands of two confidence men. They first met him on Sixteenth street and under the guise of an old friend whom Larson had forgotten accompanied him to South Omaha to see the packing houses. At a saloon in that city Larson was involved in a game of dice and through the medium of a second shark his money disappeared. Larson and a detective visited every saloon in South Omaha later, but the victim was unable to locate the one where the occurrence took place.

Bishop Scannell of Omaha has notified the trustees of the Ravenna Catholic church that when they have raised the sum of \$1,400 and invested that sum in a suitable residence property for a priest he will see to it that a resident priest is sent there.

The board of directors of Thunola lodge No. 12, Sons of Herman, a German fraternal order of Columbus, were instructed at the last meeting to purchase United States war bonds with the surplus money in the treasury. The banks of that city have no trouble to sell the bonds, and say they readily go in \$500 lots and have made some sales of \$2,000.

## THEY WERE SPAIN'S PRIDE.

Surf Pounds the Shattered Hulks of Cervera's Ships.

### OVER 100 BODIES RECOVERED.

Many Dead Are Still in The Mass of Twisted Iron Between the Iron Walls—The Huge Grave on the Beach Marked by a Wooden Cross.

OFF SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 8.—The vessels which composed Admiral Cervera's squadron, converted into wrecked charnel houses, are littering the Cuban coast. The scenes of desolation, ruin, horror and death are beyond words.

At the entrance of the harbor of Santiago de Cuba lies the Reina Mercedes, sunk at midnight, July 3. Westward, five miles from the harbor, is a torpedo boat destroyer, stuck fast in the rocks, close inshore, and battered by the surf. Rocks jutting out of the water in front of where she lies hide her hull from view. Her davits and the top of her conning tower alone mark her resting place.

Visible from the sea a few miles further, in an inlet embraced by two mighty arms of black rocks that extend half a mile into the sea, are the bones of the twin cruisers Infanta Maria Teresa and Almirante Oquendo, a week ago the pride of the Spanish navy.

Beyond lies the Vizcaya, a mass of ruins, and forty-two miles away from Santiago de Cuba the Cristobal Colon lies helpless on her side, with her smokestacks under water.

The Infanta Maria Teresa and the Almirante Oquendo stand upright, stuck fast on the rocky shoals. All that is left of them is their outer hulls, the heavy armor defying total annihilation. Inside of them the work of destruction is complete. Their boilers, engines, bunkers and magazines have been blown into unrecognizable masses of twisted, melted iron. Exploded shells, burned rifles and revolvers, pieces of yellow brass work and gold and silver coins, melted by the intense heat, are strewn all over the once proud armored cruisers. The protected decks only stand in places.

In those steel coffins are the mangled bodies of hundreds of sailors. Buzzards are hovering over the wrecks. On the beach flocks of vultures sit waiting for the sea to give up its dead.

Attention has been given to the burial of the dead of the enemy and over 100 bodies taken from the ships or washed ashore have been buried in the beach by Rear Admiral Sampson's orders.

Those which now remain are either almost totally consumed by fire or lie in the depths of the sea. The buried dead lie unnumbered and unnamed in a huge pit dug in the sandy beach where the vessels went ashore. A rude wooden cross from the wreckage alone marks the grave.

### SHAFTER'S TOTAL LOSS.

In Two Day's Fighting Two Officers and 208 Enlisted Men Were Killed.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—The War department received two dispatches from General Shafter to-day, as follows:

PLAYA DEL ESTE, July 9.—Complete report received to-day of loss on July 1 and 2.

Killed, two officers, 208 enlisted men. Wounded, 81 officers, 1,123 enlisted men. Missing, 79 enlisted men. The reports giving the names of the killed and wounded are being rapidly prepared, and it is hoped to get them off to-morrow.—Shafter.

The second dispatch read: Cable operators were permitted to go in yesterday morning. The English cable was in working order and some of the operators were in the city. General Toral wanted these there as they were the principal men. This cable has not been cut and the men sent in have not taken it up again. English cable has been working all the time through to Havana.—Shafter.

### MAY SEIZE AN ISLAND.

Germany's Emperor Said to Have His Eye on a Coaling Station in the Philippines.

NEW YORK, July 10.—The London correspondent of the New York Evening Post sends the following:

A decision already has been arrived at in Berlin to occupy one of the Philippine islands as a coaling station in the far East, which the kaiser said recently is vital to Germany's position as a great power.

Further decision as to exactly which island shall be occupied and the exact day of the occupation awaits Prince Henry's arrival at Manila, whither he is now bound, but at most it will be only a question of weeks.

Arizona's Governor to Lead a Regiment.

PHOENIX, Ariz., July 10.—Governor McFord has announced that he has received indefinite leave of absence from his duties as the executive of Arizona and will take command as colonel of the regiment of infantry now being recruited in the four territories.

No Signs of Leaving Camp.

CHICKANALGA, Ga., July 10.—At Camp Thomas to-day the regular weekly inspections are conducted in all regimental camps and a general cleaning up is taking place as usual, and in none of the camps is the prospect of an early move allowed to interfere with it.

The Quarantine Plant Burned.

MOBILE, Ala., July 10.—The quarantine station at Mobile bay burned early yesterday, including fumigating machinery, wharf, etc.

## DEATH IN A MISSOURI STORM.

Thirteen People Killed at Steelville by a Waterspout.

CUBA, Mo., July 10.—A courier from Steelville, the county seat of Crawford county, brought the terrible news that the town had almost been wiped out by a water spout early yesterday morning. The bodies of thirteen of the victims have already been recovered. The dead are:

Mrs. Lou Tucker and babe, St. Louis. Daughter of Charles Abrahams, St. Louis.

Mrs. John Woods and two children, Steelville.

Mrs. James Taff and three children, Steelville.

Mrs. William Lesorch, Steelville. Luther Slouch, Steelville.

Negro, unknown, Midland.

As soon as the news was received a relief party started for the stricken town. The town was in ruins. Few buildings were left standing, and groans of anguish were heard on all sides as searchers sought for loved ones among the debris. The waterspout occurred outside the town, but swelled Yaddin creek, which came down in a mighty and destructive flood, sweeping all before it. Up to last evening thirteen bodies had been recovered, but it is thought more have perished.

Steelville was a town of 1,000 inhabitants, situated on the Salem branch of the Frisco railroad, and is the county seat of Crawford county. All the wires are down and no communication can be had except by courier.

### OUTRAGES BY CUBANS.

Spanish Soldiers Massacred and the Town of El Caney Sacked.

BEFORE SANTIAGO, July 8.—One secret of the determination of the Spanish soldiery in Santiago to fight to death was the belief which prevailed generally among them that prisoners taken by the Americans would be put to the sword.

It is known that, after the fall of El Caney, on July 1, the Spanish soldiers who escaped along the foothills marched directly into General Garcia's men, posted to the north of Santiago. They fought desperately, but were shown no mercy by the Cubans, and were mangled to the last man. General Delrine, who was in command, was brutally mutilated. The knowledge of the massacre found its way into Santiago and prompted the Spanish resolution to die rather than surrender.

After the fall of El Caney, the Cubans sacked the town. Information of the two outrages was promptly sent to General Shafter, who issued orders that any Cuban found rifling the bodies of the dead or wounded Spaniards would be promptly dealt with. To prevent the possibility of Cubans plundering Santiago when it capitulates, it has been decided to forbid the Cubans entering the town.

Lieutenant Brooke says that during the assault upon Santiago, 3,000,000 rounds of ammunition were used. Of course, thousands of pounds were lost, and it can safely be assumed that fully 3,000 shots were wasted to everyone that fairly found the mark.

### MURDER WAS DONE.

Terrible Stories of La Bourgogne Survivors—Yousouf Used a Stiletto.

NEW YORK, July 10.—A heavy train arrived at the Grand Central station last night. In the coaches of this train were 161 survivors of the wreck of the French line steamer La Bourgogne.

From the testimony of three persons, Otto Zeiser, of New York; William A. Chard, of Baltimore, and Charles Libra, chief cook of the Stafford hotel, Philadelphia, it appears that the fourth engineer of La Bourgogne, who was saved, acted in the most brutal manner toward the passengers. The three men agree in the statement that, after the collision, when everyone was surrounding the boats, the engineer said: "Damn the passengers. Let them save themselves. We save ourselves first." He also said that if he had a revolver he would shoot the passengers.

The men spoke in great praise of the captain. That officer did not think that the collision was serious, and informed those of the saloon passengers who inquired that there was no danger. This is thought to be one reason that none out of the seventy-five first class passengers was saved.

On the voyage Libra became acquainted with Yousouf, the wrestler, who was a passenger. After the collision, Libra says he saw Yousouf struggling in a crowd of drowning passengers, beating them off with a stiletto and shoving them aside and trying to reach a boat. He failed, however, and went down.

### MAHER BESTS GODDARD.

Irishman Defeats the Welshman at His Third Trial.

NEW YORK, July 10.—Peter Maher defeated Joe Goddard in eight rounds last night at the Lenox Athletic club. They had been scheduled to fight twenty-five rounds with five ounce gloves. Goddard had defeated Maher on two previous occasions and was the favorite among the sporting element previous to the fight.

To See Express Companies.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 10.—At the instance of the Kansas City transportation bureau, Major William Warner, United States district attorney, will bring suit to compel express companies to accept shipments without payment by the shipper of the revenue tax.

Fleets of Coal for Dewey.

NEW YORK, July 10.—It was learned to-day that 40,000 tons of coal are now on the way to the Philippines, where it will be transferred to the bankers of Admiral Dewey's ships.

## NO OFFICIAL PEACE MOVE.

Spain Has Made No Open Effort to End the War.

### SHE SEEMS TO BE FRIENDLESS.

Stories of German, Russian or British Intervention Are Denied—Madrid Wants a Land Victory First to Atono For Her Recent Naval Defeats.

LONDON, July 10.—Although peace rumors are more numerous and there is a general feeling that Spain may at any moment sue for peace, nothing definite upon the subject is known in competent quarters. Both the officials of the United States embassy and the British foreign office say the situation is the same as yesterday.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—The belief that a peace movement will be inaugurated continues strong, but the definite announcement is made that no such movement has taken formation thus far.

The state department authoritatively stated to-day that no peace overtures, direct or indirect, official or unofficial, had been submitted to this government. At the same time similar statements came from authorized sources at the British, French, German and other embassies and legations. It is stated broadly in these official quarters that whatever may be the hope or expectation of Spain toward peace the matter thus far is confined entirely to the other side of the water and has taken no form either before the authorities here, or before the foreign representatives of these powers, which would be most likely to speak in the event of a peace movement.

MADRID, July 10.—According to the newspapers here the Spanish minister for foreign affairs, Duke Almorovar de Rio, has declared that no European power is disposed to intervene in behalf of peace unless the belligerents make a request to that effect.

The ministers are divided in their opinions as to the advisability of immediate negotiations for peace. The war party is inclined to adopt the view of Marshal Martinez Campos, who considers that the army must first, by a noble victory, wipe out the defeat of the navy. The peace party urges direct negotiations with the United States, rather than through powers whose selfishness has allowed Spain to be crushed by a strong enemy, and who may now intrigue for harder conditions, desiring to profit by her dismemberment.

The Liberal says the Spanish cabinet is considering the question of signing a ten days' armistice in order to facilitate the peace negotiations.

Senor Sagasta, however, declared after the cabinet meeting that the rumors of an armistice were without foundation, adding that the government is only discussing the means of prosecuting the war.

It is rumored here that the Spanish government has received a dispatch from Captain General Blanco, announcing that Rear Admiral Sampson has sent him a telegraphic dispatch, summoning the Spanish commander to order the evacuation of Cuba within forty-eight hours, and announcing that otherwise the Americans will bombard all the forts in Cuba.

### ANOTHER STEAMER LOST.

The Passengers of an Atlantic Coast Vessel Rescued From Boats and Rafts.

NEW YORK, July 10.—The Clyde line steamer Delaware, from New York to Charleston and Jacksonville, was abandoned off Barnegat, N. J., at 10:30 o'clock last night, the steamer at the time being on fire. The passengers and crew left the burning vessel in boats and on life rafts. There were seventy persons in all and they were rescued by members of the Cedar Creek life saving station with the aid of the crew of the fishing smack S. P. Miller. All the passengers were transferred to the steam yacht Ocean King. The captain and twelve of the crew of the steamer were landed at Barnegat, presumably to look after the ship.

The tugboat Ocean King arrived at New York this morning with the passengers and part of the crew of the Delaware on board. The Delaware was built in Philadelphia in 1880. She has three decks and is 251 feet long, 37 feet beam and 17 feet deep. Her register is 1,297 net tons and 1,642 gross tons.

### Kent to Be Promoted Also.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—A dispatch was received last night from Major General Shafter, in which he strongly recommended Brigadier General Kent for promotion to the rank of major general. General Shafter stated in his dispatch that the reason General Kent's name was not sent in for promotion with the names of other general officers was due to the fact that the commanding general was gathering data relative to the conduct of General Kent in the engagements before Santiago. It is understood that President McKinley will promote General Kent to the rank of major general between sessions of Congress.

### Villamil's Family Injured.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—A telegram has been received at the Navy department from Bilbao, Spain, signed by a member of the family of Vice Admiral Villamil, second in command of Cervera's squadron, asking whether he was alive or dead. Soon after the inquiry arrived the copy of Cervera's dispatch to Bilbao, telling of his defeat and Villamil's death was received. The Navy department immediately telegraphed the news to Bilbao.

Familiarity with danger is apt to breed contempt for it.

## HOW CONGRESS ADJOURNED.

Stormy Scenes in the House Followed by a Patriotic Demonstration.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—The end of this session of Congress in the House was marked by two notable incidents. One was sensationally partisan, well nigh resulting in personal conflicts on the floor of the House, over a question of veracity, in which the lie was passed between Cannon and Ball, and the latter daring the former "to come outside." Members interfered and no blood was shed. The other was notably patriotic, and swept away all signs of the former.

In the former Mr. Ray, Republican, of New York; Mr. Handy, Democrat, of Illinois; Mr. Cannon, Republican, of Indiana, and Mr. Ball, Democrat, of Texas, were the principal participants. In the latter, all members joined, irrespective of party affiliations.

After the rather stormy session of two hours, the House, when adjournment was announced, joined in cheers for the President and war heroes and the singing of patriotic songs, making perhaps the most notable ending to a session since the civil war.

The only measure of importance passed was a bill to reimburse states for expense incurred in aiding the organization of the volunteer army.

The scene was a marked transition from the many partisan demonstrations which had been witnessed such a short time before. Democrats and Republicans were now singing in accord a national anthem. When the song ceased, some member proposed three cheers for the nation's President and the roar of sound that followed came from a united House.

"The North, South, East and West, a united country," was proposed, and then, in turn, came the heroes of the war, Dewey, Schley, Hobson, Sampson, and finally former Representative General Joseph Wheeler, who is now clinging, though ill, to his command in front of Santiago, was named, and the hall resounded with cheers of thrilling strength. Then the singing proceeded.

Meantime, Sergeant-at-arms Russell had brought in 200 small American flags and every member was now waving one. "The Star Spangled Banner" was sung while flags waved and the galleries cheered. Later followed "Yankee Doodle" and "Dixie," the latter, perhaps, for the first time in the House by members. Cheers for the speaker were given.

The patriotic demonstration continued a half hour, and then the members began leaving, saying farewell to colleagues. "Home, Sweet Home" and "Auld Lang Syne" supplanted the patriotic airs, and impressed more strongly upon the hearers that another session was ended.

Clerk McDowell, when the singing ceased, mounted the clerk's stand and announced that Mr. Allen of Mississippi had opened a recruiting office in the ways and means committee room, and a few minutes later Mr. Allen (popularly known as "Private John") arose and said: "The congressional rough riders will report to me in the committee room and enlist for Cuba." The announcement was suggestive of his speech, delivered a number of days ago, in which he proposed that a company of congressmen be recruited.

### BRITISH CONSULS QUIT CUBA.

England's Representatives at Havana Arrive at Kingston.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, July 10.—The British cruiser Talbot, which left Havana on Tuesday, July 5, arrived at Port Royal yesterday with twenty-three passengers, among them Sir Alexander Gollan, British consul general at Havana, and Mr. Higgins of the British consulate there, both on leave, which is given as the only explanation of their departure. Mr. Jerome has been left in charge of British affairs in Havana.

Mr. Higgins said: "The city of Havana is quiet and there are no new complications. The well-to-do inhabitants are subsisting tolerably, but the poor are dying of starvation in the streets. There are many sights of terrible misery. The barracks are filled with starving women. The soldiers are fairly well fed. General Pando has been sending troops into the interior, it is said, en route to Santiago, but I do not see how they will get there. The blockade is maintained and vessels are frequently turned back. Everybody is anxious for the conclusion of the war, though the soldiers wish to fight and all the officials are resolute. There is no flour in Havana and no meat, while hams are scarce."

### Watson Makes Them Nervous.

MADRID, July 10.—La Correspondencia de Espana says there is a feeling of alarm due to the belief that the United States warships Oregon, Texas and New York are now on their way to Spain, and that precautions are being taken at all the seaports to avoid a surprise.

### To Treat Cervera Kindly.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—The government has not yet determined how to dispose of Admiral Cervera. A feeling of the highest admiration prevails here at the gallantry displayed by the old warrior and the noble spirit exhibited by him under misfortune. The disposition is to treat him with as great liberality as conditions will permit.

### Rather Wet in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 10.—All records were broken in St. Louis and vicinity by the heavy rainfall of yesterday and last night. Reports from all sections of the city indicate that the damage done by this great body of water amounts up into the hundreds of thousands.

### Eleven Lighters Lost.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—The war department was advised last night that during a severe storm off the coast of Cuba eleven lighters on route to Santiago in tow of tugs were swamped and lost. So far as known, no lives were lost.

## AS TO NEBRASKA CROPS

A Week that Was Dry and Hot Throughout the Entire State.

### WINDS ROUGH ON GRAIN.

Taken as a Whole, the Outlook is Encouraging—Corn Doing Well and Many Fields are Now Laid By.

The first four days of the week were hot, dry and windy, says the last Nebraska crop bulletin. The last three days were cool, with showers Friday night and Saturday. The week as a whole has been warmer than normal, the average daily temperature excess ranging from 1 degree to 2 degrees. The daily maximum temperature generally exceeded 90 degrees on four days, and at a few places the weekly maximum exceeded 100 degrees.

The rainfall has been below the normal in most counties. It has exceeded an inch only in a few western and northern counties, and has been less than one-half inch in most southern and northwestern counties.

The hot, windy weather during the first of the week affected small grain unfavorably. Spring wheat was damaged in the southwestern counties, and the yield of wheat was probably reduced slightly in many counties. Oats continue in good condition. The winter wheat harvest is general in the central counties, and nearly completed in the extreme southeastern counties.

Corn has made a rapid growth in all parts of the state, but is still smaller than usual at this season of the year. The cultivation of corn has made good progress, and the fields are generally clear of weeds. Many fields have been laid by.

### SOUTHEASTERN SECTION.

Butler—Some wheat cut, crop injured by wheat scab; corn growing well, but still a week or ten days late. Clay—Some wheat and rye harvested; oats look well; corn growing fast; hay commencing.

Fillmore—Wheat being harvested, the crop is but slightly damaged and will average well; corn and potatoes need rain.

Gege—Wheat mostly cut and in the shock; considerable wheat scabs in some fields and none in other fields; corn doing fine.

Hamilton—Some wheat and rye being cut, berry plump and good; corn growing very fast, some being laid by.

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Stanton—Oats and wheat very tall and stand fairly well; grass very good; corn being laid by.

Thurston—All crops making good growth; prospects for good apple crop; potatoes doing well, but acreage small. Boyd—Rye harvest commencing; wheat heading out finely; corn being laid by; pastures excellent; hay abundant.

Holt—Rye well filled, some ready to cut; wheat and oats excellent; corn cultivation has made rapid progress.

### SOUTHWESTERN SECTION.

Adams—Rye in shock; corn not so large as usual at this time of year. Blaine—This has been a corn week; grain and gardens need rain.

Dundy—Very hot, but crops have not suffered much; wheat, oats and corn doing well; wild grass exceptionally good.

Franklin—Small grain injured some by warm, dry weather and wind; corn looking fine; rye being harvested and is a heavy crop.

WESTERN AND NORTHWESTERN. Box Butte—Small grain damaged by hot winds; good rain Friday.

Brown—Oats, barley and wheat are heading well; rye turning.

Cherry—Corn doing well; wheat almost safe, other small grain good.

Cheyenne—Corn growing fast; too dry for grain; range grass good.

Deuel—Very dry; wheat and oats need rain.

Keith—Good rain Friday checked hot winds, and everything all right.

Kimball—Week favorable for all crops; some parts need rain.

Logan—Corn growing rapidly; wheat and oats need rain; rye turning.

CENTRAL SECTION. Boone—Wheat looks very well; oats and potatoes good; corn rather small, but some laid by; pastures fine.

Buffalo—Spring wheat and oats damaged by dry winds; rye, barley and winter wheat good; corn doing nicely; hay abundant.

Custer—Dry weather is injuring the wheat and oats; rye and barley ripening too rapidly; good week for growth and cultivation of corn.

### A Boy Hangs Himself.

Chadron dispatch: Earl Coll, the 10-year-old son of F. J. Coll, a prominent farmer living near Housh, in the southwestern part of Dawes county, committed suicide by hanging himself. The lad was chided by one of his brothers for a trivial matter, of which he protested his innocence. His mother told him that she did not believe he had committed any wrong, but that did not seem to appease his sorrow, and he said that his relatives would never see him alive again. Little attention was paid to the threat, but some time elapsed and the boy did not put in an appearance, so a search was instituted. Finally, after looking everywhere else, the cellar was entered. There the body of the boy was found hanging from a short strap attached to a rafter.

### Bartley in the Pen.

Joseph S. Bartley, the ex-state treasurer, who was sentenced by Judge Baker to twenty years in the penitentiary on a conviction of embezzlement as state treasurer, was removed to Lincoln last week by Sheriff McDonald of Douglas county. Bartley's eyes are in a worse condition than hitherto, and arrangements will be attempted to obtain for him a room having a dim light, as otherwise there is a strong possibility of his becoming blind.