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The Elkhorn is a horn of plenty to Northern Nebraska.

NEBRASKA'S crop of corn and hogs promises to be immense.

OMAHA holds the commercial key to the trans-Missouri country.

HARTMAN and hard man, in the eyes of some people, are the same.

NEBRASKA'S state fair this fall will exceed in dimensions any ever before held in the state.

The telegraph announces the death of a New Jersey insane asylum of Orville S. Grant, the brother of the ex-president.

The Cleveland Leader thinks that there is too much of the Boston brown bread and baked beans policy about our Indian system.

CANADA shows as much appetite for bagging U. S. mail bags as the United States does for capturing dissatisfied Canadian emigrants.

ONE of our state exchanges hits the nail on the head when it advises its readers to keep cool over the probable arrival of a line of railroad, and adds, "We do not want to build a road and then pay for transportation over it."

IT pays sometimes to slap a man in the mouth. The Cincinnati Commercial has collected 15,000 one cent subscriptions for the benefit of a man who slapped another for asserting that Garfield's death would serve him right.

NORTH CAROLINA evidently did not want prohibition. Every country in the state voted in opposition to the proposed constitutional amendment.

OMAHA cannot be built up by wind and the falsification of facts. Ten energetic and public spirited business men are worth an hundred columns of promiscuous and ill-advised newspaper gas.

TIBBLES' new mother-in-law is named Mrs. "Iron Horse." If she happens to get up steam, Tibbles' position will be less of a sinecure than his former job as a natural born shears editor on The Herald.

ANOTHER railroad is to open up northern Nebraska to immigration and markets, and Valley and Greeley counties will reap the benefit of being brought into closer connection with the remainder of the state.

The Ohio campaign languishes. Charley Foster has such a walk-away that he hasn't knocked the hoops off his "barrel" and Bookwater refuses to throw away his money on a sure defeat. Hence the local politicians are in mourning.

NEITHER Fremont nor Wahoo give much encouragement to the proprietors of the Lincoln & Fremont railroads on the proposition to vote bonds. The Wahoo Times says: "We do not believe the people of Saunders county will ever entertain a bond proposition for a moment. If the road is never built until bonds are voted, the youngest inhabitant of Wahoo will die of old age before a depot of the Lincoln & Fremont railroad is ever established in Wahoo."

For ingenuity in money making schemes, honest or otherwise, New England stands at the head. It has recently been discovered that some Boston star route contractors in New Mexico, Arizona and other remote regions have been in the habit, periodically, of sending out a lot of worn out horses and broken down stages, which were destroyed by the Indians, or white men disguised as Indians, being hired for the business by the proprietors of the routes. The next move was to present a bill to the government for the property, accompanied by affidavits to show that the horses killed were very valuable, the stages burned were new and high priced vehicles.

## WHERE CIVIL SERVICE REFORM IS NEEDED.

Hon. E. H. Rogers, of Fremont, Neb., consul to Vera Cruz, Mexico, died at Vera Cruz, August 1st. Mr. Rogers has been in poor health some time, and the appointment as consul was procured for him last spring in the hope that a residence in the South might restore him to health.—*Nemaha Times*.

The appointment of Mr. Rogers was made at the urgent request of the whole congressional delegation from this state. Mr. Rogers had been an invalid for several years, and at the time of his nomination was on the verge of the grave in the last stages of consumption.

This fact was well known to our senators when they asked for his appointment, and they knew that he was in no condition to perform the duties incumbent upon a consul at such an important commercial center as Vera Cruz. Why then did they urge the appointment? Is the United States consular service a retreat for confirmed invalids?

Why should this government be put to the expense of transporting men disabled by chronic disease to foreign countries to pay the political debts of congressmen and senators? In this case the government has not only been imposed on but American citizens who have commercial interests at Vera Cruz are at much trouble and expensive delay until a new consul is appointed and confirmed. Suppose the next consul at Vera Cruz should be chosen from among the patients in some hospital would not American and Mexican merchants have just reason for complaint? And yet this is likely to happen if our Nebraska representatives are accorded the privilege of recommending Mr. Rogers' successor, and the policy they have inaugurated is adhered to.

This is a striking commentary on the abuses to which the courtesy of the president toward senators and congressmen is subject. It is eminently proper that the president should consult the wishes of senators in the distribution of federal patronage among the citizens of the various states and sections. It is not natural that their recommendations should have great weight with the executive, especially when the candidates are citizens from their own states. But senators and congressmen should never recommend anybody to an office whom they know to be incompetent or unfit to fill the position. Above all things they should remember that the civil service of the country is not intended to be an alms-house for paupers or a hospital for invalids.

Under our system of government by political parties the civil service of the country always will be partisan and congressmen and senators will continue to influence presidents and cabinet officers in making appointments. It would be impossible for the president or cabinet officers to fill positions in the various states acceptably without consulting the representatives of those states, who know the applicants personally and know who among them is most competent and trustworthy. Unfortunately congressmen and senators abuse the presidential courtesy very frequently by causing the appointment to the most responsible positions men who are notoriously dishonest, disreputable, unreliable or otherwise disqualified. They frequently endorse men for appointment whom as business men they would not trust with an empty pocket book. They look upon the federal service as a pension bureau for political hacks, bums and drones who want to subsist on the public without labor. Against this flagrant abuse civil service reformers should exert all their influence. Assuming that congressmen and senators will in the future as in the past influence presidential appointments we must have laws that will compel applicants for appointment to submit their credentials as to their competency to fill the positions to which they aspire and certificates from properly accredited medical authority respecting their physical ability to perform the duties likely to be imposed on them. Another and important measure would be an executive order that no dishonest, disreputable or incompetent person shall be retained in any position in the civil service, no matter how many congressmen, senators or judges of the supreme court have endorsed him or stand ready to renege against his removal from office.

THE private business affairs of a newspaper concern are hardly proper subjects for public discussion, but inasmuch as the Watchman and other local contemporaries have taken it upon themselves to meddle in the affairs of THE BEE, we will state all there is and was about the alleged refusal of Mr. Nye to accept the managing editorship of THE BEE.

First and foremost it would be impossible for Mr. Nye to become managing editor of THE BEE unless he owned a controlling interest in the paper. Our articles of incorporation vest the position of managing editor in the president. In the next place Mr. Nye never declined the position of managing editor or associate editor of THE BEE, because neither position had been tendered him. It is true that Mr. Nye made personal application to the managing editor of THE BEE for a position on his editorial staff. Mr. Nye's application was made week ago Friday, and the next day he was informed that the arrangement he sought could not be made. There was no talk about a contract, no proposition made to bind him, and no tender of a specific salary.

OMAHA has a prosperous present and promising future. The present growth of Omaha is in a measure part of the general prosperity of the whole country. Her future depends more upon a continuance of this general prosperity, coupled with the individual and collective enterprise of her capitalists and business men, than upon the blowing of brazen trumpets and beating of tom-toms.

The vapors of two or three windbags who write exaggerated reports about Omaha and Nebraska to eastern newspapers and the flat journalists who are trying to create an artificial boom for Omaha by windy editorials are doing Omaha a great deal more harm than good. Rents are already high enough and corner lots in very fair demand at what some people call extravagant figures. Every attempt to bull the rent rate and raise the wind on real estate by extravagant statements and exaggerated reports must in the end be a drawback to our growth.

If these flatists and wind-bags imagine they are building up Omaha by extravagant puffery, they are very much mistaken. The land bill has passed through the hands of the house of lords and finds the way back to the commons seriously mutilated and shorn of its best and most liberal features. It is gratifying to know that Mr. Gladstone with characteristic persistency proposes to stake the existence of his ministry upon the passage of the reform, provided for by the bill as originally passed by the house of commons. He will stand firm for the rejection of every amendment offered by the peers which affects the unity of measure or diminishes the protection which it was intended to afford the Irish tenantry.

JIM KEENE announces himself in the field as a seeker after Jay Gould's scalp. Jim is the man who hired his friend Solover "to whale the little cuss Gould" for beating him on a heavy debt in Western Union. Experience should teach Mr. Keene prudence.

STATE JOTTINGS.

Stanton's first piano has arrived. Ulysses feels the need of a church. Lincoln is agitating a line of Heedles. Crete is clamoring for a packing house. Syracuse is enjoying a healthy growth. Wahoo is building an \$8,000 bank building.

Albion wants a hook and ladder company. Weeping Water talks of erecting a \$15,000 lumber. Exeter has settled the location of her school house. Tekamah's new mill will be running before winter. Plattsmouth shipped 18 cars of hogs in one day last week.

Howard county's school institute has been a great success. The negotiations for North Bend bridge have fallen through. Track laying between Nemaha City and Calvert will begin this week.

Horse thieves are said to be running stolen horses into Gage county. Lincoln is calling for a thorough reorganization of its fire department. C. A. Steel, of York county, claims the finest 100 acres of flax in the state.

Waterloo's new Presbyterian church will be ready for occupancy next week. The new Baptist church at Tecumseh was dedicated on Sunday clear of all debt. The corner stone of the Nebraska Wesleyan university was laid last week at Fullerton.

Oakland proposes to have a cheese factory worth \$40,000, according to The Independent. The West Point Butter and Cheese association is building barns to accommodate 300 cows.

A bold attempt was made to murder J. W. H. telegraph repairer of North Platte last week.

Ord is rejoicing over the prospect of soon being connected by a branch line of the Union Pacific. Fourteen hundred dollars has been raised for a Methodist church at Spring Valley, Washington county.

The First Baptist church of Ord filed their articles of incorporation in the clerk's office last Saturday.

The United Brethren offer to build a college at Blue Springs if the citizens will contribute half the cost.

Two emigrants passing through Dunbar were accidentally shot last week by a gun hanging in their wagon.

The Nebraska City manufacturing company will have their works in operation by the middle of next month.

An extensive addition is being made to the West Point paper mill. The new improvements will cost \$20,000.

Money orders amounting to \$2,944.24 were sold during the year ending August 2, from Stanton post office.

The residence of Pat Gillespie, at Forest City, in Sarpy county, was burned to the ground last week. Loss \$1,500.

The Holmsville quarries in Gage county are doing a large business. Five car loads of stone a day are shipped to Beatrice.

A fire occurred at Tecumseh last week in the hardware store of J. D. Harman. It was extinguished with little damage.

Bert Smith, of Rising City, put out one of his eyes last week while pouring Rabbit brand into a harvesting machine cavity.

Red Willow county has an indebtedness of \$10,000, and The Courier advises that it be paid by issuing the bonds of the county.

A single banking firm in Tecumseh, cashed checks to the amount of \$15,000 the first four days of last week, given for hogs alone.

On Tuesday the first load of new wheat was brought into Seward, and was bought at 85 cents per bushel. It was good, plump grain.

W. A. Wilson, of Oak Creek, Sherman county, has just finished harvesting 100 acres of wheat that will average twenty bushels to the acre.

A well at Atkinson, Holt county, caved in last week, burying alive two brothers by the name of Biglow. Both men were dead before aid could reach them.

An incendiary attempt was made last week to burn Mr. John Pace's store at Blair by saturating it with kerosene. The fire was promptly extinguished.

The West Point butter and cheese association has received a new brick machine capable of making 20,000 bricks in ten hours. It will be run by water power.

A number of citizens in Plattsmouth gathered one night last week to lynch the owner of a little girl. The sheriff persuaded them to let the law take its course.

Col. Arthur Edwards, agent of the Omaha and Winnebago, reports that the two tribes have 2,500 acres of the best looking

what to be seen, and 1,900 acres of good corn.

One new law firm, a new grain buyer, a cheese factory, a two story addition to our school house, and several private residences are substantial indications of steady growth in Fairmount.

A crazy man in Lincoln, recently discharged from the insane asylum, shot at his wife and threatened to murder his neighbors and then escaped. The sheriff is still looking for him.

The U. S. land office will be moved from Norfolk to Neligh in September. The fee will be closed at Norfolk on the 10th at 4 o'clock p. m., and will be reopened at Neligh on the 15th at 9 o'clock a. m.

A party of about twenty gentlemen from Canada were in Nebraska City last week with a view to purchasing land and settling in the country. If they can find land to suit them they will transfer their families out some time in September.

Oakland has organized a "Stockmen's Protective Association, or Vigilance Committee." The object of the association being to protect its members from horse thieves and rustlers, and the punishment of the thieves.

Two tramps collared a E. & M. brakeman on the road between Lincoln and Crete, tied him hand and foot, gagged him and kept him in a box car. Another brakeman on the train found him and let him loose, and the three threw the tramps off when the train was running 18 miles an hour.

On last Tuesday Andrew Erickson, while engaged in shelling corn near the depot, met with quite a serious accident. Clinging to the corner of a grain car, he tumbled over the side, and in attempting to get down he slipped and fell, striking with force one of the truck wheels upon which the sheller is mounted, inflicting a large scalp wound.

Mr. George C. Clark, while running a mowing machine last week near Meads station, Washington county, drove into a hole and the lurch of the machine threw him off onto one of the sickle, resulting in very serious injury. The main bone of the right arm was entirely severed between the wrist and the elbow and otherwise badly mangled, and the other arm was badly punctured, apparently by contact with the guards.

The surveyors for the route of the new Burlington & Missouri railroad from Pawnee City to Council Bluffs, and the Chicago, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad at Topeka, Kas., reached Seneca on Monday last, having located the route north of Seneca.

Working will be connected south from Seneca. A new town is to be located twelve miles north of Seneca, and parties are prepared to commence business as soon as work on the railroad begins.—[Humboldt Sentinel.]

IOWA BOILED DOWN.

Marshalltown is soon to have a barbed wire factory.

The grand lodge of Good Templars meet at Algona August 30.

A LeMars dealer is shipping six cars of wool direct to Boston.

Hardy county wheat fields average thirteen bushels to the acre.

The Creston telephone exchange has filed articles of incorporation.

Butt has built \$34,275 worth of buildings in the last sixteen months.

The state board of equalization has raised the assessment of Dubuque county 10 per cent.

There are more tourists about the Dickinson county lakes this year than ever before.

The veterans of Buchanan county are going to have a reunion at Quasqueton on the 25th.

Newton has also discovered a mineral spring, the waters of which have rare medicinal properties.

Fort Dodge has sold its \$15,000 of twenty five per cent. water works bonds at a premium to Boston.

The Hotel Keepers' association of Iowa meets at Davenport on Wednesday, August 10, at 10 a. m.

Over thirty five dwellings and business houses are now in different stages of construction at Albia.

A straw distemper is crippling the horses around Clinton. Only half the street cars are running.

Charles City has a tow factory employing six men. The product is shipped to Cincinnati and Baltimore.

The 26th Iowa regiment will have a reunion at Shenandoah, Page county, on August 29th, 30th and 31st.

Gen. J. M. Hedrick is the owner of Ottumwa's new street railroad and his sons are contractors on the line.

Dubuque had, on July 31st, 20,000,000 feet of lumber on hand, against 18,000,000 feet on the same day last year.

Down at Okaloosa the Consolidation coal company has added to its possessions by buying 520 acres of land at \$85 per acre.

The recent flood in the Iowa river has resulted in changing the bed of the stream leaving many valuable water powers high and dry.

Jacoby Hoover, of West Union, sold recently to Owen & Cook, seven pigs only a year old for \$106.65; they weighed 3,000 pounds.

A farmers' mass meeting has been called to meet in Iowa August 13 to nominate a candidate to represent Harrison county in the next general assembly.

The tallest corn they can show down in Monona county only stands fourteen feet and two inches high. The backward spring is responsible for it.

The third annual meeting of the Old Settlers' association of Monona county will be held on Thursday, August 25, at Hon. F. B. Fitch's grove at Arcola.

Gen. J. B. McDonald says that Iowa will be at least 15,000,000 bushels short on wheat, and from 75,000,000 to 100,000,000 bushels short on corn this year.

The members of the Thirty-second regiment of Iowa volunteers, will hold a reunion at Iowa Falls on Wednesday and Thursday, August 31 and September 1.

Bishop Perry recently laid the corner stone of an Episcopal church at Maquoketa. It will be a handsome brick structure, with a foundation of Anasaua stone.

Ames is about to form an organization which shall have for its object the general improvement of the place, more especially the establishing of factories and other industries.

The German-American national teachers' association is in session at Davenport, with delegates from Milwaukee, Belleville, Ill., Texas, Dayton, O.; Detroit, Jersey City, Chicago and Cincinnati.

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FOR SALE Very nice house and lot with barn, coal house, well, cistern, shade and fruit trees, everything complete. A desirable piece of property, figures low.

FOR SALE Splendid business lots S. E. corner of 10th and Capital Avenue.

FOR SALE House and lot corner Chicago and 21st streets, \$5000.

FOR SALE Large house on Davenport street between 11th and 12th street, location for boarding house. Owner will sell low.

FOR SALE Two new houses on full lot in Kountze & Ruth's addition. This property will be sold very cheap.

FOR SALE A top pheasant. Enquire of Jas. Stephenson.

FOR SALE Corner of two choice lots in at once submit best cash offer.

FOR SALE A good acreable rose denance property, \$3000.

A FINE RESIDENCE—Not in the market Over will sell for \$6,500.

FOR SALE 4 good lots, Shinn's 3d addition \$150 each.

FOR SALE A very fine residence lot, to some party desiring to build.

FOR SALE About 200 lots in Kountze & Ruth's addition, just south of 8th, May Avenue, \$2500 each. These lots are near business, surrounded by fine improvements and are 40 per cent cheaper than any other lots in the market. Save money—buy here.

FOR SALE 10 lots, suitable for fine residence, on Park-Wild avenue, close to 12th and 13th streets, fine large trees. Price extremely low, \$800 to \$700.

FOR SALE Some very cheap lots Lake's addition.

FOR SALE Cheap corner lot, corner Douglas and Jefferson Sts.

FOR SALE 28 lots on 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th Sts., between Farnham, Douglas, and the proposed extension of Dodge street. Prices range from \$200 to \$400. We have concluded to give men of small means, more chance to secure a home and will build houses on these lots on small payments, and will sell lots on monthly payments.

FOR SALE 160 acres, 9 miles from city, valley, with running water, very choice property, with running water, balance gently rolling prairie, only 3 miles from railroad, \$10 per acre.

FOR SALE 400 acres in one tract twice divided, living spring of water, some nice valley. The land is all first-class rich prairie. Price \$10 per acre.

FOR SALE 720 acres in one body, 7 miles west of Fremont, in all level land, producing heavy growth of grass, in high valley, rich soil and 4 miles from railroad for sale. Side track, in good settlement and no better land can be found.

FOR SALE A highly improved farm of 160 acres, in the market for sale. Fine improvements on this land, owner not a practical farmer, determined to sell. A good opening for some man of means.

FOR SALE 2,000 acres of land near Mill Creek, 8 miles from city, 3,500 near Elkhorn, \$5 to \$10, 3,000 acres 2 to 3 miles from Elkhorn, \$5 to \$10, 5,000 acres west of the Elkhorn, \$4 to \$10, 10,000 acres scattered through the country, \$5 to \$10.

The above lands lie near and adjoining nearly every farm in the country, and can usually be sold on small cash payment, with the balance in 1-3-6 and 5 year time.

FOR SALE Several fine residences preferred earlier before offered for sale. Locations will only be made known to purchasers desiring business.

FOR SALE 2 business lots west of Old Fellows building.

FOR SALE 2 business lots south side Douglas street, between 12th and 13th, \$2,500 each.

FOR SALE 60 acres, covered with young timber, for sale, only 7 miles from city. Cheap land on hand.

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