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The groundhog didn't have to put his spectacles on in order to see his shadow distinctly this year.

Despite all the efforts that have been made we have not yet succeeded in making pulp of the paper trust.

It is remarkable what a multitude of variations the word "possibly" covers in the weather man's predictions.

Again the ill health of the aged Franz Josef of Austria-Hungary is causing alarm in British diplomatic circles.

The Russian Douma sends congratulations to the Turkish parliament. It is altogether fitting that these bodies should congratulate each other on still being alive.

Samuel Johnson said: "Life is short. Let us not throw any of it away in foolish resentment. It is best not to be angry. It is next best to be quickly reconciled."

J. J. Hill is not losing any of his shrewdness with advancing years. In fact, a long experience has taught him the value of the press.

The new secretary of state, Robert Bacon, who succeeds Elihu B. Root, makes the twenty-third person who has been a member of President Roosevelt's cabinet.

It is often interesting to learn of the beginnings of what are now great industries. The first glass factory in America was built in the little town of Temple, New Hampshire.

Japan now controls the world's supply of camphor. The demand for this drug has been tremendously increased by the fact that in the manufacture of modern explosives such as are used in high power guns, camphor forms an important ingredient.

The remarkable achievement of the government weather bureau in forecasting this storm four days ahead for Norfolk and six ahead for New York, is entitled to more than casual consideration at the hands of the American people.

Experience has shown, during thirty years, that nine out of ten of the storms which pass over Norfolk originate in the Pacific northwest.

The question now being discussed by the club women of the country is: Who are the six greatest women of the country? The women whose actual achievements and wide spread influence gives them precedence over other women.

This is the course forecasted for this storm, and up to date it has followed that schedule.

The weather bureau has just given its first week-in-advance forecast. It is working, however, upon a system by which it hopes soon to give forecasts an entire month in advance.

At the present time telegraph lines are not extended into northern Canada and there is no way of getting information as to barometric conditions out in the Pacific ocean.

Even at present, with a law requiring all cases originating in a certain district to be tried in that district, the law is a farce, because it is possible to transfer cases, under the working system.

For the benefit of the litigants, court should be held in towns within their own districts. The expense of long trips to Omaha, together with

YANKTON-NORFOLK.

More than a year ago The News published an interview with H. E. Owen, railroad contractor of this city, in which Mr. Owen declared that he believed the Norfolk & Yankton railroad would be built.

The report from Yankton that work is to start on the long projected line within the next few weeks, seems to confirm that opinion, as nearly as it can be confirmed before actual rails are laid.

For twenty years the Norfolk & Yankton has never been questioned. It is said that the stockholders in the original plan now have the money with which to back the project and that they have determined to make back their lost money from the project which they lost it.

Actual tooling of the locomotive whistles on the Yankton & Norfolk will bring rejoicing to Norfolk. But for the optimism that is in us and the hope that constantly lightens the human heart, rumors of the building of this road would long ago have been discredited before utterance, but at this time there really seems more hope than before in twenty years for the actual accomplishment of the fact.

Great claims are made by the enthusiastic Luther Burbank, who has so successfully assisted Nature to improve upon many of her products, concerning the future usefulness of the cactus family.

There is a constant change going on every two years in the complexion of the United States senate but the number of new faces that will be noted in the senate when it takes up its work under the Taft administration is the greatest that has been seen for many years and is significant as marking the transition of American political life from an old to a new era.

Those who are in the present senate and who will be the choice of the states they represent serve for six more years are: Brandegee of Connecticut, Clark of Arkansas, Clay of Georgia, Dillingham of Vermont, Gallinger of New Hampshire, Gore of Oklahoma, Heyburn of Idaho, Johnson of Alabama, McNary of Louisiana, Newlands of Nevada, Overman of North Carolina, Smoot of Utah, Smith of Maryland and Stone of Missouri.

But there is a long list of those who have fallen by the wayside and whose places are taken by new men. Ankeny of Washington after a six years' service gives way to Wesley L. Jones; Joseph B. Foraker who has taken special pride in combating and opposing the president and the Roosevelt policies retires from public service and is succeeded by Hon. Theodore E. Burton of Cleveland, who is recognized as one of the ablest and best statesmen of his day and who is an especial friend of President E. Taft and will warmly support his administration; Fulton of Oregon goes out with a smirched record because of his affiliation with the men who were connected with the timber land frauds of the Pacific west and his seat is taken by George E. Chamberlain, who although a Democrat was elected by Republican votes because of his clean, able record.

Gary of South Carolina, who has served only one year, gives way to E. D. Smith; Hansborough, the newspaper editor of Devils Lake, after holding his position for eighteen years, is turned down and out and M. N. Johnson of North Dakota supersedes him; Hemenway, Republican of Indiana, in the shifting political scenes of the Hoosier state after serving four years is followed by Benjamin S. Shirley, Democrat; Kittredge, the leader of the "stalwart" Republicans of South Dakota, after being a senator eight years, is defeated and Coe I. Crawford, the leader of "the insurgents"—the other wing of the party—takes a notable flight to retain his seat in the senate which he has held for five years, will stay at home, his place being taken by Joseph L. Bristow, elected as "a reformer;" McCreary, a Democrat, who has been Kentucky's senator for six years will be succeeded by W. O. Bradley, Republican; Milton, of Florida, who has been in the senate only a year, will be followed by ex-Governor Fletcher; Thomas C. Platt of New York, who for twelve years has been in the senate, with little credit to his state, will give way to Secretary of State Elihu B. Root, whom President Roosevelt has characterized as "the greatest statesman of this generation;" the venerable senator Henry M. Teller of Colorado, after serving his state for nearly a quarter of a century ably in that capacity, gives way to a young Democrat, Charles J. Hughes, jr.; ex-Governor A. B. Cummins of Iowa succeeds

the tediousness of the journeys, would be saved in that way. And more even justice could be expected if the trials were distributed, instead of being centered in one spot.

Following is the telegram from Washington telling of forthcoming efforts to change the law:

Senator Burkett has received some complaints from attorneys in Nebraska against the delay of cases in some of the divisions of the federal court by reason of the law providing that all the issues of a law suit must be tried in the division where they originate.

There are eight divisions in the state, and outside of Lincoln and Omaha there is only one term of federal court a year in the divisions. If a motion to remand, or a demurrer, is filed in a case under the present law the motion cannot be heard by the court until the next term in that particular division.

This, the lawyers claim, unnecessarily delays litigation. One attorney, in writing, says that he sued a railroad company in the state court. The railroad company filed an application to remove the case to the United States court. The attorneys filed a motion to remand, but under the law his motion cannot be heard until the court sits in that district, which will be almost a year.

Senator Burkett has taken the matter up with the judges of the federal court in Nebraska, and they are of the opinion that it would be well to amend the law so as to permit of the hearing of motions or demurrers of that court anywhere in the district. The senator has, therefore, prepared a proposed amendment which he expects to introduce in a few days, which will permit the judges to hear interlocutory motions anywhere in the district.

He said, also, that there had been a request that the term of court in Lincoln be changed to the first Monday in October instead of the fourth Monday in October. He will probably offer this amendment at the same time he does the other.

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Since the Hadar bank robbery a number of north Nebraska banks have added new burglar proof safes.

A Newman Grove man estimates that 250 windmills in Madison county were blown down during the blizzard.

The remarkable man is the one who does something remarkable without

wasting a lot of time telling about it.

When a town woman has a very fine home, she becomes as crazy about it as a town man becomes over a farm.

Some people have so little sense that a foolish scheme strongly appeals to them as a particularly good thing.

You cannot dodge old age, but by keeping in the running, you will remain ahead of it longer than the man who lingers by the way.

When a woman announces that kin are coming to see her, she always adds, "I am so glad." She may not be glad, but she says she is.

The biggest fool is the fool who steals a horse in winter, and is compelled to drive it over the country when the thermometer is below zero.

Many women who can stand any abuse at home, without shedding a tear, always cry at weddings, funerals, and "Uncle Tom's Cabin," shows.

Nellie Register: Word from Mrs. J. F. Boyd in Washington states that she is still unable to be out of doors though she is gradually improving from her severe illness.

People are saying: "Well, for heavens sake, there is a time to let up." Can't you guess what provoked the remark? (Baby at the house of an old couple.)

A boy today tried to get into a certain store, and found it locked. "All right," the boy said, "I don't want in." That's good philosophy: If you can't get in, don't want in.

Many a man who has been helped through school by his father or mother, has taken all the credit to himself, and never mentioned the efforts of his parents to give him an education.

It will come hard on the women, learning to transfer the confidence they have had in pins to suspenders. And we warn the women right here that suspenders are no more reliable than men are.

A collector tells startling stories on you, if you don't pay your bills. A collector for a lively stable says that a rich girl hired a buggy last July to take a man out riding, and hasn't paid for the rig yet.

Wayne Democrat: Grandpa Mears celebrated his ninetieth birthday last week, his daughter, Mrs. Cross, preparing a big family dinner in his honor. Not many at the age of ninety can attend church, find the place in the hymn book and read without glasses.

O'Neill Democrat: Gregory, South Dakota, is celebrating with loud acclaim the fact that she has been awarded the United States land office for her district. Does it ever occur to O'Neill that we have cause for congratulation in the fact that we have a United States land office in our city.

Bristow Enterprise: Dan Kramer and family had a narrow escape from being asphyxiated. Their hard coal stove leaked gas and the family were nearly suffocated when Mrs. Kramer awoke and managed to get to the telephone and call up the doctor after which she fainted. Dr. Craft hurried to the house and soon had them all out of danger.

Wayne Herald: The engineer of the west bound passenger train Thursday evening was a very much surprised individual when he pulled up at this station to find that he had on the pilot of his engine a portion of the roof of a building. He had no knowledge as to how he got it nor where, but it was there. Probably the wind had carried it on the track somewhere between here and Wakefield as it was not on the engine at that station. The wind blew hard enough to unroof most anything.

It is a rare man who can put on a new pair of suspenders and get them right inside of a week.

There are no more important or timorous questions, probably, than temperance and orthodoxy.

We have noticed that when there is to be an amateur performance in town, the friends of the performers go around and say they are "just splendid."

"He is an unusually reliable man," said a citizen today, speaking of a friend; "he wouldn't lie unless it should be to his interest to lie." Is THAT an unusually reliable man?

If you have it, always call a little baby in long clothes "he." A mother does not mind it when a girl baby is called "he," but it makes her furious to have someone call a boy baby "she."

An Atchison man and his wife began a dispute about a passage in the Bible day before yesterday, and neither one has done any work since, they are so occupied looking up arguments in their favor.

Some fault has been found with the Globe because it does not describe dresses worn at parties. We tried it once, but quit it when we found the printers began saving the dresses, and picking them up after every party.

We have been fearing this: Link Leedy, who left Atchison several months ago, is coming back. Link is about the most worthless man who

around town.

Get the coal bin filled up.

City politics will soon warm up.

Darn that groundhog. Or was it his fault?

Now how would you like to be a robin?

You remember that warning from the weather man last Friday, don't you?

Take new courage, Men. "The Woman's Hour" has not arrived in Norfolk.

There's a man in Norfolk who hates to leave town for fear he'll miss something.

Probably you'd miss the weather man if he should disappoint us in this forthcoming cold wave.

You've got fair warning this time—don't come down town Monday without your overcoat and mittens.

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Omaha, Neb., Feb. 5.—To the Editor of The News: A feller's Ma's all rite, aint she, even if she does oner in a white get married too son after pa dido. I bleeve the minister was to blame more'n Ma was.

I rote her about my ambishun to go to art school and be a grate artist and she telfoned me to cum rite home and she'll supply me the money and I went.

Ma always wanted me to be a minister but since my taist don't run that way and since I can't seem to lern to spell so's people cud understand what I was preaching about she's willing to let me take her seckund choice and be a artist.

My step-Pa sed there wasnt enny reason why a man cudnt be good and fulfill his sfoer and be a artist too. He sed the Lord didnt require a person with only one talent to do as much in his kingdom as him of ten talents. Sum was born to preach and sum to draw pikturoes and the only question was, would I be a good and faithful servant in my chozen calling.

I sed I'd be a lot gooder at drawing than at preaching 'caus I'd inheritted artistic abillitee from my Ma and I was ded certain I'd never inheritted enny ministering abillitee from Pa.

Step-Pa wants to be a revivalist like Moody and he ses if I'll lern to draw skripture scenes and be a chaunt-talker he'll take me along to illustrate his discourses and I'll be a grate drawing card than Sanky was to Moody. He ses people nowadays tire of the old way of being saved.

The Devil is always getting up sumthing new like sheet-gongs and sabb-bowdances and prize-fites to draw the crowds and the successful winner of soles must meet competition or do a life business. He thinks that a chaunt-talker like I'm going to be wud draw a full hous every nite.

I ast him what there wud be in it for my share and he sed there wud be at least the joy of labor in a good cause where moth and ritht duth not corrupth. I sed I bleeved I'd ruther be a grate cartoonist and get a thousand dollars a month like Hopper or Bart—or Spencer on the World Herald. He sed the love of money was the route of all evil.

You see Pa left me \$2,000 when he dide, for Ma to keep for me till I was twenty-one or to use part of it for my education. She calls it my patrimony. I ast her what that ment and she sed that patri was the Latin for Father or Pa (Ma uster study Latin in College) so patrimony means pa-money or the money Pa left me. I ast her if a person's mother left him sum money if that wud be matrimony.

Ma didnt want me to go to business college at Omaha and lern typewriting and demoen myself by being a com-

mon clerk so she wudent give me enny of my money. But I got along without it and its just as well or better, for Ma's all rite. She tuck my \$2,000 last spring and with Uncle Oscar's advice she bot a 80 akor farm cheap and last week she was offered \$2,800 for it but she wudent sell. She got neerly \$200 rent off of it for me and she's giv me \$100 to go to illustrating school in Chicago with and she's going to send me more when I need it. I tell you my Ma knows a heap more'n sum feller's mas does.

The morning I left we had famly worship, furst one I ever atended, for Pa never had that. My Step-Pa red the partrible of the Proddysal sun that waisted his substance on a rlofus enny liver and when he turnd up at home they had a fatty calf for dinner, and he sed he hoped I wud draw a lessun from the partrible as I was about to start into the way of temtashun.

I just tell you if I ever do go broke I'll not cum home counting on enny fatty calf for dinner for Ma sed Step-Pa's peep was such slow paid that if it wasent for the atrest she got off Pa's insurance money they wudent have even pan-cakes for orekfast let alone calf for dinner.

When I was raddy to take the train Step-Pa sed to me "Johnny, as you are starting fourth on life's jurney take this motto with you, "Onnesty is the best pollysee!" If my deer Ma hadent a bin rite there a feeling bad because I was going I'd told him to take Pa's motto home with him, "Practis what you preach!"

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Uncle Oscar and me is packing up his things to go to Chicago with me. Uncle's gowt got worse over to Lincoln and he sed there wasnt no use staying there enny longer a trying to influence legislashun 'caus the legislashun that it knowd more'n him and Mr. Bryan both and was just a going ahead and doing as it pleased. So since his toes got to hurting worse with the gowt he's desided to go to Chicago and consult a big the speshalist.

He can live one place as well's another and he ses if the climate of Chicago agrees with his toes he may stay there al spring and enjoy the breezes from the lake and the northern pineries and the packing-houses.

Just as soon as he can get things straightend up it will be good-bye deer old Nebraska for us, but I wont forget you and her.

Yours, Johnny Dumper.

ever lived in this county, and it's difficult to get rid of that kind. But let a valuable citizen move away, and we seldom hear from him again.

An Atchison girl owns a single piece of jewelry; a cameo a family heirloom formerly belonging to her grandmother. There is so much talk about burglars that she has come to this conclusion: She sleeps with the cameo under her pillow. In case she discovers a burglar in her room, she has resolved to put the cameo in her mouth, and pretend to be asleep.

O'Neill is Willing. O'Neill Democrat: O'Neill is modest in her aspirations, but we would like to suggest that if the capital of the state cannot agreeably be moved to Kearney, that our legislative delegation arrange to have it moved to O'Neill.

The Umbrella. Walt Mason in the Emporia Gazette: The large green tent you've seen me pack around this thriving town, is lost again; in some one's shack, I've simply laid it down; and now the rains that heaven sent have caused me griefs and pains; I always lose my moving tent, the day before it rains. Some chap will bear it through the storm, until the storm is past; and it will keep him dry and warm, and shield him from the blast; and when the days again are fine, and gone the tempests rude, he'll send me back that tent of mine, with much solicitude. And thus, as through the world I tread, is luck to me supplied; whenever I drop a slice of bread, it strikes the buttered side; the large fat dollars that I spent don't come my way again; I always lose my moving tent, the day before there's rain.

About Norfolk. Winside Tribune: Mrs. Jarmer of Norfolk is suing herself. Now if Mrs. Jarmer and Mrs. Jarmer should chance to meet, would they speak?

Burke Gazette: Norfolk is taking a census, and the city clerk says he is going to make it show 5,000 population or strain the three "R's" trying.

Burton Independent: While in Norfolk the other day a Burton business man met a young lady who was wearing a diamond ring on the engagement finger. She said a young man from Burton had presented it to her. We'd give a cabbage head to know who it was.

Randolph Enterprise: M. H. Abts returned from the firemen's association at Norfolk and reports a very interesting session. The next annual

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session will be held at Fremont. Morris says that The Norfolk Daily News certainly is up-to-the-hour, as within twenty minutes after the election of officers The News had every detail published and was handing out copies of their paper to the fire ladders.

John and the Tidal Wave. O'Neill Democrat: John Horiskey, who was washed out of the janitorship by a tidal wave of Democracy, is now a candidate for the office of sheriff of Holt county. John made a most excellent janitor, and in case of his election as sheriff we predict for him a successful administration—but that same old tidal wave of Democracy will again be in evidence, John.

Pennies in the Box. "R. F. D." carriers are urging a campaign against the practice of leaving pennies in rural route boxes instead of affixing stamps to the letters. Norfolk carriers say that the habit works