

# THE WAGWORKER

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The envelope was invented in 1683 and was in disfavor for a long time.

The average elevator in a large office building travels about 20 miles an hour.

An effort is being made in England to foster the tobacco-growing industry of Scotland.

Mr. Jack Binns is of the real stuff of which heroes are made. He refuses to go on the stage.

Right here it seems appropriate to mention as an interesting fact that this country consumed \$14,000,000 worth of peanuts last year.

Paderewski, while performing in New York, split the nail on one of his fingers. Our dispatch does not say what happened to the piano.

It is no mere play upon words to remark that the congressional spoils-men are spoiling for a fight and that the odds are on the despoiler.

Again we are reminded that money does not have a loud voice, but that it is a very penetrating voice and carries even to the fortified places.

The American battleships have made a record in their long voyage which will always be an interesting feature in the world's naval history.

"War is knocking at our doors," says Congressman Hobson. Gertrude, please go to the door and tell War that we are not at home.—Cleveland Leader.

Now comes the word that the "pneumatic pompador" is to take the place of the old-fashioned "rat." Thus suggests a use for old automobile tires.

England has been roused to a fine pitch of military enthusiasm by a thrilling play. It is not, however, anything with soul kisses or Salome dances in it.

French scientists say that the earth's crust is hardening, and amateur gardeners who will begin their spring digging soon will no doubt agree with them.

Only about 50 per cent. of the people who die in New York die natural deaths, which is not astonishing, considering that only about one per cent. of them live naturally.

In 1907 Great Britain furnished 30,000 bicycles to Japan, and in addition \$270,000 worth of parts, while the United States furnished 3,218 bicycles and \$178,000 worth of parts.

Because of the fight and resultant damage attending the last University of Pennsylvania underclass dinner the freshmen have found it almost impossible to get a hotel to supply their dinner.

It is said that women and children are braver than men in an earthquake. Possibly the weaker members of the family are used to having father come home and tear the house down over their heads.

Our thoughtful and benevolent congressmen, says the Chicago Daily News, are now engaged in the great work of distributing garden seeds among such of their fellow citizens as have either gardens or votes.

The Michagenian, the college annual at the University of Michigan, has asked students with cameras to chase up the members of the senior classes to get photographs of the 1909 folks without their knowing they are being taken.

Apparently the milk producers have not become discouraged in their efforts to change the milk standard, even though the agitation of the subject had an effect to reduce the consumption of milk by several millions of gallons last year. Looking at it from a purely financial standpoint, does it pay?

The spoils system impels men to make all they can within a limited time. The merit system admonishes them to play fair and to hold their jobs without reference to political interference. One tempts a man to graft while he has the chance. The other prompts him to do conduct himself as to retain a good thing. This waives moral considerations—but so do many politicians.

Speaking by the card, Mr. Rockefeller's latest gift of a million to Chicago university brings the total of his contributions to the funds of that institution up to \$24,375,365. Gifts from other sources foot up \$7,128,484, making a total of \$31,503,849. Of this amount about \$5,000,000 have been used for current expenses, leaving a balance of \$26,503,849 as its present productive endowment. A handsome showing, remarks the Boston Herald, for a university less than 20 years old.

"A man's a fool if he believes everything his wife tells him," says the Philosopher of Folly, "but he's a bigger fool if he doesn't pretend he does."

Little Rollis, four years old, came to a table, where he had tomato soup, which he is very fond of. Being very angry, he could not wait for it to be brought, but he hastily ate two or three of them; then, laying down his spoon he exclaimed: "My goodness! soup is so hot it makes sparks down me."—Delineator.

# CAPITAL CITY NEWS

ITEMS OF INTEREST AROUND THE STATE HOUSE.

THE WORK OF THE LAW MAKERS

Legislative Facts and Gossip—News of the State Capital.

House Working on Appropriations.

The board of educational lands and funds was given an additional \$1,000 for traveling expenses, making the total \$6,000.

The board of purchase and supplies is given \$100 for the biennium and the commissioner of public lands and buildings \$2,200.

The state library commission is given \$3,000. This is an increase of \$2,000 over the appropriation of the 1907 session.

The secretary of state is given \$4,600, a sum \$300 less than two years ago. The auditor is given \$7,700 instead of \$12,600 given the office two years ago. The house agreed in giving the insurance department \$3,500 a thousand more than was given the department two years ago. The attorney general was given \$13,000, this sum being less than was asked. The attorney general anticipates much litigation in the next two years and he asked for enough to go through with the work.

The appropriation for the payment of state treasurer's bond was cut to \$4,000. Case of Fronties thought the bonding companies were practicing a holdup and that the amount should be cut to \$980. Other members feared, however, that if so large a cut was made that the bonding companies might refuse to supply the bond and that the treasurer would be forced to secure a personal bond. Personal bonds were not at par in the estimation of some of the members. Case's suggestion was not accepted but the surety company pie was clipped one-fifth.

The state board of irrigation was given \$4,300 as before.

Howard attempted to secure an increase of \$6,000 in the appropriation for the labor bureau but this was voted down vociferously.

The house Tuesday morning passed the following bills:

S. F. 149 by Bartos, providing for submission to the question of changing city to village government and of the retention of village government when towns reach a population of 1,000. Passed, 84 to 5.

S. F. 120 by Miller, requiring one year's residence for application for divorce. Passed 76 to 12.

H. R. 263 by Eastman, providing for submission of public buildings questions at general as well as special elections. Passed 82 to 2.

H. R. 189 by Skoen, appropriating \$40,000 for Peru normal library. Passed 75 to 7.

S. F. 13 by Tibbets, prescribing uniform acknowledgment of deeds. Passed 78 to 10.

H. R. 144 by Taylor of Hitchcock, providing against revival of dormant judgments after five years. Passed 57 to 28.

The house was notified that Gov. Shallenberger had signed H. R. 80, Frank Dolezal's bill, prohibiting the sale of blank cartridges and giant freecartridges.

A Saloon for Fort Crook.

Fort Crook gets a saloon, or more than one as the little village of two hundred people known as Crook, shall designate.

This was decided Tuesday in a senate committee of the whole when the Gates bill was approved and recommended for passage. That is it will get a saloon unless Governor Shallenberger should see fit to veto the measure.

The bill in question was that of Representative Gates providing for a few changes in the license laws, and primarily for the permission of the state that Fort Crook should be given the saloon privilege that was taken away from it two years ago. A letter was read from Col. Gardner, the commandant of the post, asking for the permission to be granted for the establishment of a saloon there, and a few petitions were sprung from Omaha citizens asking that such act be passed for the benefit of the metropolis. It was claimed by the Omaha triumvirate that drunken soldiers are a menace to the city and that if they could be kept at Fort Crook they could be better controlled by the army officers.

When the vote was taken on the bill two county optionists, Senators Donohoe and Bodinson, voted for it, while Hatfield and Meyers, who have been considered doubtful, also approved the bill to give Fort Crook the privilege of granting saloon licenses.

Guaranty Bill Passes House.

With seven Republicans voting for a Democratic campaign pledge the bank guaranty bill passed the house Tuesday morning, with 72 yeas and 23 nays. Every Democratic member voted for the platform promise, four of them, Boyd, Broderick, Gates and Graft, being absent. One Republican, McColl, was absent.

The seven republicans were Allen, Barrett, Chase, Griffen, Johnson of Adams, Roberts and Thiessen. A number of the republicans who voted against the measure offered short explanations of their votes.

# NEWS OF NEBRASKA

ITEMS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE OVER THE STATE.

THE PRESS, PULPIT AND PUBLIC

What is Going On Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska.

Jury Says Manslaughter.

Fred Ossenkop, a Lancaster county farmer, who lives just across the line between that county and Cass county, was convicted in the district court at Plattsmouth Saturday morning of manslaughter. The jury went out Friday evening at 6 o'clock and did not arrive at a verdict until Saturday morning at 4 o'clock. The convicted man secured bond for his release in the sum of \$15,000. The bond was signed by his brother John Ossenkop of Louisville, a rich farmer. The district judge did not state when he would be ready to announce the sentence. The prisoner went to his home Saturday forenoon near Bennett. Ossenkop has been on trial for some days on the charge of killing Charles Byrne in a fight at Eagle on the 16th of last September.

Byrnes was a much smaller man than Ossenkop and the charge of the state was that in their fight he knocked Byrnes down and then kicked him in the head. Byrnes and Ossenkop's father had trouble some years ago, but the defendant insisted on the stand that he did not have any ill-will because of this.

Carried Away on Ice Cake.

The heaviest snow in years fell in Box Butte county the last of February covering the ground to a depth of nearly two feet and drifting badly in the pockets of the canyons. The warm weather of the last few days has melted this heavy fall of snow and the canyons are all full. Hans Hanson, a boy about seventeen, with his sister Nora, and Miss Olivia Moe were driving to town and drove into the man canyon about seven miles south of Hemingford. The strong current upset the buggy and threw them all into the stream. Mr. Hansen and his sister swam out, but Miss Moe was carried down stream and finally got footing on a large piece of ice and snow that was floating on the surface. Emory Abley, a neighboring ranchman was notified and he succeeded in lassoing her and bringing her safely to shore. Miss Moe is suffering somewhat from exposure and shock but was not otherwise injured.

Bound Over to District Court.

Sheriff Fischer of Nebraska City returned from Council Bluffs with the two men, George Clark and Frank Dickson, who were charged with burglarizing the store of L. F. Teide, of Berlin. Part of the stolen goods were found on the men and they plead guilty when taken before Judge Wilson. They were bound over to the district court in the sum of \$500 each, but not being able to give bail, will be held in jail.

Johnson County Boy Hurt.

While at work trimming hedge, a grown son of H. H. Schroeder, living in the northern part of Johnson county, was terribly cut just below the hip by an axe in the hands of a brother, the wound being accidentally inflicted. The cut was five inches long and four inches deep, the femur bone being reached by the edge of the instrument. Eight stitches were required to close the wound.

The Two Italians Held.

The preliminary hearing of N. Goloro and C. Gosmono, the Italians who shot up a saloon at Uehling, was not finished till noon Thursday. The defendants told a jumbled up story of a fight and subsequent get-away on their part, and denied that they fired any shots. They were bound over to the district court under bond of \$3,000 each. Being unable to give it, both went to jail.

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Dam Went Out at Neligh.

The ice in the Elkhorn broke up Saturday night and moved down stream, carrying with it the cement dam at the Neligh mills. The dam was completed last summer and was supposed to be strong enough to resist any pressure of flood or ice that might be thrown against it. It will take months to repair the damage.

New Company Enlarged.

The Jenz Automobile company, which some time ago contemplated removing from Beatrice, has decided to remain in the city, having closed a deal by which it secures the funds necessary to operate its business. A trust mortgage for \$10,000 was filed in the office of the county clerk Saturday, the mortgage being given up on the property of the company for the purpose of securing bondholders who have promised to purchase \$10,000 in bonds to be issued by the company. The bonds will be disposed of by the Commercial club.

# NEBRASKA HAPPENINGS.

State News and Notes in Condensed Form.

By a unanimous vote of the Silver Creek board, George P. McGrew was elected principal of the schools for another year at a salary of \$1,000.

The election to decide on the formation of the Dodge and Washington county drainage district will be held in Fremont on Tuesday, March 16.

While playing ball near Freedom, Frontier county, Tim Bomar killed a playmate, Sylvester Cozad, with a revolver "he didn't know was loaded."

John G. Routsen, a former resident of Columbus and at one time the official surveyor of Platte county, died recently at his late home in National City, California.

Cloth and clothing peddlers have lately victimized numerous farmers in the vicinity of Hartington of from \$63 to \$95 each and got safely away with the cash.

Tracy LaForge, of Falls City, while cutting a rivet off with a hammer, got a piece of steel in his eye, and took the train for St. Joe to have an expert remove the intruder.

Miss Susan Gehling, who has charge of the kindergarten school at Falls City, has made a fine showing so far this year. Among the forty babies who go to school to her she has had only one tardy mark.

After counting horns and hoofs since the blizzard of February 9, the Ditch company near Atkinson find they are short about 300 head of cattle which perished in the storm. The loss exceeds by 200 head the first estimates that were made on the basis of what was known the day after the storm.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Nemaha county fair and driving park association it was decided to discontinue the fair and will sell the fair grounds. They will plat the ground of about forty acres into an addition to the city and sell the lots at public auction. This will not be done until after the race meeting.

"Jack" Smith, who was arrested in Kansas shortly after he had stolen a horse from A. Timmerman of Stella a few weeks ago, was tried in the district court of Richardson county at Falls City. He pleaded guilty to the offense and Judge Raper sentenced him to serve three years in the penitentiary.

E. O. Bartlett, of Steele City, has filed a formal complaint with the state railway commission alleging discrimination in charges by the Steele City telephone company. He states that the company charges toll for local service which is not made to all non-subscribers and this he alleges to be discrimination.

John Clarence, charged with the murder of John P. Thacker, near Murray, Cass county, was released on bail in the sum of \$10,000 which was signed by John Clarence, sr. The hearing was in justice court before Judge Archer.

The next term of court convenes in May when the case will be heard. Clarence is a cripple, and besides gave himself up voluntarily is the chief reason he was permitted to give bail.

The Madison county mortgage record for February, as prepared by County Clerk George E. Richardson, is as follows: Farm mortgages filed, twenty-two, amounting to \$71,672.50; released, thirty, amounting to \$64,850; city mortgages filed, thirteen, amounting to \$18,825; released, twenty-one, amounting to \$12,251.38; chattel mortgages filed, 146, amounting to \$30,472.28; released, 105, amounting to \$26,598.42.

As W. D. Walker and family of Arapahoe were returning from church their conveyance was struck and overturned by a running team which came up behind them. They were thrown out. Mrs. Walker becoming entangled with the wagon with which they collided, was dragged about thirty feet and badly bruised. Miss Mary suffered a fracture of the wrist and is otherwise prettily well bruised up. Mr. Walker escaped serious injury.

Hans Jensen, aged sixteen years, was shot and instantly killed by his companion, Walter Brandenburg, while hunting ducks between Plainview and Creighton, Sunday. The two youths were hunting near a pond. Jensen raised up just as a flock of ducks flew up. Brandenburg, not noticing Jensen rising, fired and the full charge of the gun struck Jensen in the back of the head, killing him almost instantly.

Miss Ada Patterson, who is accounted one of the very brightest among the band of "down east" newspaper women, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Patterson, of Franklin, Nebraska. She formerly attended high school and taught in Bloomington, and her first newspaper article was published in the Advocate of that town in 1883. Today her work finds ready market, and is seen in her "Chats with players" in The Theatre Magazine, in The Ladies' Home Journal, the Munsey publications, The Smart Set—for she is a prolific short story writer—and she has also published a volume entitled, "By the Stage Door." Her stories appear in the Saturday Evening Post, the New Idea, the Delineator, and elsewhere. Miss Patterson last year compiled the biography of Maude Adams.

A farm mortgage for \$50,000 was recorded with County Clerk Houston this week, covering 2,200 acres of land, mostly in Eureka precinct, Jefferson county. The farm is known now as the "Corsa ranch," though formerly it was called the "Eugenia Gregory land." The change in name came about through a matrimonial alliance some years ago when W. S. Corsa of Whitehall, Ill., married Miss Eugenia Gregory, who had inherited this land from her father, who, at an early day purchased every acre of it for \$1.25 an acre. The land is worth at a very low estimate, \$75,000.

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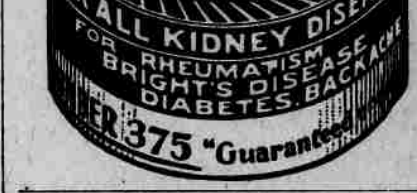
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Mr. Jack Binns is of the real stuff of which heroes are made. He refuses to go on the stage.

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