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# O'NEILL, HOLT COUNTY, NEBRASKA, OCTOBER 4, 1894.

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HOW IT HAPPENED

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nd see my line of cloaks. get your choice. P. J. McManus.

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cGinnis is teaching ie Wrede's district, Teill.

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of Atkinson, was in the and favored THE FRON-

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O'Neill Flour & Feed Co., 88-tf

went down to Randolph amongst friends. ing, where his wife is

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married Tuesday evening

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Holt county land. Land ferred. E. H. BENEDICT. returned Saturday night

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your residence or place of is wagon makes the rounds 47-tf -By Mrs. E. Williams, a

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er Advocate, although demlitics, will support Daughimple in preference to Kem d. And why not?

oster, formerly an O'Neill it for the last two years a g after business interests.

he B. W. C. washing com-J. McManus'. It excells all undry and toilet use. Will nost delicate color without 10-3

ant: We are making arto leave here on the 6th of during our week's absence ews, of O'Neill, will push

Mrs. Ed Ward, mentioned in these columns last week as being ill, is not which will be sold cheap for cash. My materially better at this writing. The stock is all new; no old goods on hand. news of the death of her sister-Miss Come and see me before buying else-Wilcox-which occurred in Oregon last where. 122 P. J. McManus. week, prostrated her.

Saturday morning to fall down a flight Monday morning was cause for turning severe shaking up received.

We understand that Jim and Henry DeYarman will locate in Arkansas. Henry will engage in the livery business and Jim in the hotel business. THE FRONTIER wishes the boys the biggest kind of success in their new home.

The Holt county fair, which started yesterday, is not meeting with the greatest success, although the attendance is quite large today. The free-forall trot, unfortunately, was declared off this morning on account of a lack of

All of the men who have been chief of the O'Neill fire department were on hand at the Monday morning blaze. There were Sam Sample, of Butte, the first chief, Odie Biglin, Tom Golden and Doc Mathews, besides John Murphy, the present incumbent.

E. Frank Hawkins and his Merry Company, which entertained the show going people of this city Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights of last week, will appear again at the opera-house Friday night, where, we predict, they will be greeted by a full house.

General Slocum, formerly of this O., on September 23, aged 74 years. In speaking of his death the Ashland says: "No man in Ashland was more promthan the gallant soldier who has gone to join the great commander."

Mr. Eli Hershiser and Miss Jennie Storts were married last evening at the home of Judge McCutcheon in this city. The bride and groom are both well and favorably know in this community and a host of friends will wish them plenty of good things in this life. THE FRON-TIER herewith tenders its congratula-

Spencer Advocate: Mrs. John Murphy, Maggie Gibbons, last but not least in importance, Master Gen. Milton Murphy, have been the guests of their brother and uncle, Pat Gibbons for the past week. These parties are all from O'Neill, and have enjoyed themselves by visiting Ft. Randall and socially

the school board employed Miss Kittle years and two months. Dwyer to teach music and drawing. In the face of a depleted school treasury years and two months. this new departure looks more like a luxury than a hard times necessity, but one-half month. if we must have it, why then we supagers at his home in this pose we must. Miss Dwyer will no doubt give eminent satisfaction.

> Clarence Selah's thirty-seventh turn around the race track of time was celebrated at his home Monday evening by a goodly number of his friends dropping intimacy with the flowing bowl, but around in a body to surprise him. The surprise was complete and the evening and a fact that somewhat combats greatly enjoyed by the invaders, who departed in the small hours wishing the commission charged with this imthat Mr. Selah might live an hundred and fifty years.

There will be a cake walk and colored ball at the opera house on Monday evening, October 8th. A charity fund will be organized, and the proceeds of this ball will be placed in the hands of a committee for the relief of the worthy poor of this community. All are invited to take part in this grand cake walk and colored ball. Each lady will take a basket of lunch for herself and partner. Tickets for ball 75 cents per couple.

O'Neill will be represented on the race track at the inter-state fair at Sioux City next week by Ed Thompson and B. A. DeYarman. Mr. Thompson has entered Fremont in the 2:35 and 2:40 trot, while Mr. DeYarman has entered K S in the 30 class and Burtwood in the 3 minute and 2:40 pace. All three horses are standardbred and full of speed. It need surprise no one to see these horses each get a slice of the

Barney Ryan received from Omaha Iowa, is in the city this Sunday an animal purporting to be a dog. It may be a dog but nothing like it has ever been seen on earth-that is, in the possession of a man who is acknowledged to be authority on canineology. It is a conglomeration of hair, interest. All persons interested are hide, bones, appetite and growl, and possesses no qualities that point to breeding. It is just dog and looks it, every inch. However, Barney says that it is of the watchful order, and as such knows its business. Patrons of essengers of thought into Barney's coal-house will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

I have a large stock of ladies' cloaks

Spontaneous combustion in the coal Mrs. Sanders had the misfortune sheds of the Chicago Lumber company of stairs at her home. Although no in a fire alarm. The fire company was bones were broken she was confined to on the ground in a remarkably short her bed several days as a result of the time and had the blaze extinguished before Smoot had time to get excited. It was fortunate for the lumber company that the conflagration was nipped in the bud.

> The Lincoln school board has summoned all of its teachers to appear before it and stand examination. There are no exceptions; they must all pass an examination, and the teacher who falls below 60 on any one subject must pack up and get. The general average must not fall below 70. It might be a good idea--but then it is utterly useless to make any suggestion to the O'Neill school board.

John Darr, of Scottville, on the 9th inst. will sell at public auction bis personal effects at his farm. John intends leaving Holt county, but he has not yet fully made up his mind as to his new location, being on the fence between Missouri, Arkansas and Illinois. He will make a tour of those states and settle in the one that to his mind presents the best inducements. Mr. Darr says he is not leaving Holt county because he cannot make a living here, but because he is sick at heart and disgusted with the way politics are conducted. He thinks-and rightly, too-that county, died at his home in Ashland, populist supervisor rule has run the county into the bottomless pit of debt and the farmer or city resident who pays his trol or plunder the campaign caravan taxes will in the future be called upon inent in the history of Ashland county to give up not a tithe, but a half. Mr. Darr is a good citizen and a thorough gentleman and the community in which he decides to locate will be fortunate.

### The Influence of Alcohol.

The British medical association, wishing an exact statement of the influence ot alcohol over the duration of life, charged a commission with the inquiry

- in three classes of subjucts: 1. Total abstainers.
- 2. Moderate drinkers. 3. Excessive drinkers.

Observation included 4,234 cases of death in five categories of individuals. and below is the average attained by each class:

- 1. Abstainers-Fifty-one years and one month.
- 2. Moderate drinkers-Sixty-three years and one-half month.
- 4. Habitual drinkers-Fifty-seven
- 5. Drunkards-Fifty-three years and

The most advanced age is attained by moderate drinkers, and the minimum by

THE FRONTIER does not publish this statement for the purpose of teaching the young that the only way to prolong their stay on earth is to be on terms of rather as a scientific fact of interest, hygienic teachings. The statement of portant undertaking is not as complete and extensive as we would have liked. It should have gone further into details. It should have given us the comparative degree of intelligence attained in the different classes from the abstainer to the habitual drunkard. While the tippler may live out his full number of days, he undoubtedly does it with a clouded intellect and at the same time advances the lower attributes of his nature, while the abstainer lives a life of brightened faculties, although statistics say that by failing to deaden his sensibilities with strong drink he burns out his candle of life without economy. Although the habitual drunkard, in the cases reported, lives two years longer than the abstainer, we believe that if the investigators had carefully figured out the number of days he had been drunk and the number of weeks he had been incapacitated on account of debauches they would have found that in reality the drunkard had lived a fewer number of years than the abstainer.

# Water Works Bonds.

A meeting of the taxpayers of O'Neill is hereby called to meet at the courthouse, at 7:30 P. M., on Monday, October 15, 1894, to consider proposals to refund water bonds at a lower rate of requested to attend promptly.

By order of the mayor. N. MARTIN, Clerk. 13-2 O'NEILL, Oct. 3, 1894.

Hood's pills are the best after dinner pills, assist digestion. cure headache. Try a box, 25c.

#### The Populist Record.

State Journal: For the past two years a great deal of space in the populist legislature was in 1889 and 1890, while press has been devoted to wholesale the first, last and it is to be hoped the denunciations of the republican party only populist legislature the state ever for the alleged reason that the "extravagance" and "misconduct" of the ing the years 1891-92. These two sesrepublican officials in the state house sions offer a splendid opportunity for a and the "mismanagement" of state fair comparison, besides showing the institutions under a republican administration has saddled a state debt of ing state indebtedness. nearly a million dollars on the voters of this commonwealth.

It has been repeatedly asserted and frequently reiterated that the policy of the republican party in Nebraska and the actions of its official representatives been the case. With such a condition at the capital were solely responsible for the indebtedness that hangs over the to economize, combined with the busistate today, and a strenuous effort has ness ability to carry that determination been made to make this alleged condition of affairs a leading issue in the have been a reduction of tax levy. present campaign.

With a loud-beating of tom-toms and hewgag, frenzied appeals have been made to the voters to rally round the standard of flatism, incendiarism and vagarism, and "redeem Nebraska from the fearful blight of republican misrule." The stump disseminators of political quackery have been quick to take their cue from this bald misstatement of fact, and a systematic course of truthdistortion and misrepresentation has been inaugurated. Along this same line, too, are being directed the efforts of divers political Bashi-Bazouks, who, while seeking revenge on the republicans who for years have kept them at a safe distance from the public money drawer and as persistently denied them the power they coveted, are jointly watching an opportunity to seeure conwhile they prate of loyalty, honesty and the need of good government. They parade their bogus devotion to principle with as sublime a nerve and as contemptible hypocrisy as ever characterized that other patriot for revenue only -Benedict Arnold, whose assumed sincerity in his advocacy of honesty served only to cloak the secret conferences with Major Andre while contemplating the assassination of friends and the

betrayal of country. It is nothing more nor less than an attempt to potitically hoodwink the people of Nebraska in order to enable populism to wipe of the slate and start anew with a clean bill of health without having to face the dammning record of inefficiency and incompetency made in 1891, when it had an opportunity to exit could do.

Unfortunately for the populist party At a special meeting Saturday night 3. Occassional drinkers-Fifty nine it has an ineffaceable record in Nebraska, as well as in Kansas, Colorado and Oregan, and so long as public documents are preserved so that he who runs may read the state platform of populism will not "point with pride" to that record.

True it is that Nebraska has a state indebtedness of hundreds of thousands of dollars, but equally true is it that this indebtedness was saddled on the state by the populist legislature of 1891. The facts are plain, the record is official, and right here in the midst of a campaign of state issues is as good a time as for the thinking voter to sit down and recall a little all-wool-and-yard-wide arithmetic of his youth. Let him ponder well these official figures and then decide with sober sense and business judgment whether he is financially able to indulge in the questionable luxury of two years of "reform" administration of that type. And that, too, without such a palliating circumstance as republicans in office to set the breaks when the pace of reckless inexperience gets so hot that it threatens to land the ship of state on

That the legislature of 1891 was cleary populist admits of no question. That party had fifty-four of the one hundred members of the house and eighteen of the thirty-three senators, including the evanescent Taylor, who ran away during the fight over the maximum freight rate bill and whose form has never since that day cast its shadow across Nebraska's prairies. The populists organized both houses, controlling each with a good working majority, and in the language of those of their own party faith is written the official story of their shame. Here are the former than the state of their states of their shame. shame. Here are the figures that tell

Amount of appropriations in excess of taxes levied.	\$ 18,25
Total appropriation of legislature for biennial period.	2,886,575
Total amount of taxes assessed.	\$1,191,652 1,171,524 1,217,380 1,240,964
Total levy in mills.	6% 6 6-25 6% 6 63-100
General fund levy in mills.	5 51-69
Total assessed value of all proper- ty in Nebraska.	\$182,763,538 181,770,304 183,138,236 186,432,376
	1888 1890 1891 1892

a biennial period. The last republican will have was in session in 1891, coverreal fact relating to the subject of exist-

With the natural constant increase in the wealth of the state the populist legislature of 1891 found a greater assessed valuation of property subject to its taxation than had ever before of affairs and an honest determination

into execution, the natural result would

Did that legislature give any evidence of such retrenchment? Not to an extent persistent sounding of the anarchistic visible to the naked eye. There was neither retrenchment nor economy, but there was populist "reform" with a vengeance. Instead of reducing the tax levy, that legislature crowded it up to the 5 mills for general fund purposes, the maximum limit under the constitution, thus combining the highest valuation in the history of the state with the

> highest possible levy in mills. Be it remembered that this was exclusive of the regular special taxes called for at that time by the legislation of former lawmaking bodies of the state, and which swelled the total levy to 6 5-8 mills for 1891 and 6 63-100 mills for 1892. Be it understood, however, that these special taxes were not an unusual feature, as they provided for the following funds: University, sinking, school, state relief and institute for the feebleminded. Special taxes are ordered in the bills creating certain of the state institutions, to provide for maintenance or for discharging the original indebtedness, and these taxes were pratically the same in 1889 and 1891.

The general fund levy represents the actual operating expenses of the state government and the record shows that the republicans conducted it on a levy of from 45 to 4 8-9 mills, while the populists made it 5 mills, even with an inlevied taxes on the state amounting to \$60,000 to settle with Scott's bondsmen. \$2,363,156 and appropriated against that levy \$2,391,410, an excess of \$18,254 over taxes levied; while the populist legislature levied taxes amounting to \$2,458,344, and then appropriated hibit itself and show the taxpayers what \$2,886,575, spending \$428.036 that there was obviously nothing in sight with which to pay. In other words, the tised," If not called for in two weeks they populist legislature deliberately spent nearly half a million dollars that it did not have and could not get, thus transacting its business at the expense of the state's credit and necessitating the issuare still drawing interest at the taxpayer's expense.

Right on the face of things the state was being put in the hole to the tune of \$428,000, while in reality it was almost twice as much as that. It is a matter of general knowledge that 80 per cent. covers the amount of taxes generally collected, but conceding that 85 per the United States sevate, his paper will cent. of the 1891 and 1892 was collectable, thus placing the populists in the most favorable light possible, even then they are proven guilty of placing an indebtedness of \$896,983 on the state.

This is the indebtedness that the populists have been and still are charging up to republican "mismanagement" and "extravagance," when the official figures house and populist secretary of the senate in 1891 show incontrovertibly that it was legislated upon the state by the populist majorities in those bodies. Had the republican legislature of 1889 made the levy 5 mills, as did the populists in 1891, their record would have shown a surplus of over \$100,000 above the appropriations, as compared with an indebtedness of \$800,000, which is the record of the "reformers."

In other words, the little experiment of electing a populist legislature cost the taxpayers of Nebraska nearly a million dollars more than a republican legislature would have cost. What wonder, then, is it that many a taxpayer who is finding it difficult to pay his share of the expenses of operating the government has concluded that populist control is altogether too high-priced a luxury for this year of hard times. The populist leaders realized this and in desperation are seeking to befog the issues and misstate facts.

It is not strange that they should seek to disguise the truth, for it is not likely legislature will be elected that will to help their campaign. But their choose a United States senator. The efforts to shirk the responsibility will State Journal, located at the capital, can not succeed. They will be required to give you all this news more fully and give a more satisfactory account of their more reliably than any other paper. It stewardship than has yet been or can be comes twice a week and will be sent done before receiving further trust or until after election for only 25 cents. confidence. If they are dishonest in Address, in their representations of actual con-

Each session of the legislature covers ditions existing today, how much more honest would they be if they could. secure official control of the state?

These facts and figures are submitted to the thinking voter without passion or prejudice. The purpose has been to not extenuate nor set down aught in malice, but to set forth the simple truth with a view to correcting populist misrepresentations and presenting the real history of the indebtedness that hangs over Nebraska today.

### Important Meeting.

O'NEILL, NEB., Oct. 1, 1894 .- To the Editors.—What is every persons' business in general is no person's business in particular. A consideration of this fact under existing circumstances in the this county at the present time should cause some move toward united action on the part of the county in providing some means of relief for the very needy of the county in the coming winter. Never, in the history of the county, have the people of this county faced winter under such trying circumstances as that which confronts them at the present

With the object in view of causing united action in this matter, we, the persons whose names appear as signers of this notice, would recommend that a meeting of the people of this county be held at the court-house on the 15th of Cctober for the purpose of organiz ing in some manner that will assure relief for the needy of the county during the coming winter. We would particularly impress on our supervisors the necessity of their presence at this meeting.

- J. P. MULLEN, Treasurer.
  W. W. BETHEA, Clerk.
  G. A. McCutcheon, Judge.
  C. W. Hamilton, Sheriff.
  W. R. Jackson, Superintendent.
  S. B. Howard, Deputy Treasurer.
  M. H. McCarthy, Deputy Clerk.
  John Skirving, Clerk District Court.
  O. M. Collins, Deputy District Clerk.
  J. E. Allison, Cash'r Exchange Bank.
  John McBride, Councilman.
- JOHN McBRIDE, Councilman

"Moved that the county clerk be and he hereby is directed to issue a warrant in the sum of \$500 payable to the chairman of the legal committee, to defray the expenses of litigation in which Holt county is engaged." That was the crease of several millions in the assessed motion made and carried immediately valuation. The republican legislature after the board had refused an offer of

# Letter List.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at O'Neill, Neb., unclaimed, for the week ending October 3, 1894:

Joe Allen Ethel Burlew C B Conrad Bernard Henbsborsh Roen Starr A V Wiedel

In calling for the above please say "advertised." ili be sent to the dead letter office.

J. H. Riggs P. M.

# Bryan Becomes Editor.

By a master stroke of enterprise the Omaha World-Herald, ever in the front ance of warrants at 7 per cent., which rank of western journalism, has made the popular young congressman, W. J. Bryan, its editor-in-chief, the change taking place September 1. Mr. Bryan's political convictions are clearly defined and well known. The paper will vigorously advocate has views.

A fluent writer of vast resources, and a candidate at this time for election to be read during the coming campaign with peculiar interest People of all parties will seek the World-Herald first for political information. Its genera. news service, too, is unrivaled, and its twice a-week edition at \$1 a year is growing rapidly in popular favor. But greater conquests are planned. To put a "trial subscription" within the reach and records of the populist clerk of the of everybody, even in these hard times, an unprecedented offer is now made. The twice-a-week edition will be sent to new subscribers from now to January 1, 1895, for only 20 cents. Daily World-Herald 50 cents a month. Remit to World-Herald, Omaha, Neb.

For The Campaign.
The campaign this fall will be of the greatest interest to all the citizens of Nebraska. The Omaha Weekly Bee will handle all the issues of importance during the campaign in its usual able manner and proposes to make a price of 20 cents for the balance of this year to all Nebraska subscribers who may desire to keep thoroughly posted on the important issues that will be discussed. Send us 20 cents in silver or stamps for the 12-page Weekly Bee up to Jan-

# Until After Election.

Omaha, Neb.

uary 1, 1895. Address, The Omaha Bee,

The present campaign is of unusual interest to Nebraskans Not only will a full set of state officers be elected, but a STATE JOURNAL.

Lincoln, Neb.