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A jury in the district court of Johnson county has just convicted a bank wrecker of Tecumseh, whose bank failed in 1902. Perhaps there is time enough yet to institute proceedings against the wreckers of the Elkhorn Valley bank.

Rock county is having a regulation political scrap over the proposition to vote bonds for the Midland Central railroad. The promoters are having a little rougher sailing than they had in Holt county. Tax payers of this county always were "easy" on a proposition of this kind.

G. W. Wattles announces that he is not or will not this time be a candidate for the senate. Mr. Wattles doubtless sees which way the straws point and realizes that his connection with corporation interests would render him an unpopular candidate at a time when everybody is demanding a candidate free from such connections.

The Independent apologizes for the inactivity of County Attorney Mullen in respect to the bank trust in its usual way of trying to throw the blame onto others. It will be remembered that this same sheet also tried to saddle the blame of the miscarriage of the prosecution of the bank wreckers onto the depositors. It is ever ready with apologies and excuses for pop officials who are negligent of duty.

The Northwestern railroad has dismissed a large number of its employees on the Nebraska-Wyoming division because of growing intemperance among them. The railroads are necessarily pretty strict as to the habits of those employed by them, and a man can not indulge an undue thirst for red liquor and be a railroader at the same time. The same requirements are also a part of the regulations of nearly all the business concerns of the country employing any number of men.

Amidst the general uprising against the trusts and combines, what's the matter with going after wholesale fruit and vegetable men. That they are simply robbing the people of small towns is apparent to one at all familiar with the difference in the prices of fruit in the cities and country towns.

A comparison of prices of fresh fruits show they average 50 per cent higher in the country towns. The reason for this, the local retailers claim, is that city dealers are favored by the wholesalers. This may be one of the smaller abuses the captains of commerce are guilty of, but it is something that concerns people in the country towns generally.

Nebraska Liberal: Somebody is sending us leaflets and pamphlets showing all municipalities and countries in Europe which are under municipal and government ownership are losing money. What the d—do we care what they lose?

That's it. What do the ranting democrats care what happens to the country if they can win the election. Back in the early '90's the democrats told us it was the "robber traffic" that was ruining a happy and contented people. A democratic president was elected, and all the world knows the result. Four years later it was the "crime of '73" that was causing all the distress to the then unhappy and discontented people. The next presidential election the democrats saw something else menacing the peace and property of the country that was established by a republican administration on the commercial wreck left by the democrats. Now the democrat's think government ownership and a few other platitudes are the proper thing. Sure enough, "what the d—do the democrats care."

FREE PASS ABUSES.

Omaha Bee: In connection with the indictment of former Postmaster Crow on charges of attempting to influence members of the federal grand jury by the distribution of railroad passes the question naturally arises, why the railroads—and there seems to be at least four of them involved—should furnish free transportation for grand jurors under any circumstances.

The railroads are known to have been pretty liberal in the past in granting "courtesies" to court officers and court attaches and still more liberal to law-makers and legislative on-hangers, but that the pass system extended down to the talesmen sitting on juries had only been suspected. One can easily imagine a case presented to a grand jury disclosing flagrant law violation by high railroad officials where every member of the jury was riding free back and forth to his home by "courtesy" of the self-same railroad.

A prohibition of the issue of free passes for interstate transportation has been induced in the new rate bill, although with too many exceptions, and some similar law that will control the issue of free passes for transportation wholly within state lines will be insistently demanded by the next legislature to put an end to just such practices as have been disclosed by the indictment cited.

The supreme court of the United States affirms the decision of the federal court of the western district of Missouri in the case of Senator Burton of Kansas. The senator must go to prison and pay a fine of \$2,500. The sentence of the federal court was six months in the Iron county, Mo., jail a fine of \$2,500 and deprived of the right to hereafter hold office under the government. Senator Burton was prosecuted on the charge of violating section 1782 of the revised statutes, which prohibits senators and representatives from receiving compensation for services rendered before any of the government departments in any matter in which the government may be interested. He was specifically charged with accepting a fee of \$500 per month for five months, from the Rialto Grain and Securities company of St. Louis, for services rendered that company in an effort to prevent the issuance of an order by the Postoffice department, prohibiting the use of the mails by the company. He has fought hard to head off execution of the sentence and probably is not yet through fighting, as sixty days are granted for a motion for a rehearing. Burton, although a senator, should not set himself up as greater than the laws and courts but should take the dose prescribed by due process of law for violation of the statute. When the law makers defy the laws they make what may be expected of citizens who have nothing to do with formulating laws.

CONTEMPORARY COMMENT.
The Crawford Tribune admits that it has not been charged with the duty of selecting a United States senator for the people of Nebraska.
The Tekamah Herald gives this advice: "Take what is due you and don't be a baby. If you have done things that merit censure and disapproval do not expect to escape and do not whine when you get 'yourn.'"
Its opinion of the Auburn Granger that when a man declares with one breath that he is a democrat, and with the next breath declares that he belongs to the democratic party he piles up enough inconsistency for a week's washing.
"Men clothed in a little brief authority can not be warned too often against swelling up like a poisoned pup and assuming airs that they will soon have to doff," observes the York Times. "Be decent and wise, and when you retire from power, which you must soon do, you will have the respect and good will of your neighbors, which lasts forever and is worth much more than the tappings of present and passing power."

The editor of the Pender Republic says: "It makes us very tired, indeed, to have merchants insist on us to urge the people to trade at home and not send away to mail order houses or big city stores for their goods, and when we go around to settle our account have presented to us a bill head printed away from home or receive copy for an ad written on a letter head which never 'trade at home.' Yes, we believe in it, but those who cry out so loud and persistently should certainly be first to set the example."

"The impending annual apportionment of the school fund promises to

distribute a larger sum than ever before in the history of Nebraska," says the Omaha Bee, "with one exception. This money comes from the investment of the permanent school endowment and the rentals of school lands. A large income in the temporary school fund means that the money has been kept fully invested and that the rentals are being promptly paid. For this the members of the state board charged with the administration of this trust have a right to claim some credit."

It is not shade alone that makes it cooler under a tree in summer, says an exchange. The coolness of the tree itself helps, for its temperature is about forty-five degrees Fahrenheit at all times, as that of the human body is a fraction more than ninety-eight degrees. So a clump of trees cools the air as a piece of ice cools the water in a pitcher. That is why the legislature has authorized the park authorities of New York City to plant trees in the tenement districts. If the air can be made purer and cooler by the trees, fewer children will die of heat ailments.

The Schuyler Free Lance touches a vital spot in stating that federal court judge's "ride on annual passes on all railroads and he can get trip passes for any of his relatives and friends he asks for; the same is true as to the marshal and prosecuting attorney and all connected with the court are on the list." The Free Lance continues: "When a jury is drawn, passes are at their service if they desire to return home during the session. No wonder that as soon as a railroad corporation has any trouble the federal court is restored to. What show has the public in such courts against a railroad company? How long is this outrage to continue?"

Gahusha Alright.
The following is found in the Red Cloud Nation, published in the home town of Secretary of State Galusha:

A. Galusha has made an excellent record as secretary of state; he has, without prejudice to anybody, probably been the most efficient official in that office the state has ever had there. Mr. Galusha is a business man. He has looked after the affairs of the state without fear or favor just as a good business man looks after his own business interests. The fact is we never had a better set of state officers than now, if as good, and it looks like they are entitled to consideration at the hands of the state convention on the principle that good service one term deserves recognition by another term.—Fairfield Herald.

The Nation is not a republican paper, but can recognize the justness of the above as far as our townsman, A. Galusha, is concerned. He has been true to his convictions and his friends; will stand no monkey business in his office. His honesty and ability is recognized all over the state as well as among his business associates.

Marrying for Money.
Atchinson Globe: When Mr. Jephson was thinking of marrying a girl "with money" his friend Rogers advised against it for reasons which he was quite ready to give. "My boy," he said, "before I was married my wife inherited \$500 from her grandfather. The whole town knew it. When I built a store, they smiled. 'His wife's money,' they said. When I built a house, the same smile went round, 'His wife's money.'"
"After a while I took stock in the new gas and electric company."
"Aha!" said the treasurer. "I see you are investing some of your wife's money."
"All my life that poor little \$500 has received the credit for everything I have been able to achieve. As a matter of fact, my wife spent the money the day she got it for a diamond ring and a piano. She lost the ring a week later, and I guess some of the neighbors have wished heartily that she would lose the piano."

Violets.
Blue and white, in soft array,
Over the meadows the violets lay,
Lowly and meek, as if to pray.
A little brook gossamer murmuring by,
Singing its tender lullaby,
While softly the violets stir and sigh,
And to the mosses gently cling,
And dainty bits of color fling
Over the meadows waving.

List as they whisper soft and low,
To the warm earth heart below,
Where all sweet treasures spring and grow.
And the sweet bird in yonder tree
Sings to the violets merrily,
Sending his heart out cheerily.
And fleeting shadows come and go
Over the grasses, swift and slow,
Down where the blossoms bloom below.

Little violets, dainty and fair,
This one brief hour, oh, let me share
The spirit of your sweetness rare.
L. A. F., in Vick's Magazine.

Estray Notice.
Estrayed from my place six miles west of O'Neill about May 1, one bay mare, weighing about 900, star in face; one black mare 2 years old, weighing about 500; both branded on left shoulder. Also four steers marked with slit cut in brisket. Suitable reward for return of same or information of their whereabouts.—James B. Ryan. 47-3

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Postmaster Robbed.
G. W. Fouts, Postmaster at Riverton, Ia., nearly lost his life and was robbed of all comfort, according to his letter, which says: "For 20 years I had chronic liver complaint, which led to such a severe case jaundice that even my finger nails turned yellow; when my doctor prescribed Electric Bitters; which cured me and have kept me well for eleven years." Sure cure for Biliaryness, Neuralgia, Weakness and all Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Bladder derangements. A wonderful Tonic. At Pixley & Hanley's drug store. 50 cents a bottle.

THE SUDAN NATIVES.

They Once Thought White Men to Be Submarine Monsters.

There is a passage in one of the ancient Arab histories to the effect that "the white people come from the other side of the sea." This statement has become so distorted among certain tribes of natives of the Sudan that they believe that the white men come from the bottom of the sea. A wily Arab leader in this district once informed his followers that they had nothing to fear from the white men, as they could not live away from the water. The fact that a high official took his bath daily was further considered confirmatory evidence of the submarine origin of the white man. The Arabs, in order to retain their influence over the natives, spread broadcast the report that the white men were cannibals. The fact that they did not eat black men was explained as due to their devilish cunning. They wanted to make themselves strong in the country before beginning their horrid practices, but as they could not altogether do without this kind of food they brought human flesh with them in cans. In west Africa a French expedition had the unfortunate experience of finding a portion of a human finger-cut off, no doubt, by some accident—in a can of meat. Here was fresh and conclusive confirmation of the story, in which the people had almost ceased to believe, and it was only after a considerable lapse of time that the idea was at length eradicated.—Chicago News.

The Real Need.
"He said he would lay the earth at my feet," said the sentimental girl.
"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "It sounds good, but it is not practical. You already have the earth at your feet. What you want is a three or four story house over your head."—Washington Star.

Why He Loved Her.
Minister—Bobby, do you love your teacher? Bobby (six years old)—Yes, sir, Minister—That's right. Now tell me why you love her. Bobby—Because the Bible says we must love our enemies.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

What Distinguishes Man.
The difference between man and the so called "lower animals" is that he alone cooks his food and wears artificial clothes. And these are the two that injure his health!—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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