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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION
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FIRES along the shores of Cuba mark the retreat of the Spanish soldiers to the seaports. They will carry on the work of desolation to the last.

WITH England at our back, it will be a difficult matter for France to crawl up in the rear and plunge a jealous harpoon between America's shoulder blades.

THE popycrat governors are trying to resurrect the states rights doctrines which were shot to pieces during the late war. For digging up dead issues, and making attempts to galvanize them the new democracy has no superior.

TOO MUCH American pork with an over supply of Ben Davis apples from this country is what an exchange thinks ails Germany and causes her unfriendly attitude. They refuse to forgive our people for underselling them in their home markets.

THE Irish World reports great suffering in Ireland hundreds of people dying of actual starvation in that country. It seems strange that such poverty should exist in this fertile island, that a crop failure a single season means starvation for so many people.

THE United States has finally succeeded in picking Spain up and giving her a good spanking. After her experience in the Philippines with Admiral Dewey's fleet, it is safe to say Spain has changed her mind about the United States bluffing. And as to our shooting qualities—she has already been shown.

THE war movements are growing more rapid and very soon decisive action will be reported. It is evident that the government will land 15,000 regulars with arms and ammunition for the insurgents who will act with them in an effort to take Havana from the rear. The Spanish army is thought to number not more than 30,000.

THE World-Herald has a great financial scheme which it urges upon congress. It wants the national government to print \$200,000,000 in greenbacks to buy war material with, instead of issuing bonds. While the government printing presses are running why not print a billion or two, pay off the national debt and stop taxing the people entirely. As a financial vagabond the Omaha sheet deserves a place well up toward the head of the procession.

IT is at once amusing and disgusting to see the number of men who are anxious to fight for their country providing they can get an office and draw a good salary while the other fellow does the fighting. At the war department at Washington there were up to Saturday morning 10,000 applications for appointment to positions from brigadier general down, and there is no end to the fellows who like to be commander-in-chief, but how many have applied for this position is not stated.

JOHN JACOB ASTOR is another of those horrid capitalists whose popycrats like to rail about as enemies of mankind. John has offered to raise a regiment and accompany it to the front and pay all its expenses. Helen Gould donated \$100,000 in cash, and one of the Vanderbilts has given his elegant yacht for a dispatch boat. Wall street organized a regiment from among the wealthy operators on the board of trade, and evidence is not wanting to show every day that the socialistic howl about the inhumanity of capitalists is the most bombastic.

OMAHA appears to be well equipped with gubernatorial candidates. Ben Baker's friends have been making an active canvass in his behalf and now the old war governor Alvin Saunders is being pushed for the nomination. J. Clem Deaver is a prominent pop candidate and John O. Yelzer is hustling for a nomination. There are but three candidates however who may really be considered in the race and they are Ben Baker, Judge Hayward and A. E. Cady. Either of the three could win against the present State House ring, without a doubt.

SPANISH FLEET IS ANNIHILATED.

Commodore Dewey Strikes the Death Blow To the Castilian Boats.

Ret-Hot Fire Poured Into Manila--Spaniards Cut the Cable--Manila Finally Surrenders--The Entire Fleet Was Destroyed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2, 3:30 p. m.—[Special to the NEWS.]—That the American fleet came out of yesterday's conflict in good order is best evidenced by the fact this morning that Commodore Dewey opened bombardment on Manila and was pouring into the Spanish fortress a deadly shower of shot and shell. When the fire was at its hottest, the Spaniards cut the cable and cut off all further communication until Hong Kong, the nearest telegraph station, 600 miles away, can be reached.

Dewey had arranged plans with the insurgents to march upon Manila and open battle from the rear and doubtless by this time our forces have complete control of Spain's possessions in the island and has captured or destroyed all that part of her navy which she has been depending on to defend the island and defeat America's Pacific squadron.

4:20 p. m.—Latest advices are to the effect that Manila has surrendered. Dewey has destroyed the entire Spanish fleet; that he has raised the cable and sent the good news to headquarters of the complete and sweeping victory.

Every Spanish boat in the engagement was destroyed—burned, blown up or sunk. The crews of many of the ships went down with them.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—[Special to THE NEWS.]—The first battle of the present war in South Pacific seas occurred at the Philippine islands this morning and resulted in a splendid victory for the American fleet under Admiral Dewey. At 5 o'clock a. m. Admiral Dewey opened fire on the Spanish squadron and the forts at Manila. There were two engagements, in both of which the Spaniards fought desperately, but showed not the skill or marksmanship of the United States marines. Notwithstanding the enemy's fleet contained ten boats to our six, they were no match for us and the result is the almost complete annihilation of the Spanish squadron.

The Spanish ship Maria Christina and the cruiser Castilla were burned, the second-class cruiser Don Juan blown up and a number of their ships sunk to prevent their falling into our hands. The entire fleet was more or less damaged and were obliged to retire. The losses were numerous, notably Captain Cadarzo, a priest and nine other persons.

The news of their defeat created intense excitement in Madrid and mounted guards were placed on patrol to preserve order and prevent rioting in the streets. There was much muttering among the populace, but the guards succeeded in preserving order.

The second engagement and the most bitter of the two, came on because of the landing of American ships to form communication with the insurgents. Not a United States vessel was lost in the conflict. Tomorrow Manila will be occupied by our forces and the Philippines will fall into our hands.

Washington is wild with joy and excitement and at department headquarters the officials are happy and more than satisfied with the splendid victory and the able and valorous conduct of our forces under the intrepid Admiral Dewey.

Madrid, May 2, 8 a. m.—The Spanish admiral acknowledges his fleet has been completely demolished.

Madrid, May 2, 8 a. m.—A dispatch to the Liberal from Manila says Admiral Montojo, the Spanish commander, acknowledges that the Spanish fleet has been completely demolished. He adds that the crew of the Spanish warship Mindano has been saved.

The British consul at Manila, E. H. Rawson-Walker, has conferred with

tion can be paid in any sort of money and it works no hardship. But the fear of a depreciated currency if at any time the repudiationists got into power makes the gold clause a very important one. It is to be hoped a majority of the senators may be patriotic enough to pass this very necessary law without exploiting their financial vagaries on a public that has suffered on such debates since 1895.

A DELUGE OF WATER.

Cedar Creek and Louisville Visited by a Waterspout—Much Damage Done.

Saturday afternoon about 4 o'clock, when the black lowering clouds hovered over Plattsmouth, the vivid lightning flashed, the thunder rumbled, people here feared a deluge of water, a fierce electrical or destructive wind storm. The clouds soon passed away to the northwest, however, and about 5 o'clock burst in all their fury in the vicinity of Cedar Creek. The cloud-burst, or waterspout, flooded the country from Cedar Creek to Louisville, submerging the B. & M. tracks along the entire distance from two to four feet in depth. A small piece of track was washed out near Cedar Creek, delaying the Schuyler train several hours until the section men could run out from this city and make the necessary repairs. The yards at Cedar Creek, Culom and Louisville were filled with brush and other debris from the hills and much of the land in the bottoms, on either side of the track, are covered so thick with brush, cornstalks, surplus soil and other matter that it is doubtful if it can be cultivated to advantage this season. Only the excellent ballast of the B. & M. tracks saved a washout that would have taken days to replace.

No fatalities are reported and it was impossible to learn whether any stock was washed away by the flood or not. It is likely, however, that there was and the farmers visited by the cloud-burst certainly sustained considerable damage. The Schuyler manager got over the deluged tracks.

A big washout is also reported from South Bend which did great damage, carrying away fences, bridges and everything movable. The B. & M. track was damaged so as to delay trains a short time.

Roll of Honor.

Following is the roll of honor of Rock Bluffs school district number 5. Number of pupils enrolled 65. Names of pupils neither absent or tardy for the month beginning April 24th and ending April 29th. Ora Hutchinson, Lynn Taylor, Belle Taylor, Tonie Lubben, Winnie Hutcheson, Pearl Carey, Myrtle Collins, Sadie Graves, Emma Graves, James Samsen, Willie Smith, Ray Smith, Ernest Hutcheson, Roy Hutcheson, Edward Collins, Albert Collins, George Marsh, Ray Long.—Grace Taylor, teacher.

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Captured Six Wolves.

John Beeson and Sam Henderson got after a grey wolf Sunday morning, which they chased to his den, up in the hollow near Harry Howland's. They secured spades and dug them out, taking good care to shoot the old one, a fine specimen of the gray timber wolf, and then took possession of the five young ones, which were not more than a week old. The young ones were taken alive as trophies of the hunt and the pelt of the old one will make good gloves for the two hunters this winter.

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Unfurled the Flag.

The store house boys unfurled their flag at 9 o'clock this morning from the top of a pole 95 feet above terra firma. A more enthusiastic, patriotic crowd of young men would be difficult to find anywhere. The new flag can be seen from its high point of vantage for a long distance.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. F. G. Fricke & Co.

It is clearly settled in war circles that the most effective way to clean the Spaniards out of Cuba is to furnish them arms, ammunition, food and clothing and Gomez and Garcia with the troops at their command could shortly accomplish it.

Thousands of sufferers from gripe have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, gripe, asthma, and all throat and lung diseases. F. G. Fricke & Co.

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"Gore comes Russia wanting two battle ships made to order in the United States. Doesn't Russia know that this is our busy day?"—Detroit Free Press.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zaniesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. F. G. Fricke & Co.

Will Tender His Resignation.

THE NEWS learns from a reliable source that Supt. McHugh of the city schools has been tendered a position in the Beatrice schools at a much higher salary than is paid here and he will, therefore, tender his resignation to take effect June 30 next. We greatly regret to learn that one of the most efficient superintendents the city ever had is so soon to leave us. His place, in view of the low salary paid here, will be difficult to fill and it will be especially difficult to find another man combining scholarship, tact and discipline to fill Mr. McHugh's place. The patrons of the schools will be sorry to hear of Mr. McHugh's intentions.

A man stands on chance of being elected to the mayoralty of a city unless he enjoys the confidence and esteem of his neighbors. Geo. W. Humphrey is the popular mayor of Searsville, Ohio, and under date of Jan. 17, 1896, he writes as follows: "This is to certify to our appreciation of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. My family and neighbors have tested it, and we know it is an excellent remedy for coughs and colds.—GEORGE W. HUMPHREY." Sold by all druggists.

On account of failing health P. E. Huber last week closed out his stock of general merchandise and departed for Colorado Springs, where he will rest up during the summer months and if he regains his health, will return to Louisville next fall, build a good brick store building and open up with a new stock.—Louisville Courier.

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Chicago	Chicago
St. Joseph	St. Joseph
Kansas City	Kansas City
St. Louis and all points East and South.	St. Louis and all points East and South.

TRAINS LEAVE AS FOLLOWS:

No. 1, Denver express	11:15 pm
No. 4, Chicago express	12:40 am
No. 23, Local express, daily, St. Joe, Kansas, St. Louis, all points south	9:40 am
No. 4, Local exp. daily, Burlington, Chicago, all points east	10:34 am
No. 10, Local exp. daily except Sunday	10:45 am
No. 92, Local exp. daily except Sunday, Pacific Junction	12:30 pm
No. 20, Freight, daily except Sunday	2:50 pm
No. 2, Vestibuled exp. daily, Burlington, Chicago and all points east	5:30 pm
No. 13, Vestibuled exp. daily, Burlington, Chicago and all points east	6:15 pm
No. 19, Local exp. daily, Omaha, Lincoln, Denver and intermediate stations	7:24 am
No. 15, Local freight, daily, Omaha, Lincoln, Denver, ex Sunday, Cedar Grove, Louisville, South Bend	8:30 am
No. 7, Fast mail, daily, Omaha and Lincoln	7:50 am
No. 3, Vestibuled exp. daily, Denver and all points in Colorado, Utah and California, Grand Island, Black Hills, Montana and Pacific N. W.	3:41 pm
No. 3, Local exp. daily, except Sunday, Louisville, Ashland, Waco, which stop only	4:50 pm
No. 11, Local exp. daily except Sunday, Omaha and Lincoln	4:50 pm
No. 17, Local exp. Sunday only, Sleeping, dining and reclining chair cars (seats free) on through trains. Tickets sold and baggage checked to any point in the United States or Canada.	

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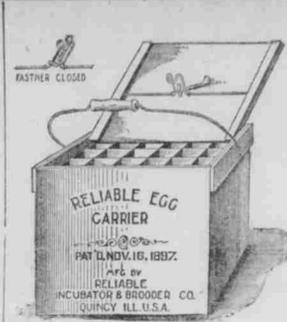
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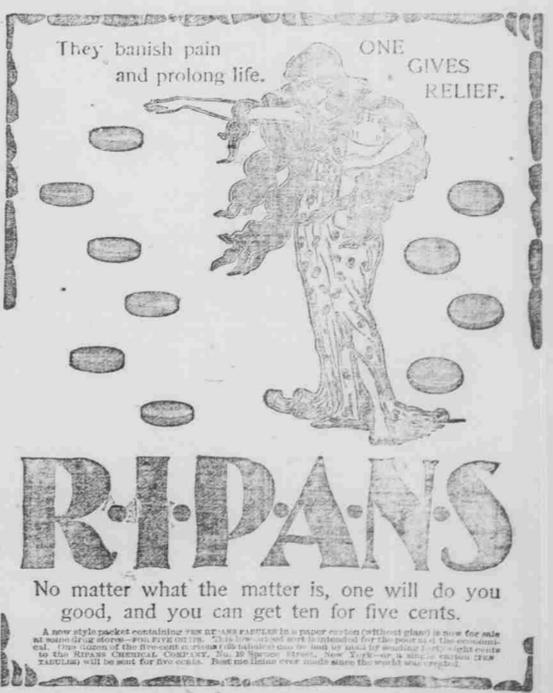
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