

What about that Democratic banquet? And when shall it be held? Don't all speak at once!

Mr. Roosevelt will be the cock of the walk when he reaches Paris, thereby putting "Chantecler" into a total eclipse.

It may be that Halley's comet is responsible for the present cold spell. But if it wasn't that it would be something else.

Good citizens are urged to keep their vital statistics on straight during the next few weeks. The census enumerators began their work Friday.

On May 2, the Democrats of Emerson, will hold a rally and enjoy a banquet, and on May 3 the Democrats of Tecumseh will follow suit. Governor Shallenberger will be the principal speaker at both places.

On April 14, the governor officially proclaimed Arbor day April 22. J. Sterling Morton's birthday comes a little late for tree planting, even under normal conditions, but this year it is usually late, owing to the forward spring.

According to the Lincoln State Journal, Hon. E. M. Pollard has not withdrawn from the congressional race, and has no intentions of doing so. And as soon as he has been at home long enough to survey the field he will then declare his intentions. Pollard evidently wants to run. There is no mistake on that score.

Practically every daily newspaper in Iowa adopted yesterday the cash-in-advance basis on all mail subscriptions. It took them 25 years to reach the conclusion that it was the right thing to do. Nebraska daily newspapers are fifteen years behind the Iowa papers, but they are learning fast.—Fremont Herald.

If the Plattsmouth boosters want to do the right thing at the right time let them see to it that the census enumerators do not overlook anybody in this city. We do not want any larger count than is coming to us, but we do want all that we are entitled to. Let some action be taken now, don't wait until it is too late and then talk about the mistake that was made.

The fact that the normal school board has selected Prof. Crabtree's successor to preside over the Peru school, does not mean that the matter has been definitely settled. Of course, Prof. Crabtree is "down and out" so far as the Peru school is concerned but the little matter of Secretary Ludden having drawn several hundred dollars illegally for his services, and making certain charges that have not yet been substantiated, will come up for future consideration.

The Democrats of Hitchcock and surrounding counties got together on Monday, April 11, and had one of the greatest rallies and banquets ever pulled off by the Democrats of western Nebraska. It was a gala day in Stratton, and there was plenty of Democratic oratory in the afternoon, and in the evening 225 Democrats sat at table and after enjoying a feast, listened to the gospel of Democracy. Governor Shallenberger was the guest of honor and the principal speaker, both afternoon and evening. Other speakers were R. D. Sutherland of Nuckolls county, candidate for congress in the Fifth district, Representative J. W. Kelley of Furnas, Chairman Byrnes of the state central committee and Francis Colfer. Stratton was decorated in fine style for the occasion, and it is estimated that 1500 people attended the afternoon meeting.

GRAND ISLAND SOLDIERS' HOME.

Grand Island who has had so much to say about "rotten meat" served to the veterans at the home, seems to have a penchant for stirring up trouble. It was VanNess who brought about the investigation at the Grand Island home last year. He charged that Grand Island merchants were giving short weights and shoddy goods, and intimated that Commandant Barnes was in collusion. The board of public lands and buildings investigated the VanNess charges and found that they were without foundation. But it was very clearly shown by a letter written by VanNess to a fellow Republican that he was actuated solely by a desire to cast discredit upon the Democratic administration. It seems that VanNess, a ward of the state, was much more interested in partisanship than he was in the proper conduct of the home. This is the same VanNess who is now so loudly charging that Commandant Barnes is furnishing "rotten meats" for the veterans at the home. Governor Shallenberger has written Commandant Barnes for the full facts and notified him to see to it that there is no cause for such complaints. The law provides that the board of public lands and buildings shall make such rules for the management of the state institutions as it sees fit. It is quite probable that in a short time the board will adopt a rule to the effect that when an inmate of one of the soldiers' homes makes charges against an official that he cannot substantiate, the aforesaid inmate will be discharged. A rule like this might have the effect of somewhat lessening the ardor of men who put partisanship above the proper conduct of gentlemen.

The season is young yet. There's plenty of time to plow up the frost-bitten garden and plant another. By reading the insurgents out of the party, the Republican organization may become hopelessly small, but there is no denying it would be very select. The Democrats of Nebraska should not fall out over the liquor question. But you can bet your bottom dollar though, that the masses of the party are not going to be run by the Lincoln contingent. Wickersham is a true representative of the Taft-Aldrich-Cannon administration, and no mistake. The insurgents should hire Wickersham to stump the west. He would certainly fix things for them. The Hyde trial is on now, beginning yesterday at Kansas City. Dr. Hyde is being charged now with poisoning Millionaire Swope. Here is another instance where the man's millions is the cause of all the trouble. From all surrounding circumstances we believe they have the wrong person on trial. Hon. W. H. Thomson of Grand Island, has withdrawn from the race for United States senator on the Democratic ticket. "Circumstances, professional and personal," are given as the cause. This announcement means that there is "something in the wind." It may mean that Mr. Bryan's friends have determined to enter that gentleman into the race. But we will soon "see what we shall see."

The Nebraska State Railway commission has petitioned President Taft not to appoint or fill the vacancy on the supreme bench caused by the death of Justice Brewer, by a railroad lawyer. This will not have the least effect upon the acts of Taft, and he will appoint just whom the corporations desire. He was elected by corporation money, and he is compelled to do just as they want him to do in this matter. Wherever they can a Democrat to go around over the state to organize

the county optionists, it is done, while Republican optionists stand around and pat him on the back. They get all the Democrats they possibly can to vote for county option, while the Republicans vote the straight Republican ticket. This is the sort of a scheme the Republicans have used in Nebraska for many years. But when election day rolls round they vote the straight Republican ticket, and throw the temperance question by the wayside.

The Democrats of Nebraska, if they expect to carry the election in this state next fall, they should begin to get themselves together. Bickering over the county option question won't do it. This question is as much a principle as anything that can be brought before the people. It is right for one municipality to govern another! This is what county option will do. The principle is not Democratic, and should not be supported by Democrats. Let every voter post, himself on this matter, and he will find that those who support the measure are bitterly opposed to local home rule.

KNOW THE WHOLE TRUTH.

The report comes from Washington that the president desires to prevent a congressional investigation of the sugar trust frauds on the revenue.

If Mr. Taft's decision we sincerely hope that he will not have reason to repent it. In these customs frauds there has been disclosed the biggest theft from the national treasury in the history of the United States government. Evidence of the magnitude and persistence of this theft was laid before the department of justice, and before Mr. Roosevelt himself, more than three years ago.

These statements are made advisedly because they are true, and with regret that they are true. The department of justice under Mr. Taft has compelled the sugar trust to make some restitution of its thefts. It has punished some underlings. Has it reached to the top and punished the real thieves? The public is extremely—we may say, entirely—skeptical on that one point.

There are intimations from all over the country that two or three other large corporations are trembling. There is a widespread impression that the department of justice hesitates to go on lest it discover too much for the comfort of men in high places. The conditions are such that only a congressional investigation, with its many view points and aims, can be relied on to tear out the whole truth and expose the real thieves, and all of them.

Its efforts to hush up the sugar frauds were the great scandal of the Roosevelt administration. They were far more scandalous than even the exculpation of Paul Morton. We cannot believe that Mr. Taft desires his administration to shoulder the load of this inherited scandal. We cannot believe that Mr. Taft would knowingly be classed with his predecessor in this affair, as respecter of persons in judgment.

This is an era of universal suspicion, and universal suspicion always does much injustice. The only way to end that injustice is to end the universal suspicion by letting the people have the whole truth, that they may be able to distinguish the thieves from the honest men. Few things are more desirable just now that a full congressional investigation of the sugar frauds and any other frauds at the New York custom house.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Worse Than Bullets.

Bullets have often caused less suffering to soldiers than the eczema. L. W. Harriman, Burlington, Me., got in the army, and suffered with forty years. "Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me when all else failed," he writes. Greatest healer for Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Bruises and Piles. 25 cents at F. G. Fricke & Co.

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CAR BROKEN OPEN BY SNEAK THIEVES

Evidence of Theft Was Noted on Every Hand.

This morning when McMaken's dray went down to the Burlington depot and Guy started to unload a car of merchandise consigned to the merchants at this place, it was discovered that some one had opened one of the Burlington freight cars and that the greater part of the merchandise had been examined and in several cases the contents tested. The car came in last evening on No. 14 from Omaha and contained articles for several of the local merchants. So far as can be ascertained the car reached this city intact, and the robbery was the work of someone who had been hanging around in the local yards.

When the draymen entered the car it presented a scene of great confusion, the boxes and barrels having been broken into and the contents distributed about the car. On the floor of the car were the remains of several bananas, and a bottle of beer, half-emptied, reposed upon a case that had been opened and scattered. Aside from the apparent confusion it could not be learned to what extent the contents of the car were damaged, as it will be necessary for the various consignees to get their bills and take an invoice of the merchandise.

From the appearance of the car it looks more like the work of boys or tramps than it does like a professional job and it is very evident that either the culprits were very good, or the beer was very bad, else they would have been able to get away with more than a half a bottle. If it is discovered that the damage has been very extensive it is probable that the local authorities will have little difficulty in apprehending the thieves. This business of robbing freight cars is one of the commonest forms of theft and the law of this state provides a penitentiary sentence for all who are convicted of it. It is in fact only about two months since the district court gave a young man at this place two years in the penitentiary for a very similar offense committed in the Missouri Pacific yards last winter.

Pardon Versus Cleansing.

Rev. Ward L. Austin, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church in this city, has just written a very able book entitled "Pardon Versus Cleansing," in which he gives quotations from Wesley's sermons, Watson's Institutes, C lark's Commentary, Binney's Theological Compend, Systematic Theology by Miley, History of Methodism, Carl F. Filtzoltz on Wesley's Conception and Sanctification, Dr. C. B. Spencer and many others.

The one point the writer seeks to make and surrounds it with all arguments bearing on the question is that justification and regeneration are separate elements of the christian experience and may or may not occur at the same time; that these elements as well as all others may be separated by a longer or shorter period of time; that great numbers of members in the protestant churches while having enjoyed the evidences of pardon, yet give no evidence in their life or feel none in their heart of regeneration or the new birth and that this condition in the churches has become the basis of an enormous system of teaching the doctrine of holiness.

I believe, he says, that thousands of believers in the church today will have to be born again if they ever see the Kingdom of God. He also states: "A life is either right or wrong, it cannot be both, right and wrong. Some church members (believers) say they sin every day of their lives, and we have no reason to doubt their word, but the idea that a christian, a regenerated person, cannot help sinning is absurd. It would be just as absurd to expect to find hot ice, an honest thief, a Republican prohibitionist, or a truthful liar, as a sinning saint."

The Demon of the Air

is the germ of LaGrippe that breathed in, brings suffering to thousands. Its after effects are weakness, nervousness, lack of appetite, energy and ambition, with disordered liver and kidneys. The greatest need then is Electric Bitters, the splendid tonic, blood purifier and regulator of the Stomach, Liver and Kidneys. Thousands have proved that they wonderfully strengthen the nerves, build up the system and restore health and good spirits after an attack of Grip. If suffering, try them. Only 50c. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co.

W. E. Rosencrans leaves this evening for Denver and the west where he goes to look after his land in that vicinity.

Tonic or Stimulant?

There is an immense difference between a tonic and a stimulant. Up one day, way back the next; that's a stimulant. Steady progress day by day toward perfect health; that's a tonic. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a tonic, a strong tonic. The only Sarsaparilla entirely free from alcohol. Do not stimulate unless your doctor says so. He knows. Ask him. Do as he says. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Constipation is the one great cause of indigestion, biliousness, headache, nervousness, loss of sleep, debility, nervousness. Has your doctor ever recommended Ayer's Sarsaparilla?

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

State of Nebraska, ss. County of Cass. IN COUNTY COURT. IN THE MATTER OF ESTATE OF JOHN WIECHEL, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given that the creditors of said deceased will meet the administrator of said estate, before me, county judge of Cass county, Nebraska, at the county court room in Plattsmouth in said county, on May 14, 1910, and on November 16, 1910 at 10 o'clock a. m. each day for the purpose of presenting their claims for examination, adjustment and allowance.

Six months from the 14 day of November, 1910, are allowed for the creditors of said deceased to present their claims, and one year for the administrator to settle said estate, from the 14 day of May, 1910.

Witness my hand and seal of said county court, at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, this 13th day of April, 1910.

Allen J. Beeson, County Judge.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA. In the matter of the estate of Debnor T. Thacker, deceased.

All persons interested in said estate will take notice that H. N. Dovey, administrator has filed his final account, and report of the administration of said estate and a petition for final settlement of said account and allowance thereon and the discharge of such administrator.

A hearing upon said account and petition has been set by the court at the county court room at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on the 28th day of April, 1910, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., when any and all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest the same.

Dated this 14th day of April, 1910.

Allen J. Beeson, County Judge.

ROAD NOTICE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:—The commissioner appointed to view and report on a road commencing on Fourth and Main streets in section 16, town 11, range 14, Rock Bluffs village, in the county of Cass and state of Nebraska; thence running east 16 rods, thence in a northerly direction through sections 16, 9 and 4; town 11, range 14, in said county and state, along the west bank of the Missouri river until the slough is reached; thence continuing in a northerly direction through section 35, town 13, range 14, in said county and state, along the west bank of the Missouri river through sections 29 and 20, town 12, range 14, in said county and state, to the Burlington right-of-way, has reported in favor of the establishment thereof; and all objections hereto, or claims for damages, must be filed in the county clerk's office on or before noon on the 13th day of June, 1910, or such road will be established without reference thereto. Witness my hand and official seal this 13th day of April, A. D., 1910.

D. C. Morgan, County Clerk.

NOTICE.

The state of Nebraska, in county court, for the county of Cass. IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN GEORGE HANSEN, DECEASED.

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED: You and each of you are hereby notified that a petition has been filed praying the administration of the estate of John George Hansen, deceased, and for the appointment of John G. Wunderlich administrator thereof; that a hearing will be had upon said petition at the office of the county judge for said county on the 9th day of May, A. D., 1910, at 9 o'clock a. m.

All objections thereto must be filed before said hour of hearing. Witness my hand and official seal this 16th day of April, A. D., 1910.

Allen J. Beeson, County Judge.

William C. Ramsey and Basil S. Ramsey, Attorneys for Estate.

If you want help or have anything to sell, advertise in the Journal which always brings results. Sure thing.

The Goal of Life.

What is the goal of life? Did you ever sit upon the street corner of some crowded thoroughfare and watch the people as they pass, and study their faces and characters? Here you will see life in all its varieties: You see the millionaire and the pauper; the minister and the thug; the boy and the girl; the young and old; all seem to be in the mad rush, and to each one involuntarily you r propound this question: What are they seeking? What is your goal in life? And if they would answer, and that would be "happily," would you give you the same answer, and that would be "happiness." Do their faces show them to be happy? You see the man of wealth, there seems to be something continually upon his mind; business problems you cannot fathom, and they seem to leave upon his face the marks of vexation. You see the politician; is he happy? He may wear the stereotyped smile, but behind you have the glimpse of a war that is waged within. Before his vision is one continual stream of grafters, office seekers, opponents, and every other agency to take away from him that which he would most desire. You see the thug, the drunkard, the criminal, and you ask yourself the question: Are they happy? If misery can be written upon the human face. If unadulterated woe can be depicted in the features of man this is where you find it. Who is this you see coming down the street? Is she laughing? No; it seems so at first, but it is only her face beaming with joy. Why! It's a little girl; she has a basket on her arm and she is carrying a bouquet of flowers. There she goes tripping along down the street, happy as the day is long and each one she meets she greets with a ray of sunshine that is reflected in her face. Now she turns up this alley and stops at the little hut on the corner, that is the old rag picker's hut; she has some delicacies from mother's table for the old rag picker who is sick. Ah, me thinks I hear the rustle of angels wings and I see a gleam of heaven in her eyes, as the old woman gives her blessing. Think of these things and ask yourself the question: What is the goal of life, how is it obtained, how is it realized? The happiest man is he who renders the greatest service, the one who relieves the most burdens, the one who does the most for others. These are the ones who are of all the most truly happy; the ones who get the best there is in life.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested and to the public, that the undersigned Gus F Mohr has filed his petition and application with the village clerk of the village of Avoca, County of Cass, and State of Nebraska, as required by law, signed by the required number of resident free-holders of the said village, setting forth that the applicant is a man of respectable character and standing and a resident of the State of Nebraska and praying that a license may be issued to the said Gus F. Mohr for the sale of malt, spirituous and vinous liquors for the municipal year ending May 2, 1911, at his place of business situated on the west two-thirds of lot 5, in block 13, in said village of Avoca, Nebraska. GUS F. MOHR, Applicant. April 14, 1910.



The above cut represents an exhibition of the test applied to a C. B. S. Buggy and Wagon Pole, on February 12, 1910, at Gothenburg, Neb.

The men shown in the cut are: (1) C. B. Schleicher, President and General Manager of the C. B. S. Pole Company; (2) E. A. Calling, a wealthy stockman of Gothenburg; (3) John Ralston, the well known commission man of South Omaha; (4) T. T. Marcott, Vice-President of the company and retired stockman of Brady, Neb.; (5) G. Shostrom, member of Shostrom & Blixt, implement and wagon dealers, Gothenburg, Neb. The combined weight of these men was in excess of 600 pounds.

Just as the lion is the king of beasts, the eagle the king of birds, so is the C. B. S. pole and neckyoke the king of all poles and neckyokes. The neckyokes are on sale in Plattsmouth by all implement dealers and the buggy and wagon pole is for sale by E. Manspecker. Call on them.