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Flourishing Lexington.
 LEXINGTON, NEB., May 11, 1896.
 Special to the NEBRASKA INDEPENDENT:
 Lexington the seat of government of Dawson county is located in the plateau east half of the county, on the Platte, Valley and about one and a half miles from the river. At this place the river bottom or valley is about ten miles wide and is rich and productive, with a fair share of rainfall, but this locality as well as others in this state have suffered from failures the past five years and to avert a recurrence of similar disasters the people in this section of the Platte Valleys have gone to work to construct irrigation ditches in every available place and are in a great measure about ready to utilize the waters of the Platte river to a good purpose, that of assisting the rich soil of this great valley to produce food for man and beast, to an extent not dreamed of in the past history of this country.

Lexington, has a population of about 2,000 people and is a progressive live little city. Among the business buildings are some that would be a credit to any city in the state. She has a good three story brick hotel arranged in many respects in modern style, presided over by Landlord Mitchell, a very accommodating and obliging landlord. Her people are fully alive to the importance of irrigation and are doing all they can to push the work of securing the completion of all the main ditches, and valley land may reap the benefit this year in case of a shortage of rainfall during the early summer months. Politically the county is safely on the side of the populists and with judicious nominations can elect all county officers and carry the county by a safe majority for the populists and congressional ticket this fall. THE NEBRASKA INDEPENDENT is popular in this country. J. M. D.

A TRIP TO GERVER AND WHAT CAME OF IT.

Experience of a Red Willow County School Teacher—One of the Veterans Who "Marched With Sherman to the Sea," Tells How He Was Benefited.

From the Courier, Indianola, Neb.
 A few days ago a request came from parties interested that a representative of the Courier visit S. B. Pickering, in Gerver precinct, and investigate the case of his daughter, Miss Laura V. Pickering, a well-known school teacher of Indianola, Neb. Accordingly the editor himself, determining to investigate, and securing a team, took a drive into Gerver precinct. We arrived at the home of Mr. Pickering about 1 o'clock, and when we introduced ourselves and made known our business we received a cordial welcome. The family having dined, a warm dinner was prepared for our special benefit, although we protested and suggested a lunch. The family, however, said that after riding twenty-two miles on a day like this that we were entitled to a good, warm dinner.

After dinner we informed Miss Pickering that we came all the way from Indianola to find out how she happened to need Pink Pills for Pale People, and etc., etc., also suggesting that she certainly had no use for them now, or her appearance was deceptive, as she looked the picture of health. She laughed and said that she was feeling quite well at present, and that we should have been there at dinner time in order to have made a note of her appetite.
 "From childhood," said Miss Pickering, "I had been a great sufferer from rheumatism and could get nothing that would effect a permanent cure. Two years ago, while visiting in Johnson county, I was taken with a severe attack of this disease. A neighbor lady who had been cured of paralysis by the use of Pink Pills, persuaded me, much against my will, to give them a trial. I had never taken any patent medicine, and was opposed to anything of the kind. However, I consented, and commenced improving at once. After taking them four months I was fully restored to health and quit taking them only once occasionally when I felt the least indisposed. I have never been troubled with rheumatism since. When I arrived home I persuaded father to try the Pink Pills for his trouble." "Yes," said Mr. Pickering, she had such faith in the pills that she thought they would cure me. You see, my trouble is chronic. I was in the army about three years. Marched with Sherman to the sea and was in many a hard fought battle. I have suffered with a distress in the stomach ever since that time, and am now getting a pension on that account. I laughed at Laura for thinking Pink Pills would help me, but to please her I gave them a trial, and they have helped me wonderfully. I think if I had taken them in time they would have cured me. I would not be without them in the house, and after eating when I feel bad I take one and am benefited at once. I know a number of old soldiers who are afflicted like myself, and they say that nothing helps them so much as the Pink Pills, but," said Mr. Pickering, "one should be sure to get the genuine article. Not long ago I was in Indianola and went into a drug store there and inquired for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The druggist informed me that he did not have them, but had a much better pill for less money. He persuaded me to try a box. I did so and have that box yet with all its pills except the first dose. I will not take a substitute another time. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is the only patent medicine that we have ever had in the house. We are not the only people in this neighborhood who use these pills."
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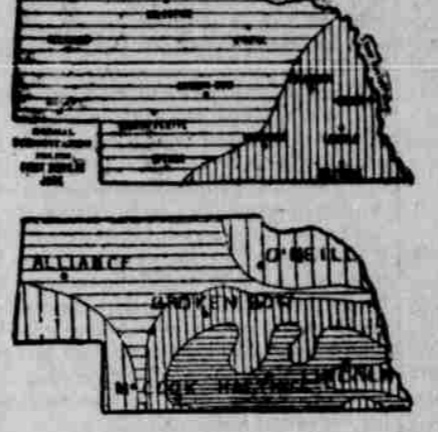
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NEBRASKA CROP REPORT.

AGAIN THERE WERE HEAVY RAINS.

The Brightest Prospects Everywhere for Good Crops

The Week Ending Monday, June 1, 1896.



The temperature of the past week has been slightly below the normal in the western portion of the state and a little above the normal in the eastern.

The week was generally dry until the last two or three days when copious rains were general in all parts of the state excepting the extreme northeastern and southwestern portions. Over most of the southern part of the state from two to three inches fell.

The dry weather early in the week was very favorable in the progress of corn planting and most of the crop is now in the ground. Some of the early planted is six inches high and much of it has been worked.

Small grain, although it has suffered somewhat from dry weather in the western portion of the state, has generally attained a rank growth and in some cases has begun to lodge slightly; some rye is reported six feet tall. Rye is generally in blossom and wheat is beginning to blossom. Considerable damage is reported in some localities from cut worms and in the extreme southeastern corner of the state from the army worm.

REPORT BY COUNTIES.

SOUTHEASTERN SECTION.
 Butler—Some corn washed out and replanted. Oats very rank. Some rust in small grain. Fruit crop promises light. An enormous growth of blue grass.
 Clay—Plenty of rain. Small grain and pastures good. Some rye six feet, three inches high and wheat five feet. Oats and flax in splendid condition. Potatoes in bloom; some as big as an egg. Wheat mostly heading.
 Cass—Corn about three-fourths up and growing nicely but somewhat weedy. Small grain and grass growing rank especially oats. Light frost Wednesday morning.
 Fillmore—Corn nearly all planted and cultivation in progress. High winds have done some damage.
 Gage—Small grain is immense. Fruit bloom off considerably by high winds. Potatoes about made.
 Hamilton—A good, growing week. Oats somewhat damaged by high winds. Farm work has made good progress.
 Johnson—Small grain and grass doing well. Corn not all up yet. Some wheat and oats lodged. Fruit of all kinds damaged somewhat by high winds.
 Jefferson—All crops growing fast. Farmers busy cultivating. High winds and heavy rains have damaged corn some.
 Lancaster—Rye damaged some on low ground by rain. Some planting yet to be done. Oats very rank. Early cherries about ripe. Rye in blossom.
 Nemaha—Rapid growth of crops. Soil excessively wet. Wheat doing well and a good stand but somewhat weedy. Too cool for best growth of corn. Alfalfa and medium red clover partly harvested. Potatoes fine. Cherries and strawberries in the market.
 Nuckolls—Crop conditions generally very favorable. Young grasshoppers very thick and cut worms working. Some grain and fruit trees injured some by high winds.
 Otoe—Corn all in and cultivating in progress. Small grain is making vigorous stand. Alfalfa ready to cut.
 Cuming—Small grain not looking as well as it should. Corn coming well as a rule and some are cultivating.
 Dixon—Corn growing slowly. Cultivation begun. Wheat rusting in low lands. Oats looking well.
 Douglas—Potatoes have grown wonderfully. All small grain doing well. Cherries beginning to ripen. Weeds troublesome.
 Holt—Small grain looks well. Some replanting yet to do on account of cut worms. Millet being put in. Rye in blossom.
 Knox—All crops doing nicely; but heavy rains have done some damage.
 Madison—Early corn four inches high. Wheat and oats spotted both on high and low lands owing to excessive rain. Grass crop unusually rank. Alfalfa being cut.
 Pierce—Good growing week. Crops looking fine.
 Platte—Corn making good growth. Ground in good condition but weedy.
 Sarpy—Planting is progressing in fine shape. All crop prospects excellent.
 Stanton—Corn all planted and cultivation has commenced. Pastures and meadows in fine condition.
 Thurston—Some corn up and looks well. Grass as tall as any time last year. Some potatoes up six inches. Wheat looks spotted.
 Washington—Rye heading nicely. Oats and wheat look well. Mulberries and early cherries getting ripe.
 Wayne—Corn a good stand and doing nicely. Beets doing well. Hay crop promises to be very large.
 Sioux City—Very favorable week with precipitation and temperature above the average.

CENTRAL SECTION.
 Blaine—Small grain doing well except a few pieces which suffered from the winds. Some corn six to eight inches high.
 Boone—Corn about all in and some cultivated. Fruit prospects good.
 Buffalo—Planting practically finished. Stand most excellent. Alfalfa and red clover in blossom. Cherries ripening and a light crop. Apples setting heavily.

NORTHWESTERN SECTION.
 Antelope—Corn coming well and cultivation progressing finely. Small grain looks well. Grass never better at this date. Cut worms very destructive in some places. Light frost on Wednesday night.
 Boyd—Corn about all planted and some cultivated the second time. Rye beginning to bloom. Small grain growing thrifty.
 Burt—Planting nearly done. Good stand of corn. Cut worms bad on sod ground. Some blight in wheat.
 Cedar—Oats and wheat growing finely. Corn is up in fine shape. Lots of corn suffering from cut worms. Some damage by washing.
 Colfax—Small grain not in as good condition as a week ago in northern part of county. Corn growing slowly but a small grain rank and beginning to lodge.
 Custer—Corn plowing begun. Wheat and rye injured by dry weather early in the week. Good rain Saturday night and Sunday. Cut worms have done much damage. Early potatoes in bloom. Alfalfa being cut.
 Dawson—Cultivation in progress. Crops doing well. Rye six feet high and turning. Alfalfa ready to cut and good crop.
 Greeley—Corn doing well but suffering some from cut worms. Small grain looking better since the recent rains. Winter wheat, rye and alfalfa in blossom.
 Hall—Some damage to corn in sandy places from windstorms. Many fields are worked once. Oats very heavy.
 Howard—Field crops growing nicely. Fruit prospects not so good as when in bloom. Plums blighting; peas ready for use; rye in blossom.
 Merrick—Corn looks fine; oats growing very rank; rye very promising.
 Nance—Corn mostly planted and the early is looking fine and much of it plowed. Small grain growing very rank.
 Sherman—All crops doing well; some damage from hail. Rye in blossom; wheat heading. Plenty of weeds. Potatoes bug bad.
 Valley—A growing week. All crops in fine condition. Corn up and growing fast; mostly cultivated once.
 Wheeler—Corn all in. Cut worms bad in places. Small grain looks well. Pastures good.

SOUTHWESTERN SECTION.
 Adams—Rye and fall wheat well advanced. Planting about done and corn growing rapidly. Potato bugs very thick. Wheat rusted some.
 Chase—High winds have injured small grain, and all crops have suffered much from dry weather.
 Dundy—Corn in sandy lands damaged by high winds. All small grain and grass drying up. Corn looking fair.
 Furnas—Alfalfa cutting in full blast, and a good yield. Potatoes in bloom and bugs plenty. Squash bugs doing some damage to vines.
 Hitchcock—Weather hot and vegetation suffered early in the week, but good rain on Saturday.
 Harlan—Corn coming up in good shape, wheat and oats coming forward nicely; potatoes growing fast and potato bugs thick. Alfalfa has made a big growth, and is nearly ready to cut.
 Kearney—Crops advancing rapidly. Many plowing corn.
 Webster—Everything doing well. Fall wheat heading. Corn about all planted. Some damage from high winds.

WESTERN SECTION.
 Cheyenne—Very dry but crops continue to look fairly well.
 Deuel—Very dry but crops continue to look well. Pastures never better at this season.
 Keith—Hot the fore part of the week; cooler with a good rain the latter part which was very beneficial to crops.
 Logan—Small grain injured somewhat by dry weather, but generally looking well. Grass doing well; potatoes growing fast; bugs numerous.
 Lincoln—Crops were beginning to need rain badly early in the week. Potato bugs numerous. Apples and cherries doing splendidly.
 Scotts Bluffs—Weather warm and crops growing well. Late potatoes being planted. Bugs have made their appearance.

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 Cherry—Crops doing nicely in the northern part of the county. Have suffered from drought farther south.
 Keya Paha—Crops suffered early in the week for rain. Small grain looks well. Corn about large enough to plow. Potato bugs numerous.
 Rock—No rain to speak of and upland crops suffering badly. Grass at a standstill.
 Sheridan—Small grain was beginning to suffer, but a good rain the last of the week.

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 Pawnee—Some damage to corn from sand storms. Some replanting of corn yet. Some light rust on wheat.
 Polk—Too wet for corn. Small grain and grass making rapid growth. Weeds in low places getting bad.
 Richardson—Planting and replanting about done. Cut worms doing much damage. Ground baked on top. New potatoes in market. Early cherries ripe. Light frost on Thursday morning.
 Saline—A good growing week. Wheat and rye generally headed. Most corn coming all right. Much corn cultivated. Oats very good. Cherries ripening but not a big crop. Some alfalfa cut. Grass a big crop.
 Saunders—Corn has come up well but nights rather cool for rapid growth. Small grain in fine condition. Fall wheat in head.
 Seward—Corn a good stand and growing finely. Wheat and oats lodging in some places. Grass fine. Apples light.
 Thayer—Heavy rains have washed corn badly. Small grain making a large growth. Pastures fine.
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STATE NEWS NOTES.

Jack Leonard stabbed and perhaps fatally injured Fred Johnson yesterday afternoon. The men met in the doorway of Erickson's saloon on Twenty-fourth street, South Omaha, and without saying a word Leonard plunged a knife into Johnson's body.
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