

STATE NEWS.

NEBRASKA MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS.

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Lincoln is making war on all dog son which the tax has not been paid.

The new Methodist church at Albright was dedicated last Sunday.

Wahoo is reducing its canine population by a free distribution of poison.

Republicans of Otoe county will hold their convention on the 3d of October.

The prohibitionists of Boone county have placed a copy of the field.

Arrangements are being made at Merna to hold a district fair at this place.

Petty thefts of clothing and other portable property are common at West Point.

Thirty thousand people were in the Omaha fair grounds on the fifth day of the fair.

The Central City hose company has been organized with a membership of fourteen.

Cracksmen visited the lumber office of D. R. Phelps at Wahoo and from the safe got \$20.

Delegates from five townships met at Juniata and formed the Adams county Farmers' alliance.

The contract for the new city hall at Omaha has been turned over to John F. Coats for \$208,000.

Grand Island claims to be doing more building this year than any city of its size in the state.

John B. Jack, of Peru, has been appointed a cadet to the West Point military academy.

Beatrice sent a big delegation of traveling men to Omaha on the occasion of the grand parade.

The ex-soldiers and sailors of Adams county will meet at Rosalind on the 18th and proceed to have a good time.

Sneak thieves entered the elevator at Ainsworth and stole three watches from workmen employed therein.

A horse at Pawnee dropped dead of fright last week and his rider, E. C. Young, was seriously hurt by the fall.

The government has eighty men cutting willows near Peru. They will be used for rip-rapping at Nebraska City.

A. B. Smith of Fairfield has ninety acres of sugar cane, and he offers \$200 to anyone who will cut and haul it to the mill.

John Barney, of Campbell, caught a bald eagle last week. It measured five feet from the tip of one wing to the other.

The farmers of York county who had fall wheat are in luck this year. Many of them threshed thirty-five bushels to the acre.

Mr. Hede Junker and wife, who live a few miles north of Fairbury, celebrated the 50th anniversary of their wedding recently.

The Seward schools opened with 460 pupils in attendance. The total enrollment is expected to be over 500 by next week.

Briggs & Velling are building a large grain elevator at Hooper, to be used in connection with their mill in handling wheat.

Arrangements are being made by the Beatrice Y. M. C. A. for a first-class lecture course of four or five numbers for the winter season.

Grand Island has now in the course of construction five large business buildings, one of which the brick work has just been completed.

Cards have been sent out over the state offering a reward of \$250 for the arrest of the two tramps wanted for murder at Julesburg, Col.

Mrs. Thorp of Nebraska City, who was injured a few weeks since by a gasoline explosion, died the other day from the effects of her injuries.

Geneva has improved more this summer than during any building season previous, and her buildings are more substantial than ever.

The appraisement of Saline lands in Lancaster county foots up to \$39,374.66. There are 12,200 acres. The day for leasing is Saturday, October 5.

Two Holdredge gentlemen who married sisters, reported the birth of a child at their respective homes last week within eight hours of each other.

The real estate and other property of the defunct Bank of Omaha was sold September 3. The creditors will receive no money until October 1.

The question of building a farmers' elevator is being agitated in the vicinity of Omaha. It is proposed to pattern after the one now in operation at Tobias.

Tork's floating debt has been a nightmare to the mayor and council for years, and it is proposed to ask the people to vote for funding bonds with which to fund the debt and settle all accounts. The city is now in debt about \$6,000. The proposed bonds will amount to \$6,000. A special election will be called for the purpose.

Lee Hewitt is the name of the brute accused of an attempt to debauch his own daughter in Sappa, Harlan county, and who was given three days to leave the county.

The law against the illegal selling of liquor is being enforced in Thayer county. Since January 1 more than \$1,800 in fines have been collected from this source.

Dr. Garten, of Lincoln, has a mad stone which is said to possess wonderful virtues. It was presented to him by Col. Hoagland, the newsboys' benefactor and friend.

While Jacob Houseworth, of Orleans, was cutting a flour bolter in a mill, his right arm was caught in a wheel, tearing the flesh from the elbow to the middle of the hand.

Dr. Kelley, of the Norfolk asylum, is experiencing trouble from another direction. He has been accused of corruption in the purchase of furniture for the use of the asylum.

Francis C. Grable, of Crawford, last week closed one of the largest real estate deals ever made in Nebraska, 30,000 acres of land being transferred to James H. Marr, of Omaha.

The Rock Island road has offered to transport free of charge to the Kansas City and Chicago exhibitions samples of Gage county products, and will see that the exhibits are properly displayed.

The largest teachers' institute ever held in Saunders county closed last week. The enrollment reached 213. The teachers expressed themselves highly pleased with the work done in all its departments.

The United States fish car No. 1 arrived at Milford last week in charge of Newton Simmons and distributed the following named varieties of fish in the Blue River and Lake Quenchaqua: Black bass, sun perch, croppies, spotted cat and ring perch.

At Russers' beer garden, near Omaha, on Sunday last, Petter Russers, son of the proprietor, was fatally shot by George Sewell. The shooter, for whose act no motive is known, escaped, but afterward returned and gave himself up.

At a recent meeting of Holt county supervisors the committee on new counties reported favorably on petitions asking for the formation of Elkhorn and Victor counties. A minority report in opposition to county division was also made.

Matilda McCormick has filed her motion in the district court of Otoe county, asking for a divorce from her husband, John H. McCormick. The charges against him are adultery, extreme cruelty and failure to support plaintiff.

The eleven-year-old son of T. C. Oldaker, a farmer near Deloit, Holt county, attempted suicide last week by hanging himself to a hay rack on a wagon. His mother found him soon after and although unconscious he was resuscitated. He thought life was not worth living without a gun to hunt with.

Orson S. Beckwith, aged 78 years, father of O. S. Beckwith, of the drug firm of Beckwith & Spencer, Beatrice, dropped dead. The deceased had been in his usual good health for a man of his age up to the moment of his death. He had gone down into the kitchen for a drink of water, and while in the act of drinking fell backwards and expired in a few moments.

Mrs. E. E. Goodwin, of Plattsmouth, has a coin that is an heirloom, given her by her mother as a keepsake. It is of Spanish manufacture, somewhat larger than a 25 cent piece, is considerably worn on its face and a piece is cut off of one side. The date 1773 is very plainly visible. She also has an American half dollar made in 1819 that she keeps on account of its age.

The first church building in Greely Center was recently dedicated. It belongs to the Methodist denomination, but has been helped forward by nearly all the Protestant people of the town. Rev. J. W. Shank, presiding elder of the Grand Island district, preached the dedicatory sermon to a full house, and took a subscription of \$300 to meet the expense of completing the tower and furnishing the auditorium.

Kenesaw citizens are becoming noted for charitable deeds. John Truman, who lost his horses and barn by lightning two weeks ago, was last week presented with a purse of \$150 in cash with which to purchase a team. Mrs. Jacob Weir, who was left penniless six weeks since, with a family of fatherless children, was likewise helped with a purse of \$50, by which she was enabled to join her relatives in the east.

Inter-State Commerce Cases. WASHINGTON, September 6.—Hearings will be held in New York by the inter-state commerce commission on September 12, in the following cases: John L. Campville, New York, vs. the New York, Lake Erie & Western Railroad company, and Wells, Fargo & Co., unjust discrimination. Poughkeepsie Iron company vs. the Boston & Albany Railroad company, unjust discrimination; informal. The matter of the inter-state rates of the Mallory steamship line against the Clyde steamship line. Hoge & Tichenor, Binghamton, vs. the New York, Lake Erie & Western Railroad company, classification. Cases are set for hearing at Indianapolis, September 17, Kansas City, September 24 and Chicago, September 30.

At Santa Fe, N. M., the constitutional convention received and discussed lengthy reports from several committees. A clause in the report of the committee on taxation, providing that the state shall acknowledge all territorial debts except those incurred during the late war, and known as militia claims, created much comment. There is \$400,000 worth of these claims outstanding, many members of the convention being large holders.

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