

THE NORTHWESTERN

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LOUP CITY, NEBRASKA.

NEBRASKA NEWS.

The farmers of Harlan will raise chicory this year.

The banks of Pierce county pay no interest on county deposits.

Corn shelling is the current occupation of the Nebraska farmers.

Omaha has secured an envelope factory with a capacity of 1,000,000 a day.

Pawnee claims to have more lawyers than any other city in the United States.

Neligh ice dealers have been shipping large quantities of ice to outside points.

A gasoline tank exploded in a Humphrey saloon and cracked a \$100 plate glass mirror.

There is strong probability that credit will have a chicory factory at an early date.

No Pawnee county papers report that a large amount of orcharding will be set out this coming spring.

Eli Trullinger fell from a windmill at Star and broke both of his legs, which were afterwards amputated.

A small boy in Sidney was scalded a month ago by a passing locomotive, and his legs are still in bad condition.

Thomas Chambers of Cheyenne county has made a reservoir from which he expects to irrigate about forty acres of land.

While harvesting ice near Wahoo one of the men broke his toe. The injured member will have to be amputated.

A dentist named Jones of Ewing has been arrested on the charge of practicing his profession without the proper authority.

Dr. J. H. Mackay of Madison, formerly superintendent of the Norfolk asylum for the insane, contemplates removing to Central America.

The Union Pacific has had some of its employees at North Platte on the rack for supplying their private coal bins at the company's expense.

Seven-year-old boys and a box of matches caused a fire near Superior in which a poor man's barn, horses and farm machinery were destroyed.

The officers of the Southeastern Reunion association held a meeting and decided to hold the next reunion at Nebraska City, commencing July 1, and continuing four days.

Sterling and Humboldt people are complaining of the poor quality of illuminating oil now being forced upon them. The merchants claim to be helpless in the matter mentioned.

By a vote of 197 for to 17 against the voters of Valentine decided to bond the school district in the amount of \$10,000 bonds at 6 per cent twenty-year bonds for the purpose of building a school house.

Will Clarkson has secured the contract for delivering 640 cords of wood at Ft. Niobrara from Valentine for the chief quartermaster. His bid was \$1.09 per cord, and he has four teams of his own, he will make good wages out of the contract.

Miss Anna Possolt of Burchard was adjudged insane by the examining board and taken to the hospital for insane at Lincoln. Tom Gilson of Burchard, who was sent to the asylum a year ago, has recovered sufficiently and has been dismissed.

H. B. Cordis was instantly killed at St. Libroy, ten miles from St. Paul. He was assisting in unloading a load of corn at the elevator, and was blocking the wheels of the wagon, to keep them from running down the decline, when the wheel came off and the wagon and load came down on the man, killing him instantly. He leaves a wife and six children.

Only four of the business houses in Wisner are burning coal, all the rest using corn. This includes two steam blacksmith shops, a steam grist mill and a planing mill. A gentleman who was in Wisner who has business interests in nearly all towns in northeastern Nebraska, dealing in fuel and grain, said that nearly all their public institutions as well as private residences are being heated with corn instead of coal.

S. M. Hazen, receiver of the Blue Springs bank, secured judgment against J. C. Williams, the president of the defunct concern, for \$1,400. The amount sued for was \$5,000, the evidence of debt being an overdraft of \$1,900 and a number of notes given by Williams. The defendant showed an offset against the claim of the year's salary as president and cashier, and for that reason the judgment was granted for a less amount than sued for.

W. A. Atkins of Pawnee county is suing the Burlington railroad company in the June term of the district court to recover \$275. Atkins had a bull calf valued at the above sum shipped to him from Albia, Iowa, and while en route the door of the car containing the calf was opened by an employee of the railroad, allowing the animal to get out. In doing so it broke a leg and had to be killed by the employees. Conley & Fulton have been engaged for the plaintiff.

There is great rejoicing among the people of the vicinity of Valentine, as the first real field work of the tedious irrigation ditch was undertaken. A party of thirteen men under the personal supervision of Donald Campbell, the irrigation engineer, left for Snake river to survey the route of the proposed ditch. This is one of the largest projects of its kind in the United States. The main canal will be 250 miles long, and its many miles of laterals will water at least 500,000 acres.

A Boston (Mass.) dispatch says: A Victor Hart of Lincoln, Neb., was found on Charles street in an unconscious condition from the effects of a dose of carbolic acid, evidently taken with suicidal intent. At a late hour that night he had not regained consciousness.

Monday the clerk of Lincoln county was kept busy paying the bounty on wild animals. One man from the Birdwood county brought in the skulls of eight gray wolves and twenty-one coyotes, receiving therefor the bounty of \$4. Another man from the same section brought in nine coyote skulls and received the bounty of \$6.

SALVATION ARMY SCHEME.

GREAT SYSTEM OF SOCIAL SETTLEMENT.

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Temporary Work to Be Provided for Idle Men—Spacious Tenement Houses to Be a Part of the Great Scheme—to Be Similar to That in Operation in England.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—According to Colonel Brewer of the Salvation army, Chicago is to be made the center of a system of social settlements similar to that in operation in England, made famous by General William Booth of the Salvation army. Arrangements have been made whereby General Booth is to come to Chicago and personally direct the inauguration of the movement. He will apply the practical knowledge of such work gleaned in the principal cities of the world to the establishment of a system of city colonies, where at least temporary work will be offered every idle man in the city, will place spacious tenement houses under the supervision of the army, and later will extend the movement to form colonies within a radius of several hundred miles from the city. Eventually the movement will include the whole country.

The methods will be the same as those employed in London. In that metropolis the 5,000 men sheltered in one year cost \$365,000, but all but \$15,000 of this amount was contributed by the persons helped. It has been estimated that the expense to the city for the same work would have been \$1,500,000, with no return in work. Colonel Brewer stated that the first effort would be to enlarge the Prison Gate home, the Albemarle Food and Relief depot and other relief institutions in this city. Others will be opened and factories, where the work done will not interfere with the product of outside labor, will be established.

"The next and most important step," said Colonel Brewer, "will be to secure several large tracts of land in the neighborhood of Chicago. As far as possible the tide of immigration is to be turned backward from the city to the land and the congestion in the crowded districts relieved. On these farms, under supervision of army officers, the men will be taught to support themselves. They will thus cease to be dependent on charity and instead will become producers and consumers."

Watson Loses.

The House Election Committee Unanimously Against the Populist.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The house committee on elections, which has charge of the election contest brought by Thomas E. Watson of Georgia, recently the Populist candidate for vice president, against Representative Black, decided to confirm Mr. Black's title to his seat. The agreement, it is understood, is unanimous.

Judge Coff Declines.

The West Virginia Jurist Will Not Accept a Place in the Cabinet.

CANTON, Ohio, Feb. 8.—Judge Coff has written to Major McKinley a letter received only this morning, couched in such terms as to warrant the announcement that he will not be in the cabinet. His name must now be erased from the cabinet slate.

Meriwether Withdraws.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.—Leo Meriwether announced last night that he had withdrawn from the race for labor commissioner, and it was at once taken for granted by politicians, particularly the Populists, that this made it certain that Kozelle, the Populist state chairman, would be appointed. It was asserted that Meriwether had dropped out at the suggestion of Governor Stephens or some of his close friends to save him the discomfort of being turned down. Governor Stephens, however, would not say that this assertion was true.

State Asylum Requests.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.—Dr. Woodson, in charge of the state asylum at St. Joseph, asked the committee on appropriations for an appropriation of \$120,000 for a new electric light plant and other improvements, together with repairs. Dr. Robinson of the Nevada asylum asked for \$150,000 for his asylum. It has more land than the St. Joseph asylum, but the land is poor.

Freight Trains Meet in a Fog.

TULSA, Ill., Feb. 8.—Two freight trains collided on the Illinois Central, two miles north of here, in a dense fog early to-day. Both engines were completely demolished, as were also five carloads of merchandise and three box cars, in one of which were thirty heads of horses, all of which were killed. No person was hurt.

Bryan Wanted at Guthrie.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Feb. 8.—The council has adopted a concurrent resolution inviting William J. Bryan to address the Oklahoma legislature.

General Smith's Return.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.—At 10 o'clock this morning Deputy United States Marshal Washburn received a telegram from Ben T. Smith saying that his father was better and that Dr. J. A. Rogers, who had been sent for, need not go to Adams. A later telegram stated that he still showed improvement.

Miss Beecher Returns Again.

STAMFORD, Conn., Feb. 8.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher has called some what and at noon was resting comfortably. She was conscious and appeared to have regained some vitality.

More Missouri Miners for Cuba.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 8.—The Missouri Pacific railroad this evening for Cuba, Cuba, to work in the Virginia mines.

HANNA IN THE CABINET.

The Republican Chairman May Be the Next Postmaster General.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 8.—Now that it seems pretty certain that Mr. Hanna will not be appointed to fill the place to be made vacant by Senator Sherman in the United States Senate, there is much speculation as to whether or not he will enter the cabinet, as Postmaster General. It is generally believed that this question was discussed and finally settled at yesterday's conference with Mr. McKinley, and there seems to be but little doubt that the chairman will be a member of the next official household.

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SENATE LIQUOR DEBATE.

Mr. Hill Opposed to Removing the Saloon From the Capitol.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The session of the Senate yesterday was one of unusual activity, with sharp colloquies and vigorous speeches, which drew large crowds to the galleries. The bill was set rolling early in the day when Mr. Morrill endeavored to pass the bill prohibiting the use of intoxicants in the Capitol building. This aroused the opposition of Mr. Hill of New York, who denounced the busy-bodies and mischief-makers inspiring this class of legislation. The Senator spoke for the fullest enjoyment of individual liberty consistent with the common good. The speech was not only notable for the vigor which Mr. Hill threw into it, but also for its effect in prolonging the debate until 2 o'clock, when the bill was displaced by the Nicaragua bill.

NEW TARIFF BILL.

It Shuts Out Mexican Cattle From This Country—McKinley Rates.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Yesterday's meeting of the Republican members of the ways and means committee was the most important of the series, for it resulted in the framing of the agricultural schedule, which was made a re-enactment of the McKinley law with few changes, except on unimportant products. The most important step in connection with this schedule was the establishment of rates of \$5 a head on cattle more than one year old, and of 25 per cent ad valorem on cattle valued at more than \$20 a head. The McKinley rates on other live stock, including the rate of \$2 on cattle of one year old or less are restored. The Wilson rates were 30 per cent ad valorem on live stock, and, while the new duty of \$5 on cattle does not reach the McKinley figure of \$10 on cattle more than 1 year old, it is expected that, with the ad valorem on the more valuable grades, it will prove adequate to shut out Mexican cattle. It is against the Mexican stock that the increase is particularly directed on the representations of western cattlemen that their business had been ruined by the importations from Mexico under the Wilson law, which amounted to more than 300,000 head.

Much interest centered upon barley, which the committee puts back to the McKinley duty of 30 cents a bushel, because the farmers contended that the Wilson tariff had turned over the market into the hands of the Canadians, while the malsters, who have been using Canadian barley, have made a hard fight against any increase. The McKinley rates have been restored on fruits and berries, mainly for the benefit of the fruit growers of the Pacific coast. The fruit exchanges of the country had prepared a schedule of rates below the McKinley bill, although above the Wilson rates, but they did not succeed in having their schedule adopted.

Among the products in the agricultural schedule which are returned to the McKinley rates are breadstuffs and rice, dairy products, meats and meat products, eggs and poultry, vegetables and salt. The demand of the farmers for the McKinley rate of \$4 a ton on hay, instead of the Wilson rate of \$2, was granted. Chicory is placed at 1 cent a pound in accordance with the requests of the growers in the Central states, who believe they can capture the home market with protection. Rates on oranges have not been fixed yet, but the committee has decided to change the classification and make the rates higher than those of the McKinley bill, for the benefit of the California interests.

The committee has decided to retain the Wilson rates on wines and spirits throughout the wine and spirit schedules. This schedule of the Wilson act was generally higher in its rates than in the McKinley act.

Throughout the work the policy of establishing specific rates wherever it was found possible to substitute them for ad valorem has been followed. The interests of farmers, it is stated, have been particularly observed in fixing duties for the purpose of protection. On the other hand, the increase on manufactured goods, most of them, have been on higher grades of goods and those which are considered luxuries.

For a Public Defender.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 6.—Senator Helm of Ellsworth introduced a bill in the Senate to provide for the appointment in each county of a public defender. This official's duties are to defend all parties charged with criminal offenses who are unable to procure counsel at their expense. The bill is a counterpart of one introduced in the present session of the Missouri Legislature at the request of Miss Clara Foltz of New York.

Stanford Ranches for Sale.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Leifard Stanford has decided to close up the estate of her deceased husband of which she is executrix. First she will dispose of lands and afterward personal property. From the proceeds the money due to the legatees under the will, amounting to nearly one million dollars, will be paid, and all of the residue will go to the university at Palo Alto. Years may be required to carry out her purpose.

More Territorial Judges Wanted.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 6.—St. Louis jobbers, as well as those of Kansas City, will send a memorial to Washington asking that Senator Harris' bill providing for the appointment of two additional judges in the Indian territory circuit be passed at this session of congress. A heroic effort will be made to have the bill considered during the short session.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Quotations From New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and elsewhere.

OMAHA.

Butter—Creamery separator 18 25 20

Butter—Choice fancy country 14 25 14

Eggs—Fresh 14 25 14

Spring chickens—dressed 8 25 8

Turkeys 8 25 8

Geese and ducks 8 25 8

Legs—Choice Measurers 3 00 3 00

Wool 13 25 14

Honey—Fancy White 13 25 14

Onions, per bushel 13 25 14

Beans—Hard-packed navy 1 25 1 00

Peas 1 25 1 00

Sweet Potatoes per bushel 1 25 2 00

Oranges—Per box 2 00 2 25

Apples—Per bushel 1 00 1 25

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SOUTH OMAHA STOCK MARKET.

Hogs—Light mixed 4 25 4 11

Hogs—Heavy mixed 4 25 4 11

Beef Steers 4 25 4 11

Hulls 2 25 2 11

Hills and springers 2 25 2 11

Butts 2 25 2 11

Stags 2 25 2 11

Calves 2 25 2 11

Wags 2 25 2 11

Horses 2 25 2 11

Stocks and Feathers 2 25 2 11

Sheep—Native 2 25 2 11

Wheat—No. 1 4 25 4 11

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