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Omaha-Where the West is at its Best

THE "RECALL" JOB HUNTER.

Lyman Wheeler-recently resigned as a police captain, seems to feel that he represents a great "cause." He has started out to get some 9,000 signatures to a petition asking the recall of Police Commissioner Henry Dunn.

If his plea was solely for a recall his argument might be discussed on its merits. He mixes up his "cause," however, with his own candidacy for Dunn's place on the city commission. A special election, which this move would entail, would cost the taxpayers of Omaha, it is estimated, some \$20,000.

Such an expense is without warrant. If Wheeler ad made a conspicuous record as a police captainif he were outstandingly superior to Henry Dunn the city of Omaha might be justified in such an expenditure. His record not only is not conspicuous, it is quite mediocre. Whoever is advising him is leading him astray. The Omaha Bee will praise or criticize the police department as occasion may warrant.

At this time it is working in harmonious cooperation. If former Captain Wheeler will withdraw his own efforts to get a job out of his recall scheme and then file away his petitions in a pigeonhole until the next election, he will stand better with the community.

Omaha needs fighters, but they must be constructive. Wheeler's plans are not constructive and, in the judgment of The Omaha Bee, they will fall fat as a consequence.

HOW DID YOU THINK HE DID IT?

Readers, meet Mr. Tom Owens of Frontier coun-, Nebraska. We have never met Mr. Owens perbually, but we found out something about him by eading the local news in the Stockville Faber, a ive weekly newspaper published in Mr. Owens' home

the readers of The Omaha Bee. They talk about the story at home, on the street, at the luncheon table. If you are not reading The Nebbs, you are missing a treat.

MAKE THE STREETS SAFE.

Once more a home is darkened, because a little child is dead. The victim of a street accident. One that might have been avoided. Only a moment of hesitation, to make certain that all was safe. Just that, and a life would have been saved. A little boy would be playing around home, delighting his father and mother and enjoying his sister's company. He is dead, his life the price of failure to observe the rules of safety.

Not a driver in Omaha but knows that the "boulevard stop" rule is practically a dead letter. That drivers come into heavy traffic streets from cross streets with utter disregard to their own or the safety of the others. It is humanly impossible to patrol every intersection in Omaha, but it is humanly possible to make it clear to drivers that the rule designed to protect all will be enforced against all, and should be observed by all.

Leniency shown by the courts has had the effect of encouraging the reckless driver. The careful drivers are in the majority, but there are enough who simply do not care for the rules or anything but their own whims to make trouble for everyone.

Careful inquiry should be made into the fatal accident that toook place at Seventeenth and Chicago, and responsibility definitely fixed. It is one of the really dangerous downtown intersections, chiefly so because those who drive esat and west do so with little regard for the traffic that moves north and south. It will be a menace antil better conditions are enforced by law.

FOLLOW THE AIR MAIL'S FLIGHT.

Interest in the move originating in Omaha to have the round-the-world fliers visit this city on the way back to the Pacific coast is becoming general. It is proposed that when the fliers leave Washington for Dayton, that instead of pursuing the crow-flight line to the Pacific coast, they make a sufficient detour to get on the air mail flight line and follow that track. Plenty of good reason supports this.

The Dayton-St. Joe-North Platte route was selected by Lieutenant Russell Maughan for his dawnto-dusk transcontinental flight because it is a few miles shorter. Distance was a vital consideration with him. He had to make every minute count, and cut off every mile he could. With Lieutenant Smith and his companions the matter of distance is not a governing factor. They are winging their way leisurely around the world, stopping at predetermined points along the route. When they reach Washington, their mission will have practically been ended, and the balance of the journey will be something of a joy ride. To fly, then, from Dayton to Cleveland, or to Chicago, will take them but a little way off the straight line, and they may travel a well marked, lighted and equipped route, that is used every day by the mail.

There must be a community between the army and the mail in the matter of flying. Both are integral parts of one service maintained by the government, although under different auspices. Cooperation at this time between the two should have an effect on congress, which has been somewhat niggard in supporting either. It would possibly present argument in favor of a little more liberal treatment for the air service. We suggest that General Mitchell and Postmaster General New consult on the point.

The New York Times is worried for fear some of

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Letters From Our Readers All letters must be signed, but name will be withheld upon request. Communi-cations of 200 words and less will be given preference.

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Farmer John's Lament.



The young man who takes an active interest in politics, of course, should be rewarded in later years. Postmaster Will McClay of Lincoin is now enjoying the reward of intense activities when No was considerably younger than he is now.

Away back in 1894 Major William McKinley spoke from a Away back in 1894 Major William McKinley spoke from a platform erected in front of the north entrance of the state house. Billy McClay and a young comrade carried a trans-parency in the big parade that preceded the speaking. Billy and his comrade proudly sat upon the platform while Major McKinley spoke. But they got into a quarrel as to who should hold the transparency, and the scrap was just getting good when Major McKinley intervened. "Til take care of the banner," said the Major. And he did He took it from the quarreling patriots and geutly de-posited it on the ground. Then he proceeded with his speech.

Some 30 years later Billy McClay came into his reward. People in Lincoln say that he is just as good a postmaster now as he was a republican 30 years ago, which speaks well for his efficiency as the local Nasby.

Speaking of Lincoln postmasters, right now a lot of democrats are recalling the treatment accorded to J. D. Calhoun. "Cal" fought, bled and died for the democratic party. He went to the front for W. J. Bryan in his first campaign for conto the front for W. J. Bryan in his hist campaign for con-gress, and was virtually promised the postmastership when Cleveland was elected in 1892. But it seems that in his zeal for Bryan "Cal" had offended some of the influential friends of Cleveland. They opposed "Cal" and Bryan did not stand by him. The result was that Bryan compromised by appointing J. H. Harley, and J. D. Calhoun was utterly ignored.

The Nebraska National Guard will go into camp at Ashand July 28. The people who oppose spending the money for training the stalwart young Nebraska Guardsmen are the same people who hollered their heads off because this country was not prepared for war in 1916.

Charley Pool, who is running for secretary of state for the fourth time, has a knack of landing when all his comrades the fourth time, has a knack of landing when all his comrades of the democratic ticket fall by the wayside. But Charley has a better chance for free publicity than most folk, his name being attached to all the initiative pamphlets and. "information for voters" stuff that goes out of the state house. But Charley is pulling an even better one than that now. He has procured about a hundred thousand postcards bearing a highly colored lithograph of the new capitol building, with Charley's good-natured phiz as an insert. It is a nice souvenir, but there is danger that some voters will be seized with the idea that Char-ley is responsible for spending so many millions on the build-ing and vote against him as a rebuke. The only thing Charley is responsible for is the picture.

Nor can Lottie Clifford understand why it is so difficult to procure bottles in which to preserve the tomato sauce which she is so adept at making. There are a number of puzzling things pressing for explanation these days.

People who used to raise theff own vegetables and milk their own cows now buy vegetables and milk in cans. A lot of them seem to think they can get their political relief the same way. WILL M. MAUPIN.



Why, Robert! We Thought You Believed in the Direct Vote of the People

own. Here is the item:

"Tom Owens returned from Kansas City the other day where he had marketed two carloads of steers. Tom reports that he topped the market 25 cents with his offerings, receiving \$11.25 per hundred. His steers averaged 1,270 pounds

"While driving them to Bartley early Saturday morning about 25 of the animals went into a washout on the road, crippling one of them quite badly and several others more or less. About a half dozen were cut out of the bunch which brought the high price.

"Congratulations, Tom.

"The following appeared in Tuesday's Kansas City Daily Drovers Stock Journal:

"'Top steers on yesterday's market, which sold late, were marketed by Tom Owens of Frontier county, Nebraska, in the extreme west end of the state. They brought \$10.25 and weighed 1,288 lbs. Besides these, Mr. Owens marketed a carload of steers averaging 776 at \$9.25.

'For several years Mr. Owens has been raising his own cattle, the hight grade Hereford breed. He raises all his own feed corn and alfalfa, and always makes them good. Going to that country with but a few dollars 32 years ago, Mr. Owens has become a very prosperous farmer and land owner."

Please note that Mr. Owens went to Frontier county 32 years ago, with only a few dollars in his pocket. It was the frontier then, in fact as well as in name. Grover Cleveland was running for president, and was elected. The next year began the worst period in Nebraska's history. In 1889 and 1890 the Farmers' Alliance was spreading the same gospel of La Folletteites are spreading now. No fate could be worse than to be condemned to manage a farm for a living. Especially in Nebraska, and more particularly in Frontier county.

Yet Tom Owens started there, with only a few dollars. Now we are told he "has become a very prosperous farmer and land owner." How did he do it? We can not tell it all, but feel very certain he did not spend a great deal of his time singing the blues, or attending political hurrahs. He probably wore overalls most of the time, took very few joy rides, made every lick count. He probably also looked at every dollar twice before he spent it. We do not know what his politics are, or how he is going to vote next fall. If we had to guess, we would say he will not vote for "Fighting Bob."

We have pleasure in adding our congratulations to those the editor of the Stockville Faber has exended to Tom Owens.

"THE NEBBS"-MORE THAN A "COMIC."

Are you reading the story of the Nebbs? It is being told serially in the comic cartoon of that name printed daily in The Omaha Bee.

The Nebbs is more than a comic cartoon. It is a story with a real lesson, told in the delightful humor of a comic drawing. Rudy Nebb, a sort of ne'cr-do-well with Col. Sellers' dreams of wealth, is in partnership with Slider, a shrewd little fellow, who runs a drug store. Nebb has inherited an "estate" on which there is a well of marvelously curative water.

A popular contest among Nebb "fans" resulted in naming this water "Noxage." Slider, who has a business head, sees a fortune for the partners. Nebb is full of dreams of vast wealth, but he is easily fooled. The story, as it is revealed from day to day, has its villian, its romance, its schemes of high finance, and always, the little druggist, Slider, who holds the keel level.

The Nebbs is the best of the "comics" now being published.

There are thousands of Nebbs "fans" among

Contraction of the local division

the republican papers with withdraw compliments paid to John W. Davis. No need to. Let them ride, but remember the republicans offer a man just as good and on a platform that is a good deal better.

Enough names have been mentioned in connection with the democratic nomination for governor to make an outsider think the honor something worth having. It is a forlorn hope in Nebraska this year.

We congratulate Martin J. Dineen on being made chief of the fire department in which he has served so long and with such distinction. If experience counts for anything, Chief Dineen will fill the bill.

William H. Johnson is very certain that all or-ganized labor will get back of La Follette. Less than a year ago "Billy" was pleading with organized labor to get back of Lenine and Trotzky.

Iowa does not share in the Standard's general cut on "gas," but it need not worry our friends in Council Bluffs any. They can save more than bridge toll any time by driving over to Omaha.

Another victim of the dangling wire is an-nounced. One good plan is to let all loose wires alone, and another is to see that all high power lines are fully protected at all times.

Weatherman Robins is also a diplomat. He promises the grocers and butchers fair weather for the picnic, and he will do well to deliver.

Promise is made that the campaign will be short and snappy. But it is a long time until November, and what will the committees do?

A large consignment of war-time tobacco is being used for road filler. Some pipes smell like their owners were smoking the filler.

There are democrats in Nebraska who hold that some of the governor's "yardsticks" are shy about 18 inches at one end.

Omaha can well afford to wait until November for any recall election, even if one is deemed necessary then.

Wheat out in Red Willow county is turning yields 40 bushels to the acre and no grumbling is heard.

It begins to look as if Germany will have to pay somebody, either France or the bondholders.

Homespun Verse -By Omaha's Own Poet-**Robert Worthington Davie**

THE PASSING OF ISAAC.

Isaac came across the prairie in a schooner years ago When the thoroughfares were vague and skeptic dreams When upon the verdant grasses browsed great herds of buffalo.

When there were no bridges built across the streams. Isaac chose a virgin homestead in the teeming middle-

west. In those days-those rough and trying days long gone; There from year to year he prospered as the present

doth_attest. Step by step he scaled the stair and journeyed on.

Isaac saw the prairie builded to magnificence; along Little streams towns sprung to being and grew fast,--While the rich loam, stirred and forrowed by those

willing hands and strong, Fashioned true a dream as aged as the past.

Isaac saw the dawn of progress in this region rich and wide

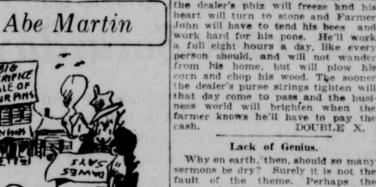
He beheld the noon sun casting forth its golden gleams: In the silent, solemn gloaming with his loved ones by

his side. He laid down to sleep forever with his dreams.

Omaha .-- To the Editor of The ing up one-half of our money sup-ply, increases or doubles the purchast ing power of the dollars left in cir-always broke and never has a cent, Omaha.--To the Editor of The Everything they do. Omaha Bee: Farmer John cries he's -- North Western Railway Magazine their loans and the bonds that they though his back's with labors bent, hold. The loans of the banks in He must have credit to buy food and 1520 were over \$30,000,000,000. Then plows and rakes and twine and canthe bankers commenced to decrease not buy a stick of wood unless he's and corner our money supply by col. given time. He makes the dealer be and corner our money supply by col- given time. He makes the dealer be lecting it in and taking it out of the hands of the people and locking it up cash, and then he takes the farmer's in their vaults, and by this method they have increased or doubled the purchasing power of their dollar, which purchasing power of their dollar, which the amount of farm products to get the adding the the takes the farmer's doubled the the adding the farmer to put up double the adding the the takes the farmer solar buys gasoline and purchasing power of their dollar, which the adding the farmer to put up double the adding the farmer to put up double the adding the takes the farmer solar buys and on the must dig the dollar. And through their solar the dollar. And through their schem-ing the bankers are confiscating the goes and sells another shoat, or four,

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Why not start today? Take advantage of this huge public service that thousands are using to their great advantage.

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