



PHILANTHROPIC Nebraskans are arranging to send a car of corn to the Cuban sufferers.

WHILE the remains of the mangled Maine victims were being carried to their graves, members of the "Four Hundred" in New York City were reveling in a "vegetable party." And it smelled to high heaven, too.

THE Henderson bankruptcy bill, which provides for both voluntary and involuntary bankruptcy, has passed the house. Its provisions are said not to be so stringent as the bill introduced at the last session of congress.

THE farms are the great wealth-makers of the land: Of the total exports for the last fiscal year, amounting to \$1,032,007,603, over 66 per cent, or \$689,755,193, had their origin in agriculture, an increase of 20 per cent over last year.

M. ZOLA, the famous French novelist, has been convicted of libelous comment on the conduct of the Esterhazy court-martial, by the French government, and has been sentenced to prison for a year and assessed a fine of 3,000 francs. Modern times do not show a wormier example of justice.

THE war spirit has been running high ever since the Maine incident, but it will be well to remember that many delight to cry "War! war!" when there is no war. Uncle Sam is perfectly competent to take care of the matter if it should be demonstrated that the Maine was destroyed by the Spaniards in treachery.

THE death of Miss Frances Willard removes from a life of beneficent and untiring activity a history-making woman beloved by many here and abroad. The work to which she devoted and consecrated her life will go on. The world needs temperance and the dropping out of the line of one advocate, even though that one be a great leader and wise counselor, cannot stop the mighty procession. The wide world will drop a tear of regret and sorrow at the passing of Frances Willard.

THE decision of the supreme court in the Eugene Moore case is to be regretted. His release practically says that his theft of over \$20,000 of state funds was only a breach of trust, and he goes scot free from one of the most inexcusable crimes ever committed by a state official. THE TRIBUNE does not seriously question but that the decision is technically correct; but judges and courts all over this land of the free need to be admonished and warned that the people of the country are tiring of decisions based upon mere technicalities and that the demand is for more equity and justice, and less technical miscarriages of justice. It is noted that such decisions for the most part come in cases in which the persons involved are rich, powerful, or have rich or powerful friends; while the one who commits the minor crime is quite promptly thrust into jail, if he lacks the "pull" above described. We do not wish to be understood as casting any direct reflection upon the supreme court of this state, but we do wish to be understood as emphatically opposed to this objectionable and evident tendency of the courts to let trivial technicalities obscure the more vital demands of justice and equity. When the quality of justice becomes less strained the decisions of courts the land over will be more respected, and the courts are the very bulwarks of this government. While the political aspect is of necessity of secondary consideration, yet it must be admitted that this decision is to be regretted by all Republicans that wish the party well and leaves upon the party a stigma that it does not deserve and in part robs it of the results of its good intentions in the premises: the punishing of those who have proven recalcitrant and false to the trust imposed upon them by the party and the people.

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NORTH COLEMAN. Wash. Pate has gone to Illinois. Frank Marsh has gone to Missouri.

Mrs. M. L. Brown was quite sick Saturday, but is well now.

Henry Mitchell and wife are located on the Wm. Pate farm.

Mrs. Wm. Shinsel of McCook visited R. Traphagens recently.

Wm. Pate has gone to the eastern part of the state to see his son.

Robert Moore is finding home market for his seed wheat at 75c. per bushel.

Bert Reeves shelled corn for G. H. Simmerman and H. Mitchell one day last week.

Some find sale for hens at \$3 a dozen. The supply is about equal to the demand.

Mrs. W. H. Epperly says that she knows that one of her hens laid two eggs in one day.

Last Wednesday being the 38th anniversary of the birthday of Thos. Ryan, some of their friends were invited in, a fine repast was served and the evening passed off pleasantly. To make things more interesting W. H. Epperly's horse unloosed itself and went home with the cart, and Mr. Ryan and Mr. Epperly had a starlight walk in search of it; they found it all right at Mr. Epperly's hay stack.

BARTLEY. A. G. Dole of McCook was in town on business, Tuesday.

C. A. Bede transacted business in the county capital, Wednesday.

C. C. Richard and son Guy were attending to business in the county seat on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. S. Foutch has been suffering from a very severe cold during the past week.

J. H. Stephens of Box Elder was giving attention to business matters here on Tuesday.

Gertie Stenner, who so severely scalded her foot about three weeks ago, was able to return to school, Monday morning.

Miss Nellie Stephens came down from Box Elder, Tuesday, to spend a week or two here with her sister, Mrs. H. P. Hodgkin.

"Uncle Josh," a mirthful and entertaining drama, will be presented in the hall on Wednesday evening of next week under the auspices of the cornet band.

A party of McCook sports shot the atmosphere all to pieces and scattered lead all over the meadows hereabout, Wednesday, and they didn't get quite all the ducks, either.

Miss Effie Teel, of the intermediate department of our schools, attended the Washington anniversary supper and bazaar in Indianola, Tuesday evening, returning the following morning.

PROSPECT PARK. One of W. H. Hartman's boys is quite sick.

James Cain of McCook was in this vicinity, Sunday.

J. H. Wade and wife visited at Rev. J. E. Tirrill's, Monday.

The school took a half-holiday, Tuesday, Washington's birthday. Will Tattle and Jay Scott are helping O. L. Thompson husk corn, this week.

Charley Rose and O. L. Thompson had business in Cedar Bluffs, Friday of last week.

Mrs. Chas. Boatman had a carpet-rag sewing party, Thursday. We don't know which worked faster, tongues or needles.

Michael Crocker has moved here from Hayes county and will make his home with his brother Jacob. He will work the James Cain farm.

GERVER. Mrs. N. J. Johnson has treated her new barn to a coat of vermilion hue.

Miss Anna Hill, we understand, will teach the last three months of the Pleasant Prairie school.

Chas. Wilhelm has been hauling corn to W. G. Dutton, in Driftwood, for the past week or so.

We understand that John Goodenberger will likely move over on the James Ward place, in Danbury precinct.

Miss Ruby of Danbury taught the Pleasant Prairie school during the illness of Miss Boyer. The latter resumed her work this week.

This precinct has certainly had its share of sickness in the past two weeks, however at this present writing they are all getting better and bid fair toward a speedy recovery.

Last week W. F. Sanders of Danbury precinct, purchased and moved the frame house on what is known as the old Snavelly place, and he will give it a thorough overhauling before using it as a dwelling house.

Rev. White and family were somewhat surprised on last Monday, when a large assemblage of neighbors and friends drove up to their home with well filled baskets; some time was spent in good social talk, after which a bountiful table was spread from which all partook to their hearts content.

BANKSVILLE. E. B. Nelson hauled corn to Cedar Bluffs, last week.

Rev. White preached at the Pleasant Prairie school-house, last Sunday.

N. J. Johnson is giving the new barn a coat of paint which improves its appearance.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Benjamin.

Quite a number from this place took in the big sale at Cedar Bluffs, Kansas, last Saturday.

John Adams of Traer, Kansas, was in this vicinity, last week, hunting for stray stock.

Mrs. A. V. Olmstead, who has been quite sick with pneumonia, is much better at this writing.

Dr. W. A. DeMay has had quite a "run" in this neighborhood on account of the prevailing epidemic, pneumonia.

Miss Anna Hill closes a successful term of school in this district, Friday. Miss Hill has secured the spring term at Pleasant Prairie.

Prof. Hopping of Cedar Bluffs, Kansas, will organize a singing-class for the second term at the Pleasant Prairie school-house, Saturday evening.

DANBURY. Everybody has the grip, this week.

A. E. Butler's brother left for his home in Iowa, last week.

Tauber Bros. have finished laying the foundation for the milk-house.

A Congregational church with about thirty-five members was organized, last Monday evening, at the residence of S. W. Stilgenbauer.

Seven cars of stock were shipped from this point to Kansas City, Wednesday. W. A. Minniear, J. C. Roesch and S. R. Messner went down with the stock.

Programme of Winter Meeting of the Red Willow County Teachers' Association to be held in McCook, Saturday, March 5th:

- MORNING SESSION—10 O'CLOCK. Dream Faces.....Chorus. Invocation.....Rev. James A. Badcon. Vocal Solo.....Miss Nina Doan. The Teens Count.....Miss Jennie Gohsen. Growth and Effect of Source Method in History.....G. H. Thomas. Clang of the Forge.....Chorus. NOON INTERMISSION.

- AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30 O'CLOCK. God Save Our President.....Chorus. Relation of the W.C.T.U. to Education.....Miss Flora Quick. Primary Class Drill.....Miss Clara Smith. The Educational Exhibition of Omaha.....State Superintendent W. R. Jackson. Vocal Solo.....Miss Blanche McCarl. The Teacher's Duty as the Teacher Sees It.....Miss Ada E. Fair. Graduation From Country Schools.....Why?.....Miss Lena Wright. Requirements.....Miss Ora Smith. A Talk.....Wm. Valentine. Short Business Session.....New Hall Columbia.....Chorus. EVENING SESSION. To be held in the Congregational church. Piano Solo.....Mrs. W. B. Mills. Lecture.....State Superintendent W. R. Jackson. Flute and Piano Duet.....Mr. Roy Smith and Miss Edna Dixon.

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District Court Proceedings. At the sessions of district court that closed on Monday of this week the following action was taken in the cases named. No account is given here of the cases continued, which made up a large part of the docket: John J. Lamborn vs. G. W. Wirt. Joseph W. Webster vs. Thomas Boyd et al. Helen T. Campbell vs. David Carpenter et al. Ferdinand Vering vs. Ellen McDonald et cons. The McCook Cooperative Building and Savings Association vs. Joseph Stotts. Henry O. Wait vs. George E. Johnston et al. Joseph Odwarker vs. Robert Sizer et al. William H. Maie et al. vs. Wilkie A. Webster et al. Alice R. Wadsworth vs. David Porter et ux. Helen T. Campbell vs. Silas H. Colvin et ux. The Farmers and Merchants Bank of Vandalia, Illinois, vs. Edgar Floyd-Jones et al. Helen T. Campbell vs. Levi D. Gockley et ux. Francis Smith vs. William Colling et ux. Timothy W. Preston vs. Henry F. Crockerford et ux. Charles E. Colton vs. Richard M. Williams et al. Henry S. Smead vs. Francis F. Cheesman et al. Elizabeth T. Cleveland vs. Nicholas Schiltz et ux. Joseph Schmidt et al. vs. Jasper Groat et al. Ferdinand Vering vs. J. S. Finch et al. Jesse W. Kelsey vs. Franklin A. Thompson et al. Nora M. Cole vs. Silas H. Colvin. N. Costenborder vs. Frank Carruth. DECREES OF FORECLOSURE. J. Wesley Angle vs. Tillman C. Orman et al. Charles Bidelman vs. John M. Snodgrass et al. Meigs H. Whapples vs. David Creager et ux. Lemira M. Beatty vs. Charles Masters et al. Hattie A. Conklin vs. Mary E. Johnston et cons. W. H. Carnahan vs. Schuyler Dow. Helen T. Campbell vs. Charles T. Brewer et al. Delia A. Dunham vs. Amelia H. Clark et al. Julia Filmore vs. Robert H. Rankin et al. Asakel L. Clark vs. J. Byron Jennings et al. Jedediah S. Kingsley vs. Andreas Martin et al. Charles B. Colton vs. Richard Johnson. H. G. Dixon vs. Carrie B. Webster et cons. Asa Perkins vs. Susan F. Calkins et cons. Nebraska Loan and Trust Co. vs. Arthur T. King et ux. Nebraska Loan and Trust Co. vs. the heir-law of Alexander Swanson et al. Henry O. Wait vs. Milton E. Horner et al. Hugh A. McLaughly vs. Cornelius J. Ryan et al. John W. Deveny vs. Ellen McDonald et cons. Arthur J. Beatty vs. William Carskadon et ux. Winnie D. Stoddard vs. Sigmond Seaman et ux. T. M. Gilbert vs. John McGuinness et al. Maggie Brooks et al. vs. Frank Kellogg et al. Lizzie F. Ricker vs. Julia A. Kanouse et al. L. Elmendorf vs. Joseph C. Shaffer et al. Emma F. Reynolds vs. Thomas D. Horton et al. The German Insurance Co. of Freeport, Ill., vs. Mathias Stadler et al. Rebecca Dewey vs. Anthony Dewey, divorce. William F. Everist vs. Joseph Grundy et ux., equity. Joseph A. Johnson vs. Orr Early et ux. Gella Backer vs. J. Job Backer, divorce. The State of Nebraska vs. John Kummer, Jr., appeal. Mike Coyle vs. Patrick Coyle, equity. Nebraska Loan and Banking Co. vs. William W. Thomas et al. MISCELLANEOUS. Sophia Griswold vs. James Griswold, divorce. Judgment for \$1,000 in favor of plaintiff set aside and the clerk of the court directed to pay her attorneys \$50 and to pay the plaintiff \$10 a month after January 1st, 1899, until all funds in his hands are exhausted. Arthur S. Dodge vs. Flora E. Dodge, divorce granted. Lyman Jennings vs. Ella E. Jennings, divorce granted at the cost of plaintiff. Rose Tiller vs. Thomas J. Tiller, divorce granted at cost of plaintiff, whose maiden name, Rose Lee, was restored to her. Nora Rasmussen vs. George Rasmussen, divorce granted and plaintiff given the custody of the children. Amasa Cobb et al. vs. The Sandwich Enterprise Co., attachment, property was ordered sold. The State of Nebraska vs. Edward Lorenz, rehearing, was continued to April 11th, and the same jury will hold over till that time and witnesses are expected by the court to appear under the old subpoenas issued at this term of court. S. R. Smith was appointed by the court to defend the prisoner. Henrietta E. Smith vs. Robert M. Smith, divorce granted and plaintiff given custody of the children. Lena King vs. Benjamin King, divorce granted and \$325 alimony allowed the plaintiff. TRIALS BY JURY. The Sandwich Enterprise Co. vs. R. S. Gordon et ux. Verdict for the plaintiff for \$32,023. Motion for a new trial was overruled. Jacob Crocker vs. Edward Filtrcraft, appeal. Verdict for the defendant. In the joined appeal cases of J. A. Gunn, W. Yancey and Z. L. Kay vs. Red Willow county, verdict was rendered by the court for the defendant and motion for a new trial was denied. John A. Gunn vs. Jennie Russell, appeal. Verdict for the plaintiff and motion for a new trial denied. Nearly sixty cases on the docket were continued, most of them being equity cases.

Nothing Official. There is nothing new regarding the Maine incident of an official character, although Uncle Sam seems to be making warlike preparations and the danger of a brush with Spain is apparently growing.

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COURT HOUSE NEWS. COUNTY COURT. Licenses as follows were issued since our last report: Lewis S. Watson and Grace E. Sanborn, both of McCook. Samuel C. Drago and Hattie Burns, both of Bondville precinct. DISTRICT COURT. The following cases have been filed since our last report: Melissa A. Ely vs. Arthur S. Dodge et al., appeal. Henry Rice et al. vs. George H. Castle et al., equity. Ella M. Little vs. John M. Farrell, equity. William F. Esher vs. William F. Everist, appeal. Drago-Burns Marriage. Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the bride's parents over in Bondville precinct, Samuel C. Drago and Hattie Burns were united in marriage by County Judge G. S. Bishop. Mr. Drago is a substantial young farmer and Miss Burns is one of Wm. P. Burns' pretty and accomplished daughters. They have the well-wishes of a host of friends in that section of the county. After the wedding a feast of good things was spread with a lavish hand. They received a number of useful and handsome gifts from their relatives and friends. A Magazine Which Builds Houses. The readers of The Ladies' Home Journal are about as responsive a clientele as any magazine possesses. About six months ago the Philadelphia magazine started to publish a series of practical architectural plans showing how artistic houses could be built at moderate cost. It employed a special architect, and his work was certainly artistic. Besides the plans it agreed to furnish complete specifications of each house at a minimum cost. Thousands of people liked the plans given and the series has been a great success for the magazine. This spring the building of over five hundred houses, varying in cost from \$1,500 to \$7,000 each, will be started in different parts of the country by Journal readers, in addition to over one hundred other houses which have already been built. Royal Arch Degree. Last evening, Frank Harris, Marion O. McClure and Frederick C. Kellogg rode the Royal Arch Mason goat with success. After the conferring of the degree a splendid banquet was spread and enjoyed by all. There was a large attendance. Mr. Constant, with the Adams Express Company in Lincoln, is in the city, today, guest of his brother-in-law, J. H. Ludwick.