

NEBRASKA

There is a shortness of harvest hands in several localities.

Wheat is turning-out well in Fillmore county, some farmers claiming a better yield than last year.

The date has been fixed for the meeting of the Women's State Federation of Clubs to be held at York October 10, 11 and 12. The program is replete with good things.

The new Danish Lutheran church, six miles south of Fremont, in Saunders county, was dedicated last Sunday, the dedication service and sermon being by Rev. A. W. Lund of the Danish Lutheran church of Fremont.

Will Adair, a young man of Decatur, was fooling with an old pistol when he accidentally discharged it, the contents going through his left hand, completely destroying the use of the first and second fingers.

Miss Stella Sisson of Brown county, the young woman who was bitten by a rattlesnake on the 23rd of June, died last week. Her agonies during the last two weeks were terrible, but she passed away as if in sleep.

During a storm E. P. Stringfield, a prominent farmer five miles southwest of Stella, was pumping water when a bolt of lightning struck the windmill tower. It knocked Mr. Stringfield several feet on the ground and when he regained consciousness he found his right hand somewhat burned.

Mrs. Sophia Leband of Fremont, administratrix of the estate of Wilhelm Lehman, has sued John Swanke, Herman Jahn and George Dietz for \$85,000 damages. She claims they are responsible for the death of her son, Wilhelm Lehman, who was run over last January by Swanke.

Hastings reports that the year's sugar beet crop promises to be unusually heavy and according to some who are engaged in their culture, the yield will surpass that of any previous year, both in quantity and quality. There are two hundred acres of land around Hastings planted to beets this year, which will bring to those raising them close to \$11,000.

William Burrow, a young man residing a few miles south of Elk Creek, was arrested for rearing the quarantine regulations established there some two weeks ago against persons entering the town that have had exposure to the smallpox. Mr. Burrow was taken before Esquire Merwin's court, where he pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$10 and costs.

J. W. Van Arsdol, a farmer living near Horace, was instantly killed by his team running away. He was delivering a load of hogs to his neighbor when the endgate of the wagon came out, letting the hogs fall under the team, frightening them. The horses ran away, throwing him out and running the wagon over him. He leaves a wife and four small children.

A petition is being circulated at Wyoming asking the governor to have battery A. N. N. G., go into camp in that city in August, during which time the interstate reunion will be held. This is done in order that the boys may receive pay from the state for the time they are in camp, and as it has been customary for them to go into camp once a year, at the state's expense, it is believed the request will be granted.

The mortgage record of Cuming county for the month of June shows: Eighteen farm mortgages filed, aggregating \$29,212, and thirty released, amounting to \$46,343.20. Town and city mortgages filed, two, aggregating \$1,346. Of chattle mortgages there were filed sixty-eight, aggregating \$63,667.58, and released during the same period, 100, aggregating \$63,512.52.

The business men of Hastings held a meeting recently and decided to have a street fair some time during the latter part of September. There will be \$6,000 in cash prizes hung up in order that there may be plenty of amusements on the daily program. The prizes offered will be for firemen's tournament, shooting tournament, horse races, base ball, foot ball, bicycle races, band contest, traveling men's cake walk, stock exhibit, agricultural exhibit, etc.

Miss Valentine of Falls City, a girl of fourteen, was taken to the girls' industrial home at Geneva by Sheriff Tinker on a finding of the probate court that she was incorrigible. She and some of her associates attending the public school, have been meeting bad characters. It is thought that this will result in parents looking more closely to the conduct and whereabouts of their daughters as there was quite a clique of high school girls who have been forming dangerous acquaintances.

John Snyder and John Bentz of Hastings were badly scalded with boiling grease while fixing a fat kettle at Blake's slaughter house. Both boys were immediately under the kettle, when the whole bottom fell out and they were completely drenched with boiling grease. A large tank of water was standing near by and fortunately both boys had enough presence of mind to jump into the water. They were badly scalded about the head, face and hands. Young Bentz is in the worst condition and it is feared he will lose his eyesight.

William Smith, aged 17 years, was drowned while bathing in the lagoon, near Bancroft. After a two hours' search the body was found.

Belthazer Greener, a farmer living three miles south of Juniata, was found dead, lying with a short distance from his house, with almost his entire head blown off. About 5 o'clock in the morning Mr. Greener got up and taking his shotgun with him started toward the pasture, where it is thought he intended shooting some skunks, but on reaching the barb-wire fence he must have slipped and fallen in such a way as to accidentally discharge the gun in his face.

EVANS IS DISTASTEFUL

Grand Army Men Find Fault With the Pension Commissioner.

DISPLEASED WITH TREATMENT.

Senator Hayward Takes the Matter Up and Will Endeavor to See that Their Wrongs are Redressed—Old Soldiers on the War Path.

Lincoln dispatch: The following communication, received in Lincoln by Hon. H. C. Russell, chairman of the committee on pensions, of the Nebraska department of the Grand Army of the Republic, from Senator M. L. Hayward will be of interest to all Nebraska veterans who have had any dealings with the United States pension office during the last few years:

NEBRASKA CITY, July 7.—General H. C. Russell, Chairman of the Committee on Pensions of the Department of Nebraska Grand Army of the Republic.—Dear Sir: Yours of the 5th inst. in regard to Commissioner Evans and his treatment of pension claims is at hand. On July 12, 1899, a committee selected by the national council of the Grand Army of the Republic will meet in Washington to investigate all charges made against Mr. Evans and look into his manner of conducting his office. Comrade W. C. Johnson, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, is chairman of such committee. I have written all comrades whom I know of that have complained against Mr. Evans and asked them to send a full statement of their cases to General Johnson, care of the Pension office at Washington, D. C., for investigation. If any comrades desire me to do so I will see that his complaint is properly argued before such committee. Yours sincerely, M. L. HAYWARD.

For several months a feeling antagonistic to Pension Commissioner Evans has been spreading throughout the country and there has been considerable complaint as to his dealing with pension claims from this state. Mr. Evans charges it to misrepresentation by pension attorneys who have at some time found it impossible to get through unmeritorious cases. There has been considerable correspondence on this subject between the Nebraska headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and people in Washington. It has been alleged by pensioners that Mr. Evans is too rigid in his ruling on pension claims and that in this respect he is following the course pursued by his predecessor, Commander Lochren, during the administration President Cleveland. It is at the request of Commissioner Evans that Commander Johnson and his committee have undertaken the investigation. The committee will be given access to all the records in the pension department and every opportunity will be afforded it, it is understood, to examine particular cases cited in support of the charges that the commissioner is unfriendly to the old soldier.

Graduating in Overalls.

From the Indianapolis Journal: Perhaps the most amusing school "racket" of the year is that reported from Lyons, Neb. The commencement season has brought the usual reports, with some variations of controversies between board and pupils, faculties and students, relating to color, to hats and gowns or some other non-essential, but in no instances has young America shown as much pluck or achieved as distinct a victory as did the high school graduating class at Lyons. The dispatch does not state the origin of the controversy beyond saying that the students had "suffered certain humiliations at the hands of the school board." Every person who knows the tendency of small officials to exercise offensive authority will understand that. By way of retaliation the graduating class adopted a "work" for their class motto and determined to receive their diplomas in "overalls." The school board endeavored to thwart this rebellious scheme by refusing to pay for the public hall, whereupon the class appealed to the public, charged an admission fee, got a great outpouring of the people to see and hear them in their overalls and made money. This so hurt the dignity of the high and mighty officials that they resigned in a body, evidently expecting the Lyons public school system to "come tumbling after," which it will not do.

The incident illustrates the tendency of some officials, who are clothed in a little brief authority, to magnify their offices and the ability of young Americans to take care of themselves. The high school graduates at Lyons could not have adopted a better class motto than "Work," and their appearance in overalls showed they attached more importance to a principle than they did to mere external appearance. In this country there is no surer guaranty of success than work and no higher badge of Americanism than overalls. The class appealed to the public on strong and tenable ground, and deserved the support it got. Perhaps the members of the board saved their dignity by resigning, but the people will not trouble themselves to inquire. They will choose another board and the schools of Lyons will go right along. Meanwhile, it is to be hoped the graduates will not forget their class motto.

E. B. Force, a prominent citizen of Beatrice, died last week.

Henry Bartenbach of Grand Island discovered the presence of a burglar in the store of his father. He quietly left to get a policeman, but not being able to find one at once, secured the assistance of Gus Sievers and the two suddenly dashed into the store with the warning that if the burglar attempted to escape he would be riddled. They caught the man under a counter, and his chances for doing time in the penitentiary are flattering.

Nebraska G. A. R. Matters. Department Commander Evans of the Grand Army of the Republic has issued the following general orders under current date:

1. The following appointments of my official staff are hereby announced: Assistant adjutant general, Winslow H. Barger, Hebron; assistant quartermaster general, William C. Elder, North Platte; judge advocate general, W. R. Burton, Hastings; inspector general, John Skirving, O'Neill; and John Keith, Sutherland, chief of staff; special aide in charge of transportation, A. Traynor, Omaha.

In accordance with a resolution passed at the last encampment the following comrades will constitute the reunion committee: H. C. Russell, C. E. Adams, John H. McClay and James D. Gage. Legislative committee is named as follows: General John M. Thayer, I. D. Evans and J. H. Culver. Executive committee, C. of A. S. T. Caldwell, L. J. Horton, William Gifford. The following named comrades are appointed aides-de-camp on the commander's staff and will be obeyed and respected accordingly: G. H. Blakeslee, Post No. 112; George Cunningham, Post No. 25; David Morgan, Post No. 91; W. H. Smith, Post 19; W. L. Hylar, Post No. 83; I. G. Hickman, Post No. 206; P. O. Avery, Post No. 66; John Lett, Post No. 32; J. H. Tresher, Post No. 45; Seth F. Stiles, Post No. 4; Louis Kelly, Post No. 258; George W. Martin, Post No. 147; W. D. Pruitt, Post No. 120; T. F. Powers, Post No. 227; H. C. Matraus, Post No. 109; L. M. Scotchorn, Post No. 25.

2. The twenty-first annual reunion of the soldiers and sailors of Nebraska, under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic, will be held at Camp Otis, in the city of Lincoln, on September 11 to 16 inclusive.

3. The city of Lincoln has done much for the comfort and entertainment of the Grand Army. This year of great events promises the most successful reunion in the history of the department. The reunion committee is doing all that can be done. Ample shelter, both in buildings and tents, wood for cooking, straw for beds and hay for teams to accommodate everybody will be provided. The Spanish-American soldiers will be given a day on the program. A special invitation is hereby extended to share with us a week of pleasure and profit in our camp at our capital city. A full program will be published in a later order.

4. All official communications should be addressed to Winslow H. Barger, assistant adjutant general, Lincoln, Neb.

5. All business with the assistant quartermaster general should be addressed to W. C. Elder, North Platte, Neb.

Guard Against Smallpox.

The following order has been promulgated by the state board of health and sent to all known local boards in Nebraska:

To Local Health Boards and Physicians of Nebraska: All cases of smallpox arising in this state shall hereafter be promptly reported to the secretary of the state board of health, with statement of surrounding conditions. Following the first report, weekly reports of all new cases and deaths must be returned. Where the origin of the infection can be ascertained, it must be stated.

B. F. CRUMMER, M. D., Secretary, Omaha, Neb.

By Order of the State Board of Health.

Dr. Crummer, referring to the above order, said: "The continued appearance of smallpox at different points in the state, the most serious outbreak being at Table Rock, has given rise to some apprehension for the future. It is especially important that the infection should be kept out of the state institutions, for it is well known that when a penitentiary or any place similarly crowded and infected with the disease, it is almost impossible to get rid of it without burning the premises down. While the legislature, in the face of this threatening condition, refused to enact the proposed sanitary bill, or to make the needed appropriation for its enforcement, it has been found that our emergency bill, passed to meet the expense of the board last winter, inadvertently conferred upon us certain powers, which the governor and other state officers now wish the medical board to use to the best possible effect, in assisting local boards to stamp out this unwelcome visitor. The first and most important step is that a prompt report be made by the board when a case occurs in any community, and I hope that the physicians of this state will support our board in this work."

"All members of the local boards and practicing physicians in Nebraska, who may see this order will kindly consider it as an official notice without writing for a personal letter."

Nebraska In Brief.

John Philpot of Humboldt was severely burned about the face while assisting in setting off the fireworks. The accident was the result of a premature explosion of a fountain piece, which became ignited from sparks just as Mr. Philpot was stooping to put it in place. The powder flashed up in his face and for a time it was feared that he would lose his eyesight. An examination showed that the injuries were all external in character and not necessarily dangerous.

Harry Anderson of Lime Grove, near Hartington, was accidentally shot by a target gun, the ball entering his breast. The shooting occurred at St. James during the celebration.

The board of regents of the Nebraska state university will hold a special meeting about the middle of this month, called for the purpose of taking final action regarding the construction of the farm building and other improvements and at the same meeting the question of the election of a successor to Chancellor MacLean will be taken up. While several well known educators have been mentioned for the place made vacant by the resignation of Mr. MacLean, it is not the intention of the board of regents to select a man until his fitness for the position is thoroughly established.

The News Briefly Told.

Saturday.

Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$280,253,400; gold reserve, \$246,623,234.

Colonel A. B. Jones of Anniston, Ala., United States consul to Tuxpan, Mexico, died at Tuxpan. The nature of his illness is not known.

The reports from the recruiting stations show that 313 men were enlisted for the new regiments yesterday, making a total of 1,124 since the recruiting began.

The Illinois state board of pardons continued for one year the application of a parole for Charles W. Spaulding, the Chicago banker, who is serving a term in Joliet for embezzlement.

The plan and scope committee of the Dewey celebration committee has received word from Charles Dewey, brother of the admiral, that the admiral will arrive in New York about October 1.

A special to the Chicago Record from Anderson, Ind., says: The \$80,000,000 bicycle trust, which has been all but completed, went to pieces today, according to information received here. The eastern bankers floating the concern withdrew because of a hitch in the final consolidation.

Brigadier General Russell Farnham Lord, whose half sister is the wife of ex-President Benjamin Harrison, is dead at his home in New York, aged 61 years. He was brigadier general of Pennsylvania volunteers during the civil war and served as an organizer of regiments. Then he went west and engaged in mining engineering.

A special to the Herald from Washington says: While President McKinley will take all necessary steps for the protection of Americans and their interests in China, there is no likelihood that he will join with Great Britain in coercing the Peking government to give extraordinary concessions to American and British citizens.

Tuesday.

The Delagao bay award will be made in October.

Charles Mall, Belgian consul at New York, is dead.

The transport Logan will be refitted for Manila service.

The cruiser Raleigh will have repairs made costing \$245,000.

Archbishop Ireland will sail from Liverpool for New York July 12.

M. J. O'Brien has been elected president of the Southern Express company.

The Venezuelan commission has brought the chronological review up to 1841.

Ambassador Porter at Paris tendered a banquet to the members of the Venezuelan commission.

Lieutenant Frank C. Bolles, Sixth Infantry, is assigned as aide on General Wheeler's staff at San Francisco.

Fressenden & Nachbar, New York dry goods agents, have gone into bankruptcy. Debts, \$64,044; no assets.

Bids have been opened at Washington for the overhauling of the transport Thomas for the Manila trade.

The whaling barks California and C. W. Morgan have reported from Hako, Japan, announcing a good catch.

If Senator Fairbanks does not find a suitable solution of the Alaska boundary controversy, the joint high commission will not meet in August.

The proposed grieve combination, with a capital of \$15,000,000 which the American Trust company of Chicago is said to be interested in forming, is likely to fall through as the result of a meeting of manufacturers who supply the jobbing trade of the country.

Lieutenant Colonel Plummer, who was appointed on the 12th, has been assigned to the Thirty-fifth Infantry. He will recruit and organize this regiment at Vancouver, Wash., and command it until it arrives at Manila. This is the regiment to which Colonel Kobbé has been assigned.

The Turkish legation gave out the following: "The Turkish legation declares, in reply to the dispatch of yesterday concerning alleged disturbances in the Asiatic provinces of Van, that according to a report recently received from the governor general of this province perfect order and tranquillity prevail in those regions."

Monday.

All soldiers in the Philippines who enlisted between April 21 and October 26, 1898, whether volunteers or regulars, have been ordered home as soon as transportation could be furnished.

Minister Jackson reports to the state department that the North German Gazette has made a semi-official denial of the press report that the German government intends to annex Bear island near Spitzbergen.

Cable advices from Lisbon say the Portuguese house of peers has ratified the commercial convention between Portugal and the United States. This is the convention concluded in Washington some time ago.

A delegation of prominent citizens of Peoria, Ill., called at the White House and presented to the president an invitation to visit Peoria during his western trip in October next and take part in the ceremonies incident to the dedication of a new soldiers' monument in that city. The president accepted the invitation.

A dispatch from Rome says the German steamer Reichstag has sailed from Naples with 11,000 rifles, war material and 500 mules for the Transvaal.

Willard E. Baker, the Boston absconder, who escaped from a pair of Boston detectives just as they were leaving San Francisco for Boston, was discovered and caught by the local police in a down-town lodging house.

A special from Dennison, Tex., says: The Houston & Texas Central officials state that the road between Calvert and Herne will have to be virtually rebuilt, owing to the flood and that the cost will not be less than \$500,000.

The Rev. Henry N. Couden, chaplain of the house of representatives, at Washington, has been honored with the degree of doctor of divinity by the St. Lawrence university, at Canton, N. Y., where he was graduated from the divinity school in 1878. He lost his sight instantly by being shot in the fact in a battle, while fighting gallantly for his country in Mississippi in 1863. The members of the house have usually styled him "doctor," no doubt by way of anticipation, so that this designation merely makes the title legitimate. Dr. Couden is preaching during the summer in the Universalist church at Hyannis, on Cape Cod.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

The Baltimore & Ohio directory is a strong one, as can be seen by the following short business history of each director:

William Salomon of New York has been connected with the banking house of Speyer & Co. for many years and is regarded as one of the foremost financiers in the country and has had charge of the reorganization for the managers. Jacob H. Schiff is a well known member of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of New York, bankers and financiers, a director of the Union Pacific Railroad, of the National City Bank of New York and of other large financial institutions. James J. Hill is well known as president of the Great Northern Railroad and is regarded as one of the most successful railroad operators and financiers in the country. Edward R. Bacon is president of the Baltimore & Ohio South Western Railway and was chairman of the sub-committee on reorganization which proposed and carried out the plan of reorganization of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. He is a director of the Farmers Loan and Trust Co., of New York, and for a long time has been identified with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad as one of those interested in the property. Louis Fitzgerald of New York is president of the Mercantile Trust Company and has long been interested in the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and is chairman of the reorganization committee. Norman B. Ream of Chicago represents his own and the interests of Marshall Field, C. D. Armour and their associates, who have large interests in the property, and is also identified with many of the largest financial and commercial institutions in the northwest. James Stillman is president of the City National Bank of New York, is closely identified with the Standard Oil interests, is a director in the Chicago and North-Western, and the Missouri Kansas and Texas Railroad, also a director in many of the largest financial institutions in New York. Edward H. Harriman of New York is the new president of the Chicago and Alton Railroad and chairman of the executive committee of the Union Pacific Railroad and chairman of the Illinois Central. J. Kennedy Tod is the head of the New York banking firm of J. Kennedy Tod & Co. and is a director in the Great Northern Railroad and is connected with many large financial institutions. Charles Steele is a member of the New York law firm of Seward, Guthrie and Steele which has acted as the counsel of the reorganization syndicate. Alexander Brown is the head of the firm of Alexander Brown & Co. of Baltimore, and connected with Brown Bros. & Co. of New York and London and is a financier of distinguished ability. H. Clay Pierce of St. Louis is associated with the Standard Oil interests and is a leading business man in his city and is associated with large financial institutions. H. Crawford Black and John V. L. Findlay are well known Marylanders, being appointed to the board by the governor representing the state's interest in the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

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When the late Lord Cairns was lord chancellor he was an ex-officio visitor of lunatic asylums. He went down one Wednesday, knocked at the door, and asked to be admitted. "Can't let you in," said the janitor; "days for visitors Tuesdays and Fridays." "But I have a right to go inside," said his lordship; "I insist on doing so." "Read the regulations," and the janitor pointed to them. "Do you know who I am?" asked Lord Cairns. "Don't know, and don't care," said the menial. "I am entitled to admission at any and every hour. I am lord chancellor of England!" "Ah! ah!" laughed the janitor as he shut the entrance gates in the noble lord's face, "we've got four of 'em inside already!"

It is understood that Admiral Cervera is coming back to the United States to superintend the removal of the bodies of the Spanish sailors buried at the Portsmouth navy yard, for reburial in Spain. It is expected, too, that he will visit Cuba for a similar purpose.

Martyrdom consists in being the only one in the family who likes onions.

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