

**CURRENT PRESS COMMENT**

**Sentiment and Business.**

Here we are sympathizing with Japan and selling canned beef to Russia's army.—Salem Index.

**Good Target.**

Republicans are not opposed to the nomination of Wm. Randolph Hearst by the democrats. He would be an excellent mark at which to throw things.—Bixby in State Journal.

**Crop Prospects.**

If these bright moonlight nights and the good sleighing don't lead to a big crop of June weddings, then we've missed our guess.—Nemaha County Herald.

**Far More Infernal.**

An infernal machine has been found under the palace of the Spanish king. The humble subject may well feel that there are lots worse things than having the furnace out of order.—Detroit Journal.

**With the Naked Eye.**

Possibly you cannot distinguish between righteous indignation and vulgar anger, but other people who are not afflicted with the latter can certainly see what it is "that is eatin onto you."—**Auburn Granger,**

**Out of Date.**

There ought to be rational restrictions around the investment of the permanent school fund. The restrictions were rational at the time the constitution was framed, perhaps, but the state has outgrown the condition that made them rational at the time.—**York Republican.**

**True Reform.**

We are pleased to learn from our exchanges that since the last state meetings of teachers, spelling contests are frequent in the schools of Nebraska. A revival of good spelling is one of the most encouraging reforms that could be introduced in the schools.—**Hebron Champion.**

**Hope for the Best.**

The committee appointed is headed by Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts, than whom there is not a member who is more punctilious or of higher integrity. When this committee reports let us hope it may be that Mr. Dietrich acted strictly in accord with what might be expected of one in his official station.—**Fremont Tribune.**

**By Way of Comparison.**

From the Shubert Citizen.

We were told by the opposition to Frank Reavis during the late campaign time and again, that he was not a good lawyer even, let alone a man with ability suitable for a district judge and that he was practically without clients. A glance at the court

docket now in session at Falls City, shows not only Mr. Reavis' standing as a lawyer with the people, but also of the other lawyers who were telling those things. We find that out of sixty civil cases filed Mr. Reavis was on one side of thirty of them. Just one half.

Francis Martin was connected with fifteen. Just one fourth.

F. E. Martin was connected with three.

Falloon was connected with twenty-three.

A. J. Weaver caught onto fourteen.

J. E. Leyda's name appears in five places.

It is also a fact that Reavis has won more important cases this court than has any other attorney at the bar. How does the facts agree with the yarns told by his opposers?

**Letter From Oklahoma.**

Wankomis, Oklahoma, Feb. 4, 1904.—Dear Editor—Thinking na item from the Balmy South might be of interest to some of your readers, while you are in a terrible sleet and have zero weather, I will give you a sketch of what I have seen since coming to Oklahoma.

I arrived in Waukomis at eleven o'clock, January 20th, and went to a first class hotel and the next morning it was raining but I was directed to a livery stable and about 9 o'clock a. m. was in a closed carriage and started on a nine mile drive. I was driven over some pretty country and saw some fine looking wheat although the farmers say it is nothing to compare with what it has been. It is the winter feed for the farmers stock but not many are feeding here as the stock can feed themselves. Farming and all kind of out door work can be done with much comfort as the weather is fine. Mercury here ranges from twenty to as high as sixty above zero. Early mornings are cold but noonday is almost like summer, this is a fine country to view and from what I can see of the products that are raised here. Vegetables and fruit are plentiful and of as good variety as I ever ate anywhere.

The land here is one beautiful stretch of prairie, and not so sandy as we had been told and there is timber 15 miles southwest of Enid, the county seat which is a thriving city. It has a population of about 12,000 six railroads, electric light plant and everything that goes to make up an up-to-date city.

It is surprising what a wonderful growth this country has made. There are many fine improved farms with large bearing orchards. Altogether I think Okla-

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homa is booming. Today is like a May day in Nebraska, roads are solid, no thawing and mud here and I never met a more sociable class of people than I find here.

Now Mr. Editor if this don't find the waste basket perhaps I will come again. Will close by saying hurrah for Oklahoma.

Mrs. Jane Shoup.

**Another Case of Rheumatism Cured by Chamberlains Pain Balm.**

The efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the relief of rheumatism is being demonstrated daily. Parker Triplett, of Grigsby, Va., says that Chamberlains Pain Balm gave him permanent relief from rheumatism in the back when everything else failed, and he would not be without it. For sale by A. G. Wanner.

**Library Report**

Adult fiction, 409; history, 56; biography, 11; science, 14; poetry and essays, 19. Juvenile fiction, 183; history 7; biography, 11; science, 13. Magazines, 91; total loaned 814. Books added 16. Juvenile year tickets sold 4. Adult year tickets sold 12. Adult 1/2 year tickets sold 1. Adult 1/4 year tickets sold 3. Total 20. Cash from tickets and fines \$24.15. Visitors 1839. **Frances Morton.**

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**NEBRASKA STATE NOTES.**

Small pox has appeared at Blue Springs.

A diphtheria epidemic is prevailing at Gretna.

Nebraska City is to have a new city hall. It will cost \$3,000.

Mrs. Chas. Peterson committed suicide by taking paris green.

William Hecker of Beatrice lost a hand in a corn shredder.

The new Carnegie library at Beatrice has been opened to the public.

Voting machines are to be tested in the coming city election at Grand Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilson of Elk Creek recently celebrated their golden wedding.

B. W. Knox of Grand Island caught his hand in a feed grinder and the member was literally ground off.

G. A. Luikart, the banker who was run over by a team in the streets of Norfolk has died from his injuries.

Wm. Schleferecke of Petersburg was crippled for life by falling from a load of hay. He sustained a crushed hip bone.

C. J. Dutton and Albert Blackney of Springview have been arrested on the charge of having forged a deed to some land in Keya Paha county.

John Wade, a young farmer living near Eagle was badly injured by the premature discharge of a shot gun. He was taken to a hospital in Lincoln and notwithstanding the fact that the surgeons removed two cubic inches of the frontal convolution of the brain, it is thought that he has a chance of recovery.

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