# STATE OF NEBRASKA

### NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

Intemperance and Paupers-State Board of Charities and Corrections Says the First Causes Most of road. the Others-Some Statistics.

The state board of charities and corrections has discovered that the cause of dependence in the state is mainly chargeable to drunkards. In the report to the governor for the past biennium the secretary of the board, John Davis, calls attention to the problem created by the boy. drink habit. Demand is made for an LINCOLN HAS SERIOUS FIRE indeterminate sentence law, and some more systematic inspection and control Several Buildings Destroyed at an of county poor houses. The juvenile court law is also favored, and a recommendation is made for an improvement in the condition of jail buildings in the state.

However, the state is not alone in its problems for the board has found that other states are in the same chaotic condition.

"Nebraska is making a fair beginning." the report says, "in the care of these classes, and with the proper help from all philanthropic people, from our officers and our legislative bodies we feel confident that it will not be many years before we take a front rank in these lines, as we already do in education."

Reference is made to the compulsory education law as a preventive of crime, and it is charged that the statute meets with a very lax enforcement outside of STATE INSTITUTION SCANDAL the cities which have truant officers. : The board concludes that the enforcement of the compulsory education law would prevent much erime and reduce the number of commitments to the industrial school,

A total of 2,632 people are receiving tid in or out of the poor houses of the state, according to the report. In the poor houses 743 have been cared for. The week. Some special cases cost nearly \$4 a day.

Reference is made to the cases of dependents who are crippled, and the suggestion is made that they could be cared for better at some central institution, the counties paying their pro rata share. Of those being cared for by the counties

## KILLED BY THE CARS.

### Riding on the Track and Both Horse and Man Killed.

W. A. Morrow, about 27 years old, son of Clint Morrow, of Modale, Ia., was killed at Blair Thursday evening about a half mile west of the Missouri River railroad bridge by the engine of an extra westbound freight train. Morrow rode a horse over to Blair in the morning and on returning in the evening went east on the railroad, instead of taking the wagon

When about 250 feet from the crossing he was struck by the train, killing the horse and rider, the man falling close to the rails and the horse being thrown The man's face was badly disfigured, but was identified by Dr. O. D. Wilson, late of Modale, who has known him from a

# Early Morning Blaze.

Fire, discovered in the lower floor of the building occupied by the Lincoln overall and shirt factory at Lincoln, Tuesday night, completely destroyed that building, the furniture block adjoining and spread to the building occupied by the Lincoln Hardware Company. The buildings are located at Thirteenth and P Streets, across from the Oliver theater and that building was in danger. The entire fire department was at work, but owing to the extreme cold and the hard work to get coal to run the engines the firemen were handicapped.

The furniture block, adjoining on the north, and the Lincoln Hardware Company, across the alley to the south, were both burned.

### Serious Charge Against Former Employe of State at Beatrice.

Some commotion has been caused at the institution for feeble minded at Beatrice by the discovery by Dr. Johnson, the superintendent, that a woman in one of the wards of the institution is soon to become a mother. The woman is about 35 years of age and has been an inmate capita cest ranges from \$1.02 to \$4 a of the place for nine years. Suspicion points to a former employe of the institution, who was discharged about four months ago as the guilty person.

Dr. Johnson reported the matter to Gov. Mickey, and has placed the case in the hands of County Attorney Killen. Neither Dr. Johnson nor County Attorney Killen will divulge the names of the parties connected with the affair.

### IS THE PULPIT DECLINING.

### Quality of the Men Who Are Preparing for the Ministry.

After a thorough investigation of the question, "Is there a decline in the ministry?" Everett P. Tomlinson, in the World's Work, sums up the results of his inquiries among men of all denominations and most of the professions. He says:

From these opinions, facts and figures certain conclusions can be drawn that shed light upon the problem.

There is no real "dearth" of students than in the larger. There is also a to Christianity as a life. The church about 100 feet down an embaniment. back-set at the present time, but it is years, and reports of attendance of the large cities. students in the theological seminaries, and marvelous increase.

report a decided increase in numbers and in quality, and other religious the greatest obstacle. bodies vary in localities and colleges in this respect.

sources of supply. The West and leges than ever before. South provide a much larger propor-

when compared with similar reports of from the ministry are the poverty of "call to the ministry" is now finding intellectual and moral freedom, the forms of service.

oration in the quality of students, but the larger in the work, and the sus- mer false distinction between "secuthe reports are not altogether unani- picion of the present "beneficiary" sys- lar" and "sacred." Whatever men may mous. Methodists and Episcopailans tem" which casts a blight over all. think as to certain men or peoples, all

tion of students than the East. The ties now is in questions that might their lives count for as much, perhaps response is greater in the newer re- be termed spiritual rather than relig- more, if they give themselves to other gions than in the old, in the country jous, certainly not theological. The- lines of work that at one time were than in the city, in the small churches ology as a "science" has given place termed "secular."

for the ministry. There is a slight steadily increasing drift away from as an organization has a weaker hold, the seminaries located in the country while at the same time there is a not so great as has occurred in other to those that are located in or near greater interest in all vital questions the game, now we're even.

and affairs. As a consequence what The chief causes keeping young men our forefathers heard as a distinctive do you make that out?

twenty-five years ago, show a marked the calling, the fear of the lack of expression in other and widely varied all of my money a while ago and now

In some quarters there is a deteri- conviction that the petty outweighs! There is a blotting out of the for- Times.

"Heresy," or the fear of its smirch, is history is now believed to be "sacred" and every day and every honest work

There is a practically unanimous re- as "holy." This fact has led many earport of a higher type of life and of nest young men who in former years There is a marked change in the more Christian students in our col- might have believed themselves to be

"called" to the work of the ministry The deepest interest of the communi- now to believe that they can make

### Willing to Quit. .

First Poker Player-I say we quit

Second Poker Player-Even! How

First Poker Player-Why, you had I've got all of yours!-Kansas City

Result of Boycott.

The only place in the United States | are abused, crippled and murdered in that guarantees freedom from strikes. lockouts and labor warfare is Battle Creek, Mich.

The story? The work people, merchants, lawyers, doctors and other citizens became aroused and indignant at the efforts of the labor unions throughout the country to destroy the business of one of our largest industries-the Postum Cereal Co., Lt'd, and at the open threats in the official union papers, that the entire power of the National and State Federations of Labor was being brought to bear to "punish" the industries of Battle Creek, and particularly the Postum Co.

This sprung from the refusal of C. W. Post to obey the "orders of the unions to take the Postum advertising away from various papers that refused to purchase labor of the labor trustthe unions.

Mr. Post was ordered to join the unions in their conspiracy to "ruin" and "put out of business' these publishers who had worked faithfully for of the labor trusts? him for years, and helped to build up Upon a firm refusal by Mr. Post to his business. They had done no wrong, join this criminal conspiracy a genbut had found it inconvenient and eral boycott was ordered on Grapeagainst their best judgment to buy Nuts and Postum all over the country, labor of the labor trust. It seems a which set the good red blood of our rule of the unions to conspire to ruin ancestors in motion, bringing forth the anyone who does not purchase from reply that has now passed into history: them upon their own terms. "We refuse to join any conspiracy of organized labor to ruin publishers, nor An ink maker or paper maker who will we discharge any of our trusted failed to sell ink or paper would have employes upon the orders of any labor the same reason to order Post to help ruin these publishers. So the peddler union. If they can make their boycott in the street might stone you if you effective and sink our ship, we will go down with the captain on the bridge refused to buy his apples; the cabman and in command." to run over you if you refused to ride This set the writers in labor papers with him; the grocer order the manufacturer to discharge certain people becrazy and they redoubled their abuse. cause they did not patronize him, and Finally one of their official organs so on to the ridiculous and villainous came out with a large double column limit of all this boycott nonsense, in denunciation of Battle Creek, calling trying to force people to buy what it "a running sore on the face of Michthey do not want. igan," because it would not become

## dozens and hundreds by an organization or trust, having for its purpose,

upon us whether or no. Suppose an American in a foreign city should be chased by a mob, caught and beaten unconscious, then his mouth pried open and carbolic acid poured down his throat, then his ribs kicked in and his face well stamped with iron nailed shoes, murdered because he tried to earn bread for his

children. By the Eternal, sir, a fleet of American Men of War would assemble there, clear for action and blow something off the face of the earth, if reparation were not made for the blood of one of our citizens.

And what answer do we make to the appeals of the hundreds of widows and orphans of those Americans murdered by labor unions? How do we try to protect the thousands of intelligent cit-

"organized" and pay in dues to their

labor leaders. The usual coarse, vil-

lainous epithets common to labor

The result was to weld public senti-

ment in Battle Creek for protection. A

citizen's association was started and

mass meetings held. Good citizens who

happened to be members of local

unions, in some cases quit the unions

entirely, for there is small need of

The working people of Battle Creek

are of the highest order of American

mechanics. The majority are not union

members, for practically all of the

manufacturers have for years declined

to employ union men because of dis-

turbances about eleven years ago, and

the union men now in the city are

Creek, no city of its size is as pros-

perous, and no city has so large a pro-

portion of the best grade of mechanics

So the work people massed together

with the other citizens in the organiza-

tion of the Citizen's Association with

the following preamble and constitu-

among the best citizens.

who own their own homes.

been expended here; and,

union writers were indulged in.

them there.

tion:

and.

### CONSTITUTION.

### ARTICLE 1.-NAME. ARTICLE 2.-OBJECTS.

First-To insure, so far as possible, a permanent condition of peace, prosperity and steady employment to the people of Battle Creek. Second-To energetically assist in maintaining law and order at all times and under all conditions.

Third-To protect its members in their rights to manage their property and to dispose of their labor in a legal, lawful manner without restraint or interference.

Fourth-To insure and permanently maintain fair, just treatment, one with another in all the relations of life.

Fifth-To preserve the existing right of any capable person to obtain employment and sell his labor, without being obliged to join any particular church, secret society, labor union or izens who, with reason, prefer not to any other organization, and to support join any labor union and be subject to all such persons in their efforts to rethe tyranny of the heavily paid rulers sist compulsory methods on the part

zens as well as their industries from the blight of strikes, violence and the losses brought on by labor unionism run amuck, by adopting the "Battle Creek plan," but this city offers industrial peace now with cheap coal and good water, first-class railroad facilities and the best grade of fair, capable and peaceable mechanics known. Details given upon inquiry of the "Secy. of the Citizens' Association."

Identification.

The public should remember that there are a few Labor Unions conducted on peaceful lines and in proportion as they are worthy, they have wonesteem, for we, as a people, are strongly in sympathy with any right act that has for its purpose better conditions for wage workers. But we do not forget that we seek the good of all and not those alone who belong to some organization, whereas even the law abiding unions show undeniable evidences of tyranny and oppression when they are strong enough, while many of the unions harbor and encourage criminals in their efforts to force a yoke of slavery upon the American people. As a public speaker lately said: "The arrogance of the English King that roused the fiery eloquence of Otis, that inspired the immortal declaration of Jefferson, that left Warren dying on the slopes of Bunker Hill was not more outrageous than the conditions that a closed shop would force upon the community. These men burst into rebellion 'when the king did but touch their pockets.' Imagine if you can their indignant protest had he sought to prohibit or restrict their ocexpation or determine the conditions under which they should earn their livelihood," and to assault, beat and murder them, blow up their houses and poison their food if they did not submit.

thrusting what it has to sell (labor)

230 are feeble minded, 95 are crippled and diseased, while 140 are scheduled as having come from degrading environments, making a total of 465 people who

### DEATH FROM EXPOSURE.

### Farmer Starts to Walk Home and Dies Enroute.

Mr. Hunt had been at St. Derion, where utes. he had been doing some trading, and started home on foot. The road from his home to St. Derion is around a bluff facing the Missouri River to the northwest and is a very cold road, and it is supfailure to the extent he could not travel seriously hurt. and he froze to death. When found he was badly frozen.

Mr. Hunt was a man about 70 years of age, but was active and strong as a man | Bert Tarpening to be Tried a Second of 60. Mr. Hunt came to Nebraska in 1857 and located near Blue Springs. He was an old soldier.

### Would Prohibit Football.

Jail sentences and terms in the peni- pening, the young man who on the morntentiary are rewards Representative A. tators are liable to the same punishment | consumed in the trial. as the players.

#### Blew Out the Gas.

Henry Kane, a merchant of Lynch about 50 years of age, was found dead in room 30 at the Merchants Hotel in Sioux City Wednesday morning, death having evidently been caused by asphysiation. The smell of gas was plainly discernible all over the floor upon which the room is situated. Everything pointed to an accidental death.

Child's Narrow Escape.

A loaded shotgun, kept handy for flucks, came very nearly being the end of a little baby boy in the home of Otis Temperly, near Stanton. The little fellow slammed a door shut, the gun dropped off the wall and an explosion followed. A portion of the charge pierced the little fellow's clothing and one shot broke into the flesh.

#### **Otoe Poultry Association.**

A number of the leading poultry men of Nebraska City and vicinity held a meeting Wednesday night and organized the Otoe County Poultry and Pet Stock Association. It was decided to hold a City next fall. The membership in the association is limited to residents of Otoe County.

Superintendent Clark Resigns.

Horace M. Clark, superintendent of the

# CHILDREN HAVE CLOSE CALL

### are not, it is alleged, properly cared for. | Panic Starts in Theater at Alliance, but is Quelled.

Through the confusion caused by a child fainting a cry of fire was raised at the Pheland opera house at Alliance Saturday afternoon, which resulted in a

Frank II. D. Hunt, a farmer and old panic among an audience composed enresident, residing near the old town of tirely of children, that would have Hillsdale, was found dead on the road proved disastrous had not members of between his home and St. Derion Wed- the company and other cool-headed peonesday. The best information is that ple worked energetically for a few min-

As it was, several children were slight ly injured through being trampled upon, while three small tots were rescued clinging to the railing of an exit nearly thirty feet from the street. One woman posed he got cold, which induced heart jumped from this distance, but was not

MURDER TRIAL AT FULLERTON

Time for Killing M. Edgington. An adjourned term of the district court convened in Fullerton Wednesday, with Judge Hollenbeck on the bench. The work of selecting a jury to try Bert Tar-

ing of April 7 last struck with his fist N. Cunningham, of Hamilton, seeks to and killed Maynard Edgington in front allot to the gridiron heroes of the state. of Gay's billiard hall in Fullerton, was He introduced a bill in the house em- immendiately commenced. A special vephatically forbidding football, specifying nire for fifty jurors was issued. It is a jail sentence for the first offense and thought by the attorneys interested in two years in prison for the second. Spec- the case that the entire week will be

It was tried last June before Judge Reeder and the jury being unable to agree was discharged.

### Pierce Sued for \$10,000.

Dr. L. R. Brown, a dentist at Pierce, has filed suit in the district court against the village of Pierce and Mrs. L. M. Mohrman for the sum of \$10,000 damages for defective sidewalk. Last fall while on his way home the doctor tripped himself on a loose board and fell, spraining his side quite severely. He was not able to be out of doors for several weeks.

Tekamah May Get Electric Lights

At a regular meeting of the city council at Tekamah an ordinance was passed providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the city a proposition to issue bonds in the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of purchasing or installing an electric lighting system or plant, to be owned and operated by the city.

#### Shut Her Stove Too Tight.

The body of Mrs. Henry Guntrum was found lying on the bed at her home in Lincoln, death resulting from escaping poultry and pet stock show in Nebraska gas. The hard coal stove was cold, the damper in the pipe was shut off tight. and the woman lay in the adjoining room as calmly as if she but slept.

### New Lights for Geneva.

Tuesday the electric current was turn-

If a man has labor to sell let him sell it at the best price he can get just as he would sell wheat, but he has no right to even intimate that he will obstruct the business, or attempt its ruin because the owner will not purchase of him.

The unions have become so tyrannous and arrogant with their despotism that a common citizen who has some time to spare and innocently thinks he has a right to put a little paint on his own house finds he must have that paint taken off and put on again by "the union" or all sorts of dire things happen to him, his employer is ordered to discharge him, his grocer is boycotted if he furnishes him supplies, his family followed and insulted and his life made more miserable than that of a black slave before the war. If he drives a nail to repair the house or barn the carpenter's "union" hounds him. He takes a pipe wrench to stop a leaking pipe and prevent damage to his property and the plumbers "union" does things to him. He cannot put a little mortar to a loose brick on his chimney or the bricklayers, plasterers or hod carriers "union" is up in arms and if he carelessly cats a loaf of bread that has no "union" label on it the bakers "union" proceeds to make life miserable for him.

So the white slave is tied hand and foot unable to lift a hand to better himself or do the needful things, without first obtaining permission from some haughty, ignorant and abusive tyrant of some labor union.

It would all seem rather like a comic opera, if it did not rob people of and, their freedom; that kind of work will not be permitted long in America. Some smooth managers have built up the labor trust in the last few years, to bring themselves money and power and by managing workmen, have succeeded in making it possible for them to lay down the law in some cities and force workmen and citizens to "obey" implicitly, stripping them right and left of their liberties.

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f any organized body whatsoever.

Sixth—To promote among employers a spirit of fairness, friendship and desire for the best interests of their employes, and to promote among workmen the spirit of industry, thrift, faithfulness to their employers and good citizenship.

> Seventh-To so amalgamate the public sentiment of all of the best citizens of Battle Creek, that a guarantee can be given to the world of a continuance of peaceful conditions, and that under such guarantee and protection manufacturers and capitalists can be induced to locate their business enterprises in Battle Creek.

Then follows articles relating to membership, officers, duties, etc., etc., etc., This constitution has been signed by the great majority of representative citizens, including our work people.

A number of manufacturers from other cities, where they have been suffering all sorts of indignities, inconvenience and losses from the general hell of labor union strikes, picketing, assaults and other interference, proposed to move, providing they

could be guaranteed protection. The subject grew in importance until it has reached a place where absolute protection can be guaranteed by the citizens of Battle Creek on the following broad and evenly balanced

terms which guarantees to the workman and to the manufacturer, fairness, justice, steady work and regularity of output.

The new-coming manufactures agrees to maintain the standard rate of wage paid elsewhere for like service, under similar conditions, the rate to be determined from time to time from well authenticated reports from No city in the State of Michigan competing cities. The tabulated wage pays as high average wages as Battle reports issued by the Government Department of Commerce and Labor can also be used to show the standard rate. and it is expected later on that this government bureau will furnish weekly reports of the labor market from different centers, so that the workman when he is ready to sell his labor and the employer when he is ready to buy, may each have reliable information as

to the market or ruling price. Whereas, From 1891 to 1894 the strikes instigated by Labor Unions in The new-coming manufacturer also Battle Creek resulted in the destrucagrees to maintain the sanitary and tion of property and loss of large sums hygical conditions provided for by the State laws and to refrain from any of money in wages that would have lockouts to reduce wages below the standard; reserving to himself the Whereas, These acts caused serious

right to discharge any employe for damage to the city and in a marked cause. way delayed its progress at that time; The Citizens' Association on its part

agrees to furnish, in such numbers as Whereas, Since the year 1894 the it is possible to obtain, first-class workcitizens have been enabled, by public men who will contract to sell their sentiment, to prevent the recurrence of labor at the standard price for such strikes and Labor Union disturbances period as may be fixed upon, agreeing which have been prevalent elsewhere; not to strike, picket, assault other

workmen, destroy property, or do any Whereas, The employers of this city of the criminal acts common to labor have steadfastly refused to place the unionism. Each workman reserving management of their business under to himself the right to quit work for the control of Labor Unions, but have cause, and the Citizens' Association

maintained the highest standard of further pledges its members to use its

The public should also remember that good true American citizens can be found in the unions and that they, deprecate the criminal acts of their fellow members, but they are often in bad company.

Salt only hurts sore spots. So, the honest, law abiding union man is not hurt when the criminals are denounced, but when you hear a union man "holler" because the facts are made public, he has branded himself as either one of the law breakers or a sympathizer, and therefore with the mind of the law breaker, and likely to become one when opportunity offers. That is one reason employers decline to hire such men.

A short time ago inquiry came from the union forces to know if Mr. Post would "keep still" if they could call off the boycott on Postum and Grape-Nuts.

This is the reply: "The labor trust has seen fit to try to ruin our business because we would not join its criminal conspiracy. We are plain American citizens and differ from the labor union plan in that we do not force people to strike, picket, boycott, assault, blow up property or commit murder.

We do not pay thugs \$20 to break in the ribs of any man who tries to support his family nor \$30 for an eve knocked out.

We try to show our plain, honest regard for sturdy and independent workmen by paying the highest wages in the State.

We have a steady, unvarying respect for the law abiding peaceable union man and a most earnest desire to see him gain power enough to purge the unions of their criminal practices that have brought down upon them the righteous denunciation of a long-suffering and outraged public, but we will not fawn, truckle, bend the knee. wear the hated collar of white slavery. the union label, nor prostitute our American citizenship under "orders" of any labor trust.

You offer to remove the restriction on our business and with "union" gold

Ames Factory May Enlarge. The Standard Beet Sugar Company, at Fremont, is so well satisfied with results after closing up all details of the last season, which ended Jan. 14, that it has decided to enlarge the capacity of the factory, provided the company can be assured of more beets from the farm- ers in that vicinity. Man and Team Killed. L. D. Fackler was struck and instant- ly killed by a train at Shelton. His team was also killed and wagon demol-	of Geneva were lighted. The residences are not yet ready. The contract agreed to have the lights for Jan. 1, but a delay in shipping the arc lights for the main street hindered the work. Child Scalded to Death. While its mother was mopping Satur- day afternoon, the 16-month-old daughter of Henry Hassman, of Randolph, fell into a pail of scalding water which stood on the floor, and was so seriously injured that it died six hours later. Child Shot by Playmate. While her brother and a neighbor boy were playing with a loaded 22-caliber revolver the weapon was discharged and 10-year-old Mabel Crable was painfully wounded in the arm. The mishap occur- red at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Crable, in Hastings. Large Barn Burned. The large barn on the Simon Wheeler farm southwest of Dixon, was burned to the ground Monday morning. The loss	<ul> <li>Ing. assaults, dynamiting of property and murder to enforce their orders and rule the people. They have gone far enough to order the President to re- move certain citizens from office be- cause the "Unions" wern't pleased.</li> <li>That means they propose to make the law of the unions replace the law of this government and the union lead- ers dominate even the Chief Execu- tive.</li> <li>This is a government of and for the people and no organization or trust shall displace it. But the unions try it every now and then, led by desperate men as shown in their defiance of law and support of law breakers.</li> <li>The "union" record of assaults, crip- pling of men and even women and children, destruction of property and murder of American citizens during the past two years is perhaps ten times the volume of crime and abuse perpetrated by slave owners during any two years previous to the Civil War. We are in a horrible period of</li> </ul>	where in the United States, and here- by unanimously declared their intent to continue such policy; and the em- ployes of this city, a large percentage of whom own homes and have families reared and educated under conditions of peace and the well-earned prosperi- ty of steady employment, have stead- fastly maintained their right as free American citizens to work without the dictation and tyranny of Labor Union leaders, the bitter experience of the past offering sufficient reason for a determined stand for freedom; and, Whereas, The attitude of the citizens on this subject has been the means of preserving peaceful conditions and continuous prosperity in marked con- trast to the condition existing in other cities suffering from the dictation of Trades Unionism; it is therefore Resolved, That the continuance of peace and prosperity in Battle Creek can be maintained, and the destructive work of outside interference avoided under the combined effort and action of all our people, by the formation of	and to act en masse to uphold the law at all times. The new industries locating in Bat- tle Creek will not start under any sort of labor union domination whatsoever, but will make individual contracts with each employe, those contracts be- ing fair and equitable and guaranteed on both sides. Thus from the abuses of labor unions and their insane efforts to ruin everyone who does not "obey" has evolved this plan which replaces the old conditions of injustice, lockouts, strikes, violence, loss of money and property, and general industrial war- fare; and inaugurates an era of perfect balance and fairness between employ- er and employe, a steady continuance of industry and consequent prosperity. The entire community pledged by pub- lic sentiment and private act to restore to each man his ancient right to "peace, freedom and the pursuit of	The Postum Company have a yearly contract for space in this paper which they have a right to use for announce- ments of facts and principles. Such use does not necessarily carry with it
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