

**The Norfolk News**

The north pole seems a good way off these days, but perhaps the explorers can find it.

This weather may cause the linen shirt front to wilt but the crops are extending upwards as though they had balloon attachments.

The Globe-Democrat calls them the "pettigrewsters." Whatever kind of roosters they may be, they are not in as much favor as the spring chicken.

The Globe-Democrat says, "The centrifugal feeling among the Democrats of Missouri is more acute than ever when a state convention this year is proposed."

Senator Foraker declares that the national policies of President McKinley will be the issue in Ohio this campaign. On such an issue the republicans will certainly prove winners.

If Mr. Bryan loves his country and its institutions as dearly as he professes why doesn't he say a good word for it occasionally, instead of everlastingly waiting that it is going to the dogs?

A business man who is inclined to complain of his town should take immediate action to remove the cause of his complaint and thereby benefit himself and his neighbors rather than cause injury.

The Richmond, Virginia, Times, a democratic publication, believes that "if a vote were taken in Virginia today as an independent proposition on free silver and like doctrines advocated by Mr. Bryan in 1896, it would be almost unanimous against Bryanism."

People of this vicinity seem to believe that they experience more than their share of severe storms, yet as far as known there has not been a single death here as the direct result of a storm since the town was established. Other localities would be pleased to have a similar record.

The children who break off young trees for whips should have them used liberally on their persons. More young trees are destroyed in this manner every year than several hard working arboriculturists would be able to replace. The tree in this part of the country deserves encouragement.

A person would think that with the amount of money donated to educational institutions, college and university educations would soon be as free as those of the public and high schools. Undoubtedly good educations are more accessible now than at any other time in the history of the country or the world.

The Filipinos may celebrate the Fourth of July also and have occasion to rejoice. On that date, this year, they will be under civil government and the military will retire from the official control of the island and its peoples. Instead of passing away the Fourth of July is assuming a new importance to the people of the world.

Missouri has a millionaire farmer—David Rankin—who has just given \$50,000 to Tarkio college. Nebraska has a number of embryonic millionaires among its farming population and they will undoubtedly soon be making generous donations to educational and other like institutions. A few more years of prosperity will do the business.

People who desire a long life should seek admission to an English workhouse. It is shown by recent statistics that in 139 workhouses of England and Wales 2,784 of the inmates have lived under George III, George IV, William IV, Victoria and the present king. That mode of life has nothing especial to recommend it, but it must be quite a healthy existence.

The Ohio republican convention is labeled "a love feast" by the Sioux City Tribune and it is announced that "republican factions of the Buckeye state bury their differences." The Ohio republicans know just how to do such things and their opponents might just as well save the trouble and expense of holding conventions and conducting a campaign.

Mr. Bryan says he is a supporter of Mark Hanna as the republican candidate for president in 1904. Mr. Hanna should get him to keep still about it. Mr. Bryan has no record at all for getting what he wants except a couple of nominations, and it is likely that if anything would ruin Mr. Hanna's chances for the republican nomination it would be Mr. Bryan's support.

Hail storms are doing considerable damage in the country surrounding Norfolk, but the farmers adjoining the hail stricken districts have abundant prospects and if nothing happens to their crops will have a wealth of products to divide with their less fortunate neighbors. This is infinitely better than they should all suffer as they did by the drought of several years ago.

The Nebraska supreme court has ruled that a person who rides on a pass may recover from a railroad company for injuries sustained, in spite of an

agreement to the contrary on the back of the pass. Nevertheless there are those who will consider it rather unfair that a railroad should carry a man free and then be compelled to pay him handsomely if he happens to get hurt.

Mr. Bryan does not wear his farmer tops, made famous during the last presidential campaign, in Chicago. The faithful World-Herald says that on a visit to that city this week he wore "a light Federa hat, a blue and white striped negligee shirt and two pink carnations in his buttonhole." All of this is quite important to the common people, else why should space be given to telling of the great prophet's clothes.

The sugar trust or one of the sugar trusts reduced the price of all grades of refined sugars 10 points Monday, and this in the midst of the ranning and preserving season when everybody demands some of the sweetening material. The trust must be forgetting that its duty is to squeeze and oppress the people and now would be the proper time to do it. Perhaps it is but dropping down to get a good start upward.

The sharpers are an ingenious set and can usually scheme up a way of making money without work. A new scheme has been worked in western Nebraska. A man rides into a town on a bicycle which he sells at a bargain. Shortly afterwards his confederate appears, looking for a stolen wheel and the innocent purchaser of course gives it up. It would be a good joke to send up sharper No. 1 on the testimony of sharper No. 2, and thus break into the scheme.

It is reported from Baltimore that there is hardly a county in Maryland in which the democratic ranks are not torn up by a factional fight and the Globe-Democrat says the same condition exists in Missouri. With the Tillman-McLanrin scrap in South Carolina and other factional differences throughout the south, democracy is certainly in a very bad condition and the awakening of the "solid south" from its Rip Van Winkle political nap is about assured.

Citizens of Logansport, Ind., can testify that there is death in a barrel of whisky. A draw bar on a freight car loaded with whisky was being repaired there last Friday when a spark from a passing engine caused one of the barrels of corn juice to explode. Two men were killed and two dangerously injured by the accident. This should be sufficient to convince the average toper that whisky is a dangerous substance. Suppose a spark should light on one of the said toppers!

Railroad managers might do a proper thing by running homeseekers excursions from Oklahoma, where prospective settlers of the reservations are congregated, into Nebraska. This is the season of the year when Nebraska is lovely to behold, especially to the farmer's eye, and a view of her fertile fields is amply sufficient to provoke a longing for a home on her prairies. A Nebraska farm home in June is a little paradise and should be seen by every prospective settler. There is room for many.

If Mr. Hanna were nominated by the republicans it is supposed that Mr. Bryan would vote for him—nit. He pledged himself to vote for McKinley last campaign when he said that those who had secured their share of prosperity should support the republican nominee. It was shown during the campaign to the satisfaction of many people that Mr. Bryan had received his share of prosperity, yet it is extremely doubtful if he supported Mr. McKinley. He seems to require inconsistency in his business.

Senator Channey Depew holds his position on the third term proposition and twits General Grosvenor for retiring from the stand he assumed on the same question. While Senator Depew's position may not be a winner, it cannot be considered otherwise than complimentary to the president and those who assisted in elevating him to the highest position in the gift of the people for two terms. The people love McKinley but love him too well to force upon him another term as president against his wishes.

Those who have suffered from the terrible flood in West Virginia have the sincere sympathy of all their more fortunate countrymen. Thirteen towns swept away—extent of flood, six miles—loss of life estimated at 200 to 500—track destroyed 230 miles—property loss estimated at \$2,000,000—are facts that make one's blood run cold with horror and if there is anything to be done to alleviate the suffering and distress resulting from the disaster it may be counted on that the sympathetic American heart will respond generously.

General Cailles is the latest of the Filipino officers to surrender to the United States authorities and take the oath of allegiance. He brought with him 650 men and 500 rifles. The insurrection in the Philippines is being rapidly and effectually overcome and the islands will soon settle down to the enjoyment of peace, progress and prosperity under the direction of the United States. They will certainly be delighted with this government if they but give it a

fair chance and will find that their privileges and liberties will be increased beyond anything they ever before experienced and beyond anything they could experience as an independent government.

People with "Good Samaritan" dispositions are likely to move cautiously if thieves generally adopt the method pursued by a Niobrara thug. He took a position by the roadside and when his victim approached uttered some groans that brought the passer by to his side. The "Good Samaritan" was dealt a heavy blow on the head by the "sick man" that rendered him unconscious and was then robbed of \$26. The Pioneer thinks that it is now in order for a person who hears another groaning by the roadside to walk in with a club and finish him. Certainly a person of that calibre should be honored with as severe punishment as it is in the power of a court to administer.

The young man who likes to stand on the corner and squirt tobacco juice on the sidewalk and laugh like a horse has been given a hard jolt by some unknown philosopher in the following says the Hooper Sentinel: "Today, young man, as you stood on the corner smoking your cigar that was paid for with money you had other use for, did you notice that old man passing on the other side with hat battered, coat torn, pants fringed and sloppy, his shoes gaping and down at the heel? You did! Well, forty years ago, he stood just where you are standing today, he bought cigars as you do, he stood just where you do, smoked up and squandered his wages as you are doing without a thought of tomorrow. His habits and associates formed, his salary was eaten up as fast as earned. Old age crept upon him, his eyes grew dim, his muscles relaxed and his place was filled by a younger man; today he has nothing. Yes, the poor-house stands open. And history repeats itself."

The official board of the First M. E. church of Omaha, which is attended by many of the fashionable people of that city, has adopted a resolution that places a ban upon ladies wearing hats at the services of the church. Last Sunday was the first since the resolution was adopted and a large majority of the ladies in the congregation complied. There were a few, however, who seemed to consider it none of the board's business what was on their heads and continued to wear their hats, even after the pastor had read the resolution. It is expected that the request will be more generally observed next Sunday. There are many who will consider this a move in the right direction and will hope that the churches generally will follow the practice. It has for a long time been customary for the ladies to remove their hats at theatres and other places of public entertainment and while the demand isn't as great for their removal at church the services are undoubtedly more appreciated by those who have an unobstructed view of the minister and the choir.

The World-Herald says, "We gather from a number of esteemed g. o. p. organs that it is a crime for anybody save a republican to get rich." If it is a crime, the fusionists have made it so. For the past eight years their chief endeavor has been to create the impression that the men of wealth are to be despised and hated by the "common people." They have sought to convey the impression that all the wealth of the land was allied under the republican banner to crush the life out of the poor people. They have insisted that the poor man has no chance and that every opportunity for wealth or advancement is in the control of the "money owners." With these as the cardinal principles of the fusionists it is amusing, but no crime, to notice them becoming wealthy and proving that their professions were bosh at the same time. That there are poor people in the republican party and wealthy ones in the fusion ranks but proves that there are men able to form opinions of their own who have not believed in the specious arguments of fusion leaders and party organs.

The Appeal to Reason has it figured out that none but the rich have an opportunity to bet and escape the penalty of the law. This is a most unreasonable appeal to reason. That paper should be able to reason it out that everybody bets and few are punished. If a farmer puts in a crop of wheat he bets his seed, time and the use of his land against chinch bugs, grasshoppers, drought, hail, rust, and otherwise takes a hundred chances that he can grow a crop. If he buys a horse he bets the purchase price that he can make the animal repay his expenditure and more too. If a man digs a ditch he bets that the work he does is worth his pay—which he sometimes loses—and the man who employs him bets that he can make a profit on the job. The woman who buys a hat bets that she will make a better appearance than her neighbor and if she doesn't she will consider the bet lost. Those who get married bet that they can live happier married than single. The man who invests in property, bets that it is worth the money or more. And so on through life, it is all bet and the successful better grows wealthy while the loser should not grumble—he takes his chances with the rest.

A week from today is when the people will show Mr. Bryan that celebrations of the Fourth of July are not passing away to any alarming extent.

This state is experiencing some warm weather this week but no deaths or prostrations from the heat are reported as in eastern localities. Stand up for Nebraska.

Beginning with the first, hunters and fishers will do well to proceed cautiously. Then the new game law goes into effect and it may be enforced. It certainly should be and all would benefit thereby.

The Missouri river is within 16 feet of the danger line at Kansas City. If the overflow from Corporation gulch has not yet reached that point the people along the river may as well begin moving or building arks.

Channey Depew thinks that the power to accumulate wealth is due to a microbe. The Fremont Herald is of the opinion that some of the money gatherers should be quarantined for fear that the disease is catching.

Grover Cleveland is not favorable to the third term idea but is not particularly emphatic because he undoubtedly realizes that there is no probability of his being called on to fill the presidential chair for another term.

An exchange says that McKinley is an imperial president in about the same sense that New York is an imperial state, meaning, according to Webster, "of superior excellence," and he presides over an imperial country in the same sense.

The republicans of Ohio are no more in sympathy with labor combinations formed for vicious purposes or viciously administered than they are with combinations of capital with the same general purpose. They make no distinction. Both are evils to be deplored.

The wild-eyed newspaper correspondent got in some of his best work on the public regarding the West Virginia flood disaster and his 250 or 500 deaths have dwindled to 50 or 60. That is bad enough without killing 500 or 1000 percent more people and bringing them back to life.

The frequency with which a man is mistaken for a deer and shot might lead a per-on to believe that it is an easy method for a murderer to rid himself of an enemy and escape punishment. Such accidents have been frequent in the east and now one is reported to have happened near Spearfish, South Dakota.

There have been many "abandoned farms" in the eastern states for several years, but under republican prices for produce they are again being cultivated with good profit to the person who tills them. There are few lines of industry and fewer sections of country that are not prospering under the republican regime.

M. W. Sackett of Meadville, Pa., recently re-elected to the position of supreme recorder of the A. O. U. W., has served in that position for 22 terms. This is a long term of service in an office of that kind when so many are ready and willing to accept the office and is highly complimentary to the person whose ability retains him in the position.

A Lincoln woman who has been constantly annoyed with requests for a meeting by a male acquaintance, finally decided to meet him up town, and she did Monday afternoon. He undoubtedly now wishes that he had never asked a meeting. She carried a rawhide whip and when the meeting took place she applied it with commendable dexterity. If her style of meeting was more generally adopted it is safe to say that mashers would soon become less numerous and conspicuous.

Politicians are picking out presidential possibilities as though a national election was imminent. If they will but stop to figure a little they will find that it will be three years from this summer before there is any need of lining up available material for the presidency and they certainly do not mean to be as monotonous as to continue naming candidates at intervals of every few days during that time; besides there is that prophecy that the republic will be turned into an empire, and if it is their labors will have been in vain.

Politicians are speculating upon the objects of "the allied third party movement" launched at Kansas City, Mo., Wednesday afternoon. Its principles being so closely associated with those of the fusionists and Mr. Bryan's name being mentioned in connection with the new organization, leads many to believe that it is but another party to the fusion movement with the object of gathering in a few strays, or else meant for the refuge of democrats who fear being returned from the lead by the reorganizers of that party who propose to return it to the position it once occupied in national politics before it became saturated with populism. Another object of the new party may be to secure a balance of power in some of the southern states that appear to be departing from democracy and hold them in line for that party. The precise object of the organization will undoubtedly be disclosed

long before it has an opportunity to enter the national contest in 1904.

The United States department of agriculture proposes to do its share toward making the farmers of the country millionaires. The department has an exhaustive course of experiments under way regarding corn production and it is believed that the corn yield of the country can be doubled during the next few years. Already 10,000 specimens of hybrids have been grown, but it will be about two years before definite results are obtained. In North Carolina a crop of 300 bushels to the acre has been grown. Farmers who will follow the advice of the department may be able to increase their yield to 50 or 75 bushels an acre. Care in selecting seed, the department believes, will be of immediate benefit to the farmers. The way to make these selections is to go through the corn field during the fall and choose the best stalks. Of course proper methods of cultivation must also be employed. It is said that not one farmer in 10,000 does this. They generally go to the corn crib and select the largest ear to be found. While stalks of this kind may produce large ears they do not increase the yield or improve the quality of the corn.

Editor J. W. Huntsberger of the Pender Republic evidently proposes to reap some of the prosperity being gathered in by the farmers of Nebraska and indicates that he is a strenuous worker in the following. His brethren of the press can imagine him making things hum with a hoe in one hand and a pen in the other: "The editor of this journal has had his hands full pretty much of the time this spring with his double duty of editing the best paper in these 'diggins' and tending to the most promising fruit farm in Thurston county. He has been up with the birds and still at work when darkness fell nearly every day for the past six weeks. The weeds will grow as well as the trees, etc., and it took hustling to keep ahead of the procession but we have been staying right there and expect to keep ahead. Our orchard now challenges the admiration of every passer-by and the strawberry bed has been yielding its fruit the past ten days but only after severe sieges of backaches. We have harvested the first crop of hay in the county—a crop of fine alfalfa, and our rye is soon ready to yield to the sickle's edge and if our farmer friends want to see a first class piece of rye let them call and inspect ours."

**BANDS TO WELCOME KRUGER.**

Former President of the Transvaal Given Enthusiastic Greeting. Rotterdam, June 27.—Mr. Kruger, former president of the South African republic, was welcomed on his arrival here yesterday by the burgomaster, deputations from numerous societies and many women. Two bands of music on a platform played the Transvaal anthem and hundreds of workmen's societies were drawn up along the streets leading from the station to the town hall, to which Mr. Kruger was driven, escorted by a guard of former Transvaal officers. Great enthusiasm was manifested everywhere. In a speech of welcome at the town hall the burgomaster spoke of the similarity between the Transvaal and Dutch struggles for liberty and said Rotterdam wished through M. Kruger to pay homage to the little Boer nation which had shown such faith and confidence in its own strength.

**NO GOVERNORSHIP FOR SCOTT.**

Kansas Congressman-at-Large Says He Will Stay With the House. Lawrence, Kan., June 27.—In an authorized statement Hon. Charles F. Scott, congressman-at-large, says "I do not deny that I should like some time to be governor of Kansas. It is a compliment even to receive honorable mention in connection with it, but I feel as if my election to congress imposes an obligation upon me to stay there. When the proper time comes I shall be a candidate for the office of congressman-at-large." Congressman Scott lives at Iola and is a neighbor of Brigadier General Frederick Funston. It had been stated from time to time that General Funston might be a candidate for congress for his home district.

Sheriffs in Session. Chicago, June 27.—The Interstate Sheriffs' association began its ninth annual meeting here yesterday. The states represented at the meeting are: Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming. The association has a membership of 850. Its purpose is to keep its members in touch with each other to facilitate the apprehension of criminals.

**Land Locators Indicted.**

Helena, Mon., June 27.—The United States grand jury made final report last night, returning 102 indictments. They are almost all against land locators in the Missoula land district and charge perjury in swearing they filed upon lands for personal use, whereas they transferred them soon after securing title. The lands comprise about 15,000 acres and were bought by Senator Clark.

Baseball Scores Yesterday. National League—Boston, 2; St. Louis, 3; New York, 6; Cincinnati, 2; Brooklyn, 16; Pittsburg, 3. American League—Cleveland, 5; Milwaukee, 8; Washington, 5; Philadelphia, 4. Western League—Omaha, 7; St. Joseph, 10; Minneapolis, 5; Colorado Springs, 10; Des Moines, 9; Kansas City, 9; St. Paul, 5; Deaver, 4.

**BIG LINER GOES ASHORE.**

Steamer Lusitania is Wrecked on a Reef.

**MISTAKES ITS COURSE IN FOG.**

Passengers Fight With Knives for Boats, but Are Overcome by Crew. Vessel Expected to Be Total Loss. Had Five Hundred on Board.

St. Johns, N. F., June 27.—The Orient Steam Navigation company's steamer Lusitania, Captain McNay, from Liverpool, June 18, for Montreal, having 500 passengers on board, was wrecked last night off Cape Ballard.

The Lusitania was bound around Cape Race for Montreal, with a large cargo and a shipload of passengers. It mistook its course in a dense fog and went ashore near Renew's, 20 miles north of Cape Race, before daybreak. The ship ran over a reef and hangs against a cliff. The passengers, who are mostly emigrants, were panic-stricken. They stampeded and fought for the boats, but were overcome by the officers and crew. The rougher element among the passengers used knives. The women and children were first landed and the men followed. The crew stood by the ship. A heavy sea was running and it was thought likely that it would prove a total wreck.

The steamer Glencoe arrived here, bringing six first, 15 second and 436 steerage passengers and 93 of the crew of the Lusitania. Captain McNay and the chief officers of the ship remain with the wreck. The passengers are almost entirely Russian and Polish Jews. The steamer struck at 1:30 a. m. during a dense fog. Captain McNay had to force the vessel upon the reef, for if he reversed the engines, the whole ship's bottom would have been torn out and she would have sunk immediately. The panic was intense. The drawing of knives by the passengers was not general, but occurred in isolated instances only.

Three hours elapsed between the time when the Lusitania struck and the time the passengers started to disembark. This delay was occasioned by the difficulty in controlling the passengers and handling the boats. All the passengers and crew agree that if the Lusitania had struck the rocks in rougher weather, not a soul on board would have been saved.

**SIXTEEN PASSENGERS KILLED.**

**Dead in Wabash Wreck Are All Italian Emigrants.**

Peru, Ind., June 27.—Sixteen persons were killed and about 50 were seriously injured in a wreck of train No. 3, the west-bound Wabash limited, nine miles west of this city yesterday. The dead are all Italian emigrants, en route to Colorado. Many of the injured undoubtedly will die.

The dead: John F. Williamson, newsboy, Bowling Green, O., both arms and both legs broken, died on way to hospital; Mrs. Mattie Cruse, wife of Joe Cruse of New York, who was injured; Miss Fannie Muhloic, sister to John Muhloic; Luigi Benini, New York; five Italian men, names unknown; two Italian women, names unknown; three Italian babies.

David Tucker and Ernest Zimmerman, farmer boys, were arrested at the scene of the wreck, charged with robbing the dead and injured of money and valuables. Two policemen were at the wreck. But for their determined attitude the prisoners would have been roughly handled by an indignant crowd.

**Shoots His Wife's Assailant.**

Lincoln, June 27.—Sheriff Branson of this county returned at midnight from the town of Raymond, having in custody Michael Kilroy, a farmer who yesterday noon shot and probably fatally wounded Jesse Rodgers, his hired man. Kilroy says Rodgers, during his absence criminally assaulted his wife. Kilroy is in jail and his victim is in the hospital.

**Nonunion Men Again Fired Upon.**

Matewan, W. Va., June 27.—When the nonunion men again attempted to go to work at the Maritime coal mines this morning, they were fired upon by strikers. The nonunion men deemed it best to withdraw and did so before any of the number fell victims to the deadly bullets. Another battle is imminent between the strikers and the federal marshals.

**Ostrander Given Parole Pardon.**

Topeka, June 27.—Frank J. Ostrander of Wyandotte was given a parole pardon yesterday by Governor Stanley as a reward for courage and services in the recent coal mine mutiny at the Kansas penitentiary. Ostrander climbed half way up the shaft and reached the carriage. He was then pulled up and told the officers the condition of affairs.

**Terrid Wave at Lincoln.**

Lincoln, June 27.—Since Sunday last Lincoln has experienced four of the hottest successive days in the history of the weather bureau. The government instruments marked 97 degrees. On Monday 98 and on Tuesday and Wednesday 99. A brisk wind has blown all the time and there has been no serious prostrations.

**Considine's Statement.**

Seattle, June 27.—When interviewed in the county jail John W. Considine, who shot and killed ex-Chief of Police W. L. Meredith, said: "My attorneys wrote to Meredith that he must retract the statements he made which reflected on my character or I would sue for libel. It was that letter which made him attack me."