

The Norfolk News

It might have been worse.

Thanksgiving will soon follow.

It is probably all right, but—

They did "stand pat" in Ohio.

Did someone say, "I told you so."

The country is about saved once more.

Nebraska republicans have no fault to find.

It certainly did snow in parts of the country.

If you yet have time, vote the republican ticket.

They can begin to tell how it happened tomorrow.

It seems considerably colder today than it was yesterday—to some.

It is Congressman McCarthy, and President Roosevelt is endorsed by the Third.

One thing is certain, and that is that Governor Savage's term of office is limited.

You may have a few moments left in which to register your vote. Do not pass it up.

Save your best wind until you are certain of the results. Then you may decide to keep it.

It is all over except the process of ratification during which some generous shouting will be permissible.

If you haven't voted there is not much time left in which to get to the polls and exercise your right of franchise.

The vote was decidedly light, and it appears that the republicans lost more than the fusionists by reason of the stay-at-homes.

The battle is now about over and the killed and wounded will soon be cared for. In some places, without doubt it is a battle in more than name.

Tom Johnson, disciple of Mr. Bryan in Ohio, lost that state by the scant plurality of something like 100,000. Mark Hanna is still "it" there.

The weather man favored the republicans, if it is true that fair weather means republican success and the contrary condition means democratic victory.

A good many people are in a condition to be thankful up to, including and after Thanksgiving. The returns from the election were sufficient to bring about this result.

If the republicans of Douglas county had given the congressional majority to the democrats in the house there would have been weeping and gnashing of teeth there for some time to come.

Two native Americans are now members of the British parliament and it is understood that another has designs on a seat in that body. The time may come when America and Americans will rule the world.

Those who were killed and injured during the ratification over the election returns in New York probably failed to appreciate the demonstration. It proved more disastrous than an average Fourth of July accident.

The democrats rather enjoyed the indications from the returns last night. Today the republicans have rather the best of the bargain, and they are pleased to reflect on the old saw that, "he laughs best who laughs last."

Kansas is republicans good and strong. The people of that state have tried fusion and populism and did not find it what was needed. They have therefore decided to have none of it in their's and will keep clear of the combination for a long time.

The people exercised good taste in choosing Dr. J. M. Alden of Pierce to represent this senatorial district in the coming state legislature. He is a man of excellent judgment and will give the district the sort of representation it requires.

A man playing William Tell on a New York stage the other night shot and killed the actor on whose head rested the apple. A sentence on a charge of murder will have an effect of discouraging realistic William Tell scenes in the future.

Mr. Bryan's prediction yesterday was that the fusionists would elect the entire state ticket and that the next house would be democratic. Mr. Bryan's prognostication record is so very bad that the people are unquestionably justified in reversing his forecast.

The people of Madison county didn't approve of a man for state senator who has proven incapable in the small office

of mayor. They evidently believe that a person desiring advancement should adhere to the old adage that "what is worth doing at all is worth doing well."

The fiendish father in Kentucky who knocked his four-year-old son down with a rock and then kicked the life out of him will undoubtedly be severely dealt with by the people of that state. It is a phase of criminology that even the people of that state cannot put up with.

The people of Beatrice are determined that the supreme court shall take back what it has said in regard to the Bible and singing of religious songs in the public schools. This question may finally result in an issue in Nebraska before which all others will pale into insignificance.

The Doukhobors, who started out to convert the world, beginning in Canada, have undertaken a stupendous contract and one they are not at all likely to complete this year. Other fanatics before them have undertaken the same work, but have never accomplished what they set out to do.

Mrs. Harriett Hibbard, 50 years of age, was arrested at Denver, Col., as she was about to vote for the third time on election day. It would appear from this that the women can become as corrupt as the men when they have been granted the right of suffrage for any considerable length of time.

It is intimated that coffee may be a luxury this year, 200,000 hundred weight of the season's coffee crop being reported destroyed by the eruption of the volcano of Santa Maria. The people will perhaps be more ready to take the advice of those who have argued that coffee is unhealthy, if this is the case.

Perhaps, now that the campaign is over the World-Herald will say whether or not Mr. Thompson did ride on passes or mileage contributed by the railroads, without attempting to create the impression that the fac-similes published by the republicans were imperfect and forgeries. Has he or has he not such passes?

The question naturally arises as to what the conditions in the Philippines would be if the Americans were not there to act as an element of control. If the Ladrone are now permitted to rob and murder it is not a far guess to believe that under an independent government the outrages would be much more frequent and flagrant.

It is now unlawful to catch fish in Nebraska in any manner whatever, and those who take pleasure in the sport will take no chances of encountering the law, but will lay aside their hooks and lines until next April. If the law is to result in benefit it must be observed, and it is to be hoped that it will not be necessary to enforce its provisions in the vicinity of Norfolk.

Marie Corelli has decided that millionaires, Americans in particular, are vulgar, "ill-mannered, illiterate and singularly uninteresting in conversation." It is fortunate that some famous author or person occasionally rushes to the rescue of the common people with the undesirability of great wealth, else the scramble to become millionaires would be keener than it now is.

Five republican congressmen and one democrat from Nebraska is not so bad. It could just as well have been unanimous if the Omaha republicans had fused. From a fusion majority of four to two, to a republican ratio of five to one is a change worthy of note. It indicates that the people are satisfied with the policies of Roosevelt and have decided that they will divorce themselves from fusion.

It would have been a sad slam at the Bee if it could not turn a few republican votes in the Second district, and perhaps the most surprising fact in connection is that the influence of the combined force of the Bee and the World-Herald was not greater. To an impassioned outsider it would seem that with the opposition encountered at home Mercer should have been defeated by a vote of about two to one.

"Kansas Smasher Smashed," is a suggestive headline to use over the item announcing that Carrie Nation had been injured in a railway wreck in New York. The levity would have been impermissible had the lady been seriously injured, but she was only slightly hurt. She could scarcely lay claim to greatness unless, like President Roosevelt and Mr. Bryan she could attain the distinction of getting in a railway wreck.

The republicans have but one cause for regret and that is that they were unable to pull Patney through. His friends did good work in his behalf, but the friends of Memminger, in Norfolk especially, made it their business to work hard and early and late for his election. This, combined with the fact that Memminger has a wider acquaintance throughout the country than the republican candidate, is what is judged to have resulted in Mr. Patney's defeat.

The people of New York City are rather in a tighter position than those of the country generally regarding the

use of coal. The city has an ordinance forbidding the use of soft coal and now that the price of anthracite has been reduced, the mayor has ordered that the ordinance be enforced. If there was such a law governing the people of the balance of the country there would have been a much larger roar because of the anthracite strike.

It does seem as though Morgan had serious designs on President Roosevelt's home state, but the president proved too popular and though the metropolis did all it could to swing the state to Coler, the country precincts remained steadfast to the president and Odell was re-elected. The full force of Morgan's attack may be estimated when it is realized that Oyster Bay, the location of the president's country home, was carried for Coler by a plurality of 181. Two years ago Odell's plurality was 512.

It has been reported through the west the last few days by democratic papers that Coler was certain to win over Odell in New York, but it was reported from the country's metropolis yesterday that the bets were two to one on Odell. The evidence is therefore good that the previous reports sent out from New York were to infuse the confidence of which the democrats of the country were lacking. The odds offered by those who make it a business to know what the results will be, disclose the true situation.

It is apparent that the republican disaffection in Omaha resulted more seriously to the state ticket than the congressional candidate, so far as the vote of Douglas county is concerned. There were republicans, good and true, however, in the balance of the state to overcome the evil intentions of the county containing the state's metropolis and the tide was turned to Mickey in the towns and country districts. Had Mercer been fortunate enough to have had a greater reserve to draw on he would have been elected, also.

It appears that the tendency in the east, and especially in New York, is to return the country to those happy old Cleveland times when people did not work; when free soup houses and Coxey armies were the rage and when farmers were barely making their salt. Hooray! They can undoubtedly count on us western democrats to assist in bringing about that desired result two years hence. We are tired of good times and want to try a whirl at the times when tariff reform and panic and ruin were the features. Haste the day!

The irrigation of the arid west is becoming one of the important questions of the age, and friends of the movement are preparing for a campaign of education that will result in benefit to the country at large and more especially to the people of the west. The act of the recent session of congress in making an appropriation is but a stepping stone in the right direction. The people interested must not only labor for future and better appropriations but they should see that such appropriations are used to the best advantage that the results may form a substantial basis from which to work. This is one of the most important questions to the people of the west. The country is not in favor of making appropriations that do not result in benefit to the people and exceeding care should be used to show the greatest results from these favors from congress.

The moral tendency of a community may retrograde to a certain point without attracting general attention, and some localities may permit a greater degree of retrogression than others, but there is a halting point somewhere when the general public becomes aroused and then there is a reform that is beneficial. While crime has been more in evidence in all parts of the country during the past few months than for some time past, it is apparent that Norfolk has had more than its share, even for a city of its size, and the people are becoming aroused to the extent that they will insist on a prompt and radical reform. If the present officers are not able or capable of coping with the condition, then measures should be undertaken to correct a weakness that the desired result may be attained. It is time for a correction of the evils that have existed and the sooner a movement is made in that direction the more satisfactory it will be to the people. This demand does not come from cranks or prudes, but is the sentiment of those who are willing, ordinarily to allow, of a certain license or right, that should not be violated unless it is desired to have the laws more stringently enforced.

The condition of the city, which was made the subject of an editorial yesterday, does not become any better because election is rapidly drawing to a close. While the question is political to a certain degree, it is in truth much broader and deeper than it could be made if it were one of mere partisan politics. The moral condition of the city was very mildly stated in the article yesterday, knowing that the charge would be bought that it was used at that particular date for political effect. The truth is that the picture was but lightly drawn, the facts warranting a much stronger arraignment of the city administration. One has but had to read the news columns of this paper for two or three weeks past to know that a more

disreputable state of society could not be possible than exists here at the present time. For a month back it has been one continued story of lawlessness, robberies, threats cut and assaults, and the point has been reached where it becomes necessary to call a halt. The magnificent inactivity of the executive must give way to vigorous measures to suppress the lawless element that seems to have taken possession of the city. Public sentiment has become aroused on this matter and if the mayor and the officers under him do not enforce the law, than the people of the city will be compelled as a matter of self preservation to take it up and see that the laws are enforced. THE NEWS does not object to a certain amount of liberality, but when lawlessness is allowed to prevail to the extent that it has done here during the past two or three weeks, it is time to call a halt.

THE NEWS has no fight to make upon liquor dealers so long as they conduct their business within reasonable limits. We do not believe in prohibition and would not vote for it if such an issue were submitted to the people, but we do believe that a saloon man should be as amenable to the laws as any other individual. Nebraska has the best liquor law in the United States to day, but how many will say that its provisions are being enforced in Norfolk? Even a liberal interpretation of the law is not objectionable, but when it comes to a "wide open" policy, such as has been in vogue here during the past month, then it is time to call a halt. And the saloons are not the great evils that exist in the city to day, at least. The gambling that has been carried on with the knowledge of the mayor, the prostitutes parading the streets, the class of lawless characters that have infested the city, assaulting people and robbing their places of business—these evidences of low standard of morality, brought about through the fact that Norfolk is known far and wide as a "wide open" town, are what is objected to. Drive the thugs from the city, close the saloons on Sunday, do away with gambling and command that the fancy women remain in their own district, and it will be found that Norfolk will be a very different city. People are slow to move in matters of this kind, but when lawlessness has reached such a state that reform is necessary they are likely to be more radical in making that reform than though less provocation had been given. If the mayor cannot or will not bring about a different state of affairs in this city, then he must expect to hear from an outraged people.

The Lincoln Asylum.

One of the first acts of the republican administration was to remove the incompetent officials from the asylum at Lincoln and place in charge of the institution a man known for his integrity and business ability, and of national reputation as an expert in the treatment of insane persons.

Through the excellent management of the present superintendent the state is being saved fully \$30,000 per year, the figures being based on the expense per capita. In the mass of fuddled figures recently sent out from fusion sources the large increase in the number of patients was ignored, the attempt being made to fool the people with mysterious and often mythical "totals." They did not give credit for the \$35,000 unpaid bills left for the republican officials to pay in addition to the "deficiencies."

The "economy" boasted of at the Lincoln asylum was the sort which lined the pockets of the fusion officials. One employe was permitted to spend his time making ink which he sold to the state. Another raised ducks on the premises and sold them to the institution. Still another sold all the calves on the premises to his father at from \$2 to \$3 per head—animals which now sell for five times that much. Land Commissioner Wolfe sent six hogs to the institution to be "boarded" at state expense, and eight months later worked off one of them on the institution at the exorbitant price of \$140. At about the same time C. S. Jones, who was living at the Home for the Friendless and raising hogs on his own account, bought six shoats from the asylum at \$2 apiece.

This is another brand of "economy" for C. Q. DeFrenzy to explain. It is like the "economy" practiced at all state institutions under fusion management.

Iowa Boy Shoots Comrade.

Ottumwa, Ia., Nov. 3.—While hunting near here Saturday Arthur McCune, ten years old, shot and probably fatally wounded his playmate, Clare Baker, son of S. D. Baker, a local capitalist. The shooting was accidental. When McCune realized what he had done he tried to kill himself, but was restrained by a third boy. The boys then haled a switch engine and took their wounded companion home.

Relative of Empress Josephine Dead.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 3.—Mrs. A. Wilson, aged eighty-three, died yesterday after being struck by a trolley car. Mrs. Wilson was born in the island of Martinique, in 1819. Her parents were large slave owners. Her mother, Mrs. Peters, was the cousin of Empress Josephine, first wife of Napoleon.

Bald Wins at Paris.

Paris, Nov. 3.—Eddie Bald, the American bicyclist, won the international scratch bicycle race at the Parc des Princes yesterday. The distance was 1,458 yards, Bald's time was 2:33.15.

KILLED BY DYNAMITE BOMB

Rejected Suitor Attempts to Destroy Entire Family.

EXPLOSION WRECKS RESIDENCE

Joseph Kordeck and Child Are Dead and Wife and Mother Seriously Injured—Former Boarder Charged With the Crime.

Chicago, Nov. 3.—A dynamite bomb, the weapon of a deranged assassin, blew up the home of Joseph Kordeck in Chicago Heights yesterday, killing two members of the family outright and injuring several others. The house was set on fire and burned, while that of a neighbor caught fire and was also destroyed.

The dead: Joseph Kordeck, arms and legs blown off; Lucy Kordeck, aged two years, body blown to pieces. Mrs. Lucy Kordeck had the flesh blown off her right side and may die. Seven children, who escaped, were injured, but not seriously.

The explosion occurred while the family was asleep. The father and mother, with the daughter, Lucy, occupied a room in the front of the cottage. On the other side were rooms occupied by the rest of the family. The cottage stood two feet from the ground, on wooden posts. The bomb was placed under the room occupied by the parents and the impact of the explosion tore a hole in the floor, blew the bed to pieces, dismembered Kordeck and scattered into fragments the body of Lucy, who was sleeping with her parents. Pieces of flesh the size of a man's hand were the largest remnants of the child's body that could be found.

The force of the explosion was directly upward, and tore a piece of flesh from Mrs. Kordeck's side, and blew her through a window. The noise aroused the rest of the family and they had hardly time to escape from the flames, which soon destroyed the cottage. Kordeck's body, torn to shreds, was found in the debris after the fire.

Charles Smith, a former boarder at the Kordeck house, who was paying attention to one of Kordeck's daughters, has been arrested, charged with the crime. The Kordeck girl was to have been married to another man next week.

KILLS FOUR-YEAR-OLD SON.

Inhuman Father is Threatened With Lynching in Kentucky.

Inez, Ky., Oct. 3.—Pleasant Sprading, held for the killing of his four-year-old son and his fifteen-year-old daughter, is threatened with lynching. Sprading's family consisted of wife, three daughters and son. With his daughters and boy, the father was herding sheep last Friday. The boy was unable to keep up with the others. The father placed him on a stone beside a spring, telling him to wait until his return. The boy becoming tired of sitting still, began to peel the loose bark off a tree that overhung the spring. Presently the father returned and, noticing the bark on the ground, asked the boy who had done it. The boy replied that he had. "I would rather have you dead than raise you to destroy everything on the farm," is the reply the father is said to have made, and then, it is charged, he picked up a stone and struck the boy on the head, knocking him down. Then, it is alleged, he kicked the prostrate baby in the head until he had killed him and, turning to his daughters, threatened them with a like fate if they every told what had occurred. Becoming alarmed, he took his eldest daughter and went to the mountains. A sheriff's posse captured Sprading in the mountains, but his eldest daughter was not with him.

Sprading's missing daughter turned up today, barefooted and ragged, after her escape from her father in the mountains.

Victims of Grand Stand Crash.

Chicago, Nov. 3.—Victims of the collapse of a section of the grand stand at Marshall Field Saturday while the Universities of Michigan and Wisconsin were playing their annual football game, are reported as recovering. Bruises and bumps were the extent of the injuries to the greater number of those who were hurt. M. R. Ray, a traveling salesman, whose home is at Cairo, Ill., is in a serious condition at the Chicago hospital.

Cold Wave in Southwest.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 3.—A cold wave has swept over this section during the past twelve hours and reports from the surrounding mountain regions indicate that the snowfall will be heavy on the slopes in New Mexico. Hundreds of sheep, caught unexpectedly in the open, have perished, and below this city in the Rio Grande valley the losses have been heavy.

Can't Move Grain Fast Enough.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Nov. 3.—At present there is an aggregate of 620 tons of grain standing in cars in the railroad yards at Canistota, some of which have been loaded for over two weeks. The railroad company is doing its best to keep the grain moving, but it is unable to do so.

Attorney is Under Arrest.

Bedford, Ia., Nov. 3.—B. R. Martin, attorney for Christensen, the alleged embezzling banker, was arrested, charged with complicity in the affair. He gave bond and returned to his home in Maryville. The preliminary hearing of these cases will be held here today.



Don't forget the old man with the fish on his back.

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A Dangerous Proposition.

The election of W. H. Thompson, the brewers' candidate for governor, would be a sign that this interference in Nebraska politics is not offensive to Nebraska people. It would be an invitation for them to go further. It would bring to the next legislature corrupt lobbyists and a whisky trust boodle fund. The legislature would be organized largely with reference to the liquor interest. The liquor interest would be consulted in the making up of the legislative committees. When the machinery of legislation had been adjusted for that purpose, then there would be inaugurated a struggle to rob the Slocum law of its power. To make it easier to get a license; to make it easier to get bonds; to make the law more lenient in general toward the saloons, these are the objects sought by the brewers who own the Nebraska saloons. To accomplish these things the brewers want a friend in the executive office. They want the governor to start with. The rest they believe will be easy after that. A governor friendly to the brewers would be the opening wedge. To put the executive office into the hands of the democratic candidate means to put Nebraska government in fact into the hands of the Milwaukee brewers.

Rich Gold Discovery in Idaho.

Baloe, Ida., Nov. 3.—A remarkably rich discovery of gold in the Black Hornet district has caused a stampede comparable to the mining rushes of the early days. Knowledge of the discovery got out last evening and men started out at once to secure claims. It is a hitherto unknown vein, about a mile and a half from the Black Hornet vein. The mine was a blind lead and was opened in doing some work on property on another vein. It shows seven feet wide. It is variously estimated to be worth from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a ton.

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