

# THE NORFOLK WEEKLY NEWS-JOURNAL.

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## AN ANOKA SENSATION

TOLER BURNING WAS NOT ACCIDENTAL.

HAD BEEN A FAMILY QUARREL.

THE MERCHANT WAS BURIED YESTERDAY.

WIFE'S CONDITION IS CRITICAL.

**Had a Dispute Over \$2 Missing From the Money Drawer, With a Threat to Kill and Attempted Suicide by Burning—Was Burned to the Bone.**

ANOKA, Neb., Sept. 8.—Special to The News: There is talk now of calling a coroner's inquest over the causes that led to the death of Henry Toler, the Anoka merchant, and the critical condition of his wife.

The funeral of Mr. Toler was held yesterday afternoon and he was buried in the cemetery here.

Mrs. Toler is slightly better, though still in a critical condition from the burns received. During the night the physicians attending her expected the worst at any moment, but there is now some hope of her recovery.

Since the reputed accident there have been rumors that the burning was not altogether accidental, though the truth of the stories will need an official investigation. It is said that there had been trouble between Mr. and Mrs. Toler and that the oil from which they were burned was purposely thrown on one another.

Mrs. Toler has admitted that they had a quarrel over \$2 which was missed from the till in the store. Mr. Toler accused Mrs. Toler of taking it. She then threw a raw tomato at him and he returned it with energy, and threatened that if she threw it again he would kill her. With this she said: "You won't get a chance, as I'll do it myself," whereupon she grabbed the kerosene can and poured the oil over herself, applying a match to her clothing and was soon enveloped in the flames.

Mr. Toler caught fire from her but it is believed he must have likewise been saturated in oil as the shirt he wore would hardly have burned so deeply, by the fire from the shirt goods. His flesh was burned through to the bone in places.

## HORSE RACING AT SIOUX CITY

Track Events at the Inter State Fair Were Speedy—One of his Favorites Distanced.

SIOUX CITY, Sept. 8.—Yesterday was one of the best days of the fair and one of the greatest racing days in the history of the city.

The races were called promptly at 1 o'clock and there was no delay in the program. The summary of events is as follows:

2:27 pace, stake, purse \$1,000—Miss Terrace, b. m., by Alcantara (Pike) . . . . . 2 2 1 1 1	2:20 Trot.
Pat C. b. g. (Whitney) . . . . . 1 1 2 2 2	2:20 trot, purse \$500—
The Elder (Avery) . . . . . 4 5 4 3 3	Winkle, b. m., by Harold, Jr. (Cunningham) . . . . . 6 6 1 1 1
Minnie Hern (Hurst) . . . . . 5 3 5 4 4	Lady Almoner, b. m. . . . . 2 1 6 2 2
Annie Woodcock (Wilson) . . . . . 3 4 3 5 4	Bonnie Medium, b. g. (Conly) . . . . . 1 2 5 7 7
Time—2:10 1/4, 2:10 3/4, 2:11, 2:13 3/4, 2:15 1/4.	Van Hart, b. g. (McCoy) . . . . . 8 7 2 3 3
2:27 pace, purse \$1,000—	Harold S. br. m. (Whitney) . . . . . 3 5 7 4 6
Miss Terrace, b. m., by Alcantara (Pike) . . . . . 2 2 1 1 1	Lutie C. b. m. (Rosentell) . . . . . 4 4 8 7 5
Pat C. b. g. (Whitney) . . . . . 1 1 2 2 2	Drift Away, b. s. (Chase) . . . . . 7 8 4 6 4
The Elder (Avery) . . . . . 4 5 4 3 3	Time—2:15 1/4, 2:16 1/4, 2:17 1/4, 2:15 3/4, 2:15 1/4.
Minnie Hern (Hurst) . . . . . 5 3 5 4 4	2:11 pace, purse \$500—
Annie Woodcock (Wilson) . . . . . 3 4 3 5 4	Rex Americus, g. h., by Green Bush King (Woods) . . . . . 3 2 1 1 1
Time—2:10 1/4, 2:09 3/4, 2:10 1/4, 2:11 1/4, 2:09 1/4.	Lady Knapp, b. m. (Whitney) . . . . . 1 1 5 4 1
The running race, one mile and repeat, had to go over until today.	Baby Kidd, b. m. (Parker) . . . . . 4 4 2 2 2

## SCHOOL CHILDREN STRIKE

Over Two Hundred Refused to Attend Chicago School.

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Over 200 children today refused to attend the Longfellow school yesterday until the principal who was transferred to another school during the vacation is returned.

Later the children decided to go back to school and submit to the rule of the new principal.

## BANQUET DEMOCRATIC EDITORS.

Clark Howells and Henry Waterson Made Principal Addresses.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—The banquet to the democratic editors last night was largely attended. Clark Howells and Editor Henry Waterson of Louisville, Ky., made principal addresses.

Tennessee Populists Meet.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 8.—A number of populists assembled in Nashville today to make an effort to reorganize the party in Tennessee. An electoral ticket is to be named, but owing to the general lack of interest among the former members of the party it is not regarded likely that any attempt will be made to put a state ticket in the field this year.

## ALABAMA MOB HANGS A NEGRO

Three Thousand People Smoked the Prisoner Out of Jail and Strung Him up to Tree in Court Yard.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Sept. 8.—A mob of 3,000 people took Horace Maples, a negro from the jail here last night and hung him to a tree in the court yard. The mob stood off a company of militia, the fire department and police, while they set fire to the jail and smoked the negro out. They then strung him up.

All efforts to cause the mob to desist from their efforts were useless.

## PRETTY GAME OF BALL.

Deadwood and the Soldiers Cross Bats at Ft. Niobrara.

FT. NIOPRARA, Sept. 8.—Special to The News: The prettiest game of ball he season was played at Ft. Niobrara yesterday afternoon between the Deadwood team and the 5th infantry and the score was as follows:

Deadwood . . . . . 0 2 0 0 0 0—6

Ft. Niobrara . . . . . 5 0 0 0 0 0—9

Battery for Deadwood, Cheatwood and Mitchell; for the soldiers, Freeman and Reed.

Deadwood has won 24 straight games this season out of 27.

## FREMONT OFFICER KILLED

WAS FATALLY STABBED BY TWO STRANGERS AT MIDNIGHT.

OFFICER CANNOT LIVE THROUGH Was Making an Arrest When the Men Turned on Him and Inflicted Deep and Fatal Gashes—City Aroused by Ringing of Fire Bell.

One of the Fremont police officers was stabbed several times last night by a pair of strangers whom he had arrested and was taken to jail. The officer was in a critical condition at 1 o'clock this morning, and was not expected to survive until dawn.

The Norfolk officers were called up last night and told to keep a look out for the two men wanted there and they made a search of the freight when it arrived here this morning, but without success.

Yesterday afternoon two strangers arrived in Fremont and commenced filling up on booze. Later in the afternoon and during the evening they created a disturbance on the streets, and at about midnight they were arrested by the injured officer and started toward jail.

In turning a corner some distance from where the arrest was made the prisoners turned on the officer and stabbed him so seriously that he will probably die.

One of the wounds and the most serious was in the left breast, just above the heart, where a long and deep gash was cut by the knife of one of the assailants. Another wound was in the officers' back, just under the ribs, and a third knife thrust took effect in the policeman's side.

After the assault the whole town was aroused by the ringing of the fire bell and a close search was made for the criminals, but at the last report they had not been apprehended.

The officer was in a critical condition and it is not believed he can long survive the murderous assault.

Telegrams have been sent to all the towns in the neighborhood and since midnight there has been a careful watch kept to prevent the escape of the men.

Trainmen report that there were a couple of tramps noticed on the rods under a car of the freight train that pulled out of Fremont soon after the commission of the crime. The men were noticed at a small station east of Scribner. At Scribner the train was searched but the men were not located and it is feared that they made their escape east of that town.

Another search of the train was made at this place, but no suspicious characters were dislodged and it is feared that the fellows have made a good getaway.

## NEW PARTY IN UTAH.

Senator Kearns Heads an Anti-Mormon Movement.

SALT LAKE, Sept. 8.—An anti-Mormon party has been formed, headed by Senator Kearns, and supported by the Salt Lake Tribune, which says that both political parties own an interest in ecclesiasticism.

Woodman Day at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 8.—This was Woodman Day at the world's fair and members of the Modern Woodmen of America were in complete possession of the order came in hundreds from all parts of Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota and other states, several of the delegations being headed by the governors of their respective states.

Formal exercises were held in Festival hall this afternoon at which addresses were delivered by President Francis of the exposition, Head Consul A. R. Talbot of the Modern Woodmen, Past Head Consul W. A. Northcutt and by several of the visiting governors.

## Secretaries of State.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 8.—A national convention of secretaries of state was opened in St. Louis, the secretaries of a number of commonwealths assembling in response to the invitation recently issued by Secretary of State Power of Tennessee. The object of the meeting is to establish some uniform system of corporate laws, by which each secretary may be in easy touch with the others, and facilitate the transaction of interstate business pertaining to that office.

## BIG BATTLE IS IMMINENT

KUROPATKIN PREPARES TO MEET JAPANESE AT MUKDEN.

JAPANESE APPROACHING BOTH WAYS.

Attempt to be Made to Surround the Russians, and It is Believed Fighting Will Soon be on—Russian loss 17,000 Men in Tea Days.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 8, 6:25 p. m.—Kuropatkin's official report from Mukden, sent last evening, says the whole of his army arrived at Mukden and is taking up positions around the city. It seems evident that Kuropatkin is preparing to meet the Japanese again should Oyama continue to press northward.

The Japanese are reported to be moving up on either side of the railroad, with a view to surrounding Mukden.

MUKDEN, Wednesday, Sept. 7, night.—Fighting has ceased and the Russian transports and army are moving without interruption. There is much uncertainty concerning the movements and purposes of the Japanese.

It is impossible to say definitely yet whether there will be another battle here or further north.

Kuropatkin is evidently not seeking a renewal of the battle with the Japanese, but if challenged he will not decline an engagement.

Kuropatkin's Loss 17,000.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 8.—The best information obtainable at the war office indicates that Kuropatkin's loss during the ten days' battle at Liao Yang was about 17,000.

Kuropatkin reports that he did not lose a gun during the retreat.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 8.—Lack of news, either official or newspaper dispatches, is very trying to the public.

In spite of the assurance that Kuropatkin's army is out of danger, no word from him has been given out for thirty-six hours and not a single newspaper dispatch later than September 6 has been received.

The emperor has received some additional information showing the tremendous difficulties he countered in accomplishing the retreat over the Mandarin road to Mukden, from which it is easy to imagine the horrible picture of army and baggage and transportation trains floundering northward over a road converted by torrents of rain into a river of mud.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 8.—There is not a single dispatch from the seat of war to let of conditions there. The general staff expresses the belief, however, that Kuropatkin is out of harm's way.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Experts believe that Kuropatkin intends to go on to Harbin, and say that the absence of Japanese advances from the field means nothing good for the Russians.

MUKDEN, Sept. 8.—News of a fight at some point between Shakhe, eleven miles northeast of Liao Yang and Mukden is hourly expected.

Among the reports current here is one to the effect that General Kuroki has been killed and two Japanese generals have been made prisoners, but no one seems to know where the reports come from.

## Engagement at Port Arthur.

CHEFOO, Sept. 8.—Chinese who left Port Arthur Monday, arrived here today. They report that severe fighting occurred on September 2. The Japanese attacked certain Russian positions on the east and west flanks of the defending army and the Russians allowed them to approach within a short distance of the defenses when they opened a heavy fire and compelled the Japanese to retreat after three hours of fighting.

An incident of the engagement was a clash between Japanese and Russian regiments of cavalry, resulting in the retreat of the former.

Japs Bombard Coast Town.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 8.—Two Japanese cruisers bombarded Korsakov, island of Sakhalin, yesterday, and fired torpedoes at the sunken cruiser Novik.

No attempt was made to land.

Battle at Sea.

WEI HAI WEI, Sept. 8.—Firing at sea was heard here last night and boats outside the harbor claim they saw flashes distinctly.

WEI HAI WEI, Sept. 8.—A British ship was among those which investigated the firing at sea last night.

She reports seven ships engaged and that they steamed away upon the appearance of the British ships.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 8.—A dispatch from Kuropatkin timed 6:30 yesterday evening, received later in the day, reported Kuroki's army about twenty-seven miles to the eastward of the railroad, and that Oku's army is twenty miles west of the railroad.

The general staff expects that a big battle will soon be fought.

## BURGULARS THREW CARBOLIC ACID

Miss Mabel McPherson of Chicago Will be Disfigured for Life—Men Took Jewelry.

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Miss Mabel McPherson of 1218 Sheridan road, discovered two burglars in her room early today.

They threw the contents of a bottle of carbolic acid upon her, burning her face and neck. She will recover, but will be scarred for life.

The burglars secured a quantity of jewelry and escaped.

## ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE KNIGHTS

Business is Disposed of and Delegates are given Over to the Enjoyments Provided for Them.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 8.—The bulk of the business of their annual triennial convention having been disposed of the visiting Knights Templars were left free today to join their ladies and friends in the enjoyment of the elaborate entertainment provided by San Francisco and the neighboring cities. A large party of the visitors devoted the day to an excursion to Santa Cruz, while others attended the drills at Golden Gate park or took jaunts about the bay to points of interest in the vicinity. The Earl of Euston and the other visitors from abroad continue to be the recipients of much attention. Concerts, receptions and other entertainments on an elaborate scale have been arranged for the evening.

Lord Minto Lays Stone.

CALGARY, N. W. T., Sept. 8.—Lord Minto and party visited Calgary today and were enthusiastically received.

The feature of the day's program was the laying of the cornerstone for the new English church, at which Lord Minto presided.

## FOR WIFE DESERTION

STANTON MAN CHARGED WITH BEING UNFAITHFUL.

ANOTHER FAMILY IN THE CASE.

Husband of One Woman Charges the Other Husband With Deserting His Family and Unlawfully Living With His Wife for Three Weeks.

STANTON, Neb., Sept. 8.—Special to The News: The case of the State of Nebraska vs. Rudolph Dressen came up for hearing before County Judge J. N. Vining yesterday, but was continued until the 20th of the month.

The defendant is charged with having unlawfully deserted his wife, Anna Dressen, on August 5, 1904, and from that date to August 28, to having unlawfully lived with Christina Hamann in a state of adultery.

The complaining witness is the husband of Christina Hamann and formerly lived in Dodge county, where divorce proceedings were instituted against him by his wife.

The defendant is an uncle of Christina Hamann, with whom he is charged to have committed the crime.

## DEARTH OF COTTON PICKERS

Workers in Texas are Deserting for the Fields to the North and the Planters are Fearful of Loss.

HOUSTON, Texas, Sept. 8.—Cotton pickers in southwest, central and eastern Texas are deserting their jobs for north Texas fields, where the crop is in great demand. There is considerable distress among farmers thus affected on account of the scarcity of labor, and fears are expressed that the crop will not be gathered before a spell of bad weather sets in, which will ruin that which is not already gathered.

## Utah Democratic Convention.

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 8.—The democratic state convention is in session today. The convention will nominate a complete state ticket.

## PARKER TALKS TO EDITORS

SEEKS ADMONITION IN THE VERMONT ELECTION.

PARTY MUST BE HARMONIZED

November Election Not Determined by Result in Hopelessly Republican State in September, But a Lesson is Conveyed to the Party.

ESOPUS, Sept. 8.—Alton B. Parker, democratic candidate for president, delivered a speech here today before a large number of representative newspaper men from all parts of the country.

He said in part:

"The coming election is not to be determined by the September vote in hopelessly republican states, where local issues are fought and the candidates even are grossly handicapped, but the result in Vermont admonishes us and there can be no harm in giving voice to the admonition, that harmonious co-operation of all and the elimination of personal, factional and unimportant differences involving no surrender of principle, are essential to success."

Charles W. Knapp of St. Louis also delivered a speech.

## FATAL COLLISION ON ROCK ISLAND

Two Persons Killed and Nineteen Injured, Four Seriously, in a Wreck Last Night.

TISKILWA, Ill., Sept. 8.—Two persons were killed and nineteen injured, four of them seriously, as the result of a collision last night of a Rock Island passenger train and the cars of a freight train which had been derailed near here last night.

## Assassinated in Florida.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 8.—The county superintendent of schools of Leon has been assassinated. Six negroes have been arrested. One confessed that they were members of the "Before Day Murder club," an organization similar to that at Statesboro, Ga. All were taken to Live Oak for safe keeping. Innocent negroes are in great alarm.

## FACTIONS MAKE A MESS

ROSEBUD TROUBLES REACH THE GOVERNOR OF OHIO.

HOW OVER NAME OF POSTOFFICE.

One Faction Believes It Has Succeeded in Having Name of Herrick Adopted, and Governor is Notified, but Other Wins With Name of Wilmett.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Governor Herrick of Ohio has been placed in a somewhat embarrassing position in the naming of a postoffice in the Rosebud tract of South Dakota. There are two factions in one of the communities there, one of which filed a petition asking that the office be named Wilmett, while the other, which included some natives of Ohio, requested that it be called Herrick. It is said that the senators and representatives from South Dakota endorsed both petitions and the Herrick people, concluding they had won out, wrote Governor Herrick telling him of the honor they had conferred on him. The governor sent a warm letter in reply and had upon its receipt come the announcement that the office had been named Wilmett. Now the Herrick people are endeavoring to have the name changed.

## ONLY FIVE DEMOCRATS.

Vermont Senate all Republicans and House Has Five Democrats.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, Vt., Sept. 8.—The returns from the state election show that the state senate will be solidly republican, and that the house of the representatives will have but five democrats.

## ROCKY FORD WATERMELON DAY

Custom Established More Than a Decade Ago is Observed by Colorado Town Famous for Melons.

ROCKY FORD, Col., Sept. 8.—In pursuance of a custom established more than a decade ago and maintained regularly since that time the town of Rocky Ford and the adjacent country today gave itself over to the celebration of "Watermelon day."

The valley hereabouts has long been famous for its watermelons and cantaloupes, the crop being considered the finest produced anywhere in the country and the product finding ready market in cities as far distant as New York and Philadelphia.

Today's celebration was held in conjunction with the Arkansas Valley fair and it attracted scores of visitors from far and near. The juicy melons of all varieties were much in evidence and it is estimated that not less than fifteen carloads of cantaloupes and watermelons were distributed free to the visitors.

## FILING BEGINS AT DEVILS LAKE

Only Twenty-six of the First Fifty Responded When Their Names Were Called.

DEVILS LAKE, N. D., Sept. 8.—Filing on Fort Totten lands has commenced and up to noon of the first day the regular allotment of the first fifty lucky number were called in the local land office. Bruce G. Warren of Forest River, N. D., who drew No. 1 in the drawing, was present when the land office opened and made his filing. No. 2, Alexander O. Rindahl of Rindahl, Minn., failed to answer the call.

Of fifty numbers called only twenty-six responded, but those not reporting are allowed another day to answer in rotation from one upwards until the first day's call is exhausted. No. 51 will then be called and the next fifty names in the original drawing recorded. This method will be continued until all of the 500 entitled to file have been called. Those failing to report upon second call will lose all rights to claims.

## NEBRASKA CROP CONDITIONS

Corn is Coming Along Nicely and Only Wants a Little More Time Before Frost.

LINCOLN, Sept. 7.—The weekly crop bulletin issued by G. A. Loveland, director of the department of agriculture is as follows:

"The past week has been cool with scattered showers. The condition generally has been very favorable for agricultural interests.

"The mean daily temperature has averaged 2 degrees below the normal. The maximum temperatures were generally slightly above 80 degrees on most days of the week.

"The rainfall of the week was confined to local showers occurring on August 29 or on September 1 and 2. The amount was quite generally less than half an inch but in some places it exceeded an inch and in a few northern counties it exceeded two inches.

"Threshing and haying have been retarded by rain in the central and northern counties, and in some places considerable hay was damaged by rain. In the southern counties haying and threshing made good progress and in all parts of the state this work is universally well advanced for the season of the year. The third crop of alfalfa is generally a good one and is largely secured in good condition.

"Corn has improved in condition quite generally and the early planted is maturing nicely. Some fields are now beyond injury by frost. In parts of the central and northern counties where the showers were heaviest corn has made rather slow progress towards maturity. The late planted corn has grown well but much of it is quite late. About two weeks of favorable weather will place the bulk of the crop beyond danger by frost, but some fields of very late corn will need three or four weeks yet to mature.

"Plowing has advanced well and is

## THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours Ending at 8 O'clock This Morning. Forecast for Nebraska.

Condition of the weather as recorded for the 24 hours ending at 8 a. m. today.

Maximum . . . . . 83

Minimum . . . . . 53

Average . . . . . 68

Total rainfall for month . . . . . 1.00

Barometer . . . . . 29.95

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau this morning, gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows:

Fair tonight and Friday.

now reported about completed in several counties. Very little winter wheat has been sown as yet although seeding commenced the past week. In many southeastern counties the soil is still dry for plowing and seeding. In other parts of the state the soil is generally in good condition for this work.

Potatoes are being dug in many districts and the crop is an unusually good one. In only a very few cases have reports of rotting been made. Sugar beets are growing finely and promise a large crop.

## GEOGRAPHIC CONGRESS

SCIENTISTS, EXPLORERS, EDUCATORS AND SCHOLARS ATTEND

DELEGATES TO GO TO ST. LOUIS

Commander Peary is the Active President of the Organization. President Roosevelt Will Receive the Delegates After Trip West.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—Men of distinguished appearance and whose furrowed brows evidence habits of deep study and thought filled Columbia university hall today when the eighth International Geographic congress was called to order by Commander Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., the active president of the organization.

These present numbered several hundred and included eminent scientists, explorers, educators and representatives of learned societies of America and Europe.

The sessions of the congress begun today will continue until the end of this week. The papers and discussions will cover the widest possible range of subjects relating to geography in all its branches, including descriptive geography, physical geography, commercial and industrial geography, and geographic education.

Special attention will be given to the discussion of methods of surveying and mapping and to the comparison of these methods as pursued in other countries with the work of the federal and state surveys maintained in the United States.

Following the general meeting in this city the members of the congress will proceed in a body to Philadelphia where they will be entertained next Monday by the Philadelphia Geographical society. The two following days will be spent in New York as guests of the American Geographical society, after which the delegates will proceed to St. Louis by way of Niagara Falls and Chicago. At St. Louis the congress will hold a three days' session in conjunction with the Congress of Arts and Sciences.

A far west trip is planned after the St. Louis adjournment, and on return to Washington President Roosevelt will receive the members of the congress.

## FOUGHT OFF PURSERS.

Pressed so Hard, Montana Horsechief Loses His Pander.

DEVILS LAKE, N. D., Sept. 8.—Sheriff Carmichael and State's Attorney Davis have returned to Cando, after a three days' chase of Ed Brown, a Montana horsechief. Brown stole a valuable horse from Joe Moreland near Cando. Pursuit was immediately started by the sheriff and posse.

The thief was overtaken by Moreland near Langdon in a sod shanty. Moreland advanced with a rifle and ordered Brown to throw up his hands. Brown was armed with a large revolver and warned Moreland not to be in a hurry. He then threw up his hands as if to surrender and at the same time dodged behind the door and closed it, whereupon Moreland fired into the door, but