

A DAY IN THE COUNTRY

LOCAL POET GOES INTO RHAPSODIES OVER NATURE'S BEAUTIES

GRAPHIC PEN PICTURE OF STATE

One of a Thousand Who Sees and Can Describe the Pretty Circumstances That Make Life Worth the Living—A Treat to Sentiment.

Out in the country, the wind, blowing over fields of new-mown hay and saturated with the scents of a thousand flowers is fragrant and health-giving. Long vistas of green trees and cornfields absorb the glare and temper the heat of the afternoon. There are no bare spots to create dust and the growing vegetation absorbs all noxious vapors. How restful to tired eyes and aching nerves to take a drive out along the country roads and down by the river, away from the work and worry, the dust and noise and ill smelling odors of the town! Great banks of gaudy sunflowers in full bloom skirt the roadside, gorgeous and beautiful were it not for that familiarity that breeds contempt. The stately cardinal, the yellow plumes of the beautiful golden-rod, the purple aster and the delicate lappula fill the fences and roadways with exquisite blotches of color. Anon the road crosses a bridge and on either side are the cool inviting shadows of the woods and the soothing melody of the river beneath us. Cattle come lazily down to the river and standing where the running water gurgles lovingly against bars of smooth, wet sand, drink greedily with a look of deep content in their dreamy brown eyes. Butterflies zig-zag in their erratic flight as if life was a jest and summer undying. Down where the river widens and its current runs leisurely along, as if taking a breathing spell, snipe are scurrying about, and a family of young teal flash past with a swish of wings, a reminder of the sport that is coming among those lily pads. A quail pipes to his mate from the wheat stubble calling up pleasant anticipations of golden autumn days in the stubble or weed patches when the hoar frost will glitter in the morning sunshine and with gun and dog we go out for a morning with the birds. Someone has steeled the "useless" energy "wasted" on catching a few fish or pursuing the wary chicken, as if life was given us to pursue dollars or as if a man could live always. There are just so many days work in a man, and he they more or less, ultimately death calls him from labor. A man simply localizes a portion of the general wealth, perchance for someone else to dissipate it, and he who goes out into the fields and breaks away from the grind of work re-creates his body and renews his mind. The fish and chickens are only incidents.

The tinkling note of a belated bobolink and the rapturous strains of the meadow lark come to our ears from the newly-mown meadows. Along the margin of the alfalfa fields nature has scattered a lapful of trailing vines. The blush of autumn is coming to the sumac and the ruby to the plum thickets. What sport there will be later among the young rabbits that frisk about now in those thickets. Just now even Jejunum trots sedately behind the buggy and in a tolerant, large hearted way refrains from chasing them. Perhaps it let it influence of the season that fixes a truce between the rabbits and their ancient enemy, the dog. Who shall say what laws or language guide or control nature's creatures that lead them at times to tolerate or even respect each other and refrain from violence? This is the farmer's busy season. Great stacks of hay are going up, threshers are at work, stubble is being plowed and the perfumes of fresh earth, clover and alfalfa are wafted from the fields as we journey past farms and meadows. In the pastures cattle are standing knee deep in grass. Never was there such a prodigality of fodder as this year and to garner it men, women and children are out in the fields, mowing, raking and stacking great stores for winter. A day in the country at this season is a rare treat.

FRIDAY FACTS.

School has commenced in district No. 8, west of town, with Miss Jennie Mills as teacher. Miss Kathryn Shaw gave a 6 o'clock dinner last evening to a number of her girl friends. A Spence was over from Madison yesterday. M. D. Tyler made a business trip to Fullerton yesterday. T. J. Donohue was in the city this morning from Bonesteel. Celia Peterson of Humphrey was shopping in the city yesterday. A daughter was born at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Green last night. Miss Grace Losch of West Point is visiting at the home of W. N. Huse. C. J. Alexander of Bonesteel came in on the morning train this morning. Miss Eloise Rowan of Columbus arrived in the city last night for a visit with Miss Josephine Butterfield. Miss Bertha Pilger left this noon for Anoka, where she is to be principal of the schools. Miss Speice of Chicago is expected to arrive Monday to take a position as trimmer for the Durland sisters. A daughter was born yesterday to Mrs. Helen Peterson at the home of Mrs. Pofohl on South Fourth street. Miss Helen Maylord returned this noon from Deadwood, S. D., where she has been visiting for some time past. Rev. J. F. Poucher left this morning for Omaha, where he will visit Dr. F. M. Sisson in the Methodist hospital. Miss Hattie McKim arrived in the city last night from Salina, Kan. She will visit with Dr. McKim at 300 South Fourth. The 7-year-old son of Mrs. Harnard who has been so sick with scarlet fever, died last night and was buried this morning. Conductor Fox being much improved expects to leave with Mrs. Fox on Monday for Chicago for a visit

with his son Guy. Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Darland, Miss Myra Mapes and Mr. S. Corwin returned last night from a four days' trip to the state fair.

Miss Florence Parker was in the city this morning on her way to Genoa, where she will teach this year. She will make her home with her sister, Mrs. Pugsley.

Mrs. L. A. Sims of Fremont is in the city visiting friends. Mr. Sims is one of the brakemen that have been transferred to Norfolk. They will rent a house and move here soon.

The Orfhausen jewelry store in the Richards block has just been handsomely decorated and otherwise placed in order for the coming fall and winter rush of business.

The cool nights have interfered with the curtailment of the swimming season for the boys, the chill of the night being left in the water for the day time so that the sport is not as attractive as it was earlier in the season.

The front of the Marquardt block is being repainted and will present a greatly improved appearance when completed. The swinging of the workmen from the top of the three-story building attracts the attention of all passers-by.

The saloon of the Miller Brewing company at present located in the Pacific block, has rented the store room in the Estabrook block formerly occupied by the Palace Shoe store and will soon move into its new location after the building has been fitted up for its occupancy.

Reuben Kiesau, the 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Kiesau, gave a very entertaining recital Thursday evening at the home of his parents on South Tenth street, assisted by Ray Estabrook, violinist, and Miss Beulah Hayes, vocalist. The youthful trio rendered a delightful program and the assembled guests spent an enjoyable evening.

The approach of the theatrical season is shown in the increasing number of theatrical announcements that are being received, although the plans for the season have not been announced by the Auditorium management. One of the early announcements is of "The Great Brindamour, the White Maharaja." One of Brindamour's most notable feats is to be handuffed in the regular way by the officers of the law and placed in a steel cage in jail, from which he mysteriously makes his escape. He is said to do it in three minutes, and the cell door is left closed and locked after his escape. How he manages it he alone knows.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

Mrs. T. E. Odorne is in Sioux City this week visiting the family of her brother, W. C. Davenport, and attending the interstate fair.

Dr. Frank Osborn, physician at the institute for feeble minded at Beatrice, came home last evening on account of the illness of his father, A. Osborn.

Miss Bertha Washington, daughter of Richard Washington, porter at the Oxnard, left this morning for Sioux City where she will attend the fair and then go to school.

Misses Mae, Edith and Alice Barrett, have returned from a two weeks' visit with friends at Sterling, Ill. While they were absent Alice fell from a horse and brought home with her a badly bruised arm as the result.

M. J. Dederger was in the city from Wayne, yesterday.

C. Read of Butte came into the city on the morning train.

Larry Gillian of Wausau transacted business in the city yesterday.

Mr. Allen Gaines went over to Sioux City yesterday morning for the fair.

Lizzie Beller and Mary Backus were in the city between trains from Lindsay.

Jas. Dover and W. Bryant of Madison were in the city over night last night.

Mrs. A. Billerbeck and son of Osmond were shopping in the city yesterday.

J. W. Edwards went to Sioux City this morning to attend the fair and see the horse races.

Arthur Oelke and C. Ulrich came down from Pierce this morning to be present at the Scott trial.

W. C. Ahlman went to Madison this morning to join the Madison band in preparation for the Tilden carnival.

John Reed is home from Chicago for a few days, preparatory to going to Lincoln to attend the university this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nordwig have moved to a cottage on North Ninth street.

At the meeting of the Ladies guild of Trinity church it was decided to hold their annual sale and chicken pie dinner the first week in December.

The Ben Hurs held a meeting last evening and at the close of the business session all present adjourned to Kaffman's ice cream parlors where they spent a happy hour over ice cream and cake.

DAMAGE BY LIGHTNING

ELECTRIC STORM OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT HITS HARD.

SEVERAL FARMERS SUFFER LOSS

One Farmer Northeast of Norfolk Had Nine Head of Cattle Killed and Another Living South of the City Has Grain Stacks Destroyed.

Reports from the electrical storm of Wednesday night indicate that considerable damage was done in the country districts nearby and some of the freaks of the fluid are probably yet to be reported.

Wm. Kenebal, who lives on rural route No. 4, south of Norfolk, lost two stacks of grain by reason of the storm, they having been struck by lightning and burned, causing quite a serious loss in this season of high prices and scarcity of the cereals.

John Went, who lives northeast of Hoskins and was in Norfolk yesterday, said that at a farm lying near where the counties of Madison, Pierce, Wayne and Stanton join, he counted nine head of cattle in a bunch that had been killed by a lightning bolt, and he heard that about twenty head of stock had met the fate of the nine in that part of the country.

E. Boldt, living west of the hospital, had three hogs killed by a bolt of lightning that struck a tree under which they were lying. He is also the owner of the nine head of cattle that were killed in the pasture of H. Puls. The animals had their heads through the wires when they were electrocuted. He carried insurance in the Farmers Mutual and will recover two-thirds of their value.

TRIAL OF JOS. SCOTT

CAME UP BEFORE JUSTICE HAYES THIS MORNING.

CAGLE IDENTIFIES THE PRISONER

In the Witness Stand, Ollie Cagle Positively Swore That Scott is the Man Who Slugged Him on the Last Night of the Tournament.

The hearing of Joseph Scott, charged with assaulting Ollie Cagle on the last night of the firemen's tournament in Norfolk, came up before Justice Hayes this morning. H. F. Barnhart of Pierce appears for Cagle and Burt Mapes on behalf of the state, while the defense is represented by M. B. Tyler of this city and Attorney France of York.

Cagle, Dr. Bear and Walter Brown were sworn for the state, and Scott and Stafford for the defense.

In his testimony on the stand, Cagle positively identified Scott as the man who struck him on the night of the assault. He described how he was going down the street with a party of young friends and remembers Scott as having stepped out from the building and slugged him. This was Thursday night and he remembered nothing more until Monday morning.

Cagle is still suffering from the injuries received. The right side of his face is paralyzed, although it is getting better right along.

Rural Route No. 3. School has commenced all along the route. Miss O'Connor has the first school north of town on First street.

The name of the teacher of the school five miles north has not been learned. In the north school in district No. 5, Pierce county, Miss Nettie Littell of Pierce, is teacher and in the south school in district No. 5, Miss Lillian Willis of Battle Creek, is teacher. In the Fred Dederger district Miss Dora Van Blaricom teaches—this is her second year here. In the Smith district Miss Etta Smith is the teacher—she also taught here last year.

Corn is in fine condition and a good deal of it is now out of the way of frost. The very latest will be pretty well matured in a week or ten days, if the present kind of weather continues. Farmers are plowing but little—it is too dry north of Hadar. Hay-making and threshing are progressing nicely. Everyone is busy and cheerful over the prospect for prosperous times.

THE MODERN BROTHERHOOD

THIRD DISTRICT CONVENTION IN NORFOLK TODAY.

THIRTY-SEVEN DELEGATES HERE

Convention is for the Purpose of Electing Three Delegates to the Supreme Convention to be Held in Minneapolis October 12.

The third district convention of the Modern Brotherhood of America is being held in the city today, for the purpose of electing three delegates to the supreme convention which is to be held in Minneapolis on October 12. The convention was called to order at 11 o'clock this morning and organized by the election of S. A. Stinson of Dakota City as temporary chairman and Max Ammus of Norfolk as temporary secretary. After organization the convention adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The meetings are being held in Odd Fellows hall. There are twenty-seven lodges in the district, entitled to 37 delegates. It is expected that before night nearly all if not quite all of the delegates will be present.

Sugar City lodge is represented by M. C. Hazen, W. B. Vail, Max Ammus and J. M. Covert. The local lodge will act as hosts to the visiting delegates and a fine entertainment is promised for both afternoon and evening. This evening the work of the order will be exemplified at the hall.

Letter List. List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice at Norfolk, Neb., September 6, 1904: Miss Etta Collins, Mrs. John Lynn. If not called for in fifteen days will be sent to the dead letter office.

Parties calling for any of the above please say "advertised." JOHN R. HAYS, P. M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Rock County Workers Meet at Bassett for Interesting Session.

BASSETT, Neb., Sept. 8.—Special to The News: A county Sunday school convention was held here Sunday, with twenty-two delegates in attendance, representing five Sunday schools. G. S. Haller of Cuba, Neb., was elected president of the county organization for the ensuing year and F. A. Coleman of Bassett, secretary and treasurer. Miss Helms taught the primary class in the morning session of the Sunday school while the remainder of the school watched her and took notes.

In the evening Miss Helms delivered a very interesting lecture on her trip to and from Jerusalem. She is a very entertaining speaker and an earnest worker and the christian people who were in attendance felt a spiritual uplift which will long be remembered.

SEVENTEEN INNING GAME. Humphrey Defeats Creston After a Close and Hard Struggle.

HUMPHREY, Neb., Sept. 6.—Special to The News: In an exciting game of seventeen innings Humphrey defeated Creston on the home grounds Sunday by a score of six to four.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS CASE. Tragic Death of the Cave Brothers Cannot be Explained.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 8.—Much mystery surrounds the death of Claude and Harry Cave of Dorchester, whose bodies were found near the Burlington tracks, four miles from Dorchester. At the inquest held at Dorchester the friends and railroad men could give no light on the deaths. The father only knew the bodies from letters and papers found in the pockets of their clothing.

When the foreman of the section gang at Friend rode to the end of his four mile division in the direction of Dorchester he discovered on the track bits of clothing, and, finally, flesh. For half a mile along the track pieces of human flesh were scattered.

Returning at once to Friend he notified Coroner L. N. Smith, who is a physician, living at the town of Western. At first it was thought but one person was killed, but investigation proved that there were two, because a large part of the body of one was found in the ditch near the line of the section districts between Friend and Dorchester. Papers on the clothing indicated Dorchester to be the home of the victims. Daniel Cave, a carpenter, when notified, believed the two were his sons. He went with the coroner and section men and identified the bodies from the evidence of clothing and more papers found.

How the accident happened nobody could say. The trainmen who testified did not recall seeing the young men. Several theories were advanced, but the jury ignored them in drawing the verdict. Some thought the lads may have gone to sleep on the steps of a westbound train, when the trains were all crowded, and that they fell off together after going beyond Dorchester. Others thought they may have gone on to Friend to dismount, and tried to make their return on the beams of a freight train. How they should have fallen together was the remarkable fact that could not be explained.

Claude was 15 years old and Henry was 16. The boys had been in Lincoln attending the state fair.

BURNED TO DEATH AT ANOKA. HENRY TOLER, GENERAL MERCHANT, DIED THIS MORNING.

HIS WIFE IS SERIOUSLY BURNED

In Attempting to Save His Wife's Life, Mr. Toler Receives Burns From Which He Died This Morning—Fatal Explosion of Kerosene.

ANOKA, Neb., Sept. 6.—Special to The News: Henry Toler, a general merchant of this city, died here this morning from the effect of burns he received yesterday in rescuing his wife, who was ablaze from a kerosene explosion which occurred while Mrs. Toler was attempting to start a fire in the kitchen stove.

Mrs. Toler has serious burns, but is still alive. Suffering from the agony of her burns and with her brave husband dead from his efforts to preserve her life, her lot is indeed a hard one.

Mrs. Toler was attempting to start a fire in the kitchen stove at noon with kerosene. The fluid caught fire, exploding the can and the blazing oil was thrown over Mrs. Toler, setting fire to her clothing. She ran into the store from the living rooms in the rear of the building, calling for help.

Mr. Toler ran to her assistance and in attempting to extinguish the flames his clothing became ignited and he was burned to a blister from the waist to the neck.

The little girl four years of age, escaped injury. Fire was set in the store room in the excitement and some damage was done to a pile of clothing before the flames were extinguished.

CONGRESSIONAL HEADQUARTERS. Republican Management of Campaign is Now Directed From This City.

Chairman Fales of the republican congressional committee has opened up headquarters in rooms 1 and 2 of the Bishop block, and from this time on Mr. McCarthy's campaign will be directed from this point. Secretary Jack Koenigstein of the committee is becoming busy with political affairs. Chairman Fales has been all over the district and he believes it is thoroughly organized and that Mr. McCarthy will have an increased majority over two years ago.

BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL

LET CONTRACT FOR FILLING IN FOURTH STREET.

APPOINT WATER COMMISSIONER

A Large Grist of Bills Against the City Are Allowed and There Were Some That Were Rejected or Laid Over for Investigation.

The city council met in regular session with Mayor Hazen and all councilmen present except Kiesau, Walker and Wilkinson.

The minutes of the regular session of August 18 and of the special meeting of August 25 were read and approved.

Mr. Dow reported that after investigation he thought that if the matter could be so arranged, a street light should be placed on Prospect avenue. The matter was allowed to go over until the next meeting.

The auditing committee reported back as correct the treasurer's statements for June and July. The regular reports of the treasurer, city clerk, street commissioner and police judge were read and referred to the auditing committee.

The street and alley committee reported that they had let the contract for filling Fourth street at forty cents per load of one and one-half yards to E. C. Cook and that they had decided that the street crossings on Koenigstein avenue under present conditions should be constructed of lumber.

The public works committee reported that they had heard from the Union Pacific water meter and that it would probably be here next week and would then be put in.

The nuisance committee reported a complaint of a water closet being in the alley running north and south between Fourth and Fifth streets, and the street commissioner was instructed to notify the owner to remove the same back onto the lot.

The chief of police reported that Mr. Collins was filling his lot, that Mr. Brunson had filled his and that Mr. Kriant was working at his and would soon finish the work.

The following bills, examined and approved by the auditing committee, were allowed:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Martin Kane, August salary and expense \$67.65; W. H. Livingston, August salary and expense \$40.59; Henry Miller, salary and labor \$42.88; Mages & Hazen, assigned by Henry Miller, labor on streets \$7.62; J. R. Hunter, draying for street commissioner \$75; F. E. Saterlee, labor on the streets \$1.20; Herman Gerecke, 15 loads of cinders and brickbats \$3.75; P. F. Sprecher, printing \$12.50; Edwards & Bradford, Lumber Co., lumber \$88.61; Silas Ball, labor on the streets \$2.25; Oscar Tille, assigned by T. W. Miller, labor on streets \$90; H. C. Walter, filling saws \$1.00; J. W. Duncan, labor on streets with team and hauling sand \$38.95; William Groundeman, labor on streets \$6.40; Ed Conley, labor on streets \$24.45; John Clemmons, labor on streets with team \$7.80; U. S. Dredge, labor on streets with team \$3.00; Edwards & Bradford, Lumber Co., three cars of sidewalk brick \$27.25; J. S. Stafford, painting Hook and ladder truck \$30.00; Norfolk Electric Light & Power Co., lighting city building \$9.50; Albert Deagner, hardware \$9.25; Fred Klentz, sprinkling streets \$20.00; J. E. Simpson, salary for July and August \$50.00; August Grant, salary for July and August \$60.00; I. T. Cook, hauling coal to pumping station \$9.57; Oscar Tille, supplies to pumping station \$1.45; Norfolk Electric Light & Power Co., lighting pumping station \$3.00; Norfolk Electric Light & Power Co., street lighting \$60.00; Norfolk Light and Fuel Co., street lighting \$60.00.

The bill of W. L. Kern for \$17.00 for salary and replacing coupling on the fire hose was allowed less \$5.00, allowed to H. W. Winter for flushing hydrants.

The bill of C. W. Davidson of \$50 for special police was allowed, less \$2.50 for poll tax for 1904.

The street commissioner was allowed a warrant for \$2.50 for poll tax for C. W. Davidson.

Bill of Ed Rhulow of \$1.05 was allowed.

The bill of I. T. Cook for \$10.50 for labor and hauling sand and brick was allowed.

Bill of Wm. Blucher of \$30.30 for laying sidewalk was allowed.

Bill of David Signor of \$10.63 for damages for property destroyed by street commissioner in removing same from the streets was rejected.

Bill of Dr. Bear was presented and referred to auditing committee.

The bills of the Norfolk sanitarium and of Drs. Salter & Salter were presented and referred to the city attorney for investigation and report at the next meeting.

Ordinance No. 277 was read the third time and upon roll call the following vote was recorded on the final passage of the ordinance: Ayes, Gow, Pasewalk, nays, Halvestine, Parish, Spellman. There not being a majority of the votes in favor of the ordinance, it was declared not passed.

A communication regarding the selling of the old fire hose was read.

Wm. Ahlman stated that he could not conveniently fill in and put in a permanent walk along his Norfolk avenue property unless the adjoining lot owners did the same and requested time until they were ready to fill and build, but the matter was

not taken up by the council. The mayor stated that it was necessary that a water commissioner be appointed and named H. L. Spaulding for the position for the remainder of the year.

A vote was taken, resulting as follows: For confirmation 5 votes, against confirmation, none, and as there was a unanimous vote in favor of the confirmation, H. L. Spaulding was declared appointed as water commissioner. The council then adjourned.

THE VERMONT ELECTION

REPUBLICANS HAVE MAJORITY OF ABOUT 33,000.

FIRST ELECTION OF THE YEAR

National Significance as a Political Stray—Republicans Elect State, Legislative and Congressional Tickets. Vote of Other Years.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, Vt., Sept. 7.—Late returns show that the republicans have won a sweeping victory in the elections held yesterday throughout this state, and that the plurality is greater than that returned for governor since 1896.

When the returns are all in it is believed that the plurality for the republican ticket will not prove far from 33,000.

The republicans have elected the entire state, legislative and congressional tickets. This was the first election to be held this year and for this reason it was given national significance.

Congratulates Roosevelt.

WALDEN, Vt., Sept. 7.—Charles J. Bell, the successful candidate for governor of Vermont, has wired President Roosevelt as follows: "Tuesday's plurality of over thirty thousand in Vermont points toward victory for Roosevelt and Fairbanks in November."

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