

Crops Good Around Sidney. Crops around Sidney are in good shape, according to the following letter to Raasch Bros. of Norfolk: "Sidney, Neb., June 24.—Raasch Bros., Norfolk, Neb.—Gentlemen: Relative to your inquiry concerning weather conditions with us we can say that we are in a better position than most parts of the state and in fact, the greater share of the small grain countries. A very small amount of our small grain has been injured a trifle, but the balance looks very good and we do not feel but what we will have a good crop this summer. We have had two good rains this week and we are expecting another tonight. However, we can do without it nicely for a day or two yet.

He Blew Up Soda Fountain. Madison, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: A soda fountain blew up in the drug store of Leo Schumann here today and Mr. Schumann was quite severely injured. He was pumping up the soda fountain with carbonated water and got too much pressure into the tank. The fountain blew up and went all to pieces. Mr. Schumann's clothing was partly torn off, his face cut and he was knocked down. He is 65 years of age.

A piece of copper from the tank blew into a 2x4, broke the 2x4 and was embedded so deeply that it could not be removed.

Middlebrook-Clark. Nebraska State Journal: A very pretty wedding occurred at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. John Willis Clark, Jr., Little City farm, near Reserve, Kan., Wednesday morning, June 22, when Miss Ruby Geneva Clark, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark, was united in marriage to Frank Clarence Middlebrook of Robinson, Kan. Only the immediate relatives of the bride and groom were present.

The clerks at the Fair store held a picnic yesterday down at Boche's, south of the Junction. About twenty-five clerks are employed in the store and nearly all were present. They were conveyed to the place in a double-seated rig, a lumber wagon and the Fair store drag wagon, there being three loads of them. They took their fishpoles and Clint Asher was fortunate enough to land a catfish weighing something over five pounds. They started about 9 o'clock in the morning and reached home about 8 o'clock in the evening, all very tired but all reporting a fine time and ready to go again.

Paving Bids Are Held Up. The letting of a paving contract for Norfolk avenue has been delayed. Out of the numerous contractors who were in the city, but two filed their bids with the city council last evening, although two others were seated in the council chamber. The bids were not filed until a late hour, and the general sentiment was that there was not enough competition.

The council, upon recommendation of the delegation of business men, appointed Councilmen Coleman and Dolin and City Engineer Tracy to visit other cities to ascertain the amount expended for similar paving. Two business men will probably go with this committee on their trip of investigation. It was thought the two bids filed with the council were too high and the meeting was adjourned until Friday night.

The bid filed by the Katz Craig company of Omaha, providing for a stone base foundation with Purinton brick, amounted to \$2.34 per square yard; for a gravel base, \$2.29.

M. Ford's contractor of Omaha bid \$2.38 per square yard for a crushed stone base, Purinton brick; gravel base, \$2.35.

TUESDAY TOPICS. C. Lichtenberg of Hadar called on friends here.

Alfred Lantz of Winside was in the city on business.

Mrs. William Marotz of Hoskins was a visitor in the city.

Mrs. John Troester of Lincoln is in the city visiting with relatives.

Attorney John A. Ehrhardt of Stanton was in the city on business.

M. W. Spenner has gone to Naper to spend a week's vacation with his parents.

tate man of Phillip, S. D., was in the city transacting business.

Mrs. J. Tally, who has been here visiting with her sister, Mrs. C. B. Cabaniss, has gone to San Francisco.

Miss Lena Munsterman has returned from a week's vacation spent with friends at Sioux City and Hartington.

Mrs. C. R. Reed returned from Sioux City Monday evening. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. H. B. Rhodes.

Miss Mattie Gurley of Beloit, Kan., is in the city to spend the summer with the Misses Emma and Minnie Braasch.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Braasch have gone to Hot Springs, S. D., Colorado and Kansas for an extended visit with relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Kingsley and children, Miss Krissie and Richard, and Walter Pilant returned from a week's visit with relatives at Omaha.

Mrs. C. A. Young of Dawson City, N. M., who has been in the city visiting with her sister, Mrs. S. A. Miskimins, has gone to Emmetsburg, Ia., to visit with relatives.

The infant child of Rev. A. Kersten is reported quite ill.

Every employe in the Durland Trust company's office is wearing one of those big "Teddy smiles," owing to the fact that a son was added to the meal list of one of their staff, L. B. Nicola.

Constable A. W. Finkhouse was appointed extra policeman during carnival week.

Mrs. Walter Jones has been called to University Place, Neb., where her sister, Miss Dixon, is reported very ill.

Mrs. R. E. McLeester of Omaha is reported quite ill. Her mother, Mrs. M. J. Sanders, has gone to Omaha to visit her daughter.

Fred Evans of the Naper Advertiser was in the city. He says the crops around Naper have been greatly benefited by the recent rains.

The state hospital for the insane at Norfolk will retain its old telephone system, having renewed the contract of the Nebraska Telephone company.

Matt Shaffer, Jr., a Northwestern employe, is suffering from a half an inch cut on his upper lip as the result of a wrench in the hands of a companion striking him.

Myron Gill, who broke his arm a few weeks ago as the result of falling from a wagon heavily loaded with sewing machines, is able to be out on the street again. The fracture is healing rapidly.

H. W. Krauel, a Northwestern fireman, is suffering from a sore on his left arm as the result of a burn becoming infected. The burn is the result of Krauel hitting his elbow against a boilerhead.

S. A. Miskimins has resigned his position with the C. S. Hayes jewelry store and has been appointed manager of the special sales of the Schmoeller-Mueller piano company of Omaha, with headquarters in this city.

According to a letter received by relatives from Mrs. Ludwig Koenigstein, who is now at Rochester, Minn., with her mother, Mrs. Asmus, she will return to Norfolk Sunday, Mrs. Asmus having recovered sufficiently to be able to travel.

The recruiting officer of the local militia company is well satisfied that his company will go to camp at Fort Riley this year. The list of recruits is reported to be quite large. The company held their regular weekly drill last night.

Judge Welch held a short session of the district court at Madison Tuesday. A number of equity cases were called. Among the Norfolk attorneys who made the trip to attend court were Jack Koenigstein, Burt Mapes, M. D. Tyler and H. P. Barnhart.

Frank Connelly, traveling salesman for the George M. Conway Cigar company of Lincoln, has left for his trip through the sandhills. He will be gone about three weeks, much to the regret of his teammates on the travelers' ball team. He is one of their star players.

L. Sessions has just received a postal card from Ralph Luikart of Norfolk, who is enjoying a trip through Europe. The postal is written from Gibraltar. The writer speaks of a pleasant trip to Naples. Mr. Luikart is now enjoying his summer vacation from the state university.

Thursday evening another interesting and fast game of ball is promised by the city league management. This game will be played between the clerks and bookkeepers. The game is called for 6:30. The bookkeepers, who play the Edgewater team this evening, promise the clerks a defeat.

Fred Evans, son of the late C. S. Evans, the Norfolk inventor, was in the city to ship his father's invention, a perfecting press, to Omaha, where it will be placed on exhibition. Chicago capitalists, says Mr. Evans, are interested in the press, which was patented just before his father's death. Another invention of Mr. Evans is the Evans newspaper folder, which is now in use and being manufactured at the rate of thirty machines per day. Fred Evans is now editor of the Naper Advertiser.

Farmers through whose property the ditch which runs from the Raasch farm and connects with Corporation gulch, appeared before the board of county commissioners Tuesday at Madison to discuss what damage was done to their lands by cutting the ditch to the river, which they say has destroyed a number of acres of good hay land. The farmers, it is said, are not satisfied with the way the ditch was cut. Among those who went to Madison in connection with this case were: Ernest Raasch, Obed Raasch, W. Haase, Frank Wachter, Julius Heckman, Louis Tecker.

Want Boche Paroled. Efforts are being made on the part of friends of Herman Boche, now serving a ten-year term in the penitentiary for the killing of Frank J. Jarner, to get him out of prison on a parole. It is reported that an appeal to Governor Shallenberger will be made.

It will be one year on July 2 when Boche commenced his ten-year term in the penitentiary.

Mitchell-Harrison. Norfolk friends have received word of the marriage Tuesday in Omaha of Albert S. Mitchell and Miss Mae Harrison, both of this city. Mr. Mitchell is a well known commercial traveler making his headquarters here and Miss Harrison is a popular Norfolk girl. For some years she has been chief operator for the Bell telephone company, serving most efficiently in that capacity. She is the daughter of Mrs. George Dudley, sr., and a general favorite among a large circle of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell will make their home in Norfolk.

To Celebrate on the Fourth. Although Norfolk will not celebrate the Fourth this year, there are many towns in this territory which have now completed all arrangements for a big celebration. The majority of the programs are alike. There will be baseball games, balloon ascensions, horse races, fireworks in the evening and many other interesting features.

Among the towns which will celebrate are: Wayne, Winside, Verdigre, Stanton, Pierce, Anoka, Donlin's Grove, near O'Neill; Stuart, Duff, Twin Lakes, Springview, Inman, Gordon, Elgin, Madison, Winner, Gregory, Bonesteel, Wewela, Herrick, Witten.

Compliments for The News. The News is receiving just now a flattering share of national attention in the newspaper and advertising world. "Newspaperdom," a national trade magazine, printing the address given by W. N. Huse at the recent session of the Nebraska Editorial association, says:

The paper on "Foreign Advertising" read before the Nebraska Press association last month by W. N. Huse, publisher of The Norfolk (Neb.) Daily News, shows the trend of newspaper principles in the state of Nebraska.

It ought to be gratifying to advertisers to know that newspaper publishers in the west are so thoroughly alive to the necessities of the advertiser and so bent upon delivering newspaper values.

"Newspaperdom" heard of this address by Mr. Huse, wrote for a copy of it, and through the courtesy of C. B. Cabaniss, advertising manager of The Norfolk News, is able to print it almost in full.

It might be added that "Newspaperdom" sent a liberal check, altogether unexpected," to Mr. Huse.

Along this same line of comment upon Norfolk's paper, is the following very cordial item printed in the Omaha World-Herald:

For the first time the country newspaper has a place on the program at the national convention of the ad. clubs in this city next month. Space sellers and space buyers for newspapers, billboards, weeklies and monthlies have had a say before, but W. N. Huse, publisher of the Norfolk News, and widely known as a successful and talented man, will represent "The Country Newspaper" at that time.

Madison Co. Republican Convention. Notice is hereby given that a delegate convention of the electors of Madison county will be held in Battle Creek on Friday, July 8, 1910, at 1 p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the state platform convention to be held in Lincoln on Tuesday, July 26, 1910, the selection of precinct committeemen and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention. The several voting precincts are entitled to the following representation, based on one delegate for every fifteen (15) votes or major fraction thereof cast for George L. Sheldon for governor at the November election, 1908:

- Norfolk City—8 delegates
- First ward..... 8 delegates
- Second ward..... 13 delegates
- Third ward..... 8 delegates
- Fourth ward..... 5 delegates
- Norfolk precinct..... 8 delegates
- Battle Creek..... 7 delegates
- Union precinct..... 4 delegates
- Enola precinct..... 1 delegate
- Warnerville..... 3 delegates
- Jefferson..... 8 delegates
- Grove..... 5 delegates
- Highland..... 4 delegates
- Emerick..... 5 delegates
- Madison city..... 12 delegates
- Madison precinct..... 5 delegates
- Kalamazoo..... 5 delegates
- Shell Creek..... 17 delegates
- South Deer Creek..... 1 delegate
- North Deer Creek..... 2 delegates
- Meadow Grove..... 6 delegates
- Schoolcraft..... 3 delegates
- Fairview..... 4 delegates
- Valley..... 4 delegates
- Green Garden..... 3 delegates

C. A. Smith, Chairman. S. C. Blackman, Secretary.

145 Inches at Springview. Springview, Neb., June 27.—Special to The News: Keya Paha county, from one end to the other, received a soaking rain Friday night. It came just in the nick of time to save the small grain and make everyone look bright and cheerful; 145 inches fell here, according to the government gauge.

Tear Down Ranch Fences. Gordon, Neb., June 27.—Special to The News: The Spade ranch shipped nearly 1,500 head of cattle to their ranch near Lusk, Wyo., last Friday. They are having to ship a large number of cattle to Wyoming on account of having to tear down their fences placed around government land.

Wisner Man Fined. West Point, Neb., June 25.—Special to The News: Deputy State Game Warden Donovan filed complaint in county court against Fred Schrimmer of Wisner for illegally fishing in the Elk-horn river and upon hearing Schrimmer was fined by Judge Dowald.

To Contract for Paving. Bids for paving Norfolk avenue from the bridge to Seventh street will be opened this evening. About eight contractors will file their bids with the city council this evening. The city clerk and engineer have been busy all day piling up bricks expressed here by the various brick factories to be passed upon by the city fathers. Robert Klug has a sample of gravel filed with other exhibits of material which he will endeavor to have used as a layer under the brick pavement.

Norfolk Man Stops Train in Sioux City and Recover's Wife's Money. Sioux City Journal: James G. Burns of Norfolk, Neb., is singing the praises of the employes at the Nebraska street station. Mr. and Mrs. Burns are on the way from Norfolk to Rochester, Minn. While changing trains at the Nebraska street station last evening Mrs. Burns left her purse, with contents worth \$65, on a seat at the depot. She discovered the fact after the train had pulled out and informed the conductor. The train was stopped in the yards and Mr. Burns went back to the station, taking a later train for Rochester. He found the purse in the possession of one of the railroad "boys," who had been guarding it until the return of the owner.

While hurrying through the railroad yards Mr. Burns was a witness of an exciting scene when a switch engine ran into a man, hurling him to the side of the track. The engine was stopped and the train crew hurried to the assistance of the man who had been hit, but he quietly rose to his feet, brushed his clothes with his hands and disappeared in the darkness.

Guests Find It's a Wedding. At the bride's home at the Junction Arthur Stottenger and Miss Mabel Tanner were united in marriage at 8 o'clock yesterday morning by Roy J. Lucas of the Church of Christ. It was a great surprise to many of the friends and relatives who were present. They assembled for another purpose, but found they had met for the wedding. The groom is a Northwestern brakeman and both are well known at South Norfolk.

The Wisner Stock Show. West Point, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: The dates for the 1910 Wisner Stock show have been fixed for September 13, 14 and 15. This annual event has taken the place of the former Cuming county fair at West Point which has been discontinued for some years. H. A. Lelsy is secretary and L. C. Thienke manager of the show which has proven a very successful venture, securing large patronage not only from this county, but from the surrounding district.

Auto Driver Fined. Neligh, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Fred Raubach was arrested Saturday evening for driving an automobile belonging to John McLeod and not having the lights on the machine lighted. The fine of \$5 and extras was paid in McAllister's court yesterday afternoon.

Ed VanAllen was arrested yesterday morning on complaint filed by Officer Nichols for riding his bicycle on the sidewalks. It being his first offense, Police Judge McAllister let him off by paying a fine of \$5.45, which included costs.

Neligh School Board Meeting. Neligh, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: The annual school meeting of district No. 9, which includes the city of Neligh, was held yesterday afternoon at the high school building. The fact that a report had gained circulation to the effect that an effort would be made to do away with all the grades above the eighth, and causing the pupils in the higher grades to attend the academy, brought out the largest attendance that had ever before been at a school meeting. If there had been any inclination to that end it did not materialize.

J. J. Melick and O. A. Williams were quite indignant as being quoted promoters in this move, and their disapproval in addressing the assembly plainly showed that these gentlemen were innocent of the charge.

A levy of 25 mills was voted for the coming year. C. L. Wattles and George Fletcher were re-elected on the board.

Gilddens Leave Omaha. Omaha, June 28.—Dae Lewis, official pathfinder for the Gildden tourists, arrived in Omaha at 5:30 and was followed at intervals until 8:30 by the twenty-two cars following him. The 242 miles from Kansas City was made over the worst of dusty roads but no accident of importance marred the journey. The tourists were met and entertained by local automobile

clubs, many members of which escorted the visitors across the river in their way to Des Moines this morning. The tourists have covered 2,294 miles thus far and have 557 miles to go to reach their journey's end. Pathfinder Lewis said that this year's tour had been the hardest of any yet attempted and many hardships had beset the tourists since they left Cincinnati.

Cuming County Republicans. West Point, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Chairman F. D. Sharar has called the republican county convention for Cuming county to meet at the court house at West Point on July 12. Cuming county is entitled to nine delegates to the state convention. The call specifies 145 delegates from the townships and wards of the county.

Light Crop Near Gordon. Gordon, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: It is now feared that the existing drought has seriously affected crops in this part of the state. Small grain will not yield much more than half a crop. Prairie hay will be light. Alfalfa will yield fairly well.

The first cutting of alfalfa is expected to be harvested soon. On some ranches it is looking fine, but on the others it is thought that the severe cold of last winter killed it.

Horses Sell Low. Gordon, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Trueblood Brothers sold 250 horses at auction at the stockyards. A large number were well broken bred draft horses. Colonel T. D. Preece and Ward Masher were the auctioneers. In spite of the large crowd of horsemen present, buying went very slowly. Most of the horses were sold for about half price, but several for a good price. About \$75 per head was the average.

Cattle Shipped. Gordon, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Eddie Hill shipped four cars of cattle to South Omaha Sunday night.

Malone is Recovering. County Commissioner John Malone of Madison, who was operated upon in a Chicago hospital Saturday, is getting along nicely and his physicians promise that he will be out of the hospital in three weeks.

On His Way to the Fight. Ernest Yahr of Iron Ridge, Wis., was here visiting with Mrs. Pilger and Herman Gereke. After visiting his sister, Mrs. Dave Robertson, at Madison, he will go to Reno, Nev., to see the big fight.

Railroad Not Responsible. Regarding the item appearing in the Fairfax Advertiser, stating that Leonard Butka, a rancher, would sue the Northwestern railroad because his horses were held up in Norfolk under quarantine for glanders, General Superintendent Braden of the Northwestern says that the railroad company had absolutely nothing whatever to do with the case.

"The railroad was merely shipping the horses," Mr. Braden said. "The horses were held up in Norfolk at the order of Dr. C. A. McKim, deputy state veterinarian, and the railroad had no alternative nor any responsibility in the matter. It simply was obeying orders of the state authority."

County Option Organization. Neligh, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: A county option organization was formed in this city at the Methodist church yesterday afternoon. M. S. Paulsen of Lincoln was present and addressed the meeting. He also spoke in the Auditorium Sunday evening. The following officers were elected: William Campbell, president; W. C. Pike, secretary; T. S. Pexton, treasurer. F. P. Wigton of Elgin was elected a member of the executive committee.

A New Cemetery. West Point, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: County Surveyor Heller has laid out a new two-acre cemetery on the Oakland road, eight miles east of West Point, in the Swedish settlement.

Fierce Dakota Timber Fire. Deadwood, S. D., June 28.—The worst forest fire of the season broke out just out of Mystic. The area being covered is five miles wide and the flames are sweeping north. A special trainload of men to fight the blaze is on the way to the scene.

The timber fire which started about five miles from Sturgis is still raging and said to be increasing. One troop of soldiers from Fort Meade went out to fight it and two more went to the scene later. They will probably be relieved by others.

Civilians are also giving assistance.

Fire in Madison Theater. Madison, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: At 2 p. m. the city opera house was discovered to be on fire, the alarm being given by an employe in the Bell telephone office which is on the second floor of the opera house building. The timely arrival of the fire department and the absolute calmness of the atmosphere saved the city from a disastrous fire.

The exact cause of the fire is unknown although there is a strong presumption that it originated with some small boys smoking cigarettes on the stage. The loss is estimated at \$1,500, most of which was confined to the opera house auditorium. The building belongs to Adam Bechtel, Lincoln, Neb., and so far as known there was no insurance.

Bruin Makes His Escape. Neligh, Neb., June 28.—Special to

The News: One of the bears belonging to the Bobby Fountain horse and dog show managed to get away from his keepers yesterday. The show was in the northeast corner of the park, and brain wended his way toward the river, which did not hinder his progress as he calmly entered the water and swam across. It was with difficulty that he was surrounded and returned to the tent.

Rosebud Horsethieves. Valentine, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Joseph White Lance and William Ann are alleged to have stolen six head of horses from the Rosebud reservation and drove them over in Nebraska to sell. Ann was caught here and White Lance was got at the mission. They both are in jail at Rosebud now.

Was Almost Drowned. Valentine, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Young Hooper, a young man working here in the mill, came very close to drowning while in swimming in the mill pond. He got out where it was over his head and was unconscious when he was pulled out, but they brought him around all right.

He Says She Shot at Him. Valentine, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Mrs. Gerber was arrested and brought to town for shooting at John Brady, a rancher living neighbor to her. She shot at Brady twice, it is alleged. They have been having considerable trouble for some time. Her hearing will be held Friday.

Corn Doing Well. West Point, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: The alarming conditions caused by the severe drought and in tensely hot weather of the past eight days were relieved by a heavy shower of rain. Great damage to pastures has resulted from the drought throughout this entire section, in many fields the grass being dry enough to burn. Some farmers have turned their stock into the meadows. Small grain has suffered terribly, many fields being in a most deplorable condition. Corn has stood the dry and hot weather remarkably well and with a continuance of local showers will develop rapidly. The stand of corn is fine with a very healthy color. Potato bugs are playing havoc with the vines in spite of all preventive measures.

MOVE AGAINST BRYAN. Lincoln, June 28.—Following the setback administered to W. J. Bryan's leadership of the democratic party in Nebraska by the refusal of Governor Shallenberger to call an extra session of the legislature, rumors are afloat that the launching of a state democratic club at Columbus is intended by some of the prime movers to furnish the means for enabling the anti-Bryan element to seize full control of the party organization.

Several of Bryan's supporters scented a plan of this kind and will endeavor to prevent its consummation. The Bryan men will be represented at the Columbus meeting to watch things and if the scheme if attempted to prevent it.

The situation confronting the Nebraska democracy brings a reminder of the dual organization two years ago when the state committee and the Bryan volunteers furnished a double-headed campaign. T. S. Allen, the brother-in-law of Mr. Bryan, was then chairman of the committee and looked after the interests of the presidential candidate, while Chris Guenther and Arthur Mullen, working through the volunteers, managed affairs for Governor Shallenberger. This year the Shallenberger force dominate the committee and if the new state democratic club also falls into their hands it will give Bryan an uphill fight to maintain his present standing as the head of his party in this state.

The contest in the democratic ranks has been precipitated chiefly by Bryan's espousal of county option, which a large majority of the leading politicians in the party do not want. So long as he confined his attention to national issues and left state politics to be handled by those directly interested, they were willing he should remain the titular chieftain in Nebraska, but when he came out for state reform antagonized by the brewers they began to think it was time to put him on the shelf. This is the meaning of several developments, as mentioned observers interpret them.

The West Point Races. West Point, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: Elaborate preparations are being made for the first circuit race meet at West Point which occurs early in July. It is proposed to make this event rival any of the other races on the circuit. The business men of the city are pushing matters very energetically. Over \$2,000 is being expended on the grandstand and buildings necessary to accommodate the large number of horses expected and the public which will witness the races.

Gregory Beats Dallas. Gregory, S. D., June 28.—Special to The News: The game of baseball played here between Gregory and Dallas resulted in a victory for Gregory by a score of 13 to 6. Gregory has signed Ducky McNichols of O'Neill, he playing his first, and he proved to be much better than Burns of Nebraska City, who was just released by Gregory. Score by innings:

Gregory 5 0 1 0 3 4 0 x—13
Dallas 0 2 0 0 0 4 0 0—6

Batteries: Gregory, Kelly and Hoffmann and McNichols, Dallas, Porter and Hetz.

Summary: Hits, Gregory, 14; Dallas, 7; errors, Gregory, 4; Dallas, 4. Umpire, Parkhurst.

Gregory has scheduled the following games:

July 2, Omaha; July 4, Dakota

July 5, Lincoln; July 6, Lincoln

July 7, Lincoln; July 8, Lincoln

July 9, Lincoln; July 10, Lincoln

6. Herrick; July 9. Butte; July 10, Winner.

CLOSE CALL FOR A BOY. Neligh Lad in Suffocating Condition in Burning Barn, is Rescued. Neligh, Neb., June 28.—Special to The News: An alarm of fire was turned in from the extreme northwest part of town yesterday afternoon, and before the arrival of the department the barn and shed was a mass of flames and completely destroyed, and with it a quantity of hay and grain.

The place was rented by Tom Kaley. Mrs. Kaley was out looking for her youngest son, when she noticed smoke coming out of the door of the barn. She hurried as rapidly as possible and discovered the little boy on the other side of the flames and next to the north side of the barn in a suffocating condition. The little fellow was soon in his mother's arms and was carried to the house, and no serious results are expected. Had Mrs. Kaley been a moment later no doubt her son would have been in the ruins of the place that had been set on fire by him. No insurance is reported to have been carried on the property.

BASEBALL CHIPS. Jake Daubert of the Brooklyn is filling Tim Jordan's shoes at first base in great shape.

Elberfeld considers himself the lightest player in the major league. He weighs only 135 pounds.

Like most of the star infielders, Second Baseman Dick Egan of the Reds makes most of his errors on ridiculously easy chances. Hard ones never seem to trouble him at all.

Frank Chance and Fred Clarke, so rumor has it, are to manage from the bench next season. Campbell is slated for Fred's place, while Luderus will occupy the first cushion instead of Frank.

Christy Mathewson is having trouble with his left wrist. He says he doesn't remember having hurt it in any way, but it is stiff and painful. Although it doesn't affect his pitching, it does his batting.

Captain Chase of New York is among the leading long distance hitters of the American league, also among the leading base runners and run getters. That's the kind of example for a leader to set.

Bob Groom of Washington has developed into a finished pitcher. The improvement of the lanky twirler since last season is so marked that it is hard to believe he is the same man. Groom now has almost perfect control of the ball.

AFTER DIAMOND SCULLS. Three Canadian Oarsmen Figure on Rowing in England. There is a possibility that three Canadian oarsmen will compete for the Diamond sculls, which is one of the feature events of this year's Henley regatta in England, July 3 to 6. Lou Scholes and O'Neill, winner of the amateur sculling title at Detroit last year, have been in training for the event for the past few weeks, while Jim Cosgrave arrived in England recently ready to compete for world's sculling honors.

Cosgrave has a new Sims shell which he will use at Henley in July. It is made of Spanish cedar, weighs twenty-three and one-half pounds and is four and one-half inches deep in the bow. At the stern it measures three and one-half inches and has a lip of five and one-half inches. Its length measures twenty-five feet.

Lou Scholes expects to win the title again this year. Since he has gone into light training he says that he feels fit and that when he gets down to real hard work on the river he will surprise the rowing world. Scholes has captured the event before, and he knows just how to train for it. His boat is similar to the one owned by Cosgrave.

If O'Neill goes after the Diamond sculls, Canada certainly will be well represented, and the chances are one of the three will come pretty near carrying the honors as the world's premier shell artist.

DIAMOND CHIRPS. Brooklyn fans say that Tony Smith is playing a fine game at short. He is the best man there since Bill Dalen's days.

Infielders Johnny Evers and Tinker of the Cubs have robbed the Giants out of more close games than all the rest of the Cub players put together.

Outfielder Milan of Washington is unquestionably playing the best ball of his career this spring. Not only is he hitting well, but getting on the bases one by one another.

When Roger Bresnahan's pitchers have his team shored win just as often as it loses. Onkes, Huggins and Corridan are three most valuable additions acquired via Cincinnati. Then Mowrey for Charles also was a 100



O'NEIL, AMATEUR SCULLING CHAMPION.