### ITEMS OF **INTEREST**

ABOUT OUR NEIGH-BORS AND FRIENDS CLIPPED FROM OUR **EXCHANGES** 

SCHUYLER From the Sun.

Belle Newman and Janet McAllister of Columbus came down Monday morning to attend teachers' institute and to visit their friends Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dowell and family

The funeral of Peter Caha, aged 87 years, grandfather of Charles Tony and Joseph Kasper was conducted by undertaker Kolm last Sunday. He had been a paralytic for 12 years. Interment was in the Schuyler cemetery.

No. 5, tells us that Mr. Cannon presented him with two tomatoes (not rotten ones) that measured 13 inches in diameter. That sounds pretty big and they may have been pumpkins, but nevertheless those are some tomatoes.

ALBION. From the Argus.

standing in front of Ruddy's office, 815 feet up to the first ear? It was raised by Pat Malony on the Pittenger place Pat says he has 30 acres of it. It is the lowa Gold Mine. It was planted May 9.

Mrs. Katherine Lewis, who lives with her daughter Mrs. A. Green, of Middlethe farm on which she is now spending also part of the next day. When he got a two weeks visit with relatives in Kanher last days. The trip into the un- ready to return home his team ran away. known west was made on a raft on which He then telephoned home for another with her daughter.

news of a sad accident which has beof Berwyn, formerly of this place. to fifteen feet deep. Through some accident Ernest has lost one eye and is at present in an Omaha hospital.

A few of the farmers on this route are summer fallowing, that is, plowing very shallow to kill the weeds and catch and hold all the moisture. In the epring they will plow the same fields from 6 to 8 inches deep which will leave the ground in splendid condition for corn and not so apt to get hard and

received a telegram yesterday appris ing the management of the fact that the National Banking board had just grant ed them Charter 9831 which authorizes them to do business under the name of the First National bank, of Leigh. The First National bank will succeed the Farmers and Merchants bank and the Maple Valley State bank. It's capital is \$50,000. The National Bank examiners made a thorough investigation of the records of the present institution and finding everything in first class condition, issued the charter.

FULLERTON.

From the News-Journal. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stillman returned last week from their western trip. They report a glorious trip, but after visiting five western states decided that Nebraska was the best state "to live in."

Miss Gretchen Horst, of Salt Lake City, wired-the president of the School Board that she would be unable to fill her position as Latin instructor in our High School. The Board is very much disappointed as it is difficult to find a first class instructor at this late day as Mr. Williams, who carries rural route they are all engaged for the coming years work

Chas. Corriel brought in a bunch of cemed the finest we had ever seen. They were grown from the seed and measured from ten to thirteen inches in Did you see that 15 foot stalk of corn we see with the usual amount of mois-

From the Ontlook Mr. Wheeler Lyman, an old and highly respected citizen of Primrose, met a very sudden and peculiar death last Sunday while enjoying an outing at town, in Des Moines county, Iowa, has Freeman creek. From the reports we just reached the remarkable age of 101 have at hand, Mr. Lyman had drove to years. Mrs. Lewis came with her hus- Freeman creek Saturday afternoon with band to Iowa in 1844, settling down on the intention of fishing that evening, Mr. Lewis had erected a log cabin, and rig to come to his assistance. While sailed down the Allegheny river. In | waiting for the rig evidently he decided 1875 they moved to Nebraska, where in to continue fishing, and dropped his line 1887 Mr. Lewis died, and a few years in the steam off from the bridge, which later Mrs. Lewis returned to the old crosses the creek on the main road home to spend the remainder of her days The bridge is rather a rickety affair, and in leaning over the railing it gave away, and he fell headlong to the water below, striking his head on an old piling protruding from the water. This Relatives at this place have received no doubt, is what the post mortum examination revealed as not a drop of water was on the unfortunate man's fallen Ernest Staab, a son of John Staab lungs. The water at this place is seven

From the Gazette.

It is said that cattle have been disap pearing from some of the pastures around Bellwood and that a close investigation is being made.

The Nebraska law relating to automobiles makes it a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$25 for any person to operate an automobile at a rate of speed aster than one mile in six minutes in the close, built up portions of town or The Farmers and Merchants bank village, or at a rate greater than one mile in four minutes in other portions of the town or village. The safety of the public demands that this law be obeyed.

A pocket book containing about \$500 in notes and paper money disappeared from Jim Jackson's pocket one day last week. He hunted high up and low down in his little cabin for the missing money and also telephoned to Columbus, thinking it dropped out of his pocket while over there previous to its disappearance; but the missing pocket book and contents finally turned up between the screen and the door of his cabin. How it got there, he is at a loss to know.

Columbus.

From the Signal.

Fred Schulte arrived here Monday evening from Washington, where he went a year ago. This is Fred's second try in Washington in the last five years, and he thinks he has now come back to Nebraska to stay.

PLATTE CENTER

Ed Roberts has rented his farm land joining the village on the east to Dr. Benthack. He has also rented all his other cultivated land. Mr. Roberts has lived on this farm over forty years and he thinks he has earned a rest from managing it

Misses Agnes and Gertrude Lynch who had spent the week with relatives and many friends at this place, left Monday for Columbus, where they will make a short visit with friends before returning to their home at Minden, Ia. These young ladies formerly resided here with their parents, and are better known as the "Lynch Twins."

An accident rather painful but not serious is responsible for the absence of Mis- Stacia Cronin from her post of duty in the Bruckner store. Last Saturday night, during the storm, Miss Cronin arose to close a window, and being in the dark she struck her right foot with such force against a trunk that the nail on the large toe was torn almost complete-

A stalk of corn something over twelve feet high is on exhibition in front of the Glodowski hardware store. It grew on Eiler Bros. farm, west of town, and is a new variety here. It must have been propagated especially for the Eilers, as the ears grow seven and a half feet from the ground, and anyone of less length than they couldn't reach them without something to stand on.

Monday morning a small band of dirty greasy looking gypeies drove into town and the women, as usual, started out through the town soliciting fortune telling, and the children to begging. Marshal Carrig soon approached one fat old greaseress, who was apparently the boss, and in a few well chosen but impressive words informed her that they had best move on. They moved.

Mrs. Ernest Arndt, whose illness we reported last week, submitted to a serious surgical operation last Friday, by onions one day this week that to us Dr. O. Allison, of Omaha, at her home northeast of town. The work in this case by the noted surgeon involved the removal of a tumor, or abcess from the circumference, which is a very unusual right kidney. At this writing the patisize for seed onions. When they grow ent is slowly gaining, and an early rerelatives and friends.

From the Republican. Ralph Hollingshead of Arcadia, Neb.

s visiting his aunt, Mrs. J. R. Smith. W. L. Smith left last Saturday for Illinois, called there by the serious ill nees of J. F. Irwin's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Durham and children returned home Tuesday, after

Misses Ada and Mary Hendryx, who

have been guests at the Chas. Kelley nome, left Tuesday for their home in Not near so much fall wheat will be put in this year as last. 'A number of

farmers say their land blows away when Miss Jeanette Burris, who has been pending the summer in Oregon, Cali-

fornia and New Mexico, arrived Wednesday evening for a weeks' visit with her sister Mrs. F. A. Read. Mr. and Mrs. Vestal Moore returned last Saturday from their trip to Jones-

boro, Tenn., where they were called by the sickness of Vesta's mother. When they left Tennessee Mrs. Moore's health During the heavy electrical storm

last Saturday evening lightning struck the home of Mrs. L D. Smith, in the east part of town, and her daughter Lydia received a shock, as she was in the act of putting down a window.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Gerrard left Tuesday for an extended trip in the east, in cluding Auburn, N. Y., the home of Mrs. Gerrard's sister, Mrs. Weeks, They will also visit with Mrs. Shepherd, formerly Miss Fannie Weeks. They expect to be absent from four to six weeks.

Wednesday of this week T. N. Womack, who has been Union Pacific agent at Monroe for the last several months. was transferred to Yutan, Neb., and Robt. Daugherty, formerly agent at Tarnov, checked in as agent. Mr. Daugherty has moved his family here and is living in the John Smith building for the present, but will move into dwelling as soon as one is available.

CENTRAL CITY.

The new Union Pacific freight depot in

completed and ready for occupancy. Agent Tom Costello received a telegram Tuesday instructing him to make the change, but as there is no furniture in the new building he will not be able to of the work at the passenger station.

Sheriff Her was called to Salt Lake City Saturday night to take into custody Othello Evans who is charged with having recently acquired too many wives. Evans and Miss Grace Gorman, of Grand Island, were united in marriage in this city on August 3d. Rev. C. G. Williams performed the ceremony and at the time the couple gave their place of residence as Jackson county, Missouri. It has since developed that Evans has the amount of food contributed annualanother wife living in Kansas City. J. ly to help feed a hungry world. H. Gorman, father of Miss Grace, came down Saturday and filed a complaint in The first comes in the summer and is the district court, charging Evans with for initiating candidates. The second



## AK-SAR-BEN IS **NEBRASKA SHOW**

**Enchanting Festival of the North** Attracts Wide Attention.

STORY OF ITS ORGANIZATION

Ak-Sar-Ben to Trans-Missouri Country-Writer in Hearst's Papers Gives State Big Boost for Its Enterprise.

By Will A. Campbell.

ing festival as the Mardi-Gras of New Ak-Sar-Ben. Orleans could live in the practical such a festival in the south.

On the practical foundation of business, Ak-Sar-Ben has been built and has flourished. The festival is about to open in Omaha for the sixteenth year it is the presence of Colonel year and for the first time membership has been limited because of the growing popularity of the enterprise.

Void of all those things which set the world in love with dreams and phantoms: without sham grandeurs. really a big "boosters" organization which has done more to put Nebraska on the map and renew the confidence of her people, than any other force in the trans-Missouri country.

knights; big sounding titles go thun- the first time in the season the real dering along after the names of its personality of the king becomes officers, but the soul of Ak-Sar-Ben is known. He is always a gentleman of the co-operative spirit of the people of position and consequence as the "Rex" the middle-west the eternal effort of of Mardi-Gras, and it is an honor highthe business fraternity to boost for ly esteemed to be selected king of Akeach other and for the trans-Missouri Sar-Ben, so the mystery with which empire always.

the French and Spanish occupation not an account of the police. with the religious features knocked out. It is more than 'a tawdry masquerade of knights and nobles clothed in silken and Paris-made gorgeousness. Ak-Sar-Ben has a reason and has had since its inception back in those hard days when Nebraska and Kansas were thought to be a blizzard cursed western waste in the winter; sun baked prairles-the harbors of cyclones and grasshoppers in the summer.

"We must do something." said the men of Nebraska in 1895 when the veins of commerce had become so sluggish that the state had lost con-Adence and lay bankrupt at the feet of the national government. What to do was a mystery. Eastern insurance and trust companies became possessed by foreclosing of the most valuable real estate, some owning from fifty to one hundred pieces of property widely separated. Out in the towns and cities of the state homes of men were being moved to the ranches to house cattle and sheep in the winter that the more comfortable quarters might take the place of nourishing food.

Thus the Ak-Sar-Ben festival was born in poverty; planned with the belief that it would bring the people of the state closer together; keep their money at home and working. As they joined hands to hold this festival sixteen years ago, confidence began to return; an opportunity has been given each fall for taking an inventory of a graphic lesson in the advantages of co-operation has been driven home to There was something about the se-

lection of the name which increased this business fraternalism. True, the name is Neb-ras-ka reversed, but it is more than that. "Ak" is Syrian in its origin and is said to mean "head of a mousenoid." Then "Sar" is good Arable for "household," and "Ben" in the Hebraic is literally translated as "family" or "brothers of a household."

Thus there is a touch of Oriental enchantment about the word. There is Ak, the head of the household, or the king: sar, the board of twelve governors who manage the affairs of the festival: last there is the family called ben, which embraces the body of knights, and every true Nebraskan is a Knight of Ak-Sar-Ben whether he has been able to journey to the den in Omaha and attend the ceremonial or

The same spirits who organized Ak Sar-Ben made the Trans-Mississippi do so for several days. Mr. Costello's and International exposition possible office will be in the freight depot in 1898, and this enterprise marked the although he will still have general charge | close of stagnation and opened the era of prosperity in the middle-west; the period of the '90's,' dark with industrial gloom and commercial disaster, became history and the star of Nebras-

ka began its ascendancy. The men who have continued Ak-Sar-Ben for sixteen years and made it the most enchanting festival the north has ever known, are the men who have planted the boom seed deep in the soil and nourished it until Nebraska and Kansas are second to none in the individual prosperity of their people, and in

Ak-Sar-Ben has two distinct seasons.

is festival time in the fall. Beginning early in June the unknown



### king who is to be revealed and crowned in the fall, holds initiations in his great den every Monday evening. Business men of Omaha join each year and pay substantial initiation fees. Some 2,500 contribute thus annually. Every stranger within the state is knighted without paying a fee if recommended or accompanied by some Omaha knight.

. The initiations are unique, change each year and are originated and executed entirely by Omaha talent. Some of the ceremonials "would linger in the memories of your great great grandchildren" to use an expression of a distinguished visitor who knows.

Three presidents, McKinley, Taft Sixteen Years Prove Value of King and Roosevelt, have been initiated and Colonel Roosevelt returns this fall as a private citizen to renew his allegiance to the king. Foreign ministers, cabinet members, senators, army officers, governors of almost every western state and many eastern states. When Mark Twain wrote thirty have journeyed to Omaha, been knightyears ago that no such an enchant ed and experienced the mysteries of

All this mystery vanishes in the fall. north any longer than it could live in It is a season of great events. As the London, one season—the distinguished carnivals of Venice became famous in journalist did not know what kind of history because "no less than seven men and women the future citizens of foreign princes and thirty thousand tion. the middle-west would be; did not im- foreigners" attended them, so have agine that a foundation of business the festivals of Ak-Sar-Ben attracted fraternalism would continue a great attention because one hundred and festival in the north just as surely as fifty thousand people attend them anthe love of romance would sustain nually and men more then foreign princes have been guests of the organization.

Last year the event of the festival was the visit of President Taft. This Roosevelt.

The electrical parade of King Ak-Sar-Ben is excelled nowhere in the world. The scores of floats, different each year, move through the streets, bearing hundreds of actors appearing gauds and chivalries, Ak-Sar-Ben is as the men and women of song and story or as the oddities and pleasant creatures of fairyland. All these floats are brilliant with tens of thousands of electric lights which from the first succeeded the smoking and This festival has everything which flickering torches in the parades.

his personality is hidden all summer Ak-Sar-Ben is more than a relic of is merely for the sake of romance and During the summer and fall festival

> the country west of the Missouri river is referred to as the Kingdom of Quivera. This is explained by Samson. Lord High Chamberlain of the realm. Coronado, a Spanish grandee and adventurer was tempted one time by tales of a wonderful country north and east of Mexico, known as the Kingdom of Quivera and said to contain the sev en cities of Cibola, wealthy beyond comparison. Coronado made the jour ney to the northeast in 1540, crossing villages. He is said by history and fathe Kingdom of Quivera, wealthy "beyond compare," a land of promise and of gold-not that gold which is "hard and yellow, bright and cold," but the gold which is realized from the vast



A QUEEN OF AR-SAR-BEN.

agricultural area when cultivated by an industrious and intelligent people. Even the colors of Ak-Sar-Ben, the red, yellow and green, are explained as symbolic of the products which make the middle-west great; the red of the beef, the yellow of the corn and green

All this pomp and display of power; the mixing of progressive ideas with ages; these kings on thrones resembilng those in fabled isles of touristry: the knights swearing allegiance to the name of their state spelled backwards, have but one object—to bring men and women of the middle west closer together in a great co-operative movement to develop the country west of the Missouri river.

The success of Ak-Sar-Ben as an empire builder is unquestioned. For sixteen years his armies have battled with the knockers and the grumblers; the prairies have grown tired of producing sage brush and buffalo grass and are giving the world corn, alfalfa and wheat; every town is a bivouac of this army of boosters, and backed



A GRAND MUFTI OF AR-SAR-BEN by a series of successful years in agriculture, the middle-west will realize a record-breaking year when King Ak-Sar-Ben is crowned in Omaha. Oct. 7. 1910.—From New York Journal.

EVERYBODY MAY HEAR

ROOSEVELT IN OMAHA When Colonel Roosevelt speaks in Omaha Friday afternoon, Sept. 2, it will be to the general public and not to an exclusive few political admirers or members of any social organiza-

The great Omaha Auditoriumwhich the people of Nebraska helped build-has been engaged. It will seat comfortably 10,000 people and as it is fireproof there will be no fire department interfering with those who wish to stand in the aisles.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon Colonel Roosevelt will arrive at the Auditorium and make his address. It will be the only address he will make in WANTED going to the Ak-Sar-Ben den later in the evening and while he will be a guest at both a dinner and a luncheon in Omaha, he will speak but once-in the Auditorium, where all who come may hear him.

Only a few seats-150 to 200-have been reserved and all others are free to anyone who gets them. Visitors from outside will have the same chance as Omaha people.

SILVER CREEK.

Purl Rodd and family are back from Grand Junction, Colorado, preferring to live here to out there.

One of the finest young men of the No neighborhood, John H. Zipper of Polk county, has taken unto himself a wife. The girl of his choice is Miss Balbina No. Kotlar, daughter of John Kotlar of No. 21 Columbus. The wedding was held at the home of the bride's parents three No. 7 miles north of Columbus on August 22. The young people will settle down on their farm across the river and Sand wishes them much joy and that their No. 29 pas ... d 7.00 pm No. 30 pas ... a 1:10 pm No. 78 mxd ... a 6:10 pm

John McGinniss, who is out here from Cincinnati on a visit, is so taken up with this country that he has his eye on purchasing four sections of land and be coming a resident. His first experiment Arizona and through the Puebla Indian scared him a bit but he is not easily disconraged and we expect to annex him ble to have reached Nebraska—truly yet. One place he set his eye on was the jack rabbit farm northeast of Bill! Stumpp's place west of town. One of the jacks bit him but he soon found that he could outrun them and as he has not seen any Indians or coyotes he feels No. 22, Pass. (daily ex. Sunday) leave.....7.25 a m comparatively safe in this rapidly civilloid. 22, Frt. & Ac. (d'y ex. Saturday) lv.5:00 p m izing country.

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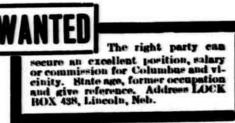
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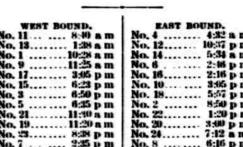
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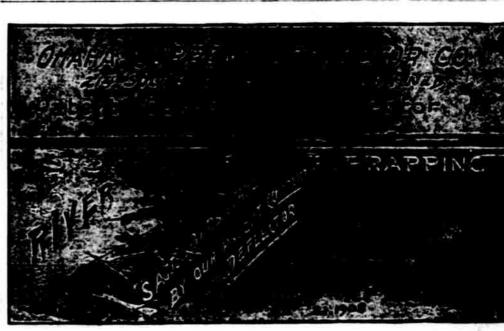




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