

NO FREE PASSES, NO WATER

Another Chapter in the Matter of Drink for the Epworth League.

DEFENSE OF SUPERINTENDENT COFFIN

Ord Editor Who is Entertained at the Insane Asylum at State Expense, Comes to the Rescue of Coffin.

LINCOLN, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Copies of a newspaper published in Ord, Valley county, and containing a column and a half in defense of Superintendent Coffin of the State Insane Asylum for his attempt to hold up the authorities of the Epworth league for over 100 free passes to the assembly, have been circulated in this city. The article goes into details concerning the position of the superintendent and shows that it was directly inspired by the superintendent himself, who entertained the editor of the paper and his family at the asylum a few days after it became known that he had refused to give the league water because his wholesale demands for passes were not complied with. This is a matter that has occasioned considerable comment among the 2,000 or 3,000 people who attended the meetings of the assembly and all agreed that the water furnished by the city was as good as any they had ever tasted.

It is admitted that the superintendent had no legal right to give away the state's water, as it was pumped at considerable expense and at the same time was not very plentiful. This admission is not very consistent with his policy of supplying the state's water so long as his demands for passes were honored and refusing it as soon as they were rejected. It is no asserted that the water furnished by the city was impure and unhealthful because it was pumped from a well that was long ago discarded because of its injurious properties. It is true that this well has been discarded, but the water in question was not drawn from it but from the regular city water mains, all of which are now in the same system.

The publication of this article in the Ord newspaper, which is republican in politics, is accounted for by the fact that the editor in another portion of the same edition, stating that the editor and his family had enjoyed the hospitality of Superintendent Coffin for a whole day at the Asylum for the Insane. Superintendent Coffin, as a means of defending himself, entertained the people at the state's expense and was instrumental in making public the statement that the city water here is impure and unhealthful.

Council Favors a Compromise.

The proposition of Vice President Belcher of the Lincoln Traction company to compromise the claim of the city for \$10,000, paving and grading taxes, has been accepted by the council but remains to be approved by the mayor. The acceptance of this offer is considered a good step by most of the citizens but injunction proceedings will be commenced in district court by Dr. Farnam tomorrow to restrain the mayor from signing the agreement. In connection with the settlement of this claim the point has been raised as to whether the city council has the authority to remit taxes that have been levied and to pay. As the acceptance of the compromise offer necessitates remitting a certain amount of the taxes that have already been levied the point to be settled is whether the city council has the authority to remit taxes that have been levied and to pay.

Professor E. H. Barbour of the geological department of the State University, reports a number of interesting discoveries in the great fossil fields and dinosaur beds of Wyoming, from which he has recently returned. He was one of a party of one hundred scientists, organized by the officials of the United Pacific railroad, to explore the fossil fields and dinosaur beds of Wyoming, from which he has recently returned. He was one of a party of one hundred scientists, organized by the officials of the United Pacific railroad, to explore the fossil fields and dinosaur beds of Wyoming, from which he has recently returned.

On the excursion Professor Barbour secured nearly two thousand valuable specimens for the university museum and several hundred photographs, including one of the new species of dinosaurs. The party of which Professor Barbour was a member will remain in the fields for a few weeks yet.

The Charles H. Morrill geological expedition, which started from Lincoln August 1, has returned. Professor Barbour was also a member of this expedition and a number of equally important discoveries were made on the trip. The chief point of interest visited was the National Park. Here it was found that the geysers phenomena are decreasing very rapidly and many geysers are now wholly or partially extinct. This decrease in geyser activity is attributed to a general cooling off of all over the region.

Lincoln Local Notes.

Funeral services over the remains of Florence Hale, the 2-year-old daughter of Secretary Porter, were held this afternoon at the family residence, Twentieth street and Euclid avenue. All state officers were closed this afternoon in respect to the memory of the little girl and quite a number of the state house attaches attended the funeral.

The mortgage record for Lancaster county as reported to the Bureau of Statistics at the state house is: Number of farm mortgages filed, 235; amount, \$325,716.39; number satisfied, 389; amount, \$514,212.55; number of town and city mortgages filed, 237; amount, \$25,438; number satisfied, 282; amount, \$397,064.44.

An independent fund is being collected in this city to defray the expenses of a reception to company D of the First regiment. This reception will be entirely distinct from the reception to the regiment. For the latter affair an attempt is being made by citizens of Lincoln to secure the spectacular "battle of Manila," which is being down on the Midway at the Greater America Exposition. It is proposed to have this exhibition for three successive nights and to admit all veterans and members of the First regiment free of charge.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the flower parade which will take place during the street fair, immediately after the reception and reunion festivities. Free instruction in both construction and

flower decoration has been provided for with about twenty women in charge.

The Virginia men who reside in Lancaster county have formed a local organization with a charter membership of nearly 200 persons. It is the intention of the organizers of this club to extend its membership all over the state and thus make it a state affair. It is estimated that there are several thousand Virginians in Nebraska.

The central committees of the populist, democratic and free silver republican parties meet Thursday for the purpose of completing the nomination of a full county ticket. There are yet to be nominated on the fusion ticket candidates for district judge, county treasurer and county commissioner.

Work has been finally begun on the widening of N street, repaving district by Hugh Murphy of Omaha. A large force of men has been employed and it is thought the pavement will be completed by September 1st.

Invitations have been issued announcing the marriage of Miss Edna Meserve of this city and Prof. Edwin E. Magee, also of Lincoln, at the home of the bride's parents tomorrow evening. The bride is a daughter of State Treasurer Meserve and the groom has been professor of chemistry at the Lincoln High school for a number of years. They will make their future home in this city.

James Creelman, the well known war correspondent and political writer, has been visiting W. J. Bryan in this city. The prospect is that there will be no lack of music in Lincoln during the reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic and the reception to the First regiment. The railroad has offered a special reduced rate of fare for the reunion for a number of years. All musicians in uniform.

CONDITIONS ARE FAVORABLE

Department of Agriculture Issues Weekly Bulletin on Nebraska Crop Situation.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA, Lincoln, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The past week has been warm, with heavy showers in the northern counties and only light, scattered showers elsewhere. The average daily excess in temperature has been between two and three degrees. The maximum temperatures have generally been about ninety degrees.

The rainfall of the week has been very heavy in the northern counties, ranging from two to slightly more than three inches in parts of Box Butte, Cherry, Rock, Cedar and Dakota counties. Only light scattered showers occurred in central and southern counties, the amount of rainfall being generally less than a quarter of an inch.

The heavy rains in northern counties decreased heavy and threatening, and caused some slight injury to both hay and small grain. The week has been very favorable for the progress of work and the growth of crops in the central and southeastern counties, but rather dry for the best growth of corn in southern counties. Corn has developed slightly in some south and southwestern counties because of the dry weather and continued to grow well in other parts of the state. The ground is in excellent condition for plowing in most counties and the planting season has been well advanced in preparing the ground for the fall seeding.

GASOLINE ENGINE EXPLODES.

Terrible Accident at Table Rock—One Hurt, Considerable Property Lost.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Just about twelve o'clock last night the gas engine used by the Table Rock Clay company exploded, throwing ten gallons of burning oil in every direction. The only man near the engine was Charles Kidney. He was saturated with the burning oil, and started on the run for town which was half a mile distant. He was met on the road by persons who were hurrying to the scene and the fire was extinguished only after he had been fearfully burned.

In the meantime one of the principal buildings of the company caught fire and burned down, involving a loss of three thousand dollars, with no insurance. The fire company saved the other buildings after hard work. The brick plant has a capacity of 25,000 vitrified brick per day, and was running night to fill orders. The machinery was not greatly damaged, but the disaster will cause several days' delay in the business.

At last accounts Kidney, the workman who was terribly burned, was in a critical condition.

Veterans' Reunion at Sidney.

SIDNEY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The eleventh annual reunion of the Fremont county Sons of Veterans Association will be held at Sidney, Neb., August 29, 30, and September 1. The following are some of the speakers for the reunion: United States Senator M. L. Hayward of Nebraska; General John Y. Stone of Glenwood; Congressman Smith McPherson of Red Oak; Congressman John S. Robinson of Madison, Nebraska; Walter L. Anderson of Madison, Springs, S. D.; Judge Walter L. Smith of Council Bluffs; Hon. L. T. Genung of Hastings, Iowa.

Old settlers of Mills, Potawatamie and Madison counties will hold their annual gathering on the first day of the reunion. Special trains will be run on that day. Hon. Frank Shinn of Carson, and Hon. J. A. Perry will address the people on this day. Old soldiers' campfire at night on Wednesday, August 30 will be Sons and Daughters of Veterans' day.

Dark Horse Gets the Nomination.

REYNOLDS, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Guy T. Graves of this place, a democrat, was nominated for district judge for this, the Eighth district, by the combined democrat, populist and silver republican conventions, which assembled here yesterday. The contest was a long one, fifty ballots being taken before the nomination was reached, and then the candidate named was a dark horse, not having been an avowed candidate. He is little known over the district and will not stand much show of election against Judge Evans, the republican candidate, who has a splendid record on the bench the last four years.

Burglars Operate in York.

YORK, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Sunday evening O. Froid's boot and shoe store on the north side of the court house square was entered by burglars, who hacked their way through the rear door. The store was completely ransacked, but the stock is too large to admit of any estimate as to the amount of goods stolen. The police have hopes of eventually jailing the thieves.

Edgeman at Valparaiso.

VALPARAISO, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Leslie M. Cheever gave this town a surprise by eloping with the fifteen-year-old daughter of Levi Pike, leaving a young wife and one child. No clue to where they went has yet been obtained.

CONFIDENCE IN M'KINLEY

Dawes County Republicans Meet in Convention at Chadron.

UNION FLAG MUST BE SUSTAINED

Elect Delegates to the State, Congressional and Judicial Conventions—Strong County Ticket is Nominated.

CHADRON, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The home and sinew of Dawes county republicans met in convention in this city today. As a fitting result of their earnest and united efforts, a ticket was nominated strong in every respect. The nominees were whose qualifications for public office will demand the attention and undivided support of the entire host of republican stand-bearers of Dawes county. A temporary organization was effected in the morning and Chairman Reynolds, acting chairman, a neatly constructed address lauding the party and its principles by Chairman Reynolds concluded the morning session, when an adjournment was taken until 2 p. m. At this time the organization was made permanent and delegates were admitted to seats. The following resolutions were then unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That we reaffirm our confidence in republican principles and believe that the continued prosperity and welfare of the country depend upon their application to the laws of the land and in the administration of public affairs."

"We hereby declare our confidence in the integrity and patriotism of President McKinley. We believe that the hearts of the American people have been with him during his successful administration of foreign affairs. While we may differ in our judgments as to the best policy of dealing with the Philippines we are, nevertheless, united for our country. Our flag symbolizes our aspirations. It represents what we believe and what we mean to maintain, wherever it floats it is a flag of the free and the hope of the oppressed and whenever it is assailed at any sacrifice it will carry to a triumphant peace."

"We congratulate the people of Dawes county upon the wise and economical administration of county affairs under the management of the republican Board of County Commissioners."

The state delegates are: A. M. Bartlett, W. H. Reynolds, Sidney Woodward, J. L. Paul, A. R. Julian, J. E. Porter, George Hamilton.

Delegates to congressional convention: W. H. Ketchum, Robert Pomeroy, Lee Van Vorhis, W. W. Wilson, W. H. Fanning, A. M. Bartlett, W. H. Reynolds.

Judicial delegates: C. Dana Sayre, A. R. Julian, E. M. Slatery, G. A. Eckles, J. E. Porter, William Agnew, G. E. Gorton.

As a special compliment to W. H. Fanning, he was privileged to name delegates in his own interests. C. Dana Sayre, of the Cass county delegation, was a conspicuous figure in the convention. Amidst great enthusiasm, the following ticket was nominated:

Walter C. Brown, treasurer; Harry O. Baeman, clerk; William H. Hildesheim, sheriff; Frank J. Honegger, judge; Charles E. Foster, superintendent of schools; Frank R. Wingfield, clerk of the court; George Peabody, surveyor; Doctor Elmore, coroner.

STOCKVILLE, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The populist county convention for Fremont county closed this afternoon. There was an unusually large attendance. A strong effort was made to nominate a straight populist ticket and turn down R. D. Logan, a democrat who has served one term as treasurer. This failed on a close fight. The following ticket was placed in nomination:

Resolutions were adopted instructing the delegates to the judicial convention not to support John T. McClure for district judge. This was afterwards reconsidered and struck out, it being one of the resolutions presented by the committee on resolutions. The following delegates were elected to the judicial convention: G. D. Miller, John Keyser, Charles Dechant, C. F. Siebeck, J. J. Miller, W. A. Bradbury, G. Taylor, J. C. Chambers. The delegates are uninstructed but are understood to be asked in their preference to vote for R. D. Logan, a democrat, and J. H. Lincoln both of whom are candidates for district judge from this county.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The democratic, populist and free silver republican county convention closed this afternoon and nominated a full county ticket and selected delegates to the state and judicial conventions. Following is the ticket nominated: Treasurer, W. R. Wyatt; clerk, George E. Schaefer; judge, John Gannon; superintendent of schools, J. M. White; coroner, Dr. Waggoner; surveyor, M. W. Ban. The nominees are all the same as two years ago with the exception of the treasurer. The populists were given clerk and surveyor, the silver republicans sheriff and court clerk, and the democrats the remainder of the ticket. J. H. Morehead was re-elected chairman of the county central committee.

CREIGHTON, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The populist convention for this county closed at Verdigris last Saturday. The old officers with the exception of one or two, were re-named. The democrats met on the same day at Nabriara and endorsed the entire ticket.

KEARNY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Hon. A. M. Post, ex-judge of the supreme court of Nebraska, was in Kearney today, and in reply to the query in reference to candidates for nomination, made the following written statement:

"The selection of Mr. Calkins by the republican state convention as a candidate for judge of the supreme court would be no mistake. He is a good lawyer and may be viewed. He is considered a first class lawyer and is well and favorably known throughout the state. I violate no confidence in saying that no lawyer of Nebraska stands higher than he in the estimation of the court of last resort of this state."

ORD, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The republican county convention met here yesterday and elected A. Ward of Mira Creek chairman and Oris Peit of Ord secretary. After the various committees had reported the convention proceeded to elect delegates to the state, congressional and judicial conventions. The following nominations for county officers were made: W. B. Keown, treasurer; J. A. Patton, clerk; Lewis Thompson, county judge; Adam Smith, sheriff; Lorenzo Blessing, county superintendent; Dr. C. A. Brink, coroner, and C. J. Nelson, surveyor.

Union a Strict Prohibition Town.

PLATTSBURGH, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—County Attorney J. E. Leavelle attended the old settlers reunion in Union last Saturday and while there learned that Mede Rutherford had recently started a business under the name of the Union Commercial club. All that was required for a person to become a member was to take his name in a book kept for that purpose, and a name in could buy any kind of liquors desired. A complaint was filed and sworn to by R. H. Franz and Henry Wolfe, two of the village trustees, charging him with the illegal sale of liquors. Constable J. C. McKean and a county attorney raided the place and arrested Rutherford and seized several jugs of liquor. Rutherford gave bond and will

be given a hearing here next Monday. A majority of the citizens in Union are bitterly opposed to having a saloon in their quiet little village and a license for that purpose has not been issued for three years.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOURERS MEET.

Nebraska Society Opens a Five Days' Session at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The thirty-second annual convention of the Nebraska Christian Endeavor society opened a five days' session in Hastings tonight at the Christian church. Already there is a large attendance of delegates from all over the state and before the week has passed several hundred are expected to be here.

Mr. J. Z. Peck of Cincinnati addressed the meeting upon "The Supreme Purpose of the Gospel," which proved most interesting and was greatly appreciated. President T. A. Bright of Beatrice will arrive tomorrow morning when the program will be thoroughly discussed.

Among the business to come before the meeting is the arrangements of missionary reports to be made at the jubilee convention which is to be held the last week in October at Cincinnati, as at that time fifty years of missionary work of this society will have been completed.

CATTLE AND SHEEP MEN ANGRY.

The Shooting of Tom Ryan Increases Strained Relations Between Them.

CHADRON, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The shooting of Tom Ryan on Monday by a party of cattlemen, created a very wide gap in the already strained relations of this section. Numerous unpleasant meetings had taken place between Ryan and Coll. The murderer makes the assertion that he had made an attempt on his life, only a few weeks ago, a pistol shot barely missing him. The Coll family have a very unenviable reputation, and it is only about a year since a 10-year-old brother of Coll in a moment of weakness ended his miserable existence by hanging himself with a rope. There being no witnesses to the murder, the natural assumption is that young Coll will never be convicted of the murder of Ryan. The murdered man leaves a wife and three small children to mourn his untimely death. Captain Fisher and Postmaster Eckles have been retained by Coll to defend him.

Farm House Destroyed.

NELOSON, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The large farm residence of Thomas McCumey just south of Neloson, was destroyed by fire this morning about four o'clock. A portion of the household goods were destroyed. Loss will be about \$2,500. Insurance \$1,000. The place was occupied by James H. Gourlay.

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WEEPING WATER, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Marion Carter, living two miles east of his house and household goods were fire yesterday. Valuation \$500; insurance in Home Fire, Omaha for \$300.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION

Two Dead, Eight Wounded and Planting Mill is a Complete Wreck.

APPLETON, Wis., Aug. 22.—A boiler exploded at the A. H. Wickert planting mill today, killing two men and seriously injuring eight others. The injured are: William Boldman, scalded; will die. Paul Hoppner, John Foster, Edward Kolezick, Herman Miller, August Rehfeld, William Hoffman, Joseph Wettingel.

WIFE MURDER AND SUICIDE

Wealthy Missouri Farmer Kills His Wife, Attempts to Brain His Son and Kills Himself.

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EIGHT HUNDRED HOUSES BURN

Practically All the Business Section of Victor, Colo., is in Ashes.

VICTOR, Colo., Aug. 22.—The total number of buildings destroyed by the fire which broke out here at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon is estimated at 800. Nine-tenths of these were wooden and the fire spread with great rapidity. Fourteen blocks, comprising almost the entire business section of the city, are in ashes. The total loss is variously estimated from 1,000,000 to \$2,500,000. The most valuable buildings destroyed were the Gold Coin mine shaft houses, the loss on which is \$100,000. All the newspapers were burned out, but they have already arranged to continue publication.

Fire Destroys a Barn and Contents.

REPUBLICAN CITY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The barn and outbuildings belonging to Dr. Rush, at about ten o'clock this morning, burned to the ground. Only a favorable wind prevented the destruction not only of Rush's house but of several adjacent buildings. Everything in the barn including the buggy and three horses was a total loss, and estimated at about \$300. No insurance carried.

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FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair Wednesday in Nebraska; Cooler in Western Portion, with Variable Winds.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday: For Nebraska—Fair Wednesday, cooler in western portion; Thursday fair, cooler in eastern portion; variable winds. For Iowa—Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday; cooler Thursday, with northwesterly winds. For Missouri—Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday; cooler Thursday in northwest portion; variable winds. For South Dakota—Fair and cooler Wednesday; Thursday fair; northwesterly winds. For Kansas—Fair and cooler Wednesday; Thursday fair; cooler in eastern portion; southerly winds, becoming northwesterly. For Wyoming—Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday; cooler Wednesday in south-eastern portion; westerly winds.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Aug. 22.—

Maximum temperature... 89 89 81 74
Minimum temperature... 63 63 55 48
Average temperature... 76 76 68 61
Precipitation... .07 .07 .00 .00
Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899:

Temperature at 8 A. M.	Temperature at 10 A. M.	Temperature at 12 M.	Temperature at 2 P. M.	Temperature at 4 P. M.	Precipitation
Omaha, cloudy	85	86	80	74	.00
North Platte, clear	82	88	80	71	.00
Salt Lake, clear	84	89	80	69	