HOT FIGHT ON IN THE SIXTH

Pops Will Send Their Heavy Guns in Support of Judge Neville.

OUTLOOK NOT AS ROSY AS IT MIGHT BE

Covernor Poynter Refuses a Kansas Requisition for an Alleged Kidnaping Case-Death of W. Q. Bell.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special.)—A delegation of populists from the Sixth district, headed by Judge William Neville, was in Lincoln today in conference with the populist state central committee relative to the political eituation in the northwestern portion of the state. The plan is to open the campaign in that district immediately with an array of populistic talent calculated to carry everything before it. W. J. Bryan, Siles A. Holcomb, "Coin" Harvey, probably Governor Poynter, and several other well known fusionists have been engaged to deliver speeches over the district and as additional attractions a number of barbecues will be given.

Populists from the Sixth district are not so extravagant in their claims regarding the success of their congressional ticket as they were several weeks ago. Those who claimed two weeks ago that Neville would be elected by at least 10,000 majority now admit that the fight will be a close one and that their candidate will not have more than 2,000 votes to spare. The populist central committee realizes that the chances for the populist candidate's election are not as good as they might be and arrangements have been made to open the state campaign in that district. Governor Poynter has been mentioned as one of the speakers, but on account of the very general dissatisfaction existing in that section over some of his official acts it is possible that his name may be taken off the list of speakers. Alleged Kidnaping Case.

An interesting case of alleged kidnaping was brought to the attention of Governo Poynter this afternoon through a requisition from Governor Stanley of Kansas, asking for the return of Mrs. Rachel E. Jones and George J. Jones, both of Bennett Neb After hearing the claims of the defendants the governor declined to honor the requisition. The case is the result of a family quar-

rel. 'It seems that about eight years ago mother of two little girls, then 2 and 8 years of age respectively, died and the children were placed under the care of their grandmother, Mrs. Jones. At that time she was living in Kansas and near the childrens' father. The latter, it is asserted saw them often and often agreed that Mrs. Jones might have them to raise. Last winter Mrs. Jones moved to Nebraska with the children, being assisted in preparing for the trip by her brother George. As soon as father heard of this he commenced sedings for the return of the children Governor Poynter heard the different versions of the case and decided that the children would be better taken care of by Mrs. Jones, and the requisition was denied. It miles from the city, was found dead in his is thought that the charge of kidnaping buggy this morning. He was at a neigh-

W. Q. Bell, an old settler of Lincoln and Lancaster county, died suddenly this morning at his residence on C street. He had had evidently been dead for several hours. been alling for some months, but was feel- He had been paying attention for some ing considerably better last night, and the physicians had strong hopes of his recov-He spent several years in the newspaper business and for several years has sented a number of the Chicago dailies relations.

SUSPICION OF FOUL PLAY HELD.

J. N. Roe of Harvard Found Dead at n Kanana Rondside.

HARVARD, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special.)-A telegram was received yesterday by the family of J. N. Roe, a traveling salesman, that he had been found dead by the side of the road where he had been camping near Agra in Phillips county, Kansas.

The news was a great surprise to his famfly, as they supposed that he was at work in the northern part of Hamilton county, he having started for that place about ten days ago, and directed his wife to write and forward his mail to Phillips.

Information as to how he came in Kansas is not complete, but a report is out that seems to be well founded that Mr. Roe went to Grand Island and mortgaged his outfit, hired a livery and with the money procured had gone to Kansas for some purpose not yet fully explained.

The authorities in Phillips county, Kaneas telegraph that an inquest was being held to determine if possible the cause of death and that parties supposed to be with him, not known here, were being held on suspicion awaiting the verdict of the

BOUTHWESTERN G. A. R. REUNION. Beginning Tomorrow.

CAMBRIDGE, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.)throats at sunrise Monday morning. Lay- viously, the same will undoubtedly go onia park has been remodelled with gravet through the highest court of the state. walks and a fine system of water supply in the center of the grounds. The natural advantages from tree and stream are here in one grand combination and the old veterans and his friends will feel thrice glad that cronies on the banks of Medicine creek,

The program for Monday is: Sunrise gun, to his many friends in Hastings. informal greeting of comrades, assignment Smith is the son of Attorney Ben Smith of welcome by Mayor Rankin; address by sidered a very bright young man with no and others.

Building Boom at Cambridge.

CAMBRIDGE, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.) -Cambridge is now in the midst of a substantial building boom. Substantial because the men who are making the improvements are old settlers. Every street has new gtructures, sidewalks are being laid sixteen drowned here today in the Republican river. from \$8,000 to \$10,000 in his new home, which fishing and in attempting to swim across a will contain all modern improvements, hot very swift and deep channel he went under and cold water and a gas plant for lighting and was in the water about fifteen minutes purposes. W. E. Babcock has also under before he could be found. They took a large conveniences at a cost of from \$4,000 to life was extinct. About two years ago a

The Nebraska Telephone company has place. It is a very dangerous place for any reached here from McCook with their line one not a good swimmer. and will soon be in touch with the "Hello Centrals" of eastern cities.

Insect Destroys Sugar Beets.

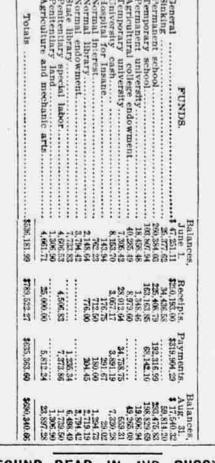
insect which spins a web over the plants shows that the increased indebtedness for is reported as doing considerable harm to the month amounts to \$5,212.75 as follows: sugar beets. The bug attacks thrifty plants There were seventeen and those which are starting up after being filed amounting to \$17,526; released, thirty, covered with water with thorough impar- amounting to \$23,155.70; city mortgages tiality and destroys them by feeding on the filed, five, amounting to \$2.220; leaves. The pest has been investigated by eight, amounting to \$2,705; chattel mortthe Sugar Experiment station people at gages filed, eighty-seven, amounting to zens turned out generally to welcome the —St. Edward is making great prepara- home town, and stepped off the train as it Ames, but as yet no adequate remedy is \$38,415.16; released, thirty-nine, amounting soldier bays of Company F. First Nebraska tions to receive the boys of the "Fighting passed through our city on Tuesday last.

last month. Other farmers have also lost a considerable amount of beets from the heavy rains.

MESERVE MAKES A REPORT

Shows Increase in Balance in th Treasury for the Past Three Months.

LINCOLN, Sept. 2 .- (Special.) - The quar, terly report of State Treasurer Meserve, just filed with the auditor of public accounts, shows an increase in the balance in the treasury over three months ago of \$154,-258.67. This increase comes almost entirely from the school and educational funds. From the permanent university and agricultural college endowment funds there have been no expenditures or investments during the last three months, the balance being increased by the receipts, which amounted over \$10,000. The general fund shows the largest decrease, there being over \$29,000 less in the treasury under this head than when the last quarterly report was made Following is the report in full, showing the receipts and expenditures of the various funds during the quarter, and the balance of each, both on August 31 and when the last report was made:



FOUND DEAD IN HIS BUGGY

Rejected Lover of Fairbury, Neb., is Thought to Have Taken His Own Life.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.)-Al Lightbody, a young farmer living a few was placed against Mrs. Jones and her bors last evening, leaving there about 8 brother simply to get the children back to o'clock in the evening and at 6 o'clock this Kansas, where the father might secure pos- morning his horse returned to the same place and stopped near the house.

Lightbody was leaning back in the buggy with his shirt front covered with blood and time to a young woman, who was visiting at the house when he called last evening, but ery. Mr. Bell was a well known business they had quarreled for some cause or other and his visit was to effect a reconciliation, but the girl refused to renew her former

went out this morning and the inquest will probably show if it is a case of murder or suicide. Lightbody was about 21 years of age. His parents reside at Daykin, this county.

The coroner's jury in the inquest over Lightbody returned a verdict of death by his own hand. His revolver was found in the bottom of the buggy with one shell emptied and the girl he visited the evening before testified that he threatened to kill himself if she persisted in refusing to marry him. His horse wandered around for several hours with the dead body in the buggy and then took it to the girl's

Tarbox Will Rejected for Probate. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.) -The county court, in the matter of the estate of Horace Tarbox, rendered its opinion and findings in the case this morning, rejecting the will for probate and record on the ground that the testator was of unsound mind and was unduly influenced by Mary D. Tarbox, his second wife. Quite a portion of the testimony was reviewed in these columns at the time of the presentation to the court of the same, and it may be remembered that the children of Horace D. Tarbox, who was nearly 80 years of age at the time of executing the will, were entirely unprovided for out of an estate of \$150,000, consisting of property in this city. Grand Time Expected at Cambridge Freeport, Ill., and Gainesville, Fla. The children contested the will with the above result as far as the probate court is con-The management of the grounds and con- cerned. Judge Garlow rendered a lengthy cessions are leaving nothing undone in their review of the case, quoting decisions of efforts to make the southwestern Grand other courts as to his findings, and the Army of the Republican reunion a grand opinion is considered about the ablest, as Tents, booths, merry-go-rounds well as most important, ever rendered in and all that go to make up the essentials for the Hall county court. The attorneys for Reception of Home-Coming First Nebraska ing First" saw many hardships. a first-class reunion are here ready for the proponent, Mary D. Tarbox, of course business when the cannon open their husky gave notice of appeal, and, as stated pre-

Dismissal of Cadet Smith

HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.)-The dismissal of Philip F. Smith third class of West Point from the United they have come to spend a week with old States service for "harassing and anoying a fourth class man," proved a great surprise of quarters, pitching tents; 7 p. m., address of Hastings and he has always been con-Rev. O. R. Beebe; turning over camp to bad habits and of quiet disposition. He veterans; campfire address by General Gage | was appointed to West Point academy from the Fifth district of Nebraska in June, 1897. As Smith's dismissal is final some other boy from the Fifth district will have an opportunity to attend West Point.

Boy Drowns in Republican River. FRANKLIN, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special Telegram.)-A boy named Charlie Becker was feet wide and a dozen new residences are He was about 16 years old. He was with under construction. C. M. Brown will invest several other boys at the old mill dam construction a model home, with similar fish seine and got him the first trial, but man and his wife were drowned at the same

Polk County Mortgage Record. OSCEOLA, Neb., Sept. 2.-(Special.)-The record in the county clerk's office of FREMONI, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special.)—An indebtedness for the month of August farm mortgages released.

organized at Columbus, who went out to ton, Genoa, Columbus, Cedar Rapids and cumbent, George A. Allen. Manila and was wounded quite seriously in Albion are expected. battle and like many others of the "Fight-

JUDGE RICE DELIVERS THE WELCOME Falls City Gives the Boys it Sent

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special.) procession, made up of the band, Grand of Private Albert Gilbert of the First Ne-Merrick county turned out in force today Army of the Republic, the returned soldiers braska regiment. An hour before train time to celebrate the home-coming of the Merrick and several secret orders, marched through the entire population, together with councounty volunteers. The parade was the the principal streets to the old fair grounds, try folks, assembled at the depot to welfinest ever seen in this city or county, con- where the exercises were held. A. J. Weaver come the young soldier home, and amid sisting of members of the Grand Army of and C. F. Reavis delivered the principal ad- the ringing of bells, the firing of cannon the Republic, Odd Fellows, Modern Wood- dresses. Friday evening the young women and beating of drums the hero was escorted men of America, Royal Highlanders in cos- of the city entertained the boys at Masonic to his home.

Home on a Furlough.

month for the Philippines. Preparations at St. Edward.

of this place went out in the country to tary of War Meiklejohn will be present to vention of our county as their candidate | foundations are all in and yesterday twenty JUBILEE of this place went out in the country to tary of War Melklejohn will be present to vention of our country as their candidate the home of Simon Simon Simon Some of Company K, deliver an address. Delegations from Fuller- for district clerk, against the present in-

Among the relics the soldier boys brought from the Philippines is an old Mauser rifle, which is attracting considerable attention in

Creighton Receives Its Solitary Soldier with Great Enthusiasm. CREIGHTON, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special Tel-FALLS CITY, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special Tel- egram.)—At an early hour this morning meet and greet relatives and friends, who it, Bronson for sheriff and Jones for clerk egram.)—The returning soldiers of the First the enterprising merchants of Creighton pressed forward with outstretched arms. At of courts. here today. It was a holiday for all. Never of business with countless numbers of flags Cornet band, to the court house, where a before was the city so gaily decorated. A and yards of bunting to honor the return was expected after a year of fighting.

> WEEPING WATER, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.)-There were over 1,000 of our patriotic citizens assembled at the depot yesterday of the First Nebraska. Sergeant Lee Stoner stirring music, but could not be heard, for everything that could produce noise was wound up. They were escorted in a carwere made and a glad hand extended them Last night the business men called a meeting and made all arrangements for a formal reception for the Spanish-American solfiers to be held in the city park September 15.

Harvard Receives Its Own

HARVARD, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special.)— Sergeant Joseph Fell of Company F, First Nebraska, the only representative Harvard the regiment starts about the 19th of this friends of more interest to him than the reception given the regiment at Omaha and exchanged the good-by to his comrades of the "Fighting First" for the paternal and ST. EDWARD, Neb., Sept. 2.-(Special.) friendly greetings that awaited him in his

Enthusiasm at Bloomington. BLOOMINGTON, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.) -At 9 o'clock last night the ringing of bells and playing of bands and shouting of many hundreds exultingly spread the giorious tid-HERO IS ESCORTED TO HIS HOME. ings that the boys were nearing home. At the small boy's excited "Here she comes! and swelled it into one mighty roar of welcome. The war-scarred heroes alighted to 9:40 all marched, headed by the Bloomington nice program of speaking and songs of welcome were rendered for the boys of Company B. There a spread fit for a king was tendered them. All the boys generally are up before Rolf Johnson last night and this in good spirits and are looking better than

> aunders County Homesteaders. WAHOO, Neb., Sept. 2.-(Special.)-The homesteaders of Saunders county held their annual feast in a grove on the farm of John J. Johnson, a few miles northeast of this city, yesterday. The program consisted of some fine music and some speeches by L. W. Gilchrist, Eric Johnson and J. C. Greever of this city and Randall H. Knapp of Cedar Bluffs and others. A choice basket dinner was spread at noon. The associa- clue to the robbers. tion elected Samuel Woolley of Mariposa precinct president and Jay Willey of Marietta secretary.

West Point Building Boom. WEST POINT, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special.)— The building boom is now thoroughly started in this city. Julius Thiele has let the contract for building a brick livery stable to Derr & Hartline. The building will be opposite the Neligh house, one of the most desirable locations in the city The main part of the structure will 36x100, with an addition facing Main street of 28x50, which will be used for the storage of carriages. This will make a frontage of 64 feet of solid brick. Work on the building commenced this morning.

Insane Asylum Improvements. HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 2 .- The work of

masons started laying brick. It is estimated that all the brick work will be completed within the next two weeks.

Kearney County Republicans Meet. MINDEN, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special Telegarm.)-At the republican county convention today J. L. McPheely was allowed to select the delegation for district judge. The ten 9:20 the vast throng at the lepot caught up delegates to the state convention were not instructed. It was the best convention held in many years and a strong county ticket

No Liquor at Gothenburg. GOTHENBURG, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.) -The trial of Peter Schleisinger for selling intoxicating liquors without a license came morning and was dismissed by Schleisinger paying all the costs and expenses of the suit, and agreeing to close up his temper-

Haves Center Postoffice Robbed. HAYES CENTER, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.)-The store building and postoffice were broken open and robbed some time last night by the prying open of one of the windows. About \$5 in change was taken and the money order blank book was found outside the building. As yet there is no

ance hall and not run it any more.

Dry Weather Hurts Corn. HARVARD, Neb., Sept. 2.—(Special.)— During the past week the weather has been exceedingly warm, the ground again becoming so dry that plowing has largely stopped. Corn is dying so fast that the fields will produce many "small ears" of corn where large ones were promised a few

days ago. Independent Candidate in Ohio. SPRINGFIELD, O., Sept. 2.-S. H. Ellis of Waynesville has written Chairman H.
S. Thompson of the union reform state
executive committee accepting the nomination for governor. Mr. Thompson says
the initiative and referendum plank in the

democratic state platform will draw no votes from the union reformers, as it is insincere.

constructing a boiler house, an engine house and a cold storage building at the Chronic Insane asylum is being pushed rapidly. The



Boys at Central City.

Assistant Secretary of War Melklejohn Will Speak at a Soldiers' Reception at St. Edward September 5.

tume, the Knights of Pythias, a large hall. resenting the states, volunteers and civilians Charles L. Gilbert, J. B. Downes, O. R.

come was delivered by Judge Rice, with a in the reception. Price Stockton has a valresponse by C. Jeffers. Appropriate toasts uable collection of war relics brought with were responded to by J. C. Martin, Rev. Mr. him from the Philippines, among them a Robinson, F. A. Marsh, J. W. Sparks, C. G. Mauser rifle taken from a Filpino. McDonald, Henry Heaton and Captain Goodwin. W. D. Keyes was master of ceremonies. The Glee club sang patriotic songs and everybody had a good time. There was no Theodore F. Knapp of the Thirty-second accidents of any kind to mar the day's regiment, United States volunteers, arrived pleasures. During the parade Mayor Glat- in Hastings today from Fort Leavenworth, feller had all church and school bells rung Kan. He is home on a furlough and says had in this regiment, found the greeting of

Newman Grove Welcomes a Private. NEWMAN GROVE, Neb., Sept. 2 .- (Special.)-Yesterday the Military band and citiknown The Standard company has lost to \$27,087.81; for the month of July the volunteers, at the county seat, Madison. First" on September 5. An elaborate pro-800 acres of beets from the high water of the decreased indebtedness was over \$2,000. Last night also the band and the residents

NOT A SOLDIER IS MISSING this locality.

Away a Rousing Welcome Home. Nebraska were given a rousing reception might have been seen decorating their places

float with Uncle Sam and the Goddess of Following are the soldiers who returned Liberty surrounded by young women rep- with the First: Grant Boyd, Ed Fisher, in carriages. Twenty-eight young women, Ross, Fred Foehlinger, Ira Johnson, Emil an auxiliary of Company B of Fullerton, in Saal, W. P. Stockton, Art Moss, Herbert afternoon to welcome the returned soldiers handsome coetumes, added much to the Hedges, John Smith, Joe Smith, Guy Alattractiveness of the parade. Central City, bright, James Coakley, George Sears, Emil and Privates Pierce and Weaver were the Palmer and Chapman bands furnished the Oberst, Albert Wicok, James Frazer, Scipio heroes of the hour. The band played some Stringfield, F. L. Gilbert and W. P. Snow. Arriving at the City park the vast crowd Several of the boys were wounded while dispersed and enjoyed an old-fashioned bas- in the service, but every one that left here ket picnic, after which the address of wel- over a year ago returned and took part riage to Main street, where a few addresses

HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 2 .- Drum Major