

CATTLE RAISERS FEEL BLUE

Prospects of Losing Control of Range Very Discouraging.

TRIP TO WASHINGTON BRINGS NO RELIEF

Members of Delegation Tell of Their Reception and Efforts Made to Secure Some Sort of Concession.

Although they were treated with considerable courtesy by Secretary Hitchcock and others in Washington it is not with any very high hope that the Nebraskaans who went to the capital to urge the passage of the land-leasing bill return to their homes.

Those who went were Bartlett Richards of Ellsworth, C. F. Coffey and E. C. Harris of Chilton, William Fardon of Browline, Dan Hill of Gordon, C. C. Joy of Alliance and A. M. Modest of Rushville. The last two are at the Merchants' hotel on their return trip and Mr. Modest gives this account of the visit:

"We went there not as representatives of any organization, but on our own account to help, if we could, in securing the passage of the bill introduced in the senate by Hilliard, and also in the house, providing that the government lease for 2 cents per annum per acre its land west of the hundredth meridian.

"In Nebraska are about 10,000,000 acres of this land which can be good for nothing but stock-raising as demonstrated by repeated crop failures. From time to time the cattlemen have been fencing this land and now a principal trouble arises in the government's announced determination to have the fences removed. It brings matters to a crisis, although the threat has been hanging over us, I suppose, for a long time, as the law was made in 1855.

"To the secretary of the interior, Mr. Hitchcock, we appealed for a stay of action until we could get the leasing bill through congress, but he answered that the law is on the books and that there is nothing for him to do but enforce it. He treated us very well, but I judge his idea is to enforce it, although I don't know how soon.

Conferences Were Many.

"There were frequent conferences during the six days that we were there and the president devoted most of an afternoon to consideration of the matter. We were received by the senate committee on lands and by the house committee on the same. During our conference with the latter we made a disquieting discovery. We had told the gentlemen that the land could only be used for stockraising and that fences were indispensable in containing the cattle near the smaller artificial supplies of water such as the streams from the windmill. When we said that crops had repeatedly failed a committee man asked how recently this had affected the growth in the population of that section. Mr. Richards could not tell definitely and a member turned to a census report that lay on the table. In this it was revealed that between 1890 and 1900 the population of various counties had decreased as follows: Cheyenne, from 5,593 to 5,570; Keith, from 2,566 to 1,951; Sheridan, from 5,687 to 5,022; Sioux, from 2,453 to 2,065; Dawes, from 9,722 to 9,262; Banner, from 2,435 to 1,114. Other counties had increased some, but they were those in which there are growing towns. I may say also that this is hardly a criterion of the adult population, as children are much more numerous there now than in 1890.

Will Have Bad Effect.

"It is our belief that if this law is enforced and the fences removed it will result in a still greater exodus from that section, because it will practically drive the smaller cattle raisers out of the business. They cannot afford to keep their cattle properly under eye and combat the increase in stealing which must inevitably ensue. There will be much quarreling, too, and we will be at a disadvantage in securing loans, as our security on foot will be so scattered that we might not be able to show a loan company's agent one-half our holdings in the course of a full day's drive. The fine for fencing the land may be as much as \$1,000, so that our extremity is serious, and it will probably be a principal topic at the meeting in Crawford of the Stock Growers' association, May 13th.

FIND BODY OF HENRY TIENKEN

Corpse of West Point Man Given Up by River Which Ended His Life.

The body of a middle-aged man was found floating in the river Sunday afternoon by some young men who were boat fishing, and was towed to the shore at the foot of Hickory street, where the police were notified. At Coroner Bratley's office, where the body was taken, the only evidence of identification was a duplicate deposit slip of the First National bank of West Point, Neb., made out in the name

OVER THE FENCE AND OUT

Desperate Convict Escapes from Lincoln Penitentiary by Run.

DARING PLAN PROVES SUCCESSFUL

Theodore McManine, Sent for Twelve Years From Douglas County for Highway Robbery is Now at Large.

Theodore McManine, sent up for twelve years for robbery from Douglas county last January, escaped from the penitentiary at Lincoln last Saturday and is still at large. McManine was one of a gang of convicts working as a hodgepodge on the new administration building in the penitentiary enclosure. It is supposed that the escape had been planned for some time, as several incidents, all accidentally occurring, occurred during Saturday forenoon to make it possible, and it is supposed also that others were in league with him. Little, however, is known as to the details of the plot. One of the guards gives this account:

"McManine had been employed with several others all the morning carrying boxes of mortar up to the second floor, and I noticed that his clothes were so daubed with the plaster that I could hardly make out the stripes. I thought nothing of it at the time, as I supposed it was accidental. Then about fifteen minutes before the gong struck for noon a box of bricks fell from the second floor. It made a terrible clatter, and several of the men narrowly escaped being knocked down by the flying bricks. Of course it diverted every one's attention for the moment. The guards got the order to look sharp, and when the first lifted the convicts were lined up and told off. While this was being done someone noticed a piece of scaffolding leaning against the prison wall.

Over the Prison Wall.

"We found we were one man shy and a reference to the list in the contractor's hands showed it to be McManine. The scaffolding against the wall told the rest of the story. The alarm was given at once and armed guards were sent out in every direction to hunt him down.

"At the time there was a picnic in progress in the grove outside the prison grounds and several trolley loads of people had just started back to town. The supposition is that he had boarded one of these cars. He had a sharp lookout for the men, but thoroughly disguise his prison garb and he might have passed in any crowd for a citizen laborer.

The Omaha police and Sheriff Power were notified of the escape by telephone about noon Saturday. Since then they have been keeping a sharp lookout for the man, but have seen nothing of him. The theory generally accepted is that he boarded an outgoing train the moment he reached Lincoln, and that he is now several hundred miles from the scene of his spectacular escape.

Bold Crime of Prisoner.

On the night of October 22, 1901, Theodore McManine and a young man about his age named Charles Glover, both residents of South Omaha, set out to paint the town. After visiting several saloons and liberally patronizing each, they ran out of money. Attempt to borrow from acquaintances failed. The pair became desperate and resolved to turn footpads. The railroad yards being a lonesome district, promised a fruitful field and they turned their steps in that direction. There, at the intersection of N street with the Union Pacific tracks, they came upon an old man, John Andrea by name, employed as a flagman.

HOLINESS MISSION MEETING

Evangelistic Band from Iowa Invades Hannots of Sin in Omaha.

Preliminary to the opening of a mission house in Omaha, Misses Emma C. Baller, Ina Reece, Rev. C. W. Harrod and W. W. Olcott, representatives of the Iowa Holiness association, held an open air meeting in the street opposite the Omaha City mission, 115 North Tenth street, last night. One feature of the meeting was that no collection was taken up. The work, they say, is supported by individual subscription.

EMIGRANTS KILLED IN WRECK

Two Dead and Forty-Five Injured as Result of Head-on Collision in Pennsylvania.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., May 5.—Two persons were killed and forty-five injured, three fatally, in the head-on collision between an emigrant train and a fast freight near Rockwood, on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad today.

SIXTY ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Victims of Flames Which Raged Two Days and Done Tremendous Damage.

CAIRO, Egypt, May 5.—The fire at Mit Ghamr, a town on the right bank of the Damietta branch of the Nile, in which a number of lives were lost and thousands of native residences were destroyed, burned from Thursday afternoon until Saturday night. The inhabitants of the town were unable to escape from their stony wood and straw houses.

BOERS STRIKE HARD BLOWS

Destroy Miles of Railroad, Capture Garrisons and Dynamite Block-houses in Cape Colony.

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Bohemian Amateurs

Neither on the ground floor nor in the gallery of Bohemian Turner hall at Thirtieth and Dorcas streets was there any stand during the evening of the Bohemian Amateur Dramatic club's production of "Down in Dixie," staged under the direction of F. W. Bandhauser and F. B. Slama.

The club had previously given "The Cuban Spy" and "A Noble Outcast," and all three productions have met with such approval that the club is planning to give another in about six weeks. The program of improving the equipment of the house and to reducing the indebtedness incurred when it was erected four or five years ago.

For the play last night the characters were without exception well and appropriately costumed and the limited scenery of the house employed to its best possible advantage.

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Since Concerns Busy Smelters.

ST. LOUIS, May 5.—A special to the Globe-Democrat from Joplin, Mo., says: The Jersey Zinc company has purchased the C. C. Cockerell and Prime Western smelters at Gas City, Kan. The consideration is said to have been \$200,000. The new owners will enlarge the Cockerell plant. C. C. Cockerell of Nevada, who will be general manager of the combined plants.

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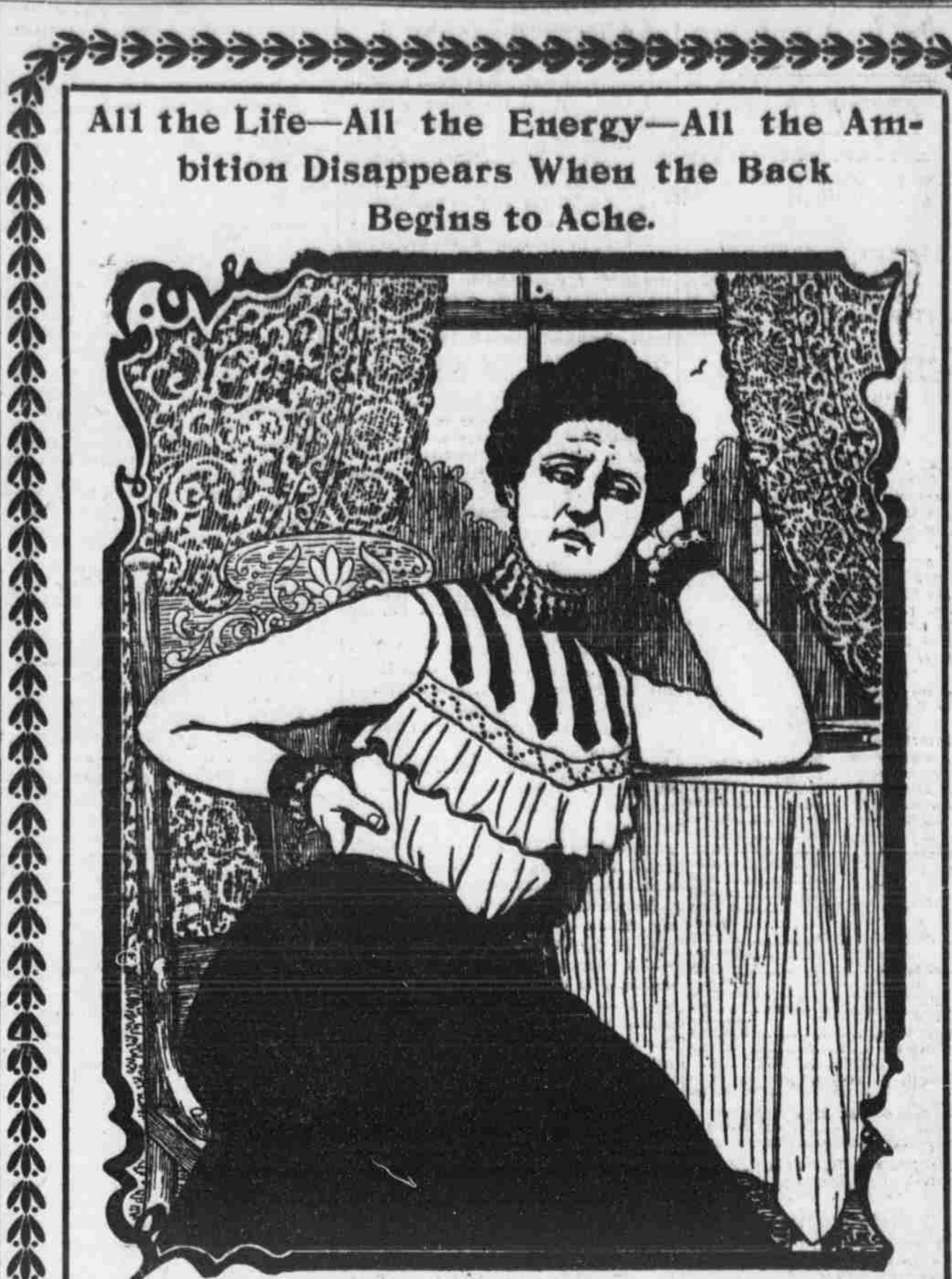
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CURE Sick Kidneys—Cure every Kidney Ill—Cure Kidney "bad backs." Ever have a bad back? A back that ached like a toothache? A back so lame and painful all day, so weak and played out at night, that life was one long drawn out misery? Any backache is bad enough, but Kidney backache has its danger and should never be neglected. Backache is the Kidney's warning. Neglect it and many serious troubles follow. Urinary Disorders, Diabetes, Rheumatism, Bright's Disease. Profit in time by the experience of people you know. Here is the best of evidence,

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