TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST.

"BOB" AT CAMP DOUGLAS

Little Governor Liked by the Men—Second's Rifle Team.

CAMP DOUGLAS, WIS.—The past week was an active one on the range, and the Second regiment did some excellent shooting. The volley firing established a record for the new system of firing, which is twelve shots a company instead of eighteen, as formerly. The record was broken by the first battalion as to percentage of hits. The average was 168—within 2 points of the highest score in the First regiment. The following scores were made by each company in the volley firing: Company A, 184; B, 123; C, 142; D, 71; E, 181; F, 147; G, 103; H, 77; I, 161; K, 144; L, 217; M, 109.

Colonel George Graham, inspector of small arms practice, is more than satisfied with the success of the camp. The recent report that he will retire after this year created much interest in his work. It is doubtful if the state will be able to secure so competent a man for his place. He received his present commission in January, 1895, and has never missed a day on the range while firing was in progress.

The members of the regular light batteries are rapidly becoming acquainted with the guardsmen, and the relations are most friendly. The Twenty-first battery is reorganized from Battery D of the old Fifth artillery, which was in service with the Second regiment, Wisconsin Volunteers, in the battle of Coamo in Porto Rico, and often camped near the regiment at other points in the campaign. There has been many invitations to share mess.

The visit of Governor La Follette to the Second regiment brought a good sized crowd. The governor showed good knowledge of details of camp and military life. He was tendered a review of the infantry and Troop A immediately after supper. Following the review the troop made a trot and gallop past, and gave exhibitions in hurdle jumping. After this a squad of twenty-five men gave an exhibition of military rough riding on bareback horses.

"Your troop is an honor to the service and to the state. The people of the state should know you better, but all who do know you are proud of you." Such was the words of cheer the governor greeted the officers of the troop with when he made a visit to the camp later in the evening. Every man was introduced to the governor and he made a brief speech. On his return to the infantry he was repeatedly cheered by the troops. "Bob," as the boys call him, is popular here.

The detail from the Second regiment as range officers and assistants at the state rifle camp, from Sept. 8 to 13, are as follows:

First Battalion—Lieutenant A. J. Cummings, Company M, Oconto; Lieutenant Otto Meyer, Company A, Marshfield; Private Henry J. Pettigrew, Company M, Oconto.

Second Battalion—Captain U. G. Carl, Company F, Oshkosh; Lieutenant George Merkel, Company G, Appleton; Sergeant Gustav Schwandt, Company G, Appleton.

Third Battalion—Lieutenant Wm. F. Bruett, Company E, Fond du Lac; Lieutenant William Beardes, Company K, Beaver Dam; Private E. R. McDonald, Company D, Ripon.

The competition for places on the regimental team resulted:

Private Meyer, Company G, Appleton	397
Private Glassow, Company E, Fond du Lac	377
Private Barbyte, Company E, Fond du Lac	375
Corporal Stauf, Company A, Marshfield	358
Corporal Rohrbom, Company A, Marshfield	357
Corporal Bennet, Company K, Beaver Dam	354
Corporal Kloepfel, Company G, Appleton	354
Private Kopke, Company C, Sheboygan	344
Sergeant Seymour, Company I, Marinette	343
Color Sergeant Nic Thill, Sheboygan	341
Private Burkhardt, Company E, Fond du Lac	336
Sergeant Schweiger, Company K, Beaver Dam	335

In the distance judging contest the estimates were generally very accurate. Captain W. B. Hall, Company M, Oconto, came the nearest, with only 7.9 percentage of error. The First regiment chaplain still holds high position, with only 5 per cent of error.

LUVERNE, MINN.

Two of the worst electrical storms that have ever visited this section occurred late Saturday afternoon and early Sunday morning. In the afternoon storm the electrical disturbances lasted about an hour and was accompanied by a heavy rain fall. Little damage was done during this storm. The second, however, was much more severe and of longer duration. The storm broke about 1:30 a. m., and for over two hours and a half the heavens seemed to be constantly illuminated. The steeple on the First Baptist church was twice struck by lightning and totally destroyed. A piece of debris was driven through the roof of a nearby dwelling house. The electric light plant was entirely disabled, the transformer at the powerhouse being burned out, as were also the fuses, connections and meter boxes all over the city. The telephone system also suffered severely.

SIOUX CITY, IOWA

Separated from her father since babyhoon, not knowing whether he was alive or dead, Miss Adelina Bousum of this city has just returned from Sumpter, Oregon, where she found her father, and they were reunited after twenty years.—The Warfield-Pratt-Howell company, wholesale grocers, have bought 100x150 feet of ground upon which it will erect a six-story warehouse to cost $90,000. Work begins in two weeks. This makes the third new six-story warehouse for Sioux City within a year. The C. Shenkberg company is enlarging its house to six stories; the National Biscuit company is buying ground for a six-story house, and the William Tackaberry company has bought ground on which to build next year.

NEHAWKA, NEB.

Professor Winchell, president of the American Geological society; Professor Upham, president of the Minnesota State Historical society; J. V. Brower, Minnesota state archaeologist; Professors Barbour and Caldwell of the Nebraska state university; J. O. Barnett, librarian of the State Historical society, and E. E. Blackmore, state archaeologist, comprised a party of scientists that spent last week at this point investigating the ancient diggings. There was a question as to whether they are of drift formation or the work of man. The party unanimously decided they are artificial.

WATERTOWN, WIS.

What may possible be a murder has been unearthed by the discovery of human bones in the ruins of a house. The building was destroyed by fire and the only occupant, Reinhold Oestrict, brother of Alderman H. Oestrict, is supposed to have perished. He was known to have money, and it is possible he may have been murdered and fire started to cover the crime.

HUMBOLDT, IOWA

One man was killed and several injured in a read-end collision between two east-bound special stock trains on the North-Western. Conductor Roe Harlan, of the head train, jumped and his head was crushed. The caboose was hurled thirty feet. Six stockmen were slightly bruised. Engineer E. C. Norris, of the second train, jumped and his arm was broken. The fireman escaped.

CLINTON, IOWA

The funeral services over the remains of the late Edward A. Hughes, mayor of this city, were held yesterday afternoon. Dr. Pitner, of the First M. E. church officiated. All business in the city was suspended, every business house closing from 2 until 3 o'clock. The funeral was public and was one of the largest in the history of the city.

PIPESTONE, MINN.

J. J. Simenson's general store was broken into last night. A small amount of money, and goods to the amount of $75, were taken. There is no clue.—Some damage was done by lightning at the residence of J. Star, and also at the Catholic church, during a hard electrical storm Saturday evening.

BLOOMER, WIS.

Forest Marshall has sold his grocery and fruit store to C. T. Fox of Prentice.—The third annual picnic of N. P. Lyon post of this village will take place to-morrow at D. W. McCart's grove in Cooks Valley. The G. A. R. post of Chippewa Falls will join.

SPENCER, IOWA

James A. Wilson of Paw Paw, Ill., has bought twenty acres within the city and will put in a brick yard and manufacturing plant. It will cost $10,000 and employ thirty men.

LOW GRADES SELLING

Good Market for Lumber Once Accounted Almost Valueless.

DULUTH, MINN.—There were some sales of lumber the past week, mostly low grades and at former prices. The No. 4s have been pretty well picked up, and buyers are now taking in 5s and 6s, as some manufacturers say. A class of lumber is now being sold that was looked on as practically valueless not long ago, and that still later furnished payment for the sawing bills. It is a class of stuff that, on account of freight, cannot be shipped from west coast mills, but it is good enough for the purposes it is used for, and should not be thrown away, as was the case when things were different. Shipments are close to the saw and much green lumber is being sent down lakes. This condition will continue to the close of navigation, and a good deal of the dryest lumber left over at the close will probably go forward by rail in the winter.

During July, 2,880 carloads of lumber were handled into or out of Duluth, mostly into the city from interior milling points for the shipment east. But a considerable quantity, more than would be expected, was shipped all-rail east and southeast. The total was an increase of 1,240 carloads over this month last year. Lake shipments the past week have been 22,000,000 feet in all.

Members of the Schofield Lumber company of West Superior are buying Idaho timber in large amounts. They have bought about 30,000,000 feet of yellow pine in northern Idaho and are now engaged in colonizing a township of unsurveyed land with settlers and farmers from Wisconsin. On this township there is claimed to be not less than 400,000,000 feet of yellow pine, the stand being immensely heavy. A survey of this land will probably be made the coming winter. A stream is to be improved and a mill will be built next year.

The Minnesota Wood Pulp company, incorporators, G. W., T. [illegible] and L. R. Martin of Duluth, capital $10,000, has been formed here to carry on the business its name suggests.

William Carson of Burlington, Iowa, has sold to Cook & Tourish of Duluth timber in 60-17 and 61-17 for $100,000. Some other sales are pending.

The Lake Superior Timber company, which has works down the north shore, has sold to the Canadian Pacific road 5,000 piles each fifty-five feet long, for the foundation of its large grain elevator at Fort William. The company is putting in a large amount of pulp wood near the Nepigon and its officers are now there from their homes at Detroit.

DES MOINES, IOWA

Suit for $10,000 has been begun against Mayor Brenton and officials of the police department by Harvey McClurg, sextion of a church in Valley Junction. At the time of the Peterson murder, bloodhounds were brought to the city. One night they were used to trail down chicken thieves. They traced the alleged thieves to McClurg's door, and the officers forced their way into his house and examined the premises. He was indignant, and in consequence of being held up to public contumely is seeking damages.—The matrimonial record in Des Moines has been broken by Louis J. Brendel, a 22-year-old youth, who has just been married to Miss Gertrude Hunt. Both are residents of this city. Brendel, on applying for his license, was recognized by the county clerk as an individual who had been before him several times on a similar mission. Inquiry and investigation showed he was getting his fourth marriage license.—A meeting of the new Commercial Association of Iowa was held in Des Moines Aug. 26. There are ninety organized commercial bodies in the cities of Iowa, and each of these will be urged to send a representative.—Word has been received of the death in California of Isaac Cooper, one of the most prominent of the pioneers of Des Moines. He was the father of Mrs. F. M. Hubbell, wife of the noted millionaire of this city. He came to Des Moines in 1845.

BATTLE LAKE, MINN.

H. Steenerson, candidate for congress, spoke here and made a good impression. He favored tariff revision so as to adjust schedules to new conditions and prevent the fostering of monopolistic combinations or trusts, yet protecting American labor from the competition of the cheap labor of other lands. He favored reciprocity in general, and especially with Canada, and he indorsed the position of President Roosevelt on the Cuban question, and promised, if elected, to support measures to carry that policy into effect. Trusts, he declared, originated largely in railroad discrimination, and he favors as a remedy the restoration of equal rights and privileges in the transportation service of the country. He declared that under the commerce clause of the United States constitution congress had power to deal with these questions, and that congressional legislation in this direction could be made effective. It was an able address, and his reference to Cuba was especially cheered by the audience.

IRONWOOD, MICH.

Oscar Fieldseth, a 16-year-old boy, was accidentally shot through the face. The wound is not dangerous, though the lad has lost his speech temporarily.—Ironwood is to have a new $25,000 opera-house. D. M. Glassner, a local business man, has offered to put up $12,500 provided citizens subscribe an equal amount, and his signed papers to that effect. Subscriptions amounting to about $7,000 have already been made.—Dr. Hotchkiss, a veterinary and well-known character about town, was arrested yesterday for stealing wood from the yard of the D. W. Bundy company. He was bound over in the sum of $100 and has since left town.—Alderman William R. Rogers, a highly respected citizen, died last week of consumption, aged 39 years. He left a wife and five children. The funeral was held under the auspices of the Sons of St. George.

OACOMA, S. D.

Amos Yellow Hawk, a graduate of Carlisle, met and fell in love with Mary Ann Big-Woman, the wife of a chief. Mrs. Big-Woman reciprocated the affection and they proceeded to disregard the fact that both were married and had families, and decided to elope. Relays of ponies were arranged, and all made ready for the most rapid Sioux transit. One night Amos went to the tepee of his adored, and she, eluding the traditional vigilance of her band, slipped out and the two left for parts remote from Scalp Creek, where both resided. They had not counted upon the speed of the telephone and were soon caught.

CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

After drilling to a depth of 1,175 feet for oil in the neighborhood of Frederika, the Pioneer Prospecting Oil company has ceased operations for a lack of funds, and the machinery has been loaded on the cars and shipped to Streeter, Ill. The Wapsie Valley company is still drilling at Frederika. The state geologist has proved that his knowledge of the geological structure of this part of Iowa was of more certain value than the faith the members of the company had in the projecet. The oil question in Iowa has been settled for a time.

MUSCATINE, IOWA

The decomposed body of Mrs. Jessie Tuman was found a hundred yards from her home, near here, and her husband, unconscious and with mortal wounds, was found on the floor in the house. Signs of a desperate struggle appeared. The couple had considerable money. The money cannot be found, and Dan Williams, who for two weeks made his home with the Tumans, has disappeared.

VIROQUA, WIS.

Leaping into a buggy and lashing his horses to a gallop, a man supposed to be a member of a gang of horse thieves that has been operating in this part of the state for a month, escaped yesterday from the officers who had arrested him. It is believed that the robbers have a hiding place near town, and officers of several near-by counties are on the trail of the band.

ROCHESTER, MINN.

Patrick William Lavery, who was shot by Wesley Car at Gettysburg, S. D., and in self-defense returned the shot with a Winchester rifle and killed Carr, is in this city receiving treatment. The bullet wounds are above the heart and in the right jawbone. Lavery does not believe the law will do anything with him. He is improving and it is believed he will recover soon.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA

An unknown negro entered the room of Miss Aggie Beckwith, a highly respected white girl, and attempted to ravish her. The girl's mother, attracted by her screams, grappled with the brute, who escaped in the darkness. The affair has created great indignation.

SILVER VS. GOLD MEN

Iowa Democrats in the Usual Annual Scrap—State Politics.

DES MOINES, IOWA—There is little question but that the democratic state convention on Sept. 3 will witness a repetition of the bitter struggle of a year ago between the friends and the opponents of the Kansas City platform. The silver men are looking for a determined effort on the part of the conservatives to capture the organization and they are making every effort to prevent such a contingency. That the silver wing of the party will be just as completely opposed to compromise as W. J. Bryan is to the harmony program of eastern leaders was made clear at the Polk county convention, just held in Des Moines. Ex-Congressman Walter H. Butler, a republican silver man, was chosen as permanent chairman, the resolutions indorsed the Kansas City platform in whole and in detail, and all the proceedings were so hopelessly one-sided that several gold democrats left the meeting in disgust. Later, they expressed their sentiments on the situation in no uncertain terms.

Mr. Butler is being advanced for member of the resolutions committee from the seventh district. He says he expects the gold democrats will make a hard fight for control. It is expected the leaders in the attempt to get the organization away from the silver men will be the democrats in the second and third districts. In both these districts, there will be strenuous congressional campaigns, with some prospect of democratic victory should the state convention omit reference to the Kansas City platform. Hence the democrats in those districts will try to have a platform adopted that will not be calculated to antagonize republican voters.

In this they will be backed by the Woodbury county democrats and by delegations from other counties. As things stand now, however, it would seem to be impossible for the conservative faction to control. If it does not, it is conceded that the congressional contests made by the democrats will receive a serious setback.

Second district democrats believe they can win with Judge M. J. Wade on the ticket for congress, providing the state convention does not go hopelessly Bryanwards. The third district democrats are also stremely sanguine. Their plan is to adopt a platform in which free silver plays no part and then to draw all possible from the anti-Henderson element in the republican party in the district. Late reports from the district are that the preachers and religious element in the district are likely to go to Boies. It is known this element is opposed to Henderson on account of his personal habits, which it has never been claimed are those of a teetotaler and prohibitionist.

Senator Claude Porter has consented to run for congress in the eighth district. The adoption of a silver platform will be less detrimental to him, however, or to John P. Hess, the nominee against Lacey, than it would be to the nominees in the second and third districts.

The republican congressional convention in the second district will be held at Clinton, Aug. 20. There will probably be four candidates. William Hoffman of Muscatine, W. H. Wilson of Davenport, W. C. Gregory of Jackson county, and F. W. Ellis of Clinton.

The prohibiton state convention will be held the same date, Aug. 20, at Waterloo. A full state ticket will be put in the field. State Chairman J. H. Campbell will not be a candidate for another term on the committee.

At the democratic state convention, J. C. Likes of Des Moines will probably be chosen committeeman from the seventh district to succeed G. A. Huffman of Des Moines, long chairman of the committee. Mr. Likes was indorsed at the recent Polk county convention. It is not improbable he will be the next chairman of the state central committee.

LE CROSSE, WIS.

Captain C. H. Morris, commander of William McKinley post of the G. A. R., died yesterday after a long illness. He participated in nineteen battles and was wounded several times.—The clam diggers at Genoa have had good success lately. Walter Hastings found a pearl valued at $800.—The anthrax danger is considered over, though Dr. Roberts, state veterinarian, is still here watching the situation closely. No cattle have died for three days.—The Catholics celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the pope's succession Sunday. For the first time the members of all of the seven Catholic churches, representing people speaking six different languages, assembled at St. Joseph's cathedral for religious service. The vicar general, all the priests from the city and several from other parts of the diocese took part.

TACOMA, WASH.

A letter descriptive of the new Nazina district, its remarkable riches and the manner of the discovery of the country, has been received in this city by a personal friend from George M. Esterly, a well-known Copper river operator. The gold is bright yellow and very coarse. It is only about three feet to bed rock, and they have had pans that ran as high as $47. Many of them run from $2 to $20, and the remainder from 2 cents to $2.

HAMILTON, MINN.

Work on the excavation for a new Catholic church, to replace the one destroyed by fire, has begun. The former edifice was a mile south of this village, but the new one is being built here. The new structure will be finished by fall, will the thoroughly modern, with basement and furnace heat, of pressed brick throughout, and 40x80 feet in dimensions; height 30 feet to eaves, with tall spire.

NEW MARKET, MINN.

Several weeks ago, Knute Knutson, of this place, had one or two of his cattle bitten by a mad dog. The dog was followed and killed. Mr. Knutson's cattle have been developing symptoms of hydrophobia, and later dying, one by one, although the greatest care was taken in segregating those supposed to have been bitten. Mr. Knutson has lost fully a dozen head.

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINN.

The remains of Mrs. Vincent Markel, who was burned to death in St. Paul by a can of alcohol exploding, were brought here by her father, William Holman, and the funeral services held on Saturday. Her husband died in the city hospital in St. Paul two months ago. Three children, a baby 6 weeks old, one a year old and one under 5, are left orphans.

HASTINGS, MINN.

The congressional campaign of E. A. Whitford was opened Saturday night at a mass meeting, which was largely attended and developed much enthusiasm. A Whitford club was organized, with George Parker as president and Irving Todd as secretary. Addresses were made by M. L. Daly, E. E. Tuttle, W. E. Beerse and others. Mr. Whitford spoke briefly on campaign matters.

WATERLOO, IOWA

Men giving the names of Joe Powell of Kentucky and Frank Russell of Dixon, Ill., were arrested, charged with attempting to hold up a Rock Island passenger train near Washburn, Iowa. They flagged the train, but the engineer, thinking something was wrong, put on full steam and the men were unable to get aboard.

CASS LAKE, MINN.

C. F. Nesler, inspector for the interior department, is here investigating the merits of the different claimants for first rights to section 16, which was recently declared to be government land and not school land, by the courts. George Lydick is looking after the interests of his wife, who filed on the lands as an Indian allotment.

DOUGLAS, WYO.

Word reached here of the rediscovery of the famous Lost Cabin gold mine, in the mountainous district bordering the Black Hills, and several hundred prospectors started at once for that country. The Lost Cabin was located in 1869, and was reported to be fabulously rich in free gold.

ELMORE, MINN.

The Omaha station is completed and is one of the handsomest in this part of the country. All harvesting is done and threshing has commenced. Wheat is a light crop and poor grade, while oats go from forty to sixty bushls an acre and are of fair grade. Corn will be above the average crop if there are no more heavy rains.

SIOUX MASSACRE OF 1862

Two-Day Celebration of the Fortieth Anniversary at New Ulm.

NEW ULM, MINN.—On Saturday this city will celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the Sioux massacre of 1862 in a most elaborate manner. Three thousand dollars has been subscribed to start the celebration and five bands have been secured. A band of Sioux Indians from the lower agency dressed in their native costumes with the war instruments of savage times, will pitch their teepees in the center of the city.

The second regiment of the state militia with Captain Burg's battery of five pieces of artillery will give a sham battle in the valley between the city and Hauenstein's brewery. Senator Moses E. Clapp is to be orator of the day and addresses will also be made by Governor Van Sant, ex-Governor John Lind, Senator Somerville, ex-Governor Ramsey, Charles Flandrau and Colonel Sheehan. Aa 5 o'clock there is to be a grand review of the troops by Governor Van Sant and staff and in the evening there will be a reception and ball for the governor and officers of the militia.

Excursions are expected from all parts of the state as the rate has been put down to one fare for the round trip and on Sunday an excursion rate of $1.50 from St. Paul and Minneapolis will prevail.

The parade is to be entirely historic. Twenty floats representing different scenes in the history of the county and the massacre, painted by Heller & Gay, who painted the famous picture of the battle of New Ulm, will be the leading feature. There is also to be a house filled with relics. All the points of interest in the two battles of New Ulm will be marked and strangers will find no difficulty in studying the field. Letters have been received from old settlers from almost every state in the union saying they will be here on that occasion. The militia will arrive on Friday night and pitch their tents on the school house square, under command of Colonel Bobleter.

CALUMET, MICH.

The most remarkable recovery from broken back known to medical science is what physicians call the case of August Brinkman, a Tamarack miner. Sept. 21, 1901, he broke his back, and Drs. Rodt and Gregg of the Tamarack mine hospital found a complete fracture, with the spinal cord hanging almost severed. They operated on him, cutting down the spinal process so the bones would fit and attending to the cord as seemed proper. Now he is able to stand and has the use of his functions.—The stamp mill lacation of the Mohawk and Wolverine Mining companies at Traverse bay has been named "Gay," in honor of John Gay of New York, an officer of the companies. The mills are on an arm of Lake Superior, and in the vicinity good trout-fishing and hunting is to be had.—At the annual meeting of the Jacobs Portage Redstone company, Captain W. E. Parnall, head of the Bigelow-Lewishon syndicate of mines, was instrumental in the election of the following board of managers: James B. Cooper, Z. W. Wright and A. D. Edwards.

REDWOOD FALLS, MINN.

The Chicago Bridge and Iron Works is about to commence suit against the city for $710, balance alleged to be due on the contract for the erection of new steel water tower. One hundred dollars has been withheld for alleged defects in the construction. The other $610 has been retained to reimburse the city for expenses incurred in continuous pumping from the time that the tower was to have been completed until the time when it was actually completed, a period of about five months. In the contract between the company and the city, the company agreed to have the tower ready for use Jan. 15 last. It was not finished until about July 1. The Chicago company will hold that the clause in the contract whereby it was to be released from the strict requirements of the contract, in case of strikes, warring elements, etc., relieves it from a claim for damages.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA

W. S. Robbins, for many years treasurer of the Letts-Fletcher Wholesale Grocery company, has resigned on account of ill health.—The recent heavy rains north of here have caused heavy rises in the Iowa river, which has cut new channels.—At the Benson mills at Union a great deal of damage was done in the early spring by the river cutting a channel around one end of the bridge, thus leaving the dam outside the river channel. The work of forcing the river back into the old channel had just been completed when the big rains of last week again flooded the river, and the dike which had been built was carried away. It will cost $4,000 to repair the damage.—Henry Martin of Oskaloosa, who was arrested by the authorities here, has been bound over. He is accused of having stolen from a North-Western merchandise car a quantity of ladies' cloaks and shoes consiged to merchants at Ames.

AMES, IOWA

An annual convention of Iowa Adventists will be held in Ames, commencing Aug. 27 and continuing ten days. Over 2,000 people are expected to attend. The meeting will be held in tents erected in the college park addition, between the city and the college grounds.—The temporary injunction which the board of supervisors held against the Des Moines, Iowa Falls & Northern railway against further work on the new road unless an overhead crossing was built at the Indian creek bridge, has been dissolved by Judge Whitaker. The matter of constructing a viaduct will be decided by the court later. This is considered a victory for the railroad company, as it is not believed it will be forced to construct the viaduct, as the railroad commissioners have accepted the offer of the company to put in an electric gong and a flash-light at the crossing.

SPRING GROVE, MINN.

Many citizens, accompanied by the cornet band, the orchestra and the baseball team, drove to Dorchester, Iowa, to assist in celebrating a Catholic feast. The ball team played against the Waukon team, and won by a score of 5 to 1.—The Lutheran choir has made arrangements to institute a course of lectures and musical entertainments during the winter. Sufficient tickets have been sold to insure a financial success.—Iver Otterness, living north of town, enters the race for representative. This makes four candidates for that position on the republican ticket in Houston county.—C. F. Metcalf has taken charge of the elevator so long under the operation of O. O. Roppe.

MADISON, WIS.

An explosion which shook the county courthouse and jail and broke several windows in both buildings, as well as in residences for two or three blocks away, occurred last evening on E Main street. Reports of a boiler explosion and that an attempt had been made to blow up the jail spread rapidly, and a crowd of 2,000 collected. It developed that the explosion was that of a bottle of nitroglycerin which Sheriff Burmeister had carelessly tossed into the street. Fortunately no one was injured, though the sheriff was thrown twenty-five feet. The explosive was some which the sheriff had taken from a gang of safe blowers.

FERGUS FALLS, MINN.

Bernt Thompson, one of the early setlers of this vicinity, died from old age. He was 80 years old and had resided here since 1870. He left a family of six children, all of whom are well-known residents of this vicinity.—A telephone message was received from Verndale announcing the death of Humphrey Lord, who was until recently a prominent citizen of this vicinity. He was visiting in Verndale and was stricken with paralysis. He leaves a wife and three daughters.—County Treasurer Butler and County Auditor Lincoln filed affidavits for renomination for the present offices. G. G. Opsahl also filed as a candidate for the populist nomination for register of deeds.

FULDA, MINN.

Glen Davis, the 11-year-old son of W. M. Davis, attempted to board a fast-moving train and was thrown to the ground. The wheel of a car cut off the bottom of his left foot.—The wife of George W. Stearns, a prominent farmer, died Thursday and the remains were taken to Ogden, Ill., for burial.

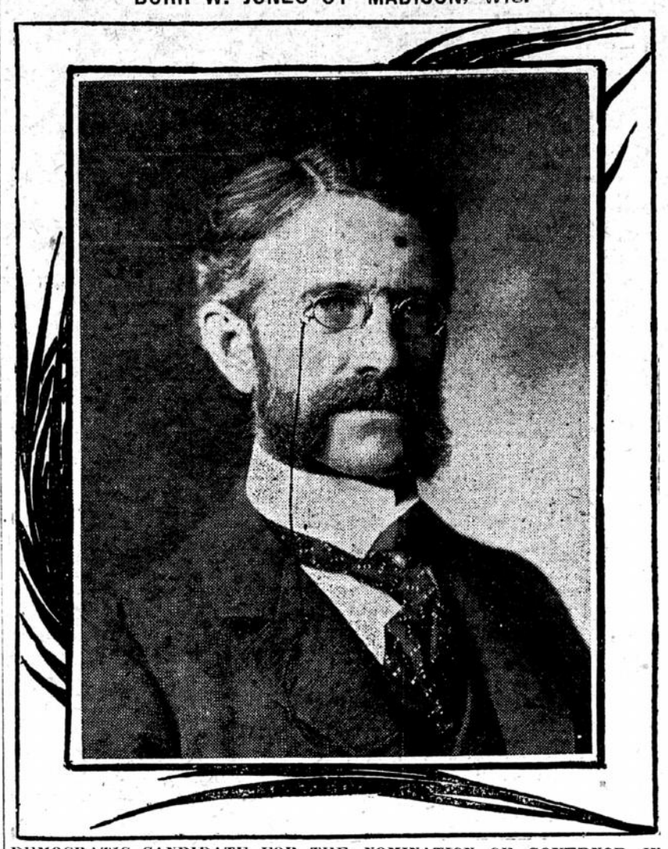
FLORENCE, WIS.

Forest fires threaten the town. The fire department was called out to protect the lumber-yards and sawmill of D. S. Fuller, on the outskirts. Crops in the vicinity are seriously threatened.

WHITEWOOD, S. D.

Some one, in a spirit of malice, blew up most of the reaping machinery of Fritz Berger with dynamite. Other machinery was somewhat damaged, entailing a loss of several hundred dollars.

BURR W. JONES OF MADISON, WIS.



DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR THE NOMINATION OF GOVERNOR IN OPPOSITION TO GOVERNOR R. M. LA FOLLETTE

CENTURY AND EIGHT YEARS

Mrs. Noonan of Lime Springs, Iowa, Oldest Woman in Northwest.

LIME SPRINGS, IOWA—Mrs. Michael Noonan celebrated her 108th birthday yesterday. She is the oldest living white woman in the northwest.

Born in Woodford county, Galloway, Ireland, Aug. 14, 1794, she has seen five successive monarchs rule over her native country, George III., George IV., William IV., Victoria and Edward VII. "And I just think I'll outlive Edward, too," she says, cheerily.

Indeed she seems better equipped for the contest than the new king, for this redoubtable old woman of two centuries ago, sews without glasses, rises with the birds, makes her own bed, eats at the table with the family, walks about the house supported only by her cane, and talks as intelligently and easily as any of her descendants. She spends much of her time doing fine needle work and one of her pieces of fancy work took first prize at the Howard county fair of 1901. She owes her long life to the eating of plain food and the blood of ancestors who passed the 100 mark. She spurns physicians and has never had a really serious sick spell in all her long years.

Eighty-one years ago last March Julia Lynch married Michael Noonan, superintendent of roads in Ireland. In 1854 they emigrated to Newark, Ohio, and three years later went to Warnersville, Wis., and in 1872 came to Chester, Iowa. Mr. Noonan died in 1882.

PIERRE, S. D.

Governor Herreid has issued a commission to David Hein of Mound City as game warden for Campbell county.—It has been decided to sink another well in this city and increase the gas supply to a point where inducements can be offered manufactories to locate. The well which has just been completed by Norbeck & Nicholson having proved to be such a success, the same outfit will no doubt be use in the sinking of the new well.—Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Rogue River Lumber company at Armour, with a capital of $100,000. Incorporators, B. W. La Shier, C. E. Huston and E. P. Wanzer. The Brookings County Immigration company, at Volga, with a capital of $25,000. Incorporators, A. E. Whitney, W. H. Lohman, P. L. Schoep. The La Fortuna Gold and Silver Mining company at Pierre, with a capital of $1,500,000. Incorporators, Alfred Neuman, James Bamler, L. L. Stephens. The National Light, Heat and Power company, at Pierre, with a capital of $5,000,000. Incorporators, William T. Crosten, James W. Boyd, G. W. Sanders. The Coffeyville Vitrified Brick and Tile company, at Pierre, with a capital of $600,000. Incorporators, A. C. Stitch, A. W. Shulters, L. L. Stephens.

DULUTH, MINN.

Charles Kaskela fell twenty-five feet and was killed.—The socialist-labor party has nominated V. C. Konezniy, of Two Harbors, as candidate for congress.—The democratic county committee formally called upon John Jenswold, Jr., with a request that he become the party candidate in this district for congress.—An unknown man was drowned in St. Louis bay. He was in a rowboat which was waterlogged and the crew of the tug towing made an effectual effort to rescue him.—The Highland Canal and Power company is reaching an amicable agreement with the Omaha, Northern Pacific and Great Northern in the matter of extending its pipe lines for conveying water across their respective properties.—New elevator capacity to the amount of 3,000,000 bu and costing about $1,000,000 will be under way in Duluth next winter. The promoters of the new elevators are McCarthy & Co., with a 1,500,000-bushel house, and the Great Eastern Elevator company, with a house of the same size.

IOWA FALLS, IOWA

Another hard rain fell in this part of the state Saturday night and Sunday, the government station showing a precipitation of 1.5 inches of water. Thus far, August has been an unusual month for moisture, there having been a fall of 5.45 inches.—The thirty-second annual meeting of the Hardin County Agricultural Society opens at Eldora to-morrow, and, with good weather, the meeting will be the biggest success of recent years.—A convention of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of Harding county opens at Ackley this evening and will continue to-morrow.—A mass convention of the democratic of Hardin county has been called to meet at Eldora on Aug. 20, to select delegates to the state convention and to place in the field a county ticket.

NORTHFIELD, MINN.

The advisability of holding a street fair in September has been widely discussed, and a meeting of the business men will be held in the city hall to-night to determine what can be done.—The Milwaukee company has a large gang of Italians working on the grade north of this city. They were imported from Kansas, on account of the scarcity of other labor, better wages being offered in the harvest fields.

HASTINGS, MINN.

At the meeting of the city council the Consolidated Telephone and Telegraph company was granted permission to extend its toll lines through the city, the consideration being $5 for the first circuit and $3 for each additional.—The funeral of John Maether took place from the Church of the Guardian Angels this morning, Rev. J. A. Fitzgerald officiating. It was conducted under the auspices of Peller post, No. 89, G. A. R., of which the dead man was junior vice commander.

RUSHFORD, MINN.

A national bank was organized here to-day, sixteen business men of this city becoming stockholders. Niles Carpenter, a retired banker, is at the head of the enterprise. It will be known as the First National of Rushford.—Public opinion here favaors Tawney, and business men contend that his re-election is a necessity.

RHODES, IOWA

The death of Theodore Noon, one of the victims of the recent wreck on the Milwaukee, is likely to occur at any hour. This will swell the list of victims to fourteen. Noon is now in a hospital at Des Moines.

ON A MURDER CHARGE

Two Citizens of Boscobel, Wis., Are Under Arrest.

BOSCOBEL, WIS.—Tobias Eckenberger, aged 50, a Scandinavian, met death at Blue River from a wound in the head. He laid nine hours before being discovered. He had been dragged from the center of the street to a pile of wood and weeds. He had been drinking until a late hour and was boisterous and had an altercation with Charles McMillien and Sherman Streeter, Boscobel painters.

Witnesses say they heard a blow struck and saw Eckenberger fall. A warrant was issued by Justice of Peace Fred Adkins, on complain of John Proeter and McMillen and Streetor were arrested by Constable Sayler, charged with the killing of Eckenberger. A post mortem examination was started and testimony of two witnesses heard when a continuance was taken to Wednesday, Aug. 20. H. W. Brown of Lancaster appears for the state and W. E. Howe of Boscobel for the defense.

The murdered man was single and homeless and had no known relatives in the state. He was buried to-day by the health officer. Streetor and McMillen were taken to Lancaster jail. Both have families living in Boscobel. The public does not look upon them as being the perpetrators of the crime charged.

DEADWOOD, S. D.

The republican central committee of Lawrence county met in Deadwood. Lead was chosen for the county convention, which is to be held Thursday, Aug. 28. The primaries will be held Aug. 23.—The remains of Gladys Rheutan, the young woman who committed suicide at the Combination theater, have been sent to Monmouth, Ill., where her parents reside.—The funeral of the late John Maxton, who was found dead in his cabin at Englewood, was held in Deadwood to-day, and the remains were taken in charge by a brother, Robert Maxton, who is a prosperous merchant of Bloomington, Ill., for shipment to that point.—President John R. Wilson of the Deadwood Business Club has appointed delegates to the International mining congress at Butte. They are D. A. McPherson, Edward McDonald, N. E. Franklin, Robert N. Ogden and Sol Star.

ABERDEEN, S. D.

William Smerling, a harvest hand, was shot Saturday night by a hold-up gang. The ball entered his leg below the knee and broke the smaller bone. Smerling and a companion who had been working near town climbed on top of a car in the Milwaukee yards to get a ride to Montevideo, and three men held them up. After getting their loose change, amounting to about $5, the men were let go, and as they started off on a run, Smerling was shot. Two of the hold-up men were arrested and are in jail.—Five train loads of cattle went out from here Saturday night for Chicago and Sioux City. Three of these were range cattle and the others local shipments. Two train loads Sunday and two more to-day made up the shipments of 150 cars in three days.

WORTHINGTON, MINN.

Sheriff Mike Reiter had a wild ride on an engine last evening in pursuit of four notorious pickpockets, who had robbed Roadmaster Dunbar of the Omaha. He found them at Heron Lake, eighteen miles east, and brought them back and has them lodged in the county jail. One of the quartet says he picked out Mr. Dunbar as a "sure thing," showing the men had knowledge of the money he carried. Part of the money has been recovered.

FARGO, N. D.

The evidences of the harvester merger are numerous in Fargo. Some of the harvesting machine companies have transferred the insurance and more recently signs on the windows of other places have been changed to read International Harvester company. This year's trade as far as sales are concerned is practically over and the only reduction in force likely to follow is that in the large corps of collectors.

RADCLIFFE, IOWA

The residence of Nels Johnson was struck by lightning. Near New Providence, in this county, lightning struck the barn of H. N. Peckham and it was entirely destroyed, together with grain, hay and one horse.

STEEL AND IRON PLANT

Plans of President Hill for the City of Great Falls.

GREAT FALLS, MONT.—President J. J. Hill of the Great Northern railway, who visited this city last week, will erect a monster steel and iron plant here, for which plans have been drawn, according to information from those in close touch with the railway man.

It has developed that Mr. Hill has purchased a half interest in the Conrad iron mines of Choteau county for $25,000. The mines lie in the Sweet Grass hills and constitute a veritable mountain of the mineral. There is enough iron ore in sight to keep an ordinary plant supplied for a hundred years, according to Mr. Hill's experts, who have examined the property.

W. G. Conrad, owner of the mines, has confirmed the report of the sale.

One factor which has been lacking in the reduction of the iron ore to metal has been manganese, which mineral is necessary as a flux in the smelting of the ore. To overcome this President Hill, together with United States Senator Paris Gibson, has purchased the recently discovered deposits of manganese in Jefferson county on the line of the Great Northern.

Mr. Hill and his party inspected the manganese deposits Friday and expressed themselves in high terms regarding the showing made.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D.

William Brady is the name of the latest prisoner to be lodged in the Sioux Falls penitentiary. He is a negro and was convicted in Yankton county for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and sentenced to nine months. The person whom he assaulted was also colored.—It is probable that the first annual county fair of the recently organized Minnehaha County Agricultural society, in this city next month, will be held on the tract of land owned by Clark G. Coats, where there already are buildings suitable for fair purposes. Should this site be selected the Rock Island railroad will be asked to run special trains between the city and the fair grounds. It was decided that only animals owned in Minnehaha county shall be eligible to entrance for prizes. Animals owned in any other county or in any other state may be exhibited and offered for sale.

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WIS.

Improvement work on the old Fort Crawford military cemetery came to an abrupt standstill yesterday when it was discovered the old burying ground was not government property, but the property of the John Lawler estate. All the land immediately surrounding the cemetery, which is inclosed in a rickety board fence, had been sold by the Lawler estate, and it was supposed the government owned the burial ground.

John O'Brien was instantly killed by southbound passenger train No. 32, on the Milwaukee road. He was 60 years old.

MORRIS, MINN.

Martin Dahlgren of Melvin, Polk county, Minn., reported that he had been robbed of $1,100 after he boarded the train at Crookston. He had $190 in cash and the remainedr was in certificates of deposit on the Bank of Walnut Grove and the Scandia bank, Crookston.

LINCOLN, NEB.

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