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**WILLIAM G. WHITMORE, Valley.**  
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Clerk—**THOMAS HOWARD.**  
Assessor—**ED. LUESCHEN.**  
Superintendent—**I. H. BRITTELL.**  
Coroner—**DR. PUGH.**  
Surveyor—**J. E. NORTH.**

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**JOHN SPRECKER** of Selby, at one time one of the leading populists of the state, and holding the office of inspector when that party was in power in the state, recently published the following in his Free Lance, which is the expression of many of the leading populists of this country:  
"This editor did not attend the populist convention this year and he had no intention to do so, because he is not affiliating with the party, but it seems that in spite of that known fact the convention placed our name on the list of delegates to the state convention. Believing that the majority who did that acted in good purpose we can only appreciate the act and return thanks, but cannot accept the act. This editor is a populist in belief and probably will remain so as long as the issues before the people and the stand taken by that party remain the same, but we do not care to belong to the party as it stands today and especially so in Nebraska. As a delegate last year to the populist state convention we left the meeting ere it had concluded its labors and came home disgusted, deciding then that that was the last. That once great party in this state which was the party of the people has for some years been only a private association of voters who were more subservient to the dictation of a few leaders, who pushed them about to serve personal ends, than ever the machine-conducted republican party was. When the leaders like Bryan and Allen and Harrington and Smyth and others will leave the conventions and go to some private room to talk over the situation and purposely leave the conventions to sit all night awaiting, not considering that they could not without those dictators, it is time that the rank and file quit playing the part of dummies. The plan was to wait until the delegates to the two conventions were themselves out and then they could be handled by those schemers who have no place in any true populist convention which is supposed to represent the voice of the people and not indulge the wishes of those manipulators. The populist party in Nebraska became not only a leech on democracy, which was not there by democratic choice, and Senator Allen was the business end of that leech which did the blood sucking."

**SELECTING SEED CORN.**  
We urged our readers only a week or two ago to keep a close watch on the fields from which they expect to select their seed corn next year and mark for use as seed the best ears that ripen earliest. Our reason for calling attention to it again at this time is that many of our readers have at least small plots of corn of seed brought from a distance, generally south, which they are trying to acclimate and thus secure the quality of good breeding, or corn of good type, with as great a quantity of corn as they can grow in the latitude in which they live. It is quite probable that much of this corn will be killed by an early frost but some of it will ripen, and it is these ripe ears that should be chosen for seed the next year. In about three years these pure types of corn can be acclimated in different parts of the country and add from five to ten bushels of corn per acre to the ordinary yield.  
Certainly this is worth looking after, and we are quite sure it will work, but the farmer must keep an eye on those early maturing ears and mark them so that he can secure earliness with quality and quantity. The ears that got in this year out of the way of probable frost will be worth a good deal of money.—Wallace Farmer.

The following paragraph in the daily papers Monday indicate the condition of the rivers of the state. It is not out of place here to remind the public that the Loup river is not by any means dry. That river has been found to be the most uniform flowing stream ever measured by the United States geological survey, the lowest month ever measured carried an average of 2300 cubic feet per second. It would be well for the Fremont canal promoters to study the conditions of the Loup before relying implicitly in the waters of the Platte. "Many of the irrigation ditches of the state are dry just now, when water is needed for fall irrigation. On August 31 the Platte river was gauged at Ashland, showing 40,000 cubic feet of flow per second. Now the river is practically dry at Grand Island, the flow being but a few hundred feet per second. At Big Springs, in Deuel county, the South Platte has been little more than a rivulet all summer. As early as April 25 the gauge showed but ten cubic feet of flow and a month later the river bed was nothing but dry sand."

**Genes.**  
[From the Leader.]  
There has been quite a change in the run of the conductors on the branches the past week. Wilcox is now on the main line, while Compton is punching tickets on the Spalding passenger, and Speice has the Albion run.  
Kenneth, a ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Welch of Monroe township met with a serious accident Tuesday afternoon. The accident happened just after school was dismissed for the day, and the little fellow was attempting to climb into the rear end of a buggy driven by a son of Rev. Lumbury, who whipped up his team which caused Kenneth to fall backward and catching his foot between a brace and the buggy he received a horrible fracture of his leg. The leg was broken at the knee, it was also split and torn free from the ligaments. Dr. Davis was called and reduced the fracture after which Drs. Martyn and Evans of Columbus were called to consult in the matter. The physicians hope to be able to save the leg.  
Mrs. Jessie Mapes of Ft. Niobrara has brought action in the district court against her husband, Lieut. Wm. Mapes, for divorce and a restraining order preventing her husband from taking their oldest son to the Philippine islands. She also says that for \$400 which she claims he obtained from her through fraud. The plaintiff in her petition charges her husband with cruelty, and says that he continually insulted her in public, threatened her life in private by placing a loaded revolver against her head, often slept with a loaded revolver on his breast, and that about the first of August he ordered her from their home and told her never to return. Reeves & Hobart of Columbus are attorneys for the plaintiff. Mrs. Mapes is now with her parents in our city.

**Accidental Death of Henry Radat.**  
Citizens here were shocked Monday afternoon to learn of the death of Henry Radat, one of the old settlers of the county, living four miles southwest of Omaha.  
Mr. Radat left home about 10:30 o'clock Monday morning, with a wagon filled with shelled corn for the Columbus market. He was found about 11:30 o'clock lying on the north approach of the Loup river bridge, his team standing quietly by.  
Parties passing over the bridge who first saw him, immediately notified Sheriff Byrnes and the body was brought soon after to Gans' undertaking rooms. The left side of the head received a bruise as if from the weight of the wagon wheel, but it is thought that the wheel did not pass over the head, and that death was caused from a fall, which broke the neck, and not from the wagon passing over him. To all appearance, the accident occurred on account of the neck-yoke breaking, which let down the tongue of the wagon causing a sudden jolt and throwing Mr. Radat out of the wagon, in front of the wheels. The double-tree then broke and the horses were standing a short distance from the wagon when found.  
Henry Radat was born May 13, 1854, in Burgardorf, Prussia. He came to America in 1875 and settled in Omaha. In 1878 he came to Platte county, living on a farm until 1889 when he sold out and returned to Germany, only remaining a few months, however, and when coming back he purchased the farm upon which he has since made his home.  
The deceased was married June 9, 1883, to Miss Emma Martz and to them have been born fourteen children, four of whom have passed to the world beyond. Besides the wife and ten children, who survive him, he left his aged mother Mrs. Henrietta Radat and one brother and one sister. His oldest son is about 20 years of age.  
Mr. Radat was a devoted man to his family and since the death of a son about four months ago, has constantly mourned for him. Since that time he had never wished to be left alone, and the trip Monday was the first he had made since the death of his child, without some member of his family with him. Before leaving for town he returned three times to bid his wife good bye.  
Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home, Rev. Neumarck officiating. Interment will be made in the Duncan cemetery.

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**ADDITIONAL LOGAL**  
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—The high school football team played their first game of the season Saturday against a plucky team from the Genoa high school. The game opened with a kick-off by Howard sending the ball nearly over the goal line