

NEWS FROM NEBRASKA TOWNS

A Farmer at Lodi Disappears Under a Cloud.

ASYLUM OFFICERS IN SESSION.

Two Prisoners at Kearney Sentenced to Ten Years Each for Manslaughter—Doings of Odd Fellows at Grand Island.

A Lodi Sensation.

CALAWAY, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special to The Bee.]—The town of Lodi is much stirred up over the mysterious disappearance of Emmet Hambridge, a prominent farmer. There was some talk that he had been killed, but it was discovered that Caroline Torgerson, a fourteen-year-old stepdaughter of Hambridge, was about to become a mother. Suspicion pointed to the stepfather, who turned up missing. Sheriff Penn Bluffs arrested Hambridge in Council Bluffs, brought him back to Broken Bow, when he was released on bail. The trial was postponed from time to time until last month. Meantime, the baby was born and shortly afterward died. At the trial, though strong circumstantial evidence was adduced against Hambridge, the girl, who was living in the home of her mother, testified that she was not the father of her baby. Upon her testimony, Hambridge escaped conviction and was released.

After the trial, the girl went to Gothenburg to live. Hambridge came back to Lodi, and is generally understood to have been on his farm by a second mortgage. One day last week he drove to Cozad, thirty miles. Returning to his home, about four miles from Cozad, where he took supper. About dark the same evening his team walked into the yard of John Metz, who lives a few miles north of Lodi, hauling the buggy, which was unoccupied. From the buggy a package of dry goods and a white shirt were seen. Hambridge had been seen since. Many parties have feared foul play and have been searching the canyons for his body. The case was supposed to have been quietly dropped from the country, taking this method of leaving pursuit. The theory of foul play is reasonable from the fact that Hambridge was supposed to have the \$800, lately borrowed, on his person, making a motive for robbery. Equally sensible is the theory that Hambridge was kidnapped, and that the girl has gone away from Gothenburg and is now somewhere in the state of Maine.

Imbecile Asylum Officers.

HEATHER, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The thirteenth annual meeting of the American Association of Imbecile Asylum Officers is in session at the institute for imbeciles in this city. The session last evening was the most interesting of superintendents and the reading of the annual address of the president of the association. This evening's session was devoted to the reading of reports and the reading of the formal business period of social enjoyment was indulged, which was participated in by a number of invited guests from this city and Lincoln.

Ten Years Each.

KEARNEY, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Judge Hamer sentenced Washington T. Day, who was convicted of manslaughter for shooting his father, to ten years in the penitentiary at hard labor.

Grand Lodge, L. O. O. F.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The grand lodge, I. O. O. F., in session here, paraded the streets this afternoon over five hundred strong. They were preceded by the Daughters of Rebecca to the number of one hundred in carrying a banner, and a procession over witnessed on the streets of Grand Island. The following are the grand lodge officers elected for the ensuing year: Grand master, W. H. Barber, of Lincoln; deputy grand master, John Evans, of Omaha; grand warden, LeRoy Fremont, of Grand Island; Sam Loomis, Lincoln; grand secretary, D. A. Cline, Lincoln. The Daughters of Rebecca elected the following officers: President, state convention, Mrs. Armstrong, of Omaha; vice president, Mrs. Heaton, Lincoln; secretary, M. A. H. of Lincoln; treasurer, Mrs. Hoagland, North Platte. Delegates to the national convention at Topeka, Kan.: Sadie Wright, of Omaha, for two years; Alice Williams, of Lincoln; M. E. West, Omaha; Mrs. Hunt, Kearney. The members of the grand lodge gave a public entertainment, which was highly appreciated by the large audience assembled there.

Carried Off His Daughter.

HEMINGSFORD, Neb., Oct. 17.—There was quite a sensation created by an irate father and a runaway couple at the depot when the 4 o'clock train pulled in. Miss Maud Bullock, daughter of the Commercial hotel proprietor of Nospur, had secretly planned to meet her lover, William West, at this place, and take the train for Newcastle, Wyo. The old man got wind of the elopement in time to intercept the disobedient pair just as they were about to get on the train. The father caught hold of his daughter and prevented her from getting on the train. Young Westker stepped up to the girl's defense and then a struggle ensued. The father, who was with his father to let her go. She said she could not and would not return home with him. Finally the young couple boarded the train and were off before the old man could recover his breath.

North Platte Republicans Rally.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special to The Bee.]—The Republicans of Lincoln county held a rousing ratification meeting at the court house. Hon. J. Nesbitt, Justice of the Peace, H. R. L. of Lincoln, and J. W. Nation of Wallace addressed the large audience assembled there. The program and instrumental music were features of the occasion.

A Kearney Pastor's Affliction.

KEARNEY, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Rev. J. D. Kerr, formerly of Nebraska City, and late pastor of the Presbyterian church here, has undergone a severe mental and physical ailment within the past few weeks. He was accompanied by friends to Chicago to-day, where he will take medical advice. He will spend the winter in Milwaukee. Overwork and worry over business matters is assigned as the cause of the trouble.

A Big Criminal Docket.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special to The Bee.]—Monday Judge Post commenced what promises to be a lengthy term of the district court. There are eleven cases on the criminal docket, the largest number for over ten years. The case against Otto Foster for embezzling county funds was heard yesterday. The evidence in the state's evidence was positive and was not denied by the defense. Foster was set free. Judge Post's instructions amounted practically to orders for conviction, but the jury did not find that way. The only point attempted to be made by the defense was that Foster was a "clerk" and not a "deputy."

Suicide Near Wymore.

HEATHER, Neb., Oct. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Coroner Roe was summoned to the vicinity of Wymore this afternoon to hold an inquest on the body of John Wolf, a German farmer, who had suicided by jumping into a deep well on the premises. The deceased was generally regarded as depressed, and about six weeks ago made an attempt on his life by cutting a fearful gash in his throat with a razor. He had but recently recovered from the first attempt on his life. He is said to have a family in comfortable circumstances.

THE BLIGHT OF THE SOUTH.

An Eldorado Blasted by the Ignorant Power of the Blacks.

A FERVID APPEAL TO THE NORTH

Henry Watterson Before the National Board of Trade, in Session at Louisville, Speaks of the Cross of His Country.

The Riddle of the Sphinx.

LOUISVILLE, Oct. 19.—At the second day's session of the National Board of Trade resolutions were adopted in substance as follows: That our rivers and harbors should be improved and maintained by the general government; that congress grant an charter for bridges over our navigable streams unless amply sufficient in width and length; that congress should organize a naval reserve force, and that congress be asked to foster the mercantile marine by every legitimate means especially to South America. The Torrey banknote bill was endorsed and a memorial adopted, reciting its virtues and recommending it to congress for enactment. A resolution was passed requesting the Pan-American congress to take action for the establishment of a national convention to all the American people. The meeting closed to-night with a grand banquet and an address by Henry Watterson, who spoke on the general state of the country.

A Little Too Soon.

The Move to Secure Snyder's Indorsement By German Democrats. Circulars were distributed over the whole town and addressed in the German Tribune announcing a meeting of German democrats at Twenty-sixth and Walnut streets at 8 o'clock last night. A small crowd gathered at the appointed place, and, after waiting for some time, Julius Werdin introduced himself as the man sent for by Adam Snyder, who instructed the speaker to announce to the club for a special benefit. He stated that he had expected to see a gathering of 200 or 300 people, but as there was such a small attendance he had decided to postpone the meeting until next Wednesday, but explained that the intention of the organizers was to have a club which would support Snyder, and which would refer to any other candidate of their party.

Democratic Meeting.

F. C. Kisko, a prominent democrat, demanded an explanation from Werdin as to why authority had been called for calling a democratic meeting and announcing English, German and Polish speakers. He asked if Adam Snyder, or the central committee, or anyone else had authorized such a feebly proceeding as this attempt to organize a club for the support of any one candidate, or 200 votes on account of this foolishness. He denounced the attempt as an outrage on the body of the party, which would react upon the promoters. Werdin did not attempt to reply, but merely stated that the ward was democratic and that he had no objection to it any way. The meeting then adjourned itself unceremoniously.

Ninth Ward Republicans.

The republican club of the Ninth ward held a regular meeting at 2908 Franklin street last night. The attendance was large and business was conducted with dispatch. The members of the county central committee from the Ninth ward were empowered to request the executive committee to furnish them with a copy of the constitution and by-laws of the party. P. M. Christensen, George Simley and William D. Edwards were appointed a committee to canvass the ward and make a list of the names and locations of all voters in the ward. The club adjourned until next Friday evening.

Seventh Ward Republicans.

An election of the Seventh ward Republican club last night was held and means were discussed for getting out a full registration of the republican voters. Of the 1,400 voters in the ward less than 400 have registered. It was finally agreed to select two men from the ward to canvass the ward for registration. The men chosen were J. C. Thompson and Erick T. Johnson in the First precinct, and Peter S. and A. E. Baldwin in the Second precinct.

Great watch sale this week.

Don't fail to attend it at Edholm & Akin's, corner 15th and Dodge, opp. P. O.

DETECTIVES IN SESSION.

The Officers' and Detectives' association of the United States held its annual session at the Paxton hotel yesterday. Considerable business was transacted, much of which was secret in its nature. A movement was inaugurated to visit the various communicating facilities will be had in the future. The details of the plan are quite elaborate in their nature, and will be perfected by the executive committee of the association. The association is composed of police officers and detectives, and extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Inspector Byrnes, of the New York police, being an ex-officio member. Its object is facilitation in detecting criminals. But few members usually attend the meetings, and business is very transacted by the executive board. The officers elected yesterday were C. A. Hawley, inspector of police at Denver, president; L. E. Fournier, of Lincoln, first vice president; John Fuller, New York, second vice president; Frank Anderson, Moine, third vice president; and J. W. Nation, Moine, secretary and treasurer.

Why Leaves Turn.

"Probably not one person in as thousands knows why leaves change their color in the fall," remarked an eminent naturalist in the country. "The common and old-fashioned idea is that all this red and golden glory we see now is caused by frosts. A true and scientific explanation of the cause of the coloring of autumn leaves would necessitate a long and intricate discussion. States briefly and in proper language, those causes are these, says The Home: The green matter in the tissue of a leaf is composed of two colors, red and blue. When the autumn comes, the red color, which is a natural growth of the tree cells, oxidation of the tissue takes place. Under certain conditions the green of the leaf changes to red; and under other conditions it takes on a yellow or brown tint. The difference in color is due to the difference in combination of the original constituents of the green tissue and the varying conditions of climate, exposure, and soil. The red color is produced by the brilliant foliage that one that is damp and warm. This is the reason that our American autumns are so much more gorgeous than those of England. There are several things about leaves that even science cannot explain. For instance, why one of two trees growing side by side, of the same age and having the same exposure, should take on a brilliant red in the fall, and the other should turn yellow; or why one branch of a tree should be highly colored and the rest of the tree have only a yellow tint, are questions that the most advanced science cannot answer. Why one member of a family should be feebly healthy and another sickly, Maples and oaks have the brightest colors.

Fun With an Fet.

An Erie man had great fun the other day by letting a good deal loose in a crowded store and telling the people to save themselves, as the big rat osaka had escaped from the dining room. In the melee a large quantity of goods was badly damaged, boxes and jars smashed and the floor flooded with molasses. Four ladies fainted. The cat and the practical joker escaped.

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WILKINSON, Pa., Oct. 17.—A boiler in the packing house of H. Reibenz, at Carbonade, exploded this morning, probably fatally injuring four men.

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CLARENDA, Ia., Oct. 17.—At the annual communication of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows the following officers were elected: Grand master, Dubuque; Louis Bremerman, deputy grand master; Connel Bluffs; William Garrett, secretary; Herington; J. Roseman, grand warden; Grandin; A. J. Morrison, grand treasurer; E. M. Hartman, grand secretary. The grand lodge to-day adopted a resolution that no member of any other lodge should be received into this lodge until he has been convicted of violation of the laws. This refers particularly to violators of the prohibitory law in this state. The grand lodge also voted to hold a grand lodge in Des Moines. The allowance for grand lodge dues was fixed at five per cent, and the grand lodge dues will be paid to the grand secretary's office next year.

State Senatorial Nomination.

DEQUICK, Ia., Oct. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The Republicans of this county to-day nominated for the state senate General George W. Jones, one of the pioneers and most distinguished men of Iowa. He was the first United States senator