

A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE

140 Years Ago
The Norton Champion
July 2, 1885

-The cholera is doing destructive work at Madrid.

-Our saloon men are all druggists now, for revenue only, and they are as accommodating as ever.-*Leavenworth Times.*

-As the west bound freight train pulled out of Edmond, two shots were fired by some unknown person or persons, whether at the train or not, no one knows. At the same time the shots were fired a stone was thrown through the window of the caboose, breaking the light into a thousand pieces passing through the car and out through an open window on the opposite side. It is supposed by the train men that it was done for pure cussedness, as none of the train men are acquainted in that place and know of no one that would be disposed to do them bodily harm.-*Leader.*

-This is wet weather.

-The harvest is begun.

-Dick Brooks is now a jeweler's apprentice.

-Frank Boddy was thrown from his horse last week and broke his collar bone.

-The races on Saturday between the Howard and the Dey horses were in favor of the latter in two trials.

-A telegram announcing the death of his sister reached W. O. Whipple Saturday. He and his family at once started to Illinois to attend the funeral.

-Found in the mail sack, one bed bug. There was no stamp on it, so the postmaster put it on the floor and stamper it and charged it up to the owner.

-The Fair Association bought the 25 acres of Joseph Boddy and a right of way to it for \$1,100. This is undoubtedly the making of a grand trotting course.

-We were informed yesterday by a party who lives in that neighborhood, that the B. & M. R. R. company and the citizens of Norton are at loggerheads, that the company is going to put in a turn table and make a division at the town they have laid out 12 miles west of Norton, and about the same distance from here. Verily Norton's railroad may not prove such a boom to her after all.-*Le-nora Leader.*

This information is new. Our people are uniform in their commendation of the railroad settlements.

-Dan Isbell bought the stock of merchandise of J. L. Miller and will open up in town.

-It is rumored that J. L. Miller and F. M. Lockard will open up a grocery store under the CHAMPION office.

-The fire in the brick kiln was closed last Monday and the brick will be ready for market next Monday.

-Jno. Snyder built a wide sidewalk around the south and west of his premises. The new building is completed. It will open up Friday with a shooting gallery, Germania ice cream garden, confectionery and lemonade counter. One building for gents only. Everything is in apple pie order.

-The officials that undertake to arrest women bicycle riders who wear bloomers will have anything but a happy time of it, and will have to retreat with the jeers of the entire country at their folly. They don't seem to know American women.

-Many of the farmers in the neighborhood of Prairie View were swindled in the matter of seed wheat. They purchased winter wheat upon the representation of the dealers that it was spring wheat, and as the result the stuff is just now stooling, and may be ready to harvest along in December. The parties thus cheated will contest the payment of the notes.-*Almena Plaindealer.*

-There has been but little sunshine since last Thursday.

-Our old family cow left us last Thursday, by the lightning route.

-Fred Bridegroom is now stenographer and book keeper at Kemmell and Marsh's.

-This is the glorious fourth, Ge whiz! phiz! bang! Let old glory fly and everyone enjoy the Nation's great holiday in commemoration of the grand act of our forefathers.

-It is with sadness we announce the death by lightning, of the little seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Weekly, who live about three miles southeast of town. She and an older sister were driving the cows home from the pasture when the thunder shower overtook them. They huddled together under a heavy coat for protection from the rain, and were walking with arms around each other when the bolt came, instantly killing one and shocking but slightly the other. The little body was laid away in the Norton cemetery on Friday. To the parents and brothers and sisters who were so suddenly bereaved, the sincere sympathy of the entire community is extended.

-John Gleason has secured the principalship of the Edmond school.

-Harvest will commence about the middle of July. Wheat and rye fair, oats good and corn coming 16 to 1.

-A lawyer down in Texas informs us that he has arrangements made in Oklahoma, where it is easy, by which he can secure divorce in ninety days. He asks us to advertise him, but he is a fake undoubtedly.

-On Tuesday afternoon while cultivating corn Ernest Bower happened to glance his eyes toward the house and discovered a cloud of smoke rising from it. He hastened to it but before reaching it it was almost entirely consumed with all its contents. The loss is about \$350.00. The fire is supposed to have originated by mice scratching off some matches.

120 Years Ago
The Norton Courier
July 6, 1905

The Best Kansas News
-Consumption Increasing- In the twentieth annual report of the state board of health S. J. Crumbine, secretary of the board, says that Kansas is no doing enough to protect its citizens from consumption. He expresses the opinion that the greatest menace to the people from this disease comes from the imperfect and unsanitary conditions of the railway and Pullman sleeping cars which carry victims of tuberculosis from eastern states through Kansas to western health resorts. The disease is found to be on the increase.

-Farmer a Suicide- Despondent because of ill health, Fred Klemm, a well-to-do German farmer of near Emporia shot himself

HEATON & PRATT,
Negotiators of Farm Loans,
Loans on Real Estate procured in the shortest possible time.
COMMERCIAL HOUSE,
G. H. GRIFFIN, Proprietor.
Prices Reasonable.
First-class in every respect. Stages leave for all points, North, South, East and West, every day in the week.
GRIER HOUSE,
GRIER BROS., Proprietors.
Southwest Corner of Square, NORTON, KANSAS.
The best accommodations furnished at the most reasonable terms. A large SAMPLE ROOM attached. **GOOD LIVERY STABLE** in connection, and STAGES for all directions come and go.
T. N. SNOOKS'
Wagon and Carriage Shop,
Southwest Corner Square, NORTON, KANSAS.
Fine CARRIAGES and ROAD WAGONS made to order. Repair work a specialty. PAINTING in all its branches. All kinds of Blacksmithing, Woodwork and Horse-shoeing done by skilled mechanics.
NEW MILLINERY.
I HAVE JUST OPENED A NEW AND COMPLETE STOCK OF
Millinery Goods and Notions.
I would be happy to have the Ladies of Norton and vicinity to call and Examine My Goods. **MRS. JENNIE KENNEDY,**
and Prices. No Trouble to Show Goods. In the building formerly occupied by A. W. Howard. Norton, Kansas.
CITY MEAT MARKET
H. N. RUDELL, Proprietor.
Keeps on hand constantly a supply of
Fresh and Pickled Meats,
Smoked and Dried Meats, Sausage and Bologna.
LUNCH COUNTER. CASH PAID FOR HIDES AND EGGS.
West of Square, Norton, Kansas.
NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE.
Light Running, Noiseless,
Durable, Easily Manipulated,
AND THE
FAVORITE OF THE FAMILY.
N. A. JOHNSON, Agent, NORTON, KANSAS.
THE MONARCH MILL,
THORNTON & RAILSBACK, Proprietors.
Does all kinds of Merchant and Custom Work, also Exchange.
Satisfaction Guaranteed. Located Four Miles West of Norton, Kansas.
DR. WHITE'S DRUG STORE,
Northwest Corner Square, NORTON, KANSAS.
A full supply of fresh DRUGS constantly on hand, also a fine assortment of TOILET ARTICLES, PATENT MEDICINES, PAINTS, OILS and general DRUG GOODS.
J. E. DAVIS & CO.,
DEALERS IN
Hardware, Stoves, Tinware,
-: IRON and STEEL, NAILS, :-
Barbed and Plain Fence Wire,
-: TIN ROOFING AND REPAIRING, :-
-: Wagon and Carriage Material, :-
-: Horse Shoes, Springs and Axles, :-
EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO SELL THE JEWELL GASOLINE STOVES AND RANGES.
THEOPHILUS SNYDER,
PROPRIETOR OF THE
Main Street Blacksmith Shop,
Does all kinds of SMITHING and WAGON WOOD WORK. West of Bruner's Store, NORTON, KANSAS.
I. P. BURKE,
DEALER IN
General Merchandise,
BOOTS AND SHOES,
Prints, Laces, Hats, Caps, :-
-: Ball's Health Corsets, Hosiery, :-
-: Shirts, Gents' Furnishing Goods.
FULL STOCK OF
Groceries, -: Canned -: Fruits, -: Candies,
Cigars and Tobacco.
Located in My New Store Building, West of Dr. White's Drug Store, on Main Street, NORTON, KANSAS.
LOOMIS & NOTSON,
Real Estate Brokers
AND
Land Attorneys.
Office with Register of Deeds, NORTON, KANSAS.

The above advertisements appeared in the July 2, 1885 issue of the Norton Champion newspaper,

through the heart.

-No. 1 of the "Kansas News"- A framed copy of No. 1, Vol. 1 of the Kansas News, dated June 6, 1857, was purchased by William Allen White for 50 cents at a public sale of the assets of the Emporia Republican which suspended publication recently. The News was started by the late Senator Preston B. Plumb, and continued publication until late in the '80s, when it changed to the Gazette, when W. Y. Morgan purchased it. The Gazette was sold to W. A. White in June 1895.

- "Autos" for Farm Use- F. Burleigh Johnson of Hayes City has been given a charter for the Auto-Motor company. Mr. Johnson has invented a machine which is an automobile in its construction, but which has traction engine wheels and which he thinks will revolutionize farm work so far as plowing is concerned. This auto-motor, he says, will pull as many as sixteen plows at a time and thereby do away with the services of from 32 to 48 horses, not to speak of the large saving in time and labor.

-Preferred to Stay in Jail- Mrs. Myra McHenry left the city jail at Arkansas City after serving three weeks for contempt of court. The jail doors have been left unlocked in the hope that she would leave, but she refused until the authorities told her to go. She had to hunt up the jailer twice and have

him lock up the jail, as she was afraid to stay in it at night unless it was locked.

-To Test Kansas Liquor Law- The Kansas liquor law is to be tested in the United States supreme court. The cases of Fritz Durain, Fred Ross, James Sheasley, Fred Simmons and Newman Hoard have been appealed to that tribunal.

-Norton County will harvest about a million and a half bushels of wheat.

-It is being estimated that Kansas will thresh over 80,000,000 bushels of wheat this year, to say nothing of rye, oats and barley.

-Canada is after Kansas wheat for seed. The farmers over the border say our wheat is the best and seems to improve in hardness in their climate.

-It has been Fourth of July for over a week.

-All labor ceased and stores took a half holiday.

-A day off to celebrate makes us a little late with this issue.

-A public bathing pool would be a paying investment in Norton.

-No trains over the B. & M. Monday, on account of a wash out east of the Republican.

-Since we wrote the other little squib about the delay in trains on the B. & M. we have discovered that no trains have come west this week and are not expected to. Agent Davidson took passage on the construc-

tion train to take a look at the wash out. He was gone several days.

-The Rock Island trains are making miserable time on account of soft road bed and wash outs.

-Bridges being washed out our rural carriers failed to drive their territory for a day or two.

-The water fall of Friday night was 2.43 inches. The ground is so wet that young trees are falling down.

-The rain fall last Saturday night was .75 and on the night of the 4th .40 making a total of rainfall since our last issue, 3.58 inches.

-The park was in very good shape indeed considering it had been entirely under water so recently.

-A new barn just built by the Powells was moved from its foundation and badly racked by last Friday's wind.

-Wet weather has been retarding progress of harvesting machines and causing some anxiety for the safety of the crop.

-Charley Bowers lost quite a number of little pigs in the high water. A few saved themselves by climbing to the top of alfalfa stacks.

-Dr. Hawarth now possesses the lot south of Wheeler's on State street and has begun operations for a brick store room for his drug business.

-Pat Conarty's team ran away with him again on Monday, this time doing him up quite badly. His brother Jack was riding with him and was badly hurt also. The doubletrees broke and as the horses made a lunge forward Jack caught the lines just in front of Pat's hand, and both hands were pulled through the glass front of the wagon and severely cut. Jack had an artery of his wrist cut. They will probably have sore hands for some time to come.

-Mary L. Whipple having purchased the abstract and insurance business of J. Bridegroom, has taken charge and will be ready to attend promptly to the wants of the people in this line of business.

-On the night of the 4th, Earl Underwood, driving a single horse buggy, accompanied by Miss Carnop, started to their homes in the southeast part of the county. After going a short distance he concluded to return to Norton on account of the threatening storm. It was very dark, and some little distance east of the east bridge, he met Homer Smith and Ed Cox who were hurrying home to escape the storm. They collided and the buggy pole of the latter pierced the lower part of the neck of Earl's horse severing the jugular vein and before the harness could be taken off it fell dead. Miss Carnop was pretty badly frightened but received no injury. Others driving out of town stopped and assisted as best they could. Earl and the young lady were brought

back to town where they remained til morning.

110 Years Ago
The Norton Courier
July 1, 1915

-A sleeping porch is being added to the house occupied by John Hahnenkratt, on E. Lincoln street.

-Monday night's rains delayed trains on both roads. There was a stretch of wash-out near Calvert.

-Will Houghton and family made a start for the far east Saturday morning, after a delay of a week on account of washouts on the railroad.

-Mrs. F. Holzberger, mother of Mrs. M. Grace, was stricken by paralysis Monday. Mrs. Holzberger is 85 years of age and it is not expected she will long survive.

-A big rain again Monday night, one inch and .47 here at Norton. Much lighter to the west of us, much heavier to the east. Almena and Logan report 5 inches. Hail to the northeast of us doing considerable damage.

-The farmers northwest of Norton are busy putting in a new telephone line. Just what farmers ought to do all over.

-While E. L. Quintard was cleaning up and fixing his machine yesterday, preparatory to taking a trip to Denver, in some way he shorted the spark wires and the spark started a fire. When the trouble was over there remained a seriously burned hand and forearm, which will be very painful for some days.

-Mrs. E. McGuire died at the home of her son in Lincoln, Nebraska, Tuesday. The body was brought to Norton for burial today. The McGuires were among the earlier settlers on the Sappa. E. McGuire, the husband, was buried here years ago.

-Almena is certainly having more than her share of water and hail grief this year. Tuesday evening another tremendous rain, flood ad hail doing much damage. A strip of territory is said to have been cut to pieces from the gardens up to fine wheat fields.

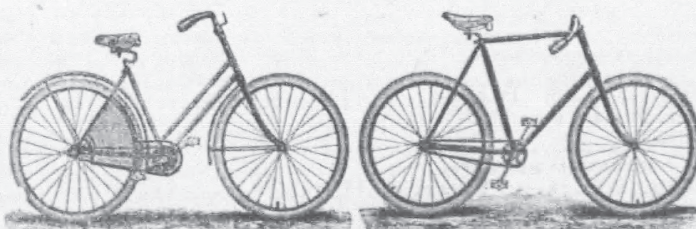
-J. B. Lafevre is gradually growing weaker. There seems to be no probability of improvement.

-Two good sized alfalfa stacks belonging to Roy Madden were destroyed by lightning Sunday morning.

-D. G. Hamilton and family returned from their overland auto junket last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Kennedy returned with them.

-**Birkville**- Lafe Gardner lost a horse last week by snake bite.

-**Sunny Side**- Mr. Kimbrells mowed part of their wheat after the hail and are now stacking it. They will then plant the ground to corn.

CRESCENT BICYCLES FREE
From all faults. Call and examine them. They run easy, are light and strong, \$40 to \$90.

Can you tell the good points of a bicycle by looking at it or feeling its tire? Most people know little about bicycles, but lots of them come to us for their wheels. They know we know and have faith in our advice. Also handle the celebrated "KENWOOD" BICYCLES.
B. J. MARSH, Norton, Kan.

This advertisement for Crescent bicycles appeared in the July 4, 1895 issue of the Norton Courier.

Guardians Notice.
State of Kansas, Norton county, ss.
In the Probate Court in and for said county,
In the matter of the estate of Lydia J. Young, Insane, Notice is hereby given that letters of administration have been granted to the undersigned on the estate of Lydia J. Young, late of said county, adjudged insane by a competent jury, in the Probate Court of the county and state aforesaid, dated the 5th day of April, A. D. 1895. Now all persons having claims against the said estate, are hereby notified that they must present the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and that if such claims be not exhibited within three years after the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.
CORNELIUS DECKEN, Guardian of the estate of Lydia J. Young Insane.
July 2nd, 1895.

The legal notice above was published in the July 4, 1895 issue of the Norton Courier.