

The Avoca Department

News Items Gathered Each Week by a Special Reporter for This Department of the Semi-Weekly Journal

Mrs. Walter Norval, west of town, is seriously ill.

Fred Ruhge is one of the latest grippe victims. Jake Frey and wife of Syracuse, are visiting Avoca relatives.

W. I. Smoots and E. Nutzman left Tuesday evening for Taft, Texas. Dr. J. F. Brendel was a business visitor at Omaha the first of the week.

Mrs. Spriegel, north of town, died Wednesday, of that dreaded disease, cancer.

Mrs. F. W. Ruhge and daughter Sophia, were Omaha passengers Friday.

If you want to win a smile buy her one of those boxes of delicious bon bons at Copes'

George Carr and son of Talmage, accompanied by two gentlemen from Brock, were in Avoca Thursday.

Henry Franzen left for Plattsmouth Wednesday, where he has secured a position in the B. & M. shops.

A fine line of fancy china, cut glass, silver ware and jewelry for the holiday trade are on display at Copes' drug store.

A young daughter of Henry Behrens, living northeast of town, was taken to Omaha Tuesday where she will be operated on for appendicitis.

Carl Schroeder has a tickling sensation in his heart that can't be scratched, and all on account of the arrival of an eight-pound boy who came Saturday, December 4.

Edward Morley and James Dunbar did some rapid sprinting and dodging around trees on day last week to keep out of the path of a crazy steer. The animal died next day and now Ed doesn't have to have a body guard.

Mrs. J. M. Dunbar and son Glenn, were visiting Nehawka relatives last week. Mrs. Dunbar brought Mrs. Palmer's baby daughter home with her and expects to care for her during the mother's stay at a hospital at Oskaloosa, Iowa.

School Notes.
Bad colds are numerous in the intermediate room.

We are glad to welcome back Leora Hupp, whom we thought for a while we were going to lose.

The cold weather has caused several tardy marks and absences among our country pupils.

Mr. J. L. Zink is preparing a paper for the teacher's meeting Saturday, December 11, at Weeping Water.

The primary room had their Star Day Tuesday.

The professor has a stiff neck, so if he looks any crankier than he did Tuesday, please run.

The children are very busy preparing for the Christmas program. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:

"God is not dead, nor doth he sleep! The wrong shall fall, The right prevail, With peace on earth: good will to men."

The High school pupils have finished their pennants and placed a High school and class pennants in the High school room.

Watch This Man.
A fellow who claimed to be a government agent looking up rural mail routes has been working people in the vicinity of Coin. He had a pad on which he wrote answers to questions put to various people, the latter being asked to sign them when the interview was ended.

Later the pieces of paper turned up as notes in a bank.—Glenwood Opinion.

This man may show up in this neighborhood—watch for him.

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Emmett Friend's sale Tuesday was well attended and things brought good prices, although the temperature was hovering around the zero mark.

Chester Ough visited his sister in Lincoln from Friday evening till Monday afternoon.

Harry Vickers is staying at home at present.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Minnie A. Bailey to Mr. Chas. M. Jordan, which will occur on December 15, 1909, at the home of the former.

School was dismissed Wednesday morning on account of the furnace not producing sufficient warmth.

Miss Esther Rosenow is out of school at present, having her ankle treated.

F. S. Allen and Lou Keefer will have a public sale December 13, at Mr. Allen's farm.

Chas. Sutton returned from Lincoln last Friday.

Sherman Wolfe went to Ashland Saturday to visit his father, who is sick.

Miss Orpha Mullen came up from Murdock Friday evening to visit her father. She returned Sunday evening to her school duties.

Alfred Stroemer, Glenn Keefer and Verl Linch came home Friday from University Place, returning to school Sunday.

The A. O. U. W. Lodge No. 310, held its annual election Friday evening, December 3, 1909. The following officers being elected: Harry Parsell, Master Workman; A. J. Bird, Foreman; Jesse Stone, Overseer; A. J. Friend, Recorder; Henry S. Ough, Receiver; Harley Wolfe, Guide; Charles Snively, Inside Watchman; J. D. Newkirk, Outside Watchman; Jacob A. Shaffer, Past Master Workman.

P. J. Linch took No. 17 for Lincoln Thursday evening to transact business.

Harry Parsell, wife and daughter, were in Lincoln Thursday and Friday, trading and visiting.

Commissioner Jordan was north of Murdock Friday on county business.

Mrs. W. E. Casey left Thursday for Chicago, Ill., where she will visit her sister for ten days, then continuing her journey for Nashville, Tenn., where she will visit for a month with her mother and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson went to Omaha Tuesday evening.

Ralph Miller came in Tuesday, November 30, from Cincinnati.

Mark Miller, who has been operator at the depot for some months past, left last week for Yuma, Colo.

MAPLE GROVE.

Quite a number of relatives spent Sunday at the home of Alfred Gansemer.

Tyler Shepherson left Monday for a trip to Scotts Bluffs county.

Janet, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Young is quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chasset of Oklahoma, are visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Louie Puls slipped and fell on the frozen ground Monday and sprained his hip. He will be layed up for several days.

There will be a basket supper at the Pleasant Hill school house Saturday night, December 18. Every body invited. All the ladies bring baskets which will be sold to the highest bidder.

William Puls took a sleigh ride to Murray Tuesday.

Alfred Gansemer and Fritz Lutz made a business trip to Plattsmouth Wednesday.

August Engelkemeler returned Wednesday from Omaha, where he spent a few days with his wife, who is at the hospital and is getting along nicely.

Served as coffee, the new coffee substitute known to grocers everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee, will trick even a coffee expert. Not a grain of real coffee in it. Pure healthful roasted grains, malt, nuts, etc., have been so cleverly blended as to give a wonderful satisfying coffee taste and flavor. And it is "made in a minute," too. No tedious 20 or 30 minutes boiling. F. S. White.

Mrs. R. E. Foster of Union, who has been visiting in the city with her parents, L. G. Larson and wife, was a passenger for Omaha this morning, where she will meet her husband, who was a passenger for that city last evening over the Missouri Pacific. They will spend the day in Omaha and return to this city this evening.

COMMISSIONERS HAVE MEETING

General Routine of Business Including Claims Allowed.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Dec. 7, 1909. Board of county commissioners met in regular session, with all members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved, when the following business was transacted in regular form:

Petition of E. H. Worthman and thirteen others asking that J. W. Brobst be appointed J. P. in and for Louisville precinct and same was granted.

Application of Thomas Murtey requesting county board to designate the First National Bank of Weeping Water as one of the county depositories was granted.

Bond of Assessors Approved.
R. G. Meisinger, Eight Mile Grove; R. O. Hutchings, Avoca; Geo. N. La Rue, Liberty; John Group, Louisville; Wm. H. Puls, Mt. Pleasant; H. P. Kropp, Nehawka; R. B. Jameson, Weeping Water; Herman Schmidt, Elmwood; J. M. Mefford, Salt Creek; **Bond of Road Overseers Approved.**
Wm. Ketch, dist. No. 12; Mike Lutz, dist. No. 1; J. C. Niday, dist. No. 11; Wm. Stohlman, dist. No. 8; W. D. Coleman, dist. No. 5; John A. Hennings, dist. No. 2.

Bond of Officers Approved.
B. I. Clements, county coroner; A. N. Speer, justice of the peace; Center: P. S. Barnes, justice of the peace; Weeping Water city: Orlando Tefft, justice of the peace; Avoca precinct: Ralph Graham, constable; Walter Norval, constable; Weeping Water precinct: J. R. Benson, constable; Plattsmouth city: T. F. Car, constable; Salt Creek precinct: Clyde James, constable; Salt Creek precinct: Fred Patterson, county surveyor.

Board proceeded to open bids filed December 6, 1909, bridge contract 1910, proposals being received from the following construction companies: John Gilligan, bridge contractor of Nebraska City; Glenn E. Smith, Nebraska Construction company of Lincoln; F. J. Beiss, of the Western Bridge company, of Omaha; W. J. Johnson, of the Canton Bridge company; F. L. Freeman, of the Freeman Bridge company, of Tecumseh; M. E. Cowan, of the Co. wan Bridge company, of Tecumseh; Guy A. Crook, of the Monarch Construction company, of Falls City; Charles Thompson, of the Thompson Bridge company of Omaha. Contract awarded to Glen E. Smith of the Nebraska Construction company, he being the lowest bidder and contract entered into between the county and the Nebraska Construction company.

Bond proposition for county officers was next entered into, as bids had been called for, and the following awards made:

Bond of county judge awarded to W. K. Fox, of the Bankers Surety company two years \$54; bond of register of deeds awarded to C. G. Fricke of the U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty company, for four years \$54; bond of county sheriff awarded to C. G. Fricke, U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty company for 2 years \$45.

Claims on General Fund.
Dr. B. F. Brendel, insane case Ima Hand, \$15.00
D. O. Dwyer, same, 4.92
James Robertson, same, 8.42
C. D. Quinton, same, 17.10
Dr. B. F. Brendel, insane case Lewis Wolfbain, 8.00
D. O. Dwyer, same, 3.00
James Robertson, same, 7.55
C. D. Quinton, same, 14.52
J. H. Tams, same, 2.30
M. L. Friedrich, same, 2.00
J. L. Burrows, balliff certificate, 14.00
Earl Leely, same, 24.00
Dan. McNealy, assn. W. E. Rosencrans, juror, 25.60
Geo. Brunhoeber, juror certificate, 26.20
W. C. Brown, same, 13.10
Ed. Casey, same, 23.90
John Coleman, same, 22.60
Frank Cox, same, 21.90
Wm. Foltz, same, 24.60
Carl Fricke, same, 14.10
Chas. Frohlich, same, 23.80
Geo. K. Gramlich, same, 5.10
C. M. Minford, same, 23.20
Frank Neuman, same, 12.10
Wm. Peters, same, 19.40
W. H. Rohrdanz, same, 19.00
Herman Schmidt, same, 21.10
A. L. Todd, same, 16.40
Geo. A. Towle, same, 21.50
J. W. Wiseman, same, 25.80
G. B. Zeigler, same, 22.00
H. S. Austin, same, 14.10
Ernest Young, same, 18.80
Geo. Utt, same, 19.10
Ed. Rummel, same, 5.20
S. H. Shumaker, same, 2.10
Louis Dunkak, same, 9.10
John McNurlin, same, 6.10
Peter Vallery, same, 6.10
M. L. Friedrich, salary and expenses, 37.40
W. C. Ramsey, same, 98.00
Mary E. Foster, same, 123.18
T. S. Svoboda, salary and laundry, 62.50
E. E. Hilton, salary, 44.00
W. E. Rosencrans, salary and expense, 256.85
C. R. Jordan, same, 15.54
E. Manspeaker, balliff and costs and fees, 37.55
T. S. C. Dabb, labor at court house, 1.50
M. Archer, costs State vs. Bur Bell, 4.25
C. D. Quinton, same, 6.20
P. W. Shaw, assigned Bank of Cass county, witness State vs. Chas. J. Baker, 116.50
Mrs. Alble Baker, assigned

Bank of Cass county, witness State vs. Chas. J. Baker	116.50
Kroehler Bros, mdse farm	18.19
L. B. Eggenborger, mdse to poor	30.50
Neb. Lighting Co., gas to jail and court house	17.70
C. D. Quinton, salary and boarding Co., prisoners	234.00
C. D. Quinton, boarding city prisoners	28.60
H. E. Pankonin, return of road deposit	20.00
Dr. A. P. Barnes, meals to jury	7.00
M. Fanger, mdse to county	45.93
Henry Perry, labor at court house	15.00
Plattsmouth Telephone Co., tolls and rent	22.45
Weeping Water Republican printing	5.50
M. S. Briggs, papering jail	21.63
A. N. Sullivan, defending C. J. Baker	35.00
Hammond & Stephens, supplies	39.25
J. H. Smith, assn. to D. C. Moran, labor	2.00
Swartz Mercantile Co., mdse to poor	10.42
Hotel Riley, meals to jury	3.50
Wade W. Windham, rent to poor	4.00
C. W. Baylor, coal to poor and pall	47.29
John Weyrich, labor	22.50
R. H. Frans, mdse to poor	2.80
Hans Johnson, room for two elections	9.00
D. B. Edersole, A. O. U. W. room for 2 elections, allowed \$9	12.00
Phil Theilroff, room for election	5.00
Nels Anderson, same	5.00
F. M. Messie, S. D. No. 80, room, 2 elections, allowed \$10.50	12.00
Streight & Streight, bed springs	7.00
J. Adams & Son, coal to paupers	8.45
C. H. Smith, stamps	20.00
T. J. Isner, mdse to farm	1.00
J. H. Tams, salary	75.00
Weyrich & Hadraba, mdse to farm	1.75
S. H. Shumaker, labor to farm	3.00
P. F. Goos, meals to jury	7.00
L. D. Switzer, salary and expenses	37.00
John Bauer, mdse	10.25
Wayrich & Hadraba, mdse to jail	15.83
Mrs. Price, witness Ossen-kop case	8.70
E. A. Wurl, mdse to farm	43.10
W. C. Spencer, care of sick boy	5.00
Claims on Road Fund.	
Kroehler Bros, mdse R. D. No.	3.90
D. A. Eaton, work No. 11	30.00
C. T. Richards, same, No. 4	19.25
R. A. Talcott, same No. 4	12.00
Walter Clause, same, No. 4	4.00
H. J. Richards, road work No.	10.00
J. A. Wilson, same No. 7	38.00
Lewis Johnson, same No. 7	1.50
Oscar Zink, same No. 7	1.50
Fred Creamer, same No. 7	1.50
D. D. Brann, mdse No. 8	18.55
H. Hart, road work No. 7	4.00
W. M. Wagner, same No. 4	2.50
Henry Snoko, same No. 16	18.45
John Busch, lumber No. 14	31.62
John Busch, lumber No. 13	25.84
John Busch, lumber No. 23	55.76
J. E. Bates, work No. 13	7.50
Hans Kemp, road work No. 1	35.27
Beach mfg. Co., culvert to R. D. No.	40.80
M. Dalby, lumber No. 6	1.53
M. Dalby, lumber No. 6	5.04
Frank Rouse, road work No.	68.00
Sam Cashner, same, No. 6	4.56
Beach Mfg. Co., culvert allowed \$40.38 No. 1	40.80
Claude Jarvis, road work No.	1.50
J. A. Hennings, same, No. 2	40.38
W. M. Althous, same, No. 6	6.50
O. M. Rogers, same, No. 6	7.50
G. W. Voss Lumber Co lumber No.	10.20
Chester Herald, road work No.	1.60
A. D. Hathaway, same No.	199.15
M. Sulser, same No. 11	10.00
Aug. Henke, same No. 7	7.25
E. T. Tool, lumber No. 7	24.24
W. A. Cole, road work No. 14	157.75
Henry Wessell, mdse No. 12	8.15
Wm. Stohlman, road work less lumber sold No. 8	175.25
Geo. Theilroff, road work No.	26.00
R. Lafalver, same	1.50
Clarence Meisinger, same	6.00
G. A. B. Hicks, same	13.75
C. M. Seybert, same	5.00
H. H. Parkhurst, lumber to No.	75.00
J. Adams, same, No. 16	10.63
Sheldon & Sheldon, same No. 9	48.20
Sheldon & Sheldon, same No. 8	11.08
Sheldon & Sheldon, same No. 14	79.51
A. F. Sturm, same, No. 12	55.45
McMaken & Son, gravel No.	9.85
Bridge Fund.	
John H. Busch, lumber	156.57
M. Dalby, same	9.80
A. D. Hathaway, bridge work	30.00
A. F. Sturm, lumber	89.15
Commissioners Road Fund.	
C. J. Leis, culvert R. D. No.	120.00
O. W. Marshall, same, No. 6	17.63
H. Thimingham, same, No. 6	37.87
T. J. Marshall, same, No. 6	36.74
D. Meeker, same, No. 6	16.50
W. C. Bartlett, same, No. 15	36.00
Mr. C. G. Fricke having reported his bid in error, touching on officers bonds, the bid submitted being one year instead of for terms of the county officers, the matter was reconsidered and the following awards made:	
County Judge, W. K. Fox, Bankers Surety Co., two years \$54; register of deeds, W. K. Fox, Bankers Surety Co., four years, \$54; county sheriff, J. M. Leyda, Nebraska Fidelity & Casualty Co., for two years, \$90.	
Board adjourned to meet December 21, 1909.	
W. E. ROSECRANS, County Clerk.	
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Pleasant Hill school, Dist. 26, Murray, Neb., will give a box social and entertainment, Saturday, Dec. 18, 1909. Everybody invited.

Large Number of Hoboes.
Night Officer, Henry Trout, states that the approach of cold weather has resulted in increasing largely the number of applications to the police for shelter at night. They have had quite a number of hoboes and bums to shelter at the city jail every night since the recent cold snap set in and none have been turned away as there is too much danger from freezing to take chances on them. The bum shanty down on the river bottom has not been fixed up this winter and it is the opinion of Officer Trout that this should be done immediately as it is badly needed, especially this cold weather and would result in quite a saving to the city in lodging charges payable to the county. He hopes to have the council at its session next Monday evening take the necessary steps to guarantee the shanty put in shape and guarantees that he will see the bums use it and do not get lodging at the jail.

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- SOUVENIER SPOONS 50c TO \$1.50
- LOCKETS \$1.00 TO \$10.00
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M. W. A. Elect Officers.
The members of Cass Camp No. 332, M. W. A. held a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting last evening at Coates' Hall. The principal business of the gathering was the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected:
Consul—George Luschnisky.
Worthy Adviser—O. C. Hudson.
Banker—William Hassler, Sr.
Clerk—H. F. Goos.
Escort—H. L. Kruger.
Watchman—J. D. Parker.
Sentry—J. L. Burrows.
Manager—H. S. Barthold.
Physicians—Dr. J. S. Livingston and E. D. Cummins.

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William Stohlman, one of Center precinct's strong Democrats and a rattling good citizen, is in the city today attending to business matters. Mr. Stohlman paid his usual visit to the Journal office and was warmly welcomed. He is much gratified over the outcome of the recent county election and pleased at the fine showing old Center made. He was re-elected overseer for his precinct, a fitting reward for merit as he has had his roads in the very tip-top of condition during the time he has held that office. He returned to his home this afternoon on the Schuyler train.

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