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White Satin A new class in Shorthand and Typewriting will be organized Jan. 2 at the St. Paul College. Also a short course in agriculture including a study of soils, corn judging and stock judging will be given. This will interest those who are preparing to teach as well as farmers.

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S. C. Tel. Co. Wins Case

The Lincoln evening papers of last Friday gave the decision by the Railway Commission in the case entitled, "K. H. Ladegard and Others, complainants, vs. Sherman County Telephone Company, defendants." This case was started by a Mr. Ladegard of Litchfield, Neb., who organized a Farmers' Mutual Telephone Company and built a line paralleling the lines of the Sherman County Co., and when the contracts of the subscribers of the Sherman County Co. expired they ordered their phones taken out and built their own line to the city limits and then tried to compel the company to switch them over their board by paying a switching fee. This request was refused and the case was tried at Lincoln in October, and decision handed down Dec. 8th. We know nothing of the merits of the case, but understand many of the farmers had taken phones back from the Sherman County Co., even before the case was started before the Railway Commission. The decision is too long to give in full, but the last two clauses are as follows: "There can be no question of the right of the farm subscribers to construct their own telephone line, even though by so doing they were entering into competition with the Sherman County Telephone Co., and decreasing the earning power of that company to the extent of taking from it seventeen subscribers who were paying an annual rental of \$15.00 each."

The question before the Commission is: "Can the Sherman County Telephone Co. be compelled to become a party to the destruction of its own property?" It is the opinion of the Commission that it is the intention of all laws to protect persons in their property rights, and that to make a ruling such as is asked by the complainant in this case is not equity and in the opinion of the commission the complaint should be dismissed. "It is therefore ordered by the Nebraska State Railway Commission that the above complaint be, and the same is hereby dismissed."

Made and entered at Lincoln, Neb., this 8th day of Dec. 1910. Nebraska State Railway Com. Henry T. Clarke, Chairman. C. C. Wells, Acting Sec.

Roebuck Forgery Case

Readers of the Northwestern will readily remember the case of the fellow wanted at Grand Island for forgery and arrested by Sheriff Williams and turned over to officers from that city, all about a fortnight or a little over since. There has been a good deal of discussion over the arrest and subsequent release of the fellow and some were inclined to find fault with our sheriff over the matter. The following letter to the sheriff from the Grand Island chief of police will show the facts in the case and relieve one of the best sheriffs in Nebraska of any blame in the matter: "Grand Island, Neb., Dec. 6, 1910.—Mr. L. A. Williams, Loup City, Neb., Dear Sir: Yours of the 6th inst., gladly received. I am sorry that your people hold any fault against you men for doing your duty, which you certainly did in that case for me, and I am thankful to you for what you did. Whatever he reported up there as to his guilt, I will say he was absolutely identified by the parties here, this not being the only time he has got into this kind of trouble. He has forged checks before and was sent to the asylum twice, being too crazy to send to the penitentiary. Perhaps you saw the item in the dailies some time ago about a man up at Shelton, Neb., standing in the middle of the river with a Bible in his hand, who tried to make the people believe he could walk on the water, but failed, and was taken up by the authorities. He was the same fellow. Hoping this will explain everything. Yours truly," FRANK HOGLAND, Chief of Police.

The center of population from north to south is approximately eighty-one miles from the Kansas line in town 14 north passing through Sarpy, Saunders, Butler, Polk, Merrick, Howard, Sherman, Custer, Lincoln, Keith, Deuel, Cheyenne and Kimball counties. The southern portion embraces an area of approximately 27,655 square miles with an average population of 21.5 per square mile and the northern portion an area of approximately 49,195 square miles with an average population of 12.1 per square mile. In the northern portion is Douglas county with an average population of 49.4 per square mile and McPherson county with an average of 1.46. The approximate center of population in Nebraska is the village of Shelby, Polk county, about eighteen miles south of the city of Columbus, in Platte county.

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Along R. R. No. 2.

Wm. Rowe & Sons finished casing Ed Kilpatrick's new house last week. Chas. Kriskner will farm with John Olson next summer. Henry Kuhl's sons are shelling corn on Wiggle Creek this week. Clark Alleman hauled some manure and put it on the edge of a high hill to keep the carrier from driving off. Art Lindgren left Saturday for Polk county to buy corn and hay for next year. Art expects to move there in the spring. D. C. Leach of Route 1 loaded his car of household goods last week, and shipped them to Oakdale, this state, where he has bought 400 acres of land within two miles of his father's old homestead, a short distance from Oakdale. Mr. and Mrs. Leach have lived here about seven years and have hosts of friends who regret to see them leave. We wish them good luck in their new home. Henry Reed, Clarence Burt, Vern Alleman and Andy Gray did some good work on the cemetery hill last week. They expected to do more, but the ground froze up, and decided they would fix this hill right next spring. The carrier appreciates your efforts, and any time that I can do you a favor do not hesitate to call me. Jake Roy, also W. H. Gunn, had their corn shelled last Thursday. The poor rabbits had a hard time dodging the shots fired at them the past week. H. A. Wilkinson is building a large barn on his farm. Wilber Curry had his corn shelled last Thursday. Miss Bernice Casteel reports that there will be a Christmas tree and entertainment at the Wiggle Creek church on Christmas Eve. Mr. and Mrs. Clark Alleman last week Thursday brought their son, Lloyd, home from Grand Island where he had been for an operation for appendicitis. He is getting along just fine and will soon be as well as ever. Geo. W. Holmes, who has been visiting for the past two months at his old home in Delaware county, N. Y., arrived home last week. His mother who is 84 years old, is in good health and remarkably active in mind and body. Frank Casteel marketed several loads of hogs at Loup City last week. Mrs. Homer Hughes is reported very sick again. All the mail carriers had a hard time serving their routes last week Monday and Tuesday, as in some places the snow filled the cuts full. N. P. Neilson was forced to put down a new well this week, although it had 60 feet of water. A defect in the pipe over half way down caused this extra expense to Mr. Neilson. Bruner of Arcadia is putting down a casing well. The old well is about 230 feet deep, and the new one will have to go that deep or deeper, as it is located higher up on the hill. E. G. Taylor is spending several hundred dollars driving piling and putting in a new floor at the mill wheel. A gang of men has been working there the past ten days. In order to get this floor in its proper place he had to buy a large pump costing \$125 to pump the water out of the hole in front of the mill wheel, which throws 52 gallons per minute and is worked by a large pulley fastened to the main shaft of the mill and driven by the engine. Nelson Smith and Joe Reim are superintending the work. Tom McFadden lost a good heifer in the corn stalks the past week. Axel Kron left for the eastern part of the state last week. Joe Lindahl, brother of Mrs. A. J. Lindgren, is visiting here this week. I wish to thank all patrons on this route who broke the roads, also those who shoveled the snow away from their boxes the past week. You made it possible for me to always be on time, as I have not been late since the snow of the past week. Jim Grow and Miss Henrietta Conger spent Sunday at the home of Roy Conger's. Miss Mary Domgard of Route 1 is working at R. L. Arthur's. Glenn Farnsworth on Route 1 attended I. O. O. F. lodge last Saturday night. Henry Bichel drove his auto to Loup City Saturday through the mud and snow. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Miller went to York Monday. G. B. Wilkie has been suffering with lumbago the past week. J. H. Bone's family have been tussling with severe colds the past week. The President wants to give parcels post a trial on rural routes. Fred Daddow is building a new hog house this week. Mail all your packages, get all your money orders, stamps, envelopes, postal cards and stamps from the carrier, also register your packages. It will be no trouble at all. Mrs. John Squires and sister, Cora, received word that their mother was very ill, and left Monday for her home at Harvard, Neb. Miss Lula McFadden and pupils will give a Christmas entertainment Friday evening, Dec. 23, commencing at 8 o'clock, sharp. Everyone invited. Chas. Schwadner and son Monday took home two loads of lumber. The fellow who stole a horse from Everett Pickrel on Route 1 Saturday, was caught below Loup City Sunday. The fellow acts as if he were crazy, for at the home of Carl Squires he inquired the road to Loup City, and instead of going the right way rode back and forth through an old potato patch, until Joe Blaschke went out and again told him the right way. At Jurgen Plambeck's he took the



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road leading back towards where he stole the horse, and was again put on the right road.

Miss Mable McFadden is on the sick list this week.

Ed Kilpatrick and son Ernest were hauling corn to Loup City Tuesday. Bruner, while drilling the well for N. P. Neilson, struck the bones of some animal at a depth of 250 feet, the machinery bringing a tooth and other bones to the surface.

Who will be the first patron on Route 2 to paint their mail box and post white? This is the regulation color, and how nice it would look to see all the mail boxes painted white and your name plainly painted on them. It would look good to anyone passing through the country.

Moon Creek Items

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Gilbert, Thursday, the 8th inst., a fine baby boy.

Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Austin Hendrickson and Mrs. McClary were visitors at the home of M. A. Gilbert. O. S. Fross had the misfortune to lose a good horse last week.

A Fancher and wife of Loup City called at the Fross home last week. SCHOOL NOTES R. D. Hendrickson, G. Rogers and Miss Susie Davenport visited our school this week, and Mr. Hendrickson gave a short talk on "Vision."

Miss Rowe stopped at the Fross home over night Monday. The pupils and teacher of the Moon school seem to be very much interested in preparing a Christmas program to be rendered Friday evening before Christmas. We wish them success and a large crowd on that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lee took dinner at the home of J. B. Ford's Sunday. Eloise Ford was a guest of Miss Maud Reynolds Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lee dined at S. S. Reynolds' Sunday evening. Mrs. McClary called on Mrs. S. S. Reynolds one day this week.

NOTED RUPTURE EXPERT HERE

Seeley, Who Fitted the Czar of Russia, Will be at the Commercial Hotel, St. Paul F. H. Seeley of Chicago and Philadelphia, the noted truss expert, will be at the Commercial hotel and will remain in St. Paul this Wednesday only, Dec. 21, will also be at the Grand Hotel, Broken Bow, Tuesday only, Dec. 20. Mr. Seeley says: "The Spermatic Shield Truss was now used and approved by the United States government. This truss is a case of rupture perfectly affording immediate relief, but closes the opening in 10 days on the average case, and costing only proportionate with common trusses." This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain, producing results without surgery or harmful injections. Mr. Seeley has document ary references from the United States government, Washington, D. C., for your inspection. All charity cases without charge, or if any interested, call he will be glad to show the truss without charge or if them it desired. Anyone ruptured should remember the date and take advantage of this unusual opportunity. His Home Estab'm't, 79 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

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Good winter apples at Sweetland's feed store. NICOSON & GIBSON.

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I have a few good Poland China Boars of the big type for sale, from sows like Ora Wonder (130353), which I purchased at the Ed Andrews' dispersion sale last winter, bred to Longwonder No. 131794-54267, a 900-pound boar, and from Lady E., No. 136601. The sire of these pigs is Nebraska King (48336). The rest are sired by Grand Look (56737). M. A. GILBERT.

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Notice of Hearing on Petition for Letters of Administration

State of Nebraska. Sherman County. In the matter of the estate of Michael S. Taffe, deceased. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of Bruno O. Hostetter, Judge of the District Court in and for Sherman county, Nebraska, made on the 30th day of November, 1910, for the sale of the real estate hereinafter described, there will be sold at the south door of the court house in the city of Loup City, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the 15th day of December, 1910, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of E. A. Smith, County Judge of said county, all place all persons interested in said estate may appear and be heard concerning said appointment. Given under my hand and the seal of said court this 23rd day of November, 1910. E. A. SMITH, County Judge. (Last pub. Dec. 15)

Notice to Bidders

I. W. C. Dieterichs, Clerk of Sherman County, Nebraska, estimate the following books, blanks and stationery will be required for the use of the county officers for the ensuing year: LOT ONE—Three gross lead pencils, best grade; one gross pen holders; twelve quarts Arnold's writing fluid; twelve gross steel pens; twenty-four gross assorted rubber bands; two reams Columbia brand cap; one gross indelible pencils; three dozen cap; one gross ink sheets; eight eight-quire record books (two plain) patent flexible back flap opening; best linen paper; four loose leaf records; 700 pages to book (two plain and two printed forms) best sheet blanks; 3,000 triplicate tax receipts, perforated; 300 in book, for county treasurer to fold for use with carbon paper; treasury sets of poll books, envelopes and ballot books; seven chatted mortgage files, 20 in file. LOT TWO—1,000 18 sheet blanks; 3,000 full sheet blanks; all blanks to be of good quality paper; 3,000 note heads; 6,000 letter heads; 1,000 16-inch xxx envelopes. LOT THREE—Court dockets, one case to page, indexed with list of jurors, court officers and resident attorneys, on cap paper, in lots of forty, 6,000 election ballots. Sealed bids for each or any of the above three lots of supplies must be filed with the county clerk at his office in Loup City, Nebraska, on or before noon of the 31st day of December, 1910. Sealed bids will also be received and must be filed in the county clerk's office on or before noon of the 31st day of December, 1910, for the publishing Delinquent Tax List, County Treasurer's financial statement, road and bridge notices, and other notices required by the county. The County Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. W. C. Dieterichs, County Clerk. (Last pub. Dec. 29)

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