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ITEMS OF INTEREST

ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS CLIPPED FROM OUR EXCHANGES

FULLERTON.
From the News-Journal.
It is rumored around that the new city council propose to put the "lid on" after May 1st so tight that not even a smoke can be purchased in the town.

We understand there is some talk of a road house across the river. It is known that the county board is "wet" and if the law can be complied with an effort will be made to establish a drink emporium in the Newman ballwick.

Yesterday Chas. Corriell found a horned toad in his onion patch and brought it up town and placed it on exhibition at Agnew & Underwoods. This is the first horned toad that we have heard of in this section, and is attracting considerable attention.

Miss Grace Graft went to her new home five miles west of town Sunday after a nine weeks stay at the Red Cross hospital where it will be remembered she had her leg amputated. Her many friends will surely join in the hope that there will be no further trouble to mar the good result now promised.

HUMPHREY.
From the Democrat
Mrs. J. E. Hugg and her mother, Mrs. Henry Hunker, were calling on Columbus friends Wednesday afternoon.
Miss Rose Walker, of Columbus, was a guest of the Democrat editor's family from Friday evening until Monday noon.
Henry Hipp, a former resident of Platte county, but now living in Buffalo county, near Kearney, has been in town the past week on business.
The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bohatch broke his arm between the wrist and elbow Saturday last. The little tot is now getting along nicely.

Matt Farrell, who has been staying at the soldiers home at Milford, this state, for some time, came home last Friday evening to visit friends and relatives a few days.

Master Carroll Brown, of Columbus is visiting his many young friends in town. He came up yesterday morning with Mrs. Hugg and is making the Hugg residence his headquarters.
Last Friday Sig. Schavland, one of the prominent merchants of Madison, made an assignment of his stock of goods to trustees for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Schavland did a great amount of business. No cause is given for the failure.

Out of about 42 pupils in the primary room of the public school, 25 are staying at home this week getting over an attack of the measles. There are no severe cases that we have heard of, farther than the mere severity of keeping the youngsters shut up in a dark, hot room these beautiful spring days. And oh! the amount of fun that is being had is simply awful.

BELLWOOD.
From the Gazette.
Mr. and Mrs. Baker came over from Columbus Saturday and visited with Mrs. Flaxel, mother to Mrs. Baker.
J. J. Judevine was on our streets Tuesday feeling as young as ever. It is the first time he has been in town since last fall.
On Tuesday evening a bolt of lightning killed five horses belonging to a farmer at Osmond, Neb. The horses belonged to a man named York. He and his son were plowing and pulled up to a straw stack out of the storm. The horses fell on father and son and before they could be rescued they were burned to death, as the stack was set on fire by the lightning.

Although she lived fifty years with her husband as a legal wife, Mrs. Mary Jane Allen, of 3218 Pratt street, Omaha, widow of Lieut. Robert I. Allen, has been unable to secure a pension because of the various state laws prohibiting miscegenation. Mrs. Allen is a negro and her husband was a white man. Senator Brown has just succeeded in getting a pension of \$15 per month from April, 1907, for Mrs. Allen, and he was able to do this only because Mr. and Mrs. Allen had at one time lived in North Burton, Ontario, Canada, where the law had not made marriage between whites

and negroes illegal. After the pension bureau had been shown that the Allens had been domiciled in Canada, their common law marriage thus valid, a relief was speedily granted the needy widow. Mrs. Allen lived for years in Kearney, the home of Senator Brown, and he knew them personally. They also resided in Omaha and the widow has resided in that city since the death of her husband.

MONROE.
From the Republican.
Mrs. Chas. Kelley and two daughters spent Sunday in Columbus.

Miss Edith Barnes of Columbus was a visitor in these parts Tuesday.
Roy Clayburn came up from Omaha and spent Sunday with the home folks.

Mrs. A. E. Priest came up from Columbus the first of the week and is clerking in H. A. Mansfield's store.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Webster and two daughters were in Columbus from Monday noon until Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Niemoller left Monday to join her husband and son George in Canada. She will spend the summer with them.
Mrs. Strain, who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. A. Fleming and son Fred for some time, returned to her home in Missouri this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Potter of Silver Creek were visiting Monroe relatives the first of the week. Ed is recovering from his recent severe attack of rheumatism, and hopes to soon be in his usual health.

The Isaad boys have lost several head of cattle, caused by ergot in the hay. Their hoods drop off, and some get well and walk around without any hoods.

There is a vacancy in the list of teachers elected by the board of education, Miss Bo Hostettler having been elected to a position in her home town, Chester. She tendered her resignation as teacher in the primary room.

Another business change in Monroe is recorded this week. H. A. Mansfield trading his stock of general merchandise to L. M. Bruce of Garden City, Kan., for a farm in that locality. Mr. Bruce was here the first of the week to take the invoice, but Mr. Mansfield was called to Omaha on the federal jury. Mr. Mansfield returned Tuesday and Mr. Bruce is expected soon so the transfer can be made. Ellis Williams, who has been with the dry goods department of the Gray Mercantile Co. in Columbus, will have charge of the store, but Mr. Bruce will move his family here and become a resident of Monroe.

GENOA.
From the Times.
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Reaser spent Easter Sunday with Columbus friends.

O. E. Green returned home last Thursday from his South Dakota ranch, and will remain a few days before returning to the Keesoband country.

A. LaMaier, who attended the Indian school seventeen years ago, was in Genoa Monday greeting old friends. He is now a prosperous farmer and stock raiser on the Winnebago reservation.
F. M. LaGrange writes Maurice Starmer that he has finished harvesting his orange crop. From twenty acres of trees Mr. LaGrange gathered 8,675 boxes of oranges, or about fifteen carloads. The price usually paid for oranges is \$1.00 to \$1.25 per box.

A bill in which the widows of old soldiers are interested has passed both houses of congress and will be signed by the president. There are a number of soldiers' widows living in Genoa and vicinity who are drawing \$8 a month. The bill increases the above amount to \$12 a month.

Now that the question of licensing saloons has been decided in St. Edward the church people have commenced a campaign against pool halls and an ordinance has been passed placing a prohibitive tax on billiard tables. The municipal reformers of Fullerton have also entered upon a campaign against pool and billiard tables, and propose to tax the proprietors of pool halls \$300 a year.

HOWELLS.
From the Journal.
Ex-County Commissioner Costello was here from his home in the Irish settlement Wednesday, and in conversation with the writer said he had never seen winter wheat prospects better, and that there wasn't a poor piece in his neighborhood.

Wednesday forenoon a rather seedy looking fellow, followed by three ill-fed dogs, walked into town and later in the day gave an exhibition on the street, consisting of slight-of-hand work and Indian club swinging, which was not bad. The dogs also did several clever tricks, although one of the animals had to be pulled out from under the sidewalk a couple of times by its master before it would carry out its part of the program. A small collection was taken up after the performance.

There was another hearing in the John N. Voboril bankruptcy proceeding before Referee Wagner at Schuyler on Wednesday, and a number were down from here as witnesses. The secreting of goods to hide them away from the creditors was inquired into. The claim of Voboril for exemptions was heard and taken under advisement, the attorneys to file briefs with the referee.

PLATTE CENTER.
From the Signal.
Mrs. Frank Hughes and daughter Florence and youngest son departed Wednesday to join the rest of the family at Milton, Oregon.

The C. J. Carrig herd of cattle were started at five o'clock yesterday morning for the ranch near Clearwater. It usually takes from five to six days to make the drive.
Ed Maher branded something over two hundred head of cattle at the stock

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yards yesterday. They will be driven to a pasture for the summer near Petersburg.

We have heard of several patches of early potatoes that were up, but believe that George Scheidel, sr., has them all beaten on the corn question. He has four rows of sweet corn across his garden which has been up several days.

The bans of marriage were announced at St. Joseph's church last Sunday between John Donoghue and Miss Maud Barnes, John Coppins and Miss Katie Eley, Joe Liebzig and Miss Lena Ebner, Chas. Coppins and Miss Katie Soulliers.

CENTRAL CITY.
From the Nonpareil.
Never was there a finer prospect for fruit in Merrick county than this spring. The orchards are so simply loaded with blossoms and every tree is crowned with a riot of color. The forest prayer of every owner of a fruit tree is that Jack Frost will cancel his post-season visit this year and give the buds a chance.

According to the Shelton Clipper, the Union Pacific has offered to pay \$1,500 for the death of Florence Lutes, who was killed by a train in that town February 21st. The committee of three men, representing the mother, refuses, however, to accept this amount and asks for \$3,500. It is likely that the matter will have to be taken into the courts as the company shows no inclination of paying \$3,500.
A small sensation was created in Palmer Monday morning when it became known that Mr. Bothwell, a citizen of that place had discovered a baby girl in a sack of feed in his barn. He had just gone out to feed his stock and upon reaching into a sack for some ground feed found the mite of humanity alive and dressed. The infant was about twenty-four hours old. Immediate steps were taken to find the parties who were responsible for abandoning the child and J. A. Coolidge came to Central City to consult County Attorney Rose. The latter informed him that a complaint would have to be filed in the county court and the matter taken up under the juvenile act. No complaint has yet been made. A rumor, implicating parties at Wolbach, came to the place Tuesday but no confirmation of it has been received.

LEIGH.
From the World.
Dr. E. H. Hyland was over from Columbus several days the first of the week on professional business.
On Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the German Lutheran church in Leigh, Rev. A. F. Lutz united in marriage Edward Held and Miss Christina Marth.

The use of kerosene while starting a fire in the cook stove at the Northwestern hotel Wednesday evening caused quite an explosion. While no damage was done it caused considerable confusion throughout the building.
Warren Fusselman returned Tuesday evening from Montana, where he spent the past nine months with the family of his son Ed. Mr. Fusselman tells us that he enjoyed his stay there very much, that the scenery is beautiful and the climate ideal, but that the wind is always blowing, so much so that many people there milk their cows in jugs for fear the wind will blow the milk out of a pail.

ALBION.
From the News.
Dave Jackson is here from California looking after business matters and calling on old friends.
John Peters was taken sick very suddenly Thursday night and was in a serious condition for a time, but he seems to be improving slowly.
H. K. Anderson's family left Tuesday morning for Newman Grove, where they expect to make their home. Mr. Anderson went over Monday.
We failed last week to mention the departure of C. W. Hoffman to Goldfield, Nevada, on Tuesday. Charley ex-

SILVER CREEK.
From the Star.
Mrs. D. F. Davis spent Wednesday afternoon with her daughter Mildred in Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Wyman of Polk county were in town Wednesday on their way to visit relatives in Columbus.

Mrs. Mabel Ketchen went to the Columbus hospital Monday for treatment. She was accompanied by her mother Mrs. T. M. Potbick.

L. A. Gates went to Columbus Wednesday to see his sister, Mrs. Myrtle Adcock, who was brought from her home at Hugo, Colo., for treatment at the Columbus hospital. He says that Myrtle is rapidly recovering her health, which news is especially gratifying to her many friends here.

A sight gratifying to the eyes of man, and causing him to envy the possessor, can be seen on the farm of Chas. Wooster, three miles west of town. By the courtesy of the owner, on Tuesday last Mrs. Davis and the writer drove through the most beautiful peach orchard it has ever been their lot to behold. Situated near the bank of the Platte in an almost perfect state of cultivation. Mr. Wooster has 800 peach trees, set in seven rows, each about a quarter of a mile in length, and when we viewed them, they were nearly all in full bloom, and such magnificent blossoms were never excelled in their fullness and perfection. Their fragrance lingers in our nostrils and their beauty in our vision as we write this, and, O, what a satisfaction they will yield to the ever greedy stomach when the ripe fruit shall be plucked, if the ever proverbial frost does not prevent the fulfillment of our hopes!

Two young bloods by the names of Turner and Goding, claiming to represent the Omaha Y. M. C. A. of Omaha, slid into town Monday night, with empty stomachs and sore feet. They stated that they were on their way to walk to San Francisco for a prize, the winning of which required them to make the journey on foot within 70 days. They made a brave start, getting 110 miles in 6 days, and then laying over here two nights and a day to recuperate. It is the honest opinion of Sand that they will get as near to San Francisco as Clarke, unless some kind mamma picks them up and speaks them. They haven't enough gumption to get out and follow a corn plow, let alone walking 1,800 miles. While the youths were here they ate at the expense of Banker Bell and slept in a spare bed in the Sand office.

ST. EDWARD.
From the Advance.
Mrs. W. P. Egan entertained a few friends Monday evening in honor of Mrs. Chas. Buck of Ocoee, who is spending the week in St. Edward at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Thompson.

Joseph Westbrook died at his home south of St. Edward at about noon Friday, after a prolonged illness. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mr. Westbrook was one of the very earliest pioneers of Boone county.

Sarah Wiley, daughter of Robert and Sarah Wiley, was born in Wethersfield, Henry county, Ill., Feb. 5, 1855. She was married July 17, 1875, in Platte county, Neb., to Thomas Harris. They came at once to their homestead in Boone county, near Boone, where they resided until they moved to St. Edward about three years ago. Mrs. Harris was the mother of eight children all of whom are living and were present at the death bed. Mrs. Robert Stillings, Fred Harris, Mrs. Wm. Jenkinson, Maude, Robert, Pearl, Thomas, and Laura. Her father died twenty five years ago but she is still survived by her aged mother, two sisters both present at the time of her death—and one brother. She died April 18 1906, at 9 a. m.

ECONOMY IN CUTTING BREAD.
European Idea American Housewives Would Do Well to Copy.

France and Italy have the reputation of being the least expensive countries in which to live, and this is owing not only to the price of food-stuffs, but also to the extreme care with which everything is used.
An example of this studied economy, which, in time, becomes second nature, is their use of bread. In both countries mentioned only enough bread is cut to provide the family with one piece each. Should any one wish for bread, two pieces are cut, and this process is repeated until the meal is over.
By this method there is no bread left cut from the loaf to dry in the box, and one baking lasts four full days, not two days and a half.
Perhaps it sounds too economical; perhaps the generous hostess might think that it was not true American hospitality. Indeed, it is the best treatment for guests and family alike, for bread that stands but a short time in the dish is sure to be just a little dry, while bread just cut is sweet and fresh.

In Cleaning with Naphtha.
To remove the very disagreeable odor of naphtha from gloves, or in fact from any waist or gown that has been returned from the cleaners, the article should be placed as close as possible to a steam heater, or directly upon the radiator if possible. The steam heat thoroughly dries out whatever of the fluid may have remained in the material, and does so without the danger of explosion which makes it impossible to dry a naphtha-cleaned garment anywhere near an ordinary stove or fire.
After naphtha-cleaning gloves, laces, ribbons, etc., at home, they may be placed directly upon a steam radiator, and will be found to dry in half the time ordinarily required, and the odor will entirely disappear in less than an hour's time.

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UNION PACIFIC TIME TABLE

WEST BOUND.		EAST BOUND.	
No. 11	2:50 a.m.	No. 4	6:30 a.m.
No. 13	11:25 a.m.	No. 18	4:15 p.m.
No. 1	11:55 a.m.	No. 34	12:25 p.m.
No. 9	1:55 p.m.	No. 8	1:50 p.m.
No. 7	3:30 p.m.	No. 16	2:30 p.m.
No. 15	6:45 p.m.	No. 10	2:50 p.m.
No. 3	7:30 p.m.	No. 8	6:10 p.m.
No. 5	7:30 p.m.	No. 2	6:45 p.m.
No. 29	7:50 a.m.	No. 28	6:45 a.m.

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