



In order to contribute our share toward your Fourth of July pleasures and comforts at Columbus, and to show you the manner in which we care for our patrons, I have arranged to bring our private car, "Tenza," here, and it will be found at the Union Pacific depot on Olive street. You are urged to call and inspect it. The car will remain here until our next excursion to the Tramping Lake District of Canada,

JULY 7,

at which time it will leave Columbus direct for Canada. Arrange to accompany us on this trip. It is a real pleasure to travel with us. We are making the unusually low rate of \$25 for the round trip, which will be refunded to purchasers of land. Crop conditions were never better, settlers were never more contented, prospects never brighter. Be sure to join us JULY 7th, and notify me in advance, if possible, so I can arrange for your accommodation. This, however, is not necessary, only permitting me to arrange my plans in advance.

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Our Polk County Friends.

Mrs. Luis Phesant has gone over to Pierce, to spend a few weeks visiting her brother L. E. Phesant, M. D.

H. L. Wickey, one of the prominent farmers of the valley, was enjoying the sunlight and shadows of Columbus last week.

Mrs. Jennie Rathban came over from Columbus, to visit with her mother and to look after her real estate interests. She was like the pilgrim, and could just tarry for a night.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Carson drove over to Columbus last Saturday, and back on Sunday. Will gets about all the riding that he can stand anyway for he is the R. F. D. carrier out of Osceola, but he took the good lady of the house over to consult one of Columbus's physicians.

County Judge H. H. Campbell has been carrying a pocket book that looked as though an elephant stepped on it, it was flattened out so, but it was replenished last week, for the Judge issued the necessary papers to wed Miss Ida Belle Erickson and Joseph O. L. Hirsch, and to Miss Effie Alida Carlson and Mr. Herman A. Jones.

Among the distinguished postmasters that were present at the Chicago G. O. P. convention, besides the gentlemen from Polk, was Postmaster Carl Kramer of Columbus. Carl was a delegate to the M. W. A. convention at Peoria, Ill., and Chicago is in the same state, and so two birds could be killed with one stone, or it did not cost much extra to take in both of the shows.

Polk county prohibitionists are wondrously pleased, that they are going to get "Our Charlie" C. H. Lindburg of Polk for state auditor, and Henry T. Hockenberger of Columbus for secretary of state. The ticket is a good one that was endorsed at Lincoln last week, and more especially these two gentlemen that we have mentioned. Don't forget to vote for them in the primaries in September.

The Jarmin's have a doctor in the family now, Ernest C. Jarmin, M. D., and last week the state board of health granted him his license to practice in the state. We are glad to say that Ernest passed as good an examination before the board as any of them, and besides Ernest, George G. Flippin of Stromsburg, also received a license to practice, and we presume his shingle will read, George G. Flippin, M. D. Stromsburg, Nebraska.

There are to be numerous celebrations of the Glorious Fourth in Polk county. Every city is going it alone. Some of our people are wearing the Silver Creek booster 4th buttons, but when the whole matter is summed up, it is predicted that Columbus will catch more Polk county people at their celebration, than any place within fifty miles. Special trains are provided, and all roads lead to that city on the 4th. Now then, put that in your pipe and smoke it.

There will be no celebration of the Fourth on the east of us in the county this year, and the probability is that there will be none west of Omaha until you get to Osceola, and so this burg is getting ready to give the visitors "the time of their life." We doubt very much if there will be much of a celebration west of Omaha until you get to Columbus, and those people over there are to have a red hot time. All the people on valley will go to Columbus.

This column has heretofore mentioned the fact that Miss Daisy Kunkell, one of the best teachers in Omaha, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Kunkell. It has been the custom of the school commissioners of Omaha to elect most of the teachers every year. There were many changes

at their meeting last week. Miss Kunkell was re-elected as teacher and placed in the list of teachers that don't have to be elected every year but are elected for as long as they desire to teach. Miss Daisy has received that honor and her friends are congratulating her.

Route No. 1.

The paper-hangers and painters have finished work on H. B. Reed's new home. Frank Luchinsger shipped a car load of hogs to the South Omaha market Monday.

John Mohlmann, one of the prosperous farmers on the route, has just completed a large new hay barn.

J. E. Hays has faith in lightning rods as conductors of electricity, and has had his new house decorated with copper rods.

Farmers are now waging war against the weeds and grass in the corn fields, and a few more days of sunshine will enable them to win a victory and place the fields in good condition for the crop to mature.

There are some very clever people on this route, who always try and make it pleasant for the rural carrier. Prominent among them is a young lady, who presented the carrier one day this week with a basket of cherries.

Last Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller and daughter arrived home after an absence of six weeks on the Pacific coast. During their absence they visited Portland, Tacoma, Seattle, Spokane and other places of interest.

Route No. 5.

Frank Jarecki bought a new corn sheller Tuesday.

L. H. Hahn was called to York on business Monday.

Two inches of rain fell during the storm Monday night.

Miss Phoebe Bryan, who has been visiting friends in Omaha, returned home Tuesday.

Otto Erntz is doing good work with the road drag between the Loup and Platte rivers.

Will Houser is doing some excellent work by filling up the holes in the Klause grade, and using the drag on the road between his place and the Platte river.

As usual the bridge over the Platte is considered unsafe. The sentiment is growing that all bridges over the Platte and Loup should be made state bridges, and constructed and kept in repair at the expense of the state.

Walker

Nels Jensen's house is nearly ready for the mason work.

Fred Nordgren and family were visiting at John Swanson's Sunday.

Mrs. John Swanson and Miss Minnie Swanson returned Thursday from Surprise, where they had been visiting friends.

Andrew Thoning was shelling corn for Fred Nordgren and Nels B. Johnson the other day. He uses a ten-horse power gasoline engine.

Magical Scenes.

If you contemplate a trip to California, with its lovely seaside resorts, orange groves, beautiful gardens, and quaint old Missions, the pleasantest, and most comfortable way to these magical scenes is via the Union Pacific. Reduced rates in effect this summer. Fast trains, short lines, no delays. Inquire of E. G. Brown, agent.

Route No. 3.

Cal Nelson has moved into his new home on Route 3.

The heavy wind Monday night upset several hay stacks along the route.

Chicken thieves have been plying their vocation on the northwest part of the route.

Miss Lillie Siems of Columbus, is a guest at the home of Peter Lutjens this week.

Otto Branken left for Leigh last Saturday where he will assist his brother at the carpenter business.

J. H. Randall has accomplished some good work with a steel drag on the Meridian and Monetary roads in Columbus township.

The home of I. W. Albers was the scene of a social gathering last Sunday, which called together the young people of the neighborhood.

August Groves, who has been working for Peter Lutjens, has resigned his position and moved to Columbus where he will engage in the real estate business.

Batchelor Hagman was agreeably surprised by the young folks of his neighborhood last Thursday who invaded his home for an evening of enjoyment. The host felt complimented by the call of his young friends and invited them to repeat it as often as they desired.

A. M. Mahaffey has improved the appearance of his house by giving it a coat of paint. Mahaffey is one of Platte county's farmers who takes pride in his home surroundings and hopes to enjoy continued prosperity under the administration of William Howard Taft.

Commencement Exercises at St. Francis Academy.

The commencement exercises at St. Francis Academy were held Monday morning, June 22d, at 9:30. The program was as follows:

- Kroenungs-March—(aus der Oper: "Der Prophet").....J. Meyerbeer
- Piano—Agnes Dinesen, Theresa Magull
- Violin—Frank Walker, Mary Ryan, Ella Dinesen
- Mandolin—Veronica Dinesen, Mary Fitzsimmons
- Welcome—"Anniversary Song".....Selected
- Piano—Mary McDivitt
- History—Teacher of Mankind.....Louise Wagner
- O Du mein holder Abendstern—Recit. and Romance (aus der Oper: "Tannhauser").....Franz Liszt
- Piano—Rose Walker
- Persistence—The Secret of Success.....Ruby Walsh
- Our Flag—Song.....Selected
- Piano—Nellie Ryan
- Discipline of Difficulties.....Cecilia Brown
- Les Sept Etolles—Arranged and Dedicated to the Class of 1908 by.....Irene Broeg
- Guitar—Irene Broeg
- First the Useful then the Ornamental.....Ruth Walsh
- Kinzig der Geste auf Wartburg—(aus der Oper: "Tannhauser").....Franz Liszt
- Piano—Lena Eberhardt
- Silver Bells of Memory—Song.....Selected
- Piano—Irene Broeg
- Valedictory—"The Bow of Promise".....Rose Walker
- Graduating honors were bestowed upon the following young ladies: Lit-erary course—Misses Louise Wagner, Ruth Walsh, Cecilia Brown, Ruby Walsh and Rose Walker. Music—Piano VI class—Misses Rose Walker and Lena Eberhardt. Guitar, VI class—Miss Irene Broeg.

Advertised Letters.

Following is a list of unclaimed mail matter remaining in the post office at Columbus, Nebraska, for the period ending June 24, 1908:

- Letters—Miss Jennie Craig, W S Doesch & Co, Ed Einfeld, Miss Ada Foote, Miss Grace Horner, O M Hoffman, E M Robinson, R C Scotch, N Starostka, Miss Emma Soeski, S H Shanklin, Josie Zreh. Cards—Miss Clara Guter, Miss Stella Morgan, Harry Nielson, Miss Amelia Rowan.
- Parties calling for any of the above will please say advertised.

OAKL KRAMER, P. M.

Notice.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Nebraska Central Irrigation Company, is called for Monday, June 29th, 1908, at 8 p. m., at the office of the Elevator Roller Mills Co., Columbus, Nebr. Purpose of the meeting are: Elections; reports of President and General Manager, Secretary and Treasurer; a proposal and program for consolidation.

H. E. BARBOCK, President.

To the Public.

We, the undersigned butchers of Columbus, will not deliver meat on the Fourth of July. Place your order for Saturday's supply of meat on Friday.

S. E. Marty & Co. Otto Herz, C. H. Buschman.

Marriage Licenses.

- Levi A. Messersmith, Maribank, Neb. 27
- Katie M. Biedinger, Humphrey..... 29
- Howard A. Harris, Rising City, Neb. 26
- Gertrude A. Marker, Osceola..... 20
- William A. Rabe, Mankato, Minn..... 24
- Mabel Glenn, Mankato, Minn..... 24

Taft Meeting.

Republicans are invited to meet with the Taft League, Friday evening, June 26th, at 8 o'clock, in the basement of the Commercial Bank building.

R. S. DICKINSON, Chairman.

Baptist Church

Sunday school 10 a. m. There will be no other services owing to union meetings in M. E. church.

REV. D. W. REINHART, Pastor.

Farm For Sale.

The Kerr estate, on 1-4 1-18-3 west, six miles due north of Monroe. Call on or address Mrs. O. R. Watta, Monroe, Neb.

New Line to Yellowstone Park.

Tourists may now go right to the edge of the Park via this new and scenic line. Only by a trip to Yellowstone can the tourist comprehend its endless variety and stupendous grandeur. Very low round-trip rates to this resort in effect this summer via the Union Pacific and its connections. For information regarding the new line to Yellowstone, inquire of E. G. Brown, agent.

After the Theater

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A Cool Glass of Beer

An orderly place—everything neat and clean. We strive to please our patrons with the best of service.

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ELEVENTH STREET.

A RARE OLD BIBLE

ONE COPY PRINTED AT MAYENCE IN THE YEAR 1450.

Now One of the Greatest Bibliographic Curiosities—Vulgate Prepared in England in the Neighborhood of the Year 668.

The first attempt at printing, at Mayence, in 1450 was a copy of the Vulgate, wood characters being used, which contained only the principal parts of the Old and New Testaments. This is the so-called "Biblia Pauperum," one of the rarest bibliographic curiosities, a copy of which was bought by the duke of Devonshire in 1815, who paid only £201 for it.

England occupies a prominent place in the history of the Vulgate and in its preservation, as the purest text being in Milan, Naples and in the southern provinces, Archbishop Theodore and his companion, Hadrian, abbot of a monastery near Naples, went to England in 668, taking with them some of these Bibles. Besides, just at that time Benedict Biscop and Ceofrid, traveling between Rome and England, brought in other pure Vulgate texts, which were copied and reproduced in the monasteries of Wearmouth and Jarrow, not only for local use, but to be spread by missionaries in foreign countries, especially Germany, France and Switzerland, and, strange as it may seem, even back to Italy. But what is stranger still is that these copies, known under the name of Northumbrian texts, have been transcribed with such exactness that when they returned to Italy they were found to be purer than the Italian copies, which meanwhile had degenerated. One of the attempts to revive the Vulgate was made by Charles the Great, who intrusted the work to an Englishman, Alcuin, who finished it in 801.

In the century after the invention of printing the circulation of faulty Bibles assumed such proportions that the necessity was felt of establishing an official edition. A handsome volume, in 1590, took the name of the Sixtine Bible, from Sixtus V., and had as preface the famous Bull, "Aeternus ille," establishing that this Bible be considered as "true, lawful, authentic and unquestioned." Sixtus V. died almost immediately after, and only two years later Clement VIII. ordered that every copy of the Sixtine Bible be destroyed, and published another called the "Clementine." It seems that Sixtus V. had himself revised the work of the commission, hurting the feelings of the members and offending the Jesuits, who never rested until they obtained the suppression of the Sixtine Bible, now one of the rarest books in the world.

Leo XIII. created the commission "De Re Biblica," presided over by Cardinal Rampolla, for the study of the Scriptures, but it remained an academic body, while Pius X. desired to transform it into an institution for practical work. So, on April 30, 1907, Cardinal Rampolla wrote a letter to Dom Hildebrand de Hemptinne, abbot primate of the Benedictines, who used to live in England, intrusting the new revision of the Vulgate to them, and straightway appointing Abbot Gasquet as head of the committee. The English abbot admirably fulfills the requirements of so responsible a position. To vast, profound culture he adds the temperament of a great worker and a love for accuracy and detail.—Pall Mall Magazine.

The Woman and the Feline. A western judge—let us hope he had been singularly unfortunate in his female relatives—recently remarked that all women were cats. Women read that press dispatch everywhere, one morning, and for a few hours at least the ears of that judge must have burned, writes Isabel Gordon Curtis, in Success Magazine. Still, there are women who indorse his judgment, although they feel that he might have qualified his remark and said: "Some women are cats." One can't help wondering why poor pussy, from time immemorial, should have been picked out as the prototype of a mean, treacherous, back-biting woman for a cat which is well-fed and kindly treated is a lovable animal, and, queerly enough, it is the animal on which most women lavish their love. A man who studies the traits of dumb creatures tells us, however, that the female cat treats the species of her own sex in a peculiarly mean and vicious manner. It bites instead of backbiting, and, at the first throbs of jealousy, will scratch like a good fellow. If that is so, we have to confess that there are cat-like women everywhere, in the lowest rank of life and in the highest, for we have had cat-like queens; clever old Queen Bess had many a pussy-cat trait.

Sticking Pins in Paper. The modern pin-making machine works automatically and completes the pin, with the exception of coloring and polishing, without the aid of human hands. In 1841 the device for sticking pins in rows of papers was invented by Samuel Slocum of Connecticut, and put in use in the factory where pins were made by Dr. Howe's machine. It was later improved by Thaddeus Fowler. This machine is described as scarcely less ingenious than the pin-making invention. By the use of these devices the total pin product in this country, chiefly in Connecticut, was a little over 50,000,000 gross in 1900, of which about 47,500,000 were ordinary pins, about 1,500,000 were safety pins and about 1,000,000 were hairpins.

The Melodrama Again. The beautiful heroine stamped her tiny foot on the tiger-skin rug. "And you dare deceive me?" she hissed. "Didn't you make a vow that you would never tell me another barefaced falsehood?"

In reply the heavy villain flashed a pair of automobile goggles from his pocket and put them on. "And I have kept my vow, Helene Hominy. I am barefaced no longer." With a cry of despair the beautiful heroine jumped into the paste-board river.

A Relief to Both. "At last," he sighed, "we're alone. I've been hoping for this chance." "So have I," said she very frankly. "Ah! you have guessed, then, that I wanted to tell you that I loved you." "Yes; and I want to say 'No' and get it over with."

Unnecessary. Howles—Hallo, Salter; I suppose you are going to write my book down as a tissue of crass inaptitudes, eh? Salter—Pardon me, my dear Sir; it is not my habit to repeat what every one is saying.—Town and Country.

A Land of Wonders. California has many wonders, not the least of which are the numerous natural bridges and caves of no little interest; the Mammoth Cave of Calaveras, the Alabaster Cave and the Crystal Palace Cave. The Union Pacific will sell tickets to these points at reduced rates this summer. Inquire of E. G. Brown, agent.

TOPIC NEAREST TO HER HEART.

Whether or Not He Was Married Interested the Girl Chiefly.

Seeking to know how best to interest her in my conversation, I lied me to the wise man, who spoke and said: "Speak thou of many things. So long as she ejaculates, the subject thou must change; but when she asks a question, then will you know the topic that is nearest to her heart."

Whereupon I returned unto the maiden and lifted my voice most tunefully into speech.

"I was talking to a friend of mine as I came along the street," remarked I unto her. "He is a writer of books and has seen the strangest sights and scenes."

She turned to me the face of innocence, but nothing said.

"He has traveled in distant lands, has sailed the seas and triumphed o'er the mountains top. He has braved the snows of Alaska and the tropic sun of the Amazon. India has been his stamping ground, and over China has he widely roamed."

"Just to think!" she cried.

"He has studied the picture galleries of the whole wide world: London, Vienna, Paris, Florence; he knows them from vestibule to roof—column, base and architrave."

"The idea!" she cried.

"He has slept in the house where Dickens was born and has paid his pilgrimage to the room where the great Thackeray breathed his last. He has sat at the table whereon Balzac wrote, and Kipling and he are the most particular friends."

"You don't say!" she cried.

"He was a war correspondent and made a record in the Boer war. At Port Arthur he ran the blockades both by land and sea and twice was left for dead upon the field."

"Gracious!" she cried.

"Before that he was a dramatic critic, and the boldest actor trembled at the words that he might say. He knew the stars that twinkled in the firmament and all the minor constellations on the broad and great white way."

"Fancy!" she cried.

"He has hunted the tiger in India and the elephant in Africa. He has tracked the lion to its lair and the leopard to its den."

"You don't say!"

Whereat I paused, breathless and discomfited, for never an interrogation had she made, and vainly did I cudgel my mind for the topic that was nearest to her heart, but as I was about to make retreat, lo, she raised her face and queried:

"Is he married?"

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The Wife's Morning Glory.

A writer in an exchange says: "The finest compliment I have ever heard told to a woman was by her husband, and he said, in speaking of her: 'We always think of her as a morning glory, because she looks so bright and cheery and pretty at the breakfast table.'"

"How many breakfast tables are presided over by women who make no effort to be dainty?—and there are a great number who are at once untidy and even uncleanly to look at."

"The claim that household duties keep women from looking well in the morning is easily disproved, for in many a household where the woman gives a helping hand in the kitchen a big apron will thoroughly protect her dress, and then, too, cooking, unless one makes it so, is never dirty work."

"That woman commits an error who looks uncleaned for and badly dressed in the morning. The other woman, who wears any old thing to the breakfast table, is also making a mistake, for that is the time when the men of the household ought to see a woman at her best, and not specially rely on her appearance in the evening, when the soft and charitable light of the gas will hide many defects."

His One Wish.

"Do you believe in ghosts?" asked the man who resents all superstition. "No, sir," answered Mr. Erastus Pinkley. "An' all 's hopin' is dat dem ghos'es will lemme stay dat way 'til 'o' comin' aroun' tryin' to convince me."

Believed in Signs.

"Evangeline is an up-to-date girl," confided the young man in the pearl-colored hat. "How so?" asked his friend. "Why, in the parlor there is a celebrated painting entitled 'The Kiss.' I have been calling on her two years and I never noticed anything unusual about that picture until last night."

"What did you notice?" "What did I notice? Why, right under it there was a sign: 'Do It Now.'"

Fatal Blow.

It was the leading lady's birthday. "I don't care for any expensive presents," she hinted. "If you would send me a rose for each year, why—"

But the leading man jumped two feet in the air. "A rose for each year!" he gasped. "Why, roses are a dollar each and I only have \$19 to my name."

And after that she never spoke to him except during the play.

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