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ITEMS OF INTEREST

ABOUT OUR NEIGH- BORS AND FRIENDS CLIPPED FROM OUR EXCHANGES

GENOA.
From the Times.
Miss Rosa Borden of Fremont, and Miss Ida Kavich of Columbus, were guests of Miss Elizabeth Venger last Monday. Miss Venger accompanied the visitors as far as Columbus on their return home.
Lightning sometimes cuts queer capers. During the storm Sunday evening an unusually vivid flash of lightning ignited a rag in Chase's store, although the bolt did not strike in the vicinity of the building.
Last Thursday, while driving into the country, one of the wheels of Will Martin's meat wagon came off, throwing him out and breaking two of his ribs and bruising his body and limbs. He was dragged under the wheels of the vehicle for several rods, but finally succeeded in stopping the team.

ST. EDWARD.
From the Advance.
W. H. Kennedy left today for Columbus with King McGregor. W. C. McFayden's trotting stallion. The King will be worked on the Columbus track this season.
While Lon Gorr was having a little private practice at target shooting yesterday afternoon he was entirely unaware that a bunch of fellows with somewhat evil intent were looking for him. Lon had a very small toy rifle and did not suppose it would shoot through the barn and do mortal injury. However, one of the bullets seems to have gone through the barn, struck the heavy glass window in the Nevels saloon and then tickled Tom Lyons several in the ribs. Lon now goes down back of the mill for practice with his pop gun.

PLATTE CENTER.
From the Signal.
Max Bruckner received a cablegram from Germany Monday informing him of the death of his father. He was 73 years of age and had been an invalid for some time.
Mrs. E. E. Potts, nee Laura Pugh, and her son, arrived here last Thursday evening for a visit with her father and numerous schoolyard friends and acquaintances. He home is in Holdrege, Neb., where Mr. Potts is publisher of the Holdrege Citizen.
No sooner had they completed the new flume down at the mill, two or three weeks ago, than a raise in the creek took a chunk out of the dam, and have been attempting to repair it ever since. They would get it nearly fixed when rain would bring another raise and out would go their work. A large force was employed there all last week, but the rain Sunday found the work still unfinished.
Cards were received here Wednesday evening which read: "Mr. Enos T. Hughes, Miss Cora E. Raker, married Tuesday, July sixth, one thousand nine hundred and nine, Lincoln, Nebraska. At home after August first, Platte Center, Nebraska." This announcement was not unexpected to many of our people. Mr. Hughes is the cashier of our bank and Miss Raker, whose home was at Gretna, Nebraska, is not entirely unknown to our people, having visited here. They will arrive here sometime this week. Mr. Hughes has rented the Robert May residence, and as soon as it is furnished and made ready they will begin house-keeping there. Congratulations and welcome from all Platte Center.

SILVER CREEK.
From the Standard.
The wet weather is causing delay and trouble in the harvesting of small grain, but it is hoped that not much loss of the grain will occur.
The greatest change in Silver Creek business circles for some time took place this week. Horace E. Hudson of the firm of Squier & Hudson, general merchants, sold his interests in the firm's affairs to his partner, N. L. Squier, who became sole proprietor.
At a recent charivari some members of the party were handling the groom rather roughly when the mother-in-law asked them to desist, saying that the groom had "heart trouble." In view of the ceremony which had furnished ground for the charivari it is a wonder that someone had not thought of that before.
Judge J. E. Howland attended a meeting of the Merrick county republican committee at Central City on Monday. At the meeting it was decided to hold a delegate county convention at the county seat on July 22 at which it is probable that an effort will be made to endorse candidates to be voted on at the primaries. The Silver Creek caucus will be held Monday evening July 19, unless otherwise announced, and the township will be allowed to select four delegates to attend the convention.

HONOR.
From the Republican.
Miss Sophie Klaus of Columbus is staying at the home of her sister, Mrs. Vestal Moore, while Mrs. Moore is visiting in the west.
Mrs. Max Percy and son Charlie returned home from Columbus Saturday where Charlie has been a patient at the Columbus hospital for the past two weeks.
W. E. Huffer left the first of the week for Colby, Kansas, near which place he has a farm. It is about harvest time and he goes to arrange for the marketing of his wheat crop.

Mrs. Lydia Devlin of Johnston, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Devlin of Columbus and Miss Olive Evans of Pittsburg, Pa., were guests of Mrs. A. M. Work over Sunday. Mrs. Lydia Devlin is a sister of Mrs. Work's.
Miss Anna and Will Smith went to Reynolds, Illinois, last Thursday, being called there by the death of their nephew, Fay Schoonmaker, aged twenty years. Mr. Schoonmaker will be remembered as a boy ten years old when he visited here.

Platte county has two boys who will put Weston, the great walker, in the shade. On the Fourth of July Helmut Gertsch and Homer Farrand ran around the section, four miles, without stopping, and not one step did they walk. Now there are some pretty big hills and long ones, and for two boys of their age, about ten years, it is pretty good.

While the proposed purchase of the Omaha elevator by the Farmers' elevator of this place is not concluded, there is every reason to believe that unless some unexpected hitch occurs the deal will be closed this week. Should this go through the farmers' company will at once get ready to handle the present crop of wheat, which will be on the market in a few weeks.

CENTRAL CITY.
From the Nonpareil.
The overturning of the Broer auto on the Osceola trip last week resulted somewhat more seriously than was at first supposed. Jim Fauble, who was one of the occupants of the car, sustained a fractured arm. He thought at first that the injury was nothing more serious than a bad sprain. The fracture is not a bad one, however, and he will be able to use the member in a short time.
There will be no vote on the Silver Creek drainage proposition. That is the decision of the board of supervisors. At the hearing Tuesday there was much talking and after it was over the board went into executive session to pass upon the matter of calling an election. For some reason the members, or a majority of them, desired a secret ballot. When this ballot was taken it resulted in five against and two for the election. Supervisors Burke and Douglas cast the two affirmative votes while Supervisors Pense, Simonson, Harry, Reese and Parker voted against. The secret ballot was a departure from the regular practice of the board, but there seemed to be a desire on the part of the members to keep their attitude from becoming public and while objection was made to the unusual manner of voting it was overruled.

LEIGH.
From the World.
A deal was closed the first of the week whereby Fred Moeller sold to Gerhard Loseke the old Smallan farm of 240 acres. The purchase price was \$22,800.
Adolph Aache marketed a couple of fine hogs in Leigh the first of the week that tipped the scales to 1070 pounds and brought Mr. Aache \$7.25 per hundred.
A deal was closed on Monday, through Barjehbruch & Bakenbus, whereby John Johannes purchased the T. K. Matzen farm at \$140 per acre which is the highest price yet paid for land in the surrounding country.
Last night Leigh was hostess to four New York ladies who are making a trip across the continent from New York to San Francisco in a large Maxwell touring car. The chauffeur is Mrs. John R. Ramsey and her companions are Mrs. N. K. Powell, Mrs. M. Atwood and Mrs. H. Jelms. These ladies are the first who have ever attempted a trip of this kind and much credit will be due them if they complete their trip as they contemplate. Mrs. Ramsey is president of the Women's Motor club of New York and she and her friends are making this trip to show the possibilities of trans-continental touring.

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Woulnd's Suit Him.
Mr. Highive (looking up from the paper)—Well, well! Wonders will never cease! They've got so now that they can photograph in colors. Mrs. Highive (glancing at his nose)—I think, my dear, you'd better get your picture taken before the old process is abandoned.—New York Weekly.

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Oh, You Kid!
"Even when a child is feeding from the bottle," remarked the Observer of Events and Things, "he shows his predilection for something more substantial by trying to get his toes in his mouth.—Youkers Statesman.

Gibraltar a Bishopric.
Gibraltar is a See of the Church of England. Its beautiful little Episcopal chapel is dignified by the title of cathedral, and the bishop of Gibraltar is one of the lords spiritual of the British government.

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It is said that Mrs. Lysander John Appleton wears her waist line so fashionably low that her children climb on her ankles and think they are sitting in her lap.—Atchison Globe.

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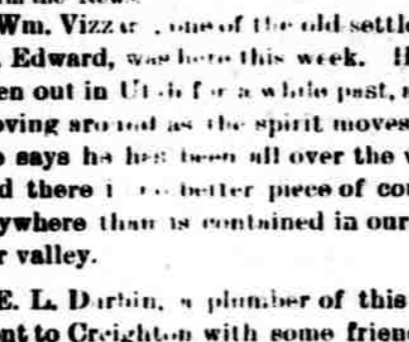
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ALBION.
From the News.
Wm. Vizzar, one of the old settlers of St. Edward, was here this week. He has been out in Utah for a while past, and is moving around as the spirit moves him. He says he has been all over the world and there is no better piece of country anywhere than is contained in our Beaver valley.
E. L. Darbin, a plumber of this city, went to Creighton with some friends to attend the celebration and while witnessing the race between the Plainview and Bloomfield fire departments, was run over by one of the hose carts, breaking his arm in three places, crushing his head badly and receiving internal injuries which are likely to prove fatal.
The man who writes the Atchison Globe sights is both a wise and a witty man. Following are a couple of gems from his pen: "A lot of boys who pose as candy kids, develop later in life into lemon drops." "If another man gets a higher salary than you receive, it is probably because he is worth more. Employers do not pick out men to pay good wages to because they have curly hair."

BELLWOOD.
From the Gazette.
There seems to be an increased demand for men teachers all over the state. The reason advanced for wanting men is that they are considered better disciplinarians. Increased salaries are offered.
Dr. Evans and wife of Columbus and Mrs. Evans's father and mother drove to Bellwood Sunday afternoon in an auto. When the storm came up they were compelled to put their machine in the livery barn and make their return to Columbus behind a pair of Burch's roadsters.
Mrs. Sam Muller and grandmas Gerard are making preparations to go to Thomas county, where Mrs. Miller will join her husband and family and where grandmas Gerard will visit with her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Bouton and family. From reports received the Miller and Bouton families are wishing they were in God's country and are expected back this fall.
Rabies Laid to Strange Cause.
In Baluchistan even the wolves go mad. In his book, "The Frontiers of Baluchistan," G. P. Tate writes: "The shepherd finds a strange reason for the epidemic of rabies. According to them it was caused by the wild beasts eating dead larks. In some years, they said, the larks develop extraordinary vitality and pour forth such a flood of songs as they rise on the wing that they become suffocated and fall to the ground dead. A wild animal which eats one of those dead birds infallibly develops rabies. This is a widespread superstition and seems not unfamiliar to the natives of India who were with me."

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Riches and Real Worth.
Riches are for the comfort of life, not life for the amassing of riches. I asked a wise man: "Who is the fortunate and who is the unfortunate man?" He replied: "He is the fortunate who sowed and reaped, and the unfortunate who died and enjoyed rest. Offer no prayer in behalf of that worthless wretch who did nothing but spend his life in the accumulation of wealth which he used not."

Attractiveness.
A magnetic personality is often more powerful than ability, and is often, very often, placed in the balance against it. It is therefore advisable to exert oneself to the utmost to cultivate that wonderful charm to the highest degree, and she who has it not is not so much to be pitied as blamed, for it is, more or less, within the reach of all.—Woman's Life.

Girl in.
It is not to die, nor even to die of hunger, that makes a man wretched. Many men have died; all men must die. But it is to live miserably, we know not why; to work sore, and yet gain nothing; to be heart worn, weary, yet isolated, unrelated, fair in with a cold, universal lousiness, give.—Thomas Carlyle.

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No. 1	9:12 a m	No. 14	2:54 p m
No. 7	11:44 a m	No. 6	2:10 p m
No. 15	6:40 p m	No. 16	2:52 p m
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No. 29	7:50 p m	No. 20	4:15 p m
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