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### ITEMS OF INTEREST

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EXCHANGES

#### PLATTE CENTER

From the Signal.

I. N. Jones of the Joliet neighborhood tells us that the corn in his locality is not suffering from the effects of the dry weather and that better than the average crop will be realized by the farmers in Joliet and Monroe Townships.

Louis, the 6 year old son of Leopold Sibir, living 2 miles northeast of Platte Center is suffering from a very bad case of Tetanus, better known as lockjaw. Sometime ago he stepped on a splinter, it entered the foot breaking it off so that only a part was removed at the time, the boy did not complain and not until Sunday was the rest removed, this is what caused the trouble. Louis is in a critical condition.

Rev. Father Liborius, who has been the pastor of St. Joseph's congregation, was transferred to Joliet, Ill., leaving here last Tuesday evening. A number of Franciscan Priests from this county were transferred and Father Liborius was among the number. It is not definitely known at this time who will take the place of Father Liborius.

#### SHELBY.

From the Sun.

Father Lutz has sufficiently recovered from his injuries to be able to look after his charge here, but still has to visit the hospital at Columbus, each week for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Custer and two children, who have been visiting with relatives in Luxemburg, Saskatchewan, Canada, for the past six weeks, returned home last Saturday evening. Mr. Custer reports crops good in that country and the farmers apparently all in a prosperous condition.

Levi Nelson, of Osceola, will take Oscar Olson's place here as assistant cashier of the First National Bank. Mr. Nelson has been connected with the First National Bank at Osceola since its organization and thoroughly understands the banking business. He will probably move to Shelby next week and be ready to assume his duties the first of the month.

Monday morning when Frank Newcomer went to his barn he found his best horse with a broken leg. Dr. Byers was called, but he decided the only thing to be done was to shoot the animal. The horse was running loose in the barnyard and must have either slipped and fell or had been kicked by one of the other horses. The bone of one front leg was broken between the knee and shoulder.

#### GENOA.

From the Leader.

The truly friendly person is the one who loves humanity. He is the one who is here when you need him, who makes

demonstrations when you are in trouble and who extends a helping hand when you need it most.

George Foster came up from Oklahoma the last of the week and expects to remain here until after corn picking. He says they are all dried out down there, and he came to Nebraska for work.

Two little boys belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ellsworth of Fullerton met with a bad accident at the assembly the last of the week. While playing on the side of the bluff south of the big tent a large quantity of dirt caved off tumbling them down hill breaking two ribs for one of the boys and a collar bone for the other.

From the Times.

A barrel of beer consigned to a Genoa party was stolen from a car on the side track last Friday night, and Agent Beer has been trying to locate the purloined beverage and secure the arrest of the thief. Breaking and entering a car and robbing it of its contents is a penitentiary offense.

The condition of the corn in the north Platte country is reported fair. In the vicinity of Genoa the crop has been slightly damaged by hot winds, but there is every reason to expect at average yield, as conditions previous to the damage gave promise of more than the usual yield.

The condition of J. H. Clark, who was taken sick several days ago, reached a critical stage Tuesday afternoon when the attending physician decided that an immediate operation was necessary in order to save the patient's life. Dr. Evans, of Columbus, was summoned by phone and made a quick trip in his auto to Genoa, and late in the afternoon assisted Dr. Williams in performing an operation for rupture. Owing to the fact that Mr. Clark has heart disease fears were entertained as to the result of the operation, but at this writing the patient has continued to improve.

#### HOWELLS

From the Journal.

J. M. Devine, an old-time Colfax county citizen, spent a part of last Friday with friends at this place. He is now making headquarters at Lincoln and devoting the major part of his time to the selling of Texas lands. However, he still thinks Nebraska the garden spot of the nation, and that is but natural as he is the fortunate possessor of four hundred acres of choice Colfax county land that he has owned for nearly thirty years, and persistently refuses to sell.

The Z. C. B. J. lodge entertained in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Konvalin at the Bohemian National hall on Tuesday evening. It was in the nature of a farewell party as Mr. Konvalin and his family left yesterday morning for their new home near Lamro, S. D., where they

have taken a homestead. The hall was filled with a large company of friends and the evening was devoted to dancing. Refreshments of various kinds were served. It was a late hour when all finally departed for their homes, wishing them health and prosperity in their new home.

#### MONROE.

From the Republican.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank returned from Coon, Iowa, where they have been visiting for the last two weeks.

Miss Mary Seefeld who has been visiting her sister Mrs. O. B. Preston returned to her home in Columbus Saturday.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Joe Brandt and Miss Tillie Gertsch two prominent young people of Route 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Welch and children who have been visiting at the Will Welch home returned home to their home at Columbus Monday.

J. T. Evans was at Columbus Wednesday of this week to consult his physicians. This is the first time he has been to the county seat since his sickness.

Miss Ethel Eryan spent the first of the week with Mae Hopcock. She departed for her home in Emporia, Kansas after an extended visit with relatives and friends.

Rev. Wedge was taking in the country air Wednesday behind a span of mares, hauling wheat for Chas. Potter from the machine to the elevator, and he handled the ribbons as gracefully as any farmer boy.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Thurston expect to leave next week for Portland, Oregon, and other points in the west, on a month's visit. While in the west they will visit Mrs. Thurston's brother, F. S. Croshaw.

A large stack of alfalfa belonging to Geo. Emerson, which contained about 80 tons caught on fire Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock. With the help of neighbors the fire was put out and only about 30 tons of the hay destroyed.

This week Postmaster Talbitzer received the sad news from Niles, O., telling of the death of his brother, John F. Talbitzer. He was one of the prominent citizens of his home city, where he had spent all his life, having been born there fifty-four years ago.

#### SILVER CREEK.

From the Sand.

H. H. Hudson left on Tuesday for Julesburg, Colo., where he has purchased an interest in a general merchandise store with a brother-in-law, W. H. Winterbottom. His family will remain here for the present, but will follow him later. Mr. Hudson has been here for many years and will be greatly missed from business and social circles.

C. T. Moore and family returned on Sunday from their outing at Grand Junction, Colo. The bear is expected to arrive tomorrow—that is his hide and head. Clint left the carcass in the mountains. Clint says that a pack of hounds treed the bear for him and he stood at the foot of the tree and took a shot at him just one shot and bruin came tumbling down—dead.

An exciting runaway took place Monday. Johnny Maxwell climbed into a lumber wagon and took up the lines behind a spirited team while Frank Haney also got aboard. Around the Merrill corner the team went and Haney climbed out. Johnny held onto the lines until the team climbed a couple of awning posts in front of Kiefer's store and laid down on the sidewalk for a rest. Then he vaulted over the dashboard to the ground. A broken neckyoke, two tires off the wheels and a couple of awning posts knocked down was about the extent of the damage.

#### SCHUYLER.

From the Sun.

An active business life passed away and one that greatly concerned Schuyler when N. W. Wells died August 12, 1909. Mr. Wells was of the firm of Wells-Abbott-Niemann Co. and a half brother to Mr. Abbott president of the firm. Mr. Wells was born in Johnston, N. Y. in 1847. He came to Schuyler in 1870 and with H. W. Nieman built a small water mill on Shell creek which was the beginning of the present business of Wells-Abbott-Niemann Co. For the last twelve years or more he took no active part in the milling business but gave his attention to other interests. He was one of the founders of the First National Bank of Schuyler, First National of St. Paul, South Omaha National Bank, National Bank of Deadwood, South Dakota and Lincoln, Nebraska. He was a director and an officer in these banks and until he left Omaha was director of the Omaha National Bank. He was one of the organizers and was president and manager of the Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Railway and Bridge Company. He also held large interests in the Omaha Street Railway and Oklahoma oil fields. While a resident of this county he was twice elected as representative and served the people well at Lincoln as a legislator. He was married in 1903 to Mrs. Frances E. Campbell of Council Bluffs who survives him. Five years ago he established his home at Napanoch, N. Y., in the Catskill Mountains where his remains now rest.

#### Judging.

"You can't judge a man by his manifestations," said Uncle Eben. "Some folks dat sings hymns depend mo' on a good voice dan on a good conscience."

#### An Improvement.

Since the soap factory was built in our street the autoists have not troubled us at all.—Meggendorfer Blaetter.

### CAN'T BE TRAINED TO THINK.

Experiment Proved That Monkey Can Imitate, But He Is Incapable of Thought.

This difference between the animal and the human idea of what constitutes "knowing" comes out nicely in a piece of work done at Clark university, A. J. Kinman's study of rhesus monkeys, the Bandar-log of the "Jungle Book." The monkey, following the usual procedure, learned to get his food from a box, the lid of which fastened with a key. The key, however, could not be withdrawn from the lock. After the monkey had become familiar with the device, and could operate it as readily as a man could do, the experimenter took the key out of the lock and laid it on the floor in front of the box. The monkey picked up the key, played with it, but made no attempt to use it. Then the experimenter took up the key, and, 50 times in succession, with the monkey two feet away, watching every motion, he unlocked the box. The monkey would have starved before he imitated that simple act. He had learned to open the box by making certain movements; he had no idea of the key as an instrument in the process. We—sometimes—think instruments and means and causes; the animal thinks largely motions.—E. T. Brewster, in McClure's.

### THE BOY AND HIS FATHER.

Dad, Ostensibly the Teacher, Admits That He Is Learning Much from His Little Son.

"He has read a lot about angels," but the only one he ever saw is his mother," writes Truman A. DeWeese, in Suburban Life. "For some unaccountable reason," continues Mr. DeWeese, "my boy selected Chicago to be born in, and he arrived in the big, noisy city on a zero winter day—a proceeding in strange contrast to the warmth of his sunny nature and the peaceful serenity of his temperament. Having done this, however, he had the good sense to pick me for his father and that is the reason I have tried to give him some of the things he lost by not being born on a farm. I have made him almost my constant companion since he began to use his little legs to explore the mysteries of his little world. Of course, there is something of a selfish motive in all this. I am sure I get more out of the boy than he gets out of me. To watch the leaves of his mind unfold in the springtime of his life is a great joy. He doesn't know how much I am getting out of him. He thinks he is learning a lot from me; but the truth is, he is both teacher and interpreter."

### Corn Products Entrained.

The president of a western railroad system was spending the week-end at the country house of a friend in New York, when one evening some reference was made by a layman touching the commercial greatness of the country as evidenced by railroad operations. "What you say is quite true," observed the head of the big system. "Do you know that if the corn products in this country for the year just ended were loaded into one train, the engine thereof would be entering the state of New Jersey just as the caboose was leaving Los Angeles." At this remark a woman present could not suppress her astonishment and incredulity. "How you men do exaggerate!" she exclaimed. "You know very well that even two engines could not pull such a train!"—The Sunday Magazine.

### Destroying a Color Scheme.

The beach was a picture with its striped tents and its picturesque people, men, women and children, in their bathing suits of various colors, their heads wrapped in bright red kerchiefs, some incased in brilliant sweaters as they sunned themselves on the sands. Others in white, all artistic and restful to the eye, when all at once there strode across the sands near to the water a man in a black frock coat, silk hat and patent leather shoes. The artist pressed his hands to his eyes. Then springing up he turned landward and began to run, the woman trying hard to keep up with him. "What's the matter?" she cried. "I can't stand it," the artist replied pantingly. "My sense of harmony! Oh, that man—where did he come from! And what was he doing there?"

### An Innocuous Smoke.

In an article on the hygiene of smoking published in the Munich Medical Weekly Dr. J. Bamberger says that the injury which may follow the use of tobacco differs with the manner of smoking. Those who use a mouth piece, or if not are careful not to keep the end of the cigar saturated with saliva, are much less apt to suffer from the absorption of the various products of the burning tobacco. "Dry smokers" run much less risk of harming themselves than those who chew the ends of their cigars. Dr. Bamberger suggests that a bit of absorbent cotton saturated with chloride of iron be placed in the holder, and he claims by doing this some of the harmful products of combustion are rendered innocuous.

### Disappointments That Soothe.

"Sometimes our disappointments come to be recognized as blessings," said the ready-made philosopher. "That's a fact," answered the flip pant person. "It's always a sweet relief to me to discover in the morning that I forgot to wind the alarm clock."

### Epicurean Literary Man.

M. Marcel Prevost, the French novelist and the latest elected academi cian, seems to be something of a Lu culius. He likes ortolans, but "they must have been fattened for six months in a cage in my own house." A certain "estouffade de boeuf" seems a simple dish, but it "must have simmered slowly for two days." When M. Prevost has roasted saddle of lamb at home he will eat only lamb that has been brought up since birth by two ewes, "devoted entirely to the service of that one lamb."

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### Almost Unpardonable.

A small jugful of cream having been upset in the cup of coffee it was decided by the recipient thereof that it was unpalatable, hence he graciously handed it to the cat. "Sort of Puss-caff, eh?" suggested one who saw the action. Hisses and shouts of derision.

### IN THE MATTER OF SPENDING.

Much Truth in the Assertion That Any One Can Afford Anything If He Thinks He Can.

We are all of us inclined to feel that a certain sum spent for a certain thing is extravagance while the same sum expended for something else is not undue extravagance on the part of an honest pauper.

Well, here is Mecaenas, junior, spends \$7 for a dinner with wine and gets so befuddled at it that next day he is not sure whether he dined at all, but he has a dim recollection that some lobster disagreed with him, writes Charles Battell Loomis in the Smart Set.

How wildly extravagant to spend so large a sum and get so little for it! No man but a millionaire would ever do such a thing.

Still, I'm not sure that we won't find that Jack M. Pekunios, who is glad to make a thousand dollars a year by the sale of his landscapes, has spent just the same amount and got as little for it.

He had a year's lease of his house, for which he paid \$25 a month, and on the first of June he left it and went down to Provincetown to paint for three months. But his rent for his unshed house went on just the same. He handed out \$75 for not even a dinner with wine. He didn't try to sulk it. Said it would be too much bother.

Old Alexander Q. Croesus has the notion that he hasn't much time for pleasure, so he and his wife—who is dead—go to the opera just once in a season, and it costs them \$10.

Little Eleanor Shamhart—whose name belies her, for she is genuine clear through—has lots of time in the evenings, but she hasn't much money. Yet she spends just as much on the opera as Croesus does, only she gets 50-cent seats and goes 20 times. Any one can afford anything if he thinks he can.

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No. 7	8:30 p.m.	No. 16	2:55 p.m.
No. 15	6:23 p.m.	No. 10	3:05 p.m.
No. 2	6:35 p.m.	No. 8	6:16 p.m.
No. 3	5:25 p.m.	No. 2	8:25 p.m.
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