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Come let us reason together. Some things are necessary for comfort, health and happiness. This year we are going to do without many of the necessities and all luxuries of life but we intend to have what is absolutely necessary this year to sustain life and keep in health to aid us in our battle of the year. Our wives and children must at least have food to eat and shoes to wear. The latter will not cost you much, but will help to preserve their health and comfort.

We have made arrangements with J. B. Lewis & Co. of Wear Resister fame to supply us with a medium priced line of boots and shoes that will meet with your approval, and come in reach of your pocket book.

It is our wish to supply every family in Webster county with these goods for we believe it will be to their advantage

Another advantage you gain by dealing with us is the large amount of fine work we do for you in sewing up rips and nailing soles and repairing at actual cost. You will lose nothing by dealing with us and will wish you had if you do not.

Yours respectfully.
BLAKESLEE & KALEY.

CITY NEWS.

Today is Washington's birthday.

W. S. Garber was in Lincoln this week.

Aaron Conover now rustles Newcastle coal.

In a few days more farming will begin in all its reality.

Jay Pope will move onto the old McQuilkin farm, north-west from Red Cloud.

Miss Lucy Osborn was before the board of insanity Saturday, and adjudged insane.

Ed White was in Red Cloud this week visiting his father, County Treasurer White, and family.

Do not forget that W. B. Roby has a car'd of bran for sale by the hundred pounds or by the ton.

Miss Retta Abel, one of the popular public school teachers of Guide Rock, visited her parents Sunday.

EYE and EAR SURGEON, Dr. Cullimore, in Red Cloud February 25th and 26th, at Dr. McKeeby's office.

The children in the third room in the second ward schools gave their teacher, Miss Dora Henderson, a very pleasant surprise on Friday night. The little folks had a grand time.

Our books are going like wild fire. It is the chance of a life to get good reading matter free. We have given hundreds of them away, and are still continuing to give them away. The only requirement we ask is to pay up back subscription or subscribe for one year.

Manoah Hedge of Oskaloosa, Iowa, a brother of our esteemed friend, Anderson Hedge, residing just north of the city, has been making his brother a pleasant visit. It was his first trip west and he was well pleased with the west. This office acknowledges a pleasant call.

The members of the Epworth League of the M E. church gave Mrs. Maxfield a delightful surprise on Friday night last, by appearing at the parsonage in large numbers, taking their suppers and a fine present for Mrs. M. It was the occasion of her birthday. A very enjoyable time was reported by those present.

Frank Tennant has returned home from a pleasure jaunt in southern climes. He is infatuated with the south and thinks it is a delightful place to live. He spent most of his time in Alabama. He left the bright sunshine in the south and landed in the Arctic regions, as it were. He could hardly realize the sudden transition from summer to winter.

Our flourishing townsman and mayor seems to be doing a land office business in his flour and feed store. A CHIEF man invaded his place of business the other day and found his office crowded with all kinds of grain and feed, which he is selling in great abundance. He has his store filled with everything in his line, besides having large quantities store in other warehouses, We wish him success.

O. C. Bell, Mrs. Talbot, G. W. Knight, wife and daughter Fannie, H. E. Pond and wife, and R. B. Fulton, returned Saturday from Hastings, where they were in attendance at the state encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. Pond was elected as one of nine delegates from the state to the national department encampment. Harry is an enthusiastic member of whatever organization he may belong to, especially of the Grand Army.

AROUND TOWN.

See Dr. Cullimore's February date in Red Cloud.

Wm. McLaughlin of Lincoln was in the city this week.

Gilbert Perkins of Denver was visiting friends here Sunday

H. Cozad has returned from a visit to Long Island, Kansas.

Mrs. John Garber was visiting in Guide Rock Tuesday.

Fred Good and brother of Cowles were in town Thursday.

Mr. I. M. Boner, east of town, is the happy papa of a baby boy.

M. S. Marsh left Thursday morning for his home in Renwick, Iowa.

Mrs. I. Shepardson of Riverton was shopping in Red Cloud Thursday.

Give W. B. Roby your order for seed corn. He will have a car in, this week.

Red Cloud has had a good trade this week as it always has in good weather.

All kinds of sewing done at Mrs. F. P. Hadley's. Three blocks west of Miner's store. tf

Real estate loans made payable here Money furnished promptly.—C. W KALEY.

Joe Blair the affable clerk employed with G. A. Ducker & Co., is on the sick list this week.

Go to Roby's west of post office, for flour, feed, grain, hay, &c. Best quality and reasonable prices.

Spectacles fitted for defects of vision by Dr. Cullimore February 25th and 26th, Dr. McKeeby's office.

Angel Food and Cream candy made by Ray Letson. Angel Food 40c. Cream candy 30c. per pound.

DR. CULLIMORE, EYE and EAR SURGEON, in Red Cloud, February 25th and 26th, at Dr. McKeeby's office

Henry Holtzman says he is a dandy having received 27 valentines. He got more than his share the boys think.

Eddie Platt's young friends gave him a pleasant surprise party on Tuesday night. A large number were present.

John Tulleys, accompanied by Miss Pearl Smith and Mrs. Ed Bohanan, came home from Lincoln Saturday night.

I am now ready to do all kinds of dress making. Prices reasonable. Three blocks west of Miner's store.—Mrs. F. P. Hadley. tf

Wanted to trade for a good span of sound horses from 4 to 6 years old weighing about 1100 pounds.—James Peterson. 2t

Don't forget that I am prepared to carry passengers to all parts of the city. Leave orders at the Holland House.—LLOYD CRABILL.

There will be services at the Grace Episcopal church in this city on Feb. 25 in the evening to which the public is cordially invited.

Mrs. Sellars and Mrs. Points returned home from Belvidere Monday night, after the death and burial of their mother at that place.

He kissed her forty times last night,
And today he's awful sore;
To think if he had stayed awhile
He might have kissed her more.

Every night she goes to church,
She thinks herself a "hon;"
She does not hear the preacher preach
For she goes to chew her gum.

All who are indebted to M. B. McNitt on account of flour, feed, hay, etc, will please call at his old store and settle, The accounts have been left with W. B Roby for collection.

Street Commissionar Carey is kicking a little about the way people recklessly drive over our sidewalks, and says if it is not stopped he will enforce the ordinance against them,

Geo. Fentress has removed his furniture from over the Deyo & Grice drug store, and located again with Billie Zeluff. Both are excellent workmen and make a hard team to beat.

THEY say Mr. Andrews is in Washington becoming acquainted with the general run of things about the seat of government. He and Congressman McKeighan dined together in the Senate cafe last week.

Marriage licenses were issued this week to Mr. Frank L. Code and Miss Sarah Britton; Benjamin Watson and Miss Sarah Smith; John Jones and Zoa Keith; Chas. Dusck and Mary Sidlo; G. W. Wolf and Chlie Houchin.

Harry Goble came near going to a better land Saturday while handling ice A large cake fell a long distance striking a glancing blow on Harry's cranium, cutting an ugly gash and causing the blood to flow copiously. Nothing serious is anticipated.

R. B. Walhquist editor of the Adams County Democrat, and Postmaster at Hastings, was in Red Cloud this week accompanied by his wife, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Dilley of the B. & M., eating house. Judging from the circumstances as we know them, Mr. Walhquist is a very successful newspaper man.

It was real funny last Saturday while aid was being distributed to the needy to see one person who was going after some of the relief committee's molasses. He was compelled to buy or borrow a jug, and stepping into a grocerie store he bought a ten cent jug and gave a $10 bill from which to take the change. Why not buy the molasses while about it?

OTHER ITEMS.

Joseph McClelland was in Superior Wednesday.

R. S. Proudfit of Guide Rock was in this city Monday.

Mrs. J. K. Maxsfield and little daughter Miriam are in Lincoln.

A. G. Bugbee the popular veteran cigar saleman is in the city.

Mrs. Brown of Lincoln is visiting in the city the guest of Mrs. Jas. McNeny.

Mac Pope is teaching in the third room this week while Miss Henderson is absent.

E. Rife shipped one of his six-weeks-old Jersey calves to a man in Hebron for $30.

Mr. and Mrs. Carsewell of Guide Rock were in Red Cloud this week doing business.

Call and get a Ladies' Birthday Almanac Free with Weather Forecasts by A. J. De Vae, Deyo & Grice.

For defective vision, consult Dr. Cullimore in Red Cloud, February 25th and 26th, Dr. McKeeby's office.

Miss Blanche Sherman and Emma Graves were visiting the family of L. A. Haskins last Saturday.

Miss Dora Henderson was in Ulysses this week, in attendance at the marriage of her cousin Miss Pearl Skeen.

Several of the Red Cloud ladies will edit the Argus next week, the proceeds of that issue going to charitable purposes.

Mrs. J. M. Chaffin received a telegram Tuesday announcing the sudden death of her aunt in Wichita, Kan., whom she visited last summer.

Editor Williams of the Riverton Review was in Red Cloud this week, and bore no outward evidence of the bloody warfare in which he has been a conspicuous figure.

On next Thursday the 28th, the sport lovers of the entire country will have a grand wolf hunt in Batin township. Every one who will take part is cordially invited to attend.

Read Kaley & Campbell's advertisement in another column. These gentlemen are selling 28 loaves of as fine bread as you ever saw for $1.00 Other goods in proportion.

Miss Julia Spillane of Denver, Colo., representing the "Cycling West," a paper devoted exclusively to wheelmen, was in the city this week securing subscriptions for that journal.

Jesse Brooks of Catherton has received a pension of $250 from Uncle Samuel with a monthly stipend of $6.00. J. A. Porter Jr., was the medium through which the pension was secured.

On page six this week we publish a lengthy article on "subsoiling," and another interesting and carefully prepared article entitled "County Bonds." Both articles are interesting and profitable. Read them.

Boxing is becoming a great fad with the boys about town. Every night there is a round-up somewhere, and the blood-stained floors and furniture are conclusive evidence that all the contests were not strictly scientific.

Hutchison & Hiatt, the popular 4th avenue barbers, have renovated and rearranged their barbershop in a neat and attractive manner. They have placed the chairs on the north side of the interior, giving them more room to operate in. The gentlemen are excellent artists in their line and are having a fine business.

We are informed that, owing to the dullness of times, Mr. Jas. Glass, who has been employed in C. L. Cotting's drugstore for the past year or two, intends moving to the eastern part of the state. Mr. Glass has made a large number friends during his residence here, and THE CHIEF is sorry to see him leave.

Here, girls, please notice this item: A decision has recently been made by a Vermont judge, that a young lady accepting an engagement ring should, in case of repudiation of the marriage engagement, return the ring, or fulfill the conditions under which it was presented. This will rob some poor girls of lots of jewelry.

Several Kansas City ladies have been recently hugged till their ribs were broken by their husbands who had just returned home after a long absence. Three cases of this kind have gained currency as an actual fact, and we have no reason to dispute it. It is very evident that Kansas City men love their wives, or else do all their hugging at home.

Here is something for the churches and the article named should sell like hot cakes: A contribution box has been invented so that the coins fall into slots of different sizes, and all dollars, halves, quarters and dimes land on velvet, while the nickels and pennies drop on a Chinese gong. If such a contribution box is introduced in Red Cloud, we imagine the attendance will materially increase.

Joseph Saunders of Agra, Phillipps county, Kansas, came to Red Cloud Thursday for the purpose of having an arm amputated on which had formed a painful anuerism, and was causing him great restlessness and distress. Dr. Damerell assisted by Drs. Moranville and Emigh performed the operation, which was entirely successful, and the patient was resting easy at last accounts. It is much credit to Red Cloud physicians when people come so far for their services.

The Nebraska City Cereal mills here consigned to us a car load of white dent seed corn and a car load of White Russian seed oats. This grain has been selected carefully by the Nebraska Ceral Mill Co., who use a large amount of white oats for oat meal and white corn for harmony and granulated meal. Their object is to furnish good seed expecting to buy the crop raised from it. Farmers will consult their own interest by using white corn and oats for seed as they always sell higher than mixed varieties —Red Cloud Produce Co.

It has recently become a fad with the newspaper b'hoys to turn their offices over to the ladies for one day, let them run the paper just as they choose, and give the proceeds to charity purposes. The women who got out the charity edition of the Crete Democrat closed the editorial page with this humorous paragraph: "The editors, as they lay down their pens after a week of hard work and gloomy looks from their husbands, gladly return to their homes, more than ever convinced that the weapon of woman is the broom rather than the pen."

Gentle spring with all its attendant and pleasant environments will soon burst forth with a radiance indescribable. Sweet violets, whose breath seems to waft one into angelic realms, fragrant roses, the delicate touch-me-nots, and all the other budding beauties, make one fondly wish the earth was dressed in vernal costume eternally. Our vernacular fails us when we make the effort to paint the scenes and the accelerating influences that that season brings to one who has been compelled to shiver with every boreal blast that blows. Well may we wish for the effulgent rays of Old Sol, as that pent-up "I-want-to-go-a-fishing" feeling begins to permeate the system about the opening days of spring. It was ever thus.

Mrs. Sarah Williamson living south of the river will now be called Mrs. Benjamin Watson having solemnly avowed to cherish and protect a gentleman by that name last Wednesday. Uncle Billie VanDyke said the magic words that bound the loving hearts together, he being the justice of the peace in that township. While there is no question of their mutual devotion there is quite a desparity in their ages, the bride being 40, and the groom stumbling along past 75. The groom however receives a pension of $70 per month, and hails from Jewell county, Kansas, where he has always farmed. The bride is also highly accomplished in general farm work. We wish them success.

On last Sunday evening a very large crowd of people gathered at the M. E. church to hear the Lincoln services. Quite a program was prepared and rendered, composed of life sketches of the lamented Lincoln, also poems and recitations that related to his model life, the greatest man of the nineteenth century. Sketches were read by Prof. Caster, Mrs. Ducker, Mrs. Kellogg, Miss McClelland, Miss Dora Ward, Miss Mabel Saunders, Miss Clara Kellogg, Myrtle Chamberlin, Dora Groat, Robt. Martin and others. Miss Ethel Lilly recited that famous poem, "Why should the Spirit of Mortal be proud." These sketches were interspersed by remarks by Pastor Maxfield and D. B. Spanogle, and the choir sang some very appropriate selections. Taking into consideration that the services had been gotten up without regard to preparation, they were of an excellent character.

Five carloads of aid have been distributed in this county during the past week, going usually where it was most needed. One thing about the distribution of public aid that always disgusts people is the fact that there are a great many who procure it that are not deserving of the charities of the people. One party, for instance, is said to have purchased a jug, paying for it with a large bill, and then went to aid headquarters and got it filled with provinder. Another is said to have worked both ends of the string, viz: The supervisor of his township and the relief committee, while a number feigned destitution in order to procure something free. THE CHIEF believes in providing for those who cannot help themselves, but it does not look right for people to ask charity who are well able to help themselves. The relief committees, however, with all their dilligence are sometimes imposed upon by designing persons.

Mrs. Dr. Tulleys died Thursday morning at her home in this city from a complication of diseases developing a lung affection which proved fatal, She had been a confirmed invalid for several years, but her condition was not considered extremely perilous until the last few days. She had borne her long and painful illness with great fortitude, and had the advantage of the best medical skill but her constitution was unable to bear the strain and death was her relief. Mrs. Tulleys was an estimable lady, and was loved by all who knew her. Mrs. Tulleys is a native of Ohio formerly, and a sister of the late Dr. Edward Porter of that city. For 23 years she has resided in this city where her husband has been a successful medical practitioner. She is the mother of the Mrs. James and Charley Gilham of this place. Mrs. Tulleys at the time of her death was 58 years old. Being a pioneer settler and cherished by all who knew her, her death will be greatly deplored by the entire community. The funeral services will take place Saturday from the family residence.

Program of entertainment to be given by the Young Ladies Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church, at the William's building on the evening of February 28th, Admission tickets 15 cents which includes both supper and entertainment. Supper served from 5:30 to 8, at which time the rendition of program will commence.

Mixed quartett.
Tableau.....“The first step.”
Tableau.....“Too late for the train.”
Solo.
Tableau.
Tableau.....“We two.”
Quartett, (male).
Tableau.....“Statuary.”
Tableau.....“—Painful kindness.”
Duet.
Tableau.
Tableau.....“Evening prayer.”

Attention Old Soldiers.

There will be a meeting of the old soldiers, at the court house, in the city of Red Cloud, Neb., Saturday at 2 o'clock March 2, for the purpose of considering the distribution of the relief needed. Come prepared to report all cases that are in need of help.—By order of committee.

R. B. Fulton, fire and lightning insurance, Western White Bronze, monuments and cemetery goods. Seed oats and choice upland prairie hay. Office with Traders Lumber Co.

We are pained to learn of the bad misfortune which occurred to our friend, Tom Jones, south of Inavale, last Tuesday. He is the possessor of a choice herd of cattle, and four head of his finest milch cows, while attempting to get water on the Republican, went through the ice and were drowned before their owner discovered their whereabouts. It was rather discouraging to Tom when he arrived on the scene and found four of his choicest stock frozen solid in the ice, stone dead.