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S. of V. Band Concert The following is the program to be given by the S. of V. band at their entertainment at the opera house Friday night, November 20th, 1896. March, "Independencia" S. of V. Band. Vocal Solo—Selected. Miss Lillian Smith. Piano Solo—"Bon Ton" Miss Alice Hemberg. Male Quartet—"Love Lingers Yet" Herbert Albright, Grace, Emigh, Sellars. Waltzes—"Alone" D. C. Jenkins. S. of V. Band. Vocal Duet—"Zerlin" White Lillian Smith, Grace Fort. Cornet Solo—"Vacant Chair Fantasia" Rollinson D. C. Jenkins. Ladies quartet—Selected. Mrs. Dickerson, Misses Roby, Boyd, Sellars. Descriptive Overture—"County Fair" Beebe S. of V. Band. Synopsis: Dawn—Alabard for the Fair grounds—Going right out—Enter the grounds—Side show speech—Clog dance—Big A Solo—This way for the races—Here they come—"Go" Two to one on the day—"Hurrah! Hurrah!" Vocal Duet—"Auf Wiedersehen" Bailey G. S. Albright, Mrs. D. C. Jenkins. Mandolin and Guitar Duet—Selected. Wilos and McBride. Ladies quartet—"Birds of Spring" Hayden Misses Smith, Fort, Smith, Mrs. Jenkins. Song and Dance—"Moonlight Revels" Jenkins S. of V. Band. Quartet—"Old Oaken Bucket" (comic) Herbert Clark, Cotting, Jenkins, Dickerson. "Star Spangled Banner" Meyer S. of V. Band. Several other numbers are being prepared and our official program will be a very fine one. Admission 15 and 25 cents. Reserved seats on sale at Graces Monday morning.

City Council. The city council met in special session Thursday, November 12th, present Mayor Myers, Councilmen Groat, Beck, Fulton and Hollister. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. The following proposition from the B. & M. was received and upon motion placed on file: L. E. TAIT, City Clerk, Red Cloud. Dear Sir.—Answering yours of yesterday with reference to a proposition from the city of Red Cloud to furnish us water for the balance of the numerical year at \$25 per month, it is not costing us half this amount to furnish the water ourselves and we have our works connected up and in good operation again, but if the city cares to make us a contract for \$20 per month we will consider it. Yours Truly, A CAMPBELL. Motion made and carried that proposition of B & M. in consideration of \$20 monthly to be paid in cash be accepted. On motion council adjourned.

Comfort to California. Every Thursday morning, a tourist sleeping car for Salt Lake City, San Francisco and Los Angeles leaves Omaha and Lincoln via the Burlington Route. It is carpeted; upholstered in rattan; has spring seats and backs and is provided with curtains, bedding, towels, soap, etc. An experienced excursion conductor and uniformed Pull man porter accompany it through to the pacific coast. While neither as expensively finished nor as fine to look at as a palace sleeper, it is just as good to ride in. Second class tickets are honored and the price of a berth, wide enough and big enough for two, is only \$5. For a folder giving full particulars, call at the nearest B. & M. R. R. ticket office. Or, write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha, Neb.

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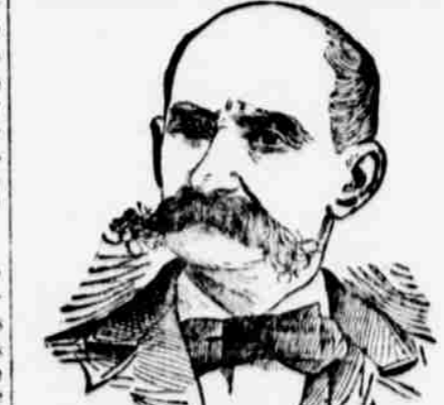
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STATE CREEK. Gathering corn is the order of the day. Corn is at least one third lighter than it would have been on account of the hot winds in August, and is only making from about twenty to forty bushels per acre. John Davis of Missouri, formerly of this neighborhood, who has been gone three years returned last week. They that will all come back sooner or later. He says they have never seen a well day while gone. Well election is over and no one ever seen a more quiet time than we had. Everyone went and voted their straight and went home. The pops would not even vote for a republican road overseer. Dolly Davis of Amboy is home on a visit. Miss Potter of Red Cloud was home a few days ago. Mrs. Gilm's health is better than it has been. Al. Slaby done the threshing of these parts last week. The oats and rye only made about ten bushels per acre. One man had twenty-six bushels of millet seed off of one acre and a half of ground. Corn is selling for ten to twelve cents per bushel. Hogs are about 2.85 to 3.05 at Lebanon.

Notice to Teachers. Notice is hereby given that I will examine all persons who may desire to offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the public schools of this county, at Red Cloud on the third Saturday of each month. Special examinations will be held on the Friday preceding the 3d Saturday of each month. The standing desired for 2d and 3d grade certificate is the same—no grade below 70 per cent., average 80 per cent.; for first grade certificate—no grade below 80 per cent., average 90 per cent in all branches required by law. D. M. HUNTER, County Supt.

STATE LINE. Building fence around stalkfields is the order of the day. Miss Edith Dillon is on the sick list. Come to Dr. Hawley's lecture at Northbranch Wednesday night. Mr. Frank Arrants has returned home to spend the winter. Next Saturday night is the regular night for singing at Maple Grove. Come everybody. Mrs. Toland got a present of a new carpet the other day. The school house in district 138 is going to look nice after a while. It is being replastered. Oh girls, Mr. Davises' corn huskers from Norton county have gotten here and one of them is good looking. JAYHAWKER.

Snatched from the Grave.



MR. TRUMAN H. JOHNSON. Letter to the Jamestown, (N. Y.) Sun. "Busti, Chautauqua Co., N. Y. Editor Sun.—I consider it a duty to make the following statement: One year ago last April I became afflicted with kidney disease. I employed one of the most experienced physicians, and frequently rode to his office braced up with pillows. I obtained no permanent relief. I was Reduced to a mere Skeleton. My father, Jacob Johnson, of Ellery, died of the same disease three years ago and I began to think there was little hope for me. Finally I began the use of Dr. Fenner's Kidney and Backache Cure and it helped me from the start. My digestion improved, the soreness left my sides and back, and I took on healthy muscle and flesh. Two bottles completely cured me. Yours truly, TRUMAN H. JOHNSON." FOR SALE BY C. L. COTTING.

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