

Holiday Gifts

When this paper reaches you the most of our large holiday stock will be displayed. A visit to our store will offer many suggestions for Christmas Gifts. We have a large variety to select from and many novelties never before shown in this market. It is impossible to enumerate. Come in and see us. No trouble to show goods, and all are welcome.

Chas. L. Cotting,
The Druggist.

LOCALETTES

Merry Christmas!
\$5.25 coal at Caldwell's.
Everton Fox is in McCook.
Light harness at Joe Fogel's.
Stock saddles at Joe Fogel's.
Bert Dyer has gone to Denver.
Ed. Emigh is home from Omaha.
Mrs. Geo. Hollister is in Lincoln.
W. W. Wright of Hebron is in town.
H. A. Howard is slowly improving.
Morris Groat is back in Red Cloud again.
Miss Blanch Gross is home from Omaha.
Mayor Ross is ill with neuralgia of the stomach.
Infants' all-wool white shirts, 50c. F. Newhouse.
Dr. L. H. Beck was up from Superior Saturday.
Coal, coal! Soft coal for base burners at Caldwell's.
Cream white Henrietta, 85c per yard. F. Newhouse.
Ansil Crabill is home from Lincoln for the holidays.
Leon Marsh is home from Kearney for the holidays.
Lloyd Hampton is home from the Indian Territory.
The firemen will give a dance at their hall tonight.
Try Ward Hayes for a first class shave or hair-cut.
Mrs. Ralph Fox has returned to her home in McCook.
Dr. Mcers and wife of Inavale were in town Saturday.
Miss Flo Palmer is spending the holidays in Hebron.
If you want the best and cheapest harness, go to Fogel's.
Robert Barlow is home from Grand Island for the holidays.
Don't forget the football game today. It will be a battle royal.
See Joe Fogel for anything in the harness or saddlery line.
Miss Bertha Potter is home from Lincoln for the holidays.
Editor Watkins of Hastings was in town the first of the week.
J. L. Vaughn of Denver is visiting at the home of E. B. Smith.
Mrs. Cather came up from Oxford to spend the holidays at home.
Ed Harman is visiting with his mother, Mrs. I. B. Hampton.
James Brown and son expect to leave for California tomorrow.
Moranville's Perfection Hair Tonic for sale at Schaffnit's barber shop.
Mrs. E. M. Perkins, formerly of this city, died in Chicago Wednesday.
Harry Stroup and family are in Benkelmen spending the holidays.
Quick service and first class work is the motto at Schaffnit's barber shop.
Roy Hutchison was over from Lebanon, Kansas, on business this week.
McCook v. Red Cloud at the baseball park this afternoon at 3 o'clock.
Mrs. S. F. Spokesfield is spending the holidays in Hebron with her daughter.
Mrs. J. H. Remsburg left Thursday for Denver for a visit with her daughters.
Mrs. Henry Clark is spending the holidays with her parents in Bradshaw.
Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Levine of Bedford, Ia., are guests at the Maurer home.
Charley Crabill, who has been attending school in Lincoln, is home for the holidays.
F. Newhouse is spending the holidays in Hastings with his daughter, Mrs. L. M. Vance.
John W. Talley came home from Lincoln this morning to spend the holiday.
The many friends of Mr. and Mrs.

Thomas A. Wilburn of Lincoln will be pleased to learn that they will return to Red Cloud the first of the year to make this place their future home.
J. S. Whit is able to be on the street again after his recent severe attack of pneumonia.
J. O. Caldwell is in Cameron, Mo., where he was called by the death of a brother-in-law.
C. G. Wallace of Hastings, representing Fairbanks, Morse & Co., was in town Wednesday.
The water works was shut down Sunday night and Monday to allow some repairs to the boiler.
T. Jeff Ward has returned from Kansas City and expects to spend the winter in Red Cloud.
George Hutchison, clerk of the district court, has moved his family to Red Cloud from Cowles.
The A. O. U. W. lodge gave a big dance Tuesday night. Crone and Mercer furnished the music.
The ladies of the Christian church realized \$110 from their bazaar held in the old postoffice last Saturday.
Mrs. Henry Cook and daughter Myra left yesterday morning for Minneapolis, Minn., to spend the holidays.
Mrs. E. McFarland and son Ben will continue to run the business for so long carried on by Mr. McFarland.
Charles Bashee suffered a severe attack of heart trouble yesterday morning, but is now getting along nicely.
Rev. T. H. Crumpacker of McCook, Kansas college will preach during the holidays at the Garfield church.
If you want to do the right thing, square up your subscription account before the first of the year. We need the money.
Miss Ethel Garber is spending the holidays with her brother Anson in Kearney. He will accompany her home Wednesday.
Geo. J. Warren has become tired of waiting for the city to build a walk around his residence property and is doing it himself.
The gang of telephone linemen which has been putting in new phones in Red Cloud have left for their homes to spend the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bartlett of Elmwood, Neb., who were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Koon last week, returned home Wednesday.
Misses Daisy Heffelfinger of Grand Island, Ethel Woolley of Hastings and Bessie Parrott of Donovan are the guests of Miss Bessie Marsh this week.
I would like your subscriptions for papers and magazines. Will meet any prices offered by other agencies. Call or send for my catalog. C. L. Cotting, the druggist.
A faded out care-worn woman of 40 with a spruce up-to-date husband, should take Rocky Mountain tea. Brings back that youthful, girlish beauty. Keeps the old man from going to lodge. 35 cents C. L. Cotting.
Be sure and see Mr. Curtis the 28th and 29th if you wish to get an education by mail, through the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pa., 10 and 15 per cent discount from our regular prices during December. This will be your last chance to take advantage of this discount.
The Christmas trade of the Red Cloud merchants has been very satisfactory. The merchants were liberally with their advertising and the result was a splendid trade. The large corn crop put money in the pockets of the farmers and they were not backward in spending it for the pleasure of their families.
Monday night a large and appreciative audience greeted the Midland Concert company at the opera house. The members of the company received repeated encores, and responded liberally. Miss Mae Steinman's performance on the violin was exceptionally fine, and the audience seemed reluctant to allow her a breathing spell between numbers. Miss Waterman's recitations were well rendered and were heartily applauded. The vocal numbers were excellent, though hardly in the same class with Miss Steinman's violin playing.
Forgery Case Dismissed.
An interesting little case was tried before Judge West this week which contained elements of an unusual nature. There were love, money and alleged crime mixed up in the deal. It seems that in the not very distant past Orin Hedge and a Miss Maurer, who is now Mrs. N. J. Levine of Bedford, Ia., were lovers, and at one time were engaged to be married. During their courtship young Hedge needed some money and proceeded to borrow from his sweetheart, who loaned him \$75, for which he gave his note. The course of true love ran along smoothly for a while, but in time grew cold. The lady in the case went to Bedford, Ia., where she was married to a Mr. Levine. Before her marriage, Miss Maurer and Hedge kept up a correspondence, and in these letters she occasionally referred to the money loaned to young Hedge. In the course of time, and before the note became due Mrs. Levine wrote and offered to make a discount on the note if Mr. Hedge would pay it before it was due. Instead of buying a bank draft for the

amount, Mr. Hedge bundled the money up in a letter and forwarded it to Lays. The lady in the case claims she never received the money, and about two weeks ago brought suit in Justice Reed's court to recover the amount allged to be due on the note. At this trial, Mr. Hedge produced a letter purporting to be a receipt from Mrs. Levine for the amount of the note, and on the strength of this evidence the jury in the justice's court rendered a verdict for the defendant.
The attorney for Mrs. Levine went before a justice of the peace and swore out a warrant for Mr. Hedge on the charge of having forged the receipt given in evidence before Justice Reed. The case was brought to trial before Justice West on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Levine came from Iowa to assist in the prosecution of the case.
County Attorney Overman took no part in the prosecution, having been the attorney for Hedge in the civil suit, and Attorney Fred Maurer, who is a nephew of the complaining witness, assisted by Attorney J. B. Mercer, conducted the prosecution. Attorneys Potter, McNeny and Blackledge had charge of the defense.
The prosecution called several witnesses to prove that the handwriting in the receipt was not that of Mrs. Levine, while the defense produced a number of letters written by Mrs. Levine to Mr. Hedge, and called a number of competent judges of handwriting to prove that the handwriting in the alleged forged receipt was the same as that in the letters acknowledged to have been written by Mrs. Levine.
The attorneys argued the case Wednesday afternoon, and at the conclusion of the arguments Judge West dismissed the defendant.
The case was of unusual interest owing to the disparity of the ages of the parties to the suit, Mrs. Levine, the complainant, being in the neighborhood of 40, while Mr. Hedge is about 22. The hearing attracted quite an audience, and the sympathy of the great majority of those in attendance seemed to be with the defendant in the case.
Do you know that the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pa., are making a special discount from their regular prices, of 10 and 10 per cent during December. See the representative Mr. Curtis the 28th and 29th. Holland House.
WEDDINGS.
Male-Heffelfinger.
Yesterday afternoon, at the home of the bride's parents, occurred the marriage of two of Webster county's best known and most popular young people, Miss Emma D. Hale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hale of Inavale, and Mr. William E. Heffelfinger, son of David Heffelfinger, one of Webster county's most prosperous farmers. The ceremony was performed at high noon in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The presents were numerous and costly. Mr. Heffelfinger is a graduate of the Red Cloud public schools and is at present teaching in McCook. The bride is a charming young woman of exceptional talents and is well known in this city, having at one time been editor and publisher of the Red Cloud Nation. Today the parents of the groom are giving a reception to the young people, prior to their departure for McCook, where they will make their home. THE CHIEF extends its best wishes to the happy young couple.
Beardslee-Hicks.
Wednesday, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beardslee, in Logan township, Smith county, Kansas, occurred the marriage of Miss Carrie E. Beardslee and Mr. William Hicks. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Carter of Lebanon, at noon, in the presence of about one hundred guests. An elegant wedding dinner was served, to which all did ample justice. Many handsome presents were received by the young couple. The bride and groom are both lifelong residents of the community and are highly esteemed by all. THE CHIEF acknowledges the receipt of a liberal supply of the wedding cake.
Hartman-Bettler.
Mr. William E. Bettler and Miss Pearl Hartman, both of Cowles, were married Wednesday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hartman. Rev. G. W. Hummel of Blue Hill performed the ceremony.
Pegg-Thomas.
Mr. Luther B. Thomas of Fairmont, Neb., and Miss Mary Pegg of this city were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Pegg, Rev. Hutchins, pastor of the Methodist church, performing the ceremony. The bride is well and favorably known here, having lived in this city all of her life. The groom is a railroad man, and is highly spoken of. They will make their home in Fairmont.
Besides the above, there are rumors of two or three other marriages for today, one of which at least is in high social circles.

A Boy's Christmas

Did you ever notice the enthusiasm with which a little fellow hunts for pockets when he puts on a new suit or overcoat? Ever notice the satisfied smile that spreads over his face when he has found them?

TAKE THE HINT.

Nothing so satisfies a boy on Christmas as to find himself the proud possessor of something new in the way of clothing. He'll play with toys awhile and then then throw them aside, but he always struts around in his new apparel. *We are going to make it easy for you to present your boy with a new suit of clothes by giving you*

20 per cent Discount

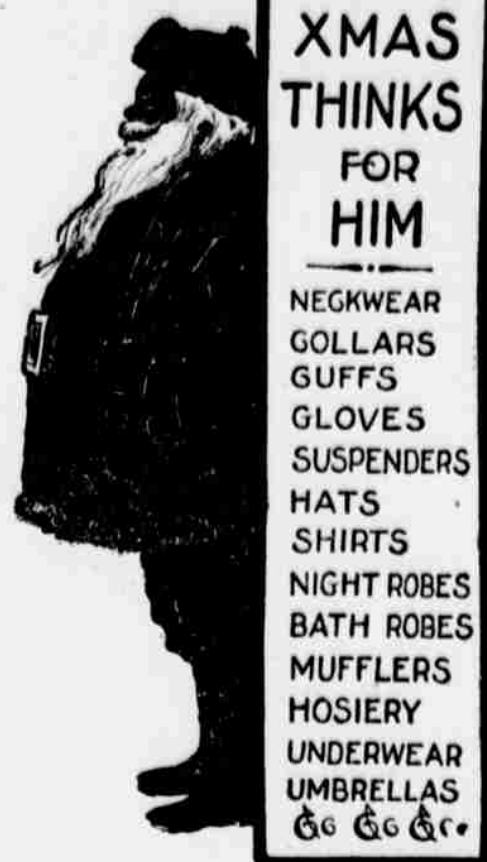
from our plain figure prices on all knee pant suits in our house. Give the boys a useful gift. Special low price for holiday buyers on Men's Suits, Overcoats and pants. Everything useful for a man or boy.

THE COWDEN-KALEY CLOTHING CO.,

ONE PRICE CLOTHIERS.

First Door North of Postoffice.

Red Cloud, Neb.



XMAS THINKS FOR HIM
NECKWEAR
GOLLARS
GUFFS
GLOVES
SUSPENDERS
HATS
SHIRTS
NIGHT ROBES
BATH ROBES
MUFFLERS
HOSIERY
UNDERWEAR
UMBRELLAS
E. G. & C.

District Court Proceedings.

District court adjourned Saturday after disposing of a large number of cases. A number of civil suits were compromised and dismissed by agreement. Lack of space forbids a complete summary of the cases disposed of. The more interesting cases disposed of were as follows:

State vs. Blackman, burglary, continued.

State vs. Harroton, burglary nolle prossed.

Agnes Metcalf vs. Edward Metcalf, divorce; verdict for plaintiff.

Walter Moise & Co. vs. V. P. Prentice and John Prentice, attachment; verdict for plaintiff in sum of \$832.

Kate Alexander vs. Ashley Alexander, divorce; dismissed.

Anna Laignan vs. James Laignan, divorce. Verdict for plaintiff, restoring her maiden name and giving her the custody of minor children.

Nellie Pace vs. Ira Pace, divorce. The court found that each party was entitled to divorce on the evidence presented. Custody of two of the children awarded to father and one to mother. Plaintiff awarded residence property, household goods and \$1200 permanent alimony, and division of property. Defendant retains drug stock and horse and buggy.

Venra Gress vs. Henry Gress, divorce; dismissed.

Martha Dederick vs. Arthur Dederick, divorce; verdict for plaintiff with \$800 alimony.

Harriet Howard vs. city of Red Cloud, suit for damages; verdict for plaintiff in sum of \$40 and costs. Motion for new trial granted and verdict of jury set aside.

James Lindley vs. Nellie Lindley; divorce; verdict for plaintiff.

Nathan Metcalf vs. Nancy Metcalf, divorce; defendant allowed \$35 suit money and given ten days after payment of same in which to plead.

Asa Gurney vs. Mary Gurney, divorce; verdict for plaintiff.

Lucia Finch vs. D. Madison Finch; verdict for plaintiff.

Free Holiday Games
60 different games—all new—one in each package of
Lion Coffee
at your Grocer's.

Avoid Typhoid Fever

By having a new well put down and cased with a heavy galvanized tube, made by us in any size, diameter, of heavy iron—something that will last a lifetime and be a source of comfort and health. We have

PUMPS

That work easily and give satisfaction; also pipe in any size or quantity at the right prices to interest you. A pump complete with cylinder for

\$4.00

Good, heavy goods and properly fitted. Galvanized Iron and Wood Water Tanks carried in stock. Let us fit you out with a complete outfit.

MORHART BROS. Hardware Co.

INSURANCE
Over
1/2 Million
DOLLARS
DAMAGE
in Adams county, May 24th.
For first-class insurance, call on or address
O. C. TEEL
RED CLOUD, NEB.

J. P. HALE
RED CLOUD
WEBSTER COUNTY
NEBRASKA
REAL ESTATE
—AND—
FARM LOANS
Some of the finest farms and city property in Webster County, Nebraska, for sale. Prices ranging from \$15 to \$25 per acre.
J. P. HALE,
Red Cloud, Nebraska.

OYSTERS
IN EVERY STYLE.
The Bon Ton is prepared to serve Oysters in every style on short notice. All kinds of
Hot Drinks
for cold weather served at the soda fountain. Catering for parties and dances.
The Bon Ton
W. S. BENSE, Proprietor.

For Infants and Children
THE FRANKLIN BREAD
is the best Food in the world.
Always ask for Franklin Mills Fine Flour of the Entire Wheat. All leading Grocers sell it.
FRANKLIN MILLS CO., LOCKPORT, N. Y.