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NEW SPRING GOODS

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Millinery

Something interesting in this department next week. Suffice to say at this time that our purchases are large and the department will be in charge of the best MILLINER in the West, MISS ELIZABETH LETTS. Miss Letts was with us last season and gave entire satisfaction.

TURNURE BROS.

A Call For Teachers.

The new school law requiring state examinations in five essential studies by all teachers whose certificates have expired or those holding second grade certificates has made the teacher problem critical in this county. So few teachers are qualified to teach next year under the law that it will be impossible to supply the schools unless those not qualified file intention to take the examinations at an early date. Mrs. Caster states that there are less than twenty who are qualified under the law and only six others have applied for examinations thus far. The situation is so critical that she has issued a circular letter almost in the nature of an appeal to the teacher to register for the examinations as soon as possible.

This failure to register by many of the teachers is no doubt due to a misapprehension as to the character of the examinations. While it is true that the questions are supplied by the state board of education and the markings are given by that body, the studies themselves are those that every competent teacher should be upon. They are Reading, History, Arithmetic, Grammar and Geography. The demand for these from patrons of the schools has done much to shape the law into its present form. Mrs. Caster states that the opportunities for advancement for teachers has never been so great as now and right now is the easiest time to adjust themselves to the new conditions. She urges a

little extra application and work now in the five studies and the result will be advancement both in position and salary. There is no doubt that in the future salaries for teachers will be greater. The need of competent instructors in the state is so great that State Superintendent McBrien is seeking in other states for teachers to fill the vacancies that are sure to be found when the school convenes in the fall.

Those who are contemplating summer school, will be interested in the following rules and amendments, which were adopted at Geneva, in a conference of county superintendents held there January 25, 1906:

"All teachers who attend a summer school, approved by the state superintendent, at least six weeks, will be required to take examination in "Reading" and other of the five essentials at their selection with the advice and consent of the county superintendent of the proper county. Six weeks or more attendance at such a summer school and creditable work done this summer in the other three essentials approved by the county superintendent will be taken in lieu of examination in these three essentials. Such attendance will not be taken for granted in advance. There must be a bona fide attendance before credit is given. All other grades now held meeting the requirements of rule 10 will be certified to the state superintendent, and made state grades on condition of professional work approved by the county superintendent.

I. O. O. F. at Cowles.

About thirty Oddfellows from this place, together with a like number from Guide Rock and a delegation from Blue Hill, gathered at Cowles last Friday evening to institute a lodge of that order, and the Red Cloud delegation came home in the early morning feeling that they had enjoyed the best time in their lives. After arriving in Cowles the visitors sat down to a spread served by the ladies of the Congregational church, and after doing ample justice to the fine supper they repaired to the hall where the lodge was to be organized. At 7:30 the members present were called to order in Grand Lodge session, with Grand Master Frank P. Corrick of Cozad in the chair. Grand Lodge officers were appointed as follows: Paul Storey, deputy grand master; E. U. Overman, grand warden; O. C. Teel, grand secretary; E. H. Newhouse, grand treasurer; F. W. Cowden, O. D. Hedge, grand marshal. After the lodge was opened the charter members of the new lodge were presented and obligated, and Cowles Lodge No. 313 was declared duly organized.

After this ceremony the officers of the grand lodge gave way to the Red Cloud degree team, which under the management of Paul Storey captain of the team, initiated one half of the candidates. The other half were taken through the same ceremony by the degree team from Guide Rock. After this had been done the Red Cloud team took all of the candidates through the three degrees necessary to making them full fledged Oddfellows. This work consumed the time until 12:30 when all present adjourned to a midnight dinner.

The following became charter members of the lodge: T. J. Chaplin, Geo. A. Wells, Jas. McBride, I. S. Paul, F. A. Bellington, H. J. Keeney, G. G. Hoyt, E. S. Lohr, O. R. Boyce, and F. A. Good. Beside these there were thirty candidates initiated and given the degrees, making a total of forty members to start with. The following were elected officers:

N. G.—W. W. Peake.
V. G.—J. A. Wells.
Secretary—G. G. Hart.
Treasurer—Robert Strader.
Trustees—H. C. Keeney, A. H. Spracher, Chas. Putnam.

Help Them Out.

The business men's committee are pushing the concert of the Slayton Jubilee singers for all they are worth. These men secured a lyceum course last fall at a heavy expense and thus far have given the patrons excellent entertainments. That this concert will be first class is a foregone conclusion. Several in town who have heard the Slayton's sing are unstinted in their praise of them. The public should rally around the promoters of the enterprise and patronize the two remaining numbers on the course as the committee is very considerably behind as yet, owing to numerous difficulties that have been in the way. A good hearty boost just now will mean a good course again next winter, but if the people fail to interest themselves in these last two numbers the committee will not feel like trying it again. The last number of the course is as yet not announced but will be up to the standard of all former entertainments. Be sure to get your tickets at Grice's and hear the Slaytons.

Will Build Tabernacle.

At a meeting of the executive committee that is planning for the coming evangelistic meetings the plans were consummated for building a tabernacle 64x100 feet for the use of the evangelists. This was the conclusion reached after receiving a letter from Mr. Honeywell urging in strong terms the securing of a tabernacle rather than a tent. Arrangements have been made to rent the lumber from the local yards, and the building will be constructed by a local carpenter, assisted by contributed labor. By this means the expense will be kept down and no opportunity will be given for any such grafting as has occurred in other towns where the

evangelists sent in their own carpenters to do the work. Mr. Honeywell will begin the series of meetings here about the last week in May, coming from a series in one of the larger towns on the Pacific coast in Washington.

Bridge Is Finished.

The temporary bridge across the river south of town was completed on Monday and is a structure that is safe in every particular. It is about three hundred feet long, reaching from the south bank across the main channel and ending on a sand bar on the north side. It is built upon strong piling and the material is very heavy and travelers are protected from accident by a heavy railing. The work of repairing the permanent bridge was begun on Tuesday and should be finished by next Monday. The county commissioners have been called in special session next Tuesday to view the work and accept if satisfactory. George Clauson had the contract for the pile bridge.

Fruit Prospects.

There has been considerable concern of late about the fruit crop because of the unusually warm weather throughout the state. In view of this fact a statement issued by prominent members of the state horticultural society is of special interest to local fruit growers. The statement is to the effect that the warm weather has not caused enough of swelling of buds to cause fruit to be in danger and that peaches could withstand a freeze of fifteen degrees below zero in their present condition. E. F. Stephens of the Crete Nursery says that the prospect for a bumper fruit crop is better now than it has been at any time for twenty years past. The change of weather during this week has caused bud swelling to be entirely checked and only adds joy to the heart of the lovers of Nebraska fruit.

\$100,000 Surplus.

Secretary Galusha was in attendance at a meeting of the Grand lodge of the A. O. U. W. at Grand Island last week and has given out a bit of news that will be of interest to members of that organization in Red Cloud. It will be remembered that last July a reserve fund was created, to meet special drafts upon the funds of the order, and Mr. Galusha stated that this fund had already grown to \$100,000. Half of the amount has been loaned on farm mortgages and the balance is seeking investment. Mr. Galusha said that the balance had been offered to several banks but they had refused it because they had money of their own in their vaults that could not be loaned because of surplus of ready money. This is a condition such as Nebraska has not known before in its history.

It Works Both Ways.

The mail order houses are a sore spot in the life of our local merchants and it is right that they should object to them. The amount of goods from these houses unloaded at any depot along the line is something tremendous and every person who has the interests of our city at heart should recognize the evil of them. But there is another side of the question that is not discussed so much. For instance, almost every flour mill throughout the country gets precedence with our merchants over our local mill, and the greater part of the flour sold here comes from mills that do not turn a dollar into local sources. And there are other local illustrations. Ought not the rule to work both ways?

His Pipe Blew Up.

At a sale which was held southwest of Riverton last week an incident occurred which illustrates the carelessness with which ammunition is sometimes carried in the pockets. During the sale Frank Issett started to indulge in a smoke and filled his pipe for that purpose. In a few minutes the pipe bowl burst with a sharp report, leaving the astonished smoker clutching the stem between his teeth. He insists that somebody shot at him and hit the pipe, but those who saw it say that it was evidently the work of a 22 calibre cartridge that was mixed into his tobacco.

Brown for U. S. Senator.

Attorney General Norris Brown has cast his gauntlet into the political arena as a candidate for United States senator to succeed Senator Millard. He burned his bridges behind him last Saturday by stating that he would not stand for reelection to his present office and has sought the endorsement of the State Press association to his campaign for U. S. Senator. This will be of interest to Webster county republicans, who have stood squarely behind him during his incumbency in his present office, and will be glad to see him get the nomination.

May Lose His Leg.

The report reached town this week that Frank Kincaid, who suffered a broken leg as the result of having his horse fall on him, may have to lose the limb. Complications have arisen in his progress toward healing that may necessitate the amputation of the injured member. Mr. Kincaid lives south of Inavale and a large circle of friends unite in expressing their hope that the operation may not be necessary.

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