

The Best Land Proposition

on the American Continent today. Healthiest climate in Old Mexico where you will get well on the climate, not medicine. Where we have plenty of rainfall and heavy dews.

Where the cool air from the mountains causes rainfall every month in the year. Where you are only a few miles from the coast. Where you do not need to irrigate. Where you are near the largest deep water port of Mexico. Where you have 12 miles of river frontage, and on the main line of the Mexican Central Railway west of Tampico. Where the constant sea breezes make summer time worth living. Where it never freezes. Where there are no winters, cyclones, blizzards, tornadoes. Where the flowers bloom twelve months every year. Where you can wear the same clothes every month in the year, comfortably. Where the winter months are only twelve to fifteen degrees colder than the summer. Where you can eat oranges, bananas, pineapples, lemons, limes, pomegranates, figs, coconuts, mangoes, tomatoes, melons, and all garden products all the year. Where you raise two and three crops of corn every year. Where cotton, potatoes, sugar cane, rice, tobacco, dates, rubber, coffee, fiber, castor beans, corkwood, peaches, chicory, sugo, indigo, pepper, yuca, sarsaparilla, chincona bark, al es, camphor, almonds, tangerines, ginger, para grass, rye, barley, broomcorn, ramie, hemp, alfalfa—the finest on earth—and thousands of other products are raised on the same farm. Where there is cheap labor. Where all the prod-

ucts of the earth are raised. Where you sleep with your doors and windows open in December and January, in place of feeding your stock and freezing to death. Where you farm every month of the year. Where you save more than you make in the north. Where the tide of immigration is rapidly turning, and land values are rapidly increasing. Where your stock will get fatter on the native grasses than if fed on corn. Where the same land yields everything that is raised in the tropics, and in the north. Where you do not work six months of the year to keep from starving and freezing the other six. Where the winter does not consume all that you produce. Where five or ten acres of oranges or bananas or any other fruit will make you a fortune. Where the water comes from the mountain springs, and is soft, pure and plentiful. Where the average rainfall exceeds 60 inches. Where you live in a healthy summer house, surrounded by flowers, fruits and palms the year round. Where taxes are practically "Nit." Where you can buy this land in tracts of 50 to 10,000 acres at \$7.50 per acre, and in a few years it will bring you \$150 to \$500. Where the man or woman of small means can buy a 50 to 100 acre tract, and make more money than any Webster county farmer makes on the best 320 farm and with less labor.

Excursion Rates Every First and Third Tuesday

Will be in Red Cloud Thursdays to Saturday noon at Royal Hotel, or call or write me at BLADEN, NEB.

CHARLES SPENCE

EAGLES FLY HIGH.

Installation of Officers, Banquet and Dance a Grand Success.

Red Cloud Aerie No. 1537, Fraternal Order of Eagles, had a "high fly" Wednesday night. Besides the public installation of officers, there was a basket supper, dance and speechmaking. The installation was conducted by P. J. Barrett of South Omaha, deputy grand worthy president, and the officers installed for the ensuing term were:

- Worthy President—William C. Ahm.
- Worthy Vice President—George Baylor.
- Chaplain—Father Fitzgerald.
- Secretary—C. D. Robinson.
- Treasurer—F. E. Manderville.
- Conductor—Dan Garber.
- Physician—Henry Cook.
- Trustees—C. R. Besse, O. D. Hedge, John Polnicky.

Following the installation of officers came the toasts and responses. Dan Garber acted as toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by Father Fitzgerald, E. U. Overman, Leslie Graves, Mayor Caldwell and Installing Officer Barrett. Then came the sale of the tickets which had been prepared by the ladies. Bidding was spirited and the sale netted \$78.10. The Eagles and their mates then adjourned to the banquet room, where they enjoyed a delicious feast. After supper dancing indulged in until nearly 3 p. m. The handsome oak leather rocker to be voted to the most popular couple present went to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Frahm.

The program was interspersed with music by an orchestra composed of Miss Myra Griffith, pianist; Adolph Gotth, violinist; Roy Robinson, trombone, and Howard Foe, clarinet.

The hall was handsomely decorated by John Tomlinson and corps of able assistants. Flags and bunting were used in profusion, and the two handsome specimens of the American eagle which were recently mounted and presented to the lodge formed an appropriate feature of the decorations.

Burlington's Exhibit Car.

In order to show the fine crops of grain, vegetables, grasses, etc., raised in irrigation in what is called the "Big Horn Basin" of this state, as well as in the Big Horn Basin, the Burlington has fitted up a car exhibiting the products of those sections. The car will be in Red Cloud January 30 and 31 and February 1. Everyone is cordially invited to visit the car and inspect the products. This car has traveled thousands of miles and has been exhibited at scores of state and county fairs. Persons who are interested in "dry farming" and irrigation could take advantage of this opportunity to see what can be done by these processes.

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY.
Detachable Relief for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 2 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It moves at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly relieves, 75 cents and \$1. Sold by H. E. Giesco, agent, Red Cloud.

McGINNIS STORY A FAKE.

No Truth in the Report That He Had Broken Jail.

When Vaner McGinnis was arrested three weeks ago on a charge of horse-stealing he was taken to Belleville, Kan., and lodged in jail. A few days later a report was in circulation to the effect that he had pleaded guilty and been sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Kansas penitentiary.

Last Thursday morning Marshal Etherton of Bloomington was in Red Cloud looking for Vaner, and sheriffs and marshals up and down the line were doing the same. Their action was based on a telephone message sent out by some practical joker in Superior, to the effect that Vaner had either shot or slugged his jailer and escaped in company with another prisoner who was suspected of murder. What made the report look suspicious was that he was supposed to have broken jail in two towns widely separated—Alma, Neb., and Scandia, Kan. As a matter of fact, Belleville is the county seat of Republic county, Kansas, in which county Vaner stole the team, and when Harlan county, Nebraska, has any criminals worth holding she sends them to Red Cloud for safe-keeping, as the jail at Alma is like our court house—won't hold water, even. Vaner's trial will come up in March.

Lillian Vance Maxwell.

Mrs. A. S. Maxwell died last Thursday morning at 11 o'clock, at her home in Lincoln Neb., from an abscess on the brain. Funeral services were held in Lincoln and interment was at her former home in Kearney, Saturday evening, December 28. Deceased was born April 5, 1868. She will be remembered by many of the older residents of this vicinity as Lillian Vance, and with her parents, brothers and sisters, lived in Red Cloud in the early '80's. She was a sister of L. M. Vance, the Hastings jeweler, who is well known in this vicinity.

Hummel Family Reunion.

There was a happy reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Pierce, New Year day, when Mrs. Pierce's brothers and sisters gathered there for a family dinner and reunion, which was followed by a wedding, as told elsewhere in this paper. It was the first time in thirty-six years that all the Hummel children had been together at one time. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hummel of Hot Springs, S. D.; Lewis P. Hummel of Percival, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Hummel of Fruitland, Ia.; Miss Sarah Hummel of Grand View, Ia.; Rev. and Mrs. George Hummel of Red Cloud, and Mr. William Walker of Grand View, Ia.

Gas Well a Sure Thing.

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The promoters of the gas well, of which we made mention a few weeks ago, are nearly ready to begin work on the well. A few more land leases are all that is lacking, and these will not be lacking long. It would be a jolly nice thing if we had some of that gas to burn now, wouldn't it?

EXPRESS THIEF ARRESTED

Brakeman Spracher of Wymore Division Stole Jewelry at Chester.

Brakeman Philip Spracher, of the Wymore division, got himself in the toils of the law Tuesday night. Spracher was on his way to Orleans to spend Christmas with his wife, who was visiting there. When No. 15 pulled into Chester he got off the train and went into the express. While the agent was busy, Spracher "nipped" two packages of express, one containing a solid gold watch that had been presented by the B. of L. E. to an engineer residing in Chester. The other package contained six pair of solid gold bracelets. The goods were missed shortly after the train left Chester, and word was sent down the line to watch for the thief. It is possible that Spracher would not have been detected had he not tried to dispose of the bracelets to passengers on the train. He succeeded in disposing of two pair of bracelets, but when the train reached Red Cloud Marshal Geer and Night Watch Kinsel placed him under arrest and he was lodged in the Red Cloud jail. The balance of the stolen property was recovered. Sheriff Townsend of Thayer county came up to Red Cloud and took Spracher to Hebron Thursday morning.

After Sheriff Townsend had taken his prisoner away, Sheriff Hedge discovered in his bed papers showing that he was a deserter from the United States army, and that his name is Phillip A. Spickard, of Spickard, Mo. However, he was immune from arrest upon the latter charge, as he was provided with a "deserter's release," issued by the war department.

Real Estate Transfers.

For the week ending Tuesday, Dec. 31, furnished by the Fort Abstract Co., L. H. Fort, Manager.

O B Wright et al to Frank Whelan et al, lots 10 and 11, blk 10, and lot 1, blk 9, Bladen, wd 4300

Jennie S Ewalt to M E Scharble, undiv 1-3 set ne4 and set nw4 28-1-12, wd. 1

United States to Gottlieb Herz, nw4 30-2-9, patent. 1

Frank Whelan et al to Ole Iverson, lots 10 and 11, blk 10, and lot 1, blk 9, Bladen, wd. 4250

Frank B Wolf to Wm S Besse, sw4 8-2-19, wd. 6500

Guide Rock Cemetery to William Wilson, pt ne4 set 3-1-9, wd. 12

Lincoln Land Co to Wm Montgomery, lot 6 blk 5, Guide Rock, wd. 100

Susanna Reigle to Jacob S Reigle et al, lots 1 and 2, blk 9, Red Cloud, wd. 1

Chany C Miller to Edith D Miller, lots 15 and 16, blk 7, Inavale, wd. 1

Total. \$15165

Mortgages filed, \$3800.

Mortgages released, \$14750.

Our next excursion for the Panhandle will start on January, 7, 1908, and the opportunity is yours to see this wonderful country at a small cost. Sellars & Holmes.

CAPTURED THE "COON."

Robert Richardson, of Unsavory Reputation, Again in the Tolls.

Robert, alias Jim, alias "Si" Richardson, who has a \$2,000 damage suit against the city for false arrest, or something of that nature, was again arrested by Sheriff Hedge last evening upon the charge of having slugged and robbed one S. M. Love, a fugitive bootlegger from Kansas. The assault and robbery are alleged to have occurred Wednesday night at the rooms occupied by Richardson and his wife, in the second story of the old post-office building. The amount of money alleged to have been secured ranges from \$7 to \$140. A few minutes after Richardson's arrest, Love was picked up by Marshal Geer and lodged in jail on a charge of being drunk.

This man Richardson and wife have been an eyesore to the community ever since their first appearance here. The city and county authorities are now determined to be rid of them. Unless they agree to leave town immediately—and carry out their agreement—they will both be locked up and their two little children sent to the poor farm. It is doubtful if the charge of robbery can be made to stick, but there seems to be sufficient grounds to warrant the action taken by the authorities.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

Items from "The Chief" of January 3, 1878

M. L. Thomas left for Louisville, Neb., yesterday morning.

Mr. Jones' team collided with the lamp post of the Red Cloud hotel the other morning, doing it considerable damage.

W. J. Vance, who has been residing in Colorado, is here on a visit and thinks of returning here soon to live.

M. L. Garber left on Tuesday for his old home in Iowa.

Those parties who were talking about rushing in wood on subscription have evidently forgotten all about it.

Eugene Andrus, who lived across the line in Kansas, was almost instantly killed last Tuesday. He was rolling a log, and in some manner the crooked end struck him on the side of the head, crushing his head and breaking his neck at the same time.

By a private letter from Congressman W. A. Phillips we are informed that he has finally succeeded in securing daily mail service on the route from Russell, Kan., via Smith Center to Red Cloud.

Thirty years ago grain and cattle were hauled from here to Hastings by wagon. The Hastings market quotations in The Chief showed the following prices: No. 1 spring wheat, 83c; No. 2, 81 and 82c; ear corn, new, 16c; oats, 16c; rye, 32c; barley, 15 to 35c; live hogs, per 100 lbs, \$3; dressed, \$4.

Married, at Stillwater postoffice, Sunday, December 23, by D. M. Francis, justice of the peace, Mr. J. Randolph to Miss Rebecca Ann Mead.

Newhouse Bros. carry the complete list of Edison Phonograph records.

LANCASTER MUST PAY.

Expenses of Barker Insanity Trials Will Not Fall Upon Webster County.

Late Monday afternoon Judge Frost of the Lancaster county district court overruled the demurrer of the county of Lancaster to the payment of \$12 to Jesse Chappell, one of the first panel of jurymen who were called in the district court to inquire into the insanity of Frank Barker, the Webster county murderer. Mr. Chappell presented his claim of \$12 for payment and it was refused. He then appealed to the district court.

While the overruling of the demurrer by the court indicates on the face of the decision that but a small amount is involved in the claim of Mr. Chappell, it means further that the other eleven men who served on the panel, and every witness who testified in the hearing, will now be entitled to pay for services. The first jury disagreed and a second panel called found that Barker was sane. It is estimated that if the decision of Judge Frost stands Lancaster county will be put to the expense of at least \$1,000 for juror and witness fees. County Attorney Tyrell has indicated that he will take an appeal at once to the supreme court. During the arguments over the payment of the jurors and witnesses before Judge Frost it was contended by this county that either Webster county or the state ought to be held responsible for the costs in the Barker hearing. Lancaster declared that there was no statutory provision to force it to pay these expenses and the case being a special one, a panel could not be selected the same as grand and petit jurors, who are to receive a certain sum per day for their services. Judge Frost is quoted as saying that his decision was based on his opinion that the Barker jury were the same as that of any regular petit jury called.

Primary for Delegates to National Republican Convention.

This paper is in receipt of a circular letter signed by Charles O. Whedon, a Lincoln attorney, in which he urges that all the Republicans in the state be given an opportunity to express their preference in the matter of a presidential candidate, by calling a primary election to elect delegates to the national convention. Each member of the Republican state central committee has been requested to advocate such a primary. If the committee calls the primary and submits the question, it expresses a desire to know who the Republicans of the state want. If it refuses, it says it does not care to permit the Republicans to express their preference. For our own part, we are more than partial to the primary election plan, and believe every voter should have a voice in naming his party candidates.

Any 12-Year-Old Girl

can make those delicious Lemon, Chocolate and Custard pies as well as the more experienced cook if she uses "OUR-PIE" preparation, which is now sold by nearly all grocers at 10 cents per package. Just the proper ingredients in each package.