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AS TOLD TO US

Warren Satton was a Cowles visitor Monday.
 The road to success is paved with advertising.
 N. B. Corner is absent on a business trip to Omaha.
 J. H. Bailey went to Trenton Wednesday on business.
 Eyes tested, glasses fitted.—J. C. Mitchell, the Jeweler.
 Mrs. Wm. Bohrer is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Roby at Nelson.
 Mr. Theo Seyler, of Alma, is the guest of his daughter Mrs. F. Retzman.
 Attorney Stewart is at Lincoln on a combined business and pleasure trip.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Trine of Blue Hill, is visiting her son, G. W. Trine and family.
 Mrs. E. M. Ege left Monday for a visit with relatives in Lincoln and York.
 Harness repairing and half-soleing, in basement under Ege's store.—P. L. HANSEN.
 Miss Mabel Lundy has gone to spend the summer vacation at her home in Bethany.
 The meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held June 12th at the home of Mrs. Ada Walker.
 Attorney E. G. Caldwell and family are entertaining Dr. Caldwell of Slater, Mo., a brother.
 Mrs. Chas. Gilham and daughter, Mrs. Chas. Walters and children are visiting daughters in Lincoln.
 Miss Ethel Waller of Cowles, is in the city this week visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bailey.
 Paul Newhouse went to Lakeside, Neb., Monday where he has accepted a position with one of the potash producing companies.
 Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Eshelman of Beattie, Kansas, and Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Negley of Bladen, were guests at the Thomas-Eshelman wedding.
 Our enterprising dry goods merchant M. A. Albright availed himself of opportunity to take a short vacation this week—visiting western Nebraska and Kansas.
 C. R. Rakestraw, well-known business man of Bladen, was in Red Cloud Tuesday lining up political fence. In earlier years Mr. Rakestraw was a teacher but later turned to hotel and restaurant lines and is at present engaged in the latter.
 Feller went into drug store in Kansas, this week and said, "Gimme a nickle's worth of cucumber seed and a dollar's worth of Perry Davis' Pain Killer." Wise is the man who looketh to the morrow for unto him misfortune is a stranger.
 On Friday evening, June 7th, there will be an ice cream social held at the home of Len Wilmots, 2 miles south and 3 west of Red Cloud, for the purpose of organizing a Red Cross Auxiliary. Everyone is cordially invited to come and help the Red Cross movement.
 Mary Pickford, the evening star of the film firmament, outshines the brilliancy of every past cinema achievement in her newest Artercraft Picture, "Stella Maris," adapted from William J. Locke's popular novel by Frances Marion. In this screen play there are two Mary Pickfords, or to be exact, Mary Pickford in two different characters of extreme contrast. This is the first time that "Our Mary" has ever experienced the feeling of co-starring with herself, and that she enjoys the novelty is evident. To be shown at the Orpheum, Saturday, June 8th, Matinee at 3 o'clock, admission 10 and 20c, plus war tax. Night 8 o'clock, admission 15 and 25c, plus war tax.

Miss E. Overman is home from Nashville.
 Miss Edith Hoffman is visiting in Hastings.
 Earl Hall transacted business at Cowles Monday.
 Mrs. C. G. Green visited relatives in Superior over Sunday.
 Good meals—good service—moderate prices—Powell & Pope's cafe.
 Attorney Hainer from Lincoln, was a District Court attendant Monday.
 T. E. Ryan left Saturday morning for the training camp at Dallas, Texas.
 Clayton Holmes, who has been farming in Colorado for some time past, is home.
 John Corbett was called to Arthur Illinois Monday by the death of his mother.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McIntosh are entertaining Carl Morrison, a nephew, and his wife.
 Beatrice McAllister went to Beatrice, Neb., Monday where she will visit her grandmother.
 Mrs. Geo. Cramer and children, from Woodruff, Kan., are guests at the Roy Cramer home.
 Mrs. J. Beauchamp who has been visiting relatives here, has returned to her home at Guide Rock.
 C. F. Gund, vice-president of the First National Bank of Blue Hill, was in Red Cloud Tuesday.
 Misses Muriel Eggleston and Siebrass of Blue Hill, were here Saturday taking teachers examinations.
 Mrs. Joseph Hewett returned from Republican City Monday, where she has been visiting her parents.
 Lillie and Virginia Goodwin, guests of the J. P. Hansen family, have returned to their home in Superior.
 The Degree of Honor Kensington held at the home of Mrs. Grace Topham, netted \$10 for the benefit of Red Cross fund.
 County Engineer Orering went to Geneva Monday, where he was engaged in assisting the city engineers in local surveying.
 Ground has been broken and work commenced for a new home on Webster street opposite the high school. Cash Scribner will erect a residence there.
 Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Carpenter and son Clarence; Harvey Merrill and M. A. Albright returned last night from an auto trip to Shelton, McCook and other Western Nebraska points.
 Geo. Hutchinson, of the firm of Hutchinson & Saladen, whose advertisement appears in another column, returned from Boulder, Colo., Sunday, having just closed an 80-acre sale near that place.
 Mrs. Ed Ghivens arrived from Hastings Monday joining her husband who is in charge of the Farmers Independent telephone wires, and the family is now comfortably installed in the residence portion of the telephone central office building on Webster street.
 Dr. Robert S. Mitchell has removed to his new offices in the Kaley building where he has installed the latest equipment—X-Ray machine and other accessories—for general practice of medicine and surgery. Office hours 10 to 12, 1 to 5. Lady assistant at your service. Phone Independent 189.
 Summary of weather bureau report for month of May at Red Cloud is as follows: Mean temperature 64, lowest temperature May 1st, 31, highest May 15th 90; total precipitation 5.93 inches, clear 19 days, partly cloudy 7 days, cloudy 5 days; light frost May 1st; thunder storms 7; prevailing wind S, W. 9 days. Rainfall since Jan. 1st, including sleet and melted snow, 10.56 inches. CHAS. S. LUDLOW, Co-operative Observer.

Answered Summons

The Master has called another pioneer settler, A. H. Bright who passed on at his home near Ambly Monday evening.
 A native of Shropshire, England, born January 19, 1859, Fred Bright, as he was best known, came to Canada in 1872 and five years later removed to this country where with courage and skill the family fought their way against poverty, sickness and death, until success rewarded the efforts of the survivors.
 In March, 1892, he was married to Miss Sarah C. Metcalf. Three sons, Lewis (now with the army in France) Finley and Edward; and two daughters, Helen and Mabel were born to them.
 A model husband and father, a good neighbor, an industrious citizen, he enjoyed the respect and confidence of all who knew him.
 Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Christian church, Rev. J. L. Beebe, pastor, and interment was in Red Cloud cemetery.

A Rousing Open-Air Meeting

Private Andrews, of Gen. Pershing's army, arrived on the evening train Tuesday, as previously scheduled. He was met at the depot by the "Home Guards," the mayor, city officials, old soldiers and citizens, and escorted into the city, afterward giving a detailed and interesting story of his six months in the trenches. Mayor Damerell, County Attorney Munday, and Hon. Geo. Jackson, speaker of the House of Representatives, of Lincoln, made appropriate addresses. The great open air meeting was closed with patriotic music by a selected choir.

New Drug Firm

The incorporated firm, H. E. Grice Drug Co., has been dissolved, H. E. Grice disposing of his interest to Mr. E. L. Grimes, well-known in this community and for many years associated with the Grice Company. Mr. F. J. Grice remains in the new firm, which will be known as Grice & Grimes, druggists. The change took place June 1st and continued prosperity should be accorded this popular store. Mr. H. E. Grice will go to his farm ranch in Colorado at an early date.
 F. W. Cowden, of the Cowden-Kaley Clothing Co., has returned from a business trip to Kansas.

Registration High

Considerably more than the estimated number registered at the county clerk's office yesterday—a total of 93 in this connection it is appropriate to call attention to the arduous and patriotic labor of Messrs. Perry, Huffer and Ducker whose freely given service on the Board of Registration, Exemption, etc entitles them to special recognition by the public.

Draft Calls

The local Board has received draft call for 12 men to go to Camp Funston and 12 for Ft. Reilly, to go some time during the five days commencing June 21th.
 There is also call for six volunteers from Webster county to go into the mechanical training course. These must report at Lincoln on or before June 15th.

Congregational Church Notes

Rev. Geo. M. Mitchell filled the pulpit last Sunday.
 Sunday, May 9th Sunday School at 10 A. M.; Children's Day program at 11 o'clock. Evening service as usual at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to all services.

Again Postponed

Word was received this morning that the R. R. Commission, owing to pressure of other important business has again postponed the hearing in the Telephone controversy. Tuesday, June 18th is now the day.

On the Road to Recovery

His many friends will be delighted to know that Arthur Gilbert, at Camp Cody, N. Mex. who has been ill with pneumonia is fairly on the road to recovery.

Eat and drink at Powell & Pope's Cafe.

N. E. Harvey of Inavale was a Red Cloud visitor Wednesday.

Farmers' Union meeting at Kellogg Hall every Thursday night at 8:30. If

Miss S. McDowell is visiting her sisters, Mesdames Huffer and Davis at Axtell, Kansas.

Attorney H. S. Foe went to Lincoln Monday on professional business in the Supreme Court.

Mrs. C. A. Herrick returned home Monday evening, from St. Elizabeth hospital at Lincoln.

Mrs. E. E. Butler of Smith Center, Kansas, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Leggett.

A Fable

Once upon a time a noted Sioux chieftain assembled his warriors, planted pipes, and held council upon a chosen plain lying within a fertile valley. Afterward, long years afterward, a lovely and attractive city grew and thrived upon this plain—people from far and near assembled, built homes and prospered where the Indian and his warriors formerly planned raids.
 Years passed and the city grew from cabins to stately residences—from sanded streets to pavements. Forsooth, it was an attractive place and full of promise. Until it came to pass that there were none more fair to look upon and many not its equal.
 There was, however, one spot near the center of the city a little below the general level, and when the rain, which descendeth alike upon the just and the unjust, came, it accumulated in this depression and mingling with the dust its name became mud.
 In the days of the long strit many a fair lady, forced to wallow, yea, to wallow even as a duck wallows, through this mire, on her homeward journey, did long for some good fisherman to assist her out of the mud and to utter for her profane words whereby her feelings might be relieved temporarily until in the seclusion of bonnet she could weep and wail and gnash teeth over soiled skirts, smeared shoes and splashed skirts.
 Yea, even among the masculine was there wail and anguish, for many were the bills of expense created solely by the muddy muddiness of this mud.
 At last the Fathers of the City met in solemn convention and decided that something must be done toward making bad better. Long they deliberated, and sent afar for wise men who might prescribe remedy. These came, looked sagely upon the situation, charged a fee therefor, and collecting the same in due course returned to their respective domains.
 The advice they left behind, being duly considered and having been well and properly paid for, was deemed good and sufficient, and it was ordered that action thereon be commenced.
 All of which a little bird whispered to me, and if the details are not absolutely correct little does it matter for the City Fathers were actuated by a good spirit and were truly looking for a betterment of conditions.
 Straightway mechanics and artisans, workers of stone and cement, were assembled together with implements of steel and wood and vehicles of the one-wheel type, and were set at work.
 And it came to pass after a time that their labors were rewarded, and a wonderful structure in cement—a replica in miniature of the great Keokuk dam, yea, even a resemblance to the world-famed canal of Panama, appeared. With rounded basin, with curved curbing, with arches, with bridges, with sluices, and but for the fact that there was no fountain one would have taken it to be a fountain.
 And the City Fathers looked upon it and said it was good. Yea, they did approve thereof.
 Thereupon, the artisans, they that had labored thereon, collected their fees and departed, delighted.
 But, alas, when again the rains came and mingling with the dust, were once more, also many times more, called mad, the dykes, dams, turns, subways and basin filled and overflowed; did forth overflow even as of yore, upon the walks and the grass, and the lands adjacent. And, as of yore, played havoc with shoes and socks and lingerie in general. Yea, even as bad or worse than before it was; the neighbors being forced to scrape their walks with scrapers good and plenty; to place planks for bridge purposes and to see their grassy lawns trod upon by strange and muddy feet.
 Merchants who dealt in footwear and in mysterious boxes labeled "2-in-1" did rejoice secretly, but the City Fathers smote their foreheads and cried "Woe are we," and saw their good intentions flying in the wind and going to make pavement in a locality historically noted for heat.
 And the wise men were baffled, neither could they find remedy.
 Until one day there came a simple philosopher who, pausing on his way, noted the trouble.
 "Forsooth," saith he, "where there is an ill there is a remedy," and went aside and considered, gravely and with gravity.
 After which he advised with the City Fathers and did say to them, "Get men or a man and have dug a ditch; to the east dig it with the lower end not so high as the upper; and deep and wide and long. Do ye as I have said, and your trouble will cease. Believe me this is true. If it were not so I would not have told you."
 And having spoken he departed; saying no more; neither did he ask any fee.
 Moral?—It is unnecessary.
 [Note by Editor—The author of this fable is unknown. He is a stranger, and a stranger is unknown—See? Also his name is Browne which is another reason for being unknown. Were it Perry Davis, or Carter, or Winslow, or even Pinkham, this would not have been thus.]

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