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In early days of western life the mere mention of a railroad would set in motion all the vibrations of ambitious pioneers. Every place where two met that topic was sure to be discussed with interest but now-days people view the coming of a new road with comparative indifference. Yet the same thrill should be felt now as then for we ought not to be satisfied with present conditions as long as we are capable of advancement. There is much speculation about the intentions of the Rock Island railroad. If it is their intention to make a shorter route for their main line and tap the fertile valley of the Republican river, Red Cloud out to be interested. We can use an other railroad to good advantage. We ought to be in on the ground floor and make it possible for this road to strike our city. Red Cloud is growing and is the most important city between Falls City and McCook.

That the Rock Island will eventually connect her main line by running through somewhere in this vicinity is undisputed and we ought therefore to be ready. Let's get on the tiptoe of expectancy once more and work for the Rock Island for Red Cloud.

For sometime past we have had the conviction that our public school system is in need of revision or re-adjustment.

Every high school in the state is carried on with the idea that it is a preparation for the university. The theory is that graduates from the high schools of Nebraska are all to continue their learning by passing immediately into the university and their training is primarily with that end in view.

We have no fault to find with the position taken by our leading educators that the children of this great common wealth should receive a cultural education but what we do object to is the fact that those who cannot pursue a longer course of study are compelled to take up their school time with practically the same studies as those who intend to lead a professional life. The business of the university is to make professionals and we heartily appreciate the work it is doing but we cannot all be professionals. An army composed entirely of officers would not be a very formidable force. As a matter of fact not more than ten graduates of high schools ever darken the doors of a higher institution of learning yet we compel, by our system, the remaining ninety to do the same work as the ten.

Much is said of recent years by all the educators, captains of industry, and men of affairs about the desirability, may the necessity of early determining what vocation in life one must follow.

This being the case our public schools offer no inducement to the youth contemplating following a trade or a business carrier. In a vast number of cases the conditions surrounding the young man are such that it is impossible for him to acquire a higher education even if he so desired and hence he is left with a schooling which is no wise assists him in his future life.

We believe that it is the duty of those in charge of our public schools to eliminate the university from the course of study and offer electives in purely utilitarian subjects. A course in commercial arithmetic, is far more practical for the student who settles in our midst and becomes one of us and yet at the same time it offers as much of the cultural as the hieroglyphs of algebra, book-keeping, type-writing, shorthand and business forms ought by all means be made a part of the course of study.

In our own high school and many high schools of the state we offer special inducements to students desiring to follow the profession of teaching but where is there room for the blacksmith, the banker and the merchant? Schools should provide for the wants of their immediate vicinity without reference to outsiders.

We have said more than we intended to at first but we will have more to say in the future. We ask that the greatest number get the greatest good.

Rebekah Installation.

Last Thursday night while the gentle breezes were galloping south at the rate of sixty miles an hour the Rebekahs gathered at the Masonic hall and proceeded to install their newly elected officers. It takes an extreme amount of zeal and enthusiasm to brave a Nebraska blizzard but the Rebekahs were equal to the emergency and by nine thirty, fifty-five were present.

The following officers were duly installed:

Miss Mary Peterson, N. G.
Miss Myra Griffith, V. G.
Mrs. Lotie Smith, Secretary.
O. C. Teel, Treasurer.
Mrs. Eva Butler, Warden.
Miss Carrie Holworth, Conductor.
Mrs. Alice Runchey, I. G.
M. s. Matilda Welch, O. G.
Mrs. Wonderly, Chaplin.
Mrs. Mary Teel, R. S. N. G.
Mrs. Lenora Warren, L. S. N. G.
Mrs. Alma Fogel, R. S. V. G.
Miss Nellie Emerton, L. S. V. G.

Mrs. O. C. Teel acted in the capacity of District Deputy Grand Master and Mrs. Joe Fogel as Grand Marshal, and we have never witnessed a more nearly perfect installation. Mrs. Teel had every word committed of all the charges for all the offices and her delivery was such that every one knew she had all the work as perfect as it is possible to have it. Much of the success of the evening was due to her painstaking efforts.

After the ceremonies the committee in charge made ready the banquet. There was everything good to eat that anyone could think of and the raging storm combined with the drop in the thermometer had sharpened the appetite so that every one present did ample justice to all the vittals.

Hon. Joseph Saylor, orator of the evening, delivered a very pointed and eloquent address—"over the phone." There was too much wind outside for his timid disposition so he remained by his own fireside.

The Rebekahs of this city have a long and enviable record, being instituted on the 23rd of November 1882. Fifteen charter members are on the roll of honor being: John S. Parkes, John D. Leach, Delia E. Leach, Ettie M. Leach, J. H. Smith, A. J. Means, J. P. Bayha, C. E. Putman, Mrs. L. M. Smith, Mrs. Elmira Bayha, Mrs. Emma Parkes, Mrs. M. Means, Wm. Parkes, Mrs. Bertha Hummel, F. D. Hummel. The Grand lodge officers at that time were: W. H. Curtis, G. M. D. A. Clime, Grand Secretary.

The lodge for a few years gained rapidly in numbers and strength for a time but when the hard times come on this lodge in common with all others felt the depressing influence of the times. Much if not most of the credit is due Mrs. Dow for the lodge being preserved during this trying ordeal. In due course of time however the spirits of the members were revived and they began an active campaign for the good of the order. The membership steadily increased without any boom or mush room growth until now it numbers 106 active and enthusiastic members. The members who have become Past Noble Grand are as follows: Fannie S. Dow, Fannie R. Spires, Alma D. Fogel, Gertrude McKeighan, Maggie H. Hollister, Mary C. Teel, Ida Cummings, Matilda Welsch, Clara McMillan, Nannie B. Hale, Mary Wonderly, Julia Weesner.

All of these with the exception of Fannie R. Spires reside in Red Cloud. She is now living at Guide Rock.

The Rebekahs of this city are doing a noble work not only in the cultivating of the social and intellectual activities of the community but also in elevating distress and comforting the sick. There is always something going on and always something to do with them. During the week one can see a dozen or more carrying out the program of help and usefulness decided upon at the last meeting. In fact mutual helpfulness is the underlying principle upon which the lodge is founded and be it said to the credit of the present membership that their work is never carried on in a prefunctory or a haughty manner. There is much of the spontaneity and joyousness of service.

May this order continue in its useful ministrations and may its members be increased till it gathers within its fold all those who desire the betterment and upbuilding of mankind. The Chief predicts a more glorious advancement than any achieved in the past.

Liberty of the Press.

In this advanced age of civilization it has become the rule rather than the exception, for every family to "take" a daily paper—and these papers are read. They wield a power that is either for good or bad and the intelligent reader is influenced thereby.

Just what these papers should be allowed to publish in their columns is now the question down at Washington. It is claimed that the great New York World edited by Joseph Pulitzer, and the Indianapolis News (Delavan Smith) have been saying things about the Panama Canal purchase that is not true, and that they are consequently liable to punishment.

If they are guilty of lying, they are "liable" of course, and in this case,

the suit, if instituted, will be for libel. If the president has his way about it the case will be "The United States of America vs (et al.)." The parties libeled however, are specifically Douglas Robinson, the president's brother-in-law, and Chas. P. Taft, half brother of the president-elect. The relationship of the injured parties to the government should be carefully noted.

The natural way of course, would seem to be to have these suits brought by the states in which the culprits reside, viz., New York and Indiana, the theory of the law being that offenses of this character are crimes against the state instead of the injured individual, libel being class-d in the same category with burglary or arson.

If the president should succeed in finding a judge who will order the accused editors to Washington for trial, which is doubtful, it would establish a precedent unheard of in a civilized country that boasts of, and whose foundation is, Liberty and Justice.

Let the guilty be punished, but an impartial trial is necessary to prove one's guilt. Would there be anything fair in compelling an editor or any other person exercising his privilege as an American citizen by criticising the conduct of a senator, congressman or other officials, to go to the National capital, away from home and friends for trial?

In this case the evident intention is to bring the accused to the accuser, and among the accuser's friends so that their powerful influence and public opinion at the seat of government may be used to its fullest extent in the interests of the brother-in-law and half brother of the President and President elect respectively. Will the American people stand for it?

The Technical Age.

Apropos of the recent tilt between Congress and the Executive it might be interesting to discuss the possibilities of the English language, in a technical sense.

In a "technical" sense the president did not mean what he said. Technically the word "undertake" does not mean undertake when a proper elucidation of existing conditions requires the word to mean something else. It is no longer considered "good form" to interpret the English language in a "Websterical" sense, but we must consider it in a "technical" sense. (By the way, if you see any words in this article with which you are not familiar please do not look for them in "Webster;" they are probably technical.)

And now comes the word from our own state Capitol that the constitution is a technical document. It does not mean everything you have been led from your knowledge of plain English to believe. If it says the salaries of the deputy secretary of state, and the deputy state superintendent shall be fixed at \$1500 a year, it only means that they shall have \$1500 salary "fixed," and "technically" they may draw a little more if fixed on the \$1500 before the year is out.

Thus Addison Wait, deputy secretary of state, and E. C. Bishop, late deputy state superintendent had drawn on November 30th the sum of \$3000 each for twenty months work. Mr. Wait will draw another \$600 we are told, perhaps illegally, but "technically." Mr. Bishop being now state superintendent, and only having drawn the "fixed" salary of \$1500, it falls to the lot of his deputy to gather in the Technical balance of \$150 per month for the three months of his service in this biennium.

A decision of the supreme court allows the attorney general a deputy and stenographer, but we are told that besides these he employs as "assistant" at a good round salary. This is of course technical and therefore in line with the present age.

The constitution says in plain English that "There shall be no allowance for clerk hire in the offices of the superintendent of public instruction and attorney general." Technically this is wrong so the office is full of clerks, but they have other names of course, such as "Inspector of Normal Training" etc.

There are numerous other cases which tend to show the beauties of technical interpretation vs Webster, but this paper is too limited in space to admit of an itemized statement. We would suggest that a "Technipodic Dictionary" revised to date by some of our congressmen would meet with a ready sale.

Real Estate Transfers.

Transfers reported by the Fort Abstract Co. for the week ending Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1909.

R. E. Counce to Henry Diederich, lots 14, Blk. 31, Red Cloud, wd 1800
Charles H. Potter to John Harris pt sw4, 2-1-11, wd..... 1000
Noah H. Peters to Emanuel Peters and 1/2 lots 4, 5, 6, Blk. 6, Vance's add to Guide Rock, qed..... 350
John Harris to Charles H. Potter lots 6, in 7-1-10, wd..... 600
C. H. Potter to Charles F. Cather lots 3, 4, Blk. 13, lots 23, 24, Blk. 16, Red Cloud, qed..... 5
R. Dillard Bedford to Charles F. Cather, und 1/2 lots 23, 24, Blk.

16, Red Cloud, qed..... 5
J. C. Warner to Charles F. Cather, lots 19, 20, 21, 22, Blk. 16, Red Cloud, qed..... 5
Charles W. Corwin to Jesse E. Corwin, part lot E resurvey of Guide Rock, wd..... 1
State of Nebraska to Harriet A. Milligan, sw se 7-1-10, deed..... 280
Thomas McElroy to Joseph Dobbs n2 nw4, pt sw nw 2-4-9, wd..... 5900
J. L. Lacey to W. A. Lacey, lots 1, 2, 3, Blk. 15, Cowles, wd..... 800
C. L. Tippetts to Wilhem Bartels s2 se 11-4-12, qed..... 1
Alexander Klatt to Clara Klatt, ne 18-4-12, wd..... 8000
Retta Miner to Red Cloud School Dist., part ne 2-1-11, wd 2000
Clark M. Phelps to Joseph J. Schum, s2 sw4, 34-4-9, wd..... 4400

\$25137 00
Mortgages filed, \$5335.50.
Mortgages released \$8850.00.

Under the statutes the Deputy Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics is made manager of a free employment bureau, where applicants for positions may file applications and where those wanting help may make the fact known. The employment bureau is thus made a sort of industrial clearing house. Unfortunately, the legislature has never made adequate provision for the maintenance of this employment bureau, and it has never been pushed as it should be. Deputy Commissioner Maupin has hopes, however, of securing the necessary support. In the meantime, he suggests that Nebraska farmers who may be desirous of employing farm help communicate with him, as he is in receipt of numerous inquiries from men who want to secure employment on farms. The service is absolutely free, except that those writing should enclose stamp for reply. Address all communications to the BUREAU OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL STATISTICS, Lincoln, Nebr.

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