

None but the flat footed of the sharp-shod dare venture out of doors.

Attention is again called to the meeting to be held in the courthouse on the 15th for the purpose of forming a local farmer's institute. Be one to be there and assure the movement a success from the beginning.

Last week a gentleman appeared in our city with a novel fire escape contrivance. Primarily it was invented for the use of schools but it is being used to good advantage by hotels and fire departments. It is simply a canvas with iron rods to hold it in place in any window and permits of people sliding down with considerable rapidity but with absolute safety. The agent gave a demonstration at the Lincoln school much to the delight of the boys who were privileged to "shute the shutes."

Now that out of town papers over the state are recognizing in Mr. Bernard McNeny a qualified lawyer for the position of Attorney General we wish to acknowledge this appreciation and deem it an appropriate time to give him our hearty endorsement. Mr. McNeny is eminently fitted for the position. As a lawyer he ranks with the best in the state and his unquestioned fidelity and legal ability qualify him extremely well for such a position. Should he be elected he would bow to no corporation or wealthy syndicate. He is fearless, competent, and capable and the Chief would be much pleased to see him the next Attorney General.

The so called "muck-raking" magazines have certainly proved themselves to be of much value to the people as a whole. Many of the frauds and robberies have been brought to light by these magazines and other frauds and robberies prevented. Perhaps they have been a little too anxious to prove their statement but substantially they have been correct and accurate. But for them much of the inside workings of large corporations would have been unknown and undoubtedly to them more perhaps than any other influence is due the popular demand for publicity. When the people know what is going on fraud is not going to develop very far. We need these fearless magazines in our business and just credit should be given them for their labors.

The universal topic of conversation all over the country is the high prices of all products. Various reasons are advanced for this condition of affairs but the most logical one is the working of the new tariff law. Prices are all out of proportion to real value and adjustment must come. While it is true that some articles not mentioned in the tariff law are equally affected it is easy to see that they are high in sympathy with other products directly affected. Dealers of one article must advance the price in order to buy the article they need and consequently prices are raised all along the line. We hear little these days about protection for infant industries because the infants have grown into giants and seem not to be satisfied with anything but the milk of human kindness. We feel confident that if the people knew what was to be done at the time they voted a different set of officers would now be in power. Everything now points to a sweeping Democratic victory when the next contest arrives.

Ordinarily we do not venture into things national except during a campaign as we consider that the great daily papers and the magazines but conditions in and about the capital city are so exceptional that we feel constrained to add our word of protest and disapproval. We have more particular reference to the discharging of Chief Forrester Pinchot by President Taft. It seems that Mr. Pinchot has been too actively engaged in working for the people, he has been thwarting the plans of the Guggenheims and others and something had to be done. What we object to most however is the recent order made by Mr. Taft that no subordinate should make any complaint or give any information except to the head of his department. This order will simply give the present administrative clique the power of doing as it pleases without divulging its plans, mistakes or what not to congress or any one else. We confer Mr. Taft was not our choice for president but he has proven to be a great disappointment.

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During this cold weather people are apt to bring upon themselves all kinds of sickness by keeping the rooms too close. It is a great temptation to shut the room up tight to keep out the cold but many forget that it is easier to heat pure air than impure air. Let plenty of fresh air in at least once a day and you will save fuel and overcome the possible illness which may be caused by heating and reheating impure air.

**North Pole Weather.**

These arctic days are bringing out dormant abilities. Did Peary bring the pole south? This seems to be the opinion of one of our correspondents who writes us as follows:

If only Cook and Peary had remained at home the day that they started off to search the Northern part.

And had left the pole standing as it stood in days of yore.

It would not have taken winter so at heart.

But they had to go and dig it up, then turn and set it out.

And thought they had it in a better stall.

So that is what they're making all this fuss about.

And now it's wreaking vengeance on us all.

I wonder was it Peary or perhaps that it was Cook.

That has got the great North Pole so out of place.

But I think their greater knowledge was learned out of a book.

And they never really met it face to face.

We have the demonstration that it really does exist.

And I for one am glad to have it so.

For otherwise I tell you the sleighing would be missed.

And we'd wish for good old times of "long ago."

Now good old snow producing Pole would you mind us saying that you are welcome just as much as sun or rain.

But if you do not leave us soon—come—won't you get your hat?

And then next year we'll say to "come again."

By N. HOOPER McCARTNEY.

**Dame Rumor**

A rumor that the new Lincoln school building was so poorly heated that the teachers were compelled to wear their cloaks and wraps in order to keep warm became so persistent we decided to make an investigation.

This rumor came to us from a dozen sources and seems to have been generally believed.

We personally interviewed the Superintendent, all the teachers and the janitor in regard to the condition thinking that they would know the real condition.

All their stories agreed so that we may say without fear of successful contradiction that the building is well heated. Our investigation revealed the fact that not only are all the rooms comfortable at all times but that they are also at times too warm even in the coldest weather which we have been having. Even the halls are kept at the uniform temperature of 70 degrees.

Not a single teacher had a word of complaint. The entire building is kept warm and comfortable with not more than two pounds of steam in the boiler. In fact we were assured that the heating plant installed in that building is capable of heating two such structures.

This but shows how a rumor may start and spread without the semblance of truth for a foundation.

So far as testing the building and the efficiency of the heating plant is concerned a better winter probably will never present itself.

The building is a good one the heating plant ample and the arrangements are excellent. This school district has certainly received full value for every dollar spent on the Lincoln school building.

Least perchance we might be accused of not making a thoro investigation we give the report of all the teachers as given to us.

We informed them of the rumor and asked for the facts and Miss Arnold replied "Nothing in it. We have nothing to complain of at all."

Miss Williams said that "Many times we must open the windows because it gets too warm."

Miss Burke "70 degrees all the time, nice and warm."

Miss Roney declared: "Not a particle of truth in the report. No complaint always warm and comfortable."

Miss Coombs "My room is exceptionally warm even during the coldest weather."

Miss Hale "All a big mistake, just as warm as one would wish and the halls are the same."

Supt. Moritz: "We have had no difficulty in heating the building comfortably with an average of one pound of steam. The building is too well constructed to need much heat."

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**Am I Right?**

The pride of our people has been the development of our natural resources. To stimulate this laudable enterprise a government assuring safety of life and property has been established and maintained. Proper protection by legislation, and even by armament, whereby producers in field or factory are saved any anxiety concerning a market for their goods, and yet giving them no undue advantages over their fellow citizens as competitors or consumers, has been desired and experimented for by the people. Some mistakes have obtained in this legislation, either by foresight and selfishness, or by shortsightedness and liberality, but the great and good aim has been "America for Americans," always counting him a desirable citizen who assists in the unfolding of our utilities and comforts and beauties, and who at the same time seeks the physical, mental and moral rising form of the citizenship—the highest type already in these respects, on the face of the earth.

The one thing that has aided most to make great any section of our country, be it urban or rural, has been the spirit and energy of "home resources for home folks first." This has made our coast cities, resorts and industries grow in wealth and population. This has made the great Mississippi valley strong in homes, schools, churches, literature and luxuries for her happy and ever increasing agricultural people. This spirit and work alone can strengthen any new or weakling state, county, town or village.

"Stand up for Nebraska" is alright as a slogan for our great state, whether it be on the question of weather, climate, soil, natural resources or our society or other institutions, if at the same time we can be content to prosper as our neighbors and associates prosper, and refrain from the selfish spirit of greed or envy that schemes to promote a get-rich-quick proposition, or cuts off the legitimate results of the efforts of some other producers or conservers in the community, who are just as worthy as we are.

Five thousand residents in this precinct of Webster County will prosper as Red Cloud prospers. Is this desired? I think so, but am I right? If so, how does it appeal to you fellow-citizen to see the interests of self so openly asserted in our city when the home products are passed by and the products of other fields, other mills, other bakers and confectioners, other harness makers, other tailor, dress-making and millinery shops and stores, other meat dealers and monument makers, other job presses and other general merchandise houses patronized, when scores of good people here pull down the "Big Catalog" and send their good money and big orders off to the "mail-order houses," and if a bill must be run, our home folks must bear the burden and run any risk that is involved. Shall we longer let outside grabbers thrive on our quillibility? Stand up for Red Cloud and Red Cloudians will stand up for you. Know our home producers and their products. Praise them both. Buy home products and of home dealers as a first choice, and take no "other just-as-good" article, unless we cannot possibly supply your needs. This is our certain road to a growing and more desirable city. Am I right? Let us all try it for the remainder of 1910, and thus acquire the habit of "home resources for home folks first."

**SCHOOL NOTES**  
(BY WHISPERING SMITH)

Carl Wullbrandt has pneumonia and has been unable to attend school for several days.

Hazel Williams has been on the sick list this week.

Adelaide Williams, one of our 10th graders, has returned to her home in Kansas and will attend school there in the future.

Why do our High School Boys disappear so mysteriously every afternoon?

Traquency seems to be "all the rage" nowadays, but we wouldn't advise any one to "get the habit" in the hereafter as some very stringent rules have been made by Prof. Moritz regarding traquency.

E. J. Overing visited the High School Monday.

Rev. Hussong is teaching in Mrs. Caster's place, she having gone to Lincoln to attend a Superintendent's convention.

The Cleroians of the 11th grade enjoyed (?) a test Monday morning having completed the First and Second Orations.

The Literary program Friday night was excellent, with the exception of the debate on Woman Suffrage. Most of the debaters seemed to think their knowledge along the line of debating was so superior and unlimited that they didn't require the practice of debating. However, there were some who didn't think that way, and the debaters will probably get another chance in the near future.

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