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We now know why progress is usually so slow. People have a hesitancy to move. But we do not blame them for this, at least that is one way we feel just at present when we have just moved its awful to move. But we are nicely settled in our new quarters and are glad of it. We invite you to come in and visit us in our commodious room and you will find us ready and anxious to serve you in any way that we can.

The Bloomington Advocate opened its editorial page last week with the suggestion that all party news be eliminated until after the nomination of the presidential candidates and then filled a column of political observations. It is no use to try to avoid the subject Bro. Crane the air is surcharged with politics. The striking of a little match will produce a big explosion anywhere within the confines of the United States.

Presidential year is hard on the professional base ball games. Instead of opening the daily paper to the sporting page the average man reads first the latest development of the political fight. This is more interesting more exciting. The politicians seems to be master hands in the art of keeping the public on the tip-toes of expectancy and anticipation. Issues and men, men and issues are mixed in one great rough and tumble fight may the best man win

Not in years has there been such a profusion of sweet scented flowers and blossoms in this city. The air is filled all the day long with fragrances giving pleasure to all. Nature seems to be re-creating for the little dash of extreme cold she gave us during the winter and now wishes to show us what she can do when she is in a pleasure mood. The grain fields, the gardens and the meadows are all thriving as only they can thrive when Nebraska is at her best. Indications are that there will be an abundance of all kinds of fruit and all signs point to a bountiful harvest this year.

There is one thing which the Chief does not like with reference to commencement exercises. There is an omission of all provision for participation by the alumni of the school. The alumni of the high school already exceed in numbers the undergraduates, and the commencement season should be an occasion for them to assemble and by their participation, unite the past, the future and the present interests of the school together. There are many names among the alumni which are gaining credit and distinction abroad, and our school system would be vitalized by the expectant graduates.

And in all seriousness, should it not be looked upon as deplorable, that two men, high in office and in the estimation of their countrymen, should be hurling uncomplimentary remarks at each other which would ordinarily be expected from a couple of quarrelling barroom loafers. If the things which each of the men has said about the other should be made to appear true in even a general sense it would not be surprising if thou and of serious minded voters would yet decide that neither man is needed in the white house at Washington after March 4, 1913.

Taft and Teddy; Teddy or Taft. The excitement and noise stirred up by the two is getting to the point that they are actually drawing attention away from the big league games, and even now, with the election six months off, there are almost as many people who buy paper to look at the political news and to search out the sport section. And it seems to be growing worse as time goes on.

Therefore, Without any regard to the merits of the quarrel, we cannot but deplore the quarrel itself. That two men, presumably of the same political beliefs and ranked as working together in the work of right national leadership should feel called upon, seemingly each in his own personal interest to so mercilessly flay the other cannot but be looked upon as undesirable and little tended to forward the best interests of the nation as a whole. For the sake of all concerned we wish they would agree to drop it.

The retiring members of the school board have earned the gratitude of the district by their faithful attention to the duties of their office. The office involves a great deal of labor and sacrifice, much more than is generally supposed, and the rewards are too often nothing but adverse criticism and unjust censure; especially is this the case when the community is divided on a matter of school policy. No matter what our previous differences have been, we believe that the people are ready now to accord the retiring members of the board best motives and a true regard for the best interests of the district. The incoming members will have no difficulties to encounter such as be set the out-going members. Everything betokens a harmonious future.

The new mayor and council duly assumed their duties Tuesday night. This administration commences its work with the unusual advantage of enjoying the respect and confidence of each other and the respect and confidence of the community. It would seem almost impossible for the mayor and council to determine upon any course of procedure which will not have the general support of the public in advance. They are representative business men of the city, giving of their time and energy to the city's good and enjoying in an unusual degree the confidence of all the people. They were unanimously elected and the Chief believes that their conduct of municipal matters will be such that future administrations will be choice in the same manner.

The people of the Congregational church had a very enjoyable time last Thursday evening, according to reports brought to this office. The storm prevented many from attending, but those who were present were very much pleased with the entertainment provided. The first part of the evening was consumed in looking at the shadow profiles of well known persons connected with the church. There were twenty five or thirty of these, and each spectator was provided with pencil and paper to write the names belonging to the pictures as he guessed them. This proved, a pleasing occupation, and gave rise to much animated conversation. The people were then seated and a musical contest followed. Paper was again provided, and Mrs. James Mitchell played a measure of each of a number of familiar songs, which were to be instantly named by far the largest part of the assemblage consisted of young people, who were given ample opportunities for pleasure. In the judgment of the Chief the church should furnish a meeting of this sort weekly. Much more effective than the prayer meetings for the old are the meetings for the young. The laughter of childhood is more sincere than the groans of the saints and also more pious. When ministers

and others realize that the throned dispensations which tickle the deacons should give place to exercises that attract the young, the church will get upon the right track to appeal to the coming generations.

A Word Of Appreciation

The old council has passed into history and a new administration has resumed the management of the city's affairs. There is one thing for which the out-going administration deserves credit. The streets of the city have never been in such good condition at the beginning of the year as they are at present. Notwithstanding the abundant snows of the winter and the amount of water from the spring thaws, the grades of the streets have been maintained and the middle of the street has been high and dry. What work was done on the streets last year was well done. There was not the waste of labor and money that has so often attended street grading in the past. The new administration will find something to persevere and enlarge, not something washed away and to be done over again.

Another thing to be credited to the out-going administration is the fact, that, notwithstanding the necessity of purchasing additional engines and machinery, the debt of the city has not been sensibly increased. So far as the financial affairs of the city go, the retiring mayor and council have deserved well of the people.

City Clerk's Annual Report

The following is a statement of the expenses of the City of Red Cloud, Nebraska for the Municipal year ending May 7, 1912 as shown by the record in the office of the City Clerk.

49 Gen. fund warrants issued	\$3283.98
111 Electric light	8393.82
10 Elec light levy	1832.90
85 Water	2863.48
21 Water Levy	1436.65
82 Occupation fund	2605.79
1 Firemen's fund	457.50

359 Warrants issued Total, \$20786.12

The present condition of the various funds after deducting all outstanding warrants (except old Light plant debt) at the close of business May 7, 1912, was as follows:

RESOURCES	
General Fund uncollected levy	\$1072.63
Electric Light	623.56
Water	424.04
Occupation uncol levy and polls	749.78
Judgment uncollected levy	1698.53
Electric light levy, cash balance	269.37
Water levy, cash balance	154.87
Occupation	53.99
Water	32.29
Firemen's	50.20
Total	\$5639.46

LIABILITIES	
General Fund, warrants reg.	696.40
Elec light levy	682.53
Water	427.65
General fund overdraw	290.09
Electric light	108.05
Judgments unpaid	1700.00
Claims unpaid	2778.89
Total Floating Debt,	\$6653.61
Water Bonds Outstanding,	\$22,000
Elec Light Bonds Outstanding,	\$14,000

No bonds issued or refunded during the past year.
O. C. TEEL,
City Clerk.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the kind friends and neighbors who assisted us in the sickness and death of our son and brother and especially Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Slaby, also those who so kindly sent flowers.

FATHER BLANKENBAKER,
MR. AND MRS. NICK BLANKENBAKER,
MR. AND MRS. R. E. MITCHELL,
MR. AND MRS. C. W. RINKER,
MR. AND MRS. FRANK BLANKENBAKER

Sunday School Association to Give Attendance Flag

Omaha, Nebr., May 6th. To stimulate interest and increase the attendance at the annual meeting of the Nebraska Sunday School Association, which will be held in Omaha on June 18, 19 and 20, the officers of the association and the committee in charge have decided to give a beautiful silk flag as a prize to the district association sending the largest delegation.

The flag will be awarded on the mileage basis, the total mileage, counting number of delegates and miles traveled to determine the winner. A similar prize was given last year at Grand Island and was won by the Omaha delegation with the Custer County delegation, hailing from Minden as a close second. The Custer County association has set its heart on winning this year and will make the other county organizations go the limit.

Plans for the convention are well under way. The program is being arranged and will be announced by the Publicity Bureau in a short time.

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Legal Notice

Georgiana Baker DeWitt, Plaintiff
vs.
Blanche Eggers et al. Defendants
In District Court Webster County Nebraska.

Whereas heretofore, to-wit: on the 25th day of March 1912, the undersigned, J. S. Gilliam, referee, having heretofore been legally appointed by the District Court of Webster County Nebraska, was ordered by said court to sell the following described premises, to-wit: The Northwest Quarter of Section Twentyone, Township Two, Range Nine, West of the 6th P. M., in Webster County, Nebraska, because the same could not be partitioned without great prejudice to the owners thereof, and the undersigned referee having given bond as required by law with sureties which were approved by the court a d having taken the oath required by law; now therefore notice is hereby given that by virtue of the proceedings had herein, the order of the said court, and the authority vested in me by the Statutes of Nebraska, J. S. Gilliam, the undersigned referee, will on the 15th day of May 1912, at the east door of the court house in Red Cloud, Webster County Nebraska, offer for sale and after the expiration of one hour sell to the highest bidder for cash according to the order of the court the above described real estate.

Said sale to be held open for one hour between the hours of two and three o'clock P. M. on said 15th day of May 1912
Witness my hand this 6th day of April 1912
J. S. GILLIAM, Referee.
Bernard McNeny, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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BARBARA PHARES, Prop.

Real Estate Transfers.

Real Estate Transfers for week ending Tuesday, May 7th, 1912.	lot 13, Blk. 1, Spences 2nd add to Bladen.....	376.50
Compiled by M. W. Carter & Son Bonded Abstractors.	Onno Goos and wife to Eino Goos, w d, Blk 12, Blue Hill, 3000.00	
Neillie B. Spence and husb., to Mrs. Olive A. Ross, w d, lots 1, 2, Blk. 1, Spence's 2nd Add to Bladen.....	John C. Cutter and wife to Louis Cutter, w d, pt nw 1/4 nw 1/4 17-4-11.....	250.00
Henry B. Boyd and wife to Albert Reed, w d, lot 18, Blk. 5, Boyds add to Bladen.....	A. D. Ranney Co. Judge to Webb H. Reynolds, Decree, 1/2 interest to s 1/2, sec 24 3-11.....	100.00
Clarence Reeve and wife to C. F. Moranville, qcd, pt Blk. 2, Talbots add to Guide Rock.....	C. R. & Q. R. Co., to John B. Blaine, qcd, lots 7 to 10, Blk. 21, Cowles.....	50
John M. Emerson to Nellie B. Spence, w d, to lots 1 to 12, pt	Fred Copley to Roy R. Copley, w d, all Blk. 10, Hoovers add Blue Hill.....	800.00
	Charles Reddon and wife to William F. Arndt, w d, pt sw 1/4 sw 1/4 8-4-10.....	2725.00
	Mortgages filed, \$9,880.00.	
	Mortgages released, \$14,250.00.	

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