

Wabby and Weak Versus Solid and Strong.



Water can't rise above its level.
Nor can a community rise above the level of its citizenship.
If the citizens are lukewarm, limp and lazy, the town will be wishy-washy, wabby and weak.
If the citizens have VERTEBRA, VIM AND VIGOR, the town will be substantial, solid and strong.
Let's all brace up and make this town of ours a place of energy, ambition and enterprise.

MARION.

E. A. Ruby of Danbury was in town between trains, Saturday.
There was quite a congregation out, Sunday, to hear Rev. Miller's farewell sermon.
L. D. Gockley and wife were Cedar Bluffs visitors between trains, Saturday.
Cliff Plumb had the misfortune to have his left knee thrown out of place while playing basket ball, Saturday evening.
W. H. Eifert and family visited at the Hoffman home northwest of town, Sunday.
Mrs. Deck arrived home, Tuesday, after a week's visit with friends at Lebanon.
Miss Huff of Peru and Miss Gatewood of McCook arrived in town, Saturday, and assumed charge of the school, Monday.
R. E. Bacon and wife were over Sunday visitors with relatives at Wilsonville.
George Jackson of Oberlin, with a force of men and teams, moved the Shiloh schoolhouse to town, the first of the week.
Mrs. Mel Rodabaugh entertained a sister from Beaver City a few days, last week.
About 3/4 of an inch of rain fell in these parts, last Wednesday, which laid the dust; also cooled the atmosphere considerably.
Misses Clara and Pearl Plumb of Boulder, Colorado, are here visiting their sister Mrs. Wicks.
Mrs. L. D. Newberry and children arrived home, last Saturday, from a two weeks' visit with her sister in Kansas.
T. F. Gockley and family of Fairview visited at the parental Gockley home, Sunday.
Arthur Rozell and wife left, last week, for a few weeks' visit with relatives at Benkelman; also to the sand hills to look over the country.
Ethel Redfern was an east bound passenger, Saturday, for Lebanon, as she is going to teach there, the coming year.

RED WILLOW.

Charley Miller's weekly hunts up north ended by his capturing a fine young Wolf, changing it to a Miller and bringing it to live in his home.
There is rumor of a secret marriage, but—"murder will out"—we have all heard about it.
Mrs. Taylor is visiting all her friends before going to make a lengthy sojourn in California.
Next week the Old Settlers' Picnic will be held and everybody is cordially invited to attend, particularly the editor of this paper, who has never honored the occasion by his presence.
Mrs. Smith was called, the first of the week, to Valparaiso to see her sick sister, and returned home Saturday night.
Mr. Smith left, the first of the week, to attend the state fair.
Mrs. Helm is quite sick again.
Mr. Strokey and Miss Georgia Short called on friends on Saturday afternoon.
Dr. Abernethy, the great English physician, said: "Watch your kidneys. When they are affected, life is in danger." Foley's Kidney Remedy makes healthy kidneys, corrects urinary irregularities, and tones up the whole system.
A. McMillen.

DANBURY.

The long drouth was broken last Tuesday night when these parts were visited by a good rain.
Prof. and Mrs. Spease of Lincoln arrived last Tuesday. Mr. Spease is the principal of our schools this year.
The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Eno died last Tuesday. She had the whooping cough and was also teething. Interment in the Danbury cemetery.
Miss Dora Greenway left last Thursday for Oxford where she has been hired to teach this term.
Miss Watkins arrived Friday. She has been hired to teach the grammar room.
Our ball team went to St. Francis, Thursday, and played ball on Friday. The score was 2 to 1 in favor of Danbury.
S. C. Bush and family left Friday for Nora, Neb., where they will make their new home.
Mrs. Ella MacFee of Oberlin visited at the W. A. Stone home the last of the week.
Misses Hallie Green and Alta Morgan were McCook visitors, Saturday.

Several from here attended the crazy tea party at Marion, Friday night.
The fat and the lean of the commercial club will play base ball, Tuesday.
Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hess, Thursday, Sept. 2nd, a baby boy.
John Erwin was a business visitor at St. Francis, Saturday.
Jesse Ashton, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Paris, Indjans, arrived home, Saturday.
Our school commenced, Monday, Sept. 6th, with the following teachers: Prof. Spease, high school; Miss Watkins, grammar room; Mrs. Young, intermediate, and Miss Morgan, primary.
A Miss Coghill of Arkansas is here visiting at the S. R. Messner home for a few days.
Mrs. D. C. Boyer left, Monday, for an indefinite visit with her folks at Beverly, Neb.
Dave Boyer was a McCook visitor, Monday.

LEBANON.

Miss Matie Hiersekorn of Lincoln has been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Hiersekorn of this vicinity and her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Knosp of McCook. She departed for Lincoln, last Friday, via McCook. Miss Matie got home just in time to help her mother cook for threshers.
Miss Claire Plumb, of Boulder, Colorado, daughter of the late Perry Plumb, has been employed to teach the school at Hamburg, district No. 11, for the ensuing year. Miss Claire is a graduate of Colorado College.
J. E. Horton visited his son and daughter of Akron, Colo., last week.

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BOX ELDER.

S. A. Modrell and family are visiting in Iowa.
W. F. Satchell of Imperial visited relatives in this vicinity over Sunday then went to Oxford to visit his father Rev. M. S. Satchell.
Mrs. Maude Notley is here from Kansas, visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Wilson.
A. T. Wilson is entertaining his sister and nephew from Harvard, Neb.
Mrs. D. B. Doyle returned, last Friday, from her visit at Estes Park, Colo.
Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Bolles are attending the state fair, this week.
School commenced in this district, Monday morning, with Miss Minnie Middleton as teacher.
The fourth quarterly conference will be held at the church next Monday evening. The district superintendent C. C. Wilson will preach Sunday evening.
Married, some time, some place and by somebody, Charles Miller and Anna Wolfe. Their many friends wish them a long and happy life.
J. K. Gordon and family moved back to McCook, Tuesday, for the children to attend school.
Mr. and Mrs. S. C. King are attending the state fair this week.

NORTH VALLEY.

Ed Trenchard cut corn with their new cornbinder for Ed Eigelhoff last Friday and Saturday, and expects to cut some corn for Dave Hinkle and Walt Latham this week.
Gene Collicott lost a valuable cow last week.
Ed Edwards helped George Oxley in hay last Friday afternoon.

Charlie and Ernest Bell left Monday morning on No. 16 for Lincoln, Neb., to attend the State fair. They will visit friends at Cortland, Neb., before returning home.
Ross Newcomb and Misses Ollie and Josie Mick spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ribbin.
Ed Trenchard made a short call on Charlie and Ernest Bell last Friday evening.
Guy Grisell of Bartley, while on a bicycle trip to Cambridge stopped for a short time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bell.
We failed to mention in our last week's letter the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Thomas the week before.
Joe and Jim Bowen visited a short time, last Friday afternoon, with their cousins, Charlie and Ernest Bell.
Mrs. E. Oxley, Mrs. Pierce Oxley and Mrs. Madison visited with Mrs. Hardy, Monday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hinkle and Mrs. Cresswell and daughter visited, Sunday, with Wm. Trenchard and family.
School commenced, Monday morning, in District No. 9 with Miss Carolyn Collicott as teacher.
Maurice Nicholson has gone to the eastern part of this state to look up a location.
Irl Artis of Benkelman visited last week with Miss Carolyn Collicott.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eigelhoff and family visited with Mr. O. W. Lockenour and family, Sunday afternoon.
Geo. Taylor of Trenton, Neb., visited his brother, Joe Taylor, last week.
Irvin Collicott of Edgar, Neb., visited a few days, last week, with Joe and Darins Nicholson.

A Word to School Directors.

County Sup't Claudia B. Hatcher has sent out the following circular to the directors of the various district schools of the county upon the opening week of the public schools of the county:
Office of the County Superintendent of Red Willow county.

McCook, Neb., Sept. 7th, 1909.

My Dear Director:

At the beginning of another school year, I wish to solicit your most earnest co-operation. It is only by working together and carefully executing all our duties that we shall be able to bring to our schools the greatest helps and advantages. Please do your part toward making the best school, for the coming year, that your district has ever known.

VISIT THE SCHOOL.

Make an early visit to the school and thus show to the teacher your interest and kindly offer her your support. Let her know from the very first that you are as much concerned in the welfare of the school as she and at all times a willing co-worker. Don't wait until the term is half over.

LIBRARY BOOKS.

Have you purchased the library books which the law requires? That is books to the value of ten cents per pupil in your district. If not, please buy them without delay. Ascertain from your census report the amount to be expended and, with the help of the teacher, order the books immediately so the children may have the benefit from them throughout the entire season.

If your school hasn't any library at all, I would advise that you purchase a \$5.00 one as you can secure a much better selection of books than can possibly be gotten for a smaller amount. If the \$5.00 exceed the amount really due from your district, by notifying me you can be accredited in the future for the extra sum.

BUT SURE BEGIN TO BUILD UP A LIBRARY for your school, if only by a few books at first.

INDUSTRIAL CONTESTS AND FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

I sincerely hope you are interested in the Boys' and Girls' Industrial Contests and the Farmers' Institute to be held October 22 and 23 at McCook. These movements are great and beneficial. Through them our boys and girls are trained to be useful, self-supporting and industrious citizens. The dignity of labor is implanted on the young and plastic minds and such a lesson learned in childhood will, later, in a great measure help to solve the social and industrial problems. Encourage the boys and girls of your district in taking part, urge the parents and patrons to attend and thus let us hold a session of which we may well be proud.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL.

If you haven't already notified me of the employment of your teacher, will you kindly do so without delay or as soon as such arrangements are made.

OFFICE DAY.

You will find me at my office in the court house in McCook every Saturday. Since I shall begin to visit schools, I can not promise to be there other days. However, if unable to consult me personally I shall give my correspondence my prompt attention. Always feel free to ask me for any assistance I may be able to render. By hearty co-operation and diligent endeavor, we shall be able to reach, for this year, the highest standard the schools have ever known.
Yours for thorough and efficient schools,
CLAUDIA B. HATCHER.

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