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Office over the McDonald State Bank.

Local and Personal

William Whitlock left Saturday for Grand Island to spend a few days at the poultry show.
 Mrs. M. V. Mitchell returned yesterday from Lexington where she visited friends over Sunday.
 Keith Neville has had plans drawn for a \$2,500 house which he will erect on the Pawnee ranch at Gannett.
 Jack Chris, of Tryon, county treasurer of McPherson county, was visiting in the city Saturday on business.
 Mrs. Ezra Keen is able to be out after an illness of several weeks with a threatened attack of typhoid fever.
 Mrs. C. T. Whelan returned the latter part of last week from a ten days visit in the east part of the state.
 Charles Pass returned Friday evening from Omaha where he spent a few days at the Knights of Columbus convention.
 While at Grand Island last week Henry Miller, of Hershey, was a victim of a hold-up and came out \$97.00 loser.
 Hess's Panacea, Lee's Egg maker, Lee's Germozone for your poultry trouble. For sale only at Schiller's Drug stores.
 Noble Anderson, of Gothenburg, well known in North Platte, was married Wednesday of last week to Miss Ruth Brown of Cozad.
 Miss Emma Anderson returned Friday evening from Gothenburg where she attended the wedding of her brother Noble Anderson.
 Miss Kathrine Murphy has resigned her position as superintendent of the P. & S. hospital and returned Saturday to her home in Omaha.
 W. R. Powell returned Friday from Denver where he spent a few days attending the live stock show and looking after business matters.
 James Abbott, of Hershey, was in the city Friday visiting his wife at the P. & S. hospital. Mrs. Abbott is reported getting along nicely.
 Robt. McMurray, who lives on the Lyle farm south of Maxwell, will sell his personal property tomorrow and announces that he will leave the county.
 Miss Leona Tinton, of Shelton, Neb., has taken the school in district No. 110, formerly taught by Miss Lucy Alexander who resigned a week ago. Miss Tinton began her duties yesterday morning.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sebastian are expected to return this evening from Carrollton, Mo., where they have been visiting the past two weeks with the former's relatives.
 The North Side sewing committee of the Lutheran church met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Carl Gerle. A pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by the ladies and at the close refreshments were served.
 At the annual meeting of the Paxton & Hershey Water Co. last week, P. A. Anderson was elected president, C. O. Johnson secretary, Peter Young treasurer, and A. Johnson and O. Modeen directors.
 Among those who are planning on erecting residences this year are Bert Know on west Sixth, Harry Murrin and Andy Yost on west Fourth, C. O. Weingand and M. J. Forbes on west Fifth. All these will be within three blocks, and will make quite a showing.
 Charles F. Temple and W. J. Landgraf returned Friday from Columbus where they attended the fireman's convention. Chief Bowman returned Sunday and Cy Russell went from Columbus to Omaha to visit for a few days.

For Sale—65 gallon gasoline tank, practically new. Inquire 420 So. Pine.
 Otto Weiderander, the jeweler at Brady, was visiting friends in the city Saturday.
 Art Yates, of Sutherland was a business visitor to the county capital Saturday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Bert M. Reynolds left Saturday for Kearney to visit for a few days with relatives.
 Attorney Robert Beatty, of Brady, was a visitor to the county seat Saturday and yesterday.
 Earl Spaulding, cashier of the Sutherland state bank, was a business visitor in the city Saturday.
 Sam Grace, of Omaha, is visiting friends in the city for a few days this week. He was formerly a North Platte boy.
 Arthur Sullivan and George Parsons of Brady, were visiting in the city Saturday to attend the guardianship trial before Judge Grant.
 Thomas Marcott, of Brady, was visiting in the city Saturday with his son, Logan Marcott of the county superintendent's office.
 Major Walker, who has been quite ill with an attack of lagrippe, is reported improving. He has been ill for the past week.
 Mr. and Mrs. Bert Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Reynolds spent Sunday with relatives in Kearney, making the trip by automobile.
 George Shoup and Sam Thomas, prominent farmers of the Sutherland vicinity, were business visitors to the county capital Saturday.
 Salesman wanted to look after our interests in Lincoln and adjacent counties. Salary or commission. Address Lincoln Oil Co., Cleveland, O.
 Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Broeder, residing fifteen miles south of the city, are down with scarlet fever. This is the first case of this disease that has been reported in this part of the country.
 Judge Grimes and Reporter Barron went to Kimball yesterday where the Judge will hold a term of court this week. Next week he will preside at the term at Sidney.
 A new pipe line has been put in from Third street to the court house to afford better fire protection. Water Commissioner Welsh had charge of the work. This will give ample protection for the court house in case fire should break out.
 P. O. Stiver of Freeport, Ill., arrived in the city Saturday morning to visit friends and look after some business interests. Mr. Stiver is editor of the Freeport Bulletin. He has land interests here and is getting ready for the coming year.
 A. Abercrombie, of Brady, was a business visitor to the county seat Saturday. He came over to attend the sheriff's sale of the land in the case of Blanche B. Field vs Thurlough Chambers. The land was sold on mortgage foreclosure and brought \$125. Mr. Abercrombie being the high bidder. The land is described as the east 1/2 of section 34, township 11, range 28.
 Harry T. Pritchard of Grant's Pass, Ore., arrived in the city Friday for a visit of a week with his brother-in-law, E. J. VanDerhoof, and to renew old acquaintance. Mr. Pritchard was formerly located here but has been gone about five years. He is now located on a fruit farm near Grant's Pass and is doing prosperously.
 Harry, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Samelson on South Locust street, fell Friday afternoon from the top of a corral fence and broke his left arm. The little boy was playing in the yard and climbed to the top of the fence. He fell off in such way that his arm was under him and both bones were broken off. The break is a serious one and is causing him considerable pain.

Our Loss Your Gain.

The mild weather this season has left us with more ready-to-wear garments on hand than we wish to carry over, we have invoiced them at a loss to us and are going to give you the benefit,

Beginning Wednesday, Jan. 14th and Continuing Until Feb. 1st, we will make you a price as follows:

- Ladies' Coats one-half off regular price
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This is the lowest price you have ever had offered you on these lines and should meet with an immediate response on your part.

WILCOX DEPARTMENT STORE.

Prospects for Burlington Now Seem Bright

Every week brings additional evidence that it is the intention of the Burlington to build its line up the Platte valley from Kearney to Bridgeport during the present year. A couple of weeks ago Burlington officials gave out an encouraging interview while they were in Kearney, though they did not commit themselves to the statement that the road would be built this year.
 Following this interview comes the following statement which appeared in the last issue of the Bridgeport Blade: Contractor J. F. Williams of Scottsbluff, according to his own statement has been asked by the C. B. & Q. people to make a bid on the dirt work of the new railroad to be built from Kearney to this place. As he is generally known, Mr. Williams is one of the most prominent contractors in the west and has already done a great deal of this kind of work in this state and elsewhere. He did not state at what time this work is to be completed but inferred it was to be commenced soon by whoever secured the contract.

Shower for Miss Walker.

A miscellaneous shower was given Friday evening in honor of Miss Gertrude Walker at the home of Mrs. Carl Simon. Mrs. Simon was assisted by Mrs. Thomas Ryan. Miss Walker is to be married tomorrow morning to Mr. Sheffield of Story City, Ia. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride's parents and Father McDaid will officiate. Eighteen friends of Miss Walker attended the shower and she was the recipient of many beautiful and useful presents. The evening was spent with games, contests and other social diversions. Mrs. Edward Rehusen was winner of the prize in the guessing contest. Delightful refreshments were served and all enjoyed a pleasant evening.

C. F. Iddings Funeral Is Largely Attended

The funeral of Charles Francis Iddings was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 from the residence. A large number being attended and the members of the Masonic lodge and the officers of the B. P. O. Elks attended in a body. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful, especially those presented by the Masonic order and the B. P. O. Elks.
 Rev. J. C. Christie delivered the funeral oration at the house and the Masonic order had charge of the services at the grave. The pall bearers were all members of the Knight's Templar, of which Mr. Iddings was a member. They were as follows: W. H. C. Woodhurst, W. W. Birge, John Bratt, J. J. Halligan, W. H. McDonald and F. W. Kincker. The Masonic order left the house in a body and marched to the cemetery and there took charge of the services and administered their rites. A large number of friends accompanied the body to cemetery, many of them from out of the city.

Attorney Leslie Baskins returned to the city Saturday evening with his bride. They have been sojourning in the east since their marriage two weeks ago but will now make their home here. Attorney Baskins will open a law office here, and as soon as the new Building & Loan building is finished he will take offices in it.

Phil Pizer, a merchant of Lowell, was visiting in the city Sunday with his uncle, Julius Pizer proprietor of The Leader.

City Attorney Keefe Files Complaint.

In pursuance to a resolution recently passed by the city council, City Attorney Keefe has filed a complaint with the Nebraska railway commission demanding that the Union Pacific be compelled to build a new depot at a cost of eighty thousand dollars.
 In the petition to the commission Attorney Keefe states that since 1869 the city of North Platte has struggled along with a little portion of a hotel as a depot. The depot was built in 1869 and, with the exception of some repairs, is still serving as a hotel, a portion being used for a waiting room, baggage room and ticket office.
 As proof of the allegation that the railroad company is no pauper the petitioner says the company has \$200,000,000 surplus and an additional \$82,000,000 derived from a forced sale of Southern Pacific stock and that a melon is soon to be cut by the directors. It is asserted that more than \$50,000 came into the treasury of the company in less than one month last fall because of passenger business which was the result of a government land drawing at North Platte.

The Bridal Veil.

The bridal veil is evidently of eastern origin, being a relic of the bridal canopy held over the heads of the bride and bridegroom. Among the Anglo-Saxons a similar custom existed, but if the bride was a widow it was dispensed with. According to Sarum usage, a fine linen cloth was laid upon the heads of the bride and bridegroom and was not removed until the benediction had been said. The old British custom was to use nature's veil unadorned—that is, the long hair of the bride, which was so worn by all brides, royal, noble and simple. Only then did every one behold the tresses of maidenhood in their entirety and for the last time, as after marriage they were neatly dressed on the head. Among some the tresses were cut and carefully stowed away on a woman becoming a wife. It was customary in Russia for village brides to shear their locks on returning from church.—Family Doctor.

Trees and the Soil.

The soil is a resource of priceless value. Its formation on rocks is exceedingly slow. According to Professor J. Bowman, many glacial scratches that were made on rock during the last glacial period, between 60,000 and 75,000 years ago, are still as fresh as if they had been made only yesterday. Yet since the glaciers thus recorded themselves man has come up from the cave and the stone hammer. Seventy thousand years is a very short time for the development of a soil cover. For man it means a period so great that the mind can hardly grasp it. The cutting off of the trees exposes the soil so that the rain beats upon it, and since it has lost the protection that the roots and the litter on the ground afforded the soil is soon washed away. In fifty years a single lumber merchant can deprive the race of soil that required 10,000 years to form.—Youth's Companion.

Premiums Upon Babies.

Augustus, emperor of Rome, made babies a passport to office. By the Lex Papia Poppaea, passed in A. D. 9, definite preference as regards office was given to the fathers of satisfactorily large families. Such fathers were eligible for office before twenty-five. They took precedence of colleagues with no children or fewer than three and were preferred all round. The privilege was called the "jus trium liberorum" (three children privilege), but the qualifying number, three in Rome, was four in Italy, five in the provinces. The system, however, never worked well.

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