

Mrs. George Rannie Dies.

Mrs. George H. Rannie died yesterday morning at her home 1020 Pine street, aged 23 years 6 months, 12 days. Death was due to pneumonia, and complications, from which she had been suffering for the past few weeks.

Mrs. Rannie was formerly Miss Dorothy Johnson and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson of this city. She was married to Mr. Rannie on February 3, 1911, and to this union were born two children. She leaves to mourn her death, her husband, two children, father and mother, two sisters Julia and Mary Johnson, and two brothers, Irving and Henry. She has been a member of the Lutheran church. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 from the Lutheran church, Rev. Harman officiating, and interment will be in the North Platte cemetery.

C. O. D. Cleaners and Dyers. Next door to the Ritner Hotel.

Mrs. Frank Martin will entertain the Degree of Honor social club Tuesday afternoon Feb. 17th.

Don't fail to see George and Vestine tonight and tomorrow night at the Empress. Comedy and Dancing.

Miss Nell Hartman, one of the teachers in the local schools, is reported sick with a severe attack of tonsillitis.

The literary department of the Twentieth Century Club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Skinner, Sixth and Locust.

Attorney A. A. Muldoon returned this morning from a short business trip to Broken Bow to look after some legal matters.

Christian Science service Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject "Soul." Sunday school at 12 m. K. P. hall, Dewey street.

Wanted—By man with family, place to work in country. Have boy old enough to make good hand. W. E. Hardwick, 1303 West Sixth St., North Platte, Neb.

Lutheran Sunday Services at 10:30, morning sermon subject, "The Worst of all Famines", Sunday School at 12 m; Luther League at 7:45 p. m. Evening at 7:30, subject of Sermon: "In the Light of the Burning Bush."

Loren Sturges, of Hastings, has been visiting his son and daughter in town and also looking after business affairs in Nebraska preparatory to removing the gulf coast section of Texas where he purchased land a couple of years ago.

Mrs. Charles Lamperts, of Seattle, Wash., arrived in the city yesterday morning for a visit of a few days with Mrs. L. E. Hastings and other friends. Mrs. Lamperts was formerly a resident of this city and was known here as Miss Jessie Ries.

For Rent—8 room modern house steel range, kitchen cabinet, linoleum on kitchen, pantry and bath room floor. Inquire of J. F. Roddy, 420 1/2 E. 3rd St. Phone Red 608.

Mrs. Ray C. Langford was hostess at two social functions this week, a Kensington Tuesday afternoon and a card party Thursday afternoon. At the former about sixty were present and at the latter sixty-five. Room decorations were carnations and sweet peas. An elaborate two course luncheon was served on each occasion.

The North Platte Laundry, the Laundry of Quality.

A meeting of the chamber of commerce was called for Wednesday evening in the office of the secretary, M. E. Crosby, for the purpose of discussing some important questions. There was not a quorum out and nothing definite was done. The men present discussed plans for another get-together meeting which will be held some time the latter part of the month and after short discussions of a few questions of minor importance closed the meeting. Full plans of the next get-together meeting will be announced later.

I have money on hand for a few choice loans of about \$1,000 to \$1,500. Either town or farm property. C. F. Temple.

Frank Palmer has been given the position of overseer by the Platte Valley Irrigation District's board, of the completion of the cement bridges, checks, drops, etc., which was contracted for by Lawler and Pierson last fall and which contract was dropped by the latter. We are informed the work is to be completed by day labor in place of letting a contract, and that work will be commenced as soon as the frost is out of the ground and the weather will permit.—Hershey Times.

Former Resident Dies at Grand Island

The body of John A. Dolson, who died Wednesday at Grand Island, was shipped here last evening for burial. Mr. Dolson was a resident of this city for a number of years and was eighty-five years and eleven months old at the time of his death. Death was due to Bright's disease and heart failure, from which he had been suffering for several years.

Mr. Dolson is the father of Wm. Dolson and Mrs. Schott, of this city and also of the late J. S. Dolson who died recently in Michigan. He has a number of friends here who will regret to learn of his death.

The funeral was held this morning at 10 o'clock from the Catholic church, Father McDavid officiating. The pall bearers were chosen from the G. A. R. and the Engineers, both of which organizations he was a member. They were as follows: J. S. Hoagland, John Evans, Ashley Peters, Ed. Rebhausen, James Flynn and John Bonner. Interment was made in the Catholic cemetery.

Letters Sent Without Postage.

Postmaster Davis has received word that letters and post and postal cards that are mailed without the postage prepaid can now be sent to the addresses and the postage collected at the other end. However, parcels and other matter cannot be sent unless at least a part of the postage is paid. In either case double the amount due will be collected from the addressee, that is, double postage will be charged on letters and cards and double the amount remaining due on parcels upon which part payment has been made. This applies only when letters have been mailed by mistake and if it is thought that the person mailed the letter without prepaying merely to get out of paying postage, they will not be taken. Heretofore when letters were mailed without postage the addressee was informed by card and they were required to return the card with the postage in a letter with a two-cent stamp. The expense to the addressee will remain the same, but the letters will be delivered to their destination in better time.

Presbyterian Church.

Next Sunday is "Men's-Go-To-Church" Sunday. All the men of the city are invited to attend some church on that day. Manhood is what the church exists for. Morning theme: "Character Decides Destiny." Evening theme: "The Influence of Habit in Forming Character." Sunday school at 10 a. m., Junior C. E. at 3 p. m., prayer service Wednesday evening, Boys Athletic Club Monday and Thursday. You are cordially invited.

Lost—Bunch of keys, a house key and two Yale keys on a buttonhook. Return to this office.

Counting by Knots.

It was the custom of the Aztecs to keep their accounts by means of strings. The numbers were indicated by knots. A single knot was ten, two single knots twenty, and so on. The hundreds were indicated by double knots. The color of the string indicated what the numbers referred to. Soldiers were red, gold yellow, silver white and corn green. This method is still in use on the sierras of the Argentina, where the herdsmen keep tale of their charges in a similar way. Several strands depend from one, the first of these strands being reserved for bulls, the next for cows, the milk and dry being differentiated; the next for sheep, and so on. Knots were probably among the first methods of man to record figures—the knot or the mark on a bit of stick. In the English hop gardens the tallyman (generally the local schoolmaster) goes around with the tally and its mark, and the most civilized Chicagoan still ties a knot in his handkerchief when he is asked "to be sure to remember."—Chicago News.

Tennyson and the Horse.

Tennyson once arrived at Lusitane station carrying a parcel of books, and as his own carriage had not arrived to meet him he was glad to accept the offer of a lift home. Going up the steep hill to Blackdown, Tennyson, with his characteristic consideration for animals, suggested that they and the books were too heavy for the pony to drag. The two men therefore got out and walked for some distance in front of the trap, until they discovered that the books had dropped out. The owner of the pony asked Tennyson to stand at the animal's head while he went back for the books. These he found a hundred yards or more down the hill, and on his return he found the pony had been restive, but had quickly become quiet. Knowing that it disliked strangers, he wondered how Mr. Tennyson had kept it quiet. What was his surprise to learn that the poet had managed the affair by holding a watch close to the animal's ear.

Local and Personal

The ladies of the Christian church will give an exchange tomorrow in the window of Howe & Maloney's store.

Mrs. Geo. Dent entertained the Study Club Monday evening with a chaffing dish demonstration at her home on west Fourth street. Mrs. Tout gave a good talk on "Intelligent Eating" and each member answered roll call by giving a good housekeeping suggestion. It was one of the most enjoyable meetings this season.

We have a full line of rugs of all descriptions and are putting them on sale at lower prices than you can buy them from Kansas City. This is the largest and most complete line of rugs that has ever been in the city before and the range of prices will suit any pocketbook. See us before you buy. Howe & Maloney.

Henry Weil of North Platte and a uncle of Mrs. Lew Peyton, have purchased the lots on Front street which for some time have been the property of M. A. Bonham and John Anderson. It appears that he contemplates the erection of a hotel building there if future conditions should warrant.—Sutherland Free Lance.

The North Platte Laundry, the Laundry of Quality.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Osceola returned home yesterday morning after a visit with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Goldsmith, residing eight miles southwest of the city. They came here to look at some land with the intention of buying and will probably move here in the near future.

The Greeting of Democracy.

The story that the Kaiser loves most to tell his intimates, declares Mr. William Armstrong in the Woman's Magazine, concerns the visit of his brother, Prince Henry of Prussia, to America. The incident happened just as the prince was landing at New York. Beside him on deck stood Admiral von Tirpitz. On the deck was a dense crowd. From its midst a stentorian voice called, "Henry, Henry!" The prince did not understand that the hail was meant for him until the admiral, smiling broadly, said, "Your royal highness. I think some one wants to speak to you."

Then Prince Henry looked over toward the human megaphone, who still continued to bawl out his name. Seeing that he had caught the royal gaze, the owner of the voice shouted, "How's Bill?"

Not Sam's Fault.

Sam Sneaker, the commissary man and held in the community to be a good churchman, annoyed the minister extremely by getting up and walking out of the church while the sermon was in progress. The preacher spoke to Sam about it. "It isn't my fault, doc," Sam protested. "It's a sort of affliction I got." The preacher told Sam he'd better see the camp doctor. A few days later the preacher met the doctor. "Did Sam Sneaker come to you for advice?" asked the preacher. "Yes," said the doctor, "but I told Sam I couldn't do anything for him."

"What was Sam's affliction?" "Affliction! He didn't say anything about that. Sam said he'd been troubling by walking in his sleep."—New York Post.

Militant Margaret.

Militant minded women were known in England before the suffragettes, one of whom lies in Henry VII's chapel—Margaret, countess of Richmond, its builder's mother, with her brass effigy by Torriciano. She hated the Turk and she made, as Camden reports, a sporting offer to the chivalrons of her day. "On the condition that princes of Christendom would combine themselves and march against the common enemy, the Turk, she would most willingly attend them and be their laundress in the camp." That position of laundress to the crusaders would have been an easy one, for it was the fashion to make vows to change no underclothing until the holy sepulcher was regained.—Chicago News.

Labor Saving Postman.

One of the sights to be remembered in Portugal, said the Rev. H. O. Fenelon, lecturing at the Royal Photographic society, was that of the postman delivering his letters among the congregation at church on Sunday, thereby saving himself many a weary walk.—Pall Mall Gazette.

The Word Improve.

Improve at first meant to rebuke, to condemn or disapprove. In the French it means precisely the opposite of the English word. Milton used it in the sense of increase. Only in the course of ages did it take on the present signification of bettering.

Unsociable.

Gabe-Smith is an unsociable cuss isn't he? Steve—Should say so. Why, that guy wouldn't even talk in his sleep.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Special Services At Baptist Church.

Monday night occurred the first of a series of special meetings which the church expects to hold during the month of February. There has been a splendid audience present for the first meetings and great interest has been manifested.

Singing is the special feature of this meeting. The local church has secured the services of Charles Gray, an evangelistic singer of ten years experience, to conduct this part of the service. He arrived Monday afternoon and took charge of the music and is doing the solo work. People who hear him have no hesitancy in saying that he is the best singer they have ever heard. He will conduct the large chorus which has been organized and will sing solos every night. The people of North Platte and vicinity are invited to attend these services and a hearty welcome is assured all who come. The meetings will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m. Everyone should plan to be present on time. Do not miss the inspiring song service.

A Meeting for Men Only.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock Rev. Chas. Gray the evangelist, will address a meeting for men only at the Baptist church on the subject: "A Real Man." This service will be of special interest to men. Mr. Gray has had a wide experience in dealing with men and has worked in many of the large rescue missions. At this service there will be special music. All men of the city and vicinity are invited and urged to be present.

For Rent—A six room house close in. Inquire G. Marsh 2003, 4th st.

The Royal Neighbors will hold their regular meeting at the K. P. hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. L. F. Cauffman was operated upon yesterday morning at her home on West Tenth street. The operation was performed by Dr. J. S. Twinem and the patient is getting along nicely.

New spring merchandise is daily arriving at The Tramp Dry Goods Dept.

Weather Forecast for North Platte and vicinity. Fair tonight and Saturday no important change in temperature. Moderate variable winds. Highest temperature yesterday 15, a year ago 3; lowest last night -2, a year ago 13.

For Rent—Second house west of the Federal building. Inquire at 122 W. Fifth street.

The members of the local Masonic lodge have issued invitations to all the members and their families to help celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of their temple on the evening of February 23. A fine program is being arranged and all are anticipating an interesting meeting.

Auto Hallucination.

Answering the question "Will you please explain how a person is lifted by four persons placing their index fingers under his shoulders and legs by means of slight lifting force at time of inhaling a long breath by each person and by the person about to be lifted?" Edgar Lucien Larkin in the New York American says:

"I have been asked this question many times. If a person actually has been lifted and those doing the lifting think that the 'law of gravity is partially suspended' then the lifters are under self hallucination or auto suggestion in so far as their impression of lifting is concerned. They actually lift far more than they think, but they will not admit this, as they are partially self hallucinated in the belief that the body of the person will rise. And if they really succeed in lifting the man two inches they think it a foot. Auto hallucination is a remarkable mental phenomenon and is now being studied by mentalists here and in Europe with minute care and research."

Foolishness of Betting.

Being firmly convinced that a certain contest would terminate in conformity with his opinions, a farmer in New York state wagered his new automobile against a wheelbarrow on the result of the contest in question—and lost. Giving up the property, he grudgingly trudged seven miles to his home. Probably his family noticed that he had a grouse too. Considered in the calm, clear, cold light of pure reason, the gentleman succeeded in proving himself a near relative to a California canary—otherwise known as a donkey. Had he won the bet the result would have been pretty much the same, for betting is not argument, evidence or proof of anything. It adds no force, power or dignity to any opinion or set of opinions. It is merely the outpouring of the gambling spirit, and that is a spirit that has led many a man to utter beggary who might have adorned a home and ornamented a community.—Detroit Free Press.

Local and Personal.

Novel Washing Machines at Hershey's, corner 5th and Locust streets.

George and Vestine this evening and tomorrow evening at The Empress in a Comedy and Dancing act.

H. E. Worrell, of Sutherland, was a business visitor in this city this morning, calling at the court house on some legal business.

The hearing of M. E. Shull was held yesterday afternoon before United States Commissioner O. E. Elder and the case was continued until March 4.

Rev. Ives, of Ogalala, was visiting in the city yesterday with Dean Bowker to arrange for the Deany meeting which will be held at Ogalala next week.

The W. C. T. U. will give a "Francis E. Willard Memorial" program at the home of Mrs. A. P. Kelly 705 W. Second St. on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 17th at 3 o'clock.

The Catholic Girls' club will be entertained this evening by Miss Pearl Howland at the home of Mrs. A. A. Schatz.

M. E. Conway of Chillicothe, Mo. arrived in the city this morning to appear in the Conway estate matter that will be heard this afternoon in the county court.

John Headbird, an old resident of the Paxton vicinity, died at his home there yesterday morning, aged 76 years. Undertaker Maloney went up from here to look after the body, which was shipped yesterday to the former home in De fiance, Ia., where the funeral will be held.

Rexall

REMEDIES, TOILET ARTICLES, CANDIES
No matter what
No matter when
If you get Rexall
IT'S RIGHT.
SCHILLER & CO., Cor 6th and Dewey

European Nostalgia For West Africa.

There is a wonderful charm about West Africa, says Major Treemearne in "Some Austral-African Notes and Anecdotes," which few Europeans can throw off. Then he tells of a man who, after living for ten consecutive years in a lonely part of southern Nigeria, made up his mind to have a trip home and sailed away in splendid spirits.

The Gold Coast ports were part of West Africa, and so he managed to make himself fairly at home while there, though the life on board ship was already beginning to bore him, and he wished that he had never left Nigeria. Sierra Leone he did not like at all, as it was not the West Africa which appealed to him, and he began to long for his home in the bush. After leaving that port and with no sight of land to cheer him he became desperate, and on arrival at Las Palmas he declared: "I shall go no farther. I must return at once. I have had quite enough of Europe."

Open Windows at Night.

It is difficult to get doctors to agree and to agree with the patient listener. For years I had been a slave to the open window, the fresh air at night. That doctrine of the open bedroom window was my obsession, but recently doubt crept in. By accident the bedroom window had been closed, and I slept peacefully and woke refreshed in a closed room. There was no ventilation of the official medical variety. To a medical journalist I put the problem of the window at night, and to my astonishment, he told me that I am an animal when I sleep and do not want fresh air at all.

"Look at the animals! When they sleep they choose the stuffiest nooks they can find, and they know what is best for them. Shut your bedroom windows at night and open them in the morning." And when I reflected on the dormouse and the dog I am encouraged to tuck my nose with the other animals.—London Chronicle.

An Old Caddie's Retort.

He is an old caddie on an east coast course, and being a noted figure on the links he endeavors as far as possible to caddie only for thoroughly efficient golfers. Occasionally, however, he finds himself accompanying a "fozler," and on these occasions his dignity is injured.

One day recently he found himself caddying to an old gentleman who was out, clearly, more for exercise than for the love of the game and who was playing shocking golf.

By the time the twelfth hole was reached he had been in most of the bunkers on route and had succeeded in breaking a club. "I think I shall give up this hole," he remarked at last to his indignant caddie. "Na, na," retorted the old worthy bitterly; "teenish the course, sir—foenish the course. Ye've gotten other four clubs to smash yet an' nine bunkers the due it in!"—Glasgow News.

MILLINERY

Notice to the Hat Buying Public.

We are opening an exclusive hat shop in the city of North Platte and will display about March 1st, an exhibit of the most charming and original models to be found in the eastern markets. We assure our patrons the best in style, quality and workmanship, also the most courteous treatment. We respectfully ask a share of your patronage. Location 3 doors East of the First National Bank. Watch for our opening announcement.

McVicker's Millinery.

The Poet's Banknotes.

In "The Tragedy of Isabella II." it is said that the unfortunate Spanish queen, blessed with generous impulses, was exceedingly charitable. Unfortunately she had no notion of the value of money and would want to give away sums out of all proportion to the occasion. Once the queen had commanded a large grant in aid to a man of letters, and the steward, in order to give her a just idea of its magnitude, decided to present the donation in the form of many banknotes of small value—enough of them to paper the walls of the boudoir. Isabella was startled—she would never have believed, she said, that there were so many banknotes in the world. "But no matter," she concluded. "Since banknotes are so easy to get, it is quite proper to send the poor poet plenty of them."

Realistic Dream.

A Hanover college professor was annoyed by the pranks of a freshman in his classes. He resolved that if that individual would not reform he would "kick" him out of the class.

The other morning the professor was seen coming to college with a slight limp in his gait. He was met by a brother member of the faculty and asked why he was limping.

"I dreamed last night that I was 'kicking'—out of one of my classes, and when I woke up this morning I found that I had a very sore toe. I must have struck the bedpost!"—Indianapolis News.

Deeds and Mortgages.

Lord Barrenhurst—You must bear in mind, Gwendolen, that we of the nobility must do nothing unworthy of the deeds of our noble ancestors. Lady Barrenhurst (nee Gotrox of New York)—Deeds of your ancestors? Indeed! How'd you live if it wasn't for the mortgages of mine?—Puck.

Milk In Naples.

In Naples the cows and goats are led through the streets and milked at the doors of the houses. People lower their cans by a string from the upper windows; the animals are milked into the cans, which are then hauled up again.

Too True.

"Our washerwoman says it's funny about colors in dress goods."
"What's funny about them?"
"That folks call 'em fast when they won't run."—Baltimore American.

Widows In Korea.

Widows in Korea never remarry, no matter how young they may be. Even though they had been married only a month they must not take a second husband.

F. J. DIENER & CO.

Real Estate & Insurance.
Come and see us for town lots in different parts of the city. Good investments on easy terms. Houses for sale and rent. We have also good bargains in farms and ranches. Cor. Front and Dewey Sts., upstairs.

FARM LOANS

Plenty of Money to Loan on Farms and Ranches. Rates and Terms Reasonable.

Buchanan & Patterson.

DOLLARS

Can Be Made By Reading This Ad.
Ranges Cook Stoves \$3.50 to \$35
Bed-springs and Mattresses complete \$5
Dressers and Commode \$5 to \$15.
We furnish a 5 room house for \$75
Cash or payments, new Sewing machines to rent \$1.50 per month, sell at \$20.

Furnished houses and rooms for rent. Top prices for metal, rubber and iron.

Come and look the goods over.

Echelbery,
600 Locust Street.