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Will Develop the Birdwood Water Power

Mr. F. H. Davis of Omaha is visiting North Platte today. He has many friends among our well-known citizens, some of whom he has known for many years. He is one of the men who are willing to back their judgment as to the future growth of the city with their money invested in our industrial enterprises. He is largely interested in the North Platte Electric Company.

Today a reporter found Mr. Davis in the company's office here in consultation with the officials of the company. He expressed himself as being well satisfied with North Platte's prospects, the best evidence of which is his willingness to put money in its public utilities.

"There is one thing in this connection that we have said very little about, but it has an important bearing upon the issues raised by the pending ordinance. It is this: 'The men who are behind this measure have in view the development of the Birdwood water power, and,' said Mr. Davis, 'if the people of North Platte will show their confidence in them at the coming election by their approval of the ordinance, it is proposed at an early date to send out a corps of engineers to investigate thoroughly the Birdwood proposition, a partial report on the subject having already been received.'

"This project alone, involving as it does not only cheap power for North Platte, would furnish a large surplus for pumping water upon the rich land of the Platte valley, and would of itself more than double the population of North Platte in the next ten years. Engineers who have looked into the matter say that there are thousands of acres of rich, irrigable lands that can be made to yield abundant crops, lying between Birdwood and the city of North Platte, that can be reached only by a system of pumping. Thus it will be seen that the proposed enlarged steam plant in North Platte would be a proper auxiliary to the water power on the Birdwood.

"They tell me that North Platte is making some progress from year to year as a manufacturing center. With a water power generating electricity for running motors in numerous factories in North Platte the fuel question would be solved. The number of factories would multiply because of the low cost of power. The present electric plant has done a little for the town in that direction, but a large installation is required for greater results. This is true of many other progressive cities. For instance, a close investigation of the situation in Omaha would disclose the fact that there are hundreds of factories in giving employment to thousands of people, power for which is furnished by the local electric plant; and that no one factor has done so much for the development and growth of Omaha as has low rates for power furnished by the privately owned electric plant of that city.

"As an illustration," continued Mr. Davis, "suppose a man should want to start a planing mill or a creamery, employing fifteen or twenty men in North Platte. His investment could be

made profitable if he had an opportunity to operate by the electricity at the low rates the North Platte Electric Company would gladly name for the day load when the demands upon the equipment are light. There is much in this problem that is not generally known by men who have not fully investigated. If, for instance, if the city of North Platte, in years to come, should decide to install a municipal plant for lighting the streets and a small portion of the residences, you could have well lighted thoroughfares, but unless a very large investment should be made, such as municipalities usually and very wisely shy away from, there would be nothing for the up-building of the industries which are the very life and sinew of a city. There is a large area west of this city which is now profitably producing a considerable quantity of grain. With cheap power North Platte could support flouring, feed and alfalfa mills, giving employment to hundreds of men. Other lines of manufacturing would surely follow. Depending upon gasoline engines or steam plants, at heavy expense, with the high cost of fuel prevailing in this part of the state, none of this development can be looked for. In my opinion the people will soon be alive to the advantages of cheap power and the many uses of electricity.'

Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Langlois who were married last week, left last night for Lincoln, where they will make their future home.

The smartest dresses for ladies in crepes and silks, at very low prices, are now shown at The Leader.

Mac Westfall, of Lead, S. D., has been visiting friends in town this week and will remain over Sunday. He says he is getting along nicely at Lead.

August Hazenkamp, a former North Platte resident, has been appointed postmaster at Laramie. He went to Laramie about fifteen years ago and engaged in business and has been successful.

Free Doll Patterns are being given away at The Tramp Dry Goods Dept., but the children must be accompanied by their mothers.

E. T. Tramp & Son.

Mrs. H. S. White entertained Monday evening at her home. Twelve guests were present and a four course dinner was served. Miss Dorothy Hinman and Helen Gleason assisted in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. Herdrich of Long Beach, Calif., arrived in the city this week for a visit of several days to look after their land interests out near Jack Morrow Flatts. Mrs. Herdrich is a sister of Mrs. Cary A. Plant, who was an old resident of Lincoln county.

Children's Coats, age 2 to 16, just arrived at The Leader.

District Secretary Shoemaker, of the civil service commission, is in town today. He came here to hold an examination, but the necessary blanks had not arrived from Washington and the examination could not be held. Misses Minnie Lowe, Elsie Langford and Lillian Sturges had intended taking the examination for stenographer.

Hendy & Ogier report the sale of a Ford car to Mrs. Warren Kelly this week.

Attorney J. G. Beeler left this morning for Sutherland to look after some legal business.

Morris Fowler returned this morning from Grand Island where he spent a few days visiting friends and looking after matters of business.

Weather forecast: Unsettled with probably rain tonight or Saturday. Not much change in temperature. Highest temperature yesterday 50, a year ago 24; lowest last night 32, a year ago 12.

Mrs. Homer Huff is reported convalescing nicely from her illness. She has been confined at the P. & S. hospital for some time taking medical treatment.

The finest line of Dress Skirts, from \$5 up, just arrived at The Leader.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Payne of the Stapleton vicinity, arrived in the city this morning to visit their sons who are attending local high school. Mr. Payne announces that as soon as school is out they will leave for a year's visit in the west and that they may decide to locate there.

Special for Saturday, March 28th. Ruching 19c per yard. Now is the time to get your ruching—for Saturday only.

E. T. Tramp & Son.

George Razes and Miss Irene Arnold were married yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the office of the county judge. The groom is a young man twenty-one years of age and recently purchased the Majestic shining parlors in the McCabe building. The bride is only seventeen. The couple was attended by the bride's mother. They will make their home in this city.

One lot of ladies' Queen Quality shoes, broken sizes, in tan and black, lace and button, worth up to \$4.50, your choice at \$2.39 at The Leader.

The Senior girls and the faculty team met again last evening at the Lloyd opera house for a second clash for basketball supremacy. The final score was 7 to 6 in favor of the faculty. The game was close and hard fought and at no time did either side have any great lead. They played the same lineup as Tuesday evening with addition of Fay Elder as second center for the Seniors and Esther Elder the faculty.

Confirmation Dresses, all sizes, very handsome styles, are now shown at The Leader.

Walla Walla lodge No. 56, I. O. O. F. held an exceptionally interesting meeting last evening at their hall. Ninety-two members were present and seven new candidates were taken into the order and given degree work. At the close of the evening's work a nice supper was served to the members. One of the most interesting features of the entertainment was an address given by Fred J. Warren of Omaha, formerly of this city.

Notice.

The Eastern Star will hold a special meeting for initiation Tuesday evening, March 31st. All members and visiting members are urged to be present. Hattie Rineker, Worthy Matron. Anna Hosler, Secretary.

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The literary department of the Twentieth century club will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. John Voseipka, 215 So. Ash.

The Royal Neighbors will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Cobagen, 403 East B street. A ten-cent lunch will be served. Everyone invited.

Onion sets 10 and 12 1/2 cents per quart at Baldoek & Son.

Dr. Gainsfort, of Ogallala, was in the city yesterday looking after business matters and called at the office of Dr. W. F. Crook for a visit. He is contemplating buying a new Buick car.

Miss Elva Day arrived in the city yesterday from Sheridan, Wyo., and will remain here.

Attorney E. H. Evans was a business visitor to Tryon Wednesday to look after some legal matters.

Order a Domestic vacuum cleaner before spring house cleaning time. Mrs. M. V. Mitchell, Phone Red 104.

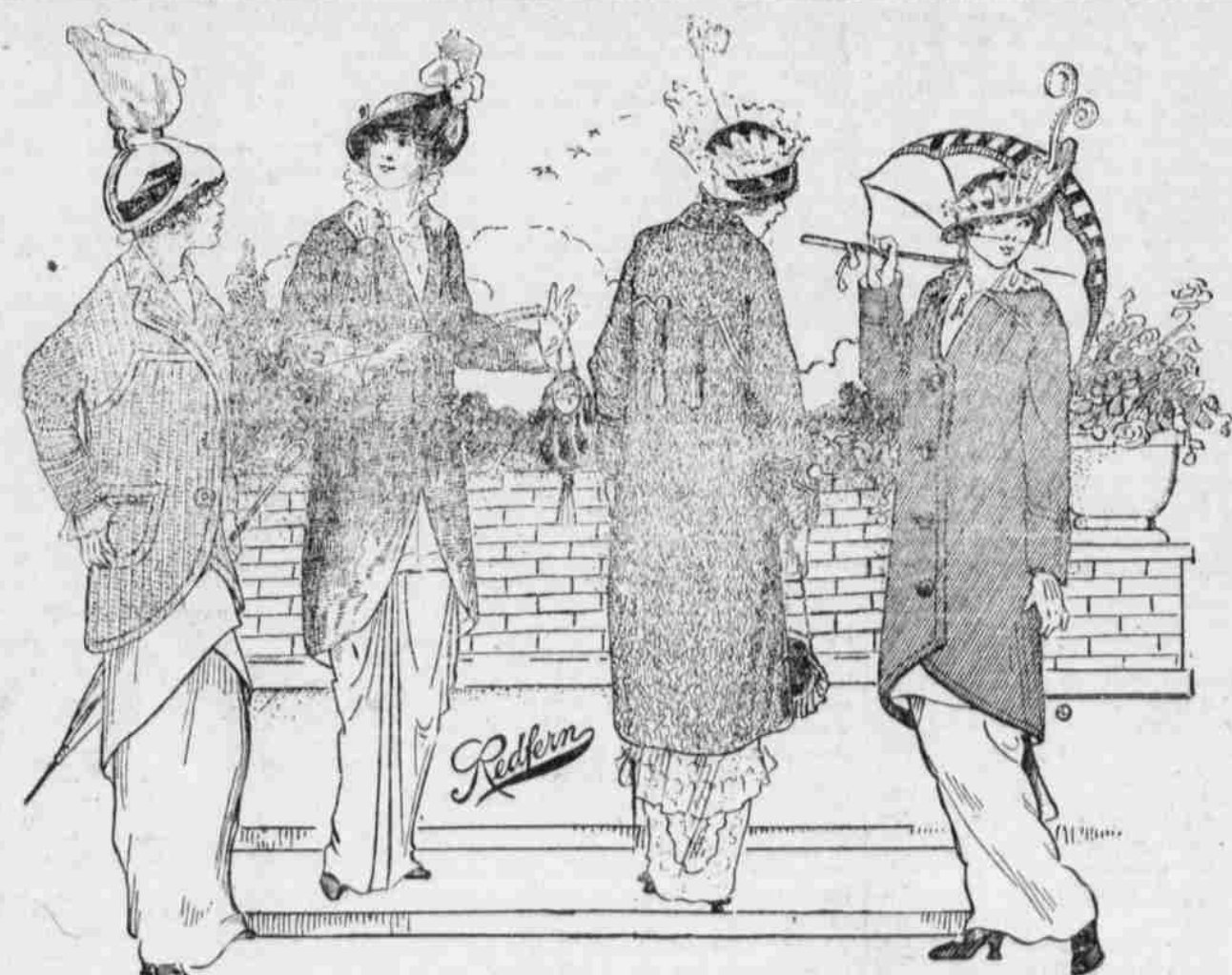
Dell Bonner expects to return to Lincoln today to resume his work at the university school of music. He has been visiting his relatives and friends in the city for the past few days.

The Missionary department of the Twentieth century club will meet tomorrow afternoon Mrs. J. W. Payne.

George Mudd, of Hershey, has his right arm in a sling, the result of having broken a bone in the elbow last Sunday while working with a colt.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the many friends for their kindness during the sickness and death of our beloved wife and mother; also for the floral offerings. William M. Wray and Son.



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The Leader - - Julius Pizer

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