

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. F. W. Herminghausen is spending a few days at Bridgeport this week.

Miss Elva Day began work as saleslady in the Rincker Book & Drug store yesterday morning.

Mrs. Guy Swope entertained the members of the Episcopal guild yesterday afternoon.

For Sale—Hard coal stove in good condition cheap. Phone Red 537. 93-3

Mrs. William Pell was taken to the Brown Memorial Hospital for treatment the first of this week.

The Presbyterian aid society were entertained yesterday afternoon in the basement of the church by Mesdames Iddings, Hollman and Snyder.

Mrs. Arthur Hoagland, who has been ill at the City Hospital for several weeks, is reported reatly improved and will return home this week.

For Rent—After January 1st furnished room suitable for lady or gentleman, strictly modern. Phone Red 537.

The case of Cooper vs. Robb for medical attention which was on the district court docket this week was settled out of court Wednesday evening.

Word was received yesterday morning of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Cackle of this city at the home of Mrs. Cackle's parents at Kansas City.

Mrs. William Stack, Sr., assisted by Mesdames Hahler and Hubbard entertained the Catholic ladies at the Stack home yesterday. A neat sum was netted from plate lunches.

Any diamond ring bought of us can be exchanged at the purchase price for a larger one.

CLINTON, The Jeweler.

Dr. Farrell, of Wallace, who was arraigned in district court this week for selling liquor without a license, plead guilty Wednesday afternoon and was fined one hundred dollars and costs, the total amounting to one hundred and twenty-three dollars.

Mrs. Richi Ugal is taking treatments at the North Platte General hospital.

The Indian card club was the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Clabaugh Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. M. K. Neville was awarded the silver fork for the highest scores and Miss Minnie Scanman won second prize. Assisting tag hostess was Mesdames C. A. Weir, C. R. Morey, and Fred Waltemath. Miss Callie Tenk, of Los Angeles, was an out-of-town guest.

W. T. Green returned Wednesday morning from Omaha where he spent a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Walker went to Sutherland Wednesday morning to spend a few days.

A baby girl was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zimmerman who live west of town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Vanderhoof began housekeeping in rooms over the Star Clothing house last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Spurrer, who have resided in Hamilton, Idaho, for four years, have returned here and will locate on the Spurrer farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller of Hershey, are spending this week with the latter's sister, Mrs. O. W. Sizemore.

For Sale—Choice Registered Hereford Bulls, one and two years old, at reasonable prices. E. Soderman, 11 1/2 miles southeast of North Platte. \$914*

In the high school cadet dress parade drill Wednesday afternoon the gold medal was awarded to Paul Marti.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Robinson died Tuesday evening after a short illness. The funeral was held Wednesday.

Jack Crowe, formerly of the Rebhause barbershop, who has been located in Cozad for several weeks, is visiting in town today.

The Mothers' Club was the guests of Mrs. W. J. Stuart Wednesday afternoon. Dainty refreshments were enjoyed late in the afternoon.

Mrs. Glen Ferguson pleasantly entertained the members of the Et-A-Virp club Tuesday afternoon. Nice refreshments were served.

Joseph Stone and son left last evening for Omaha where they were called by the death of Mrs. Stone's father. Mrs. Stone has been there for some time. The funeral will be held this afternoon.

Mrs. Norman Edwards and children of Brady, came yesterday morning to visit her mother Mrs. W. T. Banks.

Conductor Ed Layton will resume work in a short time. He recently submitted to an operation in Omaha and is getting along nicely.

Postmaster Davis says that the near approach of Christmas is noticeable by the increase in the parcel post business. There are at least a few people who believe in not waiting until the last few days to send out their packages.

Following is the menu which will be served at the Christian church basement Monday, December 13th, from 11:30 to 1:30: Celery soup, roast beef and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, escalloped oysters, creamed onions, baked beans, cabbage salad, baked apples with whipped cream, coffee. Price 30 cents.

The Ford cars are being put to a new use in Deuel county, that of running down coyotes. By this means George Hewitt, of Chappell, secured one of these swift footed animals and the following day nabbed three more. The possibilities of the Ford car is becoming more apparent each day. (This is written without the knowledge of Bill Hendy.)

A local business man has under advisement the opening of a small factory for canning corn, peas and tomatoes. His plan is to start on a scale sufficient to supply the demands of North Platte and adjacent towns, and the territory covered by the North River railroad. In case he fails to secure the necessary acreage of vegetables among the farmers his plan is to lease sufficient land and grow enough to keep the factory running during the season.

The committee consisting of W. H. McDonald, Henry Waltemath and City Engineer McNamara who inspected street paving in Nebraska towns, are pretty well satisfied with the material and method used in the Kearney pavements. This method is concrete base, covered with sufficient sand to set the brick with asphalt filler between the brick. The contractor at Kearney is giving that city excellent work, and the citizens are highly pleased.

At a meeting of the Royal Neighbors held Wednesday afternoon the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Everett York; vice-president, Mrs. C. A. Moore; chancellor, Mrs. Jos. Koontz; marshal, Mrs. Albert Able; recorder, Miss Irene Schott; receiver, Mrs. A. A. Elliott; inner sentinel, Mrs. I. Stebbins; outer sentinel, Mrs. L. Jones; physicians, Drs. Ames and Lucas.

The Steckelberg Quartet gave its initial program in Lincoln last week. A Lincoln paper in comment says: "The audience was enthusiastic; the performance of the players called forth the highest praise, and the unity of the playing as well as the tonal beauty was very pronounced." This organization expects to give two more programs. Its members are Carl Frederic Steckelberg, Adelbert Bonner, Harry Duboff and Miriam Little.

APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The Same Old Problem of "What Shall I Give Him for Christmas" is due to loom up again about now! It is the same difficult question that presents itself at every recurrence of the Christmas Season.

We're in Holiday attire and have the sort of things a Man buys for himself and appreciates most. We can, also, fill the Boy's Stocking as satisfactorily as the Man's.

A FEW SUGGESTIONS!

OVERCOAT	SHIRTS	HOSIERY	COLLARS
RAIN COAT	BATH ROBE	UNDERWEAR	CAPS
SUIT	NECKWEAR	SUSPENDERS	HAT
SMOKING JACKET	GLOVES	HANDKERCHIEFS	SUIT CASE
MACKINAW	SWEATER	MUFFLER	GRIP
SLIPPERS	JERSEY	SHOES	TRUNK
MOCASSINS	PAJAMAS	AUTO ROBE	TOQUE

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are the biggest bargains that have ever been offered in North Platte. Then, again, the prices we have placed on Ladies' Coats, they are just as attractive---

You can buy a \$12 Coat for \$7.98, or a \$17.50 Coat for \$12.48, or a \$25.00 Coat for \$16.48

Remember we are offering all other ready-to-wear garments at a discount of **Twenty Per Cent.** Alterations free. THESE PRICES ARE FOR CASH.

The Leader - Julius Pizer.

Mrs. J. Walter Adams is reported to be quite ill at her home on west Fifth street.

Walter Adams, Jr., of Omaha, arrived here last evening to visit his parents for a week or more. Mr. Adams is a female impersonator and has been filling an engagement in New York city for several months.

The literature department of the Twentieth Century club will meet with Mrs. S. M. Souder, 520 south Pine street, Tuesday afternoon, December 14th. Mrs. I. E. Stebbins, leader.

Frank Coates, of Sutherland, visited his brother Elmer Coates yesterday while enroute home from Omaha.

Col. Maurice Fowler, of Grand Island, will ship out today a car of mules which he purchased in the section tributary to town. The Colonel says the demand for good horses and mules is fairly active, but not much doing in poor stock.

British troops in the Balkans made two retreats this week, one on Tuesday and one on Wednesday.

The boom town of Hopewell, Va., founded by the Dupont Powder Co., and having a population of 25,000, was practically wiped out of existence yesterday by fire.

Dr. Von Bethman-Hellweg pronounces as false the reports that Germany is seeking peace. He says the entente powers are circulating these reports in order to cover up their military failures.

Joseph Reinach, the French political writer, says that eventually there will be a conflict between Germany and the United States. He says "it is for America to decide whether to let Germany choose the hour or choose it itself."

Better Stay at Home.

A married man may better stay at home in the evening and agree with his wife's opinions than go uptown and me-too to all the fool theories men advance.—Toledo Blade.

Doing is the great thing, for if resolutely people do what is right in time they come to like doing it.—Ruskin.

Thugs of India.

Among the countless varieties of criminal which infest the large cities you are doubtless familiar with the one commonly designated by the name "thug," a ruffian who would stab a person in the back for a few cents. The name "thug" is derived from the old religious order that flourished in India unmolested up to about 1836. Thuggee was practiced by religious fanatics, whose creed prohibited the shedding of blood. Any human sacrifice which might be offered to the goddess Kall must be slain without the breaking of the skin or the appearance of one bloodstain. Usually the thugs masqueraded as pilgrims or peddlers, got the confidence of their victims and then strangled them by means of a rope, a handkerchief or an unwound turban. They were then buried in shallow graves, dug with a consecrated pickax, and a third of the plunder was laid on the altar of Kall, their barbaric deity.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Taking an Impression.

The original point of view of Stephen Hawes, the English painter, is seen in the following fable, which was included in a letter to a friend:

The artist peeped into a window of a room where a retired merchant sat, doing a jigsaw puzzle.

"Whose is that strange face?" the merchant asked anxiously.

"I saw no one," his wife said.

"I did. I saw a strange face distinctly—but before he reached the window the artist was gone.

"Do you think it was a burglar?" his wife said.

"We will see if he has taken anything."

Investigation showed that nothing was missing, but the artist had taken away an impression which he sold to that particular merchant for £100.—Kansas City Times.

The Penetrating Stare.

Can a stare be felt? A woman who has conducted many experiments says it can, that "no matter how deep her absorption, the stare at her back will always disturb her. All girls feel a stare." Dr. Coover, "a psychologist," says a stare is not felt and that he has tested it a thousand times. It is probably all imagination on the part of the woman, for it is easy in such cases for what one imagines to become real to her. Where she passes a man, and he stares at her, she can doubtless feel that stare a block away, for it will take awhile for the impression of a stare to pass away. Stares are no doubt a great annoyance to women, but there is no way to prohibit them. The only way to do to abolish the stare is for women to dress simply and go modestly about their business.—Ohio State Journal.



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