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### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Miss Edna Sullivan, the husling local reporter for The Tribune, has been confined to the house for a week with a carbuncle on the back of her neck, which is extremely painful.

Word comes from Francis Palmer, south of Sutherland, that he snared a coyote from a bunch of nine. Last week this same bunch attacked and killed a horse for one of his neighbors.—Herald Times.

Wylie Walker, of North Platte, is in town tuning pianos this week and there is quite an epidemic of sick pianos in this county. He is having great success in getting them straightened out.—Ogallala News.

Ossie McClellan was one of the first South side farmers to get his corn out. He got 3100 bushels from 70 acres, 35 acres going 51 bushels per acre. His corn is all good quality and he has shelled and hauled 1600 bushels to market at 52 and 53 cents.—Gothenburg Independent.

The bazaar the Methodist ladies held at Howe & Maloney's store Saturday proved to be a success and we wish to thank the public for their patronage. The receipts for the day amounted to \$150.00. COMMITTEE.

A letter received from California states that Miss W. E. Hess, formerly of this city, who suffered two paralytic strokes some time ago, shows some improvement. Following the strokes Miss Hess lost the power of speech, but this has now been overcome and she talks quite well.

Ruth Phillips, who was taken to North Platte last week for examination under the X-ray to locate a pin she had swallowed, was taken on to Omaha for an operation to remove the pin which was located low in her throat. Her father and grandmother, Mrs. Funk, also Dr. Mills accompanied her. The operation was successfully performed and Mr. Phillips and the doctor came home Friday. Mrs. Funk and Ruth coming on Monday.—Maywood Reporter.

### ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED FOR MUNICIPAL TREE.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the municipal Christmas tree next Friday evening announce that practically everything is in readiness. Great interest in this event is being evinced, as is evidenced by the unsolicited donations that are being made, and it is probable that if the weather is fair practically the entire populace will turn out to witness the festivities.

The tree will be erected in the court house park just east of the band stand, and through the courtesy of the electric light company, it will be lighted electrically, with a big star surmounting the top. Over one thousand cornucopias filled with candy will be prepared and distributed to the children present; Prof. Garjichs has organized a childrens chorus to render Christmas hymns, and several members of the orchestra will play accompaniment to these hymns.

Let all aim to be present and by their presence give evidence of their approval of the municipal Christmas tree idea; and from the rather humble beginning this year, make it better and greater each succeeding year.

### Rushing Work on Street Lights.

The electric light company is well along with the work of changing the street lighting system and expects to have it completed and ready for service by February first. The poles which have been standing at the edge of the curb on Dewey street have been moved back of the line of buildings and are thus not exposed to view in looking up or down the street. The lights are also being hung across Dewey street, one at each street intersection and one at each alley space. These lights will be 250 candle power. This is 150 less candle power than the present lights, but as there are twice as many of the new lights, the street will be better lighted. On the new lights the hoods are supported on the current wire, thus doing away with the extra wires supporting the hood, as in the present system.

A ladies' auxiliary to Harry E. Brown Camp, United Spanish War Veterans was partially organized Saturday by the election of Mrs. Will Eshleman president. Other officers will be elected at a meeting to be held in the near future.

Chas. Hupfer and Claude Peters, who are attending school at Atchison, Kan., will arrive home Thursday to spend the Christmas vacation.

### CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE BY SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday schools of the different churches will have Christmas observances this week, and the scholars, especially the younger ones, are anticipating a joyous time.

The north and south side Episcopal schools will join in a festival at the church Thursday evening. A program of songs and recitations will be rendered in the auditorium and later adjournment taken to the basement where gifts will be distributed from a tree and games played.

The Lutheran Sunday school will have its celebration at the church Christmas evening. There will be a tree loaded with gifts for the children, and a program of songs and recitations will be rendered by the members of the school.

Thursday evening the Methodist Sunday school will have a "give Christmas." Each class has prepared gifts for the seventy or more inmates of the Methodist orphanage at York. These gifts will be taken to the church, boxed and forwarded to the orphanage so as to reach there Christmas day. There will also be a distribution of gifts to the scholars, some of whom will be costumed to represent different personages.

Thursday evening at 7:30 the Baptist Sunday school give a cantata entitled "Sata Claus in Slumberland." This is a very pretty composition and promises to be well rendered.

The Presbyterian school will hold its celebration Thursday evening. An entertaining program, in charge of Mrs. Herbert Baker has been prepared and will be rendered by the scholars.

The big Sunday school of the Christian church, with the exception of the primary class, will observe Christmas as a season of giving rather than receiving. Thursday afternoon the primary class will be given treats at the church, the other classes will take their gifts and cash donations to the church the same afternoon. The cash will go to the ministerial fund, the gifts to the poor of the city.

### Christmas Suggestions.

A box of cigars, we have them in prices 50c and up. Also a full line of pipes. Phone Black 172 and we will deliver them.

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Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Parker, of Rawlins, Wyoming, will arrive Friday to spend Christmas visiting Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Lowe, Sr.



## Christmas, 1915, is Just Around the Corner.

With it will come the pleasures of exchanging gifts with those who are near and dear to us. Fortunate are the folks who are able to give freely, on account of their foresight in planning some time ago to meet this expense.

The question of money is quite apt to mar the joys of Christmas giving. This problem can be easily solved for next year, however, by everyone who will take out a membership card for this purpose now, in the

## Thrift Christmas Club

This club is one feature of the Service offered the people of this city by the Thrift Department of this Bank. The purpose of this Department is to give organized assistance in the solving of all financial problems.

The Christmas Money Problem is common to all—old and young, rich and poor. It does not matter how much you wish to save for Christmas. There are so many plans available that you will find one to suit your needs.

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For the best model \$2, second best \$1, for the next five best 50c each, for the next ten 25c each, for the next twenty 10c each.

The exhibitors can, if they wish, have their models photographed and compete for the \$3000 worth of prizes offered by the manufacturers of the Erector Sets.

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# C. M. Newton

### Presents Harness to Fire Losers.

To Whom it May Concern:  
We the unfortunate patrons of the Julius Mogensen North Side Barn of North Platte, Nebraska, who sustained losses on account of having horses and other property in the barn when it burned, desire to express our appreciation of the kind act of Julius Mogensen in purchasing each of us a set of harness, which he has this day done from A. F. Fink the harness dealer of North Platte, who has sold the harness to Mr. Mogensen at nearly cost to help contribute towards the loss.

We also wish to express our thanks to the people of North Platte, who contributed towards the loss when the subscription lists were circulated after the fire which was paid to some of the unfortunate ones.

The action of Mr. Mogensen in making the donation to us of the harness is certainly very kind and shows his generosity, especially since he sustained a heavy loss over and above the insurance he carried which was paid in full, as he carried light insurance considering what he lost.

Signed:  
C. F. SIVITS,  
GEORGE SIVITS,  
W. A. STODDARD,  
W. H. HAMM,  
O. H. HAMM,  
ALONZO JIVIDEN.

### Electricity In Toyland

It is only recently that electricity began to play a conspicuous part in the Christmas holiday. Of all the electric toys the little trolley car is one of the best. It gets its power from the lighting circuit and will run on its circular track quite well, as well as its big cousin runs in the city streets. Toy motors and generators to run toy machinery are especially interesting to boys. For girls modern doll houses are illuminated with tiny electric lamps.

This year Santa Claus will have in his pack a new toy for little girls, a miniature electric range. It is a complete practical range that cooks and bakes perfectly, the very thing for which little girls have longed with all their hearts. It is a safe plaything for children, and when using it they not only occupy themselves happily, but they actually learn to cook. There is a complete set of utensils furnished free, with a cookbook for children written so simply that they can understand it without difficulty. This small range is fifteen inches high, with six burners and a practical little oven.

### Christmastide.

Christmastide is a time of cold, Of weather bleak and of winds ablow. Never a flower, told on fold Of grace and beauty, tops the snow Or breaks the bleak and bitter mold.

And yet 'tis warm, for the chill and gloom Glow in love and with childhood's glee; And yet 'tis sweet with the rich perfume Of sacrifice and charity. Where are flowers more fair to see?

Christmastide! It is warm and sweet, A whole world's heart at a baby's feet. —Wide Awake.

### Two Yuletide Sentiments

Your kindness to a poor old lonely widow, or to a child without any one left to love him, your posy of flowers taken with your love to some one who is ill, your letter of kindly thought to parents who have just lost their darling daughter, your words of cheerful greeting to a tired serving maid, your honest hearted attempt to make things easier for mother at home—Christ said he would reckon these as gifts to himself.—Rev. Bernard J. Snell.

Christmas again, with its peace and good will and wonder! How our friends multiply and increase in value as the day of days draws near! How the touch of human hands thrills us and the look in human eyes! To our surprise we are not ashamed to be good, to be kind, to be loving. For this little space out of the long, selfish year we are glad to be ourselves. We give freely of our love; we offer our labor without price, and we speak kindly words that are rarer far than rubies. Once more we take courage and let our hearts have their way, and life laughs and is glad. When Christmas comes the world suddenly grows better, sin less lovely and heaven nearer—and all because a little boy was born in Bethlehem. Perhaps—who knows—we might carry with us throughout the year the joy of this Christmas living.—Edwin Osgood Grover.

### Congress Adjourns Over Holidays.

Congress adjourned Friday for the Christmas holidays after the senate had adopted the joint resolution which passed the house Thursday extending the emergency revenue law one year, or until December 31, 1916. The senate adopted the resolution after a lively partisan debate by a vote of 45 to 29, democrats supporting it solidly and republicans unanimously opposing it. President Wilson signed the measure Friday night.

Both house will reconvene at noon Tuesday, January 4, when the administration legislative program, including the plans for national defense will be undertaken in earnest.

During the two weeks of the session the only important legislation was the extension of the war tax. This was done to prevent a lapse of the law December 31 next, with the understanding that the law will be taken up for amendment in order to increase the revenues as soon after the holidays as possible.

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