

What to Buy

When left to us, is not perplexing, for we can undoubtedly solve this for you to your entire satisfaction.

Christmas Trees and Decorations

We are undeniably Headquarters for Christmas Trees and Decorations. Lest you forget, we say it yet, that our Trees and Decorations are the best on the market. We have taken pains to secure only the heaviest, bushiest trees obtainable.

OUR HOLLY is extra well berried and green leaved, and our **MISTLETOE** is very attractive to the feminine eyes and is sure to produce the desired results. Be sure to place your orders early to get your pick.

CHRISTMAS TREE HOLDERS

The best and most practical tree-holders ever offered. In color to correspond with your decorations, and will hold any parlor size tree securely.

Christmas Candies and Nuts

We are headquarters for Woodward's Pure Sugar Candies and our supply is unlimited. Remember Woodward's Candies are the kind you always come back for, because they consist of nothing except the best of materials and workmanship. The demand for these candies exceeded our expectations last Christmas, but we are prepared to take care of all and every one this year. **Special Prices for Churches and Schools in Large Quantities.**

For the next two weeks we are going to have an attractive special on **Woodward's Chocolates, Regular Fifty Cents a Pound Value for Thirty Cents.**

These are the hard and soft center and nut topped varieties, and absolutely the finest that can be had. Order a pound now for immediate delivery.

Nuts! Nuts! Nuts! Nuts!

The old saying used to be that Nuts were an injury to digestion and should not be eaten too freely. Doctors now proclaim that the little fruit is not only harmless, but beneficial, and should be eaten regularly, with the exception of after a hearty meal. We handle nothing but the No. 1 grade in all our nuts, which is far cheaper to buy than the lower grades as they are free from all rots and shells.

California Oranges

This week California Navel Oranges will be the cheapest that they have been for some time.

Special Sale Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week on these Bright and Juicy Navels:

- Regular 60c Value for 50c a Dozen
- Regular 50c Value for 40c a Dozen
- Regular 45c Value for 35c a Dozen
- Regular 40c Value for 30c a Dozen

A Half Box of Oranges, or a box of our **Extra Fancy Eating Apples** would make an appreciated Christmas present.

"Save When You Buy and Save After You Buy."

LIERK-SANDALL CO.



We Sell But Few Loads of Lumber For Christmas Gifts

But you couldn't give your good wife or family a better gift, than your promise to build a new home for them in the spring. Try it this Christmas and see how delighted they'll be, and when the spring time comes, see us for

Lumber and Building Material.

Coates Lumber & Coal Co.
North Platte, Nebr.

CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

Miss Thile Kasbau has gone to Sidney to accept a position.

A son was born the first of this week to Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kennedy.

J. W. McGraw transacted railroad business in Omaha the first of this week.

A baby girl was born Tuesday night to Mr. and Mrs. Eber Murphy and died shortly after birth.

Miss Matilda Thiede, of Tryon, who was operated upon at the Nurse Brown hospital recently, is doing nicely.

Mrs. John Monick left a few days ago her home in Fremont after visiting her mother for several weeks.

Mrs. B. A. Cram and daughter returned Wednesday afternoon from Sidney where they spent a week visiting the former's father, Rev. Lewis.

Miss Doris Clarke, of Papillion, who was the guest of Miss Hildegard Clinton for ten days, left Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Edis will leave this evening for San Diego where they will spend the winter and probably locate.

Dr. Runstrom, of Wallace, spent yesterday here with his brother C. L. Runstrom who is enroute west from Omaha.

Mrs. Ray C. Langford returned Wednesday evening from Kansas City where she visited relatives for two weeks.

Mrs. Baker, of Detroit, is expected here this month to spend several weeks with her daughter Mrs. George T. Field.

Miss Ruth Winget resumed work at the O'Connor store Wednesday morning after being off duty on account of illness for several days.

Miss Thelma Frater who has been attending the state university will return next week to spend the holidays with her parents.

Twin boys were born Wednesday morning to Mrs. Claude Faulkner, widow of the late Claude Faulkner who died the latter part of May.

The remains of Oscar Falk, who came to his death by his own hand a few days ago, were shipped to Cheyenne Tuesday evening for interment.

Eight young people were entertained at the home of Mrs. John Weinberger Tuesday evening. Card games were played and an oyster supper served.

Miss Elsie Langford who has made her home in Green River for a year past will arrive here this week to spend the holidays with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill A. Scott, of Lexington, who were married here Wednesday by Rev. B. A. Cram will locate in this city. The former is employed as fireman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Whitaker and baby of Macklin, S. D., came the first of this week to visit Mrs. Whitaker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Sorenson for several weeks.

The boys and girls classes of the Presbyterian church were entertained Wednesday evening by Mrs. C. F. Iddings. The guests were entertained with music and games.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Huff are rejoicing over the arrival of a daughter which was born to them at the Twineem hospital Tuesday evening. All concerned are doing nicely.

Friends in town have received announcements of the birth of a baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Frieberg of Denver. Mr. Frieberg was a resident of this city for a number of years.

At the meeting of the Loyal Mystic Legion held Tuesday evening the following officers were elected to serve next year: P. W. C. Harold A. Fenner; W. C. Cassius M. Austin; W. V. C. Geo Walker; Prophet, Katherine Frazier; secretary, Fred J. Diener.

Marriages licenses were granted during the past three days to Elmer Maurer of Farnam and Vera Miller of Wellfleet; Claude Maine of Table, and Ella Lambert of Callaway; William B. Walker of Oia and Jeannetta Flower of Somerset; Merrill A. Scott and Merna Lincoln of Lexington.

W. T. Green was taken to a local hospital Tuesday afternoon and is in one Tuesday evening for interment. He has been ill for some time and it was thought that his illness was caused from a number of decayed teeth. He had these teeth removed and infection set in his gums, paralyzing his face.

The Lincoln County Land Company case against Charles Sibley and the Sibley Land and Cattle company to recover Section 25, Township 10, Range 29, valued at \$10,000.00 was settled in the district court Tuesday afternoon. Sibley claimed adverse possession of the land which he had occupied for twenty-eight years but had no claim of right or color of title and according to the law all of his acts thereon were considered as trespassing.

A Bit of Conclusive Evidence

By WILLIAM CHANDLER

When my mother died, leaving my father and myself alone in the house, we tried running it ourselves, but it soon became evident that we two men must have a housekeeper.

Mrs. Jennings—she was a widow—was engaged.

Father had retired from business and devoted himself to the care of his estate, having a sort of office at home in which was a desk he had used when he was a manufacturer. He was very particular about his stationery, using a certain kind of paper on which he had his name and address printed in blue ink. He was very crochety about the use of this paper and if called upon to write anything when not at his desk would send for some of it. I remember I once asked him to give me an order for some securities he desired me to sell for him and when I handed him a pen and a sheet of my paper he required me to go to his desk and get some of his own. I mention this, for it is an important feature in my story.

When I married I proposed to father that I bring my wife to our home and turn over the housekeeping to her. But he said there would be friction. He had always been head of his house, and a woman usually wishes to be head of her house. My wife would not be content to be his housekeeper. She would wish to be her own housekeeper. I was very sorry for this, for I saw no reason why the three of us should not live together pleasantly and comfortably.

However, Mrs. Jennings seemed to me to be an excellent woman and took such good care of father that I felt consoled at leaving him in her care. Besides keeping house for him, she helped him with his correspondence and other matters pertaining to the care of his estate. All this was of especial importance because my wife and I were to go around the globe for a wedding trip and were to sojourn a year on our way back in Munich. My wife was devoted to music and designed to take a course of instruction there.

We sailed from San Francisco and received no word from home till we reached Japan, where I was lauded a cablegram stating that my father had been taken ill while we were on the ocean and had died. It seemed necessary for me to return at once, but it would be a great disappointment to my wife to go with me, and she would not let me go without her. The upshot of the matter was that I cabled Jim Wilson, a cousin of mine, to pay off Mrs. Jennings and close the house.

I heard nothing from Wilson in reply to my cablegram for months. Then he wrote me that he had been absent when my message came and as soon as he returned had hastened to comply with my request. Whereupon Mrs. Jennings had handed him a bill of sale of all my father's property executed a month before his death. She refused to leave the house and claimed possession of everything which by my father's death was mine.

It was plain that I was not a good judge of human nature. I had certainly been deceived in the housekeeper who had evidently prepared to beat me out of the whole or at least a part of my property. I did not know whether the bill of sale would stand, but I sorely expected an expensive lawsuit or a compromise in which I might have to pay largely.

Of course there was nothing to be done but go home at once. My wife went with me, and in due time we landed in America. I refrained from seeing Mrs. Jennings until I had consulted my attorney, and after an interview he asked her by telephone where we might see the bill of sale by which she claimed my father's property. She referred us to her lawyer. To him we went, and he showed us the document. It was written in writing like my father's, though his hand seemed to have trembled when he wrote it. It simply stated that for and in consideration of \$1 he sold to Mrs. Sarah Jennings all his property. On asking why he had done this we were informed that she had taken care of him during his last illness, his own son having deserted him to go on a trip abroad. He had therefore given her his property instead of leaving it to her by will.

And now I must return to my father's punctiliousness with regard to his stationery. I noticed at once that this bill of sale was not written on the paper he always used. This excited a suspicion that it was not genuine. As to the handwriting and the signature, I could find no fault with them.

We demanded the right to have the document examined by experts in chirography. This was acceded to with the usual result. The experts disagreed. Then I called in a man who was familiar with the manufacture of paper. He examined the paper on which the bill was written and by its texture, water lines, etc., pronounced it to be of a lot manufactured by a certain paper company. When a sample of this lot of paper was submitted to its manufacturers they said that it had been put out to the trade on a date two months after my father's death.

Here was a clear case of forgery. My father could not have drawn or signed the bill of sale, for he was not living when it was executed.

This evidence having been imparted to Mrs. Jennings' lawyer, he transmitted it to her, and she left for parts unknown.

Later my wife and I returned to Europe.

Literary Inference.
"Who wrote 'The heights by great men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight, but they while their companions slept were toiling upward in the night?'"
"I dunno. Must have been some poet who hadn't heard about the eight hour day."—Washington Star.

Not Asking Much.
"I presume you hope fortune will smile on you some day," remarked the cheery individual.
"No," replied the pessimistic man. "I'm so tired of her frowns that I would be satisfied if she simply gave me a noncommittal look."—Spokane Review.

CLEAN UP SALE

Until December 30th we will offer Standard Firestone Tires for sale at the following prices:

32x3½ Firestone Non Skid S. S. Casings. Cut price \$14.00. Regular price \$16.95.

32x3½ Firestone Smooth S. S. Cut Price \$12.50. Regular Price \$15.15.

33x4 Firestone Non Skid S. S. Cut Price \$19.90. Regular Price \$24.10.

33x4 Firestone Smooth S. S. Cut Price \$18.10. Regular Price \$21.50.

HENDY-OGIER AUTO COMPANY.

Eat Alfalfa Queen Butter

It is always fresh and sweet and made in a clean Creamery.

If for any reason your grocer does not supply you with Alfalfa Queen Butter, call at the Creamery or phone 62 and we will see that you get what want.

Watch for coupons in every carton, they are valuable.

We have only a limited number of premiums so begin saving coupons at once.

North Platte Creamery.

First Door North of Post Office.

HEALTH HINTS

Do not try to stop Baby from crying, but if too prolonged let him face down until he stops. Bathe and feed regularly. Do not allow to grow pug nose. Massage gently the sides of the nose downwards.

Mothers, this is Baby's Drug Store



"IT" cannot judge drugs, in fact, neither can you. Depend upon us. Everything here for "IT" from soap to food of absolute purity. Introduce us to "IT," we like the little ones just as much as you do.

Stone's Drug Store

We are agents for "Weever" Rubber Goods.

Mutual Building & Loan Ass'n.

OF NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA.

ASSETS \$840,000.00

To Prospective Building & Loan Borrowers; Non-resident Building & Loan Companies are advertising the fact that they have reduced the monthly payments of borrowers to \$1.10 per month on each \$100.00 borrowed, making the monthly payment the same as the Mutual Building & Loan Association of North Platte. They fail to state that of the \$1.10 paid to the non-resident company, there is only thirty-five cents credited as a principal payment, the balance seventy-five cents being taken for interest. Of the \$1.10 monthly payment to this association on each \$100.00 borrowed sixty cents is for interest and fifty cents is credited as a principal payment.

This difference in the amount credited the borrower will result in the borrower in the non-resident company being compelled to pay not less than \$25.00 more on each \$100.00 borrowed in order to discharge the debt than they would if they were doing the business with this Association.

Mutual Building & Loan Association

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