

### THIRTY-ONE DIVORCE CASES ON DISTRICT COURT DOCKET

The docket for the term of district court which convenes December 1st contains one hundred and sixty-two cases, and of these thirty-one are petitions for divorce, in other words nearly one-fifth of all cases to be heard are for legal separation. These figures are astounding; there is certainly just cause for the growing demand that something be done to lessen the divorce evil for evil it must be considered. Some bar must be placed on ill-advised marriages or divorces must be made more difficult to obtain.

In speaking of divorces the other day a prominent lawyer said that in his opinion a law should be passed requiring parties to a marriage to publish the fact not less than three months in advance. This, he said, would do away with many hasty marriages, the contracting parties to which generally wind up in the divorce court.

The plaintiffs and defendants in the thirty-one cases on the Lincoln county court docket are:

- Eva M. Ehlers vs. George H. Ehlers.
- Ellen Adams vs. Nicholas Adams.
- James H. Eggers vs. Dora Eggers.
- Dora Surber vs. Harman A. Surber.
- Sadie Calkins vs. Wm. B. Calkins.
- Minnie Shaner vs. Scott Shaner.
- Verna Gates vs. Clide Gates.
- R. L. Douglass vs. Nora Douglass.
- Margaret Malcolm vs. A. M. Malcolm.
- Belle Turner vs. Chas. Turner.
- Gladys Fransen vs. Frans Fransen.
- Rose Krause vs. Carl Krause.
- Etta Sallor vs. James Sallor.
- Bernie Jones vs. Carl Jones.
- Alonso Hayes vs. Ruby Hayes.
- Clara Merritt vs. Hugh Merritt.
- Emma Padgett vs. Loren Padgett.
- Minnie Banta vs. Joseph Banta.
- Arthur Leard vs. Ruby Leard.
- Letah Drake vs. Guy Drake.
- Laura Hammer vs. Clyde Hammer.
- Marie Phelps vs. Carl Phelps.
- Ethel Sheets vs. Clyde Sheets.
- Pearl Askwig vs. J. C. Askwig.
- Anna Burdell vs. J. A. Burdell.
- Hazel Jackman vs. James Jackman.
- Reaka Harris vs. Joseph Harris.
- Ira Richards vs. Marion Richards.
- Bertha Harrington vs. Robt. Harrington.
- Lilley Bartholemew vs. Aaron Bartholemew.
- Sadie Talbot vs. John Talbot.

### MANAGER MOREY ASKS FOR CONSERVATION OF ELECTRICITY

C. R. Morey, manager of the light company, the largest users of coal in North Platte, made an appeal today to the patrons of his company to curtail their consumption of electricity in every possible way to save coal. Mr. Morey's statement follows:

"It was thought at the beginning of the coal strike that the company had enough coal on hand and in transit from the mines to continue the operation of the plant for a period of thirty days, but it is now found that coal which was supposed to be in transit was either never shipped or has been confiscated in transit. Therefore the company has only a limited supply of coal on hand and a moderate quantity which is known to be in transit.

"This quantity in transit is being delayed because of bad weather, so unless lighting restrictions are observed, it is possible that the plant may have to shut down before the coal in transit arrives. The result of this would be that all customers of the company, including a large percentage of the homes of the city, all factories, hospitals and public institutions would be without light or power. There would be no power for electrical instruments used by doctors and dentists.

"Even though the coal in transit arrives in time to prevent any shut down, it is possible that the mines may be slow in opening up and making deliveries regardless of the fact that the strike is ended, and it will take possibly a week after the mines do open up to get coal delivered.

"In the interest of all, and in spite of any loss of revenue to the company, we feel it our duty, therefore, to advise everyone to be conservative in the use of electricity. In other words we request everyone to save electricity so that the supply of coal may be made to last as long as possible. Individual saving of electricity may appear to be insignificant to the private citizen, but individual savings in the aggregate can accomplish a considerable economy. One 50 watt lamp burning in the home of each of our customers requires more power, and therefore more fuel, than is used to supply anyone of North Platte's largest industries.

"We are today requesting all the merchants to limit their window lighting to two hours per night, except Saturday night, and request each one of our other customers to economize in their use of electricity as much as possible until this emergency is over.

"We feel hopeful that we will get through the present difficulty without having to shut down the plant but we also feel that it is our duty to warn everyone of the exact condition of affairs in order to enlist the co-operation of our customers in conserving fuel and light to avoid, if possible, the inconvenience and possible suffering which might result should we not ask for the co-operation of our customers in the saving of fuel.

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Sight Specialists, Dixon & Son.

### CITY WILL SELL FIFTY TONS OF COAL TO NEEDY

President Van Cleave, of the Welfare Board, had a conference with Mayor Strelitz yesterday afternoon in regard to the city selling fifty tons of its storage coal to those who are in absolute need of fuel. The stock of coal at the water plant is more than sufficient to last through the winter, and fifty tons can be spared.

As a result of the conference, Mayor Strelitz issued the following:

"Whereas, an emergency exists through the shortage of fuel and in order to prevent suffering of those of our people who are unable to get coal through the regular channels, therefore I, A. F. Strelitz, mayor of North Platte, do hereby direct H. S. Welch, water commissioner, to sell at a reasonable price and in reasonable quantities, fifty tons of city coal, but only upon order of a committee of the Welfare Association who shall have personally investigated such need."

Late yesterday afternoon the Welfare Board appointed J. C. Wilson, whose phone is Black 683, as the person to whom application for this coal shall be made. Mr. Wilson will investigate the needs of each applicant, and if the coal is needed he will issue an order on Commissioner Welch who will sell the coal to the party to whom the order is given. The purchaser will have to see to the delivery of the coal.

### Higgins Packing Company.

To Our Lincoln County Citizens: I have noticed in the papers lately advertisements for the sale of different kinds of stocks. Most of these are preferred stock for promotions; where the common stock costs nothing but owns the company; while the preferred stock furnish the money to run the business, but has nothing to say in the management.

I have become connected with the Higgins Packing Company, and have recently become president and am operating the company. Every dollar's worth of stock issued by this company represents a dollar paid by the purchaser for it. There is no promotion stock. It is all common and participates both in the management and the dividends. No corporate stock can pay dividends until the business is in operation.

The Higgins Packing Company took over an independent plant in the Union Stock Yards of South Omaha in 1918. Nearly all of our stock is owned by farmers and ranchmen in Nebraska. All but four of the board of directors are farmers and ranchmen. We have been operating the plant at a profit ever since its purchase and will pay a nice dividend this year.

In addition to this we are erecting a new modern packing plant. I believe that this is a conservative stable investment. I have put my money into it as a business investment and do not hesitate to recommend it. I would be glad to see many stockholders from this county. I have requested the company to send a salesman to this county, and Mr. J. N. Wilkerson is now here. We are a going concern, now producing packing house products at a profit.

When you go to the butcher or grocer, insist upon Higgins Smokist products.

If you have money to invest and a sound conservative investment appeals to you, investigate the Higgins Packing Company before placing your money. If interested, let me know and I will have Mr. Wilkerson call on you. Yours truly, W. V. HOAGLAND, President of the Higgins Packing Co.

Latest style coats wonderfully low in price. See them at \$19.65, \$24.65, \$29.85, \$34.65 and up. The kind you'll like at a price you wish to pay at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Latest style coats wonderfully low. Louis Kelly and Ernest Rincker will go to Lincoln today to witness the Kansas-Nebraska foot ball game which will be played tomorrow.

La Tusca pearls in a wonderful assortment. Dixon, the jeweler.

Bishop Geo. A. Beecher spent yesterday in town while enroute home from a trip to Broadwater and other towns on the North River branch.

Block's blouse and waist sale will end tomorrow night the same time the National Blouse Week passes into history.

### CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

McVicker hats will be shown at the style show tonight.

Mrs. A. J. Salisbury returned this morning from a brief visit in Omaha. All of our suits are now going at cost and some at less than cost. BLOCK'S.

Mrs. Mary Elder returned this morning from a week's visit in Denver.

The event of the season tonight, the style show at the Style Shop.

Mrs. H. C. Brock and son left this morning for a visit in Omaha and Fairbury.

Tonight at 8 o'clock a style show at the Style Shop. Living models. First come first served.

Miss Irma Huffman went to Gothenburg this morning to spend the day with friends.

You can save from two to ten dollars in buying your waist at the big waist sale now on at BLOCK'S.

Verne Mann has purchased the Mrs. Barney McDonald house in the 400 block on west Sixth street for a consideration of \$3,000.

Furs of elegance at reasonable prices. The Leader Mercantile Co.

Victor Halligan made a good bag of ducks this week and shared with his friends by entertaining at a stag dinner Thursday noon.

McVicker hats at the style show tonight.

Sport promoter Selby announces a wrestling match at the firemen's hall next Thursday evening between Bobby Bylund of this city and a mat artist who lives at Big Springs.

The most stylish dresses in seasonable fabrics at The Leader Mercantile Co.

The Union Pacific is erecting several thousand feet of snow fences in the west yards to prevent a recurrence of the drifts which were formed during the storm this week.

Hats displayed at the style show tonight furnished by the McVicker Millinery.

T. F. Healey yesterday purchased the Mrs. Sarah Bangs property on west Fifth street. Mrs. Bangs will give possession as soon as her new house on west Fourth is ready for occupancy.

You just can't afford to miss the style show tonight at the Style Shop.

Among those entertaining for Mrs. C. L. Shelley were Mrs. R. C. Cummings who was hostess at a six o'clock dinner Tuesday and Mrs. F. W. Rincker who entertained at a tinner party last evening.

Wool serge and heavy flannel middies in navy, red and green, all sizes, and ranging in price from \$3.98 to \$15 at BLOCK'S.

Trainmaster Weir, of Grand Island, is in town today, coming here to assist in relieving the congestion of cars in the local yards due to the storm.

You can save from two to ten dollars in buying your waist at the big waist sale now on at BLOCK'S.

Harm Shank, of Elm Creek, was brought to town yesterday by Deputy Marshal Lincoln and arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Woodhurst on a charge of a violation of the Reed amendment. Shank was placed under \$2,000 bonds.

H. Dixon & Son, Sight Specialists.

The Methodist ladies served a splendid chicken supper at the church parlors last evening to a very large attendance, a greater number being present than the ladies expected, yet everyone was served in a satisfactory manner.

The most stylish dresses in seasonable fabrics at The Leader Mercantile Co.

The North Platte foot ball team was scheduled to play at Gothenburg today, but on account of the snow on the ground the game was cancelled yesterday afternoon. If conditions are favorable the game will be played next Tuesday.

19 living models displaying a woman's wardrobe at the Style Shop tonight.

Members of Company F, Canteen Service, gave Mrs. Edmund Dickey a surprise Wednesday when they called unannounced and spent the afternoon with her. Cards were the entertaining feature, the afternoon closing with a lunch which the invaders took with them.

Tomorrow night will end our big waist sale. If you want a real swell waist at a big saving in price you had better lose no time in getting down to BLOCK'S waist sale.

The Parent-Teacher association of the Senior high school met Wednesday and organized by the election of Mrs. York Hinman president, Mrs. W. W. Cummings vice-president, Mrs. W. T. Wilcox treasurer and Miss Lula Erb secretary.

In price. See them at \$19.65, \$24.65, \$29.85, \$34.65 and up. The kind you'll like at a price you wish to pay at The Leader Mercantile Co.

A hundred or more parents were present at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Junior high school Wednesday afternoon. An address on "Criticisms of the Schools," was delivered by Miss Annie Kramph, and a program of music and readings given.

Hundreds of economical women buyers have taken advantage of the real waist bargains offered this week during the National Blouse Week sale at BLOCK'S.

### Commend Association

We do not know with whom in North Platte the Parent-Teacher Association idea originated, but we are free to commend it as the best move that has ever been made for the success of the North Platte schools. Co-operation of parent and teacher has been sadly lacking in the past, and through this lack our schools have not been as successful as though co-operation had existed. The interest taken in the association at each of the five school buildings by the parents is evidence that they have awakened to the fact that they have a responsibility in the matter of their children's education and that the entire responsibility should not rest with the teachers. This association will give parents a knowledge of school affairs not before known, and unjust criticisms of the teachers are certain to be less frequent.

### Radicals Making Trouble

Activities of radicals threaten serious trouble in the bituminous coal mine fields of West Virginia, according to reports received Thursday by the department of justice.

The situation was described by department of justice officials as "particularly nasty." Meetings, directed and attended largely by Russians, have precipitated some violence among the coal miners, the reports said.

### The Style Shop style show tonight

at 8. First come first seated.

A daughter was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Percy O'Brien, of Kansas City, former North Platte residents.

All of our suits are now going at cost and some at less than cost. BLOCK'S.

Henry Parker has returned from Jordan, Minn., where he had been taking treatment at a sanitarium for several weeks.

It's going to be swell and you'll be sorry if you don't see the style show tonight at the Style Shop.

The North Platte Public Welfare Association and Federation did not have the meeting last Tuesday evening as was announced, on account of the weather but will meet next Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the public library. The entertainment and recreation committee has a report to make in regard to the swimming pool at the city park that they and others have been planning on. All who are interested in these things are urged to be present and help in the work of giving both young and old a good clean place of amusement.

Dr. Morrill, Dentist, Office over Wilcox Department Store.

Merode underwear, America's greatest undergarments for women, made of pure wool, silk and wool and cotton in all styles, and sold exclusively at BLOCK'S Store.

Furs of elegance at reasonable prices. The Leader Mercantile Co.

Special—Home cured bacon 35c per pound. Brodbeck's Meat Market.

Ask us about our Christmas bicycle club. John H. Null, 606 Locust.

Lost—Ladies' Elgin wrist watch, plain case. Finder please return to this office. Reward. \$7.25

### Faces Serious Charge

A complaint was filed in the county court yesterday charging William Zierlein, who lives in the Fourth ward, with incest, his fifteen year old daughter being his victim. Zierlein was arraigned in court yesterday afternoon, pleaded not guilty and the hearing was set for tomorrow.

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### Liberty Bonds

If you wish to dispose of your bonds state amount and issue for best price. Address "Liberty Bond," care Semi-Weekly Tribune. 88-2\*

### Keith, Saturday.

### VIVIAN MARTIN

IN

### "LOUISIANA"

Frances Hoggson Burnett's story of simple love and faith. Its sentiment will send you away completely satisfied. COMEDY

### A LION IN THE HOUSE.

### TOM MIX

IN

### Rough Riding Romance

The daredevil of the world out ventures himself in this story of love intrigue and power. Coming to

### Keith Theatre

### Wednesday & Thursday

Nov. 19-20.

### Crystal Theatre, Saturday and Monday.

### LOUIS BENNISON

### "A Misfit Earl"

He's a misfit earl but a perfect lover and he brought the wild and woolly west into society. Saturday special, Two comedies, Johnny Get Your Gun and Know Thy Wife.

### Keith Theatre, Tonight.

### GLADYS BROCKWELL

### "Chasing Rainbows"

A photoplay that shows that no man is worth a girl's broken heart. The two part animal comedy. A LION IN THE HOUSE.

### WM. S. HART

### "THE MONEY CORRAL"

And he could shoot the date out of a dime. The police came but "Big Bill" didn't need them—finished the job before they got there. The best picture Hart has acted for a long time. Don't Miss it.

Adults 30c. Children 15c including tax.

### Keith Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

## AT THE SUN THEATRE.

### FRIDAY

### "The Microbe"

STARRING

Viola Dana

AND

Texas Guinan

IN

### "Hell's Agony"

### SATURDAY

### "Sundown Trail"

WITH

Monroe Salisbury

ALSO

"Cash"

Gale Henry Comedy.

### MONDAY

### "The Climbers"

WITH

Counce Griffith

ALSO

8th chapter, Elmo The Mighty.

Benjamin B. Hampton presents

## "THE WESTERNERS"

The photoplay of the novel by Stewart Edward White

A Great Authors' Pictures, Inc., Production.

Roy Stewart Mildred Manning Wilfred Lucas

Robert McKim Graham Pettie Mary Jane Irving

Frankie Lee

Seven Stars make The Westerners Romance of the Black Hills. Based on actual occurrences. Two day job making horse go over cliffs in The Westerner.

## AT THE SUN

Three Days, Commencing Tuesday 18th.

### NORTH PLATTE

### General Hospital.

(Incorporated)

One Half Block North of Postoffice.

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A modern institution for the scientific treatment of medical, surgical and confinement cases. Completely equipped X-Ray and diagnostic laboratories.

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