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STANDARD OIL CO. PLAN DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS.

Elsewhere bids are invited for the buildings on the lot at the corner of Sixth and Locust streets recently purchased by the Standard Oil Co., with the proviso that the buildings must be removed by April 1st. This can be taken as an indication that the Standard Oil Co. will soon begin the erection of a building. Just the kind and size of the structure to be erected there have been different reports circulated; the one most generally circulated is that it will be a service station solely. However, The Tribune has it pretty straight that North Platte has been selected as district headquarters for the Standard Oil Co., and that the North Platte district will comprise that part of the state west of a line running north and south of Lexington, nearly half the area of the state. With the maintenance of district headquarters here, a building of goodly dimensions will be necessary, for associated with the headquarters will be twelve or fifteen men, some of whom have already been here looking over the ground and inquiring into the possibility of getting houses in which to live. In the erection of the building the service station, will of course, be provided for. Monthly meetings of all the salesmen in the district will be held in this city, which will bring here fifteen or twenty traveling men each thirty days.

In conjunction with the establishment of headquarters here, the supply station in the east part of town will be greatly enlarged, and North Platte will become a general distributing point for the district. It has been stated that the company's investment in North Platte will not be less than two hundred thousand dollars and that their business through the local banks will run into the millions each year.

For Sale.

Three room house and corner lot, electric lights and water in house. Plenty of shade. Can give possession at once. Price \$2,100 cash. Call Red 310 or at 221 South Walnut street.

Prices in 1897.

Will Leypoldt, of Hershey, in rummaging through papers last week, came across a letter which he had received from his brother Dorsey written Jan. 31, 1897. At that time Dorsey was buying grain for a Hershey dealer and Will was living elsewhere in the east. This letter was published in the Hershey Times last week and from it we take the following relative to prices that were paid for farm produce at that time:

"I was out quite a lot this week in the country buying grain for elevator. I bought ten car loads at ten cents a bushel. The freight is going up from 50 cents a hundred to 65 cents a hundred on the U. P. road the 10th of February and we wanted to ship what corn we could before the freight raised. Wheat is 50 cents a bushel, oats 12 1/2 cents, potatoes 25 cents a bushel, butter 12 1/2 cents, eggs 10 cents, hogs are worth from \$2.60 to \$2.75 a hundred. I bought ten hogs Friday at \$2.60 per hundred but it is pretty hard to get them at this price. Hay is only worth from \$1.75 to \$2.00 per ton."

Luncheon Postponed.

The family luncheon announced for Thursday evening of this week by the Chamber of Commerce has been postponed until Wednesday of next week, March 17th. The luncheon will be held in the Masonic hall, which seats a greater number than any other place in town, and will be served by the ladies of the Christian church, which insures a good meal.

Notice to the Public.

The Chamber of Commerce Family Luncheon has been postponed until Wednesday, March 17th.

Dixon's optical department is equipped with the most up-to-date instruments with which to make the most careful examination of the human eye.

Miss Martha Shriver, clerk in the county treasurer's office, spent Sunday with her parents in Gothenburg.

Alfalfa hay for sale, third cutting. Thos. E. Doolittle. Phone 782F022. 14-4

COLORADO DRIVERS WILL ENTER AUTO RACES

L. C. McGraw, who spent last week in Colorado in quest of auto drivers for the Fourth of July races in this city, has returned and reports that a number of Colorado men have promised to make entries. Three of the best known drivers in Denver will arrive to pull down the big purses which have been hung up; two speedy men from Colorado Springs have promised to be here, and two Pueblo drivers said they would arrange their dates so as to be here July 4th. Brinkley, of Denver, who has participated in several races on the local track, is building a new car and will be here prepared to turn the wheels faster than they have ever been turned on the local track.

Mr. McGraw expects to leave the latter part of this week for Sioux City and Des Moines to interest Iowa drivers in the North Platte races. He is confident that he can secure several entries from those cities.

In Denver and other Colorado cities he found that the meet to be held here July 4th was well advertised and that the size of the purses received very favorable comment.

Real Estate Assessments.

This is the year real estate will be re-assessed and the query is on what basis will it be assessed. Will farm land be assessed at one-fifth of the price at which it has been sold during the past eighteen months, or will the selling price be considered abnormally high and a fair valuation be taken as a basis? If land is assessed at the late selling price taxes will be increased one hundred per cent, and in some cases more. We have in mind a tract of farm land in Plant precinct that in 1916 was valued at \$15 per acre and assessed at one-fifth that sum which within the past year sold for \$75 per acre. If this selling price is accepted as a basis of valuation and the assessed value placed at \$15 per acre, the taxes on that particular tract of land would be increased 500 per cent. And there are probably dozens of like instances in the county.

The Tribune is not "knocking" on Lincoln county or the county at large when it ventures the opinion that in most instances land values are abnormally high—that the price is higher than can be maintained and the owner make a profit from the land if he figures five or six percent on his investment.

If Lincoln county land is assessed at one-fifth its selling price a "roar" that will reach to heaven will be made when the owners pay their taxes.

See Dancing Rastus in Dixon's window, he dances all day. Put your order in now.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hensolt, who had been visiting in Omaha, returned home yesterday morning.

For Sale—Residence on west Second street. Phone Red 1128. 17-1

The Catholic Girls Club will meet Thursday evening with Miss Gertrude Rebbhausen and will spend the evening sewing for the bazaar to be held shortly after Easter.

Our are invited to call in and inspect our line of platinum and diamonds. Dixon the Jeweler.

The ladies' aid society of the Christian church will meet in the church parlors Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. All members are asked to be present as important business is to be acted upon. Also a fine lunch will be served. Mrs. F. R. Elliott chairman.

Let us repair your broken glasses while you wait. Clinton & Son. Opticians. 14-1

PIZER PAYS OVER \$18,000 FOR BLANKENBURG CORNER

Julius Pizer made a further investment in property in the business district yesterday when he purchased the Blankenburg corner at Sixth and Locust streets for a consideration exceeding \$18,000. This is an advance of \$6,000 over what the property was offered for about three years ago. The lot is 70x132 feet.

We understand it is Mr. Pizer's intention to improve the property in the near future with a business building that will be a credit to the city and that eventually the building will be occupied by a retail store second to none outside of Omaha.

Mr. Pizer also purchased yesterday a residence and twelve lots in the Cody Second Addition from Nick Chinos. He will move to these lots the buildings on the corner lot he purchased.

These added investments in city property is evidence of Mr. Pizer's faith in the future growth of North Platte, a faith that more of us should possess.

Try the Rexall first, it pays. 14-1

Mrs. J. W. Fitzpatrick has been visiting her daughter in Omaha for several days past.

Clinton & Son, Graduate Opticians, see them for Service.

Geo. Thompson came down from Chappell Saturday for a short visit with the home folks.

LaCamille corsets with the ventile back in all the new spring models; every corset guaranteed and sold exclusively at Block's.

Mrs. J. G. Beeler left for Lincoln Sunday where she will probably remain until Mr. Beeler is through with his work as a member of the constitutional convention.

We make a Specialty of fitting glasses. Clinton & Son. Opticians. 14-1

Wm. Pitts, who had been visiting relatives in town for several weeks, left Sunday for Sawtelle, Cal., to re-enter the soldiers' home at which he has been quartered for a year or two past.

Lost—34x4 1/2 casing, rim, tube and black and red tire cover. Reward of \$25 for return to the Overland Garage. 17-2

The dual funeral of Mrs. Wm. Rector and son Raymond Rector was held from the Baptist church yesterday afternoon, the service being conducted by Rev. Hull who came up from Grand Island for that purpose. The services were largely attended, the high school class and the high school band of which Raymond was a member attending in a body, as did also a fraternal society of which Mrs. Rector was a member.

That new suit or coat you promised yourself is here on our second floor. Drop in and have Mrs. Cantlin or Mrs. Kline show them to you at The Leader Mercantile Co.

When the lanterns glow, a new Columbia. Dixon, the Jeweler.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mills entertained the Gleaner class of the Christian church Tuesday evening of last week. A short business meeting was held, after which a program consisting of readings by Evelyn Taylor, Wilmer Bryant, Mrs. Morrow and Mrs. Scott, and a dialogue by Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Graves was enjoyed by all. The hostess served a delicious two-course lunch, and the meeting adjourned to meet with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Scott the first Tuesday in April.

A pair of properly fitted glasses will stop that headache. Clinton & Son. Opticians. 14-1

Guards Come For Soldiers

Two guards arrived from Ft. McDowell, Cal., last evening to take back with them the two soldier boys who had violated their leave of absence, gave themselves up to the local recruiting officer and for three weeks have been held in jail. These two boys had secured a 24-hour leave of absence at Ft. McDowell and started east. When they reached here they were dead broke, and concluded their best plan was to give themselves up and suffer the penalty. They will not be tried for desertion, but will probably be sentenced to close confinement for thirty days and ordered to pay the traveling costs of the guards their own transportation expenses back to California and their board while at the local jail, in all about \$200 each. In order to earn this money they will need re-enlist.

No Hope for the Thirsty

Government permits to druggists to sell intoxicating liquor on doctors' prescriptions will not be issued where liquor sales under them would be in violation of state law, according to a letter received by Gov. Samuel R. McKelvie from Internal Revenue Commissioner Daniel C. Roper. His letter was a response to a request from the governor not to permit the issuance of such permits in Nebraska, which is "bone dry" by state law.

Regular meeting of the G. I. A. Friday afternoon at the K. P. hall. Initiation, and all members are requested to be present. Mrs. Van Cleave and Mrs. Fitch, of Kearney will be guests of the auxiliary at this meeting.

Dresses and frocks in all the new spring shades and materials, designed and made by America's foremost designers and priced very reasonably at Block's.

Mrs. Jessie B. Critchfield, mother of Leo Critchfield, died Sunday at a local hospital at the age of sixty-three. The remains will be taken to Omaha today for interment.

Coats! Coats! Sport coats, three-quarter length coats and full length coats, up to the minute in style, now on display at Block's.

Mrs. E. W. Fetter and little daughter Jean went to Omaha Sunday for a week's visit with friends.

Wanted—Stenographer. Phone 82. Fidelity Reserve Company.

SUPT. TOUT WILL LEAVE SCHOOL WORK

Supt. Tout, of the city schools, transmitted to the board of education yesterday afternoon a letter stating that he did not desire to be considered a candidate for re-election, and at the same time made a verbal declaration of the same substance to the teachers of the Senior and Junior high schools.

Mr. Tout retires from school work for the purpose of engaging in business for himself, the nature of which he has not fully decided, though newspaper work appeals to him stronger than anything else.

During his administration of the city schools, covering a period of over a dozen years, the teaching staff has increased from twenty-seven teachers to fifty-two, the enrollment of pupils has nearly doubled, and three new ward buildings and the splendid Junior high have been erected. These increases in teachers, pupils and accommodations have been accompanied by a constant raise in the standard of the schools and the general standing is well to the front among the schools of the state. In these advancements the administration of Mr. Tout has played no small part.

Dixon & Son, sight specialists.

Dr. J. S. Twinem made a business trip to Maxwell Sunday.

See us for wall paper, The Rexall Store. 14-1

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett York is improving from a severe attack of appendicitis and bronchitis.

Mrs. C. M. Reynolds and son, who had been guests at the Neville home for several weeks, returned to Omaha Sunday.

Gruen Verithin, the watch of quality and distinction at Dixon's. See it.

The city fire department will hold its annual ball on Monday evening, April 5th, the evening following Easter Sunday.

Try the Rexall first, it pays. 14-1

Material is being assembled for the Huffman building on west Front which will be occupied by the North Platte Monument Co. McMichae Brothers are the building contractors.

Lost—Sunday on the streets between Liberty Inn and west Second street, dark gray purse containing money and calling cards. Finder return to this office and receive reward.

A WARNING SIGN!

"The Cyclone" is coming! You will be safe from disappointment in Keith Theatre.

Tom Mix will be here to make you enjoy your stay during "THE CYCLONE".



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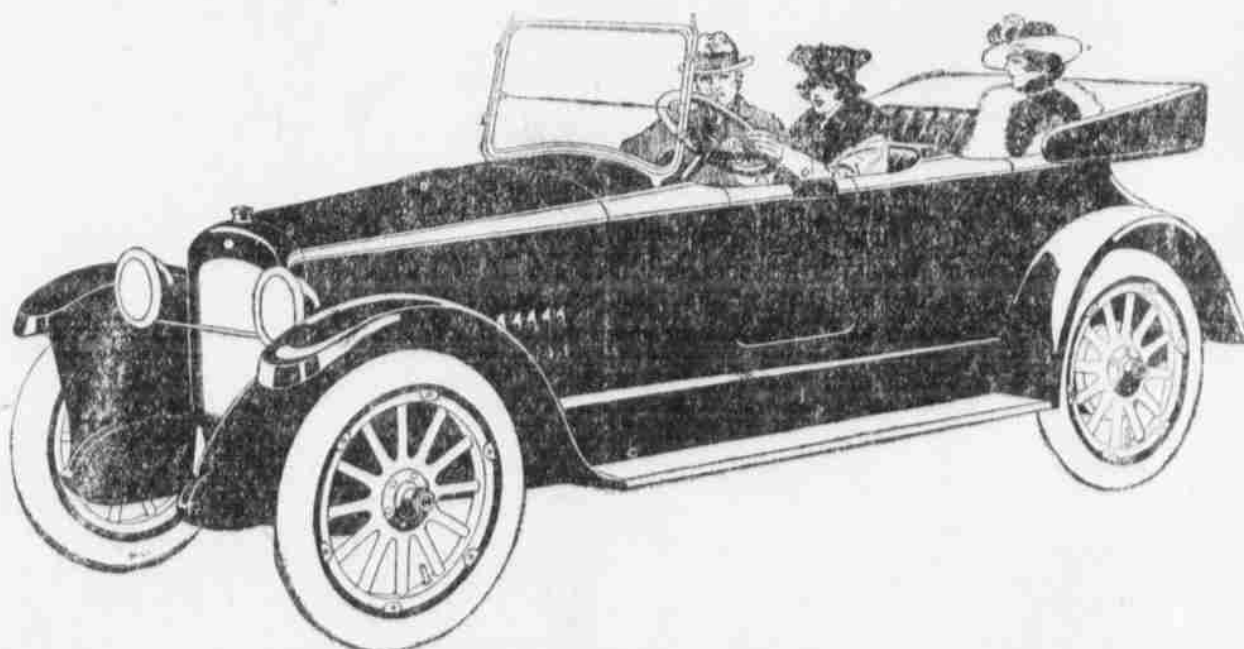
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