

CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

John McGinley returned to Omaha Sunday where he is attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Helst left yesterday for California where they will visit.

Miss Winifred Sullivan returned the latter part of the week from Brady where she has been visiting for some time.

Charles Thomas left the latter part of the week for his home in Genoa after transacting business in this city for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ehman left yesterday for her home in Rock Island, after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosendahl.

L. H. Johnson, of Cheyenne, spent Thanksgiving with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Hans Johnson of this city. Louis is Union Pacific Storekeeper at Cheyenne.

Your eyes will receive the care of our sight specialist who devotes his entire attention to the care of our eye patients, if you patronize our optical department. Dixon Optical Co.

Visit our store, you will enjoy looking over our stock, as it is full of beautiful Xmas suggestions, and our sales people will be delighted to show you about. Dixon, the Jeweler.

A watch for the young man's Xmas will be an everlasting reminder of the day and giver. Allow us to show you over our complete stock. Dixon, U. P. watch inspector.

Will loan from two to three thousand and first mortgage, 8% on improved farm lands, long or short time, no commission; you get your money the day you sign the papers. Number of land and location must be given in first letter. Address box 219, North Platte, Nebr.

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Mrs. Hallie Smith left Saturday for her home in Kearney after visiting at the home of Mrs. Albert Rannie.

Taxi and Delivery, Phone 908.

Mrs. A. F. Streitz will leave in the near future for a visit to Los Angeles, California.

Dr. Howard Yost, Dentist, Twincam Building, Phone 307.

Your eyes must be taken care of; they are the only ones you have and demand the best of care. Dixon Optical Co., at your service.

When in North Platte stop at the New Hotel Palace and Cafe. You will be treated well.

Mother has always wanted a nice clock. Please her this Xmas with that which she has always wished for. Dixon's will be very glad to show you the kind she wants.

Dr. L. J. KRAUSE, Dentist, McDonald Bank Building, Rooms 2 & 3, Phone 97.

Miss Elizabeth Graff, who has been making her home with Judge and Mrs. Hogoboom of Stapleton, and who has also been visiting local residents left yesterday morning for a visit with relatives in Spokane, Washington.

Twenty-five boys passed through this city who are members of the Washington State College and who took part in the game between that college and the Nebraska University. Their home is in Pullman, Washington. Their coach says it was the best game he ever witnessed.

Dixon Optical Co., Sight Specialists.

Chas. Edwards had the misfortune to severely cut his little finger yesterday while working with the power saw in the woodworking room at the High School. Exaggerated stories of the accident were current last night but only one finger was seriously cut and he will probably have the use of that after it heals.

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OPENING A NEW DEPARTMENT

We wish to introduce to you our new department which puts us in a position to refinish and rebuild your present lighting equipment, such as fixtures, portable lamps or in fact anything that needs finishing or rebuilding; we can take your old fixture, add a few parts, refinish it and you have a new fixture at very little expense; we can refinish your switch plates to match your hardware or refinish your hardware in any of the late antique finishes which makes it new.

Our new fixtures we finish to suit your most critical taste, such as ivory, old ivory, antique, antique smooth gold, mai silver and blue mat gold and blue (the two last ones very popular in the East at the present time), St. Paul brown, Jap gold, and many others that we can not mention here; we have all the late finishes and you can get this work done right here in North Platte without sending away for it.

We also have a very exquisite line of vases. This pottery is the Fulper line which is considered the best in the country; the colorings in these vases are very beautiful and will make most desirable Christmas presents, and if we haven't what you want there is plenty of time to get it for you from the east.

Right now while you have it in mind call 240 office, or 246J residence and let us dress up your home for Christmas.

The Porter Electric Co.

510 LOCUST STREET

BOXES, OLD CHRISTMAS FAD

Ancient Custom at One Time Developed Into Demand as Right and Became Nuisance.

THE bestowal of Christmas boxes is of great antiquity, and was formerly the bounty of well disposed persons who were willing to contribute something toward the industrious. Later the gift came to be demanded as a right and became somewhat of a nuisance. Long ago the Roman Catholic priests had masses for everything, and if a ship went to the West Indies they had a box in her under the protection of some patron saint, into which the sailors put money or other valuables in order to secure the prayers of the church. At Christmas these boxes were opened and were thence called Christmas boxes. In England the day after Christmas is known as "Boxing day," from the Christmas boxes which used to be in circulation, and in the British museum can be seen boxes covered with green glaze with a slit in the side for money and presents.

CHRISTMAS BAG FOR GUESTS

Container for Presents Attached to Backs of Chairs With Bow of Red Satin Ribbon.

THE Christmas bag is an innovation planned by one housekeeper. The breakfast table is to be decorated with a mirror in the center, outlined as a star by holly sprigs, and with a slender cut glass vase in the center holding red chrysanthemums. Long-stemmed flowers also radiate from the central star with the blossoms toward the plates of those for whom the flowers are intended. Every napkin lies beneath a Christmas card with a sprig of holly tied upon it with red ribbon, and to the back of every chair is tied a bag with a big red satin bow. The bags are of all sizes, and each is full of individual gifts. One is an opera bag, another a shopping bag in black and gold, still another is brown leather and gold nailheads, another a bag for collars and cuffs, another a gay laundry bag, one is suggestive of the scraps grandmother will put into it, and the other of books that a small girl will carry to school. All are as dainty and fine as careful workmanship and good materials can make them, and there will be fun emptying the materials out of the various bags.

Differ on Christ's Birthday

THE early Christmas were divided as to the date on which the nativity of Christ should be celebrated. Some of these celebrated it on the first or sixth of January, other groups observed September 29 and still another March 29. As early as the fourth century, however, the period of the new year had been generally accepted as the time for celebrating Christ's birth. The Western branch of the church observed December 25 and the Eastern church January 6. Finally it was decided that all should celebrate December 25. Pope Julius I, who presided in the first half of the fourth century, is credited with having set the date.

Dr. Morrill, Dentist, office over Watson Department Store.

Roses at Christmas.

The fact that we can get flowers out of doors at Christmas time is in itself a sufficient justification for growing the Christmas rose, but besides that it is worth growing for itself, says Country Life in America. Its large white flowers, fully two inches across, resembling those of a giant single rose, although as a matter of fact it belongs to the same family as the buttercup, never fail to excite enthusiasm in the season of snow and ice. The plant itself grows only six to eight inches high, and the large, greenish-white flowers are borne in clusters and nestle closely among the dark green leaves.

Novel Christmas Salad Bowl.

By the time that the salad course arrives at the Christmas dinner all that surround the festive board are apt to be warm. It will be refreshing to see the salad come to the table in a block of ice. Smooth the ice square with a hot flat iron and make a cavity in the center with the same utensil. Border with crisp lettuce and sprigs of holly and fill with salad. Place the block on several thicknesses of cloth or a deep platter and put around it a wreath of holly.



DO IT EARLY
Bug — Doing your Christmas shopping now? Why it's a long time off.
Mrs. Snail — I know, but the store is half a block away.

An Easy Gift.

Small boy, running up and displaying slate:—"Just look, uncle, what I've done with my example! Got a whole million! I'll give it to you as a Christmas present."—Ellegende Blatter.

Plants for Christmas.

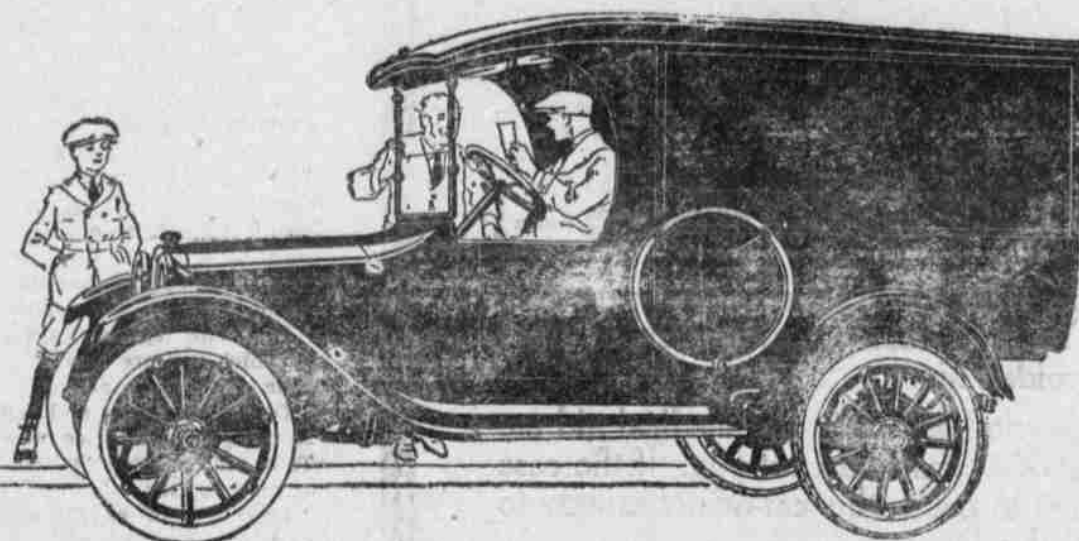
Other things being equal, it is better to buy plants near one's home than to travel afar. Do not be tempted, even by cheap offers, to go miles away, for counting car fares, packing, expressage and lost time, the ultimate cost is very likely to be more than if you paid a good deal higher price at home. Of course it may happen that one grower or florist has a large stock of some one thing and can sell at a low rate, but dealers usually have an understanding with one another especially regarding holiday prices, and for weeks before the holiday season they have been balancing stock with each other, so that the better quality plants are of an almost fixed value.

DODGE BROTHERS
BUSINESS CAR

Its performance is so regular that the merchant has the satisfaction of knowing what his delivery will cost him month after month.

The haulage cost is unusually low.

J. V. ROMIGH,
Agent.



BARGAINS IN CITY PROPERTY

Five room modern house. All large rooms. With bath, lights and water. Full basement and hot air heat. Situated on south Vine street. Built the last year, and is in A1 condition. This property will be sold at a bargain. Phone for price and terms.

Seven room house at 1021 west 2nd street, fine location. Can be bought for less than the house would cost now. Price \$3500.00—\$1500.00 down, balance on terms.

Five room modern house on west H street. Full basement, lights, water and bath. Some bargain at \$3000.00. \$1000.00 down, balance on terms.

One four room and one three room house, or rather cottages, in the Cody additions. New houses, built this year. Will be sold cheap on easy terms.

Choice residence lots in the North.

Platte Town Lot Co.'s Addition; Cody Additions; Dolson's Addition and H. & S. Addition. Can be bought on easy terms. Now is the time to buy a lot, and get it paid for by spring, so you can build.

See or phone C. F. Temple, Room 11, Brodbeck building. Office Phone 62, Residence 824J.

After spending the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Johnson of this city, Miss Hulda Johnson returned to her work in the State Normal at Kearney, Sunday.

Our re-adjustment sale still on with real sacrificing prices. Garments must go regardless of cost. E. T. Tramp & Sons.

F. Montague left yesterday for Los Angeles where he will spend several months.

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BERNARD DURNING in "SEEDS OF VENGEANCE" Select Picture

"SEEDS OF VENGEANCE"

A Kentucky Story with a punch.

First time run in the State.

Keith Theatre, Friday and Saturday.

NO ADVANCE IN PRICES.

