

ICE HARVEST BEGINS MONDAY

PACIFIC FRUIT EXPRESS TO FILL BIG ICE HOUSES HERE

The Union Pacific lake shows about eleven inches of ice today and plans are under way to start the harvest about the first of next week. No definite date has been set for beginning this work but it will start as soon as the ice is of the proper thickness.

Claude Wilson, manager of the local plant stated yesterday that the Pacific Fruit Express Company will put up thirty thousand tons this winter. This supply is to be put up because of the uncertainty as to when the company will get possession of the new million dollar plant now under construction. After the new plant is developed to capacity no ice will need to be cut from the lake and no storage will be required outside of that necessary to take care of the surplus that is manufactured.

There are about sixty men at work putting away the shipments of ice that are being received from Laramie. This is for passenger use by the Union Pacific. Next week this number will be increased to about 180 men when active work begins at the lake. Teams and equipment have been contracted and the supply will be put up as fast as possible when the work is started. Many men are asking for employment now. With the applications now in sight there will be no shortage of labor at the ice houses this winter.

WATCH PARTY IS TO BE HELD AT THE METHODIST CHURCH FRIDAY NIGHT.

The Epworth League has announced a New Year's Watch Party for next Friday night at the Methodist Church. A short service is held from eleven-thirty to twelve. Previous to that various forms of amusement will occupy the time of the young people.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this means of extending our thanks to the shop and round-house employees and our many other friends and neighbors for the sympathy and kindness extended to us and the many beautiful flowers sent us upon the loss of our beloved mother.

Mary Dugan
James Dugan
John Dugan
Mrs. Pearl Dye.

PRESIDENT GRAY OF THE UNION PACIFIC ANNOUNCES NEW PLAN FRIDAY.

The following information is taken from the state papers and interests many as showing the tendency of the railroads to encourage the employees to save and invest their earnings:

"Employees of the Union Pacific railroad system may purchase the common capital stock of the Union Pacific Railroad company, in the market, on a partial payment basis, Carl R. Gray, president, announced yesterday.

"President Gray's plan provides that the railroad purchase stock in the open market on receipt of orders from employees, who are to pay for the cost of the stock in 24 equal installments, by deductions from the pay roll each month. The company will credit to the employee's account all dividends received, and will charge 6 per cent interest on deferred payments.

Union Pacific stock has paid, for sometime, a dividend of \$10 a share per annum. The range of its market price since October 1 has been between \$129.50 and \$112 a share. At a cost of \$125 a share, a return equal to 8 per cent per annum on the amount invested would be realized, officials of the company say. Priced at \$120 a share the return would be equivalent to 8.33 per cent.

The plan provides specific treatment of cases where employees become disabled or die, and where they leave the service.

President Gray emphasizes that the company has no stock for sale, and simply acts as an agent for the employee who wishes to invest. He also emphasizes that it does not urge employees to make stock purchases, and makes no representation or guarantee as to the future market prices or dividend policy.

"This plan is actuated by no motive except to enable employees to save and invest their earnings," said President Gray.

The B. P. O. E. will entertain in their home New Year's eve at a ball and supper. Tickets may be secured from the committee starting today and the committee requests that all get their tickets as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY AT THE ELKS HOME.

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Dixon's Optical Co., exclusive sight specialists.

Women's Coats, Suits and Dresses on sale at 1-5, 1-3 and 1-2 OFF former low prices at The Leader Mercantile Co.

LINCOLN COUNTY PIONEER DIES

JOHN E. EVANS PASSED AWAY AT HIS HOME HERE LAST NIGHT.

John E. Evans, pioneer of the west and early settler in Lincoln County, died last evening at his home, 102 East Third St. He has been confined to his home for some weeks and the doctors have not been hopeful of his recovery.

John Evans has been a resident of Lincoln County for over fifty years. During this time he has been one of the leading figures in the civic and political life of the county. He was a veteran of the Civil War, and one of his chief interests in life was the cause of his country and his flag. He has held many offices of responsibility including county clerk, treasurer, clerk of the District Court, member of the State Legislature and Registrar of the United States Land Office.

As we go to press we are not able to announce any funeral arrangements. Full biography will be printed in the next issue of the Tribune.

"THE UN-KISSED BRIDE" IS COMING.

If you enjoy a really honest hearty laugh don't fail to see the big comedy success which comes to the Keith. "The Un-Kissed Bride" is a rapid, snappy, be-dimpled, be-ribboned comedy in three acts, replete with honest clean comedy and produced with a happy cast of well known players and a novel scenic investiture at the Keith Theatre Thursday night, December 30th and Friday night December 31st.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses shown to us during the illness and death of our husband and father. Also for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Mary Broom,
Mr and Mrs. John Broom and family,
Mr and Mrs. Dennis Broom and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Burr, of Lincoln, are the parents of a daughter who arrived yesterday. Mr. Burr will be remembered by his many friends here who knew him while he was stationed at the Experimental Substation.

The Ladies' Aid of the Christian church will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. J. Crawford, 415 West Third. Mesdames Baldwin, Wyman, Starr and Eshleman will assist.

SENATOR ARTHUR CAPPER GIVES IMMEDIATE REMEDY FOR FARMERS.

The following is the immediate remedy which Senator Capper of Kansas, proposes for the present conditions among the farmers of this country:

As remedial measures for our prostrated farming industry, immediate and future, we might well re-establish the War Finance Corporation to assist in the financing of exports. This government has got to devise some plan to open foreign markets immediately to our grain and meat products. And the Federal Farm Loan Board should have authority to issue and sell in the open market short time securities based on warehouse receipts, also on an adequate pledge where the title must remain with the producer, until his products are marketed; these securities to be acceptable for rediscout by the Federal Reserve Banks.

Whatever the outcome of this credit crisis, in which American farmers face bankruptcy, the values of the present lesson must not be lost. It is that the spring from which all the wealth of this nation arises, shall not be choked; that the agricultural industry shall be and must be as well and adequately financed and fortified as any other industry; that we cannot neglect it with impunity.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR MRS. HARTLEY.

Mrs. Harry Ballor entertained the members of the Ladies Auxiliary to the B. of R. T. yesterday afternoon at her home on South Ash Street in honor of Mrs. Harry Hartley who will leave today for California to reside in the future. Mrs. Hartley was presented with a hand painted plate. Decorations were in keeping with the Christmas season and a two-course lunch was served.

OTIS OLIVER COMING.

The well known comedian, Otis Oliver, comes to the city on December 30th and 31st at the Keith Theatre when he appears in the principal comedy role in the big comedy play "The Un-Kissed Bride." Miss Vada Hell last appeared with Hynes and McIntere, and is the leading lady. She is known as the youngest leading lady on the American stage.

The newly elected directors of the Lincoln County Chapter American Red Cross will meet this evening at eight o'clock in the Red Cross rooms in the Post Office building. Election of officers and executive committees is to take place.

Wool Blankets on sale at \$4.36 a pair, \$7.85 a pair, \$9.96 a pair and upwards. All at out of season prices at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Ben Lapp and daughter, Gracie, of Viller, Idaho, who have been visiting in this city for some time, left the first of the week for their home.

THE CRYSTAL CHANGES HANDS

MOVIE HOUSE IS BOUGHT BY TWO NORTH PLATTE BUSINESS MEN

The Crystal Theatre was sold last Thursday to Heffner and Jones of this city. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Garman disposed of the Crystal in order that they might have a rest from the business in which they have been engaged almost without a vacation for the past eight years. They have not decided definitely just what they will do but it is probable that they will not leave North Platte.

The new firm is composed of Earl Heffner and Arthur Jones. Both of these young men have been engaged in the automobile business in this city for some time. They were too active to be kept down when the opportunity presented itself of acquiring the Crystal and so they have possession. They intend to conduct the business along the same general lines that it has been handled by Mr. Garman. Mr. Jones will be the active manager and will look after the details of the business. He was in Omaha yesterday looking after picture contracts and making arrangements to show a good line of films here during the next year.

WESTERN UNION TO ENLARGE PRESENT QUARTERS

The Western Union has secured a long time lease on the building recently occupied by the Equity store in the Walmath block. This room is just north of the room now used by the Western Union. Connections will be made and the additional room will be used for installing equipment now needed in the business.

MILLINERY SALE—All trimmed and ready-to-wear hats will be sold at one-half price at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Now that Xmas is over and we are getting back to normal let us turn our physical condition. Our eyes are the most important and let us give them the first consideration. The Dixon Optical Co., exclusive sight specialists, are equipped to give the best of attention to their work.

"She thought she would get away with it." See SEX at the Keith Saturday, matinee and evening.

Lookout Campfire met yesterday at the home of Dorothy Wilson. A short business meeting was held and the rest of the afternoon was spent in playing games.

TELEPHONE CONSOLIDATION IS ANNOUNCED BY BELL COMPANY.

The Nebraska Telephone Company which operates the North Platte Exchange, The Iowa Telephone Co., and the Northwestern Telephone Exchange Company which operates in Minnesota and North and South Dakota will be consolidated January 1, 1921 under the name of the Northwestern Telephone Co. This is merely a formal announcement of what has been a fact for ten years, for they have all been under the single management during that time. It is planned to eliminate the inconvenience of operating three separate companies under one management. Inquiry at the local exchange yesterday failed to secure any additional facts. No changes are contemplated in any of the officers.

THE BLUEBIRD STORE CHANGES HANDS LAST FRIDAY.

The little store on the corner just across the street from the high school building has been bought by Jay Smith. It was named the Bluebird by its former owner and has enjoyed a good business from the start. For several years it has been operated by Lysle Ludwig who bought out the interests of Guy Popejoy. Mr. Ludwig has built up a good business in soft drinks and confections and it is this business which Mr. Smith takes over. Jay Smith is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Smith and was born and raised in this city. He attended the local high school and was prominent in athletics and social life. He has been travelling for several years and after failing to find any place that suited him better he has returned to North Platte and enters the business life of the city. We predict success for Mr. Smith and while we do not indulge in soft drinks to any extent nor purchase much confectionery we are certain that there are enough who do, to make the business a success.

MASONS HONOR FAITHFUL OFFICER AFTER YEARS OF SERVICE.

A special meeting of the Platte Valley Lodge No. 32 A. F. & M. was held Christmas afternoon at Masonic Hall. A program had been prepared which included the presentation of a silver emblem to one of the officers of the lodge. P. J. Gimman had served the lodge for thirty-five years as tyler and the token was an appreciation of his services.

Blankets, the full-size bed kind, are being sold at The Leader Mer. Co.—The cotton at \$2.36 a pair, \$2.76 a pair, \$3.16 a pair and \$3.96 a pair. Mid summer prices now in the winter time when they are needed.



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