

## RURAL WRITINGS

(Items from the country are solicited for this department. Mail or send them in as early in the week as possible; items received later than Wednesday can not be used at all and it is preferred that they be in not later than Tuesday. Always send your name with items, that we may know who they are from. Name of sender not for publication. See that your writing is legible, especially names and places, leaving plenty of space between the lines for correction. Be careful that what you tell about actually occurred.)

### Ray Items.

"This wintry clime our grief renews, In manner sad to note. One day you need your overshoes, Next day your overcoat."

Mrs. Coombs and Cyril of Spencer visited friends here the past week.

Troy Twyford spent Tuesday visiting with Cyril Coombs.

Lester Harding caught a fine trout in the Eagle last Sunday, it weighed one pound.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moler, sr., spent Sunday afternoon visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Twyford.

Our telephone line is not being extended towards town very fast, hope it will be complete before summer comes.

R. R. Dickson and E. H. Whelan of O'Neill, were out in the sand hills the first of last week establishing a corner.

Mrs. Coombs, Mr. Twyford, Mrs. Ross and Henry Twyford listened to the new phonograph that Rolite Twyford purchased while in O'Neill last Monday.

### R. F. D. No. 1.

David Yantzie has moved his buildings onto the farm he recently bought. W. R. Johnson, A. L. Wilcox and John Twyford were in O'Neill Saturday.

Mrs. Harding of O'Neill is visiting her sons L. E. and J. E., who live near Eagle creek.

Chas Bigler is out on his farm to do his corn planting, while Joe drives the U. S. mail.

Mr. Weidner will put seven to eight hundred head of cattle in his big pasture he recently bought.

L. E. Harding has bought the farm known as the old Nell Robinson place, a good quarter section of farm land.

Corn planting is now in full blast all along the route and the next twenty days will be busy ones for the rurals.

A great many farmers are planting trees, both forest and orchard, which will be a great improvement in the looks of this country in a few years.

Mrs. W. F. Clevisch came home from the hospital last Saturday, feeling greatly improved, and her many friends are pleased to see her home again.

There are a few individuals who are fencing up section lines, and, even the public roads which are on record on the county road book. This is an imposition on the public, which will be righted when the people become alive to the fact.

### Phoenix Pick-Ups

Bert Anderson made a trip to Butte and back Friday.

Ray Banta and Rube Bellenger were in Spencer Friday.

Frank Reiser of Badger was a Phoenix visitor Saturday.

George Golder had business in Butte the last of the week.

Mrs. Nilson spent a day at the Banta home last week.

Harm Damero and wife entertained several friends Sunday.

Lena Damero visited school in Dist. No. 53 Friday afternoon.

Ray and Ralph Coburn marketed hogs in Atkinson Saturday.

L. G. Coburn and Ben Kinney had business at Turner last week.

Mrs. Storjohn and Edith were Phoenix visitors Friday afternoon.

Friend Keeler and Margie Elliott made a flying trip to town and back Friday.

L. G. Coburn and family and Grover Berry spent Friday evening at Mrs. Coburn's.

The aged mother of S. S. Banta is very ill. She came from Mich. for a visit with her sons, and owing to her age, recovery is doubtful. Although as

long as there is life there hope.

Frank Damero was an Atkinson visitor, his sister from Iowa accompanied him.

Mrs. John Hunt of Anncar and Mrs. Coburn were callers at S. S. Banta's Thursday.

Several from this burg attended the show in town Saturday evening and report it as first class.

Mrs. Kinney, assisted by her sister, Mary Bartel, entertained a crowd of young folks Saturday, for their sister Emma, who expects to go to Gross soon.

### Paddock Pointers.

Mr. Davenport and son, Claude, were at Eagle Mills Monday.

Mr. Derby and family visited at the Davenport home Sunday.

Charles Ladelly of Dorsey was around this neighborhood this week.

Mrs. Olmstead and Mrs. Berry were pleasant callers at Mrs. Mathers' Monday afternoon.

Hallie Crawford and Ora Thomas returned from their Bonesteel trip Tuesday. They report a fine time.

Thomas Barnett, who is at New Dallas driving for a livery barn, was kicked by a horse last week but not seriously hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Crawford visited at Mr. Haynes', Mrs. Crawford's father, Saturday and spent Sunday with Mr. Crawford, senior.

Church services are held at the Haynes school house every two weeks, Rev. Miller preaching, and Sunday school every Sunday at the Bradstreet school house.

Orna Church, Mrs. Mathers' little grandson who lives at Bonesteel, is very sick with typhoid fever. Mrs. Church visited her mother here the past winter.

C. U. Johnson, who lives on the old military reservation at Fort Randall, arrived here Wednesday on his way to O'Neill. He is having some trouble about his land.

Claude and Nye Berry returned from Gregory county Saturday evening and report a fine time. While in Butte they heard the ferryboat was impassable, the cable being broke.

Joe Hendrix, of Celia, came down Friday and spent Saturday visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Prouty. He returned home Sunday accompanied by Mrs. Hendrix, who had been visiting her daughter here the past month.

Mit Lowry is dangerously ill as the result of a sprained leg which was hurt some time ago while riding a horse but was not considered serious until lately. Dr. Armour of Spencer has been called three times this week. Mit was working for Chris Anderson, near Bristow, when hurt. He is at home now.

Ernest Wilson and Ethel Elliott, daughter of M. T. Elliott, of Red Bird, were married at the bride's home Wednesday evening, Mr. Postlewait officiating. An elaborate supper was served the contracting parties and assembled guests. We wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes. They are both very well and favorably known throughout northern Holt county.

### Relief From Rheumatic Pains.

"I suffered with rheumatism for over two years," says Mr. Rolland Curry, a patrolman, of Key West, Fla. "Sometimes it settled in my knees and lamed me so I could hardly walk, at other times it would be in my feet and hands so I was incapacitated for duty. One night when I was in severe pain and lame from it my wife went to the drug store and came back with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I was rubbed with it and found the pain had nearly gone during the night. I kept on using it for a little more than two weeks and found that it drove the rheumatism away. I have not had any trouble from that disease for over three months. For sale by Gilligan & Stout.

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### CHAMBERS.

Surveyor Norton is laying out the roads ahead of the grader and doing other survey work here this week.

Considerable damage was done by the prairie fires west of town last week and a large area of country was burned over.

Henry McCabe has resigned his position as clerk for F. M. Boyce and returned to the farm, Miss Hattie Cooper taking his place in the store.

Arthur Duffy was down from O'Neill the first of the week and had some acre and two acre tracts of land surveyed west of town which he is selling for residence property.

The Southfork Fair association has purchased of Lee Baker a 15-acre tract of land west of the cemetery for fair grounds. Mr. Baker donated in addition to this 5 acres, making a 20-acre tract which will make a fine fair ground for us. Now let everyone boost and help some; \$300 is yet needed to pay for this ground and a little help from all and we will have a permanent home for our association.—The Bugle.

### STUART

James Skirling of Alfalfa, Wash., arrived on the passenger from the west this morning for a few days visit with his daughters, Mrs. Bert Shearer and Mrs. R. S. Lee.

It is too bad that every locality must have its tale bearer and mischief maker. It appears as though some people delight in telling and enlarging upon every little thing they may chance to hear said of another, with the result that a friend will be hurt where no hurt was intended.

M. J. N. Haskin had the body of his brother, George, who was drowned twenty-one years ago, and buried on the school section now known as the Laird ranch, moved and re-buried in the Stuart cemetery, Wednesday. There are a number of others buried on the school section who will be moved to the Stuart cemetery soon.

Mrs. W. M. Brayton, who has been at Colfax, Iowa, for about a month caring for her brother, Mike Hughes, who was injured in a railway accident, is expected home Friday night.—Advocate.

### ATKINSON

H. W. Millner, a partner of W. P. O'Brien, returned last week to his home in Charles City, Iowa. He thinks Holt county is the best stock and dairy section in the state.

Chas. Orcutt, son of S. D. Orcutt, returned Tuesday from a 9 years' stay in Old Mexico. No one knew he was coming home and when he got off the train he did not recognize one of his old acquaintances but Mr. Dickerson.

Mrs. Jacob Rocha, who was in St. Joseph's hospital for treatment three months ago, has returned home much improved in health. After leaving the hospital she spent several weeks with the family of Chris Rocha in Lincoln.

Miss Minnie Miller left Tuesday for Lincoln, where she went as a delegate to the annual general assembly of the Eastern Star. She will not return till Sunday. Minnie Smith will fill her place as assistant principal and Bertha Stilson will teach in the intermediate department.

Father Breikopf, who has been at Stuart for the past six years, has been given a charge at St. James, Cedar county, Nebraska. Stuart has lost one of its most public spirited citizens, a priest who was especially liked by the Protestants, and who was always on the right side of questions affecting the moral welfare of his people and the community in general.—Ledger.

Mrs. Mabel Conard and daughter, of Schuyler, arrived Monday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weaver.

H. J. Graves returned to his home at Norfolk, Saturday, after a week's visit with his son, O. E. Graves, south of Atkinson.

John Kopp, who lives 4 miles north-east of Atkinson, was stricken with paralysis and is in a very precarious condition. This is the second stroke.

Saloon licences at \$750 each were granted to J. P. McNichols, Karl F. Siemsen and Frank Prussa by the village board at their regular meeting Monday night.

The new board met Monday night and organized by electing C. E. Havens, mayor; J. E. Brook, treasurer; and Frank Keirnan, clerk. H. W. Transue was appointed water commissioner and marshal and Howard Beebe night-watch.

Peter Greeley, of Phoenix, was in Atkinson Wednesday and informed our

reporter that the heavy freeze Monday and Tuesday night damaged his apple crop about sixty percent. Up to that time he expected to get the average crop of about 1200 bushels but under present conditions will be satisfied if he gets 500 bushels.—Graphic.

### The Markets

South Omaha, May, 8.—Special market letter from Nye Schneider Fowler Co.

A moderate run of cattle brings a little stronger market this week as was expected. While no sharp advance has as yet been made still there has been a stronger feeling with a shade higher prices amounting to fully 10 to 15 cents on desirable kinds. Don't forget, however, that the market has been easing off for three weeks and it will take several advances like this to put it back where it was. Common cattle were very drabby and no higher. Stockers and feeders were a little firmer. Lighter receipts from now on are very generally predicted. Don't overlook the slump in veal calves of 75 cents per cwt.

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Good to choice feeders..... 4 25/65 00  
Fair to good grades..... 3 75/4 25  
Stock steers..... 3 75/4 50  
Stock heifers..... 3 00/4 75

Hogs have eased off 15 to 20 cents since our last letter and will there will be some reactions, of course, we look for a downward tendency for a few weeks as predicted before. Bulk \$6.15 to \$6.30.

Values in sheep and lambs are up a notch again this week but we cannot expect much higher prices.

### PERSONS OF NOTE

State Senator Thomas F. Grady of New York, whose name was connected with the raid on a pool room which excited attention recently, has long been a prominent figure on the Democratic side in the New York legislature. The raid in question was made in the course of District Attorney Jerome's crusade against pool rooms, and the place was alleged to be the headquarters of a pool room syndicate making large profits from its proscribed business. The books of the syndicate showed that a person variously referred to as "T. G.," "Senator G." and "Grady" had participated to the extent of about \$30,000 in the profits of the concern. At the time of the raid some one representing himself to be Senator Grady called up on the telephone for the purpose of placing a bet, and a detective held a conversation with him. On the strength of these facts it was reported that Senator Grady would be summoned before the grand jury to explain what connection, if any, he had with the alleged illegal organization.

Senator Grady was born in New York in 1853, and it was in 1877 that he first went to Albany, where he served in the assembly. He was first elected to the senate in 1881. The senator has quite a reputation as a wit. He was once called upon to speak at a meeting which had been called for the purpose of starting a new club. The senator said he thought the club business was being overdone.

"I was persuaded," he explained, "to join the New York Athletic club for

the benefit of my body. I was persuaded to join the Catholic club in the interest of my soul, and I am forced to maintain my membership in the Democratic club in order to keep body and soul together."

There has been a great deal of comment throughout the country over the proposition made by John Temple Graves, editor of the Atlanta Georgian, when he suggested at a dinner in honor of William J. Bryan that the latter nominate Mr. Roosevelt for president at the Democratic national convention next year. Mr. Graves in his speech contended that Mr. Roosevelt stood for Democratic principles and that to make him the Democratic candidate would be putting the principle above the man and the party below the people. Mr. Graves is a great-grandson of that eloquent statesman of a past generation, John C. Calhoun, and is often spoken of as the successor of the late Henry Grady in the art of oratory. He was a candidate for election to the United States senate a year ago, and at that time a curious controversy arose between him and the manager of the Atlanta News, of which Graves was editor. The matter was taken into court, and the manager of the News, named Charles Daniel, obtained an injunction restraining Mr. Graves from "writing any matter or from placing matter written by others upon said editorial page which is devoted either to the personal enhancement of the plaintiff, Graves, or which relates to or is intended to influence the political candidacy of the plaintiff."

The injunction was secured in connection with a cross bill filed by Editor Daniel to the suit of Editor Graves, who alleged that the late Samuel Spencer, the president of the Southern railway, had purchased 217 shares of stock from Daniel and had entered into an alliance by which the paper was to be friendly to the interests of the Southern and Central Georgia railroads.

Daniel in his cross bill made this report: "So great is the necessity of the plaintiff for adjudication that any dreary drivel can find its way into the editorial page if only it be addressed 'Hon. John Temple Graves' and begins, 'I have read your brilliant editorial' or 'I heard your eloquent speech delivered at Coonville.'"

Mr. Graves' oratory possesses great finish, and he is a master of vigorous and pointed phraseology.

Alain Leroy Locke, the first negro to win a Rhodes scholarship at Oxford, is a Philadelphia boy. He is at present a Harvard senior and won the honor that entitles him to study at the great English university in a competitive examination held at Boston. In this contest he was one of seven aspirants who succeeded in passing the severe test as to scholastic attainments. Had there been any provisions as to physical weight limit young Locke might not have been successful in winning the scholarship, for he is in the featherweight class. Neither race nor color bars a candidate from trying for the Rhodes scholarships. Mr. Locke is twenty-one years of age and the son of Pily I. Locke, who practiced law in Philadelphia. His mother is a teacher in Mount Vernon, N. J.

Charles Denby, who has been appointed consul general of the United States at Shanghai, China, is a son of the late Charles Denby, minister to China under Harrison and McKinley, who died in 1904. He was twenty-three and a Princeton graduate when he went to Peking with his father. He learned to speak Chinese and other oriental languages with fluency and made the acquaintance of the late viceroy Li Hung Chang. By 1894 his fame had spread to Japan, and he was entrusted with the interests of that empire in China during the Sino-Japanese war. He discharged his task so well that at the close of the war he was called to a special audience with the Japanese emperor and empress, who bestowed decorations upon him. For several years he was secretary of legation at Peking and in 1897 resigned the post to pay a visit to his native land and execute a commission given him by Li Hung Chang. He returned to China as a representative of large manufacturing interests and in 1900, happening to be present in Tientsin during the siege incident to the Boxer insurrection, was made chief secretary of the Tientsin military government by the allied powers. This government administered affairs for two years, and on its termination he was retained as adviser by the Chinese provincial government. It was considered extraordinary that the Chinese authorities should repose so much confidence in a "foreign devil." Recently Mr. Denby acted as chief clerk of the state department at Washington.

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