

**UNION.**  
(Ledger.)

Mrs. C. R. Frans and Mrs. Obie Pickering came down from Plattsmouth Wednesday to make a visit with relatives and friends.

Jesse and James Dinsart departed on the forenoon train yesterday for West Plains, Mo., where they will spend several days looking over the land in that country.

James Rainey, who has been confined to his bed for the past few days, is now able to be out again. Better be careful Jim, as this is bad weather for rheumatism.

James A. Talkington came in from Surprise Wednesday afternoon to look after some important business matters and make a short visit with his many friends in and near Union.

Dr. W. M. Barritt, local surgeon for the Missouri Pacific, has been notified that his territory has been extended, being from Nebraska City to Plattsmouth, and Union to Weeping Water.

L. R. Upton arrived home Sunday night from several days' business trip to Spencer, Nebraska. While away Roy visited Unionites at Walthill, Coleridge, Rosalie, Hartington, and reports them all prosperous.

There has been some little talk of the advisability of establishing an alfalfa mill at this place. The editor is not up to date on that subject, but we should be pleased to have some of the farmers discuss the proposition in earnest, and if such a project will pay we see no reason why this town should not help carry it through. It won't hurt to talk about it.

The home of Joseph Everett, about four miles northeast of this village, was placed under quarantine Tuesday by the county physician, Dr. Brendel, account of diphtheria. The girl, Lettie, was very sick for several days, but is now reported to be getting along nicely. The action of the physician in placing the warning signs was prompted by the fact that Joseph and his mother, Mrs. Mary Everett, who makes her home with him, showed every indication of having contracted the disease. No other cases in that vicinity have been reported to The Ledger up to the present time.

**WEEPING WATER.**  
(Republican.)

C. C. Murray, formerly on route 1, has moved to Myard.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Keckler, on Friday, January 13, 1911, was born a son, eight-pounds weight.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Reynolds, living about four miles west of town, was born on Monday, January 16th, a son.

J. A. Eller's two daughters, Misses Bernice and Jessie, are now home from an extended visit with relatives in Ashe county, N. C. They were accompanied home by their cousin, Will Eller, who will probably conclude to remain here.

Mrs. Anna Coon has been very ill of late. On account of mental trouble she has required the services of Mrs. Hadley and Miss Sadie Rich. For a few days she was in a semi-conscious condition and later both ladies could hardly care for her.

S. W. Orton received a telegram Wednesday from Mrs. H. Wiggins, of Marlow, Oklahoma, stating that her father, Rev. D. S. Donegan died that morning and the funeral would be at Weeping Water, date not set. Rev. Donegan was a former pastor of the Baptist church, also a Mason and Odd Fellow.

Our old-time Elmwood friend, W. E. Rosencrans, passed through Weeping Water Monday, returning from a trip to Texas and the gulf. He was accompanied by J. Schlanker and Mr. James. They had been viewing the land; had passed through the Weeping Water colony's land and report everything bright, prosperous and promising.

Landlord Eller has had a lighting system placed in the hotel. One of the lamps is placed outside and it looks fine. The office, dining room, and in fact the entire house is illuminated and it beats daylight for brilliancy. The dining room is now repapered and painted, and patrons will hardly recognize the hotel of a few weeks ago. We understand the house is to be rechristened.

J. P. Schroeder, of Cedar Creek, was a business visitor in the city today. Mr. Schroeder is foreman at the Atwood & Co quarry at that point and brought some of the machinery used at the quarry to the Burlington shops at this point for repairs. While here Mr. Schroeder took time to call at this office and renew his subscription to the Semi-Weekly for another year.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Little*

**ELMWOOD.**  
(Leader-Echo.)

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Keckler, of near Manley, are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy, born Friday last.

Miss Nellie Wilcockson, who has been sick for some time, is now recovering nicely and expects to resume her school work Monday.

Wm. Hulfish is again in the employ of the school board. The janitor work proved too heavy for Mr. West, hence a return to the old standby.

Sam Panska, brother of Reinhart Panska, of this place, came in Monday from Ogden, Utah, for a visit with his many relatives and friends.

Elder Wilkenson and Dr. Alton left Monday for a short sojourn in southern Florida, where the government is opening up some land for settlement.

A little girl babe of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stone, of Alvo, passed away Sunday morning after an existence of but a few days. The child was buried Sunday afternoon, a short service being held at the grave. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Welchel, of this place, were in attendance. The sorrowing parents have the sympathy of all in their hours of sorrow.

Word reaches our desk of the death of Miss Irene Nickel which occurred Wednesday night at the state hospital, Lincoln. Miss Nickel had been suffering from consumption for some time and it is said death was due to that disease. She was a graduate of the Elmwood high school and had many friends in this vicinity whose sympathies have been with the sorrowing relatives since Irene was placed in the hospital, and whose sorrow is now extended to them in their last sad duties which they perform for a once bright and lovable daughter and sister. The funeral services will be conducted from the Nickel home near Elmwood tomorrow (Saturday) at 1 o'clock p. m.

**LOUISVILLE.**  
(Courier.)

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Kobler, Wednesday, January 11th.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cronicle, of South Bend, a girl, January 12th.

T. E. Williams is here from Oklahoma, visiting his parents. Tom has bought a tract of land in New Mexico and will move there in the spring.

Frank Wheeler has moved up from Plattsmouth and has taken charge of the harness department at C. J. Pankonin's harness and implement store.

Mrs. Albert Wergin, of Seward, visited at the home of her brother, Dr. E. H. Worthman, over Sunday.

Rev. Urwin of the local Free Methodist church, is conducting a very successful revival at La Platte this week.

Willie Krecklow came down from Havelock Thursday morning to visit the home folks. He started in as helper at the Burlington station here a few years ago and is now holding down a good job at Havelock.

Louisville Lodge No. 184, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, installed the following officers Monday night: C. M. Seybert, noble grand; L. J. Mayfield, vice grand; M. Tritsch, secretary; John Davis, warden; M. Nelson, inside guardian. Noble grand's supporters: D. K. Barr, right; Adam Wrentschler, left. Vice grand's supporters: H. Wright, left. District Deputy Grand Master M. Tritsch was the installing officer.

**EAGLE.**  
(Beacon.)

A. L. McDonald attended a meeting of the real estate dealers at Lincoln Tuesday.

Miss Emma Spratt, of Lincoln, was called home by the serious illness of her mother, Thursday.

Mrs. M. Hawkins returned Tuesday afternoon from a visit with her daughter at Beatrice.

Vick Manspaker and Ben Stretch left Tuesday for New Mexico, where they will look after their claims.

Harmon Frolch returned Friday afternoon from Fremont, Nebraska, where he has been attending a pharmacy school.

Mrs. Agnes McDonald left Monday morning for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Indiana and Ohio.

Henry Van Sittert, of Des Moines, Iowa, traveling salesman for the Favorite Stove company, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Adams and family. Mr. Van Sittert is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Adams.

Mr. Wiggins received a telegram from his wife that her father, Rev. Donegan, who is well known to Eagle people, passed away Wednesday morning. Mr. Donegan has been in poor health for some time. Burial will be made at Weeping Water.

George Tams, superintendent of the county farm, has taken Mr. W. Wells an aged citizen of Plattsmouth, who is sick and without friends, to the county farm. Mr. Wells is 88 years of age, and unable to care for himself longer.

**NO SUCH THING AS POOR SOIL**

**Agricultural Expert Tells How People May Save.**

**FARMER HAS BEST CHANCE**

Says Nation Is Slave to Fashion and Is Fed According to Dictates of Appetite—Declares Long Life is Within Easy Reach of All.

New York, Jan. 23.—"There is no such thing as bad soil in the United States. The matter is, there is a poor man on the top of good soil."

This statement was made at the Luncheon club by Professor Seaman A. Knapp, chief expert of the department of agriculture. There was delighted applause by the biggest crowd the club has had at such a meeting this year.

"There are 1,000,000,000 acres of land on which there is constant loss by erosion, improper tillage, floods, storms, etc. Placing this loss at \$1 an acre, as a conservative estimate, \$1,000,000,000 is lost to the country each year that could be saved if proper methods were used."

Laying down the proposition that folks are slaves to fashion, not only in clothes, but in food, the expert said:

"We are not fed according to the philosophy of what will produce the best results, but according to the dictates of our appetites. If the people of the United States would only save \$20 a year apiece on their food and clothes, which could easily be done, it would mean that the country would benefit \$1,000,000 a year. The average life in this country is thirty-three years. If properly fed and clothed, there is no reason why the average life of the individual should not be increased to fifty years. The increase of just one year of life would mean a saving to the people of America of \$5,000,000,000 a year."

As remedies for present conditions Professor Knapp said farms should be run on a business basis, just as are manufactories, and that the only way to teach this is through personal contact. Along this line, he said, the department of agriculture has put a representative in every district of the south; has organized a department for the instruction of boys, with an enrollment of 46,225 at the end of last year; has organized girls' clubs, where the proper canning of farm products is taught, and has taken means to help farmers' wives.

Another conclusion Knapp enunciated was that "gardens are at the bottom of the high cost of living."

He said there are 25,000,000 children idle, who might be producers if they were only taught properly to till a garden.

"And this is not an expensive job," he said. "If they would only give me one-half of one battleship I could put demonstrators in every county in the country. I can fight off more foreign invaders with a pumpkin, carrot and a beet than with all your armaments."

**TAFT DEFENDS CANAL POLICY**

President Makes Plea for Fortification of Big Ditch.

New York, Jan. 23.—President Taft began in earnest his campaign for the fortification of the Panama canal. His entire speech at the annual banquet of the Pennsylvania society in New York was devoted to this subject. He has high hopes that congress at this session will declare in his favor and appropriate \$5,000,000 to begin the work.

In the senate the president has been told the sentiment for fortification is almost two to one. The house seems pretty evenly divided, but not along partisan lines. Most of the members appear to have an open mind, however, and are willing to be convinced by the side that makes the better presentation of its case.

President Taft will bring all his influence to bear in favor of fortification. In his speech he said there was no treaty obligations in the way; that the United States had every right and reason to protect what was purely an American waterway.

At the same time he cautioned his hearers that universal peace was still a long way off and he could not conceive of any patriotic American being willing to allow an attacking force free and equal use of a waterway which was built by Americans largely as an instrument for the defense of their country.

**LEWIS REPORTED DEFEATED**

Tellers Have Finished Counting Ballots for Miners' Officers.

Columbus, O., Jan. 23.—The tellers who have been counting the vote cast for international officers at Indianapolis have completed their work and will report to the miners' convention today. It is reported that President Lewis has been defeated by a small majority.

Control of the United Mine Workers' convention came to a severe test when the forces supporting President Tom L. Lewis for the seating of the nine delegates of district No. 2 of central Pennsylvania came into competition with the forces headed by Vice President James Purcell of district No. 2. Charges of falsehood were freely made by each side.

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**DR. C. M. SHEPHERD LECTURES IN PLATTSMOUTH**

Dr. C. M. Shepherd, of Lincoln, field secretary of the Methodist ministers' fund, occupied the pulpit of the M. E. church here yesterday morning, and spoke in the interests of the retired ministers' fund. In the afternoon Dr. Shepherd spoke at the Masonic Home, filling the hour allotted to Rev. W. L. Austin, who at that hour spoke at Judge Sullivan's funeral. The evening hour of service at the Methodist church was occupied by Dr.

Shepherd, at which time he delivered his lecture on the "Epoch of the Circuit Rider." The lecture was a very able discourse, Dr. Shepherd being a most eloquent and forceful speaker. At this service the Glee club rendered an anthem, and Mesdames Adams and Westcott sang a duet. Miss Ellen Windham was to have sung a solo at this service, but on account of suffering from a severe cold, the duet was substituted.

At the Epworth League meeting prior to the evening service, A. L. Tidd spoke on the "Roman Trial of Christ," and delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture.

The M. E. church will begin revival services March first, at which

time Rev. Austin will be assisted by Rev. Lewis, of Ohio, and a singer.

**E. L. Morton Here.**

Mr. E. L. Morton, of Iowa, who has been to Salt Lake City visiting his sick brother, arrived in Plattsmouth Saturday evening and visited with his nephew, S. S. Gooding, over Sunday, departing for his home via Omaha on the morning train today. Mr. Gooding accompanying his uncle to the metropolis, not having seen his uncle for twenty-five years, he wished to remain with him as long as possible.

C. E. Carroll, of Murray, and Andy Campbell, of near that burg, were in the city today on business.

**Semi-Annual "Clean Up" of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes!**

**THAT** heading gives you, in a few words, the whole story of the best opportunity of the season for buying the kind of clothes you ought to have, at prices so advantageous that it's no wonder hundreds of men in this community wait for this sale, and quickly take advantage of it.

We're not "greatly overstocked;" we're not in any "distress" for fear we can't sell our goods; we're not pleading or begging you to help us in some way. It's a very simple straight forward proposition from us to you; and it's your advantage as well as ours. We've got here some of our Hart, Schaffner & Marx suits and overcoats that are not sold yet; we expect to have some surplus at the close of every season. We're going to sell them now; and in order to do it, we reduce the prices to a quick clearance basis.

Here are some January "Clean up" prices:

- Suits and Overcoats, worth up to \$15, **\$10.00**  
"Clean Up" price.....
- Suits and Overcoats, worth up to \$21, **\$14.00**  
"Clean Up" price.....
- Suits and Overcoats, worth up to \$30, **\$18.00**  
"Clean Up" price.....
- Suits and Overcoats, worth up to \$35, **\$24.00**  
"Clean Up" price.....

The Home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes  
Manhattan Shirts Stetson Hats

Special on Flannel Shirts \$1.00



See Our Windows for January "Clean Up" Prices