

# Loup City--Now and the Future—by Mayor Samuel A. Allen

Great similarity exists between towns of the west in their growth and additional comfort for their citizens. We, too, can mention the change from nothing to telephones, from planks to cement sidewalks, from dark streets to electrically lighted thoroughfares, from wells to a general water system, from soddies to real modern homes and business institutions and schools, comfortable churches, homes, newspapers, banks etc.

An active commercial club, having about 100 members, anxious to promote the city's welfare and encourage the farmer to trade here.

Loup City's new \$30,000 school house, now under construction, means that we are not only keeping pace with the world's education needs but are preparing for the future in a way that is to insure Loup City becoming an educational centre. Is this enough? We answer, yes; so long as we continue to improve. We believe that Loup City is a good place to bring up children, believe that a beginning in life can be made here just as well as anywhere in the world, that it is a good place to live and work and be happy.

No town in the state of like size can boast of more beautiful trees, well kept homes, nor more congenial people. A new man has a chance here provided he is willing to work and win.

Loup City is growing along lines that mean no permanent set back, no reaction of local conditions need bring fear to the residents here. Located at the most logical place in this section of the country, it will always and is bound to keep pace with the country's growth. The constant day and night work of our mills for years, the steady shipment of grain and stock from our surrounding country under all conditions of crops of the past, proves the resourcefulness of the land.

Our creamery, with an output of many thousand pounds of butter per

month; modern hotel; two weekly and one monthly newspapers; mail several times each day, argue for business, substantial now, and assured for the future.

Look, during the day at the men about town, busy. Many of them their lives chuck full of effort, building, constructing, going and coming; business is here and actually being done, not going to be, but is.

Investigate individual concerns and observe that the small town of today presents every modern improvement of the city. Take these words you are reading, they have passed from the mouth to a dictaphone, and from there to a stenographer and from there to a linotype machine of The Northwestern printing office—modern—why is this? It simply represents the statute of Loup City's progressiveness.

The big city is meeting a sort of competition; it is losing its enticing atmosphere because more and more the improvements of today find their way to the small live town as quickly as the large and the desire for living in the big place is becoming less and less each day because of the fact of its being just big is not enough since now it has no other advantages over the smaller town.

Loup City and her people are becoming more and more advanced, not only commercially but socially, and the fact that its criminal docket carries fewer cases than any town of its size in the state, places a high credit mark for general conduct, of its people reflecting the work of church, schools and home in a way to prove our assertion that Loup City is a good place in which to live, in more ways than one.

## SKETCHES OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS OF LOUP CITY.

S. A. Allen, mayor of Loup City was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and has been a resident of Loup City for twelve years.

Mr. Allen stands high in the dental



DR. SAMUEL A. ALLEN  
Mayor.

profession. He is a graduate of the Northwestern University Dental school of Chicago and Peeso's Post Graduate school, of Philadelphia, Pa. He is a member of the Nebraska State board of Dental Examiners, having been appointed to serve a four year term by Governor Morehead about a year ago. In addition to his



PETER ROWE  
City Clerk.

other duties he is editor of The Nebraska Dental Journal, a monthly publication of large circulation, which was established three years ago. Mr. Allen belongs to the K. of P. and Masonic orders and is Worshipful Master in the latter named organization.

In spite of these things the doctor finds some time to spend at home with his family, consisting of Mrs. Allen, a son and a daughter, who seem to know their father pretty well at that.

It gives us great pleasure to see Loup City business and professional men win the highest honors in their profession in the state as Dr. Allen has done. The writer recant-

ly when in Lincoln met a dentist who said: "So you are from Loup City, where our dental editor lives. Dr. Allen is certainly a good dentist and a fine fellow." Incidentally the doctor can make a good talk.

Robert H. Mathew, City Attorney, born just south of Loup City, moving to this place twenty-seven years ago; graduated from Loup City high school, Kearney Military academy and law department of the University of Nebraska; has practiced law here for about eleven years; has served two terms as county attorney; owns the only set of abstract books in the county; possesses one of the best law libraries in the country and conducts an active law and abstract business in a building constructed by him for that purpose. He is a Mason, K. of P., Odd Fellow and a member of several Greek Letter fraternities. In his capacity as city attorney he is consulted on all questions of municipal law and from reports of the city board members, delivers the goods with cheerfulness and always gives careful attention to all matters placed before the board. He is strong for everything which will make a better Loup City, and devotes much time to every movement which might promote its growth.

Mr. Mathew is one of Loup City's most enthusiastic advocates of outdoor sports and is in a large measure responsible for the organization of both the tennis and golf clubs and in which he takes the keenest interest.

William Graefe, Councilman, born in Hall county, Nebraska, has lived in Loup City ten years, in business all of that time; has four fine children, three girls and a boy.

Mr. Graefe takes a serious interest as a member of Loup City's board and can be seen at each and every meeting, taking active part in conducting the business of that body. Being a business man he becomes a valuable member of the board and



DR. O. E. LONGACRE  
City Physician.



ROBERT H. MATHEW  
City Attorney.

is always willing to look after all matters assigned to him. This is the stuff that makes town boards do things and Mr. Graefe is not afraid to do. Mr. Graefe conducts one of the most up-to-date and complete drug stores in the west; a customer at Mr. Graefe's store feels all the atmos-



H. R. H. WILLIAMS  
Police Judge.

phere of the city, for the most modern show cases display a clean and well kept stock, his street windows, changed often, and in real "up-to-the minute" fashion, convinces a patron that Graefe represents genuine progressiveness in conducting his business.

James Burnett, marshal. Excepting the mayor, the man who receives the most compliments (?) on all things regarding the city, is the marshal. James Burnett, born in Indiana, came to Loup City in 1884, and has served as marshal for nine years. "Jim" is good natured, big, and wears a smile most of the time and, when it is considered that his duties include looking

after the city's streets and acting as the city water commissioner, the smile certainly comes from a strong heart, Jim believes in a square deal, but in a "show-down" can lock a man up with about as little trouble as anyone we know.

Dr. O. E. Longacre, city physician, born in Dodge county, Nebraska; located in Loup City about nine years ago; graduate of University of Maryland. Dr. Longacre is called upon to advise and act in all cases coming before the city health board and is willing at all times to serve with his ability for the betterment of health conditions. He has held different offices in the Sherman County Medical society and is a student and close follower of advanced medical and surgical treatment. Dr. Longacre is a Past Master of Loup City's Masonic order; Past Chancellor of the Order of K. of P., and a member of several other organizations in which he is always willing to take a helpful and active part in the work.

George W. Collipriest. Born at Astor, Iowa. President of Loup City's Board, since his first year, three years ago. Has lived in Loup City ten years, all of which time he has conducted the business of the Union Pacific railroad through his position as agent here. Mr. Collipriest lets no man on the board work more diligently than he. He is anxious at all times to build a better city and when the board is in session Mr. Collipriest devotes every possible effort to see that money is properly and profitably spent. He has built a neat and comfortable home and the proud possessor of a mighty good wife and five children. George Collipriest leads a very busy and trying sort of life, but at that, has the reputation of the best natured ticket agent on the system. Mr. Collipriest stands mighty high in the esteem of the people of Loup City and the longer one knows him, the more reasons one learns why they are right.

John Ohlsen has been a member of the city council for three years and has taken a great deal of interest in



JOHN OHLSEN

the affairs of the city. He is a senior member of John Ohlsen & Sons, Contractors, Architects and Builders, and has had over twenty years' experience in building fine brick and other structures, including some of the leading buildings of the state. The firm now has the contract for the erection of the fine \$30,000 school house of Loup City, and the fine new bank and office building at Chadron, Nebr., which will cost about \$40,000 complete. It is fine that our business men can land and efficiently handle such big contracts, Chadron being in the extreme western part of the state, but our business men are the equal of any. Mr. Ohlsen was born August 16, 1862.

Will French has been associated in the teaming and contracting lines at Loup City for many years, being a member of the "Big Four." He has earned the enviable reputation of completing every job he undertakes just as agreed and on time. He has been a member of the council for four years, scarcely ever missing a meeting of the city board. He was born in Minnesota and has lived in Loup City for thirty-nine years and is regarded as one of our most reliable citizens.

Peter Rowe, the genial and efficient clerk of the city board, has served in his present capacity nine years, and has devoted more time and attention to his official duties by far than his salary will ever pay him for, but he does not care, as he enjoys official life and believes that an official should give the best that is in him to his position. Mr. Rowe is an expert lather and mason and is well known over the county. Incidentally, he keeps close to the political situation and his influence is often much sought after by prospective candidates. Mr. Rowe moved to Loup City from Grand Island twenty-nine years ago and has a fine wife and family. He is noted for the courtesy and fairness with which he attends to the wants of those having business with the city.



JAMES BURNETT  
City Marshal.



WM. GRAEFE



GEORGE W. COLLIPRIEST  
President of the Council.

## Christmas Will Soon Be Here

Do your Christmas shopping early. We are trying our best to please you. We had a wonderful month in November for which we thank you. Help us make this a better one. Nice assortment of sensible and useful Christmas gifts.

Women's and Children's plain and fancy Handkerchiefs,  
Each 5c to 50c.

Men's all linen handkerchiefs,  
25c to 50c.

A complete line of Men's neck-ware,  
Each 25c to 50c.

Combs, Handbags, Barretts, front and back and side combs,  
10c to \$1.50.



Santa Claus Headquarters at Vic Swanson's Store

A fine line of ribbon. All prices  
10c to 50c yd.

Beautiful Bed Spreads,  
\$1.00 to \$5.00.

Table Cloths and Napkins,  
\$2.00 to \$6.50 Set.

Ladies' Misses' and Children's Coats,  
\$2.00 to \$15.00.

Cotton Wool and Wool Nap Blankets,  
Pair 75c to \$7.00.

## Christmas Gifts for Men

Below we mention a number of serviceable gifts that are certain to be appreciated by the men:

- Smoking Jackets
- Bath Robes
- Golf Coats
- Traveling Bags
- Sweaters
- Fur Caps
- Suspenders
- Neckties
- Slippers
- Fancy Sox

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Clothier and Furnisher  
The Store of Quality Goods



## You Business Men

A becoming presence is essential in the present day scheme of things. Those around you, judge you largely by the impression you create. Your every request, your every command finds a response the more quickly if you look the part. You are cordially invited to visit headquarters for

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Say "Shayne-Brun"

You are sure to find here the most advanced in tailoring, courteous treatment and complete clothes satisfaction. There's no other way of dressing so effectively. Make your selection today and be measured.

Complete Line of Dry Goods and Notions to Suit Everybody  
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