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EVENTS AT LITCHFIELD

Will Miller shipped a load of hogs to the Omaha market on Tuesday.

Pete Larson was called on this week by the stork, who left a baby girl at the home.

Cort Lang shipped a mixed carload of cattle and hogs to the Omaha market Tuesday.

Sam Parker, the horse buyer from Grand Island, was on our streets buying horses, on Friday.

George Lang's pump on his gasoline tank froze up for two days. The tank holds a car of gas.

Thomas Roope, superintendent of motive power on the B. & M. system, went up the road on No. 39, Monday.

Harry Labert, who farmed south of town, shipped out his farm implements and household goods to Lush-ton last week.

Mr. Highland, the elevator man of Sweetwater, came up on No. 39 Tuesday, on business, returning the same day on No. 40.

John Donovan and Wm. Benson, moderator and director of our school board, went to Cairo to inspect the high school building there.

Solan Scott shipped up a load of machinery and furniture. He is moving onto one of his fathers' farms, the old Walter Comfort farm, south of town.

Frank Scott is up from Shelby on business connected with his farms here. W. C. Pike accompanied him. He is looking for a location for a harness shop.

The adjuster for the Columbia Fire Insurance company was here on Tuesday and settled with Kanute Ladegaard for the loss of his home by fire. Kanute left for Loup City on No. 40 via South Ravenna.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woolf arrived on No. 39 from Ulysses, Neb., where they had been to attend the funeral of his mother, who was buried there on Tuesday. She had attained the ripe old age of 83 years.

Grabe & Helleberg, architects, of Columbus, came up Thursday and submitted plans to our school board for their inspection, for our new school house. Jundust and a Grand Island firm have also submitted plans.

Ben Holcomb has traded his 160-acre farm northwest of town for 80 acres in the North Platte valley, southwest of Torrington, Wyo. His brother, Byron, who left here three years ago, lives at Morrill. He will leave here with his aged mother and father on No. 43, Wednesday. Ben will follow with a carload of goods in a day or two.

Our old friend and neighbor, W. F. Gray, is down from the North Platte country, near Baird. He reports everything lively up there and crops good. He informs us that Ross Chapman, a boy that was raised here and well known, raised a good crop and made more money than he ever did before in his life. Fred D. Bruler also raised a good crop. W. F. certainly looks good.

Miss Isma McCune, daughter of our well known citizens, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCune, and Mr. Bob Shekde, a well known farmer of Pleasant Valley, went to Grand Island on No. 40 Wednesday, where they intend to be united in holy matrimony. (Miss McCune says it is no false alarm this time.) They intend to visit in the eastern part of the state for a week or two. After that they will be at home on the groom's farm in the valley. Good luck to them and may they live happy ever after is our wish.

Birney Flanders was married to May Roberts at Grand Island on Monday, and arrived here on No. 39. They are both descendants of oldtimers. Miss Roberts is the daughter of Wm. Roberts of Sweetwater, whose parents were of the very earliest settlers (1873). Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts, (1873). Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts, (1873). Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts, (1873). Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts, (1873). Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts, (1873).

town, now residing at the county seat. We are glad to offer congratulations in unison with all the oldtimers, wishing them a happy and prosperous journey through life. The happy couple left for Loup City on Tuesday morning, where the groom runs a pool hall.

Few people stop to consider the immensity of our railroad's equipment. Who would think that the B. & M. R. box cars alone would make a train two hundred and fifteen miles long on the system; that they have eight thousand stock cars; three thousand nine hundred refrigerator cars; flats and gondolas, twenty-four thousand five hundred and thirty-six; two hundred and thirteen tank cars; twenty-one barrel rack cars; seven thousand refrigerator cars; thirty private cars; forty-one diners; five hundred and seventeen coaches; one hundred and twenty-one chair cars; one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight locomotives, and there are nine thousand three hundred and seventy-seven miles of track in the system.

A Quiet Wedding.

Mr. G. G. Weitzel, of Early, Iowa, and Miss Bertha Weber were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Weber, north of town, at 7 o'clock Saturday evening, January 15, 1916, by Rev. William Petersen, the German Lutheran minister, of Hazard.

It was a simple home wedding, with only the close members of the families on both sides present. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George B. Weitzel, parents of the groom, and Oscar Weitzel, brother of the groom, and Mr. and Mrs. George Kintzler.

Miss Emma Weber, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, Miss Alma Heesch, of Ravenna, acted as bridesmaid, Mr. Paul Saffranek, of Merna, Neb., and William Weber, brother of the bride, acted as best men. Miss Rhene Hedlund played the wedding march.

The bride wore a simple, but beautiful, dress of lemon colored silk crepe de chine, trimmed in shadow lace and beads, and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. The maid of honor and bridesmaid were dressed alike in pale pink. After the ceremony a fine supper was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Weitzel will make their home near Early, Iowa, on his farm, near his parents. The groom's twenty-eighth birthday was his wedding day, and his bride is twenty-seven years old. The newlyweds will visit in neighboring places for some time before leaving for their new home in Iowa.

The Northwestern extends congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Weitzel and wishes for them happiness and prosperity.

Obituary.

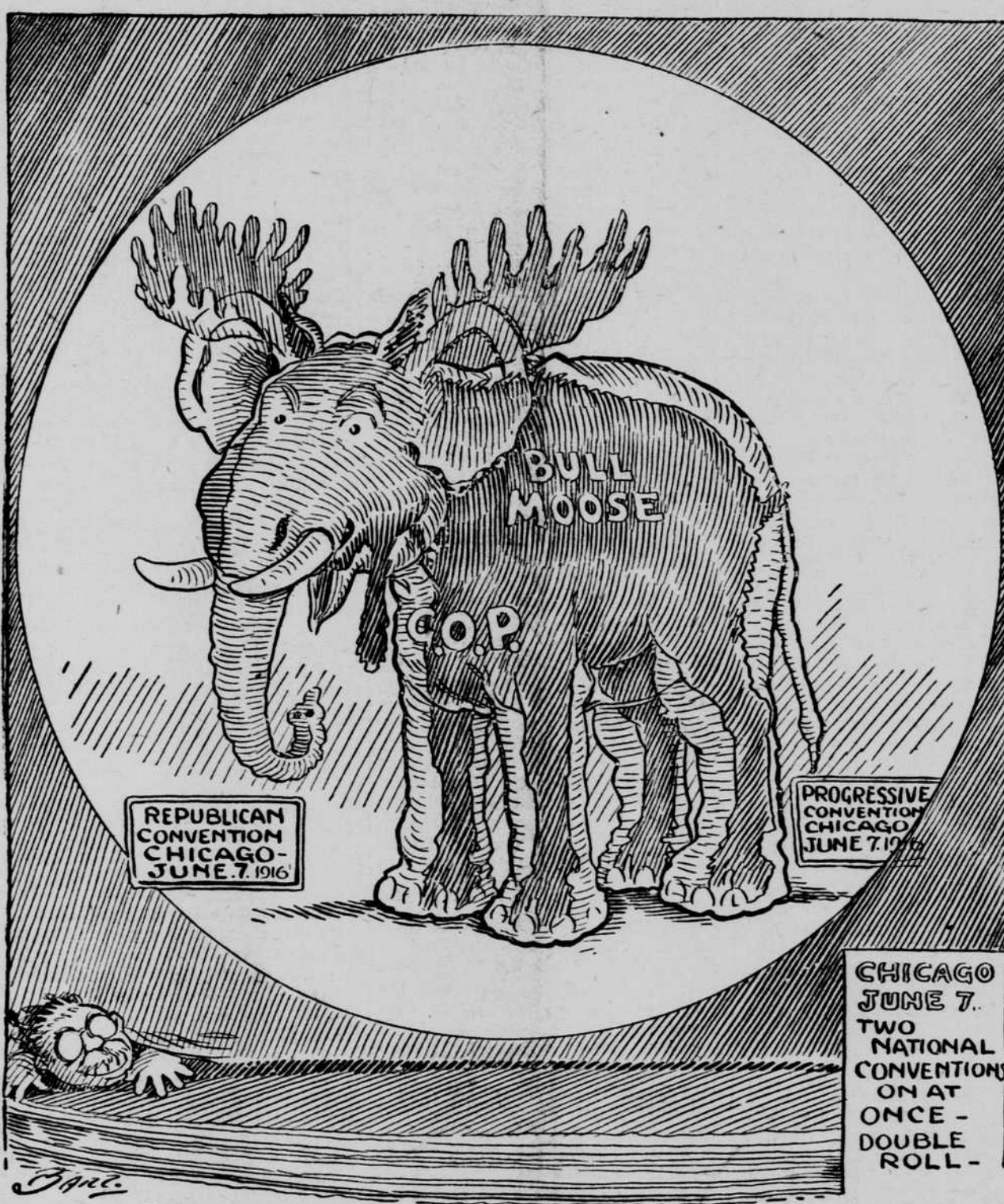
Mrs. James Patterson, a former resident of this section, but who has been making her home at Kearney since January 19, 1915, died at her late residence in the above city on Monday morning, January 17, 1916, aged 56 years.

Miss Susan Lilly was born in England on March 24, 1860, coming to America when a small child with her parents to LaSalle, Ill. Here she was united in marriage to James Patterson and to this union was born eleven children, seven sons and four daughters.

They moved to Nebraska, locating at Litchfield in 1890, making this place their home continuously until they moved to Kearney about a year ago. Five children are living, as follows: Elizabeth Goff, John Patterson, Alex Patterson, all of Kearney, Neb., Agnes Engleman, of Craig, Colo., and George Patterson, of Litchfield.

Funeral services were conducted from the Christian church, Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, January 19, 1916, conducted by Rev. Carl E. Knapp, of Cozad, Neb., and interment was in Litchfield cemetery.

DISSOLVED VIEWS



"HENPECKED HENRY."

No lover of fun, song and pretty girls can afford to miss the big musical comedy "Henpecked Henry" at the opera house next Monday, January 24. The success in neighboring cities has been most gratifying and the management guarantees one thousand hearty laughs in two hours and a quarter.

AGAIN IN THE RACE.

County Judge Smith started to circulate his petition last week in order to have his name placed on the primary ballot at the April election, for the nomination of county judge. The office of county judge is non-partisan and the filing is not made under any party name. The petition requires 200 signatures before the name can be placed on the primary ballot and requires a filing fee of \$10 in addition, twice as much as is required as a filing fee for any other office.

NEW AUTO NUMBERS ARRIVING.

Since the first of the year many auto owners have received their new automobile numbers. The numbers are sent out directly to the purchaser of a license, by the secretary of state, the same as last year. The plates this year are blue with white figures and letters. Last year the plates were white with black figures. The license is obtained from the county treasurer and that official sends in proper credentials to the state, before the number is obtained.

HUNTERS STILL ON THE FENCE.

Customary hunting licenses are again being issued by the state to the county clerks and in turn to those who apply for them. The license gives permission to hunt or fish according to the state laws. No provision is made for the federal law and acting on the strength of the state license one can either hunt or fish. It seems as though the federal law was slow or rather the supreme court in not deciding which of the laws held good. Nebraska was one of the few states not to change its game laws to comply with the federal law.—Chappell Register.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Judge of the District Court of the twelfth Judicial District of Nebraska, I hereby fix the time for holding the terms of court in said District for the year 1916, at the following dates:—

Buffalo county, jury terms, May 15, Dec. 4, equity terms, Jan. 24—Oct. 2. Custer county, jury terms, April 24—Nov. 13, equity terms Feb. 14—Sept. 18.

Sherman county, jury terms, Sept. 12, equity terms, Feb. 23—Oct. 24th. Said terms will be adjourned from time to time to fully meet the requirements of the public business. It is also ordered that no grand juries be drawn or summoned, unless hereafter ordered by the court. Naturalization days shall remain as heretofore fixed by the order of this court.

Done at Kearney, this 1st day of January, 1916.

Bruno O. Hostetler, Judge of the District Court.

By Chas. Bass, Clerk of the District Court of Sherman County, Nebraska.

Claimed to be Bryan's Brother.

An old man named John Bryan, an inmate of the Alameda county poorhouse in California, has long held to the delusion that he was a brother of William Jennings Bryan. He had told the story about the poorhouse for so many years that when he died Thursday morning the superintendent sent a telegram to Mr. Bryan at Lincoln telling him that his brother, John, was dead and asking what disposition to make of the body. The telegram was returned to the wire company by Mayor Bryan with the information that Mr. Bryan had no brother, John, and that the wire was directed to the wrong person. Press dispatches carried a brief reference to the matter, one story saying he was a cousin of the Bryans here. Another said that the old man had explained the fact that he was laid friendless in the poorhouse by the story that he had been estranged from his brother for years. He told it so often he believed it himself.

OBITUARY.

Frank Blaschke was born in Ger-sing, Roemerstadt, Austria Hungary, on the 18th day of January, 1865. He was married in the old country to Miss Amelia Brochiel on the 25th of August in the year of 1879. Of this happy union there sprung six children, four daughters and two sons.

On October 18, 1888, he left the old country with his wife and family and came to the United States, arriving at Bellwood, Nebraska, and resided at Bellwood three years. He then moved, in the year 1892, to Polk county, lived there about twelve years. In March, 1904 he came to Sherman county and made his home here since that time.

Healthy and very industrious, as he was, he was taken ill about one year ago with dropsy of which he fell victim to on January 3, 1916, being 60 years of age.

He is survived by his wife and all of his children. His children are Mrs. James McBeth of Wiggle Creek, Frank Blaschke, Harlowton, Mont., Mrs. Carl Squires, of Comstock, John Blaschke and Mrs. John Foy of Loup City, and Alvena, who is yet at home. He is also survived by one brother, Joe Blaschke, of Edenburg, Texas, and two sisters, Mrs. Schoen, of La-vaca, Neb., and Mrs. John Needman of Dutch-houser, Austria Hungary. He leaves a large number of friends to mourn his demise. He was a good and faithful member of the German Evangelical church here.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Schulze at the German church on Friday, January 7, 1916, and he was laid to rest in the Evergreen cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy shown during the illness and death of our husband and father, Frank Blaschke.

Mrs. Frank Blaschke.
Mrs. James McBeth.
Frank Blaschke.
Mrs. Carl Squires.
John Blaschke.
Mrs. John Foy.
Alvena Blaschke.

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STATE TAXES HIGHER

The people of Nebraska paid \$21,000,000 in taxes for all purposes during the year 1915, an increase of more than one million dollars over the amount paid in 1914. A compilation made by Secretary O. E. Bernecker of the state board of assessment at Lincoln shows a total of \$21,396,358 raised by taxation for all purposes in 1915, not including taxes paid in Cherry, Grant and Keya Paha counties. If the taxes in these counties is the same as paid in 1914 the total taxes raised throughout the state in 1915 was \$21,682,464, an increase of \$1,277,007 over the amount paid in 1914.

Out of a total of \$20,405,457 paid for all purposes in 1914 \$13,282,411 was taxes levied alone by school districts. This information has caused many taxpayers to awaken to the fact that the greater part of the funds raised for taxation is expended for school purposes.

The state tax, or a tax for the support of the state government, is a small part of the expense of govern-

ment. The levy for state purposes in 1915 was 6.8 mills on the dollar, or one mill less than for the previous year. The average tax for all purposes ranges from 40 to 50 mills on the dollar in the different communities. The state tax raised by the levy of 1915 was \$400,000 less than the total amount levied the year before. While the state tax was reduced in 1915 it is apparent from figures received from the various counties that levies for local taxes, such as school and county purposes, were kept up to the former high mark and in some instances increased. Only a small portion of the taxes raised during the year is accountable for by an increase in the valuation of property.

In the spring all lands will be re-valued for the first time in four years for taxation purposes. A large increase in valuation is looked for. Unless the local taxing boards reduce levies a big increase in total taxes for 1916 will be the result.—St. Paul Republican.

DEFINITION OF LA GRIPPE.

Here is the Grand Island Independent's definition of La Grippe and there are very few people in the country who are unable to testify to its unaccuracy: "Bones which seem cracked in two; joints which apparently have all the oil removed; a nose which receives constant attention; aches and pains in all portions of the body, and a disposition as jagged as a circular saw; say this and three out of every five residents of the city, almost, will arise and shout with one accord, 'Grippe, doggone it, and I've got it.'"

ENTERTAINED AT CARDS.

Mesdames R. L. Arthur, A. H. Hansel, R. P. Starr and C. C. Carlsen, entertained the P. E. O's and their husbands at cards at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carlsen Wednesday evening. A very enjoyable evening was spent.

CITY HALL FOR LOUP CITY.

We are informed that a movement is on foot to put the matter up to the voters to vote bonds for the construction of a city hall. It is rarely that a city the size of Loup City has not a suitable building for a city hall, and no doubt the voters will give this subject serious consideration if it is brought to their attention at the next spring election.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CLAY TOWNSHIP.

Receipts.
Money on hand in treasury of Clay township, January 1, 1916 \$188.07
Received from county treasurer for road fund, district No. 21 664.95
Received from county treasurer for road fund, district No. 22 608.30
Received from county treasurer for road fund, district No. 23 605.30
Expenditures.
Paid out of the general fund of said township \$781.37
Paid out for roads in district No. 21 of said township 664.95
Paid out for roads in district No. 22 of said township 608.30
Paid out for roads in District No. 23 of said township 605.30
Total \$2,659.92

G. H. HALLER, township clerk for Clay township, Sherman county, Nebraska, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of receipts and expenditures for the year 1915.

GEO. HALLER, Twp. Clerk.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of January, 1916.
F. D. EASTBROOK, J. P.

THE CHURCHES.

Methodist.
Sunday, January 23, 10:30 a. m. "The Christian's Chief Business." 3:30 p. m., preaching services at Wiggle Creek. 7:30 p. m., "A Common Excuse."

On account of the severe weather and the gripple, the 6 o'clock dinner, for the adult Bible class, as planned by Mrs. Chris Oltjenbrus, and to be served at her home, was postponed from Saturday until a later date.

The A. L. T.'s S. S. held high carnival last Monday evening in the basement of the church. A good time was enjoyed by all. Said time wound up with an oyster feed. One fellow was discovered who could make more noise than the preacher. Henceforth his name shall not be called "Clarence," but "Windy." L. V. SLOCUMB.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Every Saturday evening at 7:30 Rosary devotion.

Services on Sundays as follows: Morning service at 10:30, Mass, and the usual Polish sermon, except the last Sunday of each month, when the English sermon is given instead of the Polish.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend all our services, and especially the English services.

CHANGED HIS NAME.

Vallejo, Calif.—A man with a name closely resembling the kaiser's affiliation, and pronounced softly as you'd breathe the name of a Serbian mountain resort to a dear friend, has been enlisted in the United States marine corps as Liberal Scott, by special authority from Washington, D. C.

And so, Eleftherios Sykeotis is officially listed in the records of the United States marine corps as "Liberal Scott."

Sykeotis, who is a naturalized American citizen, adopted the name of Liberal Scott because of his great admiration for Harry Lauder, he says, and for the father reason that few persons have ever correctly pronounced the name he abandoned.

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