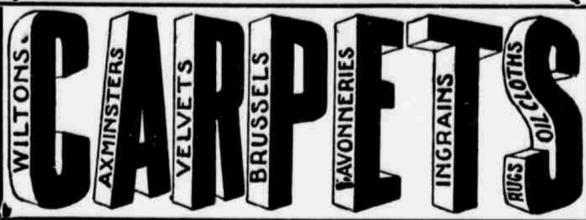




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Items of Interest as
Reported by Chief
Reporters at Several
Nearby Localities.

COWLES

A good rain would be acceptable. Mrs. George Hager, two sons and Miss Mabel Waller are attending the interstate reunion at Franklin.

Miss Edith Edson was very much distressed last week by the loss of two of her best friends (little gray kittens). A searching party was formed and they were found and immediately returned, to the delight of their mistress.

Mr. Addison Ritchey has returned to his school duties in Iowa.

A number of our teachers are in Red Cloud this week in attendance at the institute.

The M. E. pulpit was very ably filled last Sunday night by Rev. Pearson, presiding elder of this district.

Mrs. Rippeot and son Claude returned on Tuesday from their trip to the mountains.

Mrs. Wm. Peak and children have gone to Franklin to visit relatives and take in the reunion.

E. T. Foe has taken permanent charge of the postoffice, Mr. Putnam having resigned.

Mr. Geo. Harris returned to Campbell Tuesday after a few days here.

Paul Storey and wife of Red Cloud were here on Tuesday.

The ladies of the Congregational church gave an ice cream social in the A. O. U. hall Friday afternoon and evening. An enjoyable time was had and a neat sum realized.

Last Friday was a red letter day for the Cowles baseball club. In the afternoon a game of ball was played between Cowles and Bladen, which resulted in score of 4 to 0 in favor of Cowles. The Bladen boys played good ball and are gentlemanly fellows. In the evening the club gave a bowery dance which was well attended and a delightful time was enjoyed by all, besides netting the boys a goodly sum.

BLADEN.

Cy Jennings drove in the first part of the week. He started out last spring for an overland trip through Oklahoma, but found nothing that suited him so well as Nebraska. He purchased a farm near Bruning, and came back after some of the furniture they had left here. He left for his new home Tuesday.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Lottie Doyle and James McBride, to take place Thursday, August 21.

Mr. Bates of Iowa, a friend of the Denton Bros., has returned to his home after several days' stay in this vicinity.

H. H. Watson has decided to stay in Webster county a while longer and has rented the A. H. Alexander farm south of town.

Ed Hoffman and Al Fish returned to Bladen last week.

L. E. Spence and wife enjoyed an excursion ride into the Black Hills the past week.

Sunday the Bladen ball team went down to Leroy to play the Holstein team. The score was 8 to 5 in favor of Bladen.

Mrs. Newhouse was up from Red Cloud to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wash Reed.

Frank Minnx spent several days in this vicinity visiting friends.

C. E. Hicks is getting the addition to his home nearly finished.

Mrs. Wash Reed is visiting friends at Red Cloud this week. Wash takes his meals at the restaurant.

Al Reed made a trip to the eastern part of this state this week to buy apples. He brought home a load of nice ones which he offers at 70 cents per bushel.

Robert Taylor, who spent the sum-

mer in the east, returned to this place the latter part of last week.

Wash Reed has received a large stock of fall goods and is increasing his stock quite rapidly.

NORTH BRANCH, KAS

We are not wishing for another day like Sunday.

A few light showers, but more rain is needed.

Della Haskins is a little better at this writing.

Anna Carter is just about the same as last week.

The district campmeeting is in session here now.

Uncle Frank Emory of Burr Oak is visiting his niece, Mrs. Davis, and attending campmeeting.

Russel Carter started last Friday for Artesia, South Dakota.

Chas. Haworth started for Denver last Thursday evening.

Lucy Toland spent Sunday with Mrs. Maggie McMaines.

The common school commencement last Wednesday night was a success. The class address, delivered by Superintendent O. M. Chilcott, was fine.

M. H. Burnham, the Populist nominee for county attorney, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Toland has purchased the Collins property, the consideration being \$550.

Mr. Moore of Atchison is in this county adjusting losses for the Shawnee Fire Insurance Co.

Mrs. Ellen Pollock started last Friday for a visit with friends in Arapahoe, Neb.

J. S. Turner, county treasurer, was in town Monday.

N. Reed and family were in Superior Thursday having some pictures taken.

Mrs. John Ogelvie is home from her visit in Reno county.

Rev. Fuller held the quarterly meeting at Maple Grove last Sunday.

Miss Katie Wichman will soon start for Illinois, where she will spend the winter.

J. H. Arendts has rented the Vowlers farm for another year.

John Stryker is home from the harvest fields of Nebraska.

I. W. Crary of Guide Rock was in town Tuesday.

Alva Stanton and wife are visiting old friends in this vicinity.

About forty friends and relatives of Grandpa and Grandma Campbell gave them a pleasant surprise last Monday, it being their sixtieth wedding anniversary. All brought well filled baskets and a very pleasant time was had by all.

CROOKED CREEK.

It has been trying hard to rain every night for a week, but has not got started right yet.

Shoek threshing is a thing of the past in this neighborhood, for this season.

Wm. Engel, road supervisor, has been putting in some good time working roads part of this week.

John Brush has a full force of men at work helping him put up his prairie hay. He has lots of good hay this year.

George Winton was able to be out a little this week, but is not yet strong enough to work.

F. Riekerson's little daughter Florence was taken suddenly sick a few days ago, but is better now.

A good many of our neighbors have commenced fall plowing, but the ground is very dry and hard.

Hedge brothers are building a new barn.

Mrs. Hedge is visiting with her daughter north of Inavale this week.

DRY CREEK.

A good rain is needed in these parts very much.

The corn is suffering and will be short if we don't get some moisture soon.

We understand that Mr. Hines from Cowles has bought D. F. Trunkley's farm.

Sam Miller is helping repair the big washout on the B & M. just north of this place.

Oscar Emick is working for Mr. Seaton this week.

Mr. Sheldon has purchased a new hay rack.

There is to be a party in this neighborhood soon. Wonder if they'll invite any "kids."

Ned Hard and family spent Sunday at Al Decker's.

Will Scrivner, from Kansas, is working on Ed Seaton's new house.

John Saladen is helping on Hulsebusch's new barn.

G. W. Baker sold a fat cow last Monday.

STATE CREEK.

All is quiet in our part. Some farmers are trying to plow for small grain, but find the soil is getting dry and won't work as it did last week.

Considerable of the small grain has been threshed out of the shock and a great many have stacked and are in no great hurry now about threshing, and think the grain is really better to let it go through the awent in the stack than in the shock or granary.

There was some little excitement in our part last week when the stealing of Gus Rats' cattle was reported.

Charles Arbuckle, one of our most prosperous farmers, talks of building a new residence soon.

Mr. Fair will soon build a large barn. He already has a fine residence.

Wm. Barrett is building a new barn. Hursel Paine, who has been in poor health for a year or two, and who was better lately, is not so well at present.

Corn is looking very promising and some have estimated our crop at 50 or 60 bushels per acre.

Wm. Rife of Red Cloud was doing business in our part last week.

Fitch Held for Cattle Stealing.

Last Saturday A. Roats obtained possession of the cattle which had been taken from his pasture and which were found in possession of L. C. Fitch at Esbon, Kans. The cattle were brought back and put in the pasture, Saturday afternoon. Owing to the fact that proceeding had been begun in the Kansas courts against Fitch for bringing stolen property into the state he cannot be brought to this county for trial until after the trial in the Kansas courts, which will be in November.

As near as we can learn Fitch's side of the story is that he had been or was going north of Lebanon to buy some cattle and on the road met a man and a boy driving these cattle, the man claimed that he was driving the cattle to Republic county to feed but that as he had heard that crops had been destroyed there by the hot weather he was anxious to dispose of the cattle. Fitch says that he finally agreed to give the man \$31 each for them.

It was then agreed that Fitch drive the cattle on to his farm and that the man would go for his team and meet Fitch in Esbon, and there receive his money. The preliminary examination was set for last Monday, but during the absence of County Attorney Overman, who had gone for requisition papers, and on the advice of his attorney, Fitch waived examination and was bound over to the next term of the district court, which will be held in November. Fitch has been in Esbon for the past few years and has borne an excellent reputation for fairness and honesty in his dealings. Fitch is the same man for whom Colonel Winfrey sold three head of horses in this city on August 2.

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Books

Given

Free.

Commencing,
Saturday,
June 21st.

Below we give a partial list of the books we have on hand at present.

- Arabian Nights (3) New and Revised Edition
- The Fortunes of Nigel.....Scott
- Ivanhoe.....Scott
- Beyond the City (2).....A. Conan Doyle
- Strange Secrets.....A. Conan Doyle
- All Sorts and Conditions of Men.....Besant and Rice
- Je.....Edwards
- Knight Errant.....Lydell
- Beppo the Conscript.....Anthony Trollope
- Chicot the Jester.....Dumas
- Cousin de Charny.....Dumas
- Love and Liberty.....Dumas
- The Conscript.....Dumas
- Vicomte de Bragelonne.....Dumas
- Consuelo.....Sand
- The Countess of Rudolstadt.....Sand
- Indiana.....Sand
- Fanchon the Cricket.....Sand
- Deldee.....Warden
- Confessions of an English Opium Eater.....De Quincey
- Gold Elsie.....Marlitt
- A Daughter of Heh.....Black
- The Frontiersmen (2).....Alford
- The Blithedale Romance.....Hawthorne
- Ardath.....Marie Corelli
- Uarda.....Ebers
- Pilgrim's Progress.....Bunyan
- The Deemsters.....Hall Caine
- Humphrey Clinker.....Smollet
- Corinne.....De Stael
- Paris Sketch Book.....Thackeray
- The Man Who Was Good.....Merrick
- Jack Horner.....Mary S. Tiernan
- Homoselle.....Mary S. Tiernan
- Woodlanders.....Thos. Hardy
- The Desire of the Eyes.....Grant Allen
- Not in the Prospectus.....Danforth
- Ramuntch.....Lott
- A New Note.....McMahon
- Dragon's Teeth.....Serrano
- The Coal Star.....Mann
- The Crystal Button.....Thomas
- A Living Lie.....Bourget

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