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LOCAL ITEMS OF THIRTY YEARS AGO

Harry Moranville is home this week. C. F. Cather was in Campbell last week.

Our band boys gave a street concert on Tuesday evening.

Frank Potter will go to Omaha to work in about a week.

On Monday afternoon several people were baptized into the Christian church.

The Guide Rock people want a new bridge across the Republican at that place.

Roy Hutchinson will soon move his barber shop to the Gardner house, where he will add hot and cold baths in connection.

The dam in the river at the mill is about completed. When this is done, it will not be long before the electric lights will be going again.

Wm. Lindley had a birthday on Monday, the 23rd, and to commemorate the event, our cornet band was invited to drop in and take oysters at his expense.

WEATHER—For the last four weeks the Republican valley inhabitants have had the finest of weather. In Iowa, Illinois and in the eastern and north western states, and in fact all over the country, the weather has been extremely vigorous, but in this part of Nebraska the inhabitants have been enjoying weather that has almost been like spring. The trees were budding, the grass beginning to sprout, farmers commenced doing spring work, etc., but on Thursday the weather changed for a little colder spell, but upon the whole this part of God's footstool has more sunshine to the square inch the year around than any place except Sunny Italy, and we have been wondering if the valley shouldn't have Italy annexed. What say you?

49 YEARS AGO

The frame of John G. Potter's dwelling was raised yesterday, and we also notice that a coat of paint is being spread on Sleeper's house.

The county officers elect, have all been qualified, and take possession on Monday next. To them all, individually and collectively, we make our best bow, and take this opportunity of informing them that we are always at

their service—when there is any chance to make anything by it.

Potter Bros. are running their mill day and night. A large number of logs have accumulated during the past two or three weeks, but they are ripping them up as fast as possible. They request people who are intending to bring corn for grinding, not to bring a large amount at one time, in order to give all a fair show.

Last Thursday night, in company with Mr. Metcalf, C. H. Potter, and Dr. J. A. Talley, we made a second visit to Riverton. The occasion, was a meeting for the purpose of organizing a Lodge of the I. O. O. F., and we are pleased to state, that the requisite number of members, were found in the vicinity, and the necessary funds started to get started. We were hospitably received and entertained by our friends, and had a very pleasant time generally. Would like to mention all we met by name, but cannot at this time.

Last Friday evening there was a social hop at the residence of Mr. D. Heffelbower, on Indian creek. Some of his intimate friends were invited, and it was pronounced by all as the pleasantest party of the season.

Great Glass Press.

Great strides have been made recently in the manufacture of glass pressing machines. The largest automatic glass press ever built is 11 feet in height, and weighs 8,000 pounds. The machine weighs 9,000 lbs. in diameter and 22 inches high, and has a plunger stroke of 14 inches, delivering a maximum of 120,000 pounds pressure to the plunger. Its maximum speed is 25 articles per minute. It is designed to operate in conjunction with the large-size Miller feeder, which automatically transfers the molten glass from the tank to the molds.

Incongruous.

She wore long and very elaborate cheap earrings. Her lips were a perfect bowknot of bright red. Her cheeks bloomed the bloom of the rouge and perfume counter. And her dress was sleeveless and extreme.

She was reading with engrossed concentration a heavy appearing book, obviously an old book from the library.

The woman shifted herself about until she got a look at the title.

Just why was she reading it? It was entitled:

"The Lives of Famous Philadelphians. Now Deceased."—New York Sun.

New Engine Saves Fuel.

Turbines using superheated steam propel a new Swedish locomotive that has equalled the power and almost the speed of the best American engines with less than half the fuel consumption.

Pinks All the Year.

The gluko or maiden-hair tree has bright yellow foliage that is most useful in ornamental plantings, says the American Forestry Magazine. Not only is the color a clear pure yellow, but the peculiar shape of the leaf gives a texture to the tree that is quite different from others. The leaves are shaped much like the plume, that is, the smallest divisions of the frond of the maiden-hair fern, very much enlarged. The tree is attractive at all seasons.

TAXPAYERS TO FORM LEAGUE

The Nebraska Taxpayers' league is planning an organization to cover the whole state, the executive committee having been in session for two days last week at the Lindell hotel to discuss the matter, says the State Journal. Another meeting will be held in the near future. Members of the committee are W. I. Farley, Aurora; C. A. Williams, Neligh; W. E. Patterson, Campbell; P. W. Shea, Orleans; Trennon One, Waterloo.

The plan proposes leagues in every little old school house, in every club in every society of sect where people desire to meet and discuss affairs of government from the lowest subdivision to the highest, without having their citizenship or our sanity questioned.

"Our tax activities have outgrown our increase in population and our abilities to pay most alarmingly," Mr. Patterson said Friday. "The remedy is to take an honest invoice of our conditions without regard to our politics, our creed, or social or business affiliations as individuals, that each may understand his individual debt and part in his government."

"The committee suggests that regular meetings be held in local leagues on the first and second Mondays of October, November, December, January, February and March, and on Monday preceding the annual school meeting and the Monday preceding the day fixed for making annual county estimates of expenditures. The executive committee will offer suggestions for topics of discussion, in 'What Can Our Local Government Schools, our state institutions, our salaries and kindred tax problems, that from the forums the people may direct their own affairs.'

"Since our schools require one half our taxes, the committee respectfully submits for discussion that the great increase in the cost of education in Nebraska has been contemporaneous with a decreased educational efficiency. The greater the amount spent, the poorer seems the product turned out. Too many graduates turned out despising the hard work, frugality and economy of their parents from which all success has and must come.

"The committee will propose specific amendments to our laws to carry out the views of the Taxpayers' league, but generally speaking the changes proposed by the league are: 'Return to the old style high school curriculum without the expensive side lines which have a tendency to weaken rather than strengthen mental development. 'The essential results to be sought for in education.

LOOKS LIKE WE ARE TO DRILL FOR OIL AGAIN

The following self explanatory circular letter, under the signature of O. H. Hahn, M. D. of Hastings, was received by former stockholders of the Big Chief Oil & Gas Company, on Monday last.

"As I was one of the Directors of the Big Chief Oil and Gas Company, in the capacity of president, I feel it my duty to give each stockholder the information that we now have in regard to the well that was drilled at Red Cloud.

"The casing at this well is now being pulled, and to our great amazement (though we have suspected the facts for some time) we find oil has stood in the well, and, as shown on casing now pulled out, we had from 1500 to 2000 feet of oil standing in the well at some time or other, and gas is still there in such force and quantities that it blows the water even now when being agitated by the pulling of the casing, and by standing directly over the well you get plenty of odor of gas. As perhaps you know, water will drown out gas unless there is a great amount of it, and undoubtedly there must have been a great force to have lasted all the years. I will not attempt to say what amount of oil there might have been in this well, but without doubt there was a big strike that was shut off by mud and water and casing. The oil had force enough to break through the mud and water.

"All the casing shows that there was lots of oil in this well, and, if we only had had an experienced oil man to look after our interests, I am very positive that we would have had a good oil or gas well today at Red Cloud. In fact, we are so sure of it that a few of the old stockholders have gotten together and are going to drill another well.

"Now we feel that all the old stockholders of the Big Chief Oil and Gas Company should have an opportunity to join with us in this new deal. This new association will be entirely free from the old company and will operate under a declaration of trust. Should you wish to join with us you can put in as much money as you may desire from \$10.00 up. We hope you will put in something, no matter how little, for this time we assure you that there will be an all-round, honest experienced man who will look

after everything for us, one who knows and will protect our interests. "Send bank draft or money order for what you want to me at Hastings. This is the only letter you will receive in regard to this matter. "Hoping to hear from you at once, as we expect to take immediate action in this matter."

Baptist Church

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning Service 11 a. m. Subject:—"The World Conqueror." Evening subject:—"The Conquered World"

English Lutheran Church

Regular services every first and third Sunday in the month in the Adventist church at 11 a. m.

Preaching at 11 a. m., subject, "The Evil Eye" If you do not worship elsewhere you are cordially invited to worship with O. R. Heinitz, Pastor.

Charity Lodge A. F. & A. M. will hold their regular meeting this week.

Dr. R. V. Nicholson

DENTIST

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BARBARA PHARES

SIX hundred miles of Catacombs or stone tombs were hewn beneath the foundations of Rome. The early Christians, poor and persecuted, cared more for the Protection of their Dead than we do today. Yet, the ever increasing use of the Norwalk Vault testifies to a revolt against that sodden cistern—the modern grave! Sealed by hand, the moulded granite of the Norwalk offers eternal protection. The greatest tribute to the Dead:

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