

## Town Topics of a Spicy Tint

Practically All the News That's Fit to Print

Hon. F. M. Currie left Tuesday for Mexico where he is extensively interested in a gold mine—with millions in sight.

Some of the weather prophets are predicting an early winter. That won't be much change from what the people of this section have already experienced.

S. A. Robinson, cashier of the Oconto State bank, was transacting business in the city Monday and—like the editor of the Register—plugging for Oconto.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kaupp and Mesdames James Osborne and Frank Shreve constituted a party that took in the Callaway fair last week—from start to finish—and report a good time except for the rain on Friday. They went Tuesday and returned Sunday.

The Broken Bow band furnished music for the baseball tournament at Ravenna last week and it is reported on good authority the boys acquitted themselves admirably and won the plaudits of all who heard their sweet strains of harmony.

Ellis Kennedy, who sells everything from a hair pin to a real live range steer with crumpled horns, at Halsey, came down last Sunday night for a few days visit with parents and—the marriage record at the court house does not say who—yet.

During the storm in the wee sma' hours of Monday morning lightning danced merrily around in this vicinity and succeeded in putting between forty and fifty phones out of business for a time. Superintendent Lee Pickett acted promptly, however, and had 'em lined up and going again by afternoon.

The court house contingent to the Callaway fair consisted of Treasurer Cavenee, Clerk of Court Mair, Judge Humphrey and Sheriff Richardson. They took in everything from the merry-go-round to seven dozen and a half division arguments and willingly admit it was the best (af) fair ever held in Noble county—in order to please Dick.

The surveyors on the Broken Bow Western railway went out again Sunday to straighten out a few kinks and set permanent grade stakes. They expect to be thus engaged for about two weeks and immediately thereafter grading on the road-bed will be commenced with the intention of completing at least twenty miles this year.

A letter to a Broken Bow friend from Miss Ida Lambrecht states that her father's health has not improved as they hoped it would since they went to Long Beach, Calif., last spring, but they all enjoy the climate and the ocean very much. She had just returned from Los Angeles and saw Mrs. F. M. Currie and daughter, Lilas, who stated they liked living there.

Scott Cooper and son, Earl, reached home last Saturday from a visit of a couple of weeks at his old home in Missouri. He says some of the bush-whackers down there 'lowed he'd have to be shown all over again, but he soon convinced them that his residence in Nebraska had served to endow him with wide open eyes and a vision of several blocks—around the corner and up an alley.

Wm. Price and brother-in-law of York county have purchased 360 acres of land near Ansley and are building a new barn thereon. They will take possession next spring. Mr. Price was out in this section two weeks ago and was very much impressed with Custer county. Rents were high in York county and Mr. Price thought he would purchase a home of his own. Mr. T. W. Edwards one of our esteemed citizens has known Mr. Price for twenty-five years.

Frank Davine, residing near Georgetown, was in the city last Thursday and stated that he was just beginning to feel his old-time self again since a shock from a stroke of lightning a few weeks ago. Frank was pumping water during a storm—it being a necessary adjunct in his line of business—when along came what seemed like a blamed little, insignificant streak of lightning that landed on a barb-wire fence, but it was plenty big enough to take the tack completely out of Frank and the next time cattle need water when a storm "has the edge" they can just keep right on wanting—if they wait for him to yank the pump handle.

J. A. O. Thomas, proprietor of the Broken Bow Steam laundry, will go to Alliance tomorrow to visit his mother over Sunday.

Miss Pearle Hunter of this city, has been elected as principal of the Arnold schools for the ensuing year. She will teach the 6th, 7th and 8th and part of the 9th grade work.

Mrs. Elmer Coons and three daughters, of Moulton, Iowa, arrived in the city last week to visit her brother, Ed. Tipton, and family, and will remain here for a couple of weeks.

A. W. Drake, the popular salesman at Mevis & Co's store, who has been sick and unable to attend to duties during the past two weeks, continues in the same condition to the great regret of relatives, friends and patrons of the store.

Dr. Pennington has sold his residence property on the North side to George Meyers for \$4,000 and is to give possession March 1st next, after which the doctor and family expect to go to Chicago and reside. The trade was consummated the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Morgan and Mrs. J. S. Molyneux loaded a barouche with shot-guns, fishing tackle and—themselves—and went to Tuckerville last Saturday for the purpose of killing or catching something. They returned Tuesday and so far as can be learned killed time and caught cold.

The sale of cattle and horses at the R. C. Talbot farm, one mile northwest of Berwyn, next Tuesday, the 8th, beginning at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, promises to be one of the most largely attended auction sales held in the county during the year, almost every man you meet and ask if his going answering in the affirmative.

Contractor R. W. Stevens has just completed a magnificent, large residence on the farm of R. M. Severs, eleven miles west of Merna at a cost of \$4,000. It is colonial architecture, full two stories and covers a ground space of almost seven thousand square feet. This is an elegant structure for a farm home and shows what can be erected from the fertile soil of Custer county.

Dr. W. E. Talbot and wife, J. G. VanCott and wife and Lute Sheppard left Sunday morning for Brownlee in quest of ducks and prairie hens. They took a complete camping outfit (and preventatives for snake bite) expecting to remain there until tomorrow. Agent Ormsby says if they kill game in accordance with the amount of baggage they took along there will not be any game left for the REPUBLICAN editor.

During the early hours Monday morning a streak of lightning landed on the cupola of the barn of George Porter, deputy register of deeds, and aside from ripping off a yard or so of shingles and causing the cow to absolutely flatly refuse to "give down" at the regular milking time, no damage was done. George says the bolt started for that sinner of a Vanlandingham, but he had out a lightning rod and it passed him up and took the next best thing in sight.

We often hear some of the "knockers" ask: "What has become of the Broken Bow & Western railway company? I don't hear anything more about it." The company, as a matter of fact, have been "sawing wood and saying nothing" not caring whether the knockers, know it or not, because the road will be built and in operation early next year without asking their consent. The company has the money to complete the project and it will be completed.

M. S. Eddy came down from Merna on Tuesday bringing a large and very precious roll of paper which he delivered safely into the hands of County Clerk Pigman. It was the petition from the northwest quarter of the county favoring division and contained the signatures of five hundred and nine residents, being eighty-seven more than necessary to secure the submission of the question, which was, yesterday, ordered by the board of supervisors and at the election in November the voters shall decide whether the county will remain grand old Custer or be divided into four little hinky-dinks and taxes away up in C in each of the new counties.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Graves this morning. Miss Ina Finlen has gone to North Platte to attend the wedding of a friend.

There will be a suffrage meeting at Miss Groat's tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock.

Every box renter in the Broken Bow postoffice received a communication this week and, although rather brief, was right to the point and conveyed all the intelligence necessary. "Box rent due."

Straw hats are no longer seen on the avenues in Broken Bow while the Panamas have been salted down until next season. This is as good sign as the frosty morns that the summer has gone glimmering.

Nearly all kinds of newspaper advertising pays—some better than another. The way ads are written and the attractive manner in which they are set in type—helps. Try one of the kind that helps—in the REPUBLICAN.

Mrs. Frank Droll, of Princeton, Ind., arrived in the city yesterday for a visit of a month with her brother, Charlie Heaps, and sister-in-law, Mrs. W. G. Wallace, and old friends, being a former resident of this vicinity.

Mr. L. and Mrs. C. Tomkins, of Byron, Minn., brother and mother of Mrs. A. C. White, visited with her last week on the farm, 11 miles southwest of Broken Bow, which was greatly enjoyed by the White family.

Editor and Mrs. Bassett expect to leave tomorrow morning for a vacation which will be spent in hunting and fishing. Everybody is invited to "call around" and get a brace of ducks or a big meal of "cats" on their return.

Will McCandless, cashier of the Berwyn State bank is this week taking a vacation from labor and visiting in Lincoln and Omaha. While thus engaged Jules Haumont, the president, is performing the duties of cashier.

By reference to the schedule of time for closing mails in the Broken Bow postoffice—published in the REPUBLICAN—it will be noticed that it has been changed fifteen minutes earlier. This is on account of the order to weigh and count the number of pieces each day during the present month.

A letter received by Mrs. A. H. Vanlandingham from her son, John Lyell, who resides at Boulder, Colo., states that a bouncing baby boy arrived at his home last Saturday, the 28th of Sept. "Van" says it feels real funny to be a grand-pa—by marriage.

Beginning on this page and continuing on two pages following on this edition of the REPUBLICAN will be found a list of unpaid taxes on Custer county real estate for the year 1906. Unless the same are paid within the next four weeks the owners of said realty will have to pay still more than the amount published. It's better to pay.

It is not clever, manly nor patriotic for the big school boys to unduly tease and tantalize one smaller than themselves. Such tactics are being pursued in Broken Bow and a number of our people have witnessed more or less of these attacks and are becoming highly incensed. It is real cowardly on the part of these big fellows and if they don't desist they will be made to suffer as much, if not more, than their victims.

J. S. Kenoyer and family, who left here four years ago last spring and settled on a ranch northeast of Deadwood, South Dakota, sold the ranch and stock and returned to Broken Bow last Monday morning. He says that regardless of the rough and hilly land where he was located, settlers are coming in so rapidly and filing on land that ranching will soon be a thing of the past there, being now practically unprofitable. They are pretty well satisfied to return back to Custer county's fertile fields.

Rev. H. S. French, who has been the local pastor of the M. E. church at Anselmo and supplying the pulpits at Gates, New Helena and Milburn the past year, has been returned to the charge. We've heard of some people who earn their salary and some who don't, but if this dominie don't get "a run for his money" then we'd like to meet a gentleman from the "Show Me" state. The fellows in Rev. French's charge ought to "chip in" liberally. He earns every cent of his salary—and then some.

MARRIED—Leonard Hilton, of Weissert, and Miss Mattie Foote of Dunning, were united in marriage at Lincoln, on Sept., 30th, and are this week enjoying the Ak-sar-ben festivities at Lincoln. After the 20th inst they will be at home on Clear Creek. The parties are well known in this county and a host of friends will profusely congratulate.

Five tourists were taken from a freight train by the train crew in the Broken Bow yards yesterday and placed in the custody of the local officials to be tried for violation of a law passed enacted by the legislature last winter prohibiting the riding on railroad trains without proper transportation or the price thereof. They were arraigned before Judge Humphrey, fined \$5 each which they were unable to pay whereupon they were each sentenced to two days work on the streets, which stunt they are now performing.

Tomorrow night Dr. Bartholomew will accompany a party of gentlemen from Comstock, Mason City, Merna and Broken Bow to Hill City, S. D., to inspect the properties of the Gold Medal Mining company, of which the doctor is secretary. Dr. Bartholomew has spent most of his time the past three months in the interest of the company, but upon returning from this trip will devote his time exclusively to his medical profession and will respond to calls at any time—day or night.

### Delinquent Tax Notice.

To All Whom It May Concern: You are hereby notified that the following described lands, lots, tracts, pieces or parcels of lands and lots, or so much thereof as are not paid, will, on Monday, November 4, 1907, at the county treasurer's office, Broken Bow, Custer county, Nebraska, be offered for sale for the taxes, special assessments, interests, penalties and costs thereon for the year 1906.

Add to 1906 tax ten per cent from May 1st, 1907, and 20 cents for each description of land and lots for each town lot.

Explanations of abbreviations: "n" stands for north; "s" stands for south; "w" stands for west; "e" stands for east; "ne" stands for northeast; "nw" stands for northwest; "se" stands for southeast; "sw" stands for southwest; "pt" stands for part; "lt" stands for lot; "sec" stands for section; "d" stands for dollars; "cts" stands for cents; "it" stands for lot; "blk" stands for block; "add" stands for addition; "inc" stands for inclusive; "n" stands for north; "s" stands for south; "e" stands for east; "w" stands for west; "ht" stands for half; "qr" stands for quarter.

JOHN CAVENEY,  
Treasurer of Custer County, Nebraska.  
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## The Fair

last week proved a success. The weather was fine, the crowds large and everybody enjoyed the occasion.

## The Advo

is a success every day and every week—its stock of groceries is unexcelled—its patrons are numerous—and all are well pleased It pays to be an Advo patron. Try it.



**Show & USE**

**Both Ornament**

and practically usefulness are studied in the manufacture of our household furniture. Elegant designs in the most durable hard woods, and close attention paid to the careful finishing of every detail. Handsome lounges and couches, center tables, parlor and dining-room chairs, buffets, etc., in tasteful styles that express modern ideas. Everything to ornament the home and at prices most tempting and attractive.

**D. C. KONKEL.**  
The Furniture Dealer

## BIG REDUCTION SALE

With the consent of the Creditors the entire stock of MEVIS & CO., will be closed out without reserve. This sale will commence at once and continue indefinitely :: ::

### DON'T MISS THIS SALE

Our stock is complete and now is the time for you to lay in your Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Cloaks, Skirts and large lines of Mens' Fur Coats :: :: ::

**O. H. Mevis & Co.**  
East Side Square