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Zumbrotta Zephyrs.
 Nannie McComas has had the mumps.
 Charles Faw, a brother of Roy Faw, is visiting his Uncle and family, B. B. Sands.
 Nettie and Flora Martin will quit coming to school this week, and prepare for their visit to Virginia.
 Mr. J. T. Cole's sister and husband of Ohio visited here just recently.
 Nine McComas sold 16 head of calves last week.
 E. B. Barber lost two calves in this last storm.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cramer are keeping house for Henry Cramer and wife, during the latter's absence on a visit to Alliance.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Heaps arrived here Sunday morning from Canada. Mr. Heaps will leave the latter part this week for Kansas and Mrs. Heaps will remain a few weeks visiting her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bishop.
 Miss Madge Bishop missed Monday this week, at school owing to it being so cold in the morning to make the trip to the Bow.
 Mrs. Routh was a pleasant caller on Mrs. Callen one afternoon this week. Mrs. Callen is improving rapidly, which will be good news for her many friends.
 A number of men of this neighborhood attended the Conrad and Marquis sale last Wednesday.
 Mrs. Koozer and daughter Bertha visited with Mrs. Denning and her daughter, Mrs. Beadle, on last Wednesday. Mrs. Denning has just moved back to Broken Bow and her daughter is paying her a short visit.

Prairie Hill News.
 Mrs. Beal is on the sick list this week.
 Vilot Kelley is much better at this writing.

The Sewing Circle will meet with Mrs. Howard on Thursday, February 25.
 Mr. and Mrs. Longfellow and daughter, Esther, visited last Thursday at Mr. Gibbs' of Ormsby.
 B. G. Evans and Dave Coulter shipped 2 car load of cattle to South Omaha Monday.
 Mr. Richards and family who have been living on Judge Reese' ranch the past year have moved to town.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jones and daughter of Overton, who have been visiting in this neighborhood the past week has returned home.

Holcomb Suit Was Dismissed.
 The suit against Judge Silas A. Holcomb, of Broken Bow, brought in the district court to recover \$11,000 by Arthur C. Wakely, receiver of the National Mutual Insurance company, was dismissed Monday morning on the motion of the plaintiff and at his costs. No service upon Judge Holcomb was ever obtained in the case in this jurisdiction. The suit was filed here in the expectation that service could be obtained when the judge came to Lincoln to begin the contest over which he was appointed by Gov. Shallenberger. The declination of the appointment by Judge Holcomb removed any strong probability of service being had in this county.
 The suit arose from an old controversy between Judge Holcomb and the insurance company. At one time Judge Holcomb was general agent for the company in several western states. After the company failed, the receiver sought to hold Judge Holcomb liable as guarantor of the unpaid premiums on some of the policies written in his territory and the suit was to recover the amount of these unpaid premiums.—Lincoln Star.

To The Public.
 Washington, D. C. Febr. 12, '09
 Having this year been allotted but 10,000 packages of garden seeds, and by diligent effort in soliciting of other Congressmen found myself able to add but 500 packages to this, thus aggregating 15,000 packages for about 55,000 voters, I shall necessarily fall short about 40,000 packages of having enough to supply every head of a family. Already I have distributed several thousand packages to homesteaders whose names I had listed, but as to the remainder distribution will be made only upon individual application. So far as the packages I have remaining may extend, I shall take pleasure in supplying each applicant who will write me a postal requesting it with a package containing the usual assortment of garden seeds.
 Yours very truly,
 M. P. KINKAID.

Ed M. Scott, of Anselmo, was transacting business in the city last Thursday.


REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS
 William M. Kirkpatrick et al to Edward F. Morgan, 160 acres in 20-17-22 7500
 The Union Land Co. to Olof Storm, lot 7-8-11-12 in blk. 10 Callaway..... 4500
 Wm. J. Wilson to John F. Wilson, 160 acres in 34-18-23..... 7300
 The Union Land Co to Sidney E. Smith and Lryman H. Smith, 67 54-100 acres in 26-13-22, 38-100 acres in 26-13-21..... 1788
 The Union Land Co. to Sidney and Lryman H. Smith, 160 acres in 25-13-21..... 4000
 Lovria L. Allen and hub. to the Arnold Mercantile Co. Lots 3-4 blk 11 R. E. Allen's add to Arnold, 125
 J.A. Schaad to B. Z. Selby lot 11-12 in blk 6 Jewetts and Lillys add to Broken



Bow.....	272	1 Anselmo.....	75.00
Spencer D. Boblits to Harry E. O'Neill, 160 acres in 15-14-21.....	1.00	George Patrick to Dora F. Rhodes, 32 acres in sec. 2-11 T 14 R 18, also lots 9-10-11 blk 7 Mason City	10,000
J. W. Quackenbush to C. J. Popes, 160 acres in 31-15-24.....	2600	Clarence E. Gotton to Sarah A. Slayter, lots 2-3-4 T 12 R 23 Dawson Co., also 40 acres in 34-13-23 Custer Co.....	1300
Marthia Furrow to Mary Swan, 160 acres in 34-17-21.....	1700	Susan A. Waterbury and hub to Ben F. Kiker, 160 acres in 35-20-18.....	1.00
Wm. A. Richardson to Jesse S. Teagarden, blk. 26 original town Broken Bow.....	3200	Andy Court single to Geo. Court, 40 acres in sec 10-20-17.....	6.00
The Union Land Co. to Robert C. Chumbley, lot 4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12 blk. 42 Oconto.....	195	Carolina Appelt to George Court, 40 acres in 9-20-17	8.00
Ben. F. Fuller to James W. Sundy, 203 acres in sec. 10-15-19-18.....	2400	Eliza Whittle to James Whittle, parcel in sec 9-10 T 18 R 23.....	10.00
Margaret B. Pester single to David Collier, 160 acres in 18-17-17.....	3200	James M. Robinson to Elizabeth Thomas, lots 16-17-18 blk 31 Oconto..	525
Sidney Moore to Johnnie J. Moore, 80 acres in 32-31 T 16 R 20.....	1500	Emmet F. Seybolt to Albert T. Seybolt, und 1-2 int in lot 6 in blk 13 Broken Bow.....	7.00
Austin G. Daniel to J. R. Rhodes, lot 1-2-3-11-12 blk. west Ansley.....	700	Orlen E. Eggleston to Daniel R. Rockwell, lots 8-7 in blk 3 Reyners add to Broken Bow.....	2000
Chas. E. Ross to Rose E. Empfield, parcel in blk.			

What Is the First Law of Nature?

"Self preservation is the first law of nature," answers Johnny Jones.
 Correct, Johnny. Go right up to the head of the class. This law applies to a community as well as to an individual. Under the severe operation of this law a town that does not take care of itself, that does not look after its own interests first, that does not look out for Number One, soon falls into a bad way.
 That's just as sure as shootin'. It's the law. We must obey the law or take the consequences. If we in this town and community do not work together for our own good, the mutual good of all of us, in all lines of business, we have only ourselves to blame if the place slides down the inclined plane instead of climbing the golden ladder of prosperity and progress.
 For instance, if we do our retail trading with big city stores that have no interest in us except to get our money and keep it, local trade must suffer and shrink, town property values and farm land values must decrease—and there you are!
 Johnny Jones, who knows the law, is a wise lad, but how about his papa and mamma?
 Do they obey the first law as applied to the old home place? If they don't, Johnny may have to apply the law to himself when he grows up. He may have to go to the city to make a living.
 Let's all think it over.



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Watch It Next Week.