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GOOD
CHRISTMAS
PRESENTS

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Buy now while stocks are at their best and the clerks have time to show you what we have so you can select Christmas gifts at leisure.

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Handkerchiefs	Furs
Suspenders	Cloak
Hosiery	Kimona
Neckwear	Dress
Gloves	Umbrella
Mufflers	Shoes
Caps	Hosiery

or a hundred and one other things that we can show you. All useful and will give both pleasure and comfort.

We are offering bargains in most of these lines just now and can save you money in your buying. Come and let us assist you in your selections.

If you do not know the size shoe, glove or cap your friend wears you can buy an order for it and let them come in later and get fitted.

**Ladies' Skirts and Sweaters
Men's Mittens and Caps all
Go at 25 per cent Discount**

When you want something to eat remember our groceries are always fresh, good and of the best grades.

J. H. GRANNIS

Good News for Christmas Shoppers

For your Christmas Presents don't fail to call on Diamond's, as they have an elegant and complete line of handsome and most useful Furnishings, Suit Cases, Gloves, silk hemstitched Mufflers, silk initialed Handkerchiefs, fancy Suspenders, with gold buckles suitable for engraving name. Ties of every description, infact beautiful articles too numerous to mention, of an enormous combination of necessary and acceptable Presents sure to please everyone. The crowning point is—OUR PRICES ARE THE LOWEST for the Highest Grade Goods. We are positively closing out the entire line of Ladies Furs and Muffs at your own price. McRibbin Furs have the best reputation—none better made, none better known. These Furs must be sold regardless of cost, at Diamond's. Working Man's Friend.

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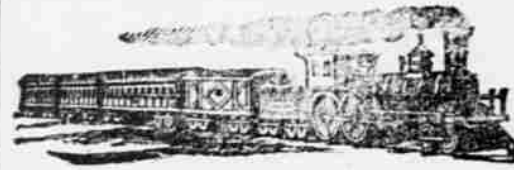
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Helper R. E. Nash is on the ailing list. The steel foot viaduct is about completed.

Emerson Hanson is home from Illinois.

K. F. Henderson is a new machinist's apprentice.

New tires were shrunk on the 1902, this week.

Engine 1020 is receiving front-end repairs, this week.

Engine 611 is being given general repairs in the roundhouse.

John Schmidt and F. E. Cook are new machinists, this week.

Brakeman W. L. Baker and the company have dissolved partnership.

Tom Harris and Charlie Ebert have retired from the gang of machinist's helpers.

The turntable gasoline engine is on a spasmodic strike, these days, and causing some annoyance.

Engine 1461 is being broken in after a thorough overhauling before being sent back to Denver yards.

Brakeman W. H. Baker had the misfortune to fall down in Hastings recently and is nursing a decorated optic.

The Red Cloud switch engine—1471—just out of the shop, has been sent to Holdrege to relieve the 1336, now being overhauled here.

Mrs. Sidney Brown of Galesburg, Illinois, has joined her sons here who were recently transferred from that city to the McCook division.

S. M. McCreary is laid up with a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism. His wife and baby arrived from the east, last night.

New helpers in the machine shop, this week: W. Thornton, H. C. Kohlhepp, Fred Thomas, Fred Vance, N. I. Lapon, W. D. Frame.

Conductor H. A. Beale was at home, Saturday and Sunday, from the Orleans-St. Francis branch.

A new 18-inch lathe has been received here and the old lathe sent down to Plattsmouth to be overhauled, after which it will be shipped to the Sterling, Colo., shop.

Engine 5020 was in the roundhouse, first of the week, for repairs to her pilot and bent frame, the result of colliding with a boxcar while coming into the east end of the yard, the other night, Engineer Koebel in charge.

Another new copper wire was connected at this office, Sunday afternoon, at 3:20, connecting through to Salt Lake City, Utah. McCook is gradually becoming one of Nebraska's greatest telegraph headquarters.

Edwin, the baby boy of Engineer and Mrs. E. L. Traubert, living near East Ward school, died early Tuesday morning. Funeral services were held at the home Wednesday afternoon, by Rev. M. B. Carman. The little one was laid to rest in Riverview cemetery.

The Burlington has ordered four new "Rockingham oak dining cars," to be exact duplicates of the originals. The new cars will be delivered soon after January 1, from the Pullman shops. These cars are finished in oak, centuries old which comes from trees in Rockingham park, England, and the oak is used to the best advantage in making beautiful cars.

Vice President Willard has put his decided and emphatic veto on the "speed craze." He holds, safely and wisely that good, smooth running is more desirable than fast erratic speeding. That a man who maintains a good schedule time, is far superior to one who makes tremendous and dangerous spurts—winds his horse on the first quarter—and comes in on one side or is pulled in by another engine. Daniel stands for steady, reliable running of good average speed, and is again the speed craze every time.

A Vote of Thanks.

At a meeting of the library board held on Monday evening Dec. 10th, the unanimous thanks of the board were voted to those public spirited ladies and gentlemen whose assistance rendered successful the initial number of the board's projected literary entertainments designed for the promotion of good reading in our community. The "Dickens night" will be followed by other nights, and Judge Norris' scholarly address by those of other able and accomplished speakers.

C. H. MEEKER, Pres.
G. E. THOMPSON, Sec'y.

Railroads Continue Tax Fight.

OMAHA, Dec. 7.—The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy rail road company has prepared a bill and introduced it in the United States circuit court to enjoin Robert O. Fink, treasurer of Douglas county, and all the county treasurers of the state through which the Burlington runs or has any property, from enforcing the collection of the taxes levied against that road by the state board of equalization for the year 1906.

The petition states that the several county officials named will forcibly take possession of the property of the company in satisfaction of the illegal taxes unless restrained by order of the court and that the taxes are illegal, unconstitutional and unfair, as is the law which permits or authorizes their collection.

The amount of tax so assessed by the state board of equalization is about \$675,000. The petitioners have already proffered the payment of about \$500,000 of this tax, which they claim is just and equitable, but county treasurers have refused to take any amount except that designated by the state board of equalization.

Directions For Shipping Christmas Presents by Express.

Patrons of express companies who contemplate sending presents for Christmas should have them in the hands of the company not later than the 18th of December. There is nothing quite so disappointing to the donor as the delay of a Christmas present after Christmas day. It takes away the sweet sentiment embodied in these gifts, and very greatly disappoints the receiver. Express companies are furnishing patrons with labels reading, "Do not open until Christmas," which may be pasted upon your package.

Use wooden boxes for packing when possible. This reduces the risk of loss and prevents damage.

Write the address plainly with ink or crayon, giving street number and county. Write your name and address on the package following the prefix "from" giving your street and number, and also inclose in the package one of your cards.

Do not enclose money or jewelry in packages of merchandise. Such articles should be sent in a package through the money department.

Insist upon a receipt and have the value of your package placed thereon.

Mark the package "Paid," if so intended.

Write the word "Perishable" on your package if it contains matter of perishable nature.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY NO. 1.

One of Gerald Wilcox's best colts had a leg broken, last week.

A spelling school held sway in the Pickens schoolhouse, last Friday evening.

Miss Pearl Rogers went over to Danbury, Monday, to be absent a week or so on a visit.

E. W. Bernheisel has moved into the house just vacated by Frank Freelove. He will work for Gerald Wilcox.

Miss Ladie Everson, teacher in the Barber school, north of Indianola, was over Sunday. Lee Everson has quite recovered from his recent illness.

The postponed basket supper in the Pickens schoolhouse will be held on the Friday evening before Christmas. It is to be given for the school library's sake.

RED WILLOW.

Mr. Smith's barn is going up fast. Ben King's house is nearly ready.

It does the farmers good to see the cribs weighted with fine corn.

Red Willow looks well with the new houses lately completed.

New men have come from east and west and still men are wanted.

The sound of corn against the bang-board show the shuckers are busy in the field.

Louis Longnecker's house is finished, except the painting and that is progressing nicely.

Elder A. D. Finch is visiting in this neighborhood. It has been twenty years since he preached here and he is warmly welcomed by the few who are left of those who "knew him just twenty years ago."

Reduced Rates to Lincoln.

On account of the numerous agricultural, dairy and live-stock meetings to be held in Lincoln, January 14-17, the Burlington will sell round trip tickets to that point, January 12-17, inclusive, for \$7.50.

GEORGE S. SCOTT, Agent.

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CHRISTMAS? WHAT JOY THE VERY WORD BRINGS. 'TIS AT CHRISTMAS TIME THAT WE TURN FROM SELFISHNESS AND TRY TO MAKE OTHERS HAPPY. AND HOW THIS BRINGS HAPPINESS UNTO OURSELVES. HAVE YOU NOT SOMEONE TO WHOM YOU WISH TO GIVE A PRESENT? WHAT SHALL YOUR PRESENT BE? USEFUL THINGS. MEN LIKE TO GET NECKTIES, SILK SUSPENDERS, NICE HOSE, HANDKERCHIEFS, MUFFLERS, GLOVES, SLIPPERS, SMOKING JACKETS—THINGS TO WEAR. CAN'T YOU FIND SOMETHING IN THIS LIST YOU THINK WOULD MAKE A NICE PRESENT FOR A FRIEND? NECKTIES FOR 25C AND 50C, SILK SUSPENDERS FOR 50C AND \$1.00, MUFFLERS FOR 50C TO \$3.50, SLIPPERS FOR \$1.25 AND \$2.00, SMOKING JACKETS FOR \$3.50 AND \$6.50. AND HOW ABOUT SOME OF THOSE THINGS FOR YOUR WOMEN FRIEND? LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS FOR 5C TO 75C.

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