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RAILROAD ITEMS.

A new roof is being placed the blacksmith shop, this week.

Tank No. 792 has been repaired and repainted and is now ready for service.

Way car 1433 has been overhauled and repainted and is now ready for the road.

Fireman E. W. Houser is back from Trenton, where he recently sold his place.

Mrs. Frank Conley and Mrs. J. M. Smith depart, this evening, for Brownlee, this state, to be absent indefinitely.

Nick Snyder has resigned from the air service and has been succeeded by S. D. Hughes. Nick goes onto a farm near Trenton.

Storekeeper E. C. Hill has been transferred to Alliance, and expects to leave for that place on Saturday night, the family to follow shortly.

Joseph Kubick closed a term of 22 years' service for the Burlington, Tuesday morning, and with his family departed on No. 14, the same night, for his home in Kansas. The railroad boys remembered faithful and reliable Joe with a handsome and splendid chair before his departure. All join THE TRIBUNE in wishing him contentment and success on his fine farm down in Kansas.

Joe is Thankful to the Boys.

In closing up a period of 22 years' service in the mechanical department of the McCook division of the Burlington road, I wish to thank the boys of the mechanical department for the beautiful present which was presented to me. I wish you all a long life and prosperity.
JOSEPH KUBICK.

Switch engine 1334 is undergoing quite extensive repairs in the roundhouse, this week.

James Burton, who served his time here, resumed work in the machinists' ranks, Wednesday noon.

Engine 1751 is over drop 2 for usual repairs—cylinder, driving brasses, new paint etc.; also set of new flues.

New engines in this week for general overhauling are: 13, 299 and 1050. Those just out of the backshop are: 133, 18 and 1092.

February holds the record for amount of work finished in the local shops. General repairs were given four engines and nine received the No. 5.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALS.

Mrs. H. P. WAITE went down to Crete, Wednesday morning, Miss Edith not being well.

MESDAMES MACKECHNIK and Dolan of Indianola were up, Monday, to have some studio work done.

MISS ANNA SICKLER succeeds Miss Ethel Morrissey, resigned, as stenographer for the McCook Electric Co.

Mrs. L. M. COPELAND of Minden visited her daughter, Mrs. J. G. Schobel, close of last and early part of the present week.

Mrs. NOLA MILBURN and daughter Mildred of Minden arrived in the city, Tuesday evening, and were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Bryant Howe until this evening.

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JESSE PREDMORE is home for a short visit to the folks.

COY BURNETT was up from Lincoln, end of week, visiting the family.

H. L. PAXEN of Norton, Kansas, graduate pharmacist, is McMillen's new clerk.

MISS MABEL LELAND is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. M. Best, in Kirby, Wyoming.

MISS MINNIE PADE visited Hastings relatives last week, returning home on Thursday night.

Mrs. HAROLD P. WAITE was hostess at the gathering of the Whist club, last Thursday evening.

D. L. BOWER departed, Monday, for his new home near Wray, Colo., where he has a half section.

W. E. BOWER departed on 13, Wednesday, for Denver. He will visit in Wray and Yuma, briefly, en route.

MISS HELEN BURNS, who has been a student at the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, is at home, arriving last week.

MISS STELLA FAUS returned home, close of past week, from her trip and visit down in New Mexico, where she has relatives living.

MR. AND MRS. NORMAN SILVER are entertaining a baby daughter, whose birthday will be suitably observed each February 27th hereafter.

R. E. LANT and family have moved on to the farm in the southwestern part of the county, and Cedar Bluffs, Kansas, is their postoffice address.

MISS ELIZABETH DAUGHERTY closed a term of school in District 1st Friday. This is the third successful term Miss Daugherty has taught in Gerver precinct.

INSPECTOR GREGORY of Nebraska high schools was in the city, Monday night, leaving on the following morning up the Imperial branch in the line of duty.

W. B. MILLS returned from Grand Rapids, Mich., last Sunday, after a visit of three weeks with his mother and sister. He reports his mother's condition as but slightly improved.

C. E. LAW of Saranac, N. Y., an old time friend and former partner in Greenwood Springs, Colorado, has been the guest of C. A. Fisher, the past week, leaving for home today.

L. H. LINDEMANN came in from Iowa, last week Thursday night, and packed up their household goods for shipment. The family accompanied him to Denver, fore part of this week.

MISS LILLIE FARRELL left, Saturday, for her home in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She has been living with her sister Mrs. R. W. Burge here and for a while was employed on this paper.

MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR DODGE of Sutwyn, Manitoba, Canada, are here visiting relatives in McCook and Marion. He is running an extensive dairy in Canada with success and profit.

ALBERT BERRY came in from the road, Saturday, and will visit the mother and family for a few weeks. While resting up he is overseeing and assisting in some improvements to the home nest—a new porch etc.

WILLIAM BYFIELD returned, last Thursday, from his visit to his aged and ailing mother in Canada. The mother is past 90 years of age, and while some brighter when he left, is gradually passing away from earth with the infirmities of old age.

E. J. BRADY, of the postoffice force, was the representative of Branch No. 1386 in the state convention United National Association of Postoffice Clerks, held in Omaha, February 22. A luncheon at the Calumet and a ball at the Rome hotel, were among the courtesies extended the visiting clerks by the clerks of the Omaha office.

L. MORSE, that magnificently reliable old stand-patter from Benkelman, took in some of the attractions at the Temple, last week. While THE TRIBUNE did not have the pleasure of greeting the old warhorse from the state of Dundy, we did note that Leonidas was himself again, as much so as might be since the crown and sceptre passed from his splendid control for the boys in that strappy.

CAUTION IN THE MINT.

They Almost Strain the Air to Save Particles of Gold.

It has been aptly said that no miser guards his treasure more religiously than Uncle Sam watches over the precious metals that pass through his mints. Then, too, the precautions against waste are almost innumerable.

Every evening in each of the mints of the United States the floors of the melting rooms are swept cleaner than a New England housewife's kitchen. The dust is carefully put aside, and about once in two months the soot scraped from every flue is transferred to the same precious dust heap. This is then burned, and from its ashes the government derives no inconsiderable income. The earthenware crucibles used in melting are employed no more than three times. They are crushed beneath heavy rollers, and in their porous sides are found flakes of the precious metal.

In the melting room when the casters raise their ladles from the melting pots a shower of sparks fly from the molten surface of the metal. For the most part they are bits of incandescent carbon, but clinging to the carbon is often a minute particle of metal. Lest such particles should escape, the ashes and clinkers below the furnaces are gathered up at night. This debris is ground into powder by means of a steam crusher and then is sold to a smelter, like ordinary ore, at a price warranted by the assayer.

The ladies that stir the precious metal, the big iron rods, the strainers and the dippers, all are tested in a most curious fashion. After considerable use they become covered with a thin layer of oxidized silver, closely resembling a brown rust. The implements are then laid in baths of a solution of sulphuric acid, which eats away the iron and steel and leaves the silver untouched.

Gradually the ladle, or whatever the implement is, will disappear, and in its place remains a hollow silver counterpane of the original, delicate as spun glass. These fragile casts reproduce the ladle with perfect accuracy in all its details, although their surfaces are perforated with innumerable little holes. Scarcely have they been molded, however, before they are cast into a crucible to become in time dollars, quarters and dimes.

In one corner of the melting room there is a large tank into which newly cast silver bars are dropped and left to cool. Infinitesimal flakes of silver scale off and rise to the surface of the water, which acquires the metallic luster of a stagnant pool. Here is silver that must not be lost, so beneath the pipe through which the tank is emptied is banked a thick layer of mud. As the water filters through it the mud retains the precious residuum. Four times a year this mud is removed, and each experiment discloses the fact that some \$50 has been saved.—Baltimore American.

His Text.

The three-year-old son of a Methodist minister was with his mother at a gathering of ladies. At the proper time he was given a cookie. He ate it in short order and asked for another. The hostess said:

"I'll give you another if you will sing for us."

"Can't sing," was his reply, "but I know something I can say."

"That will do all right," the lady answered, expecting to hear "Twinkle, twinkle, little star," or some other nursery classic.

But the little fellow drew himself up in real Sunday school fashion and said his piece:

"God loveth a cheerful giver."

The lady gave him the cookie, and the whole company seemed to be very cheerful about it.—Harper's Magazine.

A Water Telescope.

Norwegian fishermen use a water telescope to ascertain the position of the herring shoals. This is the way to make the water telescope:

Procure a tube made of tin and funnel shaped about three and a half feet long and ten inches in diameter at the largest end. It should be wide enough at the top to take in the observer's eyes, and the inside should be painted black. At the bottom, or wide end, a clear, thick piece of glass must be inserted, with a little lead in the form of a ring to weight the tube. When the instrument is immersed in clear water it is astonishing how many fathoms down the observer can see.

The Sybarites.

The Sybarites were the inhabitants of the ancient city of Sybaris, in southern Italy, founded 720 B. C. They were so greatly addicted to voluptuousness and self-indulgence that their name became a byword among the peoples of antiquity. The word "sybarite" is used at the present day to denote a person devoted to luxury and pleasure.

Sometimes There Isn't.

Flubbe—I'm going into the manufacture of something there ought to be money in.

Dubbe—What are you going to manufacture?

Flubbe—Pocketbooks and purses.—London Telegraph.

Why He Couldn't Work.

The Lady—My husband, sir, 'as sent me to say 'e won't be able to come and do the little job you arst 'im to. 'E's promised to go round the town with the unemployed.—London M. A. P.

One More Disappointment.

"Poor old Myer is dead, I see. He led a life full of disappointments."
"How glad he would have been to see his name in print!"—Fliegende Blatter.

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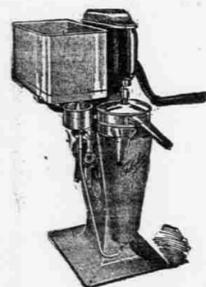
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