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## Married.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leister, on Monday evening at 8 p. m., Sept. 9, occurred the marriage of their daughter Miss Jennie, to Mr. Harry L. Darner, of Columbus, Ohio, Rev. W. T. Cline officiating. Mr. J. C. Leister jr. and Miss Allie W. Keeling were the attendants.

The bride was attired in white while the groom wore the conventional black. A number of the immediate friends of the family were present, among them Mayor Barrett and wife. Valuable presents were received and a splendid supper served.

Miss Leister, the bride, is well known in our city and has been employed in the telephone office for months. Mr. Darner, the groom, holds a good position in the Zanerian College of Penmanship, at Columbus, Ohio. The bridal party left for the west and after a short stay will make their home in Columbus, Ohio.

At the M. E. Parsonage on Sunday, Sept. 8, at 2:30 p. m., occurred the wedding of Mr. Benjamin Freeman and Miss Ruth Jackson, Rev. W. T. Cline officiating. These young people reside at Biglow, Mo.

## A Fine Showing.

Will Holt returned Saturday morning from Lincoln where he had been exhibiting some of his fine Berkshire hogs. With five show hogs he captured four first premiums, two out of four sweepstakes and one second premium which is considered a very good showing. Will had on exhibit, also, seven very fine pigs which were not entered in any contest but received most flattering compliments from the large crowds viewing them. We congratulate Will on the marked success he is having as a breeder of fine stock and the reputation he is making for the Holt stock farm.

## Family Reunion.

Dr. and Mrs. Hahn held a reunion of the family of George W. Fisher at their home last Sunday complimentary to the members of the family who are here visiting. They are Mrs. George Brannin and Mrs. Joe Davidson of Oswega, Kans., and Mrs. Dr. Strong of Stromsburg, Nebr. A bountiful feast was spread, consisting of the most delicious cookery known to Mrs. Hahn and all these seasonable delicacies. It was a merry family that sat down to that hospitable board and the occasion was full of joy and happiness. Beside the family of Dr. Hahn and wife and the visiting sisters there were present George Fisher and family from southwest of town and Chester Fisher and family of this city.

## The Business College Opens.

At the close of the first week of school at the Business College Prof. Barrett was delighted with the attendance. He says it was unusually large for the first week and the students seemed to settle down to work with a will. The largest enrollment is usually after the Thanksgiving vacation, but if the present increase continues, those who want to attend the winter term will have to "speak up in meet-in" or the Professor may not have room for them. The Business College has done a wonderful good in Falls City and our people are proud of it. It deserves the liberal patronage it gets and we trust the time is not far distant when we can have a larger building so all who wish can attend.

Miss Anna Feil of Farragut, Iowa, is the guest of Mrs. J. A. Hill.

## The Reforms of a Reformer.

The Tribune desires to give a few plain facts without embellishment or adornment. The facts pertain to a reformer, and in these days a reformer is about the most popular individual traveling this vale of tears.

One J. C. Martin is Judge Kellogg's court reporter. True, at one time he was the reporter of a republican judge, but to a real reformer the job is the thing and political parties are nothing more than the means to an end.

But J. C. as a reformer is the real thing, a real simon pure, original reformer; a sort of holier than thou character that has been immortal since the days of Pecksniff, and before.

But Johnny as reformer and Johnny as court reporter seem to be a sort of Dr. Jeckyl and Mr. Hyde arrangement.

The law puts limitations on Johnny as a court reporter but as a reformer he can shoot at the illimitable perspective.

For instance, the law allowed Johnny ten cents per hundred words at the time he transcribed the testimony on a motion made in the Miles case. Jack O'Keefe, Judge Raper's reporter, took the testimony in the case proper but Johnny took the testimony on the motion in question. So when Johnny presented his transcript he demanded payment for 32,000 words, or \$32. It was paid him.

The lawyers, after looking it over, thought their clients, who are poor people, had been robbed. So the words were counted and instead of there being 32,000, as the reformer had charged for, it was found that the record contained but 25,167 words. The matter was called to Johnny's attention and a polite invitation given him to disgorge the overcharge. Of course it wasn't much, just \$6.80, or about 25 per cent of the whole, but it was a good deal to the clients who paid it.

Well, the reformer knew when he was caught, so he dug up and wrote the following letter:

"Yours of today in regard to Miles bill of exceptions stating you had counted the words in the bill and there was an overcharge of \$6.80 received. I never counted the words in a bill yet, only estimated them. In the bill was a charge of .50 for a copy of district clerk's docket which I paid to Mr. Loree and also a charge of \$1.00 for numbering and binding. However I care nothing about the numbering and binding but am entitled to the fifty cents I paid out. I enclose herewith my check for \$6.80 in settlement of the overcharge which I trust will be satisfactory.

J. C. MARTIN."

The law says he was entitled to 10 cents per hundred words, not an estimated hundred but a counted hundred. He estimated it and made a mistake of about 25 per cent in his favor.

Upon receipt of this remarkable letter some pretty tall thinking was indulged in by lawyers and clients. Inasmuch as his letter stated that he never counted the words but always estimated them, there was a fear that he might have made similar mistakes in the past. So there was a hurry up call for old bills of exceptions to see whether or not this reformer had been overcharging other people.

Up to this time only one other bill has been counted, that bill is in the case of Gandy vs. Wiltse. The young man charged and received pay in this case

for 145,000 words. A careful count made by three disinterested persons shows the bill to contain but 95,952 words. In other words, he overcharged in this case alone for more than 49,000 words. There is no mistake about the count as is shown by the following certificate:

"I hereby certify that I counted the words in the Gandy vs. Wiltse bill of exceptions and found it to contain 95,952 words.

MAY VAN DUSEN."

The Tribune hesitates to predict what will be shown when all the records made by this young man in the past ten years are checked up. All the lawyers who are trying to protect the interest of their clients are now investigating other records made by him to ascertain the true state of affairs. When the record is complete the reformer will be given an opportunity to return the money he has taken from the various litigants, and upon his refusal to do so the matters will be referred to both the district and supreme courts for determination.

In the meantime Johnny will continue the business of a reformer and seek to be reappointed as court reporter at the hands of any old judge of any old party who desires a reformer in the position.

## Patient Improving.

Mrs. Saddle Mitchell who was operated upon at the home of her mother, Mrs. Pete Lohr, a week ago is improving and highest hopes are entertained for her recovery. The operation which was an extremely delicate one was in the hands of Dr. Boose, assisted by Drs. Houston and Fast and was very successful. The many friends of the patient will be glad to learn of the improvement in her condition.

## Young Miscreants Paroled.

When the case against the youngsters brought down from Humboldt charged with burglary came up before Judge Raper last Monday morning, it was decided, because of their age, to parol them and leave them in charge of their mothers. While their conduct has not been the best since their release some two weeks ago, the judge is yet hopeful and is willing to give them another chance to redeem themselves. It is hoped they will appreciate the leniency shown them and mend their ways without severe punishment.

## Poultry Car Wrecked.

Louis McPherson returned Wednesday from his initial trip to 'Frisco with Hermes Bros., poultry car to tell the tale of the wrecking of the car that was wired back last week. The poultry car was to have been side tracked at Truckee, Cal., for another freight to pass but was not pulled clear off the siding and was struck on the side by two refrigerator cars and turned over on its side. Only the one side of the car was damaged and it was at once patched up and sent on to 'Frisco. The loss to Hermes Bros., was 2,300 fowls, dead and stolen. Lewis says it was a sight to see the railroaders and people about the yards grab up these chickens dead or alive as fast as they could and make off with them. The loss to the poultry company was made good by the railroad company.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller of Hiawatha came over in their auto Tuesday and spent the day with Prof. and Mrs. Harnack.

## Society News.

The Presbyterian Kensington was entertained last Friday by Mrs. J. C. Tanner, Mrs. Joe Varner, Mrs. Chas. Loree and Mrs. Levi Zubrick at the home of the former. A very large crowd was in attendance. Aside from the needle work some interesting guessing games were prepared which added greatly to the pleasure of the afternoon.

The refreshments served, consisting of ices, cake, and fruit punch, were delicious. The hostesses made the afternoon most enjoyable for their guests.

Mrs. I. C. Maust entertained the members of her Sunday school class informally last Friday evening with a watermelon party. About twenty-five boys were present. The evening was passed with entertaining games and Mrs. Maust gave her guests a very interesting account of her summer spent in Montana. The evening proved a very jolly one.

Miss Stella Knickerbocker gave a dinner to a half dozen young lady friends at her home southeast of this city last Tuesday evening, in honor of her birthday anniversary.

The dining room was tastefully decorated and the dinner served was one that would tempt the appetite of the most fastidious epicurean.

After dinner considerable time was spent boating on the lake, after which music and games filled the time until the late hour when preparations were made to return to town. The occasion will long be remembered for its unusual pleasures and each guest expressed sincere wishes to her hostess for many happy returns of the day.

The first club meeting of the season was held on Wednesday of this week when Sorosis was entertained at the home of Mrs. Kate Steele, one mile east of town. Almost the entire membership of the club was present and the program was very interesting. Being the first meeting of the year plans and suggestions for pleasure and improvement of the club year were open for discussion.

After the social half hour Mrs. Steele was assisted by Mrs. George Jennings in serving dainty refreshments.

The delightful weather added to the pleasure of the day and the meeting was considered most enjoyable.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home Mrs. Maude Davies, September 18th. On the 3rd and 4th of next month the union holds its fall convention at Dawson.

The L. B. T. art club, with well filled lunch baskets, spent Tuesday of this week at Sun Springs, where they gathered hazelnuts and fall wild flowers. They took with them a camping outfit for the purpose of preparing good hot things in addition to the basket lunch. A jollier party would have been hard to find and the day was one of unalloyed pleasure. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards of Kentucky, relatives of Mrs. Sandusky, were guests of the club on this occasion and seemed to enjoy the event and the glimpse of that portion of Nebraska scenery immensely.

The C. W. B. M. Auxilliary of the Christian Church of this city met last Friday at the home of Mrs. Chas. Krecker. A number of interesting papers were read and discussed on, "The need of Christian work in the United States." Then followed the election of officers, Mrs. T. J. Oliver, was elected president, Mrs. J. E. Leyda, vice president, Miss Verdi Sage secretary and Mrs. Fernanda Keim treasurer.

The ladies of St. Martha's Guild will give a 15c tea at the residence of Dr. Burchard next Wednesday, Sept. 18. Among other good things pineapple will be served.

Quite a large party of ladies drove to the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lord near Salem, Thursday to spend the day. Besides the visit to this most hospitable home the ladies gathered hazelnuts and wild flowers. The day was ideal for an outing and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Some of the ladies of the party were Mesdames Lyford, Powell, Cline, J. S. Lord, Manger, Mrs. Mary Minnick of Chicago and Miss May Maddox.

## Lying Very Low.

Today William McPherson lies dangerously ill at his home, the Union house, and little hope is entertained for his recovery. A carbuncle at the base of his brain was lanced early in the week, but gave no relief, and on Tuesday evening it was found necessary to cut it out in order to prevent blood poisoning. But it seemed the operation was to late to have the desired effect and he has remained unconscious ever since. We sincerely hope an unexpected change for the better may come but at this time grave doubts of his recovery are entertained, blood poisoning having made rapid headway.

## Repairs at the Library.

The library is closed this week and will be closed for several weeks, owing to the improvements now being made. The building is in the hands of the lathers and plasterers this week. All the side wall plastering had to be taken off and a portion of the ceiling; almost the entire wall space had to be relathed. After the plastering is done the walls will be frescoed and the floors oiled and repolished. It will likely be three weeks yet before the library is opened.

## Primary Election Results.

The tickets nominated by the first primary election are now in the field and the results of the official count held last Friday are given below. In many of the offices either one or the other party had no candidate both in state and county tickets. The Prohibitionists and Socialists had few candidates for state offices and none in this county. There was 1 socialist vote cast in this county, 3 populist and 12 prohibitionists; 550 democratic and 892 republican, making a total of 1,458 votes cast at the first primary election.

The nominees, according to the choice of the primary, are as follows excepting regents of state university and railroad commissioners which we were unable to obtain:

## Republican nominees.

Supreme Judge:--	County Assessor:--
Reese	Arnold
District Judges:--	Couriers:--
Raper	Geo. W. Reneker
Pemberton	County Supervisors:--
State Senator:--	Dist. 2
D. K. Miller	Ed. Graham
County Clerk:--	Dist. 4
George B. Holt	Smith
County Judge:--	Dist. 6
Scott	John Hinton
County Supt:--	
Coons	

## Democratic nominees:

Supreme Judge:--	Sheriff:--
G. L. Loomis	W. T. Fenton
Regent of University:--	Clerk of the Court:--
P. A. Caldwell	Chas. Loree
R. R. Commissioner:--	County Supt:--
J. L. Sandusky	T. J. Oliver
R. J. Millard	Assessor:--
District Judge:--	N. B. Judd
A. D. McCandless	Surveyor:--
County Treasurer:--	John Crook
J. S. Lord	Supervisors:--
County Clerk:--	Dist. 2
John Hutchings	McCray
County Judge:--	Dist. 4
John Gagnon	H. H. Fritz
	Dist. 6
	L. E. Schlosser

Mrs. E. O. Lewis was very sick the first of the week.

Mahlon Beachy was over from Morrill Wednesday of this week.

T. F. Plum and wife drove to Rulo to spend Sunday with relatives.

John Tighe of Dawson, was looking after business matters in this city Monday.

Mrs. C. S. Myers of Auburn, arrived today to visit her sister, Mrs. H. C. Rakers.

Judge Wilhite is still boiling and firmly declares that he has the patience of Jobe.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Powell returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Bern, Kansas.

Harry Cain and Herbert Maish will leave today for Lincoln to enter the state university.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Quiet are at home after a visit of several weeks with New York relatives.

Mrs. Frank McDermond was up from Kansas City a few days the first of the week with relatives.

Claud Herman and Elmer Dickason of Hiawatha visited Lela Powell and Hazel White over Sunday.

Miss Stevens who has been visiting the family of her uncle, P. S. Heacock, returned to her home in Chicago last Saturday.

A hack load of Odd Fellows from this city visited their brothers at Salem Thursday night. They report a royal time.

Mrs. Ernest Vincent returned to her home in Council Bluffs on Sunday after a three weeks visit with her parents, Wm. Sears and wife.

Tom McLean came up from Kansas City last Friday for a visit with relatives from Pennsylvania who are at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. A. Frank.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stewart spent Sunday with Mrs. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim DeWald. They were enroute from Missouri to their home in Reserve, Kans.

Miss Comstock of Lincoln began her duties as teacher of English in the high school last Monday. She comes to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Miss Frazier who gave up the school owing to ill health.

A. E. Gantt has moved his law office from the Gilligan Bridge Co's office to the front rooms of the Miller block and has things fixed up in fine shape. That accounts for the decorating of the exterior of the building.

A little paint spread on your store front is an attractive feature and preserves the building. It also makes your neighbor's property look like a faded flower and he may roll over in his Rip Van Winkle couch and follow the example. If so you have been a home missionary and you will reap your reward by declaring your residence in an up-to-date town.

Fred Beaulieu of Weisch, I. T., was in town between trains Monday afternoon, having run up for a few hours from St. Joe where he had been on business. He says business is good where he is but he thinks he is too much of a northerner to fall into the southern way of living and doing business. His family are enjoying good health but miss their old Falls City friends. Mr. Beaulieu himself is looking fine. He seemed to thoroughly enjoy his short visit and remarked that Falls City looked good to him.