

Official Directory of Cherry Co.
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Judge, Anos Strong.
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County Superintendent, Lillian Stoner.
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Coroner, A. Lewis.
Commissioners, E. W. Starr, L. Dushan, P. Sullivan.

Societies.

YOUNG MENS SOCIAL CLUB.—Meets every Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. Helen Hornby.
JOHN N. KING, President
FRANK E. THORN, Secretary

SETTING BULL TRIBE No. 22.
Improved Order of Redmen.
Meets every second and fourth Saturday of each month. Members of the order in good standing are cordially and fraternally invited to attend.
C. H. THOMPSON, Sachem,
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A. F. & A. M.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 192, A. F. & A. M. meets in regular communication, Saturday evening on or before the full moon in each month. Members of the order in good standing are cordially and fraternally invited to attend.
F. M. WALCOTT, W. M.
W. W. THOMPSON, Sec'y.

A. O. U. W.

Valentine Lodge, No. 70, A. O. U. W., meets 1st and 3rd Monday in each month.
M. Christensen, M. W. L. Stoner, Rec.

I. O. O. F.

Valentine Lodge No. 916 I. O. O. F., meets every Thursday evening. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend our meetings.
J. H. YEAST, N. G.
WESLEY HOLDSLOW, Sec'y.

G. A. R.

Col. Wood Post No. 298 Department of Nebraska regular meeting 2d and 4th Saturdays of each month at 2 p. m. sharp. Comrades from other Posts are cordially invited to attend.
W. W. THOMPSON, Commander.
JOHN DUNN, adjt.

W. R. C.

Col. Wood W. R. C. No. 179 regular meeting 2d and 4th Saturdays of each month.
AMANDA LUDWIG, Pres.
HELEN HORNBY, Sec.

M. W. A.

Valentine Camp No. 1751 Modern Woodmen of America, meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month at Davenport's Hall. Visiting neighbors cordially invited to attend.
P. F. SIMONS, Ven. Counsel
J. W. SPIRK, Clerk

K. of P.

Cherry Lodge No. 169 Knights of Pythias meets every Tuesday evening at Davenport's Hall.
JOS. PUTNELL K. of R. and S.

Arrival and Departure of Mails.

Mail east and west closes at 8 p. m.
Rosebud leaves at 8:00 a. m. daily, except Sunday, and arrives at 5:00 p. m.
Sioux, Kennedy, and Oasis leaves at 7:00 a. m. Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays, and arrives at 7:00 p. m. Tuesdays and Saturdays.
Ft. Niobrara leaves daily at 7:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m.; arrives at 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Kewanee, and Sparks arrives Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:00 p. m., and leaves Tuesdays Thursdays and Saturdays at 7:00 a. m.
General delivery open from 7:00 a. m. to 7:00 p. m. General delivery open on Sundays from 8:00 a. m. to 10 a. m. Lock boxes opened from 8 a. m. to 8:30 p. m.
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Teachers Examination.

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THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT

SUCCESSOR TO THE
CHERRY COUNTY INDEPENDENT.

ROBERT GOOD, Editor and Publisher

J. W. Stetter has returned from his trip east.

Charley Cook is working on Walter Jackson's sheep ranch.

H. W. Graham and wife are over from Rosebud this week, on account of the illness of Mrs. Graham's father, A. Kneeland.

Chas. E. McChesney arrived from Sioux Falls, S. D., Friday night, and Saturday drove to Rosebud to assume his duties as Indian agent.

The finest window display of goods this town has seen for some time is T. C. Hornby's silk display of all qualities of silk from 82 cents up. It will be worth your while to go and see it.

Edna May and Johnnie Pringle tomorrow night in their three act comedy "Little Treasure." One of the specialties will be Miss Edna May's \$10.00 challenge Kaleidoscopic Dance.

A hobo was arrested last Saturday night for stealing some small articles from the postoffice stationery department, but was turned loose with directions as to the shortest and quickest way out of town.

J. J. Jones's new paper, The Mail, published at Coalville, Utah, has reached us. O. H. Moore is publisher and J. J. Jones editor. The paper bears the earmarks of our old friend and is a credit to the town.

The Populist county convention, for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention, will be held in Valentine July 8. Another convention will be held latter to nominate a county ticket and delegates to the other conventions.

E. G. Weisflogg, of Crookston, was in town yesterday. In company with his family Mr. Weisflogg started for the Black Hills this morning for a three months visit. He has 125 acres of small grain planted, and will rest this summer.

Frank Whittecar, of Ainsworth, in company with a party of gentlemen from Valentine, is out today trying to discover a suitable deposit of clay for brick-making purposes. Should they be successful Mr. Whittecar will start a brick yard here.

M. T. Rowland, ex-county clerk and C. J. Skuse, ex-county judge, of Boyd county, have gone to Alaska to dig for gold. Butte will soon be depopulated if the exodus of citizens does not soon stop. We are reliably informed that twenty-five people left there one Sunday morning, for Cripple Creek and other points.

Church News.

G. A. R. Memorial service at the M. E. church next Sunday at 11 a. m., to which all are cordially invited. Regular service at 8 p. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m. O. L. Ramsey, pastor.

Topic for Christian Endeavor Sunday night is "Christ's Widening Kingdom," found in Isaiah 11: 1-10. This is a missionary topic and an interesting meeting should be had.

Epworth League topic for Sunday evening is "Lessons in Social Liberty." References in Matt. 11: 18-19; Luke 15: 1-4.

One of the most notable things at the M. E. church services last Sunday morning was the excellent choral singing.

Christian Endeavor last Sunday was principally a review of the life of David, and several interesting points in the life of this most noble warrior, king and singer were brought out by the general discussion which was indulged in. Mrs. Lizzie Crawford was the leader.

During the absence of Presiding Elder Julian at the General Conference of the M. E. church, Rev. P. H. Eighmy, of Longpine, conducted communion services at the M. E. church Sunday morning, assisted by Chaplain O. J. Nave. The reverend gentleman preached to large congregations both morning and evening, in his usual terse and vigorous style.

When you have an item of church news, give it to THE DEMOCRAT. It will be appreciated by the editor.

Two of the points made in the prayer by Chaplain Nave Sunday morning was the prayer for the freedom of Cuba and the hope that the monarchical form of government would soon be a thing of the past.

WOOD LAKE DEPARTMENT

LEROY LEACH, Editor.

The following verses are respectfully dedicated to C. A. Johnson, Esq., in memory of the past:

WHEN BECKET CAME TO TOWN.
Twas in the spring of '36 that Becket came to town
That from the car steps, clad in black, he slowly clambered down.
He wasn't much to look at, being somewhat angular,
And he gazed in innocence around while getting off the car.

But he early demonstrated, in accents firm and sound,
That Becket was a talker, the best for far around.
He talked of spiritualism, politics and home,
And into Greek mythology with long strides did he roam.

He didn't seem to realize that there were others there
Who wanted chances equalized in the oratorical chair.

At last he spoke of Kansas, and of the flint hills steep,
And told us how the ranchmen there shod all their little sheep;
But here the boys objected, and votes from all were taken
Of which the larger portion said Becket was mistaken.

He talked from early morning until the shades of eve,
And even when 'twas bedtime he seemed to hate to leave;
But the boys grew rather weary, and one night ere seeking rest
Resolved to let friend Becket know that he was in the west.

Accordingly a notice was posted in the stores
Which read "The Sioux are coming with knives and 'forty-fours."
And when the shades of night came down and settled o'er the swells
The quiet air was broken by wild and woolly yells.

This proved effective—Becket stopped, and with some chilly thrills
He grabbed his hat and large valise and started for the hills;
Then from behind large bonfires glowed—wild yells the air did shake,
While in the thunderous roar of guns Becket swam the lake.

Next day he wandered back again and in a quivering trill
Told how he'd finally spied a light from off a high sand hill;
This proved to be a neighbor's house, who, pitying Becket's plight,
Allowed the man to enter, and there he spent the night.

We'd like to see friend Becket now, and should he happen down
We'd take him 'round to see the sights in this our little town.
For oft in dreams we see him—off see his face in pain,
Just as it looked next morning when he took the east bound train.

Friday evening, May 15, at 8 p. m., under the auspices of Hanna brothers, the entire adult population of the city met at the Hotel de West, and from there proceeded to the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Barnes. It was a complete surprise, and the crowd, some fifty or more in number, spent the evening very pleasantly. The party was given in honor of the sixtieth birthday anniversary of Mr. Barnes. David Hanna made a humorous speech to the genial host, after which he presented to Mr. Barnes a handsome gold watch, the gift of the assembled friends. After the substantial refreshments were served, delicious ice cream and cake followed. At a late hour the guests took their departure, after wishing Mr. Barnes many happy returns of his anniversary, and a safe journey to him and his wife on their trip to Ohio, where they intend going at an early date to spend the summer.

Another event of importance was a party held the same evening at the Hotel de West in honor of the fourteenth birthday of Johnnie West. Some thirty or more young people were present, including Miss Elsie Sherman and Miss Allie Handy, of Valentine. After an enjoyable time at games, etc., refreshments were served. The gay crowd did not disperse until a late hour, and everybody expressed themselves as having had a thoroughly good time.

Quite an amusing time was had at the races on the Champs Elysees west of town, Saturday. Dennis Brothers took first prize, after which, as their horse did not run again, a general, free-for-all race was run, and, as a matter of course, everybody beat and went away satisfied that he himself possessed the running horse of the town. However, we all enjoyed ourselves immensely, as it has been many a long day since our burg has had a good horse race. We will have another next Saturday.

Our Fat Men's Club, consisting of Chas. A. Johnson, Chas. Murphy, and Chas. Barnes, are at present gaily and daily disporting themselves on their wheels. Small boys are hereby fully warned to keep out of the way.

Judge Walcott was down from Valentine Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Geo. Bakewell closed her term of singing school Tuesday evening with an entertainment, the principal

feature of which was a mock session of the U. S. senate, the body having under consideration a bill to extend the right of suffrage to males. The senators were all women and the farce was well executed and received.

A. Schatzenthauer was sued, Monday, by Frank Smith, for a supposed infraction of an agreement. Ed. Clarke appeared for the defendant, but the plaintiff failed to show up and the case was dismissed.

SCHOOL COLUMN.

EDITORS: CHARLES WELLFORD.
CHARLES COOK.

The two debates last Friday were a grand success and by far the most interesting of any this season. The participants were all well prepared and all points were hotly contested. The first question, Resolved: That the best place to spend one's life is on the farm, was debated by the following pupils: Affirmative: Tacy Collett, Alma Carlson, Edith Pettyerew, Frank Thorn, Walter Thorn and Lilly Collett. Negative: Harry Tucker, Charles Cook, Mabel Towne and Carry Dillon. The discussion of this question consumed the greater portion of the afternoon.

The second question, Resolved: That sociability should be cultivated, was presented in all its phases by the following debaters: Affirmative: Frank Thorn and Walter Thorn. Negative: Mae Davenport, Carry Dillon and Harry Tucker.

The following program has been prepared for commencement:

Piano Duet—"The Pretty Perfumer".....
Edna McDonald and Mae Davenport
Invocation.....
Oration—"Responsibilities of Citizenship".....
Frank Thorn
Song—"Serenade".....
Edith Pettyerew, Mabel Towne, Tacy Collett and Edna McDonald
Oration—"They Who Serve Their Country".....
Harry Tucker
Vocal Solo.....
Mrs. Carroll
Oration.....
Nature, a mother, kind alike to all,
Grants her bliss at Labor's Earnest Call."
Edith Stark
Piano Duet.....
Edna McDonald and Mae Davenport
Presentation of Diploma by F. M. Walcott, President of the Board.
Song—"Only a Dream of Home".....
High School Double Quartette
Invocation.....

The general examination for promotion is about completed in all the departments and the scholars anxiously await results.

This is the last week of the most successful term of school the editors of this department have ever had the fortune to attend, and with this, our last work on the "School Column" we wish to heartily thank the patrons of THE DEMOCRAT for the many kind words they have spoken in token of their appreciation of our efforts. We wish also to thank the editor for the interest he has taken in our work and the words of cheer and encouragement given us when our hearts were heavy and we thought the world more dreary than it really is. The benefit we have derived from our editorial work in this column has more than repaid us for the time and energy spent, and we will try to be on hand at the opening of the next term of school with a column that will be not only a credit to ourselves but to the school as well.
CHAS. WELLFORD,
CHAS. COOK.

Georgia.

The frosts and winds of the past two weeks have materially damaged the wheat, oats and potatoes, and some farmers are going to plant corn where the wind has blown out the wheat and oats.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker, teachers in the Springcreek Indian school, were in town Saturday. They were looking for Mrs. Parker's mother from Sioux City, Iowa, who will spend the summer with them.

A wagon train loaded with wood for W. P. Alsip's brick yard on the "reserve" started out Tuesday morning. We are informed that 150 cords of wood are to be hauled from here.

Inquiry discloses the fact that very little corn will be planted in this part of Cherry county. Farmers say that it is a losing business and they intend sowing alfalfa as fast as they can prepare the land and get seed.

"The melancholy days have come" when the tramp inquires "Can you give me my breakfast?" and, being filled up, takes the road. How long, oh Lord, how long?

A good physician would find a hearty welcome and a fair practice by locating in Georgia, in addition to the lasting gratitude of U AND I.

We want a correspondent in every precinct in Cherry county who will send us the news of his or her locality at least once a month—oftener if possible. We offer inducements to correspondents. Write us about it.

Kewanee.
John Foster returned from Richardson county, Saturday. He was accompanied by his wife, and drove through in a buggy.

The races at Sparks last Saturday are the country talk. Frank Ashburn's pony, Dick, is a winner.

Mrs. Milton Anderson, nee Gertie Lincoln, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Tracewell, who has been on the sick list for a few days.

Repairing pumps and wells is the fashion now.

Corn is coming up nicely hereabout.

Tom Ashburn is having trouble in getting a sufficient fall for the water in his irrigation system.

Geo. Tracewell drives a new team, a recent purchase. &C.

The editor of a paper at Hasting recently brought suit against one of his delinquent subscribers for a \$3 subscription bill. The delinquent claimed that he never ordered the paper, but it was proven that he had taken the paper from the postoffice and the court ordered that he should pay for it and also the costs, which were some \$15 more.

The name of the Cherry County Independent has been changed to THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT. Not only has this paper a new name, but also a new publisher, in the person of Mr. Robert Good, an allround and up-to-date newspaper man in every sense of the word.—Newspaper Union.

The DEMOCRAT and the Thrice-a-week New York World one year, \$1.75.

The Pacific Short Line.
Is the only direct line from Northern Nebraska points to Sioux City and the East. Trains leave O'Neill immediately after arrival of train from Black Hills, saving two hours' time to Sioux City. Connections made in New Union Passenger Station. Buy local tickets to O'Neill and rebuy there.

Consumption Cure.

The attention of our readers is called to the advertisement of the Shoemaker Consumption Cure Co., of Sioux City, Iowa, on the inside page of this issue. This company was organized less than a year ago for the purpose of giving the world the benefit of the discoveries made by Milton Shoemaker, M. D., in the cure of consumption, and is composed of some of the best known business men and professional men of Sioux City and the state of Iowa. The remedy is said to have cured at least eighty cases of consumption since the company was organized, and we would advise any of our readers who suffer from the dread malady to correspond with A. D. Collier, secretary, at Sioux City.

U. S. Land Office Valentine, Nebr.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Valentine, Nebraska, on June 22nd, 1896, viz:

Uriah Thompson, of Oasis, Nebr.,
H. E. No. 9015 for the s½sec 14, nw¼sec 14 and ne¼sec 14, sec 14, tp 20 N., R. 22 W.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

Herbert A. Daniels, Edward Harris, Charles Harris and Isaac N. Alderman, all of Oasis Nebr. Also
Herbert A. Daniels, of Oasis, Nebr.,
H. E. No. 9038 for the s½sec 10 and nw¼sec 10, sec 10, tp 20 N., R. 22 W.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

Uriah Thompson, Edward Harris, Charles Harris and Isaac N. Alderman, all of Oasis Nebr. C. R. GLOVER, Register.

EDNA MAY

At Cornell Hall
Tomorrow evening
Friday, May 22,
In the three act
Comedy

"LITTLE TREASURE"
And her
\$10,000
Kaleidoscopic
Dance
Seats at Quigley's

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Men's Pants 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25
Wool Pants, \$1.45, \$1.75 and up
Suits, \$3.50, \$4.95, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$9.25, and so on

Tailor Made Suits from \$13.50 up
Boys' Knee Pant Suits, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, to \$4.00

Boys' Three Piece Suits, \$3.50, \$4.00 and up

A few good Brown Cloth Overcoats, worth \$10.00, to close at \$5.25.

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WILLET NO. 17109

Sire of Nabob (4) 2:30. Sire, Rochester 616. Record 2:31.

Sire of
BELLBOY - 2:24 DINKIE - 2:22
ORIANA - 2:25 MINOT - 2:26
FLORESTINE - 2:26 SENSATION - 2:29
And many others.

1st dam JEANNETTE, by HAMBLETONIAN 157.

Dam of Willet (sire of Nabob, 2:30) and Katanah (dam of Norrette, 2:25), Hazel's. Sire of the dams of Ida Belle, 2:23, and Lottie K., 2:27

2nd dam, DAUGHTER OF ABDEL-LAH 15.

Sire of Goldsmith Maid, 2:14.

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