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ROBERT GOOD, Editor and Publisher

The subscription price of THE DEMOCRAT is \$1 per year, but if subscription is allowed to become delinquent it will be charged at the rate of \$1.25. This is done as a means of protection to the publisher.

Nels Anderson, of Omaha, is in town.

Window shades of all kinds at C. R. Watson's. 29

Paints, oils and varnishes at C. R. Watson's. 29

If you want to buy tame pigeons, call at this office.

Large bill of new style men's hats at T. C. Hornby's. 30

WANTED—Girl for general work. Inquire at City Hotel.

John McHardie, wife and family, are visiting with J. J. Guth and wife.

C. D. Loose, of Scotia, Nebr., was in town the first of the week, on business.

The Indian annuity of \$1 per capita will probably be paid the first of September.

Davenport & Thacher carry a complete line of coffins and undertaker's supplies. 27

Mrs. W. E. Haley and children went to Crookston this morning to spend a week visiting with Mrs. Mary McDermott.

Fischer & Burleigh sold 130 head of cattle to Atlantic, Iowa, parties the other day. The bovines will be shipped from here tomorrow evening.

Mrs. Ed Weymouth, of Longpine, is visiting her brother, J. C. Pettijohn, and family. Mr. Weymouth is in charge of push engine No. 24 which is now stationed here.

J. W. Yeast is the proud father of another boy, the little stranger having arrived at his home and taken up his abode with him and his estimable wife last Saturday morning. And the catnip market is expected to boom in consequence.

While at Fort Robinson last week the officers of the Twelfth Infantry presented the officers of the Ninth Cavalry with a loving cup, as a token of their esteem. The cup is of silver, about eight inches high and beautifully chased.

John Smyser, of the firm of Smyser & Vincent, accompanied Harry Edwards to Pierre, S. D., with the two running horses, Well Used and Wounded Knee, and returned Saturday. Well Used was slightly injured on the trip, but will be in shape to finish the racing season.

Workmen are busily engaged in putting the Bryan Club room, across the hall from THE DEMOCRAT, in presentable shape. It will be the finest room in the city when that expert finisher Martin Christensen, gets through with it, and will comfortably accommodate a crowd of 100 or more people.

For the M.E. Church. Miss Lillian Hedrick, the popular dramatic reader and impersonator will give a reading here Saturday evening at the M.E. church, assisted by the best of local talent. Miss Hedrick was in charge of the elocution department of the Longpine Chautauqua this year, and gave excellent satisfaction, and those who fail to hear her will miss an opportunity which will always be regretted. Mrs. Nave, Miss Greisinger, Mr. Mast and Mr. Fred Nave, of Fort Niobrara, will assist in the entertainment, and Mrs. J. A. Carroll and Miss O'Sullivan are to sing. Miss Hedrick can entertain an audience by herself, and when supported by such artists as those named the entertainment will be doubly good. The price of admission is low and the church should be crowded Saturday evening.

Fort Niobrara

Won Two of the Three Ball Games Played at Fort Robinson

Hurray for the whole regiment, Twelfth Infantry, U.S.A., and give a tiger for the Fort Niobrara ball club.

The boys went up to Crawford and Fort Robinson last week and won two out of three games of ball played with the Ninth Cavalry team on their home grounds. whereat we all smile.

Friday night about sixty members of the Twelfth Infantry, together with six officers went to Fort Robinson to witness a series of three games of ball to be played in return for the games here about a month ago. The first game was played Saturday afternoon, and was a horrible disappointment to everybody, the Fort Niobrara boys being out of form owing to their long night ride and the strange grounds, and the game was won by Robinson on a score of 15 to 9.

Sunday afternoon the boys warmed up a little, but so did the Robinson people. Eye witnesses say that it was a regular old time slugging match, and the score shows it. However, our boys slugged the hardest and won the game by Christy's pitching. Score 23 to 17!

This made honors even, and everybody was full of excitement and perhaps felt a little nervous over the probable result of the deciding game. Collins was in the box for Niobrara and Feldcamp occupied his position behind the bat. Each team made one in the first, and Niobrara made one in the second. Niobrara made one in the third and Robinson two, tying the score. The tables were turned in the fourth but Robinson made four in the fifth, and the game stood 7 to 5 in Robinson's favor. Excitement ran high as the sixth, seventh and eighth innings were played without either side scoring. But the fatal ninth inning! Oh, how that did warm the hearts of our people and cause the Robinson rooters to hold their tongues and writhe in anguish.

Robinson only scored twice, while five Twelfth Infantry boys trotted over the plate. Score by innings: Innings — 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 — Niobrara — 1 1 1 2 0 0 0 0 5 — 10 Robinson — 1 0 2 0 4 0 0 2 — 9

The boys who went from here say they never received better treatment in their lives, nothing being too good for them. On the last night of their stay the canteen was thrown open to them, and almost the entire garrison, the band included, went to the depot to give them a good send off, and they did it. The boys from here came home loaded down with wealth, and some of them can't be touched with a ten-foot pole.

The entire population of Crawford and the surrounding country witnessed the games.

Lieut. Harbison is the proud possessor of a bulldog which was formerly the property of a Ninth Cavalry officer.

Blazer, Christy and Collins did the throwing for Niobrara, while Feldcamp and Malone wore the masks and guarded home plate.

Capt. Wood and Haskell, and Lieuts. Harbison, Drew, Elliott and Hersey were among the officers of the Twelfth who witnessed the game.

The members of the Twelfth Infantry extend thanks through THE DEMOCRAT to the members of the Ninth Cavalry for the courteous treatment extended them and the good will expressed.

A Promise. "And Daniel rose up and called THE DEMOCRAT blessed, and would have stopped his paper had it not been paid for in advance."

The above is taken from the Chronicles of the Street, and refers to the error made in last week's paper which gave Col. Thompson credit for improvements to his residence property, when said improvements were made by D. S. Ludwig. Our foreman was at fault, and on his behalf we ask Dan's pardon and promise never to do so again.

A. O. U. W. Picnic. The members of the A. O. U. W. and Degree of Honor lodges of Valentine will hold their Annual Picnic Wednesday Sept. 2nd. Further particulars will be decided on later.

COMMITTEE.

WOOD LAKE DEPARTMENT

LEROY LEACH, Editor.

M. Wyman made us an afternoon call Sunday.

C. M. Bailey and wife spent Tuesday evening with the editor of this department.

Miss Sadie Dewey spent Saturday and Sunday with her relatives at this place.

Realizing that it was time we reformed, we attended Sabbath school last Sunday, and there we counted some thirty old sinners, including ourselves.

We begin to believe that some of our noble haymaking citizens, like Robinson Crusoe, know not when Sunday cometh, but perhaps they are all Adventists.

Miss Nellie Hallenbeck, who has been visiting with the family of Postmaster Leach for about twelve weeks, returned to her home near Omaha last Thursday.

Haystacks of gigantic proportions are rapidly looming up throughout our valleys these days, and the cattle, as they watch proceedings over the pasture fence, act as if they wished cold weather would at once set in and enable them to commence on the hay they love so well.

We have been having some cold rains this week, and the weather generally has been of a sort to cause us to imagine we were in London. It was so cold, in fact, that we almost lost our temper one day; the only thing which prevented us was the remembrance of the saying: "Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad."

Our duty compels us to kiss everybody goodbye this week, give up wielding the editorial pen in this department, thank everyone who has each week read our erratic, intellectual vapors, laid before the eyes of a kindly public through the medium of "the art preservative," and hie to the sultry depths of "the sunny south;" so we hereby tender to all our friends a tearful farewell, with best wishes for the literary success of our successor, we now lay aside our blue pencil.

Georgia. Your choice for 10 cents and six fine melons as you have seen in Nebraska. Who says we can't raise a living in the sand hills?

Alex. Hoffman, with the necessary help, starts today to make and stack a 300 ton job of hay for some ranchman 30 miles away. Alex is a rustler.

The "16 to 1" voters of Georgia precinct are getting ready to organize a club soon and work for that one issue without regard to party preferences. No McKinleyism in ours, please. We take ours straight.

W. M. Parker, of Spring Creek Indian school, was in town yesterday to escort his son-in-law E. E. Sparks and T. C. Hornby up to his home where, Mrs. Sparks and Mrs. Hornby had preceded them one week ago, and where all expect a good time together. So there it be.

While busy pursuing our labors on the Sabbath day—reading the Omaha platform—we were aroused by an alarm at the door and on inquiry found it originated from our old friend, Harry Thurston and our new friend, Mr. Geddis, of the Western News. Right away we thought of a remark of King Solomon, who said—"as iron sharpeneth iron, so doth the face of a friend"—and we all being in "the faith" and it being the Sabbath eve talked of nothing but politics until evening, and then after exhorting each other to be 16 to a republican's 1 every time, we parted.

Another fine rain which will finish up the corn crop for '96, and cause a smile on the face of U AND I.

Weather Report. Following is a summary of the weather experienced here during the past week, and up to 10 o'clock this morning:

DAY	TEMP	MAX	MIN	PRECP
Thursday	90	60
Friday	88	64	0.04
Saturday	82	63	0.08
Sunday	76	51
Monday	73	52	0.31
Tuesday	62	44	0.01
Wednesday	75	59	trace
Thursday	75	59	trace

Precipitation is given in inches and hundredths. Observations by C. R. Watson, of U. S. weather bureau. The weather bureau day is from 6 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Marriages. Cupid, the little god of love, is playing havoc with Uncle Sam's boys in blue at Fort Niobrara. Last Saturday Mr. Geo. Schooler and Miss Lydia L. Wiltse were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony by Judge Walcott, as were also Mr. Roby and Miss Edith Ashburn. One more couple were to have been married on the same day, but some way or other they failed to put in an appearance.

North River Camp, No. 3769, M. W. A., will hold a picnic at Brownlee September 23. Racing, boating and other sports are on the program. In the afternoon a public initiation of a stranger will be given.

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ABSTRACTER

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Eli Precinct. Chas. Nichols made a trip to Gordon last week. Andrew Munn and family, of Eli, were down the river last Sunday. Sam Ladd, of Gordon, visited Henry Heckle the latter part of last week. Mesdames Chet. and Chas. Goodrich came over from the Churn ranch Sunday to spend a week on the river. There are gold bugs and silver bugs, and bugs short and tall. But the bed bugs and the flea bugs are the worst bugs of all. I. B. Nichols is over on the reservation plastering. We understand he has a large job. A good workman has no trouble in getting work even in these hard times. SANDY

Lavaca Precinct. Mr. Price, of Pioneer, is dangerously ill. Mr. Peyton shipped some cattle from Irwin, Monday. H. Schwabrom sold his herd of sheep last week. John Enlow wants to let a contract for stacking 2000 tons of hay. The weather is fine since the last rains, and late potatoes are booming, but the price is low. Homer Myres and Jim Richardson report plenty of work in the mountains at three dollars per day.

Pole creek school is without a teacher for the winter, but there is time yet as school never begins until the first of October. Water melon time has come, and Itemizer had the pleasure of partaking of some fine ones with Mr. and Mrs. William Tinn last Sunday. POLE CREEK ITEMIZER. Mill Prices for Feed. Bran, bulk 40c per cwt \$7.00ton Shorts bulk 50c per cwt \$9.00 ton Screenings 35c " \$6.00 " Chop Feed 70c " \$13.00 " Corn 50c " Oats 65c " The Mill reduced the price on all grades of flour 20c per barrel last Monday. New wheat is 40c per bushel at the Mill. 29 Service in the M.E. church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Subject of morning discourse:—Who is Willing to pay the Price? Subject of evening discourse:—An old Fashioned Methodist Time. At the morning service probationers will take the baptismal covenant, and in the evening they will be taken into full membership. Revival services every evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited. O. L. RAMSEY, Pastor.

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