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Cherry county is blessed with a better set of officials than any other county in the state.

Omaha asks \$350,000 for the Transmississippi exposition. The legislature should not appropriate more than \$200,000.

When any set of men attempt a boycott against an institution or firm merely because it doesn't represent their political principles, that institution or firm generally makes a success of business.

Arbuckles and the sugar trust are fighting each other hard just now and the price of coffee and sugar keep dropping "just a little" each week. In a short time the two corporations will get together, and then the dear people will have to pay for the losses sustained during the continuance of hostilities.

The cabinet positions will not go begging. There is no occasion for ceasing to get any of the late "favorite sons" into the cabinet. There is plenty of good fresh young blood from which to choose. The country will not go to the demerit bow-wows even if some of the "old fellows" will not accept offers of cabinet positions.—Stuart Ledger.

THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT published a two column write up of the town and its qualifications. It is very flattering in many of its comments and gives many figures concerning the U. S. Land office, freight received, taxes paid, etc. You might think to read the article that Valentine is quite a town. Valentine is a good town.—Ainsworth Star-Journal.

There is no longer any excuse for democrats to keep up the fight among themselves. Both factions oppose the Dingley bill, both keep their eyes on McKinley & Hanna, and both celebrated Jackson Day in Chicago, and elsewhere. That last fact gives rise to the horrible suspicion that Jackson was a straddler, and in order to clear the name of the founder of democracy, his followers should get together.

In a letter to the World-Herald of the 18th inst. C. R. Glover says of the position Senator Allen has taken on the confirmation of Judge McHugh.

I am wondering tonight how the democrats who went out of their way to elect Mr. Allen are feeling. This is a strange world we live in. This is a heaped land of the free; the land of free speech and free press, yet if some men follow the dictates of their own consciences and refuse to vote for what they do not believe they are to be condemned, ostracized and declared web-footed. Senator Allen is a great man, a representative of a big state, but is he taking a brainy statesman's position in this matter?

McHugh's only crime is that he is a Cleveland Democrat, and that is the only thing urged against his confirmation by either Senator Allen or Senator Thurston. In taking this position both they erstwhile "statesmen" show as small as that possessed by the average politician orator, with the difference in favor of the latter, because in this case we do not look for brains.

The Congressional Record contains some pretty spicy reading these days, but among the spice we find considerable stuff that is nauseating. One of the first thoughts that comes to a reader of the Record is that our statesmen introduce an unusually large number of "relief" bills and ask unanimous consent for their consideration. "Relief" is asked for all sorts of things ranging from the furnishing of tobacco to soldiers during the war to the removal of charges of desertion or the payment of funeral expenses of men who died while in the government's employ at Washington.

A Good Time. The long expected party at the residence of Mr. David Hanna was given Friday evening, Dec. 15, and one of the largest crowds ever assembled in Cherry county attended same. At 6 p. m. the pilgrims commenced flocking in the direction of their Mecca, in the hope of enjoying themselves to the utmost throughout the long winter night—and they all did. Music was furnished by Professor Cooper, of Kennedy, assisted by Neil and Florence Hanna, Cole Ainslie, David Hanna, Pearl Porter, and others. The music furnished by this orchestra was unexcelled both as regards selections and the manner in which they were rendered, and received hearty applause. The following persons were troubled with a "tired feeling" in the morning: C. Dewey and Miss Sadie; LeRoy Leach and Miss Ida; Hal Bakewell and Miss Lewis; C. Ainslie and Misses Lizzie and Jennie Morgareidge; W. D. Sadler and Abe White; R. Quisenberry and wife; Spencer Dewey and wife; Chas. Day and Miss Fauver; A. G. Carpenter and Miss Maud; Geo. Carpenter and wife; Mel Hanna and wife; Miss Jean Morris; Scott Banks; C. Waicott and wife; John and Frank Day; Milton Fauver, Claud Reece, Orvil Connard; Mr. Martin wife and daughters; Lillian Vandergrift, John Enderman, A. G. Ward, and Etta Robinson.

Forty or more not mentioned above were present, making a total of over one hundred. At day break the merry group scattered for "Home sweet home," after thanking their genial host and hostess for the excellent entertainment afforded. We are waiting for "next."

At Home—Jackson & Brayton. Jackson & Brayton moved into their spacious new store building this week, and will soon be settled down with the proud conscience that theirs is one of the finest store rooms in the northwest. The stone work of the building was done by Sam'l Holsclaw & Sons. Gus Carlson had charge of the carpenter work, and the inside finishing showing the touch of his hand prove him to be a master of his profession. Martin Christensen did the fresco work, which is a credit to himself and art. The entire building and finish was done by home labor, and Jackson & Brayton deserve credit for arranging the work in such manner that this might be so. The historic name "Red Front" is preserved and a call at the room will impress the same upon the visitor.

Railroad Cuts Ice. The F. E. & M. V. railway company have had a force of men varying in number from 40 to 70, putting up ice on Lake Minnehaduzza during the last week. A chute about 1,000 feet long has been built from the lake to the railroad track on top of the hill, and the ice hauled up by horses, 14 teams being engaged in the work. About 25 cars a day is the amount loaded, and it is thought that about 1,000 cars will be taken out. Bridge Supt. Spencer is overseeing the job. Gen'l Supt. C. C. Hughes was on the ground yesterday.

Thompson—Brown. At the residence of Judge W. R. Towns Tuesday, January 19, 1897, Frank C. Thompson, and Belia M. Brown of Simeon were united in holy bonds of wedlock, the judge officiating. This was Judge Towne's first marriage ceremony, and it is reported that he never wavered but proceeded with that grace which generally comes only with long experience. He tied the knot good and hard, and THE DEMOCRAT hopes the young couple may never wish to untie it.

It was the intention of this paper to have given an historical, statistical and "suggestical" writeup of the public schools this week, but the matter was crowded out. Look for it next week.

WOOD LAKE DEPARTMENT

BY "KELLY."

January 19, 1896. Jim Wilson was in town today. Packing ice is the order of the day. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Barnard returned from Crawford this morning.

Mrs. Lewis and daughter May returned from Blair the latter part of last week.

The dance at Dave Hanna's place last Friday night was largely attended, over fifty couples being present. A first class time was reported by all.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Barnes and son Chas. arrived last Friday night from Dayton, O., where they have been for the past seven months on account of Mr. Barnes' health.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Parker are the proud parents of a boy which arrived at their home Monday evening. It is not yet known whether Walter will recover or not.

Wood Lake, No. 2.

Mrs. H. E. Dewey has been quite ill the last few days.

Mr. Wilson was seen on our street Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. C. M. Bailey is up and out again and is now able to do her own work.

For some reason unknown the Literary was put off until Friday, January 22d.

Dr. Lewis, of Valentine, was attending to patients in town and vicinity on Monday of this week.

Several people went from here to Johnston to attend the entertainment and dance Friday night.

Hauling ice is the order of the day. Everybody should get his ice house filled now while the ice is good.

Born: Monday night at 8 p. m., a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Parker, baby and mother are both doing well.

We think that if parents would keep their children at home after night the children would be better off and so would the people of Wood Lake.

Following are the names of the young folks from Wood Lake that attended the dance at Dave Hanna's: Misses Ida Leach, May Lewis and Sadie Dewey. Messrs Hal Bakewell, LeRoy Leach, Chas. Dewey, Frank Day, Pearl Porter and Ed Brahmstead. They report having had a splendid time.

KELLY'S AUNT.

Nebraska Falls.

We changed our name.

Hello Lou! How is the widow.

D Grooms took in the sights of Valentine Saturday and returned home Sunday.

A party of hunters from Valentine were hunting on the river one day this week. Lots of shots but little game.

Lon Mosher was home and returned to the flats. He says it is a poor time to stack hay when the wind blows so hard.

Rev. Johnston has more horses than some people have hay. He thinks all the strays in the country are in this settlement.

Mrs. J. A. Adamson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Melendorf, in Valentine. J. A. says it is lonesome and wonders how soon she will return.

BAD BOY.

Below will be found the condition of the various county funds as reported by the county clerk:

State Funds	\$ 5500 00
Collected	10224 45
Trans to int fund	352 50
error '95 settlement	8 40
error-Stitts report	15
Total	\$16117 41
State Treasurer's receipt	\$11726 07
State fund transferred	85 23
Trans to int fund	145 52
Bal on hand Jan 7 1897	4615 29
Total	\$16117 41

Amount on hand Jan 9 1896	\$ 2626 46
Collected	11406 24
Trans to int fund	1035 33
Road	1000 00
Bridge	1000 00
Adv.	158 56
Insure	85 23
State RNW error	148 52
Co Road	236 59
Bridge	46 95
Int Col on deposits	230 89
Jury & trial fees Co Clk	35 00
error receipt book	19 16
p p 31-38	10 30
Total	\$18360 27
County warrants redeemed	\$1742 54
Correction (Stitts Report)	83 46
Treasurers fees	371 04
Bal on hand Jan 7 1897	504 43
Total	\$6692 57

Amount on hand (cash) Jan 9 96	\$1224 36
Collected	136 75
Co warrants cancelled	2707 11
Int on Co warrants	106 08
error receipt book	4 30
Vouchers cancelled	815 80
Invested in Co warrants	4904 15
Correction (Stitts report)	26 46
Treasurers fees	72 84
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	1173 27
Total	\$6692 52

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$177 05
Collected	437 02
error receipt book	5 18
Total	\$620 25
Warrants cancelled	355 30
Overseers receipts & third trans	245 12
Trans to Co Genl fund	139 32

Correction (Stitts report)	34 88
Treasurers fees	\$426 29
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	2164 02
Total	\$6692 50

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$426 29
Collected	852 59
Error receipt book	7 67
Total	\$1307 47
Warrants cancelled	1214 30
Trans to Co Genl fund	1046 96
Correction (Stitts report)	63 24
Treasurers fees	39 89
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	3164 55
Total	\$1307 47

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$267 72
Collected	315 94
Total	\$583 66
Warrants redeemed	\$230 63
Correction (Stitts report)	39 89
Treasurers fees	9 35
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	283 21
Total	\$583 66

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$ 85 36
Collected	100 32
Total	\$185 68
Warrants redeemed	\$ 44 30
Correction (Stitts report)	21 21
Treasurers fees	1 95
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	113 32
Total	\$185 68

Amount collected	\$2009 12
Total	\$2009 12
Trans to Co Genl fund	\$1603 77
School fund	491 15
Refunded on Overseer's receipts	29 40
Treasurers fees	20 21
Total	\$2009 12

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$ 85 02
Collected	556 50
Total	\$641 52
Trans to School fund	\$636 52
Treasurers fees	5 00
Total	\$641 52

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$ 6578 88
Collected	1147 33
State apportionment	3023 08
Unclaimed witness fees	55 50
Interest (trans)	491 15
Error (Stitts report)	82 18
Total	\$12191 09
Warrants redeemed	\$14182 14
Invested in Co warrants	683 91
Treasurers fees	114 80
Error	29
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	6606 95
Total	\$12191 09

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$4785 18
Collected	1183 72
Total	\$5968 90
Vouchers cancelled	\$217 33
Correction by Stitts report	90 02
Treasurers fees	11 84
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	3160 08
Total	\$5968 90

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$104 06
Collected	683 85
Correction (Stitts report)	16 29
Total	\$784 19
Warrants redeemed	\$400 04
Treasurers fees	20 25
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	363 90
Total	\$784 19

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$127 33
Collected	654 42
Correction (Stitts report)	4 13
Total	\$786 88
Vouchers cancelled	\$406 63
Treasurers fees	29 08
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	350 17
Total	\$786 88

Amount on hand Jan 9 '96	\$172 45
Collected	110 80
Correction (Stitts report)	1 02
Total	\$284 27
Vouchers cancelled	\$ 60 00
Treasurers fees	3 37
Bal on hand Jan 7 97	220 90
Total	\$284 27

Amount collected	\$128 02
Trans to Co Genl fund	\$128 02
Treasurers fees	3 30
Total	\$128 02

Amount collected	\$128 02
Trans to Co Genl fund	\$128 02
Treasurers fees	3 30
Total	\$128 02

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WORD BUILDING CONTEST.

First Prize	\$100.00 in Cash
Second Prize	50.00 in Cash
Third Prize	25.00 in Cash
Fourth Prize	15.00 in Cash
Fifth Prize	10.00 in Cash

The above prizes are offered to those who construct or form the largest number of words out of the letters found in the prize word.

PERSONALITY.

under the following regulations and conditions: The first prize will be won by the largest list, the second prize by the next largest list, and so on to the fifth. The list of words must be written plainly in ink, alphabetically arranged, numbered, signed by the contestant, and sent in not later than February 20, 1897. The list must be composed of English words authorized by at least one of the leading dictionaries—Webster's, Worcester's, the Century or the Standard. If two words are spelled alike only one can be used.

Abbreviations, contractions, or complete words and proper nouns are not allowed. The same letter must not occur twice in one word, but may be used in other words. In case two or more winning lists contain the same number of words the greatest and best list will take first place, the others ranking next below in the order of quality. Residents of Omaha and winners of former prizes in WORLD-HERALD contests are not permitted to compete directly or indirectly.

No contestant can enter more than one list of words, and each contestant is required to send, in the same letter with his list, one dollar to pay a year's subscription to the OMAHA WEEKLY WORLD-HERALD.

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FINAL PROOF NOTICES.

Parties having final proof notices in these columns will receive a marked copy of the paper which contains first insertion of same. It is the duty of each claimant to examine their notice carefully and should there be any error the fact should be reported to the land office and to this office at once for correction.

U. S. Land Office at Valentine, Neb., Dec. 12th, 1896.

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 the Register and Receiver at Valentine, Neb., on Jan. 22nd, 1897, viz:

John C. Nichols, of Reige, Nebr. H. E. No. 883 for the lots 3, 4 and 6 1/2 sw 1/4 Sec. 31 Tp. 33 R. 30.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Daniel P. White and Peter Galloway of McCann Nebr, Henry Schleicher and Peter Reimers, of Reige, Neb.

C. R. GLOVER, Register.

U. S. Land Office, Valentine, Neb., Dec. 16th, 1896.

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 the Register and Receiver at Valentine, Neb., on Jan. 30th, 1897, viz:

Charles L. Morgan, of Cody, Nebr. H. E. No. 927 for the lots 3-4 sec 1/4 and ne 1/4 sw 1/4 Sec 2 Tp 34 R 23.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Irvin C. Stotts, Amos Newbery, Amos F. Charters and Henry F. Holliday, all of Cody, Nebr.

C. R. GLOVER, Register.

U. S. Land Office at Valentine, Neb., Jan. 18, 1897.

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 the Register and Receiver at Valentine, Neb., on Feb. 1st, 1897, viz:

John P. Jones, of Valentine, Neb. H. E. 875 for the w 1/4 sw 1/4 & w 1/2 sw 1/4 Sec 34 Tp 4 R 23.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Hiram Ferguson, Charles Massingale, Joseph Hoffman and John Hoffmann all of Valentine, Nebraska.

C. R. GLOVER, Register.

Notice of Sale by Guardian

In the matter of the guardianship of Leta A. Stetter.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the Hon. M. P. Kirkland one of the judges of the district court of Cherry county, Nebraska made on the 24th day of August 1896 for the sale of the real estate heretofore described there will be sold at the front door of the court house, in Valentine, Cherry county, Nebraska on the 25th day of February 1897, at 10 o'clock a.m. at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate to-wit: the w 1/2 sec 25 Tp 25 R 31 W in Cherry county Nebraska, said sale to remain open one hour.

JOHN G. STETTER, Guardian of Leta A. Stetter.

By Ed. Clarke, Attorney.

MAID STREET VALENTINE

By Ed. Clarke, Attorney.