WESTERN NEWS-DEMOCRAT

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***Coming Events.***

Easter, April 2.
Village Election, April 4.
District Court April 10.

Fence posts for sale at W. A. Pettycrew's. 10

It is time to prepare for spring plowing.

I. N. Russell, of Newton, was in town Monday.

Hay, grain and feed bought and sold at W. A. Pettycrew's. 10

Fine line of Mackintoshes on sale at Farnham & Dikeman's. 10

White Ash Soap at Farnham & Dikeman's. 3-2

Born Longland is clerking in McDonald's store.

Mrs. Bowring went to Merriman Sunday afternoon.

Tailor made clothing, guaranteed to fit, at T. C. Hornby's. 10

Ely Valentine was in town from Woodlake yesterday.

District No. 56 will build a new $400 school house this spring.

E. McDonald is still confined to his home with rheumatism.

New York apple butter for sale at Farnham & Dikeman's. 3-2

F. K. Bivens was over from Rosebud, visiting, this week.

T. P. Spratt bought a new windmill of D. S. Ludwig this week.

S. W. Chestnut was down from Gordon Tuesday on business.

Wm. Harnan was in town from Newton the first of the week.

D. Stinard is closing out all his heavy goods—suits, overcoats, etc.

Bob Gillaspie is in town this week. His lame arm is improving slowly.

W. L. Enlow registered at the Donoher Tuesday, from Joplin, Mo.

FOR SALE:—Team of young black horses, harness and wagon. Call at this office.

If the rich would only pay their debts promptly, the poor would not be "dunned" so often.

Chickenpox, measles and whooping-cough have been afflicting the youth of our town the past week.

Call and see the $2.50 and $3.00 silk top ladies shoes sold by T. C. Hornby. They are made by up-to-date workmen. 10

J. A. Brewer was in town Monday from Sparks, with a load of hogs which he sold to Isaac O. Jones at $3.10.



Mrs. Jas. Wellford is down from Boiling Springs and will visit friends in town until after Easter.

Mrs. J. S. Davisson is in town from Longpine this week, visiting her daughter, Mrs. Robert Good.

The laundry water pipes were thawed this week, and Dick Zelian is once more happy and hard at work.

For sale, or will trade for cattle, a desirable house and lot in the western part of Valentine. Apply at this office. 4-5

You get the best insurance from the Nebraska Mercantile Mutual, and Farmers' Mutual, and at a lower rate. I. M. Rice, agent. 10

A farm to rent to a farmer for one or three years, cash or grain rent. Call at this office for particulars.

Found, near Davenport's store, about three weeks ago, a large store key. Owner can have same by calling at this office.

Sam Hudson and wife came in from the ranch Tuesday, and Mrs. Hudson remained to visit friends a week or so. Sam returned home yesterday morning with a load of lumber.

New Goodrich Sewing Machines. Prices as low as the lowest at T. C. Hornby's. 10

Earl Comstock and Wm. Ferdon have dissolved their business relations as manager and owner of the Box T ranch, by mutual agreement. Mr. Comstock is in Chadron at present.

S. W. Chesnut, of Gordon, becomes a patron of our brand department this week, with his "U Cross" brand. He is a well known breeder and has eighteen registered Hereford bulls on his ranch south of Merriman, on the head of Gordon creek.

D. Hanna was in town from Woodlake the first of the week on business.

Car load of trunks just received at T. C. Hornby's. He can suit you on styles and prices. 12

Word comes from Sparks that Ernest Boden and wife are the proud parents of a baby boy now about a week old.

Bro. Miles has notified us that he has appointed us a member of the executive committee for the E.V.E.A. Programs will be out soon.

Through the Cherry County Stock Exchange John Cronin sold forty head of cows to Wm. Caton of Rosebud this week.

Bro. Humphrey, of the Hay Springs Leader gave Valentine a half-column write up after his visit here a couple of weeks ago.

C. E. White, formerly of the Lake Shore at Adrian, Michigan, has accepted the position of day operator at the F. E. depot.

Ed Clark was given the finishing touches in the Woodman camp at their last meeting and seems very favorably impressed with the work.

The little folks gave a surprise party on Helen Sparks last Thursday, it being her sixth birthday. She was the recipient of several nice presents.

Traffic on the F., E. & M. V. has been quite brisk the past week occasioned by the influx of orders delayed through the storm of several weeks ago.

John Lord and Chas. Bennett came up from Simeon yesterday and paid their taxes, amounting to about $250. It is men like these that "keep the wheels a movin."

N. T. White of Brownlee, Cherry county, has been looking after his interests and visiting his many old time acquaintances in this county the past week.—Springview Herald.

Fischer & Ludwig have commissioned Architect Misener to draw plans for remodeling the old school house into a hotel, and the plans are expected here within the next ten days.

Mrs. Judge Walcott, of Valentine, was doing business at the dressmaking parlors of Miss Josie Murphy, and visiting friends in the city last Friday and Saturday.—Ainsworth Star-Journal.

Homer Smith has been transferred from the Indian warehouse here to a position in the Indian bureau at Washington, and with his family will leave for that place the first of the week.

A. M. Church has revived the Stuart Ledger. Maurice is one of ye scribe's old time friends and if he doesn't give Stuart a good, live paper it will be because the town doesn't deserve it.

E. Breuklander has a force of masons at work on his new stone blacksmith shop, and the work is being crowded rapidly along. Valentine will build up in 1899 as she has never done before in a single year.

A temperance drama entitled "The Last Loaf" will be given next Saturday evening (April 1) at 8 o'clock at the Fairview school, perhaps better known as the "Gaskill School." All are cordially invited. No admittance fee.

Word comes from the south that one of our genial cattlemen recently had conferred upon him the "Order of the Garter." This is a distinction men have risked their lives to earn, and we congratulate our friend upon his good fortune.

We are preparing to give our readers a much larger and better paper in the future. If you have not received a letter regarding the contemplated improvements and are interested, call at the office and ask the editor about it.

A short Easter service will be held at the Episcopal church Saturday evening, at which time the well known Indian, Ben Brave, will tell "what christianity has done for the Sioux." You should hear him. Service begins at 7:30 sharp.

Mr. Ingersol, formerly of this county, but now of Valentine, was taken sick here last Saturday and helped on the train by friends to return home. He had ridden in the storm and was overcome from the effects of the weather.—Chadron News.

Rev. W. Hudspeth is holding revival meetings at Sparks this week. How times do change! But a few years ago the editor and Winnie were boys together, and the idea of him ever becoming a minister never occurred to us. And we are told he makes a first rate preacher, too.

W. R. Towne had a letter from his daughter, Mrs. Williamson, yesterday, dated at Malta, in the Mediterranean sea, the 10th inst. The transport carrying the 12th infantry had stopped there, and Mrs. Williamson expected to return home to the United States, instead of going on to the Philippines. Her little daughter had been ill but was recovering when the letter was written.



**Two Tickets.**

Last Thursday a petition was circulated for an opposition village board, and the names of the following will appear on the ticket next Tuesday under the heading "By Petition:" W. W. Thompson, S. W. Holsclaw, J. O. Vincent, G. H. Hornby, O W. Morey. These gentlemen are good men, but we do not know why the ticket should be in the field. The administration of the village could certainly be no more economical than it now is, if they were elected, the laws would be no better enforced, and if all we hear is true taxes would certainly be higher. Up to date we have heard no real kick on the way the present board has conducted itself, and we feel certain that the majority of our citizens will vote for the Citizen's Ticket, as follows: C. H. Cornell, D. S. Ludwig, T. C. Hornby, P. F. Simons and E. Sparks.

**We'll Second "Meddler."**

"Meddler" has the following in the Whitman Sun:

Robt. Good, editor of the Valentine WESTERN NEWS-DEMOCRAT comments on the antagonism existing between "Meddler and Toddler," heading the article 'A Chance for Trouble' We have never met Mr. Good, but from what we have heard of the gentleman we believe he would be a good second, and as we never fight anything but a duel and that to the death, he may be called on to act in the above capacity. We mean as a second.

This begins to look like business, and we have already burnished up our deadly 22-calibre pistol, laid in a supply of shot cartridges, and will respond promptly at "Meddler's" call. We have but one request to make: Don't call on us until after the next meeting of the E. V. E. A., June 3.

**Busted.**

Lew Hall's Georgia Minstrels drifted into town Saturday morning unannounced, and gave an entertainment in the evening to a small house. Next morning Hall and his wife started for Omaha, and the other members of the company were left to hustle. They all spoke well of Lew, and none of the company blamed him for their plight. Good nature prevailed among the stranded minstrels, and one by one they have disappeared from town.

J. H. Sears was up from Johnstown last Friday and Saturday. He is just recovering from a severe attack of brain fever, induced by overwork. He says he will return to Sparks as soon as his Johnstown—Norden mail contract expires.

T. C. Hornby has a fine line of new styles in men's shirts. 9



***Taken up Estrays.***

Taken up by the undersigned on his place twelve miles northwest of Valentine, about October 1, one brown mare, weight about 1,000 pounds, branded lazy S on left hip and X on right hip. D. A. KELLOGG.
6 Britt, Nebraska.

***Strayed or Stolen.***

One brown 4-yr old mare, weight about 900, right hind foot white, branded O on left shoulder.

One black mare 3-yr old with white spot in forehead; same brand. Address W. H. SELLERS
6 Gallop, Neb

***Estray Notice.***

Taken up by the subscriber living twelve miles southwest of Cody on section 3, township 33, range 35, one light gray mare 10 or 11 years old, weight about 750, no marks or brands to be seen. Said mare came into my premises about the 15th of August, 1898, and has been to my premises continually since.

WILLIAM MAYBER.

***Estray Notice.***

Taken up October 8, 1898, ten miles south of Cody, Nebraska, one white cow branded — on left side and one red calf with no brand. Taken up by GEORGE BARNES

***Strayed***

From range on Snake River, three head of cattle, one branded J — O on left side; one two-year old branded ⊥ on left side; one yearling branded GH on right side and has left ear split.
6 W. A. SHELBOURN, Kennedy, Neb.