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TALK OF THE TOWN

Henry Porath, of Riego, was in town Tuesday.

County Surveyor Leach was in town Tuesday.

Fred Hoyt, of Gordon, was in town Tuesday.

This weather is all right for corn but is hard on the natives.

W. M. Anderson, of Cody, had business in Valentine Tuesday.

Byron Webb has gone to Gordon to take charge of a bowling alley.

The thermometer registered 100 in a "cool" place Tuesday afternoon.

This is a poor time to push irrigation schemes in the eastern part of the state.

Jay Moffett has quit work in Webb's cigar factory and went to O'Neill last Friday.

Messrs. Fischer and Melendorf went to Crookston, Friday, to buy a bunch of cattle.

The hot wind Tuesday left the impression that hades is south of Valentine and not far off.

W. V. Johnson, of Wood Lake, was a welcome visitor at these headquarters last Friday.

Weather report for the week: Sunday, hot; Monday, hotter; Tuesday—don't mention it.

Lieut. Ardmore went east Tuesday morning with a three months' leave of absence in his pocket.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Webb, of Elgin, visited their son, A. F. Webb, the cigar maker, Monday.

Herbert Riggs and Marie Lundenberg were married by Judge Towne, at his residence, Sunday evening.

The State Journal shows commendable enterprise in keeping right up to date. It still quotes from Josh Billings.

Times cannot be very good in Omaha when two burglaries only net a pair of glasses, an old revolver and \$1.75 cash.

The treasury department has sent out a timely warning against a counterfeit \$20 gold certificate that is in circulation and newspaper men who are in the habit of handling large sums of money will look a little closer at the \$20 bills.

Once there were two beautiful white eggs laid side by side in a nice, new nest. A great big man gathered them up and sold them to a grocer. And one little egg was a good little egg and went into an angel cake, but the other little egg was a very, very bad little egg and got mashed on an actress.—Town Topics.

Last Thursday night M. V. Nicholson heard a commotion in his chicken house and grabbed his pants in one hand and a piece of a lumber yard in the other and went out to investigate, and, seeing a head sticking out of a hole, he swatted it and returned to his bed. In the morning he counted eighteen dead chickens and one dead ferret, the latter the property of Walter Flowers.

A corps of railroad surveyors are surveying in Keya Paha county from east to west through the county headed for Valentine. They appear to be making a thorough survey, taking elevations and setting some grade stakes. No one knows what company they represent. Another surveying party said to be in the interest of the Elkhorn is surveying west from Bonesteel, skirting the reservation and state line.

Carrie Nation has joined the Zionites. Does Dowie deserve this greater affliction after all he has suffered? We wot not.—Bixby.

Prof. Watson and family left for Ithaca, Saunders county, where they will spend the remaining month of the summer vacation.

Moses P. Kinkaid, who wants to represent the people of this district in congress, was in town Tuesday and called on the DEMOCRAT.

F. H. Baumgartel was in town Monday. He says he has about closed out his interests in Crookston and will move to Valentine in the near future.

The county officials of Platte county are afraid the court house will fall down and crash them, yet none of them have resigned because of the danger.

County Judge Towne has gone to the Hot Springs with the hope of soaking some of the rheumatism out of his system. He expects to stay about three weeks.

Floyd Pettycrew, who has been a part of the DEMOCRAT's working force for some time, yumped his job and has gone to work in the hay fields, where the work is casier.

A South Omaha woman went after her husband with a butcher knife that came very near letting his soul out. He said he would not prosecute her for a little thing like that.

The republicans held a couple of conventions in Valentine last Thursday and nominated W. C. Brown, of Keya Paha, for state senator, and Dave Hanna, of Cherry, for representative.

The weather clerk reports .03 of rain Sunday night. People around here would like to swap reports with the people who are getting three inches of rain when sunshine is what they want.

Alex Charbonneau, of the Eagle ranch, was in town Friday and left us a sample of alfalfa grown by him. It is only two weeks' growth and measures about 12 inches in height. Not so bad for the "sand hills" country.

Rev. J. A. McLean, of Valentine, will move into the Presbyterian manse about July 15th and be ready to take charge of the Presbyterian congregation. He will preach on the 20th and regularly from that date.—Atkinson Graphic.

Mrs. Geo. Austin, living on the north table, thought she had been bitten by a rattlesnake Saturday and was brought to town for treatment. Her nervous system received quite a shock and fortunately this was the extent of the damage.

The boss writes from Manhattan, Kansas, that he is having a good time and thinks some of going to Missouri before returning home. He says it is raining all the time in Kansas. He will find it somewhat different when he returns to Valentine.

The people of O'Neill are all broke up over the discovery that a butcher of that town has been supplying them with meat from diseased cattle that were killed just in time to save their lives. The authorities, knowing that he was selling meat from a couple of lump-jawed steers, allowed him to continue eight days before they shut him off.

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