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Dietrich would not be condemned by the republican press today were it not for the fact that a republican can be put in his place who will lend more dignity to the state and distribute the patronage of his office with less charges for his special services and give some of the other fellows a chance to make something.

We notice one of our exchanges making a howl about most of our weekly exchanges being more than ordinarily weakly lately while that journal is making a great furore smoothing things over for Smoot by saying that others are bad. Smoot is a republican in congress and it seems that it makes a difference to some people as to what a man's political belief is whether or not he should be turned down. If Smoot had been elected by the democratic party he'd have stood no show at all and every republican sheet would have been loud in their denunciation of him, especially if there was any chance to seat a republican in his place. O ye hypocrites for political supremacy who are always ready to stand by the infamous in your parties name and are never found ready to censure, excepting for political reasons or some aggravation or selfish purposes.

More Local.

Wm. Gillespie is in town.
A. B. McAlevy was in town yesterday.
The new county officers were sworn in yesterday.
Col. Jordon and son were down over Sunday from Rosebud.
Dr. Campbell was down from Cody last week on business.
H. R. Shockley was home from Heckla, Nebr., the past week.
Corn Shellers, both hand and power.
47 LUDWIG LUMBER CO.
Six years ago yesterday the editor of this paper landed in Valentine from Manhattan, Kan.
Miss Dora Pease left Tuesday morning for Fremont where she goes to attend the Normal.
James F. Cain came down from Rosebud last Saturday and began work for Henry Stetter in the meat market.
The most complete line of lumber in the Northwest.
47 LUDWIG LUMBER CO.
Julius Schromm called to see us today. He has just recovered from a long siege of typhoid fever which brought him very low.
A general invitation is extended to visiting members of the M. W. A. of other lodges to join us in the installation and feast next Wednesday night.
H. Hershey and grand-daughter Mary returned Wednesday night of last week from a visit over to Fairfax, S. D., with his daughter Mrs. L. H. Chandler.
Moline and Fuller & Johnson Wagons at rock bottom prices.
47 LUDWIG LUMBER CO.
A deal was made this week whereby Gor. H. and T. C. Hornby become the owners of C. P. Jordon's store at Rosebud. T. C. Hornby is now at Rosebud to take an inventory of the stock of goods. John Anderson and Wm. Kinkaid will run the store.

NEW STORE

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WANTED—middle aged man for yard man and make himself generally useful, must be sober.
DONOHER HOTEL.

Mr. Overman was down from Crookston Wednesday, making arrangements for a sale of the property of John Storey, deceased. Notice the ad in this paper.

A. Trapple, of Kilgore, called on us today to hand us his subscription to the DEMOCRAT which he pays over a year in advance. Who'll be the next to enroll?

The Eagle lodge will be organized at this place on the 22nd instead of the 15th as was first planned, on account of the organizer, D. W. McLane, being in Chicago on the 15th.

Chas. Jordon, oldest son of Col. C. P. Jordon, died of pneumonia Tuesday evening at 10 o'clock at Rosebud and was buried this morning. THE DEMOCRAT extends sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

Repair that wall before winter.

47 LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Leona, the 16 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Veach, of this city, died Monday of pneumonia. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Carpenter from the house. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of all friends and neighbors in their bereavement.

Will Donoher and wife stopped over a day here last Saturday morning on their way from Park City, Utah, to New York City. From there he will go to London, where he will enter the Royal Eye and Ear Hospital, to take a course in that institution, after which he will visit Eidelburg, Germany, and several other places before he returns.

The boxing contest which takes place on Saturday night, the 16th, in Sears' hall will be well attended. It is generally commented that the contest will be fair and refereed by a man who understands ring rules. It is Valentine's opportunity to see an exhibition that will be out of the ordinary and such opportunities do not come often. Get your tickets early.

The concert given last night at the M. E. church by the 25th Inf. band was well attended. The music was good and highly appreciated by those present, each selection bringing a hearty round of applause. Some selections had to be repeated before the house would become quiet. We were not sure in all cases whether it was the quality or excellence of the music or Prof. Safranek's popularity that brought such outbursts of applause.

New Year Scrap.

New Years evening, Bill Bailey cut and slashed Alexander Moore across the face and head, cutting him up pretty badly. They had quarreled over how many pork chops to fry and Moore claimed that he paid the bills and ought to know. There are too many of these gentlemen of leisure hanging around town. Bailey was locked up to board on the county, and Moore was sewed up by Dr. Furay.

Excursion Tickets to Fremont, Nebr.

Via the North-western Line, will be sold on January 18, 19 and 20, limited to return until Jan. 22, inclusive, on account of Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's Association Annual Convention. Apply to Agents Chicago & North-western R'y.

COUNTRY Correspondence.

Down the River.

Melvin Roby went to Valentine this week.

Aaron Grooms lost a two-year old colt last week.

Louis Taylor and family spent Sunday at Mr. Becker's.

The school in district No. 33 is having a two weeks vacation.

Frank Ashburn spent Xmas with his parents in Valentine.

Mrs. John Shelbourn has been very ill but is better at present.

Miss Clara Crowe, is spending her vacation at home in Merriman.

Frank Mumford lost a nice large horse Xmas night. Strayed or stolen.

Mr. Wolf and Mr. Foster and families spent Xmas at Martin Becker's.

Martin Becker and daughters Misses Mary, Anna and Lyda spent Sunday evening at A. W. Grooms.

Miss Jennie Whetstone and Wm. Craddy were married Christmas eve. We wish them a long and prosperous life.

The Xmas tree at Sparks was well attended and all seemed to enjoy themselves. A short program was rendered, after which the presents were distributed.

YOUNGSTER.

Bailey Briefs.

G. H. Seager went to Cody the 1.

Ladies take your choice, it's leap year.

Lulu Sellers is assisting Mrs. Geo. Heyne.

There is considerable horse distemper in these parts.

Walter Goodin took in the grand ball at Merriman last week.

Ed Weede's children will start to school in Merriman this week.

Most of the ranchmen are feeding a little and cattle are doing extremely well.

Elmer Probasco filed on a quarter section of land and started for York state on a visit.

E. L., Cora and Lulu Sellers were visiting at E. E. Cranes and J. B. Nichols last week.

Chas. Jensen was in Bailey last week looking for a hired girl. His mother is afflicted with rheumatism.

Dr. Campbell, from Cody, was called to the Gunderson ranch the 4th. Mollie Gunderson is down with typhoid fever.

The entertainment given by Miss Lillie Fairhead, teacher in the Bailey district, was a grand success and a credit to the school.

E. L. Sellers went to Cody the 3rd after telephone poles for the sellers ranch. Everyone will hook on to the main line in about a week.

GUESS WHO I AM.

Penbrook Quills.

January will be a cold wet month.

February cold with considerable snow.

The Burdick Bros. are hauling corn to town.

Fine weather the first three days of the new year.

Corn husking is about over in this neighborhood.

Dave Owens has taken a bunch of cattle to winter.

The Copeland boys are husking corn for John Owens.

Church at Sparks every two weeks. Come everybody.

Frank Lewis, of Penbrook, has been hauling corn to Valentine.

Mr. Swain returned from the south part of the county last week.

For March we prophesy rain, hail, sleet and snow, sunshine and cold weather.

The dance New Year's night at

Curly Huggins', from all reports, must have been all right.

W. C. Graddy and Miss Jennie Whetstone, both of Penbrook, were married at Valentine Christmas day. Old Porcupine wishes the Irishman and his bride a long and happy life.

A literary has once more been started in the Highland school house, 2 1/2 miles south of Sparks. Miss Osborne was elected president and Miss Swain secretary. The next meeting is called for next Saturday night, Jan. 16. Misses Osborn and Swain, and Frank Grooms were selected as program committee. Mr. Johnson, the teacher, will furnish a paper for the literary. Come everybody and lend a helping hand and have a good time.

Some miscreant fired a shot in the church the night of the Christmas tree at Sparks. Those knowing the guilty party should step forward and tell what they know for the sake of our community. If this case is not prosecuted what kind of an impression will be left on the young boys of our neighborhood? An investigation should be started at once and the guilty party brought to justice and dealt with according to law. These shooting affairs have been carried on too far. Recently the mail box on the road west of Sparks belonging to Will Myers was shot to pieces, and the patent U. S. mail box belonging to the Foster Bros. was badly torn up by the use of a revolver. In one of these cases the guilty party is known to be from Valentine, and the other, evidence points to our own community and in the next violation, prosecution will follow.

PORCUPINE.

Wood Lake School Report

For month ending Jan. 1, 1904.

Following pupils were perfect in attendance:

Marion King	Vivian Young
Floyd King	George Devore
Roy Wagner	Joseph Kounnovsky
Miller Wagner	Ed "
Lloyd Eberhart	Herman McNamee
Scottie Bailey	Samuel Wagner
Nellie Bohart	Carl Bohart
Harvey McNamee	Merle Eberhart
Lillian King	

E. B. GOWIN, Teacher.

Primary department:

Arthur Wagner	Dwight McNamee
Don Parker	Everett Walker
Floyd Wyman	Harry Hagan
Harold Welker	Joseph Baker
Russell Welker	Elsie Baker
Emily Williams	Ona Richardson
Veda Young	Edith Welker
Hazel Waggoner	Inez Eberhart
Lila Eberhart	

EMMA CARLSON, Teacher.

The Algebra class has just finished factoring.

John Harris and Rex Gulick entered school last week.

The pupils of each department gave Christmas presents to their teacher. Good taste was shown in the gifts chosen. Such kindness on their part is much appreciated.

The recently elected officers of the literary society are: Minnie Bailey, Pres. Chloe Waggoner, Vice Pres. Alva Shaul, Sec'y. Harvey McNamee, Treas.

One of the most interesting features of Friday's program was the discussion of the question "Resolved; That the products of the factory is more important than those of the printing press." The pupils as well as the visitors thoroughly enjoyed the spirited contest. The decision was awarded to the negative.

The Christmas tree exercises was a decided success. Many pupils were present. After a well rendered program, Old Santa Claus distributed presents with a lavish hand. Great credit is due the children giving the program, but especially should praise be given to the ladies whose efforts made the event possible.

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