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Republican prosperity and the full dinner pail howl has not made Cherry county ranchmen feel delighted beyond measure under present prospects.

Wm. Hearst is now the leading candidate for president on the democratic ticket. He is meeting with some opposition but it is being overcome in most instances as his popularity as a leader becomes known. He is a thorough business man and has been successful, though giving away thousands of dollars to the poor and worthy each year, taking the lead with relief in times of local disaster as was the case at the time of the Galveston flood and many such deeds of charity are recorded to his credit. THE DEMOCRAT will present articles regarding his life and work in future editions that our people may become better acquainted with him.

The republicans have howled about their Dietrich until they are hoarse. They voted for him to a man—walked around town with him to the saloons, standing outside while Dietrich went in to tank up and show the boys that he was a good fellow. This was the republican candidate for governor four years ago that they spoke so highly of as the man for governor of our state, yes, four years ago. Later Savage took Dietrich's place and Dietrich went to the senate. The republican party has always been proud of him. They refused to nominate Savage two years ago, thereby showing that they were not proud of him because of his record in turning Joe Bartley loose. Then Mickey, the great, was called to run for governor on the g. o. p. ticket. He was a Sunday school man and wouldn't have public dances at the capitol. There are a lot of other heavy charges against the man similar to the above and now there are two other candidates in the field ready to take his place. Judge Robertson, of Norfolk, is prominently mentioned and is perhaps a better qualified man than either of the others, but they won't nominate him. They'll re-nominate Mickey if Harrison will retire, just to show us that they can't turn him down, but they'll use every effort to get Mickey to say that he won't accept it again as an excuse to nominate Harrison.

**More Local.**

S. L. Ellis, of Simeon, was in town last Saturday.

Judge Towne is quite ill at his home of stomach trouble.

The Methodist choir is improving under the leadership of Prof. Beatty.

J. F. Swain and his son-in-law, J. W. McFarland, were in town yesterday.

Adam Smith was down from his ranch on the reservation yesterday. He says cattle thus far have wintered fine.

Geo. Miller came in last week from the O'Connor ranch on business and visited among his numerous friends and acquaintances a couple of days.

A prairie fire was raging north of town Tuesday evening which apparently was doing considerable damage to the range near the reservation line and north.

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G. W. Burge, of McCann, was in town last Tuesday.

The Eagles added five members to their lodge last night.

Ex-county commissioner Spratt came down from his ranch north of town yesterday evening and enjoyed a visit with his friends around town.

Frank Seger and wife have moved to town and have rented a part of J. R. Ayers' house on Cherry street where they expect to make their home this summer.

John Kirkwood is in town this week. He tells us that John bachelor had lost two steers killed by lightning during our first thunder storm this season about two weeks ago.

Last Sunday afternoon, south of town, a soldier stabled Wm. Harris, who drawing a gun, fired twice without result. No one seems to know about the cause of the trouble.

W. S. Fletcher, of Bowlus, and A. Zink, of Loup City, are here this week buying horses. Mr. Fletcher is a brother-in-law of J. F. Swain from down the river and Mr. Zink is an old time acquaintance.

James McLean drove down from the reservation yesterday and stopped at Yank O'Bryan's to help put out the prairie fire that was about to burn up the latter's hay. The range is mostly burned off says Mr. McLean but they got the fire out before the high wind which began yesterday morning.

The 25th infantry band concert given Tuesday night was appreciated by a small but grateful audience. The overtures, "Light Cavalry" and "Cavalry Charge" were especially fine, while the selection "Martha" from Thotow was the best rendered. Mr. Belisle, the new chief musician, deserves words of commendation in the way the band handled itself.

Last Monday night a colored man by the name of Kitchen was hit over the head with a beer bottle by Serg. Jackson of M company. They were at a resort on the river and having some trouble Jackson struck Kitchen and began tramping him. Somebody drew a knife and helped Kitchen out. He immediately came to town and is pretty badly bruised up.

John Haerber, of Oasis, was in town a couple of days this week on business.

The M.W. of A. & R. N. of A. of Crookston, Nebr., will give an entertainment and free oyster supper in their hall, Tuesday, March 29, 1904. Everybody cordially invited.

By ORDER OF COMMITTEE.

Mrs. O. W. Hahn is back in Iowa visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Merriss, to whom it is reported a daughter was born March 6, 1904. Grandpa Hahn is not "hollerin' in rain barrels" as the Republican had it last week, but he has to put on his "specs" to look old enough to be called grandpa.

Miss Etta Brown, county superintendent, handed us a course of study for the Valentine Junior Normal this year, which runs from June 13 to August 19. R. H. Watson is principal and business manager. G. A. Gregory, of Crete; J. V. Owens, of O'Neill; H. E. Bradford, of Lincoln and Miss Eleanor Lally are to be instructors.

The Ludwig Lumber Co., under the management of L. C. Sparks, place an ad in this issue of the DEMOCRAT calling attention to their line of farm implements. With his usual progressiveness in the mercantile business Mr. Sparks endeavors to get what the people want, believing that goods well bought are half sold and give satisfaction because of their usefulness and most economical prices considering the value of high grade implements.

Anna Morgan was arrested on the street near the Elite restaurant Sunday night about 9 o'clock, March 13, for using indecent, threatening and profane language on the street and for refusing to quiet down under direction of the marshal who had been called by parties hearing the disturbance. At a hearing before Judge Towne last Saturday it appearing from the evidence of her mother that she was under 15 years old and unmanageable the girl was ordered sent to the reform school at Geneva. The marshal and deputy sheriff testified that she had once before been under arrest and held in jail two days. Sheriff Layport took her to the reform school Tuesday.

W. P. Hunt writes us from Joplin, Mo., that they have a new girl at their house and are all well. He encloses a dollar and best regards to Valentine friends.

Gov. Mickey has ordered all cattle infected with Texas itch in the state of Nebraska to be dipped with a view to stamping out the disease. This order should be heartily complied with by stockmen everywhere and everyone who owns stock should co-operate with each other to see that the itch is stamped out as speedily as possible, not only of their own herds but to see that others who seem to be negligent in taking care of their cattle, should at least be required to prevent the spread of the itch among their cattle.

**Mrs. Ervine Bristol, Dead.**

Mrs. Ervine Bristol died at the hospital in Rochester, Minn., last Thursday, March 17, 1904, of pneumonia, after undergoing an operation on Saturday previous, during which she caught cold. Mrs. Bristol had been in poor health for some years and Feb. 24 went to Pine Island, Minn., to visit her people and from there went to the hospital. She was born Aug. 20, 1867.

Miss Frankie Sterling was married to Ervine Bristol Dec. 25, 1887 and to this union was born six children, five of whom with her husband, survive her.

Mr. Bristol started to see his wife upon receiving a telegram that she was not expected to live, but her death had already occurred before he left Valentine. Mrs. Jessie Kapp, a sister, was with her during her last illness and at death. The deceased was brought back to Valentine Tuesday night and the funeral held at the M. E. church, Wednesday, after which the interment took place at the Kewanee cemetery followed by a large concourse of relatives and friends despite the bad weather.

Mrs. Benj. Pont, a sister of the deceased, from Stanton, Neb., and Mr. Bristol's sister, Mrs. Leulla Weeks, of Haywarden, were present at the funeral.

Joe Bristol and wife, of Airle, Minn., uncle of Ervine's, arrived this morning to visit with the Bristol's, arriving a day too late for the funeral of Mrs. Bristol.

THE DEMOCRAT extends sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

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