

More Local.

Nets Rowley was in town the first of the week.

Alex Burr, of Pullman, is one of the jurors in attendance at court.

Mrs. Chas. Sherman has been ill with la grippe and tonsillitis the past week.

J. C. Webb returned a few days ago from St. Louis where he has been doctoring.

Attend the sale of the Methodist ladies at Mrs. Elmore's store, Friday, December 23.

Mr. Heath, Jr., of Cody, was in town Monday as a juror but got excused and returned.

C. P. Wiltse, of the Newport Republican, was in town last Saturday on a contest case.

Mrs. A. T. Carpenter has been quite ill for the past few weeks, but is some better at present.

S. L. Ellis, the Simcon merchant was up last week after a load of merchandise for his store.

The Methodist ladies get ten per cent of the sales at Mrs. Elmore's store on Friday, December 23.

P. H. Young, of Simcon, was in town yesterday and took out a new low iron wheel wagon for use on his ranch.

W. H. Wilkinson and wife, of Kennedy, were in town Monday attending a contest case and visiting friends.

W. W. Wood, of Rushville; Judge Crites and A. G. Fisher, of Chadron, were in attendance at court this week.

F. M. Sageser was up from Chambers, Nebr., last week looking for a house to move into but failed to find one.

Notice the advertisement of the E. McDonald store in this issue in which your attention is called to a new stock of goods throughout.

Dr. Barnes, the eye specialist of Omaha, was here last Thursday. Through some mistake THE DEMOCRAT office failed to receive notice of his coming.

Miss Myrtle Holcomb returned last week from a several weeks stay with relatives in Iowa where she was called on account of the illness and death of a sister.

In a new ad this week in this paper the Red Front Mercantile Co. tells you about some of the nice things they have for Xmas gifts. Better call and see them.

Our press broke last Thursday while printing our paper and caused us to be a day late. Blacksmith Charbonneau repaired the broken lever for us and made it as good as new.

When looking for Christmas goods you should go into Frank Fischer's store and examine his furniture. Many useful presents could be selected for the home from his stock that will not only beautify your home but be an every day comfort.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church will be in charge of Mrs. Elmore's millinery business on Wednesday, December 21st, she having offered them a certain per cent of all sales made by them on that day. The ladies solicit your patronage and hope all will buy liberally.

The window decorations for Christmas are beauties. We would especially call your attention to the beautiful and attractive displays of the Red Front Mercantile Co., Davenport & Thacher and the Home Bakery. Go inside their stores and look at the goods fresh from the cases and at prices you can afford to buy.

The annual election of officers of the Modern Woodmen occurred Wednesday evening of last week, a larger number than usual being present. The following are the elect: H. S. Savage, ven counsel; A. A. Anderson, worthy advisor; M. V. Nicholson, worthy banker; Geo. Elliott, clerk; P. F. Simons, escort; Perry Veach, watchman; Perry Wagner, sentry; John M. Tucker, manager.

Bernie Tinkham writes us from Beatrice, Nebr., where he went to doctor his eye, that he is getting along pretty well but the doctor there says he will lose the sight in his left eye. Mr. Tinkham, it will be remembered, had the misfortune about three weeks ago to run a nail into his left eye while tearing down a building on Marsh lake.

The J. J. Bothwell that Cherry county thought she was rid of when he was sentenced to the pen for life three years ago, was adjudged insane by the insanity board and he will be sent to the insane asylum now until he is pronounced sane, when he will come back for another trial for his crime. Lawyers and the supreme court sometimes go too far. Is it to be wondered that lynch law is resorted to so frequently?

Elder Julian held quarterly meeting at the M. E. church last Sunday. The weather was bad and the attendance was not as large as usual but the Elder preached two good sermons and those who attended were well paid for going out in the cold. Elder Julian is a man of rare ability and experience, always able to benefit his audience with his words of wisdom and correct thoughts on how to live and rejoice that conditions are no worse.

The case of the state vs Pete Ladeaux, charged with stealing horses from J. R. Ayers, was tried Tuesday, the jury finding Ladeaux guilty in the evening. A strong effort was made by his attorneys to clear him but the evidence was too strong against him. He deserves a long sentence which he no doubt will get as he is said to be a tough character, being engaged in horse stealing for some time and it is believed he has stolen a number of horses before this.

Court opened Monday with Judge Westover on the bench and J. D. Scott as reporter. Judge Harrington was expected here this week but was holding court at Ainsworth, consequently he was relieved by Judge Westover. The Judge is looking as well as ever. There is no time lost in disposal of cases and only one case remains to be heard today as we go to press and that is a civil case in which the county has no expense. Court expenses have been unusually light the past few years in Cherry Co.

Court adjourned today, Thursday evening. Pete Ladeaux was sentenced to five years for horse stealing. The Indian who stole Ben Hobson's horse plead guilty and was given one year. The negro who plead guilty to stabbing with intent to kill was given one year. Three other cases were dismissed without coming to trial. State vs Hendricks and the state vs Fremont W. Tate, shooting at with attempt to kill, were carried over to the next term of court. The case of the South Omaha National Bank vs Stuart and Wood for recovery of money on mortgage given by Stuart was the last case tried. The court instructed the jury to find for the defendants and court adjourned.

Roy Hooper, a genial traveling salesman, found himself without an overcoat today noon when he was ready to make a round of the town. In place of his coat was left a brand new overcoat that no one claimed and Roy good naturedly put it on. Judge W. W. Wood was absent minded at noon and wore Roy's coat up to the courthouse because it resembled a coat he was in the habit of wearing but when court adjourned the Judge was fully at himself and couldn't find his new coat, so thinking he had been so much wrapped up in his case that he had forgotten his coat, he sauntered down to the hotel as light hearted as a school boy without an overcoat. Roy was on the lookout as the men filed in from court and spying Judge Wood without an overcoat resolved that he had found his man. Explanations soon followed, but as neither Wood nor Hooper drink or smoke, the treats were not mentioned.

Woodlake comes to the front with a sensational case in their city school the past week which is the worst and most disgraceful crime yet perpetrated by school children that we have heard. Three boys got some Spanish Fly at the Wood Lake drug store and put some of it into the water pail at school last Thursday. Some of the children drank of the water and became very sick from the effects of it. Others were warned by some who knew that the water had been "fixed," not to drink of it. The names given to us of the boys who perpetrated this deed were Sylvester Hagen, young Ammon, the school teacher's boy, and young Wagner, son of Wm. Wagner. The daughters of Edward Lewis, John Whillans and Mr. Young each drank of the water and became sick. A girl by the name of Parks saw the boys put the stuff into the water and young Eberhart was asked by these boys to purchase Spanish Fly for them, but refused and told his sister not to drink the water at school nor to take any of the boys' candy. The Whillans girl took a piece of the candy but it didn't look good and she threw it away. It is stated that the boys have had the Spanish Fly several weeks. We are informed that two of these boys put in ten cents each and the other purchased it at the drug store. The citizens of Woodlake are very much incensed over the affair and are anxious to have the offenders punished to guard against future outrages and to provide for the safety of their children at school. It is the duties of our officers to look into this matter and to prosecute the guilty ones.

By The Wayside

Mrs. Edith Ward is visiting and attending court in this city.

Miss Bessie Miller is visiting friends in town a couple of days.

Ramsey Watkins is down from his ranch on White river on business.

F. H. Miller came in from his farm south of town and is attending court as a juror.

Miss Jessie Allen has come down from Merriman to visit her cousin Miss Blanche Bishop and will return to her home after the holidays.

Mrs. W. D. Clarkson left here last Saturday morning for Sioux City on account of her sister's illness. She will visit a few weeks with her mother. Mrs. Clarkson was accompanied by her youngest daughter, Irene.

Busy Body.

LOOK!

We are going to give our readers or their boys or girls a chance to make a dollar for Christmas time. Our gasoline engine makes it possible for us to run a bigger subscription list and to get it we are going to divide the profits with those who help to make our list larger. Here's our offer: Anyone can work at it.

New Subscribers To The Valentine Democrat to Jan. 1, 1906 for \$1.00;

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