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A fire at Ainsworth last Sunday morning completely destroyed the pool hall of Jake Davis, who was murdered Dec. 27, by Walter Rifenberg. Rifenberg has been tried and found guilty and is sentenced to hang.

If you have money to invest you can get stock in the German Fire Ins. Co. of Omaha. \$100,000 increase of capital now on the market at 150. Applications at this office. I. M. RICE, 6 5 Valentine, Nebr.

The weather turned cold Tuesday of last week and has been hovering around zero ever since. Saturday night the wind blew from the north after a warm day and a touch of real winter is with us this week.

John Stetter has completed the addition to his pool hall and added two tables, taken from the Owl saloon, making six tables. He has also bought a fire proof safe and put in some fine shelving back of the counter, and has a five gallon water filter for drinking. He expects to put in two more tables yet, so that more players may be accommodated.

Four of the old timers, Yank O'Bryan, Carly Huggins, Henry Stetter and Chpt. Shaw had their pictures taken together a few days ago and John Stetter had one of them enlarged and framed and is hanging on the wall of his pool hall. John has a number of old timers pictures and says he'd like to have all the boys' pictures of the early days in and around Valentine to hang on his walls. Another photo made about the same time was a group of six, adding Pole Hudson, Billy Smith and Fred Francke, leaving out Capt. Shaw.

John Harvey returned yesterday from a visit with his brother Evert at York and also took in the auto show at Omaha.

Charley Abraham has sold his building to William Taylor and moved his stock of merchandise to Ainsworth the first of the week.

Felix Black is suffering from injuries received last week, being dragged around the barnyard by a cow he had roped, breaking his hip and dislocating his shoulder.

Miss Junieta Keister was united in marriage to Albert E. Husted of Johnstown, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, W. A. Keister and wife, the Rev. Dan officiating. About 20 relatives were present.

William Bailey, who was brought from New Mexico, charged with horse stealing some weeks ago, was given a preliminary hearing yesterday and was bound over to the district court May 2, in the sum of \$1500. About twelve or fifteen persons from the southwestern part of the county were here as witnesses or interested in the case. Judge Squires of Broken Bow, represented the defendant, and A. M. Morrissey is assisting the state.

Sparks Items.

(Received too late for publication last week)

Ed Francke is visiting the Chas. Hudson home.

Laura Moffett visited at Matt. Jelly's Thursday night.

Wm. Geyer drove the mail several days the past week.

Goldie Grooms began school in the Tillson district Monday.

Chas. Geyer was in Sparks Thursday and again Tuesday.

Gertie Shelbourn spent Wednesday visiting at the home of John Grooms, sr.

P. F. Simons made a business trip to Valentine Thursday, returning Saturday.

I. M. Rice was in Sparks on business Monday and took dinner with P. F. Simons.

An eleven-pound boy came to make his home with Chas. Hudson's Friday, Feb. 11th.

Wm. Stearns of Springview brought a load of flour for Simons Thursday and returned home Friday.

Wm. Grooms and wife are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Osborne, and other relatives in the neighborhood.

A little girl of Frank Thompson's and one of Henry Groom's frosted their hands and faces in coming to school Monday.

We understand Mrs. Gooby has been appointed postmistress at the new store in Tripp county and the place will be known as Gooby, South Dakota.

Among the Tripp county men who made trips to Valentine the past week and stopped in Sparks, were Jess Casteel, Peter Larson, John Moffett, Messrs. Hull, Cameron and Cash.

Quite a crowd from Norden attended the dance at Sparks Monday night, including Ethel, Jessie and John Grady, Charles Logan and lady, and Edna Logan. Miss Kennedy of Tripp county also attended the dance. Although a very disagreeable night, a whole wagon load of Tripp county bachelors were present, and girls were at a premium.

January.

The trees are bare, the cold wind sweeps, With maniac shriek thru branches here; The fields beneath their spectral garb Crouch hidden from the blast in fear.

No insects hum, no birdlings sing, Save sparrows, few have here remained, But southward to a balmy clime The songsters flew ere summer waned.

Yet there is life, the rabbit springs And like the arrow darts away, If near his covert one doth tread The crunching snow, by night or day.

Cold morning dawns upon the trails, (Hark to the cadence shrilly sweet!) The coyote giving benison! Another day for "Flying Feet!" Four leagues since eve his paws have spurned (A rabbit and a bone the gain!) Still famished, but with powers renewed, He sings; then hillward leaves the plain.

A cowardly scavenger is he, And yet, example does he give; Food for his young unresting seeks, And dares the dogs that they may live.

A struggle keen! What wonder if, Tired with the work he has to do, He slunk to dew afar, And, human like, ungrateful grew? But when the sun in majesty Sends forth his vanguard gleams of light And warmth, the brute, his vigils o'er, Sings thanks for ending of the night.

And thus should you and I (mere specks On life's great plain whereon we strive For guerdon great), be quite content. And thanks give that we're still alive.

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SCHOOL NOTES

(By Hazel Carlson and Marjorie Garrett.)

Edward Petatz from Wisconsin entered the sixth grade this week.

The debate between O'Neill and Valentine will be held here March 5.

The beginners' class in the first room will not be formed till the 14th of March this year.

Arrangements have been made to hold a local field day for the grades on a high school on April 30. The following events have been scheduled: 50 yard dash, 100 yard dash, 1/4 mile run, pole vault, hammer throw, shot put, hurdle race, high jump, standing broad jump and a baseball game.

The juniors entertained the seniors at luncheon Saturday evening at the home of L. C. Sparks. The rooms were tastily decorated in cardinal and olive, the seniors' colors, and lavender and white, the juniors' colors. A three-course luncheon was served. The freshman girls acted as waiters. It was a delightful occasion and the juniors were voted royal entertainers.

The following is the program for the teachers' meeting Feb. 26th:

Theory of Teaching, Chapters 19-27.	E. P. Bettenga
Plays and Games, pages 86-135	D. F. Story
Herbert and the Herbartians	Cora Thackeray
Philippine Schools	Edith Hastow
Hindu Religion	Laura Moffett
Switzerland	Grace Grooms
Soil Culture	Myrtle Sorby
Instrumental Music	Maud Ralva
Mexico	Ada Smith
Washington and Vicinity	Kate E. Driscoll
Dr. Frederick A. Cook	Maud VanOrsdoll
Robert E. Peary	Elizabeth Carroll
Bird Study	Henrietta Moshage

U. S. Weather Bureau Report

WEEK ENDING FEB. 24, 1910.

Daily mean temperature 8°. Normal temperature 22°. Highest temperature 30°. Lowest temperature 11°. Range of temperature 4°. Precipitation for week 0.23 of an inch. Average for 22 years 0.14 of an inch. Precipitation March 1st to date 23.86 inches. Average for 22 years 21.22 of an inch. Feb. 24-1910 JOHN J. McLEAN, Observer.

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