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Files of the Journal, Feb. 12, 1907.  
A young son of Mr. Ole Olson submitted to the amputation of a part of one of his fingers Saturday. He had smashed it with an axe.  
At a meeting of the trustees of the Congregational church held Monday evening last it was decided to, at once, secure a bell of the best quality and to weigh 500 pounds or more.  
We hear a man say that the grass has begun to grow already, but we have not seen it with our own eyes. Those who have fruit trees, however, should use every precaution to keep them from the warm sun these days.

The people of York county have called a delegate convention to make a move at once to secure a railroad thru the county. It is to be held at York on Monday, Feb. 10, at 10 o'clock p. m. The precinct meetings to elect delegates occur on Saturday, the 8th.  
The building committee at Lincoln talk something of buying Ex-Governor Butler's mansion, for the purpose of converting it into a permanent residence for Nebraska's governors. It is thought that the \$16,000 that Butler borrowed from the state can thus be saved.

**MARRIED.**  
February 11, 1873, at St. John's Catholic church, Columbus, by the Rev. Father Ryan, Bernard Byrne to Miss Anna Maria Macken, all of Platte county. On the 10th, by the same, at St. John's Catholic church, Mr. Mahlon E. Clough and Miss Mary Burke.

Don't you want to buy or build a home? The Equitable Building, Loan and Saving Ass'n. will help you, and furnish you the money on a moments notice.  
The next big horse sale to be held at Bransons barn in Columbus will take place on Friday, March 1st. This sale will be a hammer and Tom says he will have a bunch of horse flesh for sale seldom offered at an auction.

E. C. Morrow of College View, Neb., a former resident of Grand Prairie township, where he still owns a farm, is in the city this week attending court. He is accompanied by his wife, who is the mother of Miss E. E. Lawrence of Monroe, who is suing the telephone company of that place in district court.

Dr. C. E. Platz, very nearly met with a bad accident this forenoon. He was driving a livery rig to answer a call and when crossing the U. P. tracks west of the depot, the front trucks to the buggy gave way, and the doctor was given a heavy fall over the dashboard. He managed to keep hold of the lines and stopped the horse, though was well steadied with mud. No bad injuries resulted.

The Union Pacific have a gang of men dynamiting the ice at the railroad bridge west of the city. During the last few warm days the water has commenced to raise over the ice, and there is a chance for it to commence to move almost any time. And in this connection it would be well to call the attention of the proper authorities to the condition of the wagon bridges, especially the one across the Platte, as this one was in bad condition last fall.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the county judge this week: Gideon V. Peterson, Selma E. Olson, Newman Grove. Wm. Wurdeman, Mathilda Aasbo, Leigh. John H. Imig, Antonia A. Schmidt, Columbus. August Godekin, Republican City, Emma L. Kesch, Platte Center. Henry G. Hill, Lucy E. Potter, Monroe. Roy Thurston, May A. Ziegler, Monroe. Louis Held, Francis Sigman, Leigh. Melvin L. Smith, Carrie Sheldon, St. Edward.

And still we grow. Columbus is quite likely to become the permanent home of another traveling man. The Newman Grove Reporter says: "On Monday Mr. Hess commenced life as a full fledged commercial traveler in the employ of the Princes Skirt company of Omaha. His territory will be the whole state of Nebraska and the eastern part of Iowa, which he expects to go over twice a year. He if undecided whether to claim Columbus, Fremont or Newman Grove as his future residence."

Dr. Naumann, Dentist 13 St. Herrick for baby go-carts.  
Dr. Mark T. Mahlon, dentist  
Cassidy's market for fresh meats.

## New Spring Silks at Gray's.

Edison talking machines and records. Carl Schubert.  
Tomorrow is valentine day. Be prepared to get mad.

George Bowman, of Fallerton was in Columbus Monday.

David Thomas is up and around again after a severe siege of sickness.

Dr. C. A. Allenburger, office in new State Bank building.

Wedding rings and high class jewelry at Carl Fromel's, Eleventh street.

Special sale of sheet music at Bennett's Saturday, 10c, 15c, 25c per copy.

Bruce Webb was in the city last Friday, after crying C. E. Reid's public sale.

A. M. Mahaffey will leave tomorrow for Seward and other parts on a business trip.

Mrs. W. H. Parker, left Saturday for Genoa where she will visit friends for a few days.

Jess Wiles who has been absent from home for two or three weeks returned Saturday.

John Gaver has purchased the dry business of Tom McTaggart and assumed proprietorship Friday.

Wanted—young lady with some experience to clerk in general store. Apply at S. B. Borden, 11th street.

After a week's visit with friends in Norfolk, Mrs. Dr. Platz returned to her home in this city last week.

## Call at Gray's and see the new Spring Suits, Skirts, and Waists.

Editor Pratt of Humphrey was in our city Saturday, but his stay was very short, being bound for Omaha on business.

**POULTRY WANTED**—Bring your poultry to us and receive the highest market price. S. E. Marty & Co., Columbus, Neb.

Father lesson your children to get the saving habit. Start them with a pass book in the Equitable Building Loan and Saving Association.

Burt McCarrich of Schuyler, was in Columbus Saturday on his way to Primrose, where he has accepted a position as blacksmith in one of the shops there.

Oscar Nelson, was brought down from St. Edwards Monday last week and placed in the hospital where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

H. L. and Frank Olcott of south of the river left Sunday for their old Illinois home, their father, who resides at Belvidere, that state, being in poor health.

Mrs. Frank O. Donnell, a former resident of this city, was united in marriage to Charles Graves at Sioux City, Iowa, on January 16, 1907, so we learn from the St. Edward Sun.

Hon. J. Noonan, one of Platte county's staunch farmers, was in Columbus a few days last week attending court. Before returning home he paid his respects to the Journal besides a year's subscription to the paper.

W. C. Templeton, a printer on the Newman Grove Reporter, will shortly move to Columbus to make his future home. Mr. Templeton is a married man and a good printer, and will be employed in the Columbus Telegram.

From what the Journal can hear there is going to be some hard work for the judges to decide who has the most unique costume at the Hookie's mask ball on Feb. 22. It will be worth coming miles to see, whether you wish to dance or not.

A. Dietrich has decided to remain in Columbus permanently, and will engage in paper hanging, painting and decorating for himself. He has rented the building one door south of Friedhof's and will be ready for business March 1.

Owing to the heavy freight traffic on the U. P. branches, a special freight train was run up the branch Sunday. Conductor Hugh Compton of the Albion—Genoa branch came down on the Spalding Saturday night and next day conducted the train to its destination.

The Journal printers turned out quite a lot of nice looking job work the past week, amongst which was invitations for the Hookie's annual mask ball on the evening of Washington's birthday, Feb. 22. The firm are judges of good printing and well pleased with the work; just remember that we will endeavor to do your work in a satisfactory manner. Give us a trial.

Five thousand dollars was the amount the jury gave Mrs. Alice Sullivan for the death of her husband, which occurred last fall. Dennis Sullivan was killed in an accident while under the influence of liquor and his wife sued A. Redzewitz, a Platt Center saloon keeper, and his surety bond company. The jury did not reach a verdict until after being out nearly all night. A motion was filed for a new trial.

## FOUR DROWNED IN BIG FLOOD.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McCone and their daughter Lulu and Miss Della Ball lost their lives Tuesday night.

The bodies were recovered before noon Wednesday.—Union Pacific Track Damaged.

Four Columbus people, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McCone, and their daughter Lulu and Della Ball, lost their lives in Tuesday night's flood. The family resided in the southwest part of the city on the Meridian line, just south of the Union Pacific tracks, and the husband found employment as a teamster.

All day Tuesday reports were received from stations west on the Loop indicating that a flood might be expected, but many of those on the bottoms did not take the reports seriously, and in fact a large number remained in their homes during the night.

It seems that the McCone family remained at their home until about eight o'clock in the evening, when the rising waters made them conclude to look for safety on higher ground. Their team was hitched up and the family got into the lumber wagon and started north across the tracks to higher ground. The supposition is that when west of the stockyards in the 'Y' the force of the current and ice caused the wagon to slide and overturn, throwing the occupants into the icy water. Their cries for help attracted the attention of some parties nearby who hurried up town and C. C. Jones took his boat down and began the search for the bodies. When they arrived one horse was found dead and partly out of the water, and the other one had its head out, but died soon after being pulled out. There was no trace of the occupants of the wagon and search was at once begun. While pulling the wagon around the body of Mrs. McCone was discovered but as it was lodged in the wire fence, was not recovered until about 10:30.

The work of recovering the remaining bodies was continued until midnight, when it was discontinued until daylight. During Wednesday morning the remaining three bodies were recovered, the last one about ten o'clock. All four were found near the wagon, becoming lodged in the wire fence after being thrown out of the wagon.

The loss of many residents of the bottom will be quite heavy, as in nearly every case the water came into the houses ruining carpets and household furniture. When the flood reached the highest point was far north as the front part of the Grand Pacific hotel, all south of that being under water.

The Union Pacific suffered from the flood, but as they loosened the ice around the bridge with dynamite, it was not damaged. But the track from the coal chutes to the bridge was badly washed, and number three and five were held here until three o'clock Wednesday morning, when they were able to get through on the north track. This morning, however, two cars on a long stock train from the west were derailed by soft track, and the line again blocked.

At Monroe the damage by ice and water was comparatively nothing, but one mile west of Osceola the water cut through and surrounded J. C. Dawson's house, and did considerable damage.

Miss Elise Ernst of Dunoon has been visiting friends in Columbus the past few days.

## The Eyes Will Stand Lots of hard Work.

And get along with very little attention. When they do complain it is usually the result of their being overworked. They are calling for a rest.

They ache, smart, burn. There are headaches, probably which which you never think of attributing to your eyes. If you're bothered, call on us some time.

We will gladly inform you as to the exact shape your eyes are in, and charge nothing for the service.

**Ed. J. NIEWONNER.**  
Jeweler and Optician.

## Funeral Services Friday.

The funeral services over the remains of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McCone and their daughter Lulu and Miss Della Ball, who lost their lives in Tuesday night's flood, will be held in the Mannercher hall Friday morning at ten o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. DeWolf, of the Methodist church, and assisted by Rev. Ulmer of the Baptist church.

## Friday and Saturday and Monday Specials.

Monarch 25c one pound tall Salmon at.....19c.  
Monarch 2 pound can Kidney beans at.....8c.  
One pound 15c Deerhead Salmon.....12c.

**GRAY'S**

Dr. Lapechen Oculist and acrist. Smoke the Lumo 5 cent cigar.

Dr. Vallier, Osteopath, Barber block.

Dr. W. H. Slater, veterinarian, phone 95.

White sewing machines. Carl Schubert. White is king.

Dr. D. T. Martyn, jr., office near Columbus State Bank building.

Tom Branigan shipped in a car of mules from the west last Friday.

Editor McGaffin of the Bellwood Gazette was in Columbus yesterday.

Special sale of sheet music at Bennett's Saturday, 10c, 15c, 25c per copy.

Harry Armstrong has opened a paint shop in the Cover building on Eleventh street.

Miss Clara Bieser of Woodburn has been visiting friends in Columbus the past few days.

Today is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent, and Easter falls on the 1st of March this year.

Mrs. J. W. Storms of Crowell, Neb., is this week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ray in our city.

Otto Stabb returned from San Diego, Cal., this week where he accompanied the remains of Clarence Smith.

At the highschool "gim" Monday night a fair sized crowd witnessed two basket ball contests, between teams composed of boys and girls of the highschool and senior class. Both of the games were won by the highschool pupils, though not easy by any means as the following score indicates. Highschool boys 15, seniors boys 13. Highschool girls 6 and seniors 15. The games were played as a benefit to remodel the chemical laboratory at the highschool.

## Y. M. C. A. BUILDING.

Prospects Flattering that Columbus will get it.—The State Meeting a Big Success.

One of the most successful meetings ever held is the verdict of those who attended the state Y. M. C. A. meeting held in this city last week. Two hundred and thirty-two delegates were in attendance at the convention; and the afternoon and evening meetings were well attended by our citizens. The session opened with a banquet at the Orpheus hall Thursday evening, when covers were laid for two hundred and eighty. The committee of twelve and the citizens worked together to make the meeting a success. The purpose of bringing this convention to Columbus was to make a start towards securing a building for this city, and the prospects for the success of this movement are very gratifying to all.

In connection with the convention an organization was perfected to take hold of the building proposition.

Sunday evening a meeting of the citizens of Columbus was held at the North opera house, immediately after the Men's meeting and G. W. Phillips was chosen chairman and M. Brugger secretary. J. P. Bailey, state secretary of the Y. M. C. A., made an address and stated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the advisability of proceeding at once to conduct a vigorous campaign for securing sufficient funds to erect a Young Men's Christian association building in Columbus. The consensus of opinion was that now was the opportune time.

C. H. Sheldon made the announcement that he would contribute \$5,000 providing the citizens of Columbus would raise \$25,000. In order to start the movement the committee, which was appointed last fall, and were largely instrumental in securing the state convention, was increased to twenty-five, as follows: I. Gluck, R. S. Dickson, H. E. Babcock, B. J. Galley, Aug. Boettcher, Fred Stenger, Sam Gass, jr., H. S. Elliott, P. J. Hart, J. C. Byrnes, M. D. Karr, O. T. Roen, Frank Rorer, H. F. J. Hockenberger, M. Brugger, William Zinnecker, H. Ragatz, jr., Henry Wilkins, C. C. Sheldon, J. T. Boyd, Dr. W. S. Evans, E. B. Sherman, G. W. Phillips and David Thomas.

The committee of twenty-five met at the council chamber Monday evening and organized by electing H. F. J. Hockenberger, president; C. C. Sheldon, vice president; M. Brugger, secretary; G. W. Phillips, treasurer. The committee decided to add eight names to the committee, making the number thirty-three, and the following were named: H. A. Clarke, J. C. Echols, F. Friedhof, G. A. Scott, J. G. Reeder, C. C. Gray, G. H. Whaley, C. H. Dack.

A resolution committee, consisting of E. B. Sherman, J. D. Sires and H. Ragatz, was named.

State Secretary Bailey explained how the campaign for funds had been carried on in other cities in the state, and gave the committee many useful suggestions.

H. A. Clarke offered to be one of ten to give \$1,000 each for the building. A committee of seven, consisting of H. F. J. Hockenberger, H. S. Elliott, C. C. Gray, P. J. Hart, H. A. Clarke, B. J. Galley, and G. W. Phillips, were selected to take charge of the soliciting, with power to call on the general committee for whatever assistance they may need.

The above shows what progress has been made toward securing a Y. M. C. A. building for Columbus, and the prospects are very bright for the realization of the project. Other towns in the state have built these buildings, and there is no good reason why one will not be built here. The men behind the project are our leading citizens and will carry this through to a successful termination.

The blasting crew of the Union Pacific was ordered out of Omaha about midnight Monday morning is now at this place, prepared to watch and repair bridges along the road in this division. It is reported that west of here the snow and ice is beginning to move and the company is preparing for a hard time when the general breaking up takes place. The county officials probably could profit by the same move as the railroad officials have made' as this spring the smaller streams will likely be high especially if a quick thaw and rain take place.

The little city of Madison, our enterprising neighbor to the north, last week let the contract for a new city hall to cost \$9,525 and to be completed by June 10, '07. J. J. Adams and our Herman Fricke were awarded the contract. Five different firms, including Omaha and Norfolk parties, figured on the work. Columbus is very much in need of a similar improvement. When shall we have it?

## Pollock & Co.

THE DRUGGISTS On the Corner.

COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA.

Dr. Paul and Matson, Dentists.

The Journal ads pay good returns.

Cassidy solicits your meat trade.

Kodaks and supplies at Niewonner's.

Special sale of sheet music at Bennett's Saturday, 10c, 15c, 25c per copy.

Typewriters, cash registers, sewing machines cleaned and repaired. Carl Schubert.

## Call at Gray's and see the new Spring Suits, Skirts, and Waists.

C. H. Westergard, formerly in the employ of the Columbus Cream Co., was in the city this week. He is now located at Billings, Montana, and manager of the Billings Creamery Co.

A. G. Rolfe of Woodville township was in the city Monday attending the annual meeting of the soldiers' relief committee of Platte county. Two other members are J. O. Blodgett and R. L. Rossett.

The Monroe telephone case, now on trial in district court, was postponed until 3 o'clock Thursday on account of the drowning of Mrs. S. A. McCone and Miss Della Ball, two sisters of C. A. Ball, one of the jurors in the case.

In district court the case of Emeline Lawrence against the Monroe Independent Telephone company has been on trial. A large number of witnesses are in attendance from Monroe, as the company is a mutual one composed of about seven hundred stockholders.

Mrs. Chas Kula, living fourteen miles southwest of Columbus, died last Friday morning from an attack of the grippe. She leaves, beside her husband, two boys, and her mother, Mrs. Joseph Mielock. The funeral was held Monday from the Catholic church and the remains laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery.

One of the pleasant events of the week was an entertainment at the Mannercher hall Tuesday evening, that being the twenty-ninth anniversary of the organization of that society. A program was given, after which a banquet was served, and those who wished enjoyed dancing, the music being furnished by the Mannercher orchestra.

The home talent entertainment given by the Swiss Singing Society at the Mannercher hall Monday evening was one of the most enjoyable events ever given in the city, it being the first opportunity for the Swiss and German people to be amused in their own language. The program consisted of vocal and instrumental music, solos and duets and trims. The most important features were two plays, one in German and the other in the Swiss dialect, each actor dressed in the native costume. The entertainment was much enjoyed by all present. The hall was filled to its utmost capacity and many had to be turned away. It is a general wish that the society will soon give another "show" as this one was certainly a grand success, financially as well as socially.

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Money to loan in any amount on short notice.

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New Spring Dress Goods at Gray's.

## MEN'S HIGH GUT SHOES

Better Than Ever

Men's 16 inch, Black Elks kin, double Viscolized welt soles.....\$6.00  
Men's 16 inch Dark Tan Elkskin double Viscolized welt soles.....\$6.00  
Men's 16 inch, Black calf skin, double Viscolized welt soles.....\$5.50  
Men's 16 inch, Tan calf skin double, Viscolized welt soles.....\$5.50  
Men's 13 inch Black calf 1-2 double welt soles.....\$5.50

These are a few styles only of Complete line of high cut waterproof shoes for hunters or anyone where a high boot is required.

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