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ITEMS OF INTEREST

ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS CLIPPED FROM OUR EXCHANGES

LEIGH. W. B. Mayes of Columbus, was in town on business, Tuesday. Jack Price of Columbus, is spending the week at the parental home in Leigh. Miss Jennie Craig has been spending the week with the Rev. Munro family at Columbus. Beatie, Everett and Robert Munro, of Columbus, visited at the Craig home last Saturday and Sunday. Charles Stevens, an old Leigh boy, passed through here last Monday. Mr. Stevens is now a practicing physician in Chicago where he has an enormous practice.

BELLWOOD. It's all right to be economical; the trouble with some people is that they carry economy so far they look like a cold potato. Indications are that we will yet have a fair crop of apples; but the early cherry and peach crop is a thing not to be discussed. Dead, dead, dead. Word reached Bellwood this week from Alberta, Canada that Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Simms are the happy parents of a baby boy. The little stranger came May 5th. S. H. Day, our new storekeeper, accompanied by his family, arrived in Bellwood last Thursday from Platte Center and on Tuesday Mr. Day opened up his stock of general merchandise to the public in the old Derby store. The address of Milton J. Edmonds who made a homestead entry in Butler county about thirty years ago is now being sought. When he made the homestead entry Warren Lindsey and Michael Ebel, now deceased, were witnesses. John Danahar, an old and respected citizen of David City was found dead beside his bed on Wednesday morning of last week by his daughter, who went to his bed room to call him. Heart trouble was believed to be the cause of his sudden demise.

HOWELLS. Mrs. Sinkula, the aged mother of J. L. Sinkula, who has been very ill, at the home of her son, west of town, has so far recovered as to be able to be out again. For a lady of her age, being eighty-eight, she has remarkable vitality. They have a new pastor at the Ger-

man Lutheran church in the Renner neighborhood in the person of Rev. Norden, late of Fremont. The reverend gentleman and his family arrived last week. Long-deferred justice has at last been meted out in the case of the two orphan children of the late Anton and Mary Prusa against the members of the old law firm of Everitt & Wertz. Most of our readers are acquainted with the facts in the case and know the mode of procedure whereby these two children were robbed by the very men who ought to have protected their rights. The case is one of long standing. Judge Grimson of Schuyler, who represented the children, is to be congratulated upon the victory he has won, for he fought upon the side of right and justice and deserved to win. The case was tried some weeks ago before Judge Good of Wahoo who handed down his decision the first of the week at the opening of the district court at Schuyler.

ST. EDWARD. Lee O'Donnell arrived Wednesday from Fargo, N. D., on a brief visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. O'Donnell. Miss Mamie Fitzgerald returned Wednesday to Columbus after a brief visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Fitzgerald. Mrs. Wm. J. Vizzard and Miss Anna Vizzard left Tuesday for Omaha on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fonda. From Omaha Mrs. Vizzard will go to her home at Fort Pierre, S. D.

Mrs. E. H. McKelvey returned from Fullerton where she has been visiting Mrs. George McKelvey and Mrs. J. M. Travis. Mrs. Travis accompanied her to St. Edward for a few days' visit. Sunday the two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albright, accidentally tipped a pan of boiling water, which was on a gasoline stove, and was horribly scalded. It was feared at first her injuries would be fatal, but yesterday the attending physician reports that she is recovering.

Word has been received by St. Edward relatives, to the effect that Ivan Reeder on May 6, married Miss Essie Taylor of California and is now employed by the Standard Oil company at Delano, Calif., as third assistant engineer at \$75 a month. The Advance joins Ivan's many St. Edward friends in extending congratulations.

PLATTE CENTER. From the Standard. John G. Mahar, of Lincoln, paid the home people a visit the first of the week. Martin Bloedorn and family of Columbus spent last Sunday with friends in this neighborhood. Denny Roberts spent last Sunday at Spalding and Primrose, visiting with several former Platte Center people. Mrs. Dr. Stone, formerly Miss May Cassidine, from Transbuhl, Nebraska, arrived here last Saturday evening for a visit at the old home. A postal from Frank Hughes informs us that he has moved from Milton, Oregon, to Portland, where he thinks he will make his permanent home.

The Platte Center gentlemen who went to Midland, Texas, last week, found the country not at all to their liking. They report a thrifty crop of musquit brush growing all over the country and that seemed to be about all it would produce. John Kelly and Wm. Rupp arrived home Monday, J. E. Comair stopped to visit in Kansas City, and Pete Moore stopped in Omaha. On Wednesday afternoon, May 13, 1908, Mrs. Mary Gleason departed this life at the ripe age of eighty years. Her death removes the last of the sturdy old pioneers who settled on lower Shell creek in 1857. Mrs. Mary Gleason was born in Killarney, County Kerry, Ireland, in 1828. Her maiden name was Mary Foley and she was the sister of the late Mrs. Thomas Lynch. She emigrated to America in 1853, settling with her parents in Keona, New Hampshire. Together with her relatives she moved to Omaha in 1855. In 1856 she was married to Patrick Gleason, who preceded her into eternity on December 13, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Gleason moved to Platte county in 1857, locating on the present home place of the Gleason family on lower Shell creek. Five children were born to them, of whom Thomas H., Patrick J., Margaret and Nellie survive. A daughter, Mary, died on March 22, 1908, and her sudden death so grieved the mother that her failing health dates from that time. Funeral services were held from St. Joseph's church.

HUMPHREY. From the Democrat. Miss Mary Dineen went down to Columbus Monday on a visit to relatives and friends. Wednesday evening a wind storm did considerable damage to the property of John Froemel east of town. His corn crib and other small buildings were blown down. We did not learn whether or not any other damage was done in the neighborhood. There is at least one family of children in town which the Democrat believes should be looked after by the truant officer, whoever he may be. They are not attending school and their only occupation seems to be carrying beer home in a bucket. For the good of the children something should be done at once. Emil Behrens and Miss Hannah Michelson, two prominent young people of the Oldenbush neighborhood, were united in marriage at the German Lutheran church at Oldenbush last Thursday morning. Rev. E. Holm officiating. After the ceremony a reception was accorded the young couple at the home of the bride where many friends and relatives gathered and had an enjoyable time during the day and until late in the evening. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Michaelson and the groom is a prosperous young farmer of that neighborhood. The west-bound morning freight on the Northwestern was wrecked at a point about three miles this side of Creston last Saturday. The entire train consisting of seven cars was derailed with the exception of the engine and caboose. Luckily nobody was even injured and not a great amount of damage was done to the cars. It is not known what caused the wreck, but it is thought that it was a broken rail. The track was torn up for about a dozen rail lengths and it took several hours of hard work on the part of the wrecking crew before the track was cleared and put in shape for trains to pass.

SILVER CREEK. From the Standard. Mr. Mart Conner of Spokane, Wash., is here on a visit with relatives. He is a brother of the late Thomas O'Connor. A fire was discovered in the upstairs store room of Campbell Bros. general merchandise store at Clark's last Saturday night. It was extinguished with little damage from the fire, but considerable by the water thrown on it. No one knows how it originated. A farmer living near the west line of Merrick county was drawn as a district court jurymen and on his examination as to his qualifications, testified that he had lived in this county 26 years, did not take a Merrick county paper and had never heard of the Smeltzer rape case which occurred at Archer within a few miles of his home. He ought to make a good jurymen. Monday evening, May 11, at 9:25, the spirit of life of John Mason, a young man who had lived all his life about two miles east of Silver Creek, died. He was stricken with tuberculosis about a year ago and although everything possible was done for him, it was unavailing. John Joseph Mason was a Merrick county boy, having been born at the home where he died, on the 15th day of June, 1884. John was of a genial, sunny disposition, energetic and ambitious. He had acquired a good education and bade fair to make a valuable citizen of the community, but fate decreed a short life for him. He was the son of Wm. E. and Eva Mason, both of whom survive him, as do also four brothers. John was socially inclined and was a member of the Royal Highlander lodge of this village. The funeral services were held at Dun-can Wednesday and interment was made in the Catholic cemetery at that place.

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FULLERTON. From the Post. Mrs. James Smith and Mrs. Henry Smith, of Monroe, visited the latter part of the week at the home of their brother, G. C. Smith. Mrs. G. C. Smith enjoyed a visit over Sunday from her mother, Mrs. Naylor, of Columbus, and her sister, Mrs. O. L. Stillman, of Lead, So. Dak. The Sunday closing ordinance went into effect here Sunday and you could not buy a cigar without dropping a nickel in the can and helping yourself. W. H. Benham of Columbus, traveling freight agent of the Union Pacific, was guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Benham, the latter part of the week.

A letter to J. W. McClelland from T. F. Miller of York, announces that Mrs. Miller is slowly recovering from an attack of paralysis. Mrs. Miller has many friends here, as this was her former home, who will be glad to learn of her return to health. From the News-Journal. Gams Warren Carter was here over Sunday trying to locate a few fellows who catch fish in nets and traps. We did not learn what success he met with. Word was received in Fullerton Wednesday morning announcing the sudden death on Thursday evening of Dr. Harmon at Wakefield, Neb. Mr. Harmon lived in Fullerton many years ago and is well known to many of our readers. He was a brother of Ron Harmon who died suddenly at this place about a year ago. One day recently a tramp appeared at the depot on crutches and a rag wrapped around his knees. Agent Rosson sized the individual up carefully and noted his apparent dejected appearance. When the train came in the fellow hobbled up to the conductor and braced him for a ride to Columbus—said he had no money and wanted to get down there where he had friends who would put him in the hospital. The conductor told him that it would require a ticket to get to Columbus. The tramp slowly slunk into a seat and buried his head in his hands. He was in a thoughtful, sorrowful, pitiful mood indeed, and many people would have wept at the picture. But not so with the railroad men who are up against these imposters all the time. Thus the fellow remained. The conductor hollered "all aboard" and slowly the engine began to choo choo as the engineer applied the steam. Just as the last car was opposite the door the tramp pulled the bandage off his leg, threw the crutches in the corner and ran and caught the last car now in motion. He drew himself up on the platform like he had been there many times before and as the train rounded the curve was lost to view. How he made it we have never learned, but he truly exemplified the great principle of universal confidence that he would make the first stop, barring accidents.

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From the Times. George Spirit has returned to Genoa and leased a portion of the old Truman farm northeast of town. Fern Little returned from Columbus the first of the week, where she has been assisting in running the Exchange of the Columbus Independent Telephone Co. at that place. H. G. Kretz went to Columbus the first of the week to dispose of his stock of ice put up at this place last winter. As the saloons were voted out of business in Genoa, Kretz had the ice left on his hands and is now anxious to dispose of it. Will Wiggins came up from Lincoln last Friday and remained until Monday, when he returned to the penitentiary—not as a convict, but to resume his position as bookkeeper and manager of the storeroom in the broom department. Will is one of the Genoa boys who has made good. He worked as a section hand to get money to secure a commercial education, and is now reaping his reward by holding a responsible position at good wages. From the Leader. David Olson had a narrow escape from a bad accident Friday evening last. He was running a foot race with some boys through main street and at the crossing at the corner near Irish's restaurant he met a horse and buggy turning the corner. He collided with the horse and was thrown to the ground the buggy passed over him. Fortunately the wheels missed him but the collision knocked the breath out of him and he was carried to Dr. Davis in an unconscious condition, but soon recovered having escaped with but few bruises. Yes, they have the lid on at Fullerton all right, and now they are looking for some one with sufficient audacity to hold it down. They elected a mayor with retundity enormous, weighing some less than a quarter of a ton, but if reports are true he is a feather weight beside what is required. The town has been in the throes of a hot old time this week. Several fellows loaded up on bootleg whiskey and started out to paint the town red. When the marshal objected the proceeded to paint him black and blue and it finally took the sheriff and a posse of citizens to round them up and now the police court is handling the matter, and the entire population of the city is taking a hand for or against, and the end is not yet.

MONROE. From the Republican. Born, on Sunday, May 10, to Mr. and Mrs. L. Franklin, a son. Born, on Sunday, May 10, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Williams, a son. Mrs. W. A. McWilliams went to Omaha Thursday for a visit with relatives. Miss Heester Hill, clerk in the post office, will take a two weeks' vacation and during her absence Miss Grace Lubber will take her place. The eighth annual convention of the Platte County Sunday School association was held at the Swedish M. E. church at West Hill Tuesday and Wednesday, May 5 and 6. On account of the rainy weather there were not as many schools represented as had been expected and several numbers announced on the program had to be omitted as the speakers were not present. It was a good convention in spite of these drawbacks and showed a great advance in county organized work since last year coming from the tireless efforts of the county officers. The state workers, Prof. Steidley and Miss Minna Stooker, were present and in several addresses spoke words of commendation and gave good advice in regard to further organization of the county. The officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, A. J. Alfred; vice president, Samuel Paulsen; secretary-treasurer, Paul Graig; superintendent elementary department, Esther Johnson; superintendent temperance department, Mrs. S. C. Terry; superintendent home department, Miss Gertrude Fellers; superintendent teachers' training department, Rev. H. Zinnecker. An invitation was extended the association to hold its next annual convention at the Monroe Presbyterian church at a date some time in the early fall, to be decided later. The convention voted to accept the invitation. Paul Graig, Miss G. Fellers and Miss F. Johnson were elected delegates to represent Platte county at the state convention at Fremont, to be held June 9-10.

ALBION. From the News. F. J. Pierce writes us from Pasadena, Calif., that he and Mrs. Pierce are going down to Long Beach for a while, to bath and fish in the old ocean. They are both better in health than when they left Nebraska. When an automobile, in the ordinary course of travel, scares a horse so that the animal runs away, an automobilist can not be held liable for the damage done if, in handling his automobile, he does his best to allay the horse's fright. The court of appeals recently at St. Louis decided to this effect in the suit brought by Cornelius O'Donnell against James P. O'Neill for damages. Rev. Cash, with his mother and sister, took their departure Friday for their new home at Geneva. Here they expect to erect a rectory. Rev. Cash will also have charge of the Episcopal church at Crete. Their many friends here wish them well in their new home. No definite arrangement has been made for the church here, but it is expected Rev. Harris, of Cedar Rapids, will be here two Sundays a month. A telegram was received here Monday announcing the death of our former citizen, J. D. Brewer, which event occurred at his home near Kansas City, Mo., on Monday morning. No particulars relative to his death have been received. He has been sick for some months past. Mr. Brewer was a pro-

minent factor in business and society in Albion for many years, and has many friends and acquaintances throughout Boone county who will grieve to hear of his death. Mr. Brewer served Boone county as county treasurer, and was always interested in the political and civic interests of the town and county. He has been living on a farm for the past few years just outside the city of Kansas City. His interests in Albion consist of the gas plant, which he has owned since he constructed the same. Memorial Day. All comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and all soldiers, sailors, Sons of Veterans, Veterans of the Spanish-American War, and Confederate soldiers are invited to join the members of Paper Post No. 9, G. A. R., at 10 o'clock sharp, on Memorial day, at their hall on Eleventh street. The City Band and Fifes will form on Thirteenth street, then march south to Eleventh street, then west to corner of Olive street, to G. A. R. hall, where the veterans of the Grand Army will fall in line, under command of Harry Reed, marshal of the day. Line of march will be taken up on Olive to Twelfth street, then west to Nebraska Avenue, then north to Thirteenth street, then east to North opera house. Exercises will commence promptly at 2 o'clock. PROGRAMME. 1. Calling assembly to order by commander. 2. Music. 3. Salute to the dead. 4. Prayer by chaplain. 5. Reading of General orders by adjutant. 6. Remarks. 7. Song. 8. Recitation. 9. Play drill by girls of Grades 7 and 8. 10. Recitation. 11. Song. 12. Remarks. 13. Music. 14. Benediction. 15. Closing prayer. At close of program, the line of march will be taken up to the cemetery, where the exercises will be completed according to the Grand Army ritual, ending with Salute to the Dead by the Sons of Veterans. Taps by Carrol D. Evans, Jr. Following are the names of the soldiers interred in the Columbus cemetery. R. B. McIntire, J. W. Early, Fred Matthews, P. J. Lawrence, George Drake, John H. Edmund, I. J. Shattler, James Jones, S. Edwards, O. H. Archer, H. L. Adams, H. O. Kline, E. W. Arnold, Jacob Elia, J. V. Stevenson, John Wise, Josiah McFarland, W. H. Schroeder, Frank Fleming, W. H. Thompson, E. O. Walls (Confederate).

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PREPARATION OF GOOD SOUP. Care in Making the Stock is the First Essential. No matter how plain and simple a dinner may be soup adds to it. Poor soup is often served because it is little attention is paid to it. First of all there must be good material to start with. Cold water should always be used where meat is cooked, in order to draw out the juice. Salt must never be added until the soup is done. Soup should simmer on the back of the stove instead of boiling rapidly. When the meat is well cooked, strain, add salt and set in a cold place. Skim off all grease from the surface the next day and the stock is ready for use. Clear soups are never considered as wholesome as others. There are a great variety of vegetable, meat and cream soups which are appetizing. Cream of tomato, celery and asparagus, are particularly good. A soup kettle where every bone or scrap of meat left over, is thrown, is considered very essential in many households, especially where soup is served every day. One or two tablespoonfuls of cold boiled rice is in addition to any ordinary soup, especially chicken or mutton broth. Be careful that the soup is never greasy. If the stock stands over night all bits of grease can be removed. A cupful of tomatoes flavors a soup made of stock. In making good soup bay leaves, celery, parsley, carrots, onions, whole cloves and other herbs or vegetables are excellent for flavoring. Beans and peas make delicious soup. An excellent stock for soup is made by cooking a knuckle of veal and a beef bone in cold water with six potatoes, five carrots, and four tiny onions on the back of the stove for a day or longer, then strain and set away.

CARING FOR DISH CLOTHS. How One Young Housekeeper Solved Kitchen Problem. Dish rags are the great difficulty that beset the careful housekeeper in her efforts to keep a clean and tidy kitchen. They are drying on the hook and hanging on the sink, and someone a towel used for pots and pans is always damp. Then time must be taken from the general work to wash them out and dry them, and altogether they are most extremely annoying. All these things and more, too, were discovered by a careful young housekeeper, so she arranged to have a dish in the outer kitchen filled with good clear water and some washing soda, and into this mixture the cloths were dropped immediately after using and there they were left till evening, when they were hung up where they might dry over night. Of course, enough towels must be on hand, so that the same one need not be used more than once a day, but at least they are always clean and the kitchen is always in order.

Wise Child. Albert, who its five years old, was recently accompanied by his grandpas to select a birthday present for his mother. He wanted "something useful" and, after many rejections, it was suggested that they buy a pair of opera slippers, when he promptly said: "No, mamma's got too many of them now. I wouldn't mind getting button boots, for they can't be taken off so easy."

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