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When a fellow makes a practice of knocking his home town it is time for everybody else to hand him a few.

Someone somewhere once said that "all things come to him who waits" but that, of course, does not include editors and delinquent subscribers.

No matter how black they make the headlines the crisis seems to be past by the next day and the U. S. as safe as ever from being drawn into the big war.

Of course your excessive modesty would prevent your answering the question, but we would really like to know the name of the smartest man in this community.

It is pretty hard for one who has been deceived and betrayed by pre-

tended friends to maintain faith in human nature. We are prone to judge mankind by the small portion of the earth's population with whom we associate.

Scarcely a freight goes through Canton that does not have several cars of eastern farmers stock and goods coming into the state to new homes. While farm rents are going up still they are cheaper than in the east, and will continue to be so for a few years yet at least. There is plenty of room for new settlers of this class.

Hon. Chas. A. Christopherson of Sioux Falls, who is a candidate for Congress from this district was a pleasant caller at this office last Saturday morning. We have heard nothing but good of him and the people seem inclined to give him a chance. He was here to act as one of the judges at the high school debate the previous evening.

Yes indeed Mr. Man, seed corn that is good is going to be a scarce article pretty soon. Some farmers near Sioux Falls had a tip that some good seed was going to be sold at a sale near Egan last week and they went up to get it but the farmers there bid the corn up to \$8.25 per bushel so the visitors couldn't buy any.

Large mining companies have notified coal dealers that after April 1st the number of sizes in hard coal will be reduced to four. There now are ten sizes. It is planned to have one size about like egg coal for use in furnaces, one like nut coal for use in ranges, a third the size of pea or buckwheat, called steam, and a fourth

comparable to the present size called birdseye. Coal men say the number of sizes has caused waste because some sizes will suddenly lag on sales, forcing the sale of large amounts on hand at prices below cost.

The first number of the Search Light, a monthly paper published by the English classes of the high school under the direction of Miss Young the English literature teacher was issued last week causing a wave of enthusiasm throughout the schools. It puts Canton High School in line with the most progressive schools of the state in not only studying and analyzing the classics but doing every day practical work in English. We note with pleasure that two boys are the authors of the first chapters in the short story disproving the theory that girls care most for English.

Few Facts on Consolidation of Schools.

Consolidation is considered usually for the purposes either of securing better educational facilities or decreasing the cost of maintaining schools. Educational advantages of consolidated schools are: 1st Increased supervision without additional expenses. 2nd Better classification of pupils. 3rd Vitalizing the school work. 4th High School courses. 5th Socializing influence of the consolidated schools. 6th Permanent teaching force. Last year N. C. McDonald state rural school inspector of North Dakota conducted a series of tests in Arithmetic and Spelling in fifth to the eighth grades, inclusive, in 30 one teacher rural schools and 30 consolidated schools. The results were that the grand average for tests were for the rural school 55 and the consolidated schools 80. The pupils of the rural schools were naturally just as bright as those in other schools but too many classes for the teacher, poor attendance, and poor teaching had left them far behind. Boys completing the 8th grade in consolidated schools is three times as great as in the rural schools. The cost of the consolidated school is less than the one teacher schools considering all the advantages obtained. It is preposterous to say that transportation will be of same cost as the rural mail man. Following are figures from a few states as to cost of wagons. Indiana average per month \$44.80
 Louisiana " " \$38
 Washington " " \$52.20
 Iowa " " \$41.30

In Norway township as well as many other rural districts parents of high school or academic pupils are paying in car fare, board, tuition, more than to support a good high school at home. If parents would fully realize that often great injury is done to boys and girls by sending them away to city schools during the years when their ideals are formed and they need most the influence of their parents and their homes then much greater effort will be made to provide high schools at home.

CORRESPONDENCE

Norway

(Too late for last week)
 Mrs. K. L. Sogn received a very pleasant surprise on Saturday afternoon when a number of her neighbors came to spend the afternoon. The time was spent at visiting and at fancy work. The afternoon was concluded by a buffet lunch. Six dining room chairs, a rocker and nine dollars were left as a remembrance of the day with wishes for prosperity and happiness in their new home which they will move to next week.

Supt. Dale took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Nordlie on Thursday.

M. T. Gubrud marketed hogs at Alcester on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cleveland and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Twedt.

Mrs. Ross and children from near Alcester visited at the Oscar Hall home last week.

Arthur Sogn was an Alcester shopper on Friday.

Mrs. Geo. Voyles and Melvin Voyles arrived on Friday evening at the Thomas Tollefson home to spend several days.

On last Wednesday about fifty neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hall gathered at their home to show their good will and wish them prosperity and happiness to their new home near Harrisburg where they will move to this week. An excellent luncheon was served as a conclusion of the afternoon. The male choir rendered several songs. Mr. Quien being the speaker of the afternoon. A fine kitchen cabinet and six half dollars were left as a remembrance of a pleasant afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hall and family spent Sunday afternoon with Rev. and Mrs. Nummedal and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Urlickson and children spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Eidsness and family.

Mrs. Thomas Urlickson, Mable, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Eidsness called at the J. J. Steensland home Friday evening.

Norway

Mrs. Arthur Sogn spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Haug at Canton.

Rev. Carlson rendered an excellent sermon at Romsdahl on Sunday. The Romsdahl choir made its first appearance at church since they came under the able supervision of Mrs. Laura Asper.

Miss Hanna Sole was sewing for Mrs. J. Tollefson last week.

Andrew Cleveland marketed hogs at Alcester on Saturday.

Mrs. F. Anderberg was hostess to the E. S. L. A. on last Thursday.

Mrs. Ole Eidsness was a Saturday afternoon caller on Mrs. Nellie Voyles Tollefson.

Messrs K. L. and Arthur Sogn were Alcester visitors on Saturday.

Miss Pearl Thompson has been visiting with Miss Bertha Romerelm the past week.

Miss Mabel Emerson of Burbank, S. D., has spent the past week visiting with friends here. Saturday was spent with Mrs. M. T. Gubrud.

Mrs. Arthur Sogn will be hostess to the W. S. L. A. on March 9.

Miss Berthine Tollefson enjoyed a very pleasant visit at the Fritz Anderberg home on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Langstad was hostess to Romsdahl S. S. L. A. on Wednesday.

Announcements have been received that Miss Lillie Sogn, a former Norway Twp. girl, was married to Mr. L. Peterson of Watertown, on Wednesday, March 1 at Canton.

Miss Lillie Tollefson entertained the following to a "Mothers Day" on Friday: Messdames S. Rise, O. Eidsness, J. Tollefson, O. Enebo and Miss Sole.

Mrs. Simon Rise entertained a number of young people to an informal party Saturday evening.

Miss Agnes Hanson is a guest of Miss Alma Romerelm at present.

Miss Hilda Enebo was pleasantly surprised on Sunday afternoon when a number of her school friends came to bid her adieu and wish her joy to the new home she and her parents are moving to on Wednesday. It is needless to say the afternoon was all too short for the happy hearts' merry making. A lavalere was left as a token of her friends esteem and good wishes.

Grand Valley

Remember the Township Caucus next Saturday.

A number from this neighborhood bought seed corn at the Ole Haugen sale.

Oscar Anderson spent several days last week with friends in and near Canton.

Bernard Torberson's attended the dance at Will Searle's Wednesday night.

Ella Dally spent Sunday in Canton with her sister Marie.

Mrs. George Urlickson visited with Bernard Torberson's Friday and Saturday.

The entertainment Friday evening was a success in every way. The sale of the baskets netted \$23.15 which is to be used in purchasing play-ground apparatus for the school.

Knut Peterson left Canton with a car load of furniture, machinery and cattle last Saturday enroute to his new home in Minnesota.

Mrs. Belgum left for Nebraska, Monday after spending a week with her brother, Halvor Olson near Worthing.

Mrs. Alfred Hanson is entertaining a bad cold at present, but we hope her guest will soon depart.

Messrs. and Mesdames Alert Helvig, Theo. Nelson, and Henry Referson were Sunday guests at the Henry Hanson home.

The Larkin Club met with Mrs. C. B. Sirend, Thursday. Mrs. A. Torkelson will entertain the club next.

Mrs. Ingvald Stangeland visited with Mrs. Ole Steensland last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Bernard Torberson and Mrs. L. Helgerson attended the shower Saturday given at the DeNure home in Canton.

Messrs. Noble Strand, Gustaf Wallquist and Miss Ella Dally spent Sunday evening with Henry Hanson's.

Corrine Strand visited the first of the week with Selma and Mamie Brynjulson.

La Valley

M. Heeren and son Mike transacted business in Sioux Falls, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Wolthuis, Miss Ella Bellach and Tennie Larson visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Musch Sunday.

The Royal Neighbor ladies gave a supper and sale in the M. W. A. Hall at Tea, Saturday evening followed by an old time dance. A good sized crowd was in attendance and everybody seemed to enjoy the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. H. eren and daughter Anna spent Sunday at the Frank Bellach home.

Otto Reiners is busy now days unloading and delivering tiles for the county ditch.

An oyster supper was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harm Heeren Sunday evening in honor of Mr. Heeren's sixty-fourth birthday.

Bernard Hoyer, was on the sick list last week but is able to be about again.

The roads have been in a bad condition for some time but are pretty good now as the cars are spinning along again.

Fred Barnes has returned from his recent visit to Sibley, Iowa, and other points.

The infant twins of Mr. and Mrs. Scott were taken to Illinois for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Detjen autoed to Sioux Falls Monday.

Mrs. M. Heeren visited at the F. Bellach home Monday afternoon.

Leon Bong has been on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Tellinghaisen of near Chancellor spent a few days last week at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. H. Wolthuis.

School Dist. 53 has received a new section for the book-case. There are 190 library books on record, besides these there are a number of other books of interest to the school.

Quite an improvement has been made at the La Valley church by building a new barn.

M. Heeren has been busy hauling ice the past week.

Pleasant Hugs

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Johnson spent Tuesday with Miss Jessie Flory.

Oscar Eggland of Canton is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Mrs. Martin Penniston.

Miss Jessie Flory visited at the Oakland home Wednesday.

Mrs. Peter Enebo is on the sick list.

B. H. Herman and T. A. Howe have been rather busy the past few days hauling hogs to market.

Miss Mollie Eggland was an over Sunday visitor with her sister, Mrs. Martin Penniston.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Warren, Mr. and Mrs. P. Enebo, and Lew and Jessie Flory all took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Penniston.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Penniston took Sunday dinner at the Herman home.

Mr. and Mrs. N. DeNure and Mrs. Jackson spent Sunday at the O. Ekanger home.

Miss Emily Vermilya went to her home in Fairview Friday returning Sunday night.

The Stangle and Anderson children returned to school Monday after being absent for a week by sickness.

Herman Westbury spent Saturday night at the F. Stangle home.

Earl Millage and Marion Hicks spent Sunday with Sidney Warren.

John and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Warren spent Sunday evening at the Hicks home.

Bert Manning spent Sunday with George Hicks.

Dayton

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Nelson left Wednesday for Herring Lake, Minnesota, where Mrs. Nelson will undergo an operation for a tumor.

A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swartz last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Millage and family spent Sunday afternoon and evening at the Wallace Mitchell home.

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was asked by different persons of the company if he couldn't lend them a wagon or a wheel. When they found out that there were a number of teams, we were invited into the house. The evening was spent in playing games after which the lunch baskets of the company were opened and contents partaken of. Before leaving the guests presented the hosts with a beautiful table cloth.

The little Huffman boys have been on the sick list this week.

Miss Eva Phelps, teacher of school district No. 33, and Miss Esther Stewart were taken to Sioux City last Thursday for operations for appendicitis. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wardwell. The last report was that they had had their operations and were improving as fast as could be expected.

Mrs. Will Scott returned home Friday after spending some time Canton taking treatments.

Mr. Wheeler of Canton sawed wood for John Huffman Monday.

Wm. Abbott marketed a load of hogs Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Soot Thornton called on Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Browne Sunday evening.

Signa Dahl stayed with Opal Stewart during the absence of their parents.

We hear that there was born to Mr. and Mrs. Christ Erickson a fine baby boy last Friday.

Louisa Husman has taken charge of Mrs. Erickson's house work during her illness.

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is to serve your needs. It will help sell your goods—talk to the people you want to reach. An advertisement in this paper is a reference guide to those whose wants are worth supplying.

The Sum and Substance

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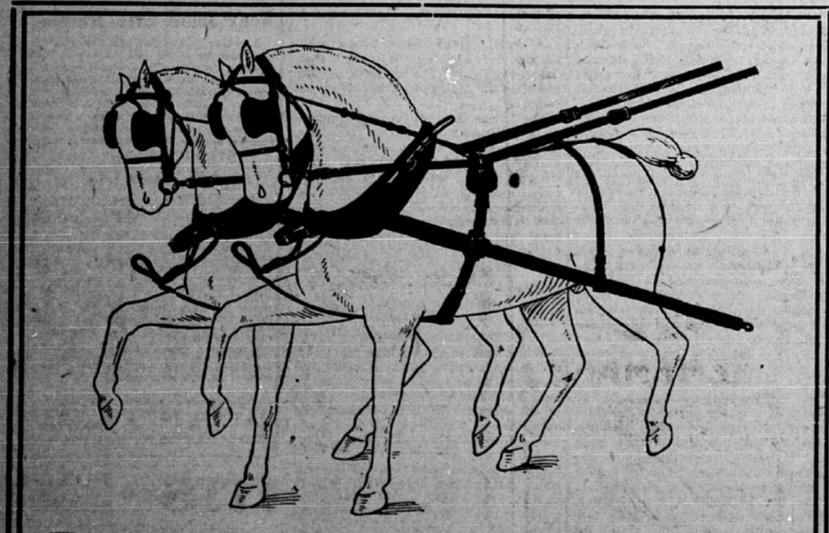
What Your Kitchen Needs

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