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If you wish a fine box of candy, the best is found at Spratt's Book Store.

Commissioner Griese came up on the Sunday evening train and Mueller on the Monday morning train so as to be on hand early to finish up their year's work.

There is talk at Hays of having Rev. Benson, of Ellsworth, hold Episcopal Services regularly every Sunday evening.—Wilson Echo.

Many of our people remember little Annie Dixie, who spoke here at picnics and set her audiences wild. It is announced that she will soon move to New York City where her son is in business.

Murray Wallace of Hays spent Wednesday here visiting with old time friends. He will graduate from the Hays Normal School next spring and receive a life certificate to teach in Kansas.—Hill City Republican.

Plainville Gazette says: "Miss Pearl Simpson of the Saline visited at Mr. Woolridge's Tuesday. Mrs. Woolridge (nee Cora Brumitt) and Pearl went to Hays Wednesday."

They were here to spend New Year's Day with the Brumitt family.

Sharon Springs has reason to be proud for next Monday that town becomes a division point of the great Union Pacific railway, the round house and other attachments now being completed. It means much to that town and will help it and Wallace county very decidedly.

P. J. Deane, Merchant.

Old-timers must now doff their hats to Patsy, the old-time cow boy. They remember him as the herder boy of the Saline, later the ranchman, and will now be pleased to know that in his older days he has become a sedate storekeeper in Plainville, enjoying life in an easy manner—resting from the hardships of life, and they'll congratulate him. Here's a Happy New Year to Patsy J. —

Effects of Good Example.

The effect of one good example of one state officer is making trouble for a lot of others. A few years ago H. L. Pestana, assistant attorney general had occasion in the line of his duty to travel over a considerable part of the state. In putting in his bill of expenses he put it in for the exact amount paid by him. There were no big Pullman bills. If he paid twenty-five cents for a meal, or for a night's lodging he charged twenty-five cents instead of seventy-five cents or a dollar. It surprised the state auditor and he gave the report to the newspapers. But he has issued an order that hereafter he will not allow more than seventy-five cents for a Pullman meal and officers traveling must not be too extravagant. Mr. Pestana will gain some glory, but Mr. Pestana is entitled to the credit of this reform. Pestana is out of office and a private citizen now, but he will probably be in it in a couple of years as district judge or congressman.—Lucas Sentinel.

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Library Meeting.

The Hays Public Library Association will hold a meeting Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock Jan. 19, 1909, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. All members are requested to be present.

Baptist Church.

A. E. GOODMAN, Pastor. Sunday School. 10:00 a. m. Preaching. 11:00 a. m., 7:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. 7:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting Wed. at 7:30 p. m. Come and worship with us.

Lutheran Church.

C. F. WIEST, Pastor. 10:00 a. m. Sunday School. 11:00 a. m. Public Worship. 6:30 p. m. C. E. Society. 7:30 p. m. Public Worship. 7:30 p. m. Wed Bible Training Class and Prayer Meeting. Lesson II. Old Testament History by Periods. You are cordially invited to these services.

Presbyterian Church.

W. B. BROWN, Pastor. 10:00 a. m. Sunday School. 11:00 a. m. Preaching. 6:30 p. m. C. E. Prayer Meeting. 7:30 p. m. Preaching.

Methodist Church.

A. N. SMITH, Pastor. Revival services are now in progress at the Methodist church. A. N. Smith, preacher; B. O. Brooks, singer. You are cordially invited.

Saturday Afternoon Club.

JANUARY 16. PROGRAM ON RICHARD III. Hostess, Mrs. Emma D. Snyder. Roll Call, County Organization Act III, Scenes 2 and 3. Mrs. Wm. S. Piaken.

Notes Bene.

Know all men and women by these presents, that on Friday, February 12, 1909, at two o'clock, p. m. at the Grand Army Hall in Hays the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln will be celebrated. Rev. Eugene Becker, Edwin A. Ross, Rev. A. N. Smith and other orators will deliver addresses, recitations, etc. Patriotic songs will be rendered by the quartette. The new band has kindly consented to furnish music. Everybody invited. Program will be published later. All under the auspices of the G. A. R. Committee.

A Stormy Year, Says DeVoe.

Some people read, study and believe in DeVoe's weather predictions, while many consider him only a "guess-er." Here is what he predicts for this new year:

By the end of next year, if everything in the way of weather that is predicted by Prof. Andy Jackson DeVoe comes true, the forces of nature will be worn to a frazzle. Prof. DeVoe is one of the numerous long range forecasters whose prediction are printed in the patent medicine almanacs.

"The year 1909," he says, "will enter with a cold wave." Thus he starts off right at the beginning because the cold wave was here. This week, he says, a great storm will form and move southeastward, followed by snow and a cold wave. Ten days later another blizzard will move southeastward and the month will end cold and stormy.

February is going to be worse even than January according to Prof. DeVoe. The month, he says, will enter with a cold wave. Storms will form on the 5th, 11th and 18th in the Missouri valley.

March is coming in like a lamb and going out like a lion with a grouch. There will be a great storm on the 5th and an equinoctial storm of unusual severity on the 20th. April will be a month of extremes, with hot and cold waves alternating, the month ending with a cold wave. May is going to be cold and stormy. Two great storms will move over the Missouri valley, one on the 5th and one on the 16th.

June, July and August will be scorchers, with great damage to corn for lack of rain. September will be stormy and winter, the professor says, will begin along in October, with a stormy outlook for the rest of the year.

These long range forecasters have quite a following, but the weather bureau doesn't take much stock in them.

The Normal began Monday and several new students enrolled.

Gasman is out again, and will now be more careful in lifting work.

Dolly Varden Chocolates at HARKNESS'. .10, .35 and .65. 28-1f

Attorney Holquist went to Hoxie Sunday evening on legal business.

The Citizens' State Bank has had new electric lights put in, that light up the room splendidly.

Collyer, in Trego county, has a new postmaster, Ida G. Simmons having been named to succeed J. W. Hickman.

Examine the bargains in pictures and frames at Spratt's Book Store they have a large line to select from. 47-1f

Next Monday the Governor and State Officers take their offices and on Tuesday the Legislature meet for a fifty-day session.

Vacation week was beautiful weather for the children, but this week has been a "feeler," with shifts of snow and down below zero weather.

Co Superintendent Grabbe holds his office until June, when Mr. Kuhn takes hold. All the other county officers begin their second term of two years on Monday.

Congress on Monday quickly appropriated \$300,000 worth of provisions and \$500,000 in money for the relief of the Italian sufferers from the earthquakes.

W. J. Haddock and wife were at McCracken this week and bought a six acre tract of ground on edge of city and will soon move there, that climate being better for his health.

County Surveyor Markey takes the place of Surveyor Jacobs, who will now give his attention to education, he having attended the State Normal the past year, when he had spare time.

Miss Kate Bagall, who has an interesting school at Buffalo Park returned to her work Sunday evening while Miss Annie Brungardt went to school at St. Peter in Graham county.

On Monday Register Rooth retires after four years as Register of Deeds and Alex Schueler of Catharine takes the office. Mr. Rooth has made an accommodating and careful official and will be missed in the office.

The post office at McCracken has increased in business until now it has been made a third-class, or semi-office. Our old resident, W. V. Kelly, is still the postmaster, assisted by his son and his wife as deputies.

Representative Grabbe will spend the next two months in Topeka trying to make laws that will please the people. When the term is over he will be wiser if not a wealthier man at the salary of \$3 a day with \$2.50 a day paid for board.

Mrs. R. B. Thomas put in a bill to the Commissioners Monday for expenses and damages sustained in the county trying to force Chestnut street off illegally and her arrest. The Commissioners rejected the bill and a suit has now been started for its collection, getting the county into another law suit.

Our citizens, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith had the pleasure of being in Albany, N. Y. on January first and with 5000 others saw Gov. Hughes take the oath of office for his second term State troops and a general assembly of the best people in that state were present, so our friends surely enjoyed the occasion.

The new Board of County Commissioners met next Monday to organize, elect a chairman, designate the newspapers to do the printing, the banks to do the banking and the janitor to do the work. Commissioners Griese and Brull retire and Messrs. Joe Goets of Herzog and Isaac Zeigler take their places.

The little town of Sehoengen on the Smokey is on the move. The new postmaster has erected a store on the main road, while several others are building.

George Gottschalk made his wife a nice Christmas present to help in her house work, a \$70 range. The old days of the kitchen stove and bake oven has passed as George prospers in life.

The annual report of the Commissioner of Pensions is out, showing that the Old Veterans are dropping off rapidly, they now being over sixty-five years of age, 59,676 names having been removed on this account. Of these 34,333 were soldiers and sailors of the civil war. During the entire year the total number of pensioners on the roll was 1,069,053. In this county several old soldiers and widows have answered their last roll-call.

Eye and Ear Surgeon

Dr. M. Jay Brown, the Salina eye and ear specialist will be at the Brunswick Hotel Monday, Jan. 12, 1909.

Stoves for Sale.

Having put in Steam, we have lots of Stoves for sale cheap. Windsor Hotel. Hays, Kansas

Examine the Local View Calendars for sale only at Spratt's Book Store.

The Misses Virmond and Alice Freese left Sunday evening for their western schools.

Last Sunday was a beautiful day, more like a day in September than in January.

Butter fat at the Creamery receiving stations has gone up to thirty cents, and those having fresh cows are getting big checks.

Jake Bissing can't be idle, so he has rented the Ryan building on North Main street, lately used by Oshant, and will again run a bakery.

Having enjoyed a fine vacation, the students have returned to their school work. Miss Lucy Snyder and Frank Motz left Sunday for K. U., so as to be there for early Monday work.

Santa Claus and the stork seem to have been hovering around Robert Start's home up at Hays City on Christmas night. Undoubtedly Santa did well but the bird did better. He weighed eleven pounds and has been christened Robert Miles Start. Robert thinks of all the presents which came his way Christmas, this little lad is about the finest.—McCracken Enterprise.

Let the Board of Commissioners buy a few loads of rock next week and establish a rock pile near the windmill in the court house yard. It might be useless for outside prisoners, but our own violators could be trusted to work, for an escape means banishment from town for two years or solitary confinement. A few days "breaking" would soon make them ashamed and they would behave themselves.

THOUGHTS ON BUSINESS

BY
WALDO PONDRAY WARREN

RUNNING DOWN AN ERROR

IN talking with a successful business manager not long ago the subject of correcting errors came up. I asked him: "How do you treat an employe when you find that he has made a mistake?"

"It depends on the employe," he said, "and on the nature of the mistake. I have great deal more leniency for a mistake due to ignorance than for one due to carelessness. But I do not believe in abusing an employe for a mistake. I take the attitude that it is a serious thing, and that doubtless he feels badly about it. I don't try to smooth it over, but let his own self-conviction be his punishment."

"And what about correcting it?"

"Usually I require him to look into the matter and report to me, and show me just exactly how the mistake happened. He usually knows that point better than anyone else can tell him. I question him quietly until he admits that it was just because he let it go, or because he assumed some point without investigation, or some such reason. Nearly every mistake can be traced back to some source of that kind. When the real reason is brought to light we talk it over as the occasion warrants, and I make sure that he corrects the underlying thought which gave occasion for the error. This gives fair assurance that a similar mistake will not occur again. That is better than mere scolding."

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John Gatewood is better again and his wife hopes to bring him home soon, probably next week.

The High School students have postponed their Box Social from this Friday evening to next Saturday evening, Jan. 16th. All are invited.

The Week of Prayer, conducted by Rev. Brown, Wiest and Goodman, has been a helpful one. It has strengthened us for the duties of the new year.

The great Union Pacific Railway are satisfied with the results of their advertising in the Free Press the past year and have given as another contract so our readers can see all the excursions and pleasures the road will offer during 1909.

Piano for sale.

We have a \$350 cash new piano that we will sell for a subscriber for \$275. \$30 cash, balance \$20 a month. Chance to save \$75 easy on a splendid piano. See Frazee.

Announcement.

I wish to announce to the people of Hays City and surrounding county, that I have permanently located in Hays City for the practice of my profession. I am a regular graduate physician and surgeon. Have had ten years active practice. I come specially prepared to treat diseases of the eyes and to fit glasses but will also do general practice in medicine and surgery. Calls answered promptly day or night. Office over Farley's Drug Store. Residence at Windsor Hotel. DR. L. A. MARTY.

"Dolly Varden" Chocolates at Harkness' 22-1f

Grand-pa Beach, father of Professor Beach, is visiting this week with friends in Junction City.

Mat Truan of Pleasant Hill has purchased the Oldham new cottage on East Normal avenue. He will rent it until next fall, when he expects to move to town.

Some fellow, in celebrating New Years, forgot he was a gentleman and proved himself a tough, by shooting holes through Gassman's shoe sign. Ten days on that "rock pile" would teach him something.

New Year's Day had its drunks and brawls in our county and Judge Ruppenthal wants to help stop it by a severe lesson in the next court. In our town several fellows pounded another up badly. All were drunk. At Pfeifer one man shot another, both drunk. At Victoria one fellow cut another with a knife, requiring fifty or more stitches to be taken. Our county surely needs a rock pile.

Smith-Moore.

On Wednesday, Jan. 6, Miss Maude Smith was married to Frank A. Moore at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. A. N. Smith officiating. "Dick" is the son of Frank Moore, and Miss Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith of the Smokey Hill valley. A wedding supper was served at the home of the bride, to which friends and relatives were invited. The happy couple will reside on the farm down in the Smokey Hill neighborhood. They have the congratulations of their many friends. And that evening the whole township turned out and gave them an old-fashioned "chivalrie."

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Some of our young folks went to Ellis last Friday evening and enjoyed the dance given there.

Prof. Shively returned home Sunday evening, but Mrs. Shively and son remained to finish their visit.

Co Clerk Cox returned with his family Sunday morning to be ready for the Commissioners when they met.

The coyotes had a frost time over on the reservation Saturday night and their yelps could be heard all over town.

Skating has been fine the last ten days, and the early moonlight nights have brought many out to enjoy the fun.

If you want to sell something—if you want to buy something, clip in a quarter and try this paper and you will find the notice will bring results. Try it.

A. M. McKie expects to go to Kansas City this Saturday evening to make purchase of suitings for the spring and summer season.

The Tiltonson Barber shop has been moved to the front room of the Bissing building on South Chestnut street and is now nicely located.

As Mr. Oshant expects his new furniture soon for his office, Mr. Griffith is arranging to build himself an office for his newspaper work.

Papers are full of accounts of the cold wave this week. In many places it was colder than it had been in two years and was unexpected, causing much suffering. Here it went down to four and six below zero.

The U. S. Land Office at Colby has had notice to close their books March 23, and ship, that week, to Topeka, so if you have any Land Office work now is the time to get at it for the present officers up there know the condition of the rough land still left out here.

Notice!

Fifty per cent discount on ladies' made-to-order dress skirts, through January, also on other goods. Call or phone 38. MRS. LAURA STOUT. 13-2t

Only eight more weeks to order your Nursery Stock. Don't put it off until it is too late, but give me your order now. We have in stock all kinds of Fruit and Shade Trees of the very best and also a fine line of Shrubbery. We have also hedge plants and seedlings of different varieties for planting a hedge around your farm. See J. C. WESTBROOK Apt. 13-1t Hays, Kansas.

The Salina Journal has this about the new editor of the Kansas Farmer: "We notice that Albert T. Reid, the well-known farmer and agricultural expert of Topeka, is being boomed for a place on the board of regents of the state agricultural college. Mr. Reid is one of the horny-handed sons of toil that Kansas delights to honor. He has devoted most of his agricultural life to the raising of grain. He can raise more grain with one of his cartons than any ordinary farmer can raise on a twenty acre tract."

Hotels in Western Kansas had better be on the lookout. Read this telegram: Bad for Hotels

Guests Can "Beat" a Bill if Not Asked About Payment in Advance. Wichita, Kan. Jan. 6—According to a decision of Judge James L. Dyer of the city court, hotels of the state of Kansas can not hope to secure the payment of bills by the arrest of delinquent guests. He held that there is no law on the Kansas statutes under which a man might be punished, provided the hotel keeper did not ask the guest if he had enough money to pay the bill. In this event, the guest could be prosecuted for false representations. The decision was made following the arrest of a guest at the Cary hotel, who refused to pay his bill, following a misunderstanding with the proprietor.

Mr. Samuelson of Ellis made a business trip to Hays, Tuesday.

C. A. Miller returned to Missouri University Monday night to resume his studies.

"If it isn't an Eastman, it isn't a kodak." HARKNESS has kodaks and supplies. 21-1f

Court met this week in Russell and several of our attorneys had business there.

New Years came in Friday. The day was very quiet and Saturday many began work for the new year with a new zeal and a determination to make 1909 better than 1908.

Death of Mrs. Rogers.

May Elizabeth Rogers was born in Pennsylvania March 23, 1834, and died in Hays, Kansas, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. D. Goetichus, Monday morning, Jan. 4, 1909.

She came to Kansas in the later 70's with her family and has known all the experiences of early Kansas pioneer life. Eleven years ago she was left a widow by the death of her husband, Richard Rogers. Four children are still living, Bert and Charles, Mrs. A. D. Goetichus and Mrs. Sadie Griggen. All the children were present at the funeral with a host of sympathizing friends. The funeral was held Tuesday morning at the Methodist church, the pastor Rev. Smith using as a text James 4: 14. The burial was made in Hays cemetery.

On the East Salina.

At their annual meeting the Turkville Sunday School elected as officers for the ensuing year: F. A. Bemis, Supt.; Lillian McCarter, Secretary and Treasurer; W. A. Barry, Chorister; Mrs. Agnes (King) Barry, organist.

Ed Parkhurst is adding to his herd of cattle and picked up lately a nice bunch from the Mendonhall ranch.

Miss Dora Carmichael, daughter of Dougald Carmichael, was lately married to Mr. John Thompson, the ceremony taking place at the home of daddy Carmichael.

Corn shellers are grinding out lots of corn now which brings a splendid and satisfactory price.

Work on the new church progresses nicely. The furnace is ready to set in place and seats have been purchased and will be on hand when needed.

The low-water bridges are proving a success now that the river is full of ice and the crossings are bad. They are worth many times their little cost.

The State University Bulletin has this to say:

"The campus of the University of Kansas has grown to be one of the beautiful spots in Kansas. It now comprises 170 acres, and the superintendent of the grounds, Mr. E. F. Crocker, is devoting a great deal of attention to beautifying the landscape. The view from Mt. Oread has been pronounced the finest in America. The stately elms that now grace the campus add an effect that never fails to charm and impress the visitor."

If our State Normal could only say something like this in their school paper! We have had a 100-acre campus for five years and lots of wheat rental money to spend, yet our school campus and creek show little improvement, since the first year.

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