

NEWS OF WEST SIDE HAPPENINGS AT VAIL, GOODRICH GOSSIP.

Thos. Button is teaching school south of town.
 E. O. Wagner has been out of town the last few days.
 Mrs. F. J. Gary visited Carroll Wednesday forenoon.
 We have bright sunshine now-a-days, but it is very cold.
 Eight below zero greeted early risers Thursday morning.
 Sam Blackman visited the County hospital early in the week.
 Dan Considine has secured employment in the bridge department.
 Peter Stevers was home over Sunday and returned to Denison again early in the week.
 Providence has favored the little boy also. Skating is reported quite good on the Old Rauger.

Peter M. Waters, of Carroll, was down between trains Wednesday afternoon, attending to some business matters.
 John White was down town the other day and does not appear much the worse for passing through a spell of sickness. He was a very sick man for a while and the chances seemed to be against him getting well again.
 Some of the young men were practicing the many art of boxing the other night in a room. They happened to have a fight piece so as to show their shadows on the window curtains, to the great amusement of the people on the street.

Peter Martins arrived from Clinton Co. Monday afternoon, accompanied by a lady which proved to be his sister-in-law. We made haste to extend our congratulations. In the evening the West Side band and friends of Mr. Martins went out to his place south of town and spent a pleasant evening. They were right royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Martins.

Chas. Clement died in Omaha Wednesday. His remains were brought home today in charge of his wife, daughter and son-in-law. Funeral services will be held tomorrow. M. Goldbeck will also be buried tomorrow, two funerals in a day from our little town. The old settlers are dropping off very fast.

Our community was startled and there was a general feeling of sorrow when it was learned Tuesday afternoon that Matt Goldbeck had passed over the boundary line and into the land beyond at the age of 45. He succumbed to that fell destroyer consumption, leaving a wife and six bright children without a husband and father in this world. Our old friend and neighbor was sitting in a rocking chair talking feebly to his life's companion when suddenly the spirit left his body to be with Him who gave it. He had been in failing health for some time and while there was a general expectancy that he would not get well again, only a few thought he would be called away so suddenly and soon. We have often felt sorrow for him when we saw him wending his way down town to his little repair shop it seemed so hard for him to be about his daily toil, but the thought of loved ones and home gave him courage to hold on till his frail body could do no more. Goodbye old friend and brother we hope to meet you again.

AN ARION LETTER.

Sheriff Bell was in town Wednesday. Mr. Marr has been suffering from an attack of the grippe the last few days. Charlie Green and Fred Butler, who are attending college in Denison, spent Sunday at home.

A number of our young people enjoyed a skating party on Tuesday evening, after which they were very pleasantly entertained by Miss Calla Richards.

Sunday being the twentieth anniversary of his birthday, Charlie Green was the recipient of a birthday dinner given by his mother. The guests were Ed Jones, Don Talcott, Frank Evans and Fred Butler.
 Mutt Coon drove to Denison Wednesday.

Dr. Evans met with the board of pension examiners on Wednesday.

Miss Lou Downs has been visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. Florence Downs, the past week.

Mr. Clarence Goff, who has been working north of town, came home Tuesday.

Jay Bicknell was in Arion one day this week.

The infant child of N. F. Stilson who has been quite sick, is reported much better at present writing.

Mr. A. Kadock stopped in our town Thursday evening.

Frank and Sylvia Evans spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Seymour Bond Thursday.

Little Goodrich, of Denison, visited relatives and friends here the latter part of the week.

Mr. Hyman was in Arion on Thursday.

Chas. Volkerts with his son, Vierre, are visiting with his parents in Sac City.

The surveyors of the Ft. Dodge and Omaha railroad were in town one night this week, driving to Woodbine and back next day.

One day this week the team belonging to Dr. Evans became frightened while being unhitched. They ran some distance but the only damage resulting was a broken tongue and a slightly impaired harness.

Geo. Dettler is on the sick list. Dr. Darling was a Deloit caller Tuesday.

Pat Lane was up from Denison Tuesday.

Several cars of corn were shipped in last week.

Arrived Wright transacted business at Denison Monday.

Dave Mahoney transacted business at Denison Tuesday.

Low Nicholson was looking after business interests Tuesday.

Mrs. Phillips, mother of Dr. A. C. Phillips, has gone to Chicago.

M. J. Kane had two steers killed by a freight train Thursday night.

Miss Glennie Paine and Mrs. A. Pempert were Denison visitors Tuesday.

Our merchants are displaying the finest line of holiday goods ever seen in Vail.

Miss Abbie Bailey and Mrs. C. E. Price were Carroll visitors Monday afternoon.

The M. E. Missionary Society spent the evening very pleasantly Thursday with Mrs. Mary Coleman, in Jackson township.

Rev. Wm. Wright was down town Monday the first time since his recent absence. His many friends will be glad to hear of his improvement.

Mrs. Ada Gould and Mr. Arthur Adams were married Thursday morning at 10 a. m. at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gould, just north of town. These young people have many friends that wish them much joy and happiness.

MILFORD TWP. MUTTERINGS.

Harvey Newcom is the possessor of a new cutter.

Fred Schuler and wife were in Denison Monday.

Letha Tucker Sundayed with John Newcom and wife.

R-vival meetings are now in progress at the M. E. church.

Blanche Childress was a visitor at the Halberg home last week.

Edna Huckstep attended the Adam-Gould wedding Wednesday.

Ethel Huckstep spent Sunday with her friend, Benjie Dawson.

School opened in Deloit Monday with Jennie Morris and Mr. Tompson as instructors.

Sol. Laughery was a welcome visitor at the pleasant home of W. T. Huckstep last week.

Miss Bernice McKim entertained her friend, Mr. J. Keenan of Maryland, last Sunday a week.

Miss J. Morris and Mr. Henson attended services at the M. E. church Sunday evening.

Mr. Thora Ostrander, of California, is visiting relatives and friends in the neighborhood, who are all very glad to see him.

School commenced in Otter Creek District No. 7, Monday. Oh, there is nothing like having a school if one has to buy it.

Elder Lothain preached to a large and attentive congregation Sunday evening. Mr. Lothain is an eloquent speaker and all delight to hear him.

Arrangements are being made to have a Christmas tree at the L. D. S. church. That is right, let us all try and make Christmas a glorious holiday for the little ones.

NEWS OF DOW CITY.

Alfred Hansen from Denison came down one day this week to visit relatives and friends.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. J. L. Bacterworth is very sick at present.

Austin Purdy has moved into one of Dr. Carr's houses, the part of which had been occupied formerly by Henry Galand, who is now located just east of the school building.

Jos. McColl received nearly two thousand bushels of corn Wednesday.

S. Veingrovitch has moved into one of Mr. Wiggins' houses in the west part of town.

Mrs. Lincoln Rule, of Boone, who has been visiting relatives here and in the country for the past three weeks, returned to her home Wednesday.

Births:—To Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bruner a boy; also a boy to Lou Smith and wife.

Our town is very much in need of a public library and reading room for the boys and girls who are hungering and thirsting for good literature. Our children may not be on the streets, but they may be where it is no better place for them for, "things are not what they seem." Why could not some one donate the use of a room in some favorable part of town? Quite a library could be started by each giving from his supply of books. It would require some sacrifice, but are not books easier sacrificed than our children? A great injury is done them by not supplying the proper kind and amount of reading matter. When a quantity of new books are needed an entertainment could be arranged, or a lecture had, the proceeds to be used for the purchase of books.

The family of J. W. Wilkinson has been quite sick.

Harvey Newcom has a new cutter and sleigh bells, and the girls are happy.

There is some talk of organizing a literary society at the McAlhrea school house.

Ed. Shives made his usual semi-monthly visit at the Cruzan home last Sunday.

We failed last week to mention the arrival of a fine boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Custer. We congratulate.

Considerable travel on the road on the east side of the Boyer now, owing to the great supply of snow there, and people do like to travel in sleighs.

Bessie and Iran Gillett, grandchildren of Mrs. W. P. Gillett, took their departure for their new home in Colorado one day last week. We hope they will find their mamma much improved in health.

The "boom" is still on in Deloit though it has no paper to do the blowing for it. We might add that a paper is not necessary however, as there are plenty of the "old timers" left yet whose ability along that line cannot be overestimated.

The genial Will Cramer was the happy victim of a surprise party on last Saturday evening, when a goodly number of the young people of the neighborhood gathered at his home where they were cordially received and a royal good time was had.

Presiding Elder Lothain preached to a large and attentive audience at the M. E. church last Sunday evening. He was the guest of Elmer Cruzan Monday from which place he was taken to Denison. The elder is a forcible as well as eloquent speaker and does a world of good every time he comes.

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Mike Mahoney, of Kenwood was a Sunday visitor at Bell.

Frank Burkhofer and George Jordan were at Denison Friday.

Bell school commenced Monday with Don Talcott as teacher.

James Haley went to Chicago Saturday night with cattle from Kenwood.

John Thompson, of North Grove, moved to Bell last week and occupy the John Stevenson house.

The famous rabbit hunter, Ed Green, of Dow City, was out hunting on Paradise one moonlight night last week.

By the way things look around Hans Neethen's place one might think he would soon build a buggy factory.

Wm Rule went to Ida Grove Monday where he expects to secure a position as night miller in the mill at that place.

Several of our farmers are shelling corn since it is selling for 25 cents a bushel. Some better than two years ago when corn sold for nine cents only.

WILLOW TOWNSHIP TWIGS.

Louie Chase has sold his share of the threshing machine to John Gries, jr.

Andy Mackey and Mr. Wycoff of the Oak are working on the Willow this week.

The Kuhl boys are shelling corn in our vicinity this week. Some threshing is also being done.

Charlie Harden has hired out to work for Dan Swanson a year. We are all glad to have Charlie in our midst another year.

Miss Hazel, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson, had the misfortune to dangerously burn her hand one day last week.

The "Willow Reading Circle" met with Miss Rosa Burke and organized last week. Mr. Charlie Harden was elected president, and Miss Cora Lang secretary. Bad weather prevented many from attending, but the circle always proves a success.

CLIMAX CLEARING SALE OF Shoes and Notions.

In order to stimulate sales and to make a clean sweep of our Fall and winter Goods, we are going to offer some

Extraordinary Bargains Until January 1st.

It is not our policy to have fake bargain sales. Those who deal with us know this. When we do announce Bargains they are BARGAINS,

And Here are the Prices to Convince You:

Goods of equal quality cannot be bought for the same money in any other place in the county.

- 42 Pairs Mens Shoes. Climax sale price, \$2.50. Sold at \$4.00 to 4.50.
- 15 Pairs Men's Patent Leather Shoes. Climax sale price, \$2.50. Sold at \$5.00. Finest quality; suitable for all dress occasions.
- Lot No. 4. Boys' All Calf Boots. Sold at \$2.50. Climax sale price, \$1.75.
- Lot No. 5. Boy's Kip Boots. Sold at \$2.00. Climax sale price.
- 60 Pairs Ladies' Kid Button Shoes. Sold at \$3.00. Climax sale price, \$1.50.
- 48 Pairs Misses Shoes, Button & Lace. Sold at \$2.00. Climax sale price, \$1.50.
- 42 Pairs Children's Shoes. Sold at 50c. Climax sale price, 35c.
- 60 Pairs Men's 9-oz. Blue Denim Overalls. A 50c leader. Climax sale price, 40c.
- Six doz. Men's Underwear. Sold at 25c. Climax sale price, 19c.
- Four doz. Ladies' Underwear. Sold at 35c. Climax sale price, 20c.
- Three doz. Misses' Underwear. Sold at 25c. Climax sale price, 19c.

Our Fall Line of Notions, Glassware, Graniteware and Tinware, at Grocery Prices.

This sale will be one of the greatest money savers of the year. You need these goods. Why not buy them while you can get them at the lowest possible cost?

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| Case Beer (24 quarts)..... | 2.25 | Rum from \$2.25 to \$3.00 per gallon. |
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