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After January 1st our store will be closed at 6 p. m.

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KIRON CHRONICLES CHARTER OAK CHATS

Elmer Lund went to Denison on Tuesday to attend college.
P. E. Flodine of Denison was a visitor among Kironites on Tuesday.
The Northwestern Co. is erecting a residence near the depot for their section boss.
John Nelson arrived on Wednesday from the eastern part of Missouri to spend the winter in Kiron.
Paul Nelson and Emel Lundell left for Des Moines on Wednesday where they will enter the Iowa Park college.
C. R. Smith of Denison spent Tuesday in our town repairing the gasoline lamp plant he put in some time ago at the Reinking saloon.
Miss Mary Nelson goes to Harcourt, Iowa, today (Wednesday) for a short visit, after which she goes on to Chicago to spend some time there.

ALL ABOUT DELOIT.

E. T. Dobson returned to Deloit Thursday.
Mrs. Mary Tucker will remain to visit about a month.
Mrs. McCormick visited at Mrs. A. J. Mason's Thursday.
Superintendent A. G. Myers was a Deloit visitor Tuesday.
Rev. Maxwell is holding a series of meetings at the M. E. church.
B. Nicewanner is putting up a house on Mrs. Hattery's lot in Deloit.
Messrs. John and Eugene McKim returned to their homes Thursday.
Mr. James Wedlock is visiting at his son's, Silas Wedlocks, at present.
Mrs. James McKim has been quite ill the past week but is improving.
Mr. and Mrs. George Newcom and daughter returned home Thursday morning.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Neary, our C. & N. W. depot agent, and wife, a son on December 31.
I. Goff who has been in the employ of E. Laughery as clerk in his store, returned to Denison Tuesday.
Everybody is invited to attend the public installation of officers of the M. W. A. Saturday night at the Hunt store room.
Mr. Chas. Stovall and sister, Mae, returned to their home at Horner, Kansas, Tuesday after a pleasant stay during the holidays. They made many new acquaintances who will be glad to have them return at some future time and make a longer stay.

HAPPENINGS AT VAIL

John Cook was up Tuesday from Denison.
Dr. Bond of Denison was a professional caller Wednesday.
Father Farrelly, of Denison, was a Vail visitor Thursday.
Hickey & Etzel are busy putting up their summer's supply of ice.
"Barney" Pound was an Omaha visitor the fore part of the week.
Lillian Price returned Wednesday to her college studies at Davenport.
John L. McLead of near Manilla was transacting business in Vail Wednesday.
The Presbyterian ladies gave a very pleasant social at the parsonage Tuesday night.
Mrs. John Devany and children are here from Havelock visiting at the Devany home.
R. A. Buckley and wife of Coon Rapids will occupy the house recently vacated by Peter Portz.
Earl Hoffman returned from Woodbine the first of the week, where he had been visiting a few days.
Geo. L. Deltzer has purchased the Wegener building of Jas. Maynard and will occupy the same soon with his barber shop.
Chas. Crouch of Glenwood, recently of the 51st Iowa in the Philippines, is visiting at the Shove home east of town.
Miss Maud Paine of Batt Creek and Mr. Fred Paine and wife of Paulina came Wednesday to beat the bedside of their sick sister, Miss Glennie.
Miss Ruby Maynard and Mr. John Richardson were married Wednesday afternoon at the M. E. parsonage, Rev. G. L. Eaton performing the ceremony. This young couple are two of Jackson township's finest people and have a host of friends who wish them much joy and happiness.
Miss Evelyn Fitch entertained a number of young people Monday night in honor of Miss Lillian Price. The evening was very pleasantly spent with games and music and guessing on the most youthful photographs of those present. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed themselves immensely.
Mr. Jas. McVey died last Monday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ed. McAndrews and was buried Wednesday, the funeral taking place at the St. Ann's church conducted by Father Murphy. He was quite an aged gentleman and respected by all his acquaintances. He was the father of Mrs. Ed. McAndrews and Ed. McVey of this place; Mrs. Thos. McAlpin of Chicago and M. McVey of Odebolt.

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BUCK GROVE ITEMS.

Dr. Carr of Dow City was a professional visitor Saturday.
Skating parties in this part of the county are all the rage now.
County Supervisor Gigax is sitting with the board on duty at present.
Fred O. who has been quite sick for some time is better at present.
S. M. Ehw Guy Tyler and J. D. They were at the county capital this week.
J. O'Meara was at Dow City on a business venture one day this week.
Art Ross who has been visiting his brother, Sid, has gone home to Canton, S. D.
The M. W. A. camp here had a fine dance on New Years night.
Sheriff Bell and P. E. C. Lally were Grove visitors Tuesday.
Mabel Cruise of near Dunlap visited friends around town last week.
Ira Gilmore and Pat Sullivan of Denison were out this way one day last week.
Frank Wiley of Mitchell, S. D., is here at present visiting friends and relatives.
Hillie Newman who has been visiting his brother at Laurel, Neb., has returned home.

LEADING BARBER SHOP

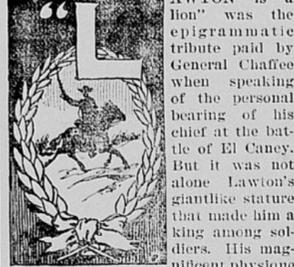
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Four Shaves All work first-class.

LAWTON WAS A LION

STORIES OF THE GALLANTRY OF THE FALLEN HERO.

A Brother Soldier's Tribute—Bearding the Apaches in Their Lair—His Energy at El Caney—Coolness Under Fire Without Bravado.

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AWTTON is a lion" was the epigrammatic tribute paid by General Chaffee when speaking of the personal bearing of his chief at the battle of El Caney. But it was not alone Lawton's giantlike stature that made him a king among soldiers. His magnificent physique of over six feet of well proportioned frame was endowed with a reserve of masterly strength of nerve, of coolness and of energy. His was a presence to banish all littleness and meanness from those who came in contact with it. Weakness confessed and bowed down, dishonesty shrunk away, and sheer cowardice capitulated to valor.

The little soldier Chaffee who called Lawton a lion and looked up to him as one is himself a magnificent type of soldier. In his small body there is the soul of a lion too. But he appreciated the larger, calmer and more resourceful nature of his brother officer. If Lawton could so affect one of his own kind who was close to him it is easy to understand how he conquered Geronimo with a look. Geronimo was not thrashed into submission in the ordinary way. He had played with every army expedition sent against his wily band of Apaches and finally taken refuge in the Sierra Madre wilderness. To the savage lair Lawton, with a picked body of men, penetrated in one of the toughest campaigns in all the history of Indian warfare. Geronimo rested easy with the thought that the white soldiers could not possibly brave the terrors of the burning desert and pathless, stony hills which stretched between his hiding place and the army camps.

Men who followed Lieutenant Lawton on this expedition and had campaigned in the waterless sands of Africa said that they had never seen greater hardships and difficulties overcome than they faced toiling up the Sierra Madre. One must imagine all this—in fact, one should have been through it—in order to appreciate the effect upon Geronimo of this white chief leaving his soldiers behind him and walking alone and unarmed into his lair. There before him was one who had beaten the wild Indian at his own wild game in his native wild haunts. Does it matter whether fear or policy constrained Geronimo to surrender after the situation was made known to him? The fact remains that the boldness of this white man, whose unimportant rank the Apache well knew, in coolly walking into his den for a talk struck the savage soul in a way to subdue it. He abandoned his pedestal of savage pride and ugliness and isolation and began to talk. Then all was over. The soul of the white lion lorded it over the gathering of savage breasts.

When a conspicuous soldier is cut down at the front as Lawton was, the first thought of the public is that it was due to bravado and reckless exposure. His boldness in entering the Apache lair unarmed and unattended snacks of the same thing until one remembers that every man of caliber knows his own place and powers. When the modest lieutenant was asked for the particulars of his entrance into Geronimo's camp and how the Indians received him, he said, "They didn't show any emotion."

"What did you say to them?"
"Nothing. I just nodded their fashion and sat down on a log by the side of Geronimo. He grunted, but we all sat for a long time, perhaps half an hour. Then Geronimo said something to the others, who were perhaps trying to make up their minds what to do with me. There was another long pause; then another of them grunted.
"I let them talk. By and by Geronimo asked me what I was there for. I told him to take their surrender. He grunted. The others caught his meaning, which was mine, and one by one, as they comprehended, each grunted. Then we all thought a long time. Somebody grunted again, and Geronimo translated it into decent English for me. They wanted to know what my terms were. I said I had no terms to offer; just surrender, that was all.
"It took hours to arrange it, but finally Geronimo asked who they were to surrender to. I told them to General Miles. I was glad they were going to surrender, you know, for that would make it safe for me."

General Lawton is the most brilliant victim claimed thus far by the billows of our foemen since the outbreak of hostilities in 1898. And he was the first to head a grand attack against the enemy's lines around Santiago. Some power behind the scenes selected him to do the initial fighting of the campaign, and his sponsor was undoubtedly Miles, for at the time of the Geronimo affair and since Miles lost no chance to praise his gallant and stalwart subordinate. He was promoted to the rank of brigadier general from that of lieutenant colonel and the heads of many columns and given command of a number of troops at the battle of El Caney. A full general, it is true, he himself was promoted by General Chaffee, who considered

one of Lawton's brigades and was a master hand at scouting.
Lawton said that he adopted Chaffee's ideas entire. Shafter said that Lawton was given his way about handling El Caney and that he decided to dispose of the enemy there before taking the right wing forward to the attack of Santiago proper, as Shafter intended he should in connection with the other divisions of the corps. El Caney was taken after an all day fight, in which the Spaniards showed strength which General Chaffee said astonished him. The strength of the Spanish position lay in the configuration of the ground, a detached foothill crowned with a stone fort, numerous blockhouses and a cluster of buildings loopholed for riflemen. The difficulty was to make a dash against it in force sufficient to prevent the escape of the enemy without having the assailants in danger of shooting into one another or of getting in the pathway of the fire of their own batteries.
Lawton had but four guns of Capron's battery and with these attempted to raze the stone fort. But in order to get the troops into position to hem in the Spaniards and to dash forward at the right moment when the fort had been reduced it was necessary to fire with caution. The result was that the stone fort held out until the middle of the afternoon. When it had been silenced, the troops under Chaffee and some from Colonel Miles' brigade charged gallantly and carried the citadel. All this while Lawton had remained by Capron's guns, directing the discharge or the withholding of the fire.

Soon after noon and when the other divisions were fighting hard at San Juan hill General Shafter sent a second urgent message to Lawton to leave El Caney for the time and march forward to the attack on Santiago. The aid who carried the order found Lawton at Capron's battery, some distance short of the scene where the infantry was fighting. After reading it Lawton smiled grimly and said: "It is too late. The men are charging."
"But I must deliver it," urged the aid, supposing that it was one of those history making edicts which could stop or change the order of things in any crisis.
"Then," said Lawton calmly, "you'll have to deliver it on the firing line." A moment's reflection showed that impossible and that the charge was sweeping everything.

The temptation for an ambitious and reckless commander at El Caney would have been to lead in person the charge



MAJOR GENERAL HENRY W. LAWTON. (Killed Dec. 19, 1899.)

against the stone fort, the key to the Spanish line. Lawton effaced himself by remaining at the battery, where he could control the most delicate part of the operation and, furthermore, by giving credit to Chaffee for the most brilliant part in the work of the day.
Captain King tells a story showing Lawton's self restraint under great temptation in the Philippines. He says that in the advance on the Pasig it was impossible for any but the fleet troopers of Lawton's escort to keep up with the huge black horse which carried the stalwart commander. Suddenly the advance confronted some 40 Filipinos, who boldly stood up and waited for the Americans to do something. For a time Lawton seemed inclined to charge with his baker's dozen; but, says King, "the veteran Indian fighter's horse sense rose superior to the trooper's lust for a fight," and he waited for the regular advance of his main line.

There is another story from the Philippines to the effect that Lawton would expose himself fearlessly to supreme danger when there was occasion for it. One day when he was upon a big white horse and was crowned with a large white hat he rode to the firing line, where some newly landed marines were skulking in the grass instead of shooting down Filipinos, as they were expected to do. Lawton laughed gayly and chatted with his staff while the Mausers sang their weird battle music, and even after one of his aids had been punctured through both knees he stood his ground until the skulkers got up nerve to do their duty.

Lawton's own words refute the insinuation that he threw his life away recklessly. His advance met the enemy, and when one of the officers was hit the general helped carry him out of the fire to a depression. His attention was called to a knot of sharpshooters who seemed to be making a target of the party of American officers, and he was cautioned to be careful. "I must see what is going on on the firing line," he said and went up the slope, where he was soon shot down by a fatal bullet in the breast.
Every commanding officer has too much at stake to warrant needless risk, but there are times when he must see for himself. At a moment he believed to be critical Lawton the Lion died the death of a soldier.
GEORGE L. KILMER.