

THE CANTON LEADER

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The state is growing pretty fast but not as fast as the increased demands for appropriations for public institutions. Taxes are high enough, too high in fact, and it will be wise to go slow.

R. O. Schaber, editor of the Hudsonite, has been elected second vice president of the State Press Association. The selection is a good one and no newspaper man in the state is more deserving of recognition than Bro. Schaber. Bro. Sturges of the Beresford Republic was elected treasurer and will keep the funds safe for the boys.

There is no more use for a "bug house" in this state than there is for any other scheme to bleed the taxpayers. Out out the rum curse and "bug house" candidates will disappear. There are not many anyway and when one grows up from the saloon send him to the Insane Asylum, where a "bug house" ward can be provided at small expense.

Post Department Commander T. C. DeJean has kindly furnished the LEADER with a report of the proceedings of the 25th annual encampment of the G. A. R. held at Hot Springs last June. The volume contains fine portraits of Comrades Clark, DeJean, Paokard, Howard and Andrews. The proceedings were officially reported by Mrs. Alice B. Muller of Sioux Falls one of the most competent stenographers in the state.

Even Senator Kittredge's best friends must admit that he was not big enough to retire from the senate without showing bitterness over defeat and a lack of manly consideration for the rights of others more fortunate and more favored of the people. When any public official forgets the power of the people and neglects their rights in defense of corporate interests, his days are numbered. Not only is this true of Kittredge but every other official who follows him must remember the lesson.

National Committeeman Thomas Thorsen and Mrs. Thorsen leave next Sunday for Washington to take part in the grand inaugural ceremonies which will culminate in the retirement of President Roosevelt and the beginning of President Taft's term. It will be the greatest popular demonstration ever witnessed in Washington and the blue and the gray are to march with their old battle flags, a glorious evidence that there is no longer a north or a south in the broadest meaning of national union.

From information it seems that the legislature is about to divide the state into two congressional districts, and it is a sensible move on the part of the lawmakers. The proposed division would include Pierre in the western or second district and thus bring Martin and Mr. Burke into the same district. What if it does? No man has a patent right on a seat in congress from South Dakota, and under the primary every man who so desires can jump into the ring and proclaim his desires. With two congressional districts all interests would receive fair play and no man should object to a division. Divide the state by all means.

President Elect Taft has accomplished a great work in the Southern States through his social visits among a people who thought that the South had no claim upon a republican administration. The big, genial, broad-minded Taft has shown in many ways that the people of the south have just as much share in the government under a republican as under a democratic administration, and the democratic-slavery prejudice will gradually disappear until the solid south will no longer be considered a unit before election. Those "poisoned dinners" did much to convince the south that President Taft was big enough to represent them all.

Representative Cable of this county has a bill before the legislature "Prohibiting and making it a misdemeanor for any officer to create a deficiency." Such a law will save thousands of dollars to the state every year and it should be passed. Every head of a state institution should realize that to go beyond his appropriation is a violation of the spirit of the law that made the appropriation. Creating or permitting a deficiency by heads of institutions or boards of control should be stopped. Such official misconduct means an open door to waste and extravagance and a string to bleed the state. Mr. Cable's bill is one of the most important before the law makers and its passage and approval will save the taxpayers thousands of dollars every year.

Breed Sows For Sale.

On account of the storm J. J. O'Brien has postponed his pedigree Poland China brood sow sale, to Feb. 23. Sale held at Palace livery barn in Leamox, S. D., commencing at 1:30 p. m.

Public Sale.

Attend the public sale of E. O. Thomsen 44 miles southwest of Fairview, 5 miles northwest of Hudson on Tuesday, Feb. 23, '09. 14 horses, 64 cattle, 35 hogs, and all farm machinery will be sold.

Correspondence

Lincoln.

Feb. 16, 1909.

Chauncey and John Lukken, two of our handsome, progressive young farmers, shipped a car of cattle to Chicago last week and got a good price for them.

Knut Lenna, who was one of the earliest settlers out this way, but moved to Tennessee years ago, is back in good old Lincoln county and will make his future home here.

Mrs. Kaffar will build a fine barn in the spring and together with other improvements will make the Kaffar farm one of the most desirable in the county. Mrs. Kaffar is a woman of fine judgment and has managed her farm with great ability for years.

The genial and always happy Tom Benli visited Canton Saturday.

Miss Emma Selom, one of Lincoln county's best teachers, visited at the family home Sunday.

Silas Millage and Ole Tuntland went down to Beresford for the mail Saturday, as the rural route carriers have been unable to show up since the blizzard. Uncle Sam ought to furnish his mail men with snow shoes.

Alma Nelson returned from Beresford where she had been visiting with her cousin.

The stork visited the home of Mr. Rusten and left a fine boy recently.

Josephine Wallem is visiting her brother Osmund in Lake county.

Lewis Millage sold a nice bunch of young cattle to Will Sorenson last Wednesday for \$3.25.

Mrs. Sanford and children, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Millage, visited at her brother-in-law's near Beresford last week and then departed for her home in Washington.

Ole Tuntland's buggy was mixed up with a blizzard or some other sort of trouble breeder and his groceries were badly demoralized but he fixed things up and went home whistling the "Sweet Time to Come."

Gilbert Thompson was one of the first daring youths to venture out over the snow drifts from this section and get some mail at Canton. When Gilbert has to stay at home on account of storms you can mark it down in the family prayer book that no one is moving in the county, not even Austin Tuntland.

John Kaffar was over at Worthing the first of the week on business.

I am going to send these items by wireless to Worthing and if they get through you may expect to hear from me again.

Fairview.

February 11, 1909.

[Too late for last week.]

Ole Peterson is home from his trip to Minneapolis.

A large crowd attended the concert and basket social given by the band boys Wednesday evening. The proceeds amounted to \$47.90, and this of course made the band boys smile.

Mr. Kenison and daughter Nora were Hudson visitors Saturday.

A. G. Pond, who has been so seriously sick during the past week is much better at this writing.

L. E. Brant went up to Harrisburg Friday.

Misses Elsie Knutson, Frances Vermilya, Marie Wilkinson and Marie and Alfa Hanson attended the teachers' meeting in Hudson Saturday.

Mr. Stoughten whose home is in Iowa, has been visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Manning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Peterson are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy who gladdened their home last Thursday.

Tilton Hanson, Henry Amunson and Floyd Schoen were Canton visitors last Sunday.

During the sickness of Mr. Pond Mr. Harris of Sioux Falls has charge of the Fairview drug store.

Mr. Benz of Canton was in Fairview on business Monday.

We, of Fairview, are all rejoicing over the nice weather after the recent blizzard which kept all of us in doors.

Inwood.

Feb. 14th, 1909.

Rev. J. H. Bohlen from Canton preached in the Lutheran church Sunday morning.

Miss Kate Flanagan from Chicago is here visiting her brother Mr. J. Flanagan.

Miss Nellie May Brown and Mr. Guy E. Smith were married at the home of the bride's parents last Wednesday.

Tina and Sam Ulrickson who drove over from Canton on the 5th of February to visit with L. Sivestad and family, returned home the following Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Iverson went to Chicago last week.

F. Fos returned home last Thursday from Colorado where he had been visiting his sister, Mrs. George Larson.

The Lutheran Mission band held a basket social the sixth of February and they served lunch before and after the baskets were sold. O. J. Erickson was the auctioneer. \$74.00 was taken in and a large crowd was present.

The snow storm we had last Tuesday left many big snow drifts around farm buildings and it looks as if we

had moved to Alaska.

Lars Lofsgaard has sold his farm to D. Bahnsen for \$98 per acre. Mr. Lofsgaard and family go to Clayton county where he has purchased a bigger farm. They leave this month for their new home.

The Farmers' Institute last week was not what it should have been on account of the snow fall, because the farmers had too much shoveling to do at home to attend the Institute.

We hope the LEADER will arrive by the rural mail carrier the next time he comes this way, or perhaps we will have to travel afoot to Canton to get it. It's hard to tell nowadays what will happen.

Fairview.

Feb. 9, to 15, 1909.

The snow storm of Monday evening the eighth was a bad one. Everybody got caught in the blizzard going home from the sale at George Johnson's Monday evening. Tuesday morning the paths between dwelling houses and barns had to be shoveled, the snow being 8 feet in places. The wind sent the snow flying through the air and it was an all day's struggle for people to get their chores done and get in fuel for the stoves. Wednesday was a clear cold day and people started to talk over the phones again and wonder about the mail carriers. Thursday was a mild day and the water was running from the roofs which helped to shrink and sink the immense snow drifts. Towards evening our boys started the phones to enquire if the mail carriers had come. The second important question was "Tobak laus?" Eg og "Tobak laus" er du. Friday was a cold still day and as it was reported that mail carriers could not get through, some of our boys made up their minds that they could and must get the mail. David Sorum cut across the hills passing by the snow drifts, evidently making a turn now and then to escape them. He boarded the noon train at Fairview for Canton, returning in the afternoon with both his own mail and his neighbors, which was both a brave and kind act.

Louis Dokken was also brave enough to go down to Hudson on horseback on Friday evening for the mail. Louis and the broncho made the snow drifts pretty well, only in one place where the snow nearly covered the animal in struggling to get out. Then he got one of his hind feet up in the stirrup. Louis moved as though to get off and he said to the broncho, "if you're going to get on I guess I'll get off," but Louis stayed in spite of everything and brought the mail home bright and early.

Jimmy Hanson from Fairview, was shoveling his way out to the Fairview school house Friday evening. He got through O. K. and the school ma'am got to town safely.

On Saturday the roads were so that people could drive to town and the mail carriers also came.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Erikson of Inwood visited at Torkel Rikansrud's all week during the storm, being snow bound until Friday.

Andrew Marken is under the doctor's care at a Sioux City hospital.

J. A. Benz and Sam Ulrickson of Canton attended the sale at George Johnson's Monday.

Andrew Quien's baby who has been quite ill is improving.

Ivar Rise while in company with Pete Holmes returning home from Fairview Saturday evening fell out of the wagon and broke his arm above the elbow. Dr. Wendt of Canton was called.

Anton Bakke has accepted a position as cook for the Overseth Bros. at Fairview. Anton is handy and can mix anything from pancakes to "Tom and Jerry."

Mrs. George Johnson spent three days at Hudson having dental work by Dr. Kline.

If the corn husking machine which has been under construction for some time should turn out to be an air ship, an expedition will be fitted out to experiment with it. The inventor will not go along as he is over in Norway and wouldn't like to see his name in print yet. The expedition crew will consist of the following: Miner, as manager; the Merry Widow, marshal; Anton, cook and waiter; the Fairview Bachelor, scribe and reporter; Edwin, local photographer; Gunnar as soloist; Emma as accompanist; Gust will blow the slide trombone, and Lewis will scrape the fiddle. A few other passengers will be admitted and won't there be a jolly time on board?

Quite a number of the young people from here went down to Hudson Thursday. Some went down to have Dr. Kline pull their wisdom teeth, some took in the masquerade, others tried to put out the elevator fire down there as the grain was still on fire.

The sewing society which was to have met with Mrs. Rosen Engerbreton last Wednesday, was postponed on account of the weather and roads.

Miss Elsie Knutson spent Sunday in Canton.

St. Valentine's day was not much observed here as we could not get to town after valentines and we didn't get our mail or have any way to send it so we will try to make use of the last day in February which is just as appropriate for sending them as the fourteenth of the month. Now don't forget you have the rest of the month to receive in and if you send any hideous ones, you will surely get



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West Canton.

Feb. 17.

Shoveling snow is in order at the present time.

Mrs. Hilton of Hudson, visited at E. E. Osvog's and W. L. Millage's last week.

Clarence Oliver marketed several loads of hogs last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Warner were visitors at Roy Millage's recently.

Mrs. C. D. Moore returned from Yankton, Friday. We understand she got as far as Halvor Lee's and was snow bound there for a couple of days until the road was opened.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wallace are at Hot Springs for a while.

The basket social at the school house was well attended Friday night and was a success in every way. The program was well rendered and then Ed Zinner took charge. The bidding was lively and the baskets sold well. About \$24 was realized which will be used for some much needed furniture for the school house. Miss Anderson, the teacher, desires to thank Ed Zinner, the accomplished auctioneer, and all who helped to make the affair so pleasant and profitable.

Wonder what the matter with the gallant young men of West Canton. A lonely young lady at the basket social Friday night waited in vain for some nice young man to escort her home.

We have been getting our mail in the old fashioned way since the storm, by going after it.

Miss Mary Knutson is visiting her brother K. L.

Grant Township.

February 17, 1909.

Bob Crusoe of Lynn deserves credit for being the only one able to get news items sent in for last week's LEADER.

Oscar Gedstad was one of the many who were snow bound in Canton for two days last week.

The storm last week piled up snow around groves and yards so that in places the drifts looked like the Rocky mountains and made a lot of work shoveling to open up for the stock to get around. For several days men and teams have been at work opening up the roads and in places it is impassable yet.

The mail was blockaded last week and the mail carrier was only able to get half way around on his route once and some of the boys met him and helped to deliver the mail the other half of the route.

Haldan Odegard and Eiling Johnson boarded the train at Worthing Friday bound for Lennox as the roads were impassable.

Some of the young people were unable to make good their appointments Saturday evening. We feel sorry for them but the other party ought to take impossibilities in consideration.

Gilbert Johnson has been doing considerable watch repairing of late and enjoys the work and in order to be prepared for all emergencies recently ordered and has just received a full set of tools and a fine cabinet. The cabinet and tools cost something like \$75. Here is success to you Gilbert.

A new member has been added to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Skie. Andrew claims he is a Taft republican.

A young miss has just been enrolled in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Fodnes.

Miss Thea Gedstad has been staying at Sioux Falls for a week.

Ole Strand has been busy of late repairing broken wind mills. Ole has made himself a pair of skis and he gets around on top of the snow quite lively.

We haven't heard of any one seeing the ground hog lately.

A card from George Randolph says he is having a good time and the weather is fine and it looks like the month of April there in Bridgeport, Conn.

Melvin Sundvold has invested in a small bunch of thoroughbred Short Horn cattle.

We send best regards to George Randolph from the young folks out here. They are looking for a wedding invitation from the east.

Some of the boys have their corn ready to be sent to the County Superintendent to be scored and of course are anxious about results. The boys can't expect to be experts in corn raising the first year, but the boys have taken great pains in raising their corn and are keeping an eye open for a prize. Here is good luck

to you boys.

Last Sunday the snow drifted badly and filled in the roads which had been opened and Monday we had to get out and plunk through the snow again.

Some of the tenants around here expect to move the first of March and have considerable hauling to do—a difficult proposition.

Miss Teresa Noethlich has been at Andrew Skie's place for some time helping with some extra work.

It must be long days for some who expect a bushel of heartbreaking valentines and the mail carrier not able to get around.

Miss Anna Gunderson has taken a vacation from her duties in the hotel at Worthing and is at present visiting with Mrs. H. Odegard.

Our mail was shipped to Worthing in big bundles Monday and Tapper Brothers went up and secured it. Everybody was willing to help distribute it.

K. O. Gedstad sold a bunch of cattle recently and was lucky enough to get them delivered just before the storm.

Miss Blanche Larson is helping Mrs. Emil Aulves for a few days.

Pete Peterson, one of our dashing young bachelors who did not yield to the matrimonial chances last year, was out Thursday to help open the roads and stopped at Lewis Larson's to rest up before taking another dive at the snow drifts.

Miss Minnie Stubstein was a passenger on the train from Worthing to Canton Wednesday returning the same day.

Tapper Brothers are getting things in shape to move to Grant county.

Fairview.

Mrs. M. B. Thomas of Vermillion was a guest at the King home last week.

A. G. Pond is able to be down town again after a two weeks' severe illness.

On account of bad roads Rev. Figles found it impossible to drive from Hudson to Fairview Sunday, so there wasn't any church but Sunday school was held as usual.

Dr. Wendt of Canton was in Fairview on professional business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Hillebrand of Inwood visited at the Johnson home a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Harris have returned to their home in Sioux Falls after a two weeks' stay in Fairview, Mr. Harris having had charge of the drug store during the sickness of Mr. Pond.

Misses Ollie and Nora Kenison went down to Hudson last week. Miss Ollie is clerking in Waterbury's store there.

The Ladies Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Lien last Thursday afternoon.

Gail Bartholomew has the mumps.

The entertainment and basket social which was given by the Fairview school Friday evening was a decided success. Everyone seemed to enjoy the program after which Ira Grunibum auctioned off the baskets. The proceeds amounted to fifty-seven dollars and fifty cents and the patronage given was highly appreciated.

Canton Township.

Feb. 18, 1909.

We have been snowed in, with the rest of the people, and have just dug out.

F. L. Nims is mourning the loss of his terrier "Trixie," who was run over by the cars a week ago. Every one thought her too quick to get caught, but the smartest sometimes goes that way.

This District is having a vacation owing to the deep snow, and sickness in some of the families who have children going to school. Richard and Mable Zimmerlie, were quite sick the last of the week but were feeling better Wednesday.

G. W. Dixon, shipped his cattle to Sioux City Monday night, and helped to make up a big train of fat cattle. Johnson, Glaetle and Skartved, were the others who shipped at the same time.

F. L. Nims attended the Johnson sale near Fairview Monday, and purchased one of the horses weighing over sixteen hundred. The price paid for the animal compared with its weight.

F. Nims and A. Arnold went to Harrisburg on the noon train Tuesday to attend a farm sale near that city. The train was an hour late going up, and two hours late in the evening, so they were late all around.

Dell Arnold had a strenuous time of it, taking Miss Buchelester out to

her school Sunday afternoon. The roads were drifted all the way, and when he got near Selom's he got into a drift the horses couldn't pull him through, so he left Miss Buchelester at Selom's and Henry Johnson came after her.

G. W. Dixon returned from his trip to Sioux City, Tuesday evening, tired, but relieved to think his cattle were disposed of before another storm came.

Little Walter Ellis was quite sick for a few days last week with a bad cold, but a doctor couldn't get to him, so home remedies cured him.

If you have house to trade for some good land see H. A. WILKINSON. 35 L.F.

Don't forget the great Inaugural home talent entertainment at the opera house March.

Miss Florence Seales, returned home Tuesday after a visit of several weeks at Sioux Falls and Crooks.

Miss Nora Oliver went to Sioux Falls Tuesday to spend a few days.

State Treasurer Johnson returned to Pierre Thursday, after attending to considerable business in Canton and down at Fairview.

The editor of the LEADER left for Pierre Thursday to attend a meeting of the Soldiers Home board, called to select a new commandant for the Home, vice Dudley deceased.

The G. G. C. club was entertained by Miss Marjorie Clark Tuesday evening. Miss Ora Laxson of Earlville, Iowa, was a guest of the club. Miss Laxson is a cousin of Miss Maude Lewis.

Thursday noon at the Congregational parsonage Rev. Geo. S. Evans officiating, Mr. Orin B. Peters of Cherokee, Iowa, and Miss Irma M. Straw of Canton were married.

At the Methodist Episcopal Church next Sabbath the subject of the Pastor's morning sermon will be "Christianity the Religion of the Spirit." In the evening the sermon will be upon Rom. 8:9. A most cordial invitation to attend is extended to all who do not worship elsewhere. Morning worship at 10:30; evening at 7:30. Sunday School at 12 noon. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

Inaugural Entertainment.

A fine entertainment will be given at the opera house in this city on the evening of March 4th, under the management of Company E, 4th Regt. Inf., S. D. N. G. The Apollo orchestra will furnish the leading musical parts. There will also be solos by Miss Bergstrom and others, and recitations by Mrs. Hattie Hood and others. A complete program has not been arranged but the entertainment will be one of the best ever presented in this city. The program will be published later.

Auction Sale.

Ole Greivols will have an Auction Sale of personal property on the Ole Nordlie farm near Moen on Thursday, March 4. Sale begins at 1 p. m. He will sell horses, cattle, hogs, machinery, chickens, and other things. J. J. Steensland will be the auctioneer and K. E. Jacobson, clerk.

Auction Sale Postponed.

The Auction of Richard Ainsworth, announced for Feb. 11th, has been postponed to February 22. Bills will be issued giving particulars.

Auction Sale.

W. E. Potter of Dayton township, will hold a Public Auction at his farm one and a half miles south of Dayton Hall and one half mile west and five and one half miles north of Canton on Friday February 26, 1909, sale beginning at 10 a. m. He will sell horses, cattle, hogs, chickens, machinery and household goods. Free lunch at noon.

Auction Sale.

Owing to the big storm on Feb. 10, the Auction Sale announced by Anton Nakling and Peter Johnson was postponed from Feb. 10 to Saturday Feb. 20, when the sale will begin at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, with free lunch at noon. The sale takes place at the old Dayton Hall farm. There will be sold 7 head of horses, 31 head of cattle, 17 hogs, a large quantity of machinery, seed corn, potatoes, 130 chickens and household goods. Cols. Repp and Bodle will be the auctioneers. J. V. Conklin, clerk. Remember the date, Saturday Feb. 20, at 10 a. m.

Auction Sale.

A pill in time that will save nine is Rings Little Liver Pill. For biliousness, sick headache constipation. They do not gripe. Price 25c. Sold by Sherman & Roche.

The amount of good reading given to subscribers to The Youth's Companion during the year is indicated by the following summary of contents for this year:

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