

Illinois District.

We had a good rain Saturday, December 22. The first rain to amount to anything since the last of October.

Norman Davis went out to Wyoming a few months ago to work in the mountains. He had an attack of rheumatism while there and returned home a couple of weeks since. When he returned he was almost helpless. He is now about well.

Christmas came on Friday to many this year. The teacher and scholars of Illinois had a fine tree and appropriate exercises that day.

The wolf hunt last Saturday did not materialize as we may judge by the start from the southeast corner.

One of the large posters of the institute was hung up in one of our school houses two days. Neely every scholar in that school, who was large enough, attended the evening session.

Prof. H. T. Nichol gave a kinetoscope and graphophone exhibition at the Rome church Wednesday night, Dec. 20th.

ROME FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

The first farmers' institute was held at the hall in Rome on Tuesday, the 18th. The first topic was "Wheat Culture" by Jasper Williams.

After a splendid picnic dinner was served in the hall.

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER ABSOLUTELY PURE Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

The union Christmas exercises and tree at the Baptist church Monday night was well attended.

Mr. J. H. Martin has lost quite a number of calves, caused by black leg.

Chester Good, we are sorry to report, has taken a relapse.

J. L. Goodrum's baby is quite sick.

Elzie Parish Freeman and family of near Renfrow, came up Sunday to spend Christmas.

Grace Good is very sick with typhoid fever.

The Methodists will commence a series of meetings next Sunday night.

Mrs. George Weber is being visited by a sister from the eastern part of the state.

Caldwell.

Your scribe took in the poultry show at Wellington and I would say it was a good show and the exhibitors are proud of their display as it was a grand success every way and was far the best show ever attended in the county.

Another stone has been added to the pyramid of time from whence the journey of earth may look back upon the plane of life and reflect on its usefulness or its fruitlessness.

Senator Elect R. T. Simons was in Topeka the latter part of last week getting his instructions on the senatorship fight and finding a boarding place for himself and wife.

Fred E. Cragin, wife and baby, Sumner, are in town visiting Hon. Chummy Fields and other friends.

Judge Burnette came in "off the road" to spend Christmas with his family.

H. A. Ross left Christmas morning to be gone a couple of weeks hunting in the Indian Territory.

S. A. Maxwell, our genial and accommodating agent at the Santa Fe depot, has been tendered the station at Alva, Okla., and has accepted.

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Mrs. J. O. Matthews and Pearl Marshall were visitors at the seat of justice Wednesday.

Prof. Lynn entertained the pupils of the high school at his home Friday evening.

Our city band gave their fourth annual concert at the I.O.O.F. hall Saturday evening.

A company consisting of seven young men went out on a rabbit hunt Tuesday.

They succeeded in killing seventy-six of the pests. The same day another company of five went out and succeeded in killing 125 of the animals.

Paul Burkholtz, who has been in our community for several years, returned to his home in Illinois Thursday.

Goldie Warbourton came home from Winfield Saturday to spend vacation with her parents.

Earnie and Frank Jones arrived Sunday from Pittsburg, Kans., to visit their parents.

Many college and high school students are spending their vacation at home.

Era Bland and Miss Nettie Toerger were married Wednesday night, Rev. I. F. Hodge officiating.

Frank Beals opened a night school of seven pupils Wednesday evening.

A. W. Lynn and family are visiting relatives at Iola, Neb.

The M. E. Sunday school gave their usual Christmas exercises on Monday evening.

Rev. Snyder is holding a series of meetings at the Baptist church.

John Widick and wife of Pond Creek, Okla., are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tarnhehl.

Miss Iva Dilley returned Thursday evening from Texas where she has been visiting.

Mr. Green, brother of Edith Green, was in the city Friday.

Valley Center School.

Daniel Morris will spend his vacation with relatives in the vicinity of Peck.

Mr. Brownwell of Caldwell is working for Geo. Mitchell.

Miss Maude Watts is the guest of relatives and friends in Oklahoma.

A pleasant rain greeted the first pangs of Saturday's dawn and was a happy surprise to all. Wheat was in sore need.

Messrs. H. E. and Robert Jordan came down from Kansas City recently. H. E. is a student in dentistry at Kansas City and will spend vacation with relatives and friends in this community.

W. H. Woodhouse will leave Tuesday for Hutchinson, Kansas.

Mrs. N. J. Berick lost another male recently; the remaining animals are now under quarantine by order of the county sheriff.

Mrs. J. Mitchell of El Reno, O. T., is visiting with her son, Mr. George Mitchell.

An audience filling the house to its utmost capacity and occupying much room without the windows listened to the play of "A Noble Outcast" last Friday evening at the Valley Center literary society.

S. H. Lambdin returned from Kansas City medical college last Friday night.

Valley Center school dismissed Friday last for a week's vacation and recreation.

Miss Stella Ricord will leave in a few days for Oklahoma on an extended visit.

Say, brother, when your neighbor calls to see you about that free delivery petition treat him kindly, sign it and send him on his way rejoicing.

The literary at Green school house was voted quite a success Friday night.

Question for debate next Friday night: Resolved, "That Men Become Great by Imitation." Dodson and Strong, champions.

District Eighty-Three had an interesting Christmas program Friday evening.

Our citizens are experiencing quite an inconvenience from discontinuance of Cleardale postoffice.

Marriage Licenses.

- Montie Wagener, 20.....Argonia
Idonia Beals, 20.....Argonia
Artie Freeman, over 21....Mayfield
Emma Getty, over 21.....Mayfield

Twelfth street, west of Washington avenue, is being opened up and will make a delightful drive to the County High school building.

On account of the rain, the Perth wolf hunt, which was announced for Saturday, was postponed until Friday of this week.

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AT THE CLOSE OF ANOTHER YEAR LICHTY BROS WELLINGTON, KANSAS

THIS WEEK WE PUT ON SALE OUR LINE OF Winter Suits and Overcoats Stylish, Comfortable, Well-fitting Clothing, at a low price he will come again. Special Prices Make Great Bargains IT will PAY YOU to SEE US CLEM SPRUANCE CLOSING OUT Sale of Chinaware We still have a very good assortment of Lamps and Chinaware to sell at reduced prices. We are closing out our China Lamps and Queensware to make room for other line of goods. Maxey Bros.