

# UNION ITEMS.

Joe Green has been very poorly for the past few days having been afflicted with the flu.

Samuel Hathaway of Niobrara was a visitor with friends and relatives for a number of days last week as well as this week.

The little two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Crunk has been very ill with the flu and still remains quite sick.

Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. McCarthey, has been ill with the croup and flu and was very sick. He is much improved at this time.

Charles Sheard, who was employed on the road work, was taken ill with the flu and not able to work for a week. He is better at this time.

Miss Harriett Leach was a visitor at home on last Sunday. She attends the Normal school at Peru and was taken back there Monday by her mother.

Two children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Atteberry have been having a siege of flu for some time past. They are reported as being better at this time.

Hogs are cheap and meat is high and so to make things come nearer an average Mr. E. E. Leach had a hog butchered in order to save on the price of meat.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fitzpatrick were over to Nebraska City on last Sunday night where they went to visit with friends for a short time and to attend a show as well.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lidgett both are very poorly with attacks of the flu. Their nephew, Henry Lidgett, has also been affected and not able to attend school for a time. They are all now improved.

D. Ray Frans of the Bank of Union and John B. Roddy, the Union real estate man, were called to Plattsmouth on Monday afternoon of this week where they were looking after some business matters for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Banning were guests for dinner at the home of Mrs. Laura Wright and daughters last Sunday. All enjoyed the day splendidly after which Mr. and Mrs. Banning visited at Nebraska City and Minersville.

John Roddy Jr., who suffered an injury in a practice football game some time since, is now having the flu which is not adding much to his displeasure. However he is getting along fairly well and hopes to be well in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Carr, the operator and wife, and their son Lester have all been having a time with the flu and have been very sick. They are reported as being better and it is hoped that they may soon be well again.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Banning went over to Lincoln on last Sunday where they spent Sunday and also Monday. They were both looking after some business matters. Mr. Banning was meeting with the State Board of Agriculture of which he is a member.

Four hunters from Omaha came to the vicinity of Union last Sunday to hunt rabbits. Turning at an intersection near the Paul Swan home, they struck some uneven ground that threw the car over the bank. The car rolled over several times and while none of the occupants of the car were injured it certainly demolished the car.

**Charles Greene To Work**  
C. L. Greene, junior member of the enterprising grocery firm was taken last week with severe pains in his back and was so ill that he had to go home and rest. The physician found that Mr. Greene was very sick so he was compelled to remain home until Tuesday of this week when he was able to return to his work again. While he is much improved and is working again he is still not in his accustomed health.

**Gospel Team Here Sunday**  
A Gospel team from Peru will be in Union on the coming Sunday and will occupy the hour of morning service with a program which they will put on. They are singers and speakers and will give the people of Union a very delightful hour. Do not neglect to be there and enjoy this.

**Child Very Sick**  
The two and a half year daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Hathaway, living a few miles east of Union has been very ill for some time. While she is better, she has lost the use of one of her legs and it seems nothing can be done to restore the use of it.

**Many Water Pipes Froze**  
The exceedingly cold snap of the

past few days has caused some trouble of getting water and many of the pipes of the users have been broken. Among those where the pipes were frozen were the Baptist church, Mrs. Rachel Pell and Mrs. Wm. Barritt.

**Dan Lynn Still Poorly**  
Daniel Lynn is still compelled to keep to his home and bed most of the time. Some of the time he is able to sit up and then again he is compelled to lie down.

**Mrs. Clarke Getting Along**  
Mrs. Vesta Clarke, who a short time since suffered a fracture of one of her ankles, while suffering some pain is getting along as well as can be looked for. She is pleased with the improvement but it will be a time before the member is restored to its former health and strength.

**Department Makes Good Record**  
The fire that occurred last week and which was in danger of igniting the lumber yard was a rest case for the hustling fire department. Ralph Opp and E. E. Leach turned in the alarm. Mayor Stites soon had the apparatus coming down the street and in ten minutes the fire was out. That one tire on the Mayor's auto was down did not in any way interfere with the operation of the department.

**Gave Wife a Surprise**  
Everyone has a birthday anniversary and some forget it unless reminded of it. Mrs. A. W. Propst had a birthday on last Monday, December 12, and the husband, Wayne, who is always looking for something to make his wife happy, arranged for a surprise party for her. There were a large number of friends from Nebraska City and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Leach and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Meisinger of Union. All present had a splendid time and there were plenty of good things to eat.

## Many Billions Still Owed the United States

This Country Stands as the Creditor of Twenty Foreign Nations.

Washington.—More than 11 billion dollars was loaned during and immediately after the war by the United States to twenty foreign nations. Great Britain, France and Italy were granted 90 percent of these loans. A world foreign debt commission created by congress in 1922 made agreements with these various debtor nations between 1923 and 1930, under which their debts were funded. Interest rates fixed by the agreements varied according to the financial condition of the debtor. The total of principal and interest which was to be paid by all twenty debtors over a period of sixty-two years approximated 22 billions. The amounts which have actually been paid to the United States to date total \$2,627,589,897.

Great Britain's funded debt was \$4,398,000,000 and on this \$1,911,789,298 has been paid. France's funded debt was \$3,863,650,000 and \$486,075,891 has been paid. Italy owed \$2,004,900,000 and has paid \$97,584,421. Under the various funding agreements the total amounts owed the United States, according to treasury figures, and the amounts already paid are:

- Austria: Total \$23,752,217; paid \$862,168.
- Belgium: Total \$400,680,000; paid \$52,191,273.
- Czechoslovakia: \$167,071,023; paid \$18,204,178.
- Estonia: Total \$16,466,012; paid \$1,248,685.
- Finland: Total \$8,694,000; paid \$2,954,655.
- France: Total \$3,863,650,000; paid \$486,075,891.
- Great Britain: Total \$4,398,000,000; paid \$1,911,798,298.
- Greece: Total \$21,516,000; paid \$2,091,936.
- Hungary: Total \$1,908,560; paid \$493,466.
- Italy: Total \$2,004,900,000; paid \$97,584,421.
- Latvia: Total \$6,888,664; paid \$634,166.
- Lithuania: Total \$6,197,682; paid \$1,128,580.
- Nicaragua: Total, \$325,627; paid \$168,783.
- Poland: Total \$206,057,000; paid \$22,646,297.
- Rumania: Total \$63,860,560; paid \$4,761,945.
- Russia: Total \$317,953,006; paid \$8,748,378.
- Jugoslavia: Total \$61,625,000; paid \$2,588,771.

### MASSES AT MANLEY CHURCH

Christmas services in St. Patrick's church, Manley, will consist of midnight mass, with mass in the morning at 10 a. m. Last mass will be followed by benediction.

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## Farm Mortgage Debts are Fixed at Ten Billions

Gray Silver, of West Virginia, Proposes Plan of Relieving Them Within a Generation.

Chicago.—Retirement of the farm mortgage debt of the United States, estimated by him at more than 10 billion dollars, within one generation was proposed by Gray Silver of Martinsburg, W. Va., by refinancing and reorganizing the federal farm loan system. Silver's plan, he said, would save 600 millions a year to the farmers of the nation.

Interest charges facing mortgaged farmers now average more than 7 percent. Silver's program would reduce this to 4 percent, including the cost of interest, amortization and insurance upon the individual farmer.

"One of our biggest national problems," he said, "is to arrange for payment of mortgages on farms. Like governmental debts, farm obligations must be paid. Arrangements must be made to prevent further foreclosures. Unlike business firms, farmers cannot go into receivership and continue operations. It is generally recognized that prosperity cannot return until our farmers are relieved of the mortgage burden hanging over them."

A former democratic lieutenant governor of West Virginia, Silver is a prominent farmer and agricultural economist in the eastern apple region. He was the first Washington representative of the farm bureau and is president of several co-operative organizations at Martinsburg.

He believes that by reorganizing federal agencies dealing with rural credits, bonds based on farm property can be made as safe and attractive as government securities. Like federal issues, he said, bonds of the federal farm loan system could be sold on a 2 percent interest basis. In addition to the 2 percent interest, farmers amortization in retiring the principal of mortgages and an additional 1 percent, making a 4 percent total, for insurance upon the farmer as protection on the loan.

Considerable saving is proposed by buying mortgages at less than par when refinancing is started. His plan, Silver said, has been submitted to a number of economists, financiers and politicians, who have approved it. President-elect Roosevelt in his St. Louis speech advocated re-financing of farm mortgages.

The suggested insurance upon the mortgaged farmer would either be carried as a group policy by a private company or by a mutual organization sponsored by the land bank system.

The insurance feature is designed to make the mortgage bonds safe both for the investor and the farmer, and insure liquidation of the debt within the one generation period.—State Journal.

### HIGHWAY GROUP ELECTS LONG

Grand Island, Dec. 8.—John I. Long of Missouri Valley, Ia., was elected president of the Lincoln Highway bureau at a meeting of the organization here Thursday. The group represents towns and cities along the highway through Iowa and Nebraska.

Charles D. Manson of Cedar Rapids, Ia., was chosen secretary-treasurer. Iowa directors are O. C. Burrows of Belle Plaine, A. C. Root of Clinton, John I. Long of Missouri Valley, R. E. McCoy of Carroll, Roy Uright of Jefferson and P. W. Micksell of Marshalltown.

Nebraska directors are George Wolz of Fremont, W. J. Hendy of North Platte, Wallace Thornton of Kearney, A. R. Miller of Columbus, Dav Trail of Grand Island, and Reed O'Halon of Blair.

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### MAYOR DEMANDS A CLEANUP

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### MAY SUSPEND FAIR

Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 12.—Recommendation that the Iowa state fair be suspended for a period of two years was to be considered by the state legislative interim tax committee in its final meeting here Tuesday.

"The taxpayers of Iowa have in the last eighteen years contributed \$1,133,700 to the expense of the improvements on the fair grounds and the operation of the fair," a statement issued by the committee said.

## Ravenna Creamery and Church at Wahoo Burn

Poultry, Truck and Building Loss estimated at \$15,000—Records of Church Are Saved.

Ravenna, Neb. — The Ravenna Creamery company building and contents were destroyed by a fire of unknown origin Sunday with a loss estimated at \$15,000. Two motor trucks, 1,800 egg cases and some poultry were part of the loss.

The fire was discovered about 9:30 a. m. in a storage room in the rear of the building. The building was owned by the Fairmont Creamery company, and several years ago was used in the manufacture of butter and ice cream.

Zero weather hampered firemen in their fight, but they confined the flames to the building and thus saved the Lars Larsen Lumber company and Nielson Motor company buildings nearby.

100 Escape From Church. Wahoo.—The Marietta Baptist church ten miles north of here and its contents, with the exception of records and books, were destroyed by fire Sunday morning.

The blaze, which started from the furnace, was discovered at about 11 a. m. while Sunday school was in session. The more than 100 persons in the church escaped without injury. The church, a large frame structure, was built more than forty years ago. Rev. W. E. Overturf is pastor.

The amount of loss was not made public but it was only partially covered by insurance. No plans have yet been made for rebuilding or for a temporary church home.

### CHILDREN BREAK INTO BANK

Bloomington, Pa.—A nine year old boy and his seven year old sister broke into a Bloomington bank, police said, and took two sacks containing small sums of money. The children were found later by an older sister who notified the father and then turned them over to the police. They were released in custody of the father for appearance before a justice of the peace. The children entered the Bloomington bank—Columbia Trust company, in the heart of town, thru a small window, opening from a wash room, police said. From there they proceeded to the banking room and picked up two sacks of money that a bank employe had obtained at a Sunday school and placed on a desk. The children then climbed out of the window, police said, and they were found wandering about town after a sister, fourteen years old, had discovered they were missing from their home.

The boy offered the older sister two dollars, she said, and then under questioning, told her about the "robbery." The police found \$11.45 in the boy's pockets and discovered one of the sacks of money hidden in a small nook along side the front steps of the bank.

### CAUGHT FIRE WHILE IN AIR

Raymondville, Tex. — Department of commerce investigators expressed the opinion that a plane which crashed on the world's largest ranch near here, killing two men, caught fire while in the air. The charred bodies of L. C. Dunn of Des Moines, and his personal pilot, Lawrence B. Schmitt of Dewar, Ia., were found in the burned wreckage on the million acre King ranch. Officers believed the accident occurred Wednesday noon at Dunn left Brownsville, where he had been visiting friends, on a flight for Austin, the state capital. He had planned to continue later to California. The plane was found by a party of hunters. Every inflammable thing about it burned.

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### REVIVAL MEETINGS CLOSE

The meetings that were being held at the Christian church, closed Sunday evening, after a very successful two weeks meeting. Rev. A. W. Farmer departed Monday for his home at Clay Center, Nebraska, where he has a regular charge in the Christian church at that place.

Rev. Farmer no doubt has a very promising future in the ministry, he being exceptionally well read, and a gentleman that everyone respected and revered, who were fortunate in making his acquaintance, both young and aged alike. We look forward hoping it may be possible to have him with us again in the near future.

There were thirteen additions to the church during the meetings, eight by confession, three by letter, and two by statement, of which the church is well pleased, and thankful for. We appreciate the efforts and co-operation of everyone having a part in this good work, both in and outside the church membership. The ordinance of baptism will be observed next Sunday, after the evening services, Bro. O. B. Chastain officiating.

### ROYAL NEIGHBORS ELECT

The members of the Royal Neighbors of America held their annual election of officers at the lodge room in the Eagles hall on Monday evening. There was a large number of the members present. The following officers were named:

- Gracie—Mrs. Anna Kaffenberger.
- Vice-Gracie—Mrs. Minnie Renner.
- Chaplain—Mrs. Ruth Sulser.
- Recorder—Mrs. Sadie Jones.
- Receiver—Mrs. Freda Stibal.
- Marshal—Mrs. Louise Klinger.
- Inner Sentinel—Mrs. Erma McCrary.
- Outer Sentinel—Mrs. Pearl Meisinger.
- Manager—Mrs. Emma Nolting.
- Musician—Mrs. Dollie Hudson.
- Physician—Dr. R. P. Westover.

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### FIRST GAME OF SEASON

The Plattsmouth high school basketball team will have their first game of the season on Friday evening when the Ashland team comes here to meet the Plattmers.

There is an abundance of material this year for the team and the reserve force is exceptionally good, making it a battle for the members of the team to retain their places in the competition.

The probable starting lineup of the opening game will be Arn and McCleary at the forward positions, Rummel at center and Rounse and Bob Hirz at the guard positions. These players are the veterans of the last year champs with the exception of Hirz who has developed in fine shape in the practice of the last few weeks.

### DRAWS DOWN SMALL FINE

Monday afternoon Constable Tom Svoboda visited the farm of E. G. Ruffner in the vicinity of Murray, going to levy on a writ of replevin on some of the property at the farm. Mr. Ruffner objected to the efforts of Mr. Svoboda to levy on a car at the place in addition to a tractor. The dispute grew and resulted in the constable ordering Mr. Ruffner to accompany him and the appraisers, Louis Kell and Fay McClintock, to this city. After the hearing of the matter in the county court, Mr. Ruffner plead guilty to the charge of resisting the officer and received a fine of \$3 and costs which was paid.

### ARRANGE COASTING SPOTS

From Wednesday's Daily  
In accordance with the desire to provide safe and regulated places for coasting by the young people of the community, Mayor Sattler and members of the police department have designated several places for coasting.

The hours set for coasting are from 7 to 10 p. m. each evening. During these hours all motorists and others are asked to avoid as far as possible driving in the sections set aside

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