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MINOR NOTES FROM ALL PARTS OF NEBRASKA

The Adams County Defense Court... The timber along Muddy creek near Stella is being demolished...

Oats threshed on the farm of E. E. Sluck, near Lincoln, yielded ninety-six and two-thirds bushels to the acre. A twenty-acre field is said to have made this yield...

The general synod of Lutheran ministers of Richardson and adjacent counties met at Falls City and formed a permanent hospital association for the purpose of erecting a Lutheran hospital at Falls City.

The Sterling Red Cross society raised \$220 the other evening from the sale of a calf, donated by James Pharoah and a colt, donated by Luther Miller. The calf was sold several times, bringing a total of \$730.

Paving work at Beatrice, which has been hindered somewhat owing to the shortage of labor and of crushed rock, is again progressing. Seventeen blocks of base is now ready for asphaltic concrete surface.

Work has commenced at Allen on the moving of the old Methodist church to make room for the proposed new building. A new parsonage also will be built.

Kimball and Banner counties will hold a joint fair September 25, 26 and 27. Plans are being made for an enlarged fair. It will be held at Kimball.

Letters have been sent over the state by Lenox post No. 29, G. A. R., at Atkinson, urging that speakers be sent throughout Nebraska to arouse patriotism.

It is believed that Miss Goldie Matzke, whose dead body was found in the family home, near Milford, accidentally shot herself while attempting to shoot a rabbit.

B. R. Warbelton, a Broken Bow blacksmith, has been placed under arrest by federal authorities, charged with making treasonable utterances directed against President Wilson.

George Dutton, representing Hastings and Omaha concerns, returned to Hastings from Washington with orders for 2,000 sets of harness and 3,000 collars for the government.

Nine hundred thousand dollars in money for nine holes of W. H. Book water farm in Pawnee county was distributed at the annual reunion of the family.

It is reported that wholesale evidence of working female laborers over time at Fremont factories and stores has been found by state authorities.

An old-fashioned barbecue is one of the diversions planned for visiting retailers to Omaha fall market week, August 20 to 23.

At a special election held in Aurora a \$40,000 bond proposition to construct a grade school building carried by a vote of 203 to 65.

George W. Hummel, pioneer legislator and county assessor of Webster county, died at his home in Red Cloud.

A thousand feet of sewer at an estimated cost of \$3,900 will be constructed in Plattsmouth.

Bratton Union consolidated school center, in southeastern Nebraska, ten miles from the nearest town, is the center of social activities, summer as well as winter.

A wide area of Polk county was visited by a heavy rain and hail storm just recently. Commencing at Stromsburg and extending west for five miles the corn crop was damaged to considerable extent in that locality.

Lewellen claims the banner for volunteers to the Nebraska National Guards for any village in the state, having furnished 35 recruits to Company H, Sixth regiment, Nebraska National Guard.

Shubert Bros. of Shubert, near Stella, just marketed their entire output of No. 1 and 2 apples with a big Chicago firm. The crop will be something like 15,000 barrels and the price is \$3.75 per barrel.

To show their patriotism every member of the Lutheran church in the city of Ong contributed to the Red Cross during a drive for funds. The sum of \$1,800 was raised.

Threshing has commenced in the Humboldt neighborhood. Wheat is of excellent quality and the yield surprisingly good.

The Thayer county fair will be held at Desler August 28 to 31. This is one of the largest county fairs in Nebraska. Two thousand dollars is offered for premiums and \$2,000 for speed and free attractions.

The Methodist Episcopal church of York has a resident membership of 1,045. The church has made a most remarkable growth in the past year or so.

Contract has been awarded by the Hastings city council for three miles of asphalt paving, the price being \$1.84 per square yard.

Officials of the Rock Island announce that the contract has been let for the erection of a new depot at Virginia, Gage county, to take the place of the structure destroyed by fire about two years ago.

Scottsbluff's new Burlington depot will be a structure similar to the stations at Grand Island and Holdrege. It will be 125 by 42 feet and cost about \$85,000.

A movement is on foot at North Platte to organize a home defense company to protect government, state and private property.

EXPECT EXEMPTION OF MANY

Reason Why Authorities Have Called So Many to the Colors is Fully Explained.

Washington, July 21.—The drawing of lots is the climax of the nation's effort to build up a great military force on the principle of universal service. After the muster role is made, only the simpler tasks of examination and exemption, mobilization and training will remain. For this work

long established rules can be followed, but in the steps taken heretofore the government has been forced to make a way of its own.

Already President Wilson formally has ordered to the colors 687,000 of the men for whom lots have been drawn and most of them will be in training by mid-September at 16 cantonments under construction throughout the country. To provide that many physically fit and without any incumbent calling for exemption the war department will summon for examina-

tion the 1,374,000 who are found after the drawing to stand at the head of the muster roll.

If more are needed to provide a net quota of 687,000 soldiers, those standing next in order will be summoned. So, too, will the choice pass on down the line when future increments are ordered to the colors by the president. Military men estimate that about every other man summoned will be exempted, and on that basis the 1,000,000 whose order of liability has been determined should yield close to 500,000

soldiers before the roll is exhausted.

Salt Held in Reverence.

The superstitious with regard to salt are endless. That the spilling of salt is unlucky is perhaps the commonest of all superstitions, and it is as true as the table. There are Scottish households where salt is still held in such reverence that the saltcellar used at the family table is invariably kept standing on the family Bible.

Well Protected.

Friend—"Why do you maintain such a large office force?" Financier—"To prevent outsiders from bothering me."

"But I thought that was what your executive secretary was for." "Oh, no. He is here to prevent the office force from bothering me."—Life.

"A cornfield makes me think of good intentions," said Uncle Eben. "De plantin' is easy. De big job is keepin' de weeds out."