

**Invalide Items**

Mesdames Ray and Earl Burwell went to Ruska for a few day's visit with the later's brothers, Roy and Ralph Stiekney.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jorgenson were pleasant callers at the Wm. Wonderly home last Friday.

Mrs. B. Leonard is in Red Cloud with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Topham. Mrs. Geo. Jorgenson and daughter Maxie, and Miss Mamie Watson spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Jane Farley.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hunter were calling at Fred Hunter's last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hunter spent Wednesday evening with the former's sisters, Mrs. Harry Cloud.

Ivan Blankenkaker arrived home Wednesday evening, having served his time in Uncle Sam's service.

Frank Bloom has returned from Scotts Bluff where he took a car of stock and household goods for Tan Heflin.

Miss Geneva Miller spent Thursday night with Mrs. Chas. Hunter.

Choir practice was held Thursday night at Mrs. Edith Miller's.

Mrs. Amy Heflin and children left Sunday evening for Scotts Bluff where her husband has located, and will make that place their future home.

Avie Moore called on Bernice Saunders Saturday evening.

Katherine and Azley Carpenter and Mildred Heflin spent Sunday with the Rutledge twins, Misses Bessie and Jessie.

Guy Barker was assisting in the butcher shop Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Burgess and son John spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Burgess of Red Cloud.

Mr. Charles Martin came in Saturday morning from Cozad, Neb., for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. Roy Matkin, who has been visiting his father and mother for the past two weeks, returned to his home in South Dakota Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harwood are visiting at the C. McCall home this week. Messrs Geo. Matkin, Wm. Wonderly, Ralph Harmon, Geo. Jorgenson, and R. E. Hunter, were among those who went to Hastings Thursday morning.

C. H. Burgess is on the sick list. Mrs. Esador called on Mrs. L. B. Daily Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Palmer were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kennedy Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hunter were visiting at the Fred Hunter home in Riverton Sunday.

Miss Schneider was taken sick in school last Monday and had to dismiss school for the remainder of the day, but is better at this writing.

Last Tuesday Mr. R. E. Hunter bought the property formerly owned by Mr. M. Blankenkaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Blankenkaker went to Lincoln for a few days visit with the latter's sister, who has been in a hospital there.

Esador Breault made a business trip to Red Cloud Tuesday.

**Bladen Brieflets**

Mrs. Wm. Stanley of Roseland, visited with her brother's, Jas. Fred, Arthur and families the past week.

Geo. Ross was down from Queen City the fore part of the week, working on the Frank Spence residence in the north part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Glens Phelps and babe came in from Chappell last week for a visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Phelps and family. J. A. Denton met them at Kearney and brought them to Bladen.

Carl Waechter arrived home the latter part of the week from Camp Funston, where he received his honorable discharge from the service. Carl went with the last contingent called before the armistice was signed.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spence and family enjoyed a visit from the latter's

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**Notice of Suit**

Martha E. Wright, John Gilford, James Gilford, Maggie Shafer, Mary Hennes, Frank J. Mahoney and the spouses of each of them and the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees personal representatives and successors in interest of each of them will take notice that George A. Wells as plaintiff, did on January 31, 1919, file his petition and commence an action in the district court of Webster County, Nebraska, against them the object and prayer of which are to quiet in the said plaintiff as against any and all adverse claimants of the said named and designated defendants or any of them the title to the Lot Twenty-two (22) in Block Three (3) in the town of Cowles in Webster County, Nebraska, and that the mortgage executed thereon by Edward Gilford and wife to Martha E. Wright, recorded March 21, 1880, in Book Y of Mortgages at page 157 be decreed to have been paid and satisfied and to be discharged of record and that the defendants so named and designated and all persons claiming through or under any of them be forever barred and enjoined from claiming or asserting any right, title or interest in or to the said premises or any part thereof adverse to the plaintiff.

You are required to answer the petition of the plaintiff on file in the office of the Clerk of said court, at Red Cloud, Nebraska, on or before Monday, March 16, 1919.

GEORGE A. WELLS,  
By L. H. Blackledge,  
His Attorney.

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brother, E. S. Bottom and wife, of Edgar, from Wednesday evening until Friday morning.

Mrs. Grace McCreger visited among friends and relatives in Lincoln and Geneva the middle of the week.

Everett Herndon, who resided on the A. H. Alexander farm south of town, is moving onto a place some three miles out of Red Cloud. His brother, Fred, expects to move onto the vacant ed farm in the spring.

**Farm Bureau Notes**

Annual Meeting, Webster County Farm Bureau—Saturday, February 15, 1919, in the Court Room of the Court House:

10:00—Meeting of Board of Directors, local leaders and school district Co-operators. Address, Co-operation, J. L. Gilmore, Valley, Neb.

1:30—President's address, Joe Gurney, Inavale.

1:50—Secretary's report, Carl Fausch.

2:00—Annual report—County Agent.

2:30—Address, Value of Organization, N. W. Gain, Lincoln, Neb.

3:30—Election of officers.

Every farmer should attend this meeting. Annual report of the County Agent work for the past year will be given, and hear Mr. Gain on "The Value of Organization." Also help elect officers for the coming year.

Board of Directors of the Farm Bureau—Board of Directors of the Farm Bureau are elected in the following manner: Each of the seven townships in the county nominates their man to represent them and the entire county elects him, therefore it is very important that every farmer be represented on the Farm Bureau the coming year.

Calf Clubs—The enrollment in the Calf Clubs is getting nicely started and all indications are that it will be a go.

We realized when we started this that there would be 25 knockers to one booster. It is a big thing to tackle but the value from a movement of this kind is also big and it is the big things that are worth while doing. This not only is a new thing for Webster County, but it is a new thing for the State of Nebraska also.

In the eastern states where Calf Clubs have been pulled off like this they have been a great success and we see no reason why it should not be a great success in Nebraska. So here is a chance to boost Webster County as well as Nebraska.

I talked to the High School students at Red Cloud and Blue Hill this week and I find that a good many would like to enter but their parents object. It is too bad that the ambitions of so many boys and girls are discouraged by their parents.

HENRY R. FAUSCH,  
County Agricultural Agent.

**Chas. A. Teel**

Attorney Jas. S. Gilham, in the following manner, does honor to the late Charles A. Teel, brother of City Clerk, O. C. Teel, and a former resi-

dent of this county, who passed away at his home in Frontier county, on February 1st, at the time of his death being 69 years of age. Mr. Teel left here in 1896, moving to a farm near Maywood, and is well and favorably remembered by all, having served as sheriff of Webster county in 1890-91.

Charley Teel, as the neighbors of Webster county knew him, was one of those men to whom the early history of western Nebraska was indebted more than can be easily realized. It was the industry, prudent husbandry, sound morality and social helpfulness of young men of his character that demonstrated to his neighbors, friends and strangers, that life could be successfully and happily lived on the western prairies remote from villages and railways. At the age of twenty-four, he had accumulated by hard labor in the east, when labor was poorly paid, enough funds to provide himself with a team, wagon, a supply of food, and some farming tools. So provided forty-six years ago he made the then long journey from Illinois to what was western Nebraska, and selected his homestead midway between the Republican and Blue rivers, on the high divide in the eastern half of this county. He built himself a sod house and a sod barn, after the fashion of the few who had preceded him to that part of the county, and devoted himself to the cultivation of his land with such zeal and thrift, that notwithstanding the grasshopper plague of '74, he felt justified in taking to himself a wife. He wooed and won the most attractive maiden in the neighborhood, and in 1875 she added the grace of radiant womanhood to the rudeness of the sod dwellings and gave them the light and warmth of home.

Where others grumbled and idled, Charley laughed and toiled. Where others wasted their earnings, and saddled themselves with debt and lost the farms which had cost them nothing, Charley saved what he earned. The ghost of debt, and the clay of the usurer never disturbed his peace. Yet there was nothing miserly or selfish in his thrift.

Take this incident for example. In 1890, when populism ran riot in this country, and Bolshevism took possession of the farmers, because of the total failure of crops, and the hopeless indebtedness of the people, Charley had an abundance of corn saved over from the previous year. Instead of hauling this corn to market, he invited his neighbors, without discrimination to take what they needed. Some of them offered their notes in payment. He refused to take them. Their notes, he told them, were no good at the bank. He preferred their oral promise to repay him when they got able. It is pleasant to relate that every one faithfully and cheerfully repaid him out of the next year's crop.

Once he got caught. He signed a note with a neighbor payable to the

bank at Cowles. The neighbor carelessly let the note go to judgment. Charley, when he heard of it, told the bank to come to his farm, take his best horse and lead it to town in sight of the neighbor. The banker had barely got the horse into town when the neighbor appeared with the money to pay the judgment and redeemed the horse.

Mr. Teel was elected, and served one term as sheriff. But official life was not to his taste. He devolved the duties of the office upon his younger brother, Oscar, while he remained on his farm.

When the price of Webster county ed out of the question to provide each land began to appreciate, and it seemed of his many children with a Webster county farm, he sold out here, and went to Frontier county where he could initiate them all into his own pioneer experiences, with the promise of the sure rewards that had attended his own efforts.

Ex-President Roosevelt could have found no fault with Charley Teel. He left eight children and twenty-five grandchildren, each one a genuine American, imbued with the instincts of an American pioneer adventure.

Although Mr. Teel died in a distant county, and there is sadness in recalling him to memory, yet there is a pleasure, also, in acknowledging the obligation we owe to his worth, while he was among us.

**Report of the Condition OF THE Bank of Inavale**

of Inavale Charter No. 795 in the State of Nebraska at the close of business January 28, 1919.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$103,437.91
Overdrafts	1,065.16
Bonds, Securities, Judgments, claims, warrants, etc.	3,966.33
Other Assets, Liberty Bonds	11,000.00
U. S. Treasury Certificates	20,000.00
Current house, furniture & fixtures	3,000.00
Current expenses, taxes and interest paid	1,644.87
Due from national and state banks	\$ 96,481.30
Currency	1,337.00
Gold coin	35.00
Silver, nickels and cents	1,034.06
Total	\$ 213,001.63

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 10,000.00
Surplus fund	6,000.00
Undivided profits	2,868.83
Individual deposits subject to check	176,017.11
Deposit certificates of deposit	100.00
Time certificates of deposit	16,945.35
Depositor's guaranty fund	1,070.34
Total	\$ 213,001.63

STATE OF NEBRASKA,  
County of Webster

I, G. R. McCrary, Cashier of the above named bank do hereby swear that the above statement is a correct and true copy of the report made to the State Banking Board.

G. R. MCCRARY,  
Cashier.

Witness:  
Charles Hunter, Director,  
G. H. McCrary, Director,  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of February, 1919.

C. H. Burgess  
Notary Public.