

Items of Interest Gleaned from Our Exchanges

Pender Republic: Dick Walden was here the first of the week from Minneapolis in the interest of Texas oil stock which he is selling.

Osmond Republican: E. J. Huo has had a couple of fine signs painted on his garage. One of them is on top and electrically lighted at night.

Pender Times: Thos. Noonan of Buck Grove, Iowa, and his son John, of Nacora, were in Pender over Sunday, visiting at the Mrs. P. W. Cain home.

Wakefield Republican: George Kohlmeier went to Sioux City Friday and brought Mrs. Kohlmeier home from the hospital, where she underwent an operation recently.

Ponca Advocate: Conrad Jacobson of Lyons, was here Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Neurenberger and children of Wakefield were guests at the C. E. Hedges home Sunday.

Waterbury Items in Allen News: Rev. J. L. Phillips will be the minister at Waterbury for the coming year. J. W. Paxton will preach at Homer and Hubbard. Frank Way, of Central City, is here visiting friends and relatives. He came last week so as to take in the Interstate Fair.

Allen News: Little towns the size of Martinsburg, Willits and Jackson have signs on the roads, regarding the speed limit in town, but Allen has none. Of course there are some roads entering into town where such signs would be superfluous, but yet there are others where speeding is done by over enthusiastic motorists.

Walthill Citizen: W. H. Mason was a business visitor in Sioux City Monday evening and Tuesday. W. H. Mason has been confined to his home the past ten days with a very severe case of rheumatism, but we

are glad to state he is able to be at the store again. Geo. H. Lamson jr., came home from Camp Eaton, Sioux City, last night. He made a flying trip via Hubbard and Emerson to Walthill to say goodbye to parents and the "only one" at Hubbard. He returned to Camp Eaton at 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

Sioux City Journal, 30th: M. J. Foreshoe, of Dakota City, Neb., was on the day's market with porkers that were good enough to bring \$19.49, the extreme top price of the day. Aid from Congress protecting themselves against the Missouri river below the combination bridge is asked in petitions which are being circulated in Dakota county, Neb. Copies of the petitions will be sent to the county commissioners and to the senators and representatives of Nebraska in congress. The river is cutting in badly and another big rise would seriously endanger the property and people of the place.

Lyons Sun: John Young jr. is now working at Sol's pharmacy, taking the place made vacant by Edgar Cawthorne's removal. The Philaetha and brotherhood classes of the M. E. church gave a farewell reception Friday evening, September 14th, in honor of the boys who were leaving for military service. The program for the evening consisted of various games, and following Mr. Conrad Jacobson gave a very pleasing address to the boys. At the close of the evening a two course luncheon was served, during which Mr. Martin gave several selections on the victrola. The boys were presented with a pocket testament before leaving.

Emerson Enterprise: Mrs. Lillian McLaughlin of Fonda, Iowa, is visiting friends and relatives in Emerson this week. Editor and Mrs. J. R. Feauto and babe were visitors at the Nelson Feauto home last Sunday. Marshal Brink was in Dakota City on business Monday, and while so near made a short visit to Sioux City. Wm. Jensen and Levi McEntaffer and families left for western Nebraska last Friday on a hunting trip. Miss Beth Cooley of Wakefield, returned Saturday after a week's visit at the home of Earl Patterson. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Church, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fillman and Mrs.

August Fillman of Homer, were over Sunday visitors at the John Church home. George Warner of McGregor, Minn., Harry Warner and wife of Allen, Mrs. Ward and Beecher took dinner at the Lyman Hutchings home Sunday. Mr. Warner is a brother of Mrs. Ward.

Sioux City Journal, 28th: Samuel Coombs, of South Sioux City, suffered a broken leg last night when he was struck by a motor car driven by James F. Toy, 1920 Jackson street, at Third and Nebraska streets. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital. According to the report, the street was crowded with people who were gathering to welcome the Minnesota guardsmen when they arrived at the Northwestern passenger station, and Coombs backed into the car before Mr. Toy was able to stop. Mr. Toy reported the accident to the police. Tony Martina, a farmer living near Dakota City, Neb., who yesterday was arraigned before County Judge S. W. McKinley on a charge of assault and battery, was acquitted. Martina was arrested on complaint of Izzy Mirken, of Sioux City, who said Martina attacked him with a gun and threatened to kill him. Martina testified that Mirken came to his house to buy a drink. Upon being told that there was no liquor on the place, Martina says Mirken began searching the house. Martina said he then became angry and ordered Mirken out of the house.

Sioux City Tribune, 27th: Acting under the instructions of Police Judge W. E. Davis, of South Sioux City, Neb., liquor to the value of \$3,500 will be destroyed by the police next Monday. This liquor was seized by the Nebraska city police. It is alleged to be the property of C. W. Miller, James Flynn and W. P. Keefe, 1220 Riverside avenue. In police court late yesterday afternoon at South Sioux City Flynn pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal ownership of the liquor and was fined \$100, and the court ordered the liquor destroyed. Petitions asking for aid in protecting the Nebraska bank of the Missouri below the combination bridge are being prepared at the present time and will be put in circulation in a few days, according to Attorney R. E. Evans, of Dakota county, Nebraska, and also sent to the Nebraska senators and representatives in congress. Several years ago the Sioux City Commercial club, aided by other organizations, sent a delegation to congress and secured an appropriation of \$50,000 for protection of the river bank between the Northwestern bridge and the Combination bridge. It is now feared that the river will work back of this protection and destroy it again, and for that reason it is felt that another appropriation of probably a like amount is badly needed at this time. Already the river is cutting in badly on several farms, and another flood period would seriously endanger the entire protection now in place.

Sioux City Journal, 29: Impure bologna sausage eaten by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gasser, of South Sioux City, Neb., and their two little children, Edith and Bernice Gasser, caused ptomaine poisoning yesterday morning and Dr. Leonard De Vore was summoned. The children were the most seriously affected. They were taken ill in school during the morning and returned to their home. Last night they were reported greatly improved and Dr. De Vore said that they will be able to return to school today or tomorrow. Mr. and Mrs. Gasser were only slightly affected and did not require the care of the physician. Just for a three-hour visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. McPherson, of South Sioux City, Neb., prior to his departure for Linda Vista, Cal., the Colorado cavalry mobilization camp, Leo R. McPherson, a private in Troop C, of the Colorado cavalry, dared missing the troop train that would convey him to his mobilization camp. McPherson, who arrived in Sioux City from Denver yesterday morning, was clad in a heavy army overcoat and was surprised at the unchanged climatic conditions in Sioux City. "I guess you wouldn't laugh at me for wearing this overcoat if you saw some of the weather we have been having in Denver," he said. "This is really the first chance I've had to get warm." After a three-hour stay in Sioux City, McPherson took the train back to Denver, Colo., where he will board the train that will convey him to Linda Vista. "It was a short stay," McPherson said as he boarded the train still wearing his overcoat, "but it was worth it."

Lincoln Special in Omaha Bee, 28th: Failure of the justices of the peace to give violators of the game laws fines sufficient to make their arrest a real hardship is the cause of much grief for the game warden's department, according to Chief Game Warden George Koster, who sometimes finds it difficult to keep from saying things when he receives a re-

port that a certain individual who has broken the game law, and the statutes provide a fine of \$100 for the offense, has been let off with a paltry \$1 or \$2, and perhaps as high as \$5 and costs, amounting generally to \$6 or \$7. "For instance," said Game Warden Koster to The Bee, "we arrested eleven men for seining in Jackson lake near Dakota City. We captured about 250 pounds of fish in their possession and the nets with which they had got the fish. The fine for the offence is plainly set forth in the statutes at not less than \$5 for each fish found in possession of the offenders, yet a part of the men were turned loose on the grounds that the lake was a part of the Missouri river, while the other men, half a dozen in number, were given a paltry fine of \$5 and costs. Jackson lake is no more part of the Missouri river than is Crystal lake close by it, or even Carter lake near Omaha. It is such propositions as these that make it hard for us to enforce the law. The state goes to the expense and trouble to stock these lakes with fish, yet men are given a fine which means nothing to them. The state stocks the lakes and these men go in with seines and take them out again."

SCHOOL NOTES.

By Clarence Linton.
Roy Perry has returned after a week's absence. He has been visiting in Dakota.
The second grade regret to have lost Merle Spidell from their group. He has gone to his new home in Iowa.

Helen Foltz has been chosen from the second grade to report school notes from the primary department. The first and second grades visited the elevator Monday and were weighed, each child recording his own weight. These results will be used in their number work thus making the children themselves the basis of the work. The study of foods will be taken up in this connection also. It is surprising to note the great difference in the weights of children of the same age. For the first grade a range of weights from forty-one to sixty-two pounds was found, while in the second grade the range extended from forty-one to seventy-three.

Harlin Spidell was dropped from the primary roll this week, having moved away.
John Orr and Frank Forrest were absent during the past week on account of sickness.

Practice on the high school play began in earnest Monday evening. The play is entitled "Kicked out of College," and requires nineteen characters. The play is being given as a part of the literary work of the school this year and is of considerable merit. There are three acts and it requires two hours and fifteen minutes to present them. The cast of characters is as follows: Bootles Benbow, a popular senior, George Bierman, Tad Cheseldine, the college cut-up, Bennie Leech, Leticus, the Ace of Spades, Henry Knunwieder, Scotch McAllister, a hard student, Harold Leech, Shorty Long, on the Glee Club, Joseph Kramper, Slivers Magee, a happy junior, Emil Ansnes, Mr. Benjamin J. Benbow, Bootle's father, Joseph Culbertson, Mr. Sandy McCain, coach of the dramatic club, Theodore Frederick, Officer Riley, from the Emerald Isle, Ralph Graham, Mr. Gears, of the Speed Motor Co., James Kramper, Jacquill Gray, the little chauffeur, Barbara Neiswanger, Bettie Benbow, Bootle's sister, Gladys Biermann, Mrs. B. J. Benbow, her mother, a suffragette, Anna Evans, "Ma" Baggs, a popular landlady, Lola Heikes, Mrs. Mehitable McCann, a jealous wife, Lillie Sides, Selma McCann, aged sixteen, Goldie Frederick, Miss Juliet Snobbs, the college stenographer, Grace Ream, Mlle. Minni Flewette, a French costumer, Elizabeth Smith, Salomanca Spirins, a black wash-lady, Dottie Cain. This play will be given to the public Friday evening, October 12, in the school auditorium.

County Agent's Field Notes

BY C. R. YOUNG.

Farmers who have not already gathered seed corn should make this "Seed Corn Week." Special demonstrations in field selection will be held during the week as follows:
Wednesday at 2 p. m.—Hugh Graham's in the Salem neighborhood.
Thursday at 8 a. m.—Jas. King's farm at Blyburg.
Friday at 8 a. m.—Herman Ebel's, north of Salem.
Friday at 2 p. m.—John Feller's, Pigeon Creek precinct.
Other demonstrations will be conducted where requests are made.
The gathering of seed-corn should have more than ordinary attention this fall because of the lack of perfect maturity in many fields. On most farms a good per cent of the ears are found to be quite well matured except for kernels or parts of rows which are still soft. Such kernels, unless very carefully cared for, are likely to lose their viability. Where possible, such ears should not

be selected, but if the gathering of seed is left until husking time, many of these ears will find their way into the planter box next spring unless tested out.

In gathering seed corn, the stalk as well as the ear should be studied. Stalks that are not overly tall for the fertility of ground on which they are grown, and of a strong sturdy character, are preferable. The ear should be medium high and drooping from the shank which should not be too coarse, nor yet too small, which denotes weakness and has a tendency to allow the ears to fall off. The shucks should completely cover the ear.

On opening the ears the kernels should be in straight rows, uniform in shape and as far as possible the same size throughout the length of the ear. A reasonable amount of space between rows is to be sought for, as it gives the corn a better chance to dry and is indicative of not too pointed kernels at the tip. Ears that are tight on top usually have an abundance of space, when, at the tips. In Reid's and some others the rows run in pairs with a furrow between every row. In other varieties there is a furrow between each row.

Because of lateness of maturity, overly large ears or those having large cobs should be avoided. Ears with a depression just in front of the butts are objectionable, as it indicates a constitutional weakness. Well filled tips and butts, with kernels without flintness should be selected. Where show-corn or pure bred seed are being selected the color of the cob should conform to the variety.

It is best to remove all shucks, as the ears dry out much more quickly. The use of binder twine in hanging is very good. Most of the commercial hangers are satisfactory. The object should always be to get the ears in such a way that they will

have a free circulation of cool air at all times. Avoid damp or warm places for storage, as they are likely to start germination. While the storing of well dried seed-corn in dry oats or barley has some points in its favor, yet newly gathered seed should never be hung over grain that is in the sweat. Never hang in stables or sheds where the steam from animals will rise to keep it moist.

Twenty-two Dakota county farmers and the County Agent visited the hog and cattle feeding demonstrations being conducted at the Sioux City Stock Yards, on September 29th. From the demonstrations the party went to the hog cholera and blackleg serum plants of the Purity Serum company. Those in charge acted as guides, making the tour very instructive.

On Friday evening of last week Miss Maud Wilson, of the Home Economic department of our state college, met at the court house in Dakota City with an enthusiastic crowd of women to present the work of the Woman County Agent. Other meetings will follow next week with the various women's organizations of the county.

Two sets of plans for making water supply tanks have been received at the County Agent's office. These are available to all who can make use of them.

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