

Items of Interest Gleaned from Our Exchanges

Sioux City Journal, 15: Catherine Lang and Mabel Heffernan, of Hubbard, Neb., were in Sioux City yesterday.

Wynot Tribune: Charley Matt, living north of Obert, has been listed in the automobile section of Uncle Sam's army.

Sloan, Ia., Star: Mrs. G. F. Bennett, of Homer, Neb., visited a day or two this week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Oliver.

Sioux City Journal, 13: Howard Boyle, of Jackson, Neb., is recovering from an operation for appendicitis at St. Vincent's hospital.

Walthill Citizen: Mrs. W. H. Mason went to Sioux City last Thursday. Mrs. J. H. Kinnison, of South Sioux City, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lorange, returned to her home Thursday.

Allen News: R. C. Caulk sold his residence property in the north part of town last week to Ike Boyle. R. C. Caulk and family are planning on leaving about the first of the year for Yusten, Tex., where they will spend the winter.

Ponea Journal: Judge R. E. Evans, of Dakota City, was here Tuesday afternoon appearing before the board in the Wakefield ditch matter. He reports that his son Keith, in the naval service, who has been dangerously sick, as having completely recovered.

Pender Republic: Guy Graves, jr., was released from quarantine Monday and the Judge Graves home has again been restored to comfort and happiness. Too swift, too swift. His Honor, Judge Graves, was stricken with the malady yesterday and his home is again quarantined.

Waterbury Items in Allen News: A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mrs. G. A. Herrick Saturday, December 8th, when their daughter, Florence, was united in marriage to William Clough, of Allen. Only the immediate relatives were present.

Laurel Advocate: The house on the farm occupied by Roy Ankeny, formerly the Morrow place, burned to the ground between 6 and 7 o'clock Monday evening. The trouble was caused by a defective flue. Neighbors came quickly and did all they could. Everything down stairs was saved but upstairs the reverse was true. All furnishings up there were lost and all the clothing of the family, as well as \$50 in money belonging to Mrs. Ankeny's father, E. W. Baker. We understand the men

folk will fix up one of the buildings on the place as a temporary shelter and Mrs. Ankeny will stay with friends. The farm was sold in the summer to a Mr. Heikes, of Wakefield, but as he doesn't get possession until the first of March the loss will be Mr. Morrow's. Roy estimates his loss at about \$250.

Ponea Advocate: Robert Wright bought the Mrs. Rena Lenox property in the west part of town for \$2000. Lizzie Lockwood, of South Sioux City is visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity. Judge R. E. Evans, of Dakota City, H. P. Shumway and J. D. Haskell, of Wakefield, and Engineer Tolles, of Omaha, appeared before the board of supervisors Tuesday afternoon in the matter of the Wakefield drainage ditch.

Sioux City Journal, 14: Information concerning the embargo on cane sugar intended for Nebraska use has not been received either in South Sioux City or Dakota City, it was said yesterday by those interested in the food conservation campaign in those places. A dispatch from Omaha stated that no more cane sugar will be shipped into Nebraska. This will leave the state entirely dependent on the beet product for its sugar supply.

Emerson Enterprise: Chris Jeep, of Tekamah and Lotis Jeep, of South Sioux City, were in Emerson last Saturday, the former looking after his property interests here preparatory to leaving for California, where he will spend the winter.

Mrs. John D. Zastrow died at a hospital in Norfolk on December 10, and the remains were brought to the home of her son, Wm. Zastrow, on Tuesday. The funeral services will be held from the English church on Friday at 1 o'clock p. m., conducted by Revs. Lewis and Traubel.

While returning to his home in Dakota City last Saturday night, Prof. Carl Schriever, a music teacher well known in Emerson, lost his way in the storm, and was unconscious when found by his brother Sunday morning just across the street from his home. Medical aid was summoned and he soon regained consciousness. His hands and feet were badly frostbitten but at last reports he was getting along nicely, which fact his many friends will be glad to learn.

Sioux City Journal, 16: Another effort to obtain better street car service between Sioux City and South Sioux City is being made by a committee of three men appointed at the last meeting of the South Sioux City council. Ward Evans, Will Hogan and A. B. Townie, the committee, have conferred with E. L. Kirk, general manager of the Sioux City Service company, but have not arrived at an understanding. They have asked for twenty-minute service instead of the present thirty minute schedule. Members of the committee said last night that an effort is being made by the service company to compromise the demands. One of the suggestions made was a

COME ACROSS—IT'S YOUR DUTY

Remember Horrors of War-Torn Europe and Think of Safety and Comfort Here—Then Join the Red Cross.

The good people of this community once more commemorate the nativity of the Christ Child with merry-making and gifts.

Ours is a prosperous community. None of us is likely to suffer this winter for want of food, clothing or shelter, though high prices and certain forced economies will make us realize the United States is at war thousands of miles away. A few of us who have given our boys to the nation may lose them. But generally speaking, we shall feel perfectly secure, and when we stop to think about it, we shall thank God more or less heartily for his blessings.

Over in France, which has a total population of about 35,000,000, probably 3,000,000 are in the army fighting off the invader. About 3,000,000 more—mostly women and children—are absolutely down and out. They are a part of the inhabitants of the great industrial district devastated by the German savages. Now these people are homeless, hungry, naked and sick. At least half of them have tuberculosis, with scarcely a fighting chance for life. The whole of France is making unheard of sacrifices to save the nation.

Poor little Belgium is a wreck—a dying wreck. Her small army has been practically exterminated. Her boys and old men have been shot down in cold blood by the Kaiser's heroes. Her daughters have been dragged into slavery worse than death. Her babies have been impaled on bayonets and nailed to barn doors by playful Teutonic soldiers. About all that is left of Belgium is her deathless spirit.

And Serbia. Serbia is now but a name in history. A nation become a slaughter pen and charnel house. A people wiped clean off the earth.

What has been said of France applies equally to Italy, Roumania and Russian Poland.

Europe has been a hell of suffering and grief for three years. What have the last three years meant to the United States? Prosperity and peace.

Today all stricken Europe is uttering that age-old lamentation, "Out of the depths, Oh Lord, have I cried unto Thee; Lord hear my voice." And the American Red Cross is the instrument through which Providence is answering the prayer.

The Red Cross is "over there" now, performing a labor of mercy and paying a debt of fellowship on a scale never before known. But it must have your help and mine in order to carry on its vast enterprise in the name of humanity. So the organization is campaigning the nation for 15,000,000 members.

Every man, woman and child in this community ought to belong to the Red Cross. The membership fee is \$1.00. Another dollar brings the member the Red Cross Magazine for a year.

Every \$1.00 or \$2.00 membership helps just so much to back up our American boys in khaki—helps just so much to take the frightful curse from the lives of millions of homeless, starving, freezing, diseased mothers and babies in devastated France, Serbia, Belgium, Poland and Roumania.

The finest Christmas gift you can make is a Red Cross membership. Don't fail to come across by Christmas eve!

twenty-minute service be given during the morning and evening rush hours. The annual harvest of 100,000 tons of ice from Crystal lake and the Sioux river will start tomorrow or Tuesday, it was announced yesterday by the Consumers Ice company. At least 750 men will be needed to do the work, but officials of the company do not anticipate serious trouble because of the labor shortage. They expect to have the ice cut and stored in seven weeks, if the weather remains favorable. The company has three main store houses, one at Crystal lake and two on the Sioux river. A gang of men will be kept at work at each place. Cutting will be started simultaneously at each of the camps. Ice on the lake and river is reported to be twelve inches thick now, and solid enough for fast cutting. If the weather continues fair and cold, and the company is able to obtain enough men to keep the work going at full speed, the crop will be harvested in record breaking time, according to those in charge of the plans. Officials of the Consumers plant said that while there is a general labor shortage in Sioux City they believe they will be able to obtain enough help to harvest and store the crop without delay.

M. E. Church Notes.

F. J. AUCOCK, Pastor.

Christmas services Sunday morning at 11. Every member should try to be present at that time. It is one of the times when we should be glad to gather in God's house and join in united praise to Him.

The Sunday school program will be given Sunday afternoon at 4. There will be no treat to the children this year, but instead they will help in sending aid to some of the 400,000 destitute children in Palestine, Syria, and Armenia. It is expected that next Sunday the Sunday Schools of this country will raise a million dollars for this purpose. We want to do our part. Last Christmas we sent \$25. Why not double that this year? We can if we try.

The Ladies' Aid society meets Friday of this week with Mrs. Crozier. Our slogan for this week "EVERY MEMBER, A MEMBER OF THE RED CROSS." Let us have a 100% flag on the walls next Sunday.

The Herald—1 year, \$1.25.

Farm Notes.

WINS AT INTERNATIONAL

Nebraska's stock judging team won probably the highest honors ever awarded to a team at the International Live Stock Exposition held at Chicago. Out of twelve colleges and universities that sent representatives to the exposition, Nebraska students led by more points over the second team than the second team did over the twelfth. Nebraska was first in judging horses, first in judging hogs, and first in judging sheep. Walter F. Roberst of O'Neill, Neb., was the highest individual out of the sixty highly-trained students from the twelve colleges competing. The other members of Nebraska's team were Earl Hogue, Crete; A. E. Anderson, Lincoln; Glenn Snapp, Belleville, Kas., and Chester Grau, Washington, Neb.

The University exhibited 20 head of steers and 17 head of hogs at the exposition, and brought back \$1,100 in prizes. "Bonnie Lad" was the Champion Galloway steer at the exposition and alone won \$170 in prizes.

BOTULISM AND COLD-PACK CANNING

The United States Department of Agriculture authorizes the following statement.

There is no danger that the type of food poisoning known as "botulism" will result from eating fruits or vegetables which have been canned by any of the methods recommended by the United States Department of Agriculture, provided such directions have been followed carefully, and that no canned goods are eaten which show signs of spoilage. In case of any doubt as to whether the contents of a particular can have spoiled, it should be thrown away. If fed to chickens or other animals the contents should be boiled. No canned food of any kind which shows any signs of spoilage should ever be eaten.

In the cold-pack method only fresh vegetables are recommended for canning, and the jars are sterilized at a minimum temperature of 212 degrees Fahrenheit for one to four hours. The spores which produce botulism are killed by heating for one hour at 175 degrees, so there is no reason to believe that the organism will survive the sterilization.

The toxine which the organism produces is also destroyed by boiling. Thorough cooking at the boiling temperature is therefore all that is necessary to kill the organism and destroy its toxin in the food, and cases of botulism are due to the eating of food which has been infected with the organism and not been sufficiently cooked.

ORGANIZED AGRICULTURE

Organized Agriculture, when all of Nebraska's big farmers' meetings will be held, has been scheduled this year for January 14 to 19. No matter in what special line a farmer may be interested, there will be from two to half a dozen meetings of particular interest awaiting him. The best agricultural experts from the Middle West and even from the entire United States have in many

cases agreed to be present and give expert advice along their specialties.

Present farming conditions, the exact counterpart of which have not been seen in years, make it imperative that each farmer keep himself informed as to the best methods of handling his particular products in war time. A single item gleaned from one of the many meetings held during the week has often during the year more than paid the expenses of a trip to Lincoln.

ENDORSEMENT OF COUNTY AGENTS

Inasmuch as Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Carl F. Vrooman, has stated that "the county agents constitute American agriculture's first line of defense," and Secretary of Agriculture David Houston states that "In the present war the county agent has been ready to meet the emergency and to concentrate all rural forces and organizations in working out the great problems of food production and food conservation," and Congress, in recognition of his value as a local leader, has provided funds for the immediate extension of the system to every agricultural county in the United States, the Nebraska State Council of Defense urges all state officers, organizations, and individuals to assist the Government and the State in accomplishing this end.—Nebraska State Council of Defense, George Coupland, Vice Chairman.

Grandma O'Connor

Answers Summons

In the death of Mrs. Catherine O'Connor, which occurred on Friday morning, December 14th, at the home of her son, T. J. O'Connor, at Homer, Dakota county loses one of its earliest pioneer women settlers. Death was due to ailments incident to old age. Mrs. O'Connor was born in County Cork, Ireland, September 8, 1831. She came to America at the age of 17 years and settled in Boston, where on April 18, 1850, she was married to Capt. Cornelius O'Connor. They moved to New York City and resided there until 1857, when they came to Nebraska, arriving here May 18th of that year. They first located on Elk Creek, in St. John's precinct, and a few years later moved to the O'Connor homestead in Omaha precinct, which was her home for fifty years or more.

Mrs. O'Connor was the mother of eleven children, three of whom survive her. They are: Mrs. Helena Green, of Sioux City; and C. J. O'Connor and T. J. O'Connor, of Homer, Nebr. Her husband died in 1901.

Grandma O'Connor was a noble christian woman, a lifelong member of the Catholic church, and a neighbor and friend whose memory the older settlers will always cherish.

Funeral services were held Monday forenoon at 10 o'clock from the Catholic church in Homer. Interment was made in the Catholic cemetery near Homer.

People from every part of the county assembled at the last sad rites to pay a tribute to the memory of one gone, but not forgotten.

MATRIMONIAL VENTURES

The following marriage licenses were issued by County Judge S. W. McKinley during the past week:

Name and Address	Age
Harry H. Keller, Sioux City	21
Rena Miller, " "	18
Frank J. Coffey, Sioux City	22
Minnie M. Weibes, " "	21
Earl Perry, Sioux City	23
Birdie Baker, Pierce, Nebr.	23
Frank M. Shaller, Sioux City	27
Maryle Bays, " "	22

Dakota City Grocery

Specials for Saturday

3lb bag of Rice	25c
1 Can Pork and Beans	25c
English Walnuts per lb	25c
1 Can Corn	15c
1 Gallon Dark Karo Syrup	85c
Large Pkge Borax Soap Powder	25c
Boiling Meat	14 1/2c
Beef Roast	17c

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X-mas Suggestions

Silverware

Cut Glass

Fancy China

Manicure Sets

Tie Clasps

Aluminum Ware

Watches and Clocks

Toilet Sets

Cuff Links

Tie Pins

I am selling lots of FRENCH AUTO OIL in barrel lots. Oil is going up and it will pay auto owners and farmers to lay in a supply right now.

G. F. Broyhill's