

**ITEMS OF INTEREST  
GLEANED FROM  
OUR EXCHANGES**

Allen News: R. C. Caulk returned Friday evening from a trip to Waco, Osceola and Central City, Nebr.

Walthill Citizen: Mrs. W. H. Mason and daughter Lena returned from Sioux City last Saturday noon. Miss Lena is looking fine since her operation.

Newcastle Times: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Davison and little Helen, autoed to Sioux City Sunday and took dinner with Ed Stewart at McCook lake. Miss Helen Biermann accompanied them as far as Dakota City.

Obert Tribune: W. C. Heikes enjoyed a visit from his father from Dakota City the past week. W. C. Heikes was called to Wakefield Monday morning by the death of an uncle, who was killed in auto wreck.

Sioux City Journal, 11th: Mrs. J. E. DeWalt had as her guests yesterday the members of the Bryant Reading club, who presented a literary program. Mrs. P. C. Cockerill, Mrs. C. W. Adair and Mrs. C. C. Wales took part in the program.

Waterbury items in Allen News: Mr. and Mrs. Will Clough, of Allen, were Thanksgiving day dinner guests in the G. A. Herrick home. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hays and little daughter, and Mrs. Alfred Demaray were over Sunday visitors at the M. M. Hileman home, below Hubbard.

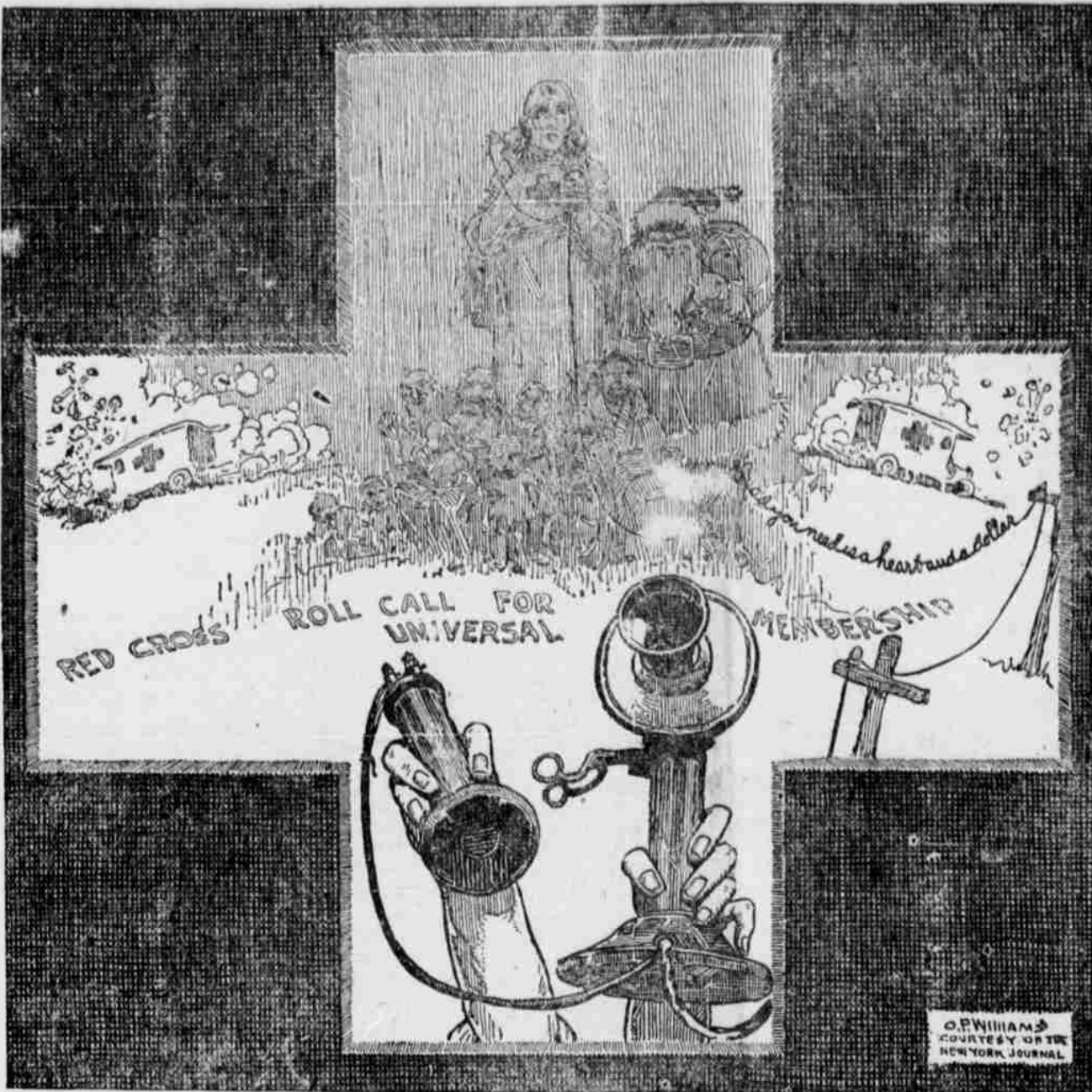
Rosalie Ripsaw: Miss Alta Creech and Marion Dill were married at Dakota City last Saturday, Judge McKinley officiating. Marion is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Dill and has grown to manhood in this vicinity and is a model young man. His bride has only been here a few months, employed in the S. Bordy home. She is a beautiful girl and well liked. They will make their home at the R. C. Dill home until March 1st, as they expect to farm next year. Congratulations.

Wynot Tribune: Mesdames D. F. Crouch, F. A. Thorpe and E. J. Morin were callers in Sioux City Monday. Mrs. Minnaugh and Mrs. Sundt of Jackson, sisters of Thos. Murray, visited over Sunday with him here. Miss Lucille Morgan, superintendent of the Wynot schools, was able to resume work Monday morning, after recovering from influenza. Mrs. W. A. Morgan, who had been visiting and caring for her daughter, Miss Lucille, for a few days, returned home Friday. Miss Morgan has fully recovered from the influenza.

Winnebago Chieftain: John Ashford is reported to be improving from his accident and expects to soon be in Winnebago. Mr. and Mrs. Whaley are both on the sick list and Mrs. Keilner and Ed are sick at their home with the flu. Miss Margaret Nunn came home from the hospital Saturday and Miss Alice would have returned Tuesday had not Mrs. Nunn taken sick. Marjorie Elien Harris, the tiny daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Harris, who has been sick with the flu, is well again and is just as happy as a baby always is when in good health.

Sioux City Journal, 17: Mrs. E. C. Newman, of South Sioux City, Neb., one of the ten persons arrested when her residence was raided at midnight Sunday by Sheriff George Cain, of Dakota county, and State Agent A. I. Mathwig, was released from custody yesterday on \$500 cash bonds. She will appear in court at Dakota City the latter part of the week to answer charges of unlawfully keeping and selling intoxicating liquor. Ten cases of beer, five cases and five cartons of whisky and an automobile belonging to Cal Florence, of Laurel, Neb., were confiscated by the state and county officials in the raid. A major portion of the liquor was found in Florence's car, Sheriff Cain said last night. Florence is being held for transporting liquor. Eight

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of the raid are being held in the Dakota county jail. No charge has yet been placed against them, but they will be detained as witnesses in the prosecution of Mrs. Newman and Florence.

Lead, S. D., Special in Sioux City Journal, 12: According to letters received by local friends, four deaths have occurred in the family of Mr. and Mrs. William Frazier, former residents of Lead, who some time ago took up their residence at Ely, Nevada. Influenza attacked the members of the family, with the result that the father and mother and two children thus far have died, nearly wiping out the family. But four children of the original family of eight persons remain. While a resident of Lead Frazier was employed by the Homestake Mining company. (Mr. Frazier was born and raised in Dakota City, where he grew to manhood. He was the youngest of two sons of the late Judge Kelley W. Frazier, a pioneer of Dakota County.

Ponca Advocate: Miss Mary Maxwell, of Dakota City, came to Ponca Monday noon on work connected with the Red Cross. The activities of this organization will continue thru the year 1919, and it is said, by those who know, that the necessity for it will be as great as in 1918. It is with sorrow that we announce the sad death of Mrs. Carl Tomason, of Spanish influenza. Complications arose, and by the reason of the impossibility of securing a competent nurse it was deemed advisable to send her to a Sioux City hospital, where she died early Sunday morning. The funeral was held on South Creek Tuesday. Besides her husband she leaves her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Beacom, of Hubbard, several sisters and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Sioux City Journal, 16th: Action on the part of the Burlington railroad to have a portion of the main high-

way running into Homer, Nebr., declared vacant in order that two grade crossings over the highway may be eliminated will be contested by the town of Homer and Dakota County. The merits of the matter will be argued next Friday before members of the Nebraska state railroad commission at a hearing to be held at Homer. The granting of the railroad's request, say the citizens of Homer, would cause the highway to enter Homer on a side street one block north of main street with which it now connects. They contend that the advantages that will accrue through such action will be more than offset by the disadvantages to which traffic would be subject.

Pender Republic: Mrs. Peter Manion, of Homer, was a guest of her uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. John A. Berg, this week. She was returning from Omaha. W. W. Pounds and Mrs. Chas. Pounds were down from Ponca the first of the week. They expect to be absent until the 23rd. They are looking after the property of the late Free Pounds. R. E. Evans, congressman-elect of the Third district, was here last Saturday on legal business and received hearty congratulations on his political success from his large circle of friends here. Mrs. Marion Marshall went up to Ponca Wednesday to see her new niece at the home of David Marshall and wife. If the new baby had been a boy Marion would have gone to Ponca and left his wife to look after home matters, but as it is he is doing the bachelor's stunt.

Short Course in Automobiles and Tractors  
The first of the short courses to be given by the College of Agriculture of the University of Nebraska will open December 30, and continue four weeks. It will be a course in automobiles, tractors and trucks. It will consist of practical instruction in the operation and repair of automobiles, tractors and trucks, gas and steam engines, chassis, steering gear, ignition, starter, carburetor, transmission, differential and tires. Beginning January 27 and lasting four weeks, the course in automobiles and tractors will be repeated, and additional courses given in general agriculture and dairying. These short courses are open to all above 15 years of age. For further information write Principal H. E. Bradford, University farm, Lincoln, Neb.

Making Hominy  
The Extension Service of the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture gives the following recipe for the making of home-made hominy: Pour hot water over corn and soak overnight. In the morning put the corn in an iron kettle with warm water enough to cover. For each pint of corn, put in one teaspoon of baking soda. Boil until hull comes off readily. Wash in clear water. Slip off hulls with hands or a little broom by stirring around in water. Soak hulled corn in water and wash until alkaline taste is all gone. Boil or let freeze until concentrated. Lye may be used instead of soda in preparation of 1 teaspoon of lye to two quarts of corn. A small amount of corn will go a long way as human food, when prepared in this manner.

**FARM BUREAU NOTES**

C. R. Young, County Agent

The large number of concrete culverts and small bridges being built in this County this year speaks well for our county commissioners. Permanency should be the first word in all road construction. Even our largest bridges should be replaced with concrete structures as fast as the old ones give way. All road work should be on the same permanent basis, with grades sufficiently high, wide and well drained to carry off the water at all times. Too much emphasis cannot be laid on this last factor. Many of our older states have miles of tile, draining places where water cannot be drawn off through ditches and culverts. When compared with many counties near ours, we are still in the mud, but indications are that those in charge of the work are fast trying to pull us out. They need our co-operation and to be made feel that the public is with them. All that we need, of course, cannot come at once.

This year we are having an unusually large amount of pneumonia among hogs. For this reason if none other, hogs should be furnished the most comfortable quarters possible. In a very great measure "Piling" may be prevented by keeping the houses warm and well bedded. Ventilators which carry off the steam are of great value as they prevent colds when the hogs go in the open.

Don't forget the Annual Meeting of the Dakota County Farm Bureau at the court room, Friday Dec. 27, beginning promptly at 1:30 p. m. There will be two sections, one for the men and one for the women. Mr. R. E. Holland, State County Agent Lender will address the men and Miss Esther Warner, the women. Reports of the year's work will be made by the Farm Bureau officers and the Home Demonstration and County Agents. Election of officers for the coming year will be held. We strongly hope and urge that every tax payer and his wife will be present at this meeting. This includes town as well as country people.

Many people at this time are wanting a good laying ration for hens. One that is highly recommended is four parts each of cracked corn and oats, and one of wheat or barley if available. Use this as a scratch feed to throw in four or five inches of clean litter. A dry mash should also be fed composed of equal parts of cornmeal, bran, middlings, ground oats, and meat scraps. Tankage may be used if meat scraps cannot be had. Some form of animal protein is essential. Keep this mixture in a hopper feeder where they have access to it all the times. Alfalfa, cabbage, manures, sprouted oats, etc. make excellent feed. Ground oyster shells and grit should be fed from hoppers.

**CONTEST FOR THE JUNIORS.**

A special feature during the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call will be a Junior Red Cross Four-Minute Men Contest on "Why You Should Join the Red Cross." The contest will be similar to those previously conducted by the Division of Four Minute Men of the Committee on Public Information. It will be held on Friday, December 20th, in all of the School Auxiliaries, and friends and parents of the pupils will be urged to attend.

**Home Demonstration Notes  
Miss Mattie Hall, Home Agent**

Christmas this year should be one of the happiest days in the history of the world. Right has once more prevailed over might. "Peace on earth, good will toward men" may again ring in our hearts and minds.

Nearly as soon as the armistice was signed we read in the papers that we were once again to have wheat bread in which there would be no substitutes. This, as we know, was due to releasing of vast stores of wheat in countries such as Australia, India, South America, and the East Indies, which countries had been too remote to serve the allied cause with food during the war. In like manner the sugar allowance was increased.

With Christmas approaching, most of us have our sweet tooth beginning to ache. Home made candy is much more wholesome than store candy, but if all of us used sugar as we have in previous years we might again notice a shortage. Can we not use sweets that call for a minimum amount of sugar. Following are a few suggestive recipes. Others may be obtained by calling the office.

**DOWN EAST BROWNIES.**

- 1 1/2 c flour.
  - 1 c sugar.
  - 1/2 c fat.
  - 1/2 c chopped nuts.
  - 4 T milk.
  - 2 sq chocolate.
  - 1/4 tsp soda.
  - 2 eggs.
  - 1/2 tsp vanilla.
  - 3 tsp baking powder.
- Cream the butter and 1/2 of the sugar. Add the chocolate which is melted in the milk. Add the eggs beaten stiff with the remaining sugar, then fold in the flour, baking powder and soda, which have been sifted. Spread over a large buttered dripping pan. Bake 20 minutes. Cut in squares while hot and cover with chocolate frosting.

**PEPPERMINTS.**

- 1 1/2 c sugar.
  - 6 T water.
  - 2 T glucose.
- Boil to a thread and pour into a bowl to cool, and flavor with a drop of peppermint and color if desired. Stir until creamy. Put the bowl in a pan of boiling water and when the mixture melts drop from a teaspoon onto oiled paper.

**TUTTI FRUTTI BALLS.**

- 1 c puffed rice.
  - 1 c seedless raisins.
  - 1 c stoned dates.
  - 1 c figs.
  - 1/2 c nuts.
  - 2 T vanilla.
- Put all through a food chopper. Mix well. Add the vanilla. Make into balls. Dry and roll in shredded cocoanut.

**Lutheran Church Notes**

By Rev. C. R. Lowe.  
The practice of the young folks at the church last Friday night was pretty well attended and we did some good work. Not as many were out as we had hoped, but the sickness in the community will have to bear the blame for it. The only drawback we saw and still is in the matter of lights. We will have to get something for lighting purposes if we are to continue this work. We have good lights in the homes, and the

church supplied with poor ones does not invite the children to the church and to the work there. This last is a thing we very much desire.

We are going to announce and advertise another community day at the church for New Years Day. We have talked with a number of our people and they have thought it would be a good thing. We did not have a fair trial at it the first time we tried it because the weather was so very bad. We will try it again. We do not have any general social life in the community. There are several clubs, but they are for the ladies and the men get none. It is true that all will not be able to be there, and it is true that many will not have interest in it enough to want to be there, but some of us will, and those who are there will be the ones to have the benefit of it. It will be a public affair. Bring your dinner and we will eat together. It may be when we have such a good time, and try to have another thing of the sort, others will be beguiled into coming and the thing will grow. Let us try it. There is no reason why we should not have something of a social center at the church. And if it should grow till we should need to build that basement under the church to contain it, wouldn't that be a fine thing. And why shouldn't it. We need some social life together. We have some justifiable pride in our community, and we ought to have something to bind us together socially. Let us just get together and have a good time.

The pastor has word from Dr. E. H. Mueller who is the field secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions that he will be here at the "Twin Churches" on January the fifth. Rev. Klatt and the pastor have agreed together that we will try some way to get together for that service. This service will do us all good, and the getting together of the two congregations will be a good thing for the community. We ought to have the church full to the door. Final arrangements for the meeting have not yet been made, but will be announced in good time. On the afternoon of that day, Dr. Mueller will go to the church at Homer and speak to the people there and then to Emerson or Allen for the evening.

The meeting of the board of trustees of Midland College was postponed till a later date because of the flu at Atchison, so we do not yet know what will be done with the Fremont matter. We ought to be profoundly grateful to God that we have not suffered any more severely from the epidemic of the influenza than we have. We have not had a single death in our community nor in Dakota City. In fact we have at Salem conducted but a single funeral in three years of our pastorate, that in of a resident, and but two altogether. And to show our gratitude we can do no better than to come to the house of God to worship. This is not only a duty, but a blessed privilege. And more than that we meet there the best people, those who are the salt of the earth. Not necessarily the best "society" in the worldly sense of the term, but the best people the world has, those who have a high standing before God. He does not count standing by acres nor incomes, but by honest spiritual hearts. We will find them good associates.

Christmas services will be held Sunday, December 24th, at 11 o'clock.

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