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## NEWSY ITEMS FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Sioux City Journal, 19: Mrs. Ernest Manskey, of South Sioux City, is a surgical patient at St. Vincent's hospital.

Bloomfield Monitor: Prof. A. B. Rich left this morning for Omaha to visit Mrs. Rich, who is still in the hospital, convalescing.

Ponca Journal: Prof. Conroy Jacobson is expected home the last of the week. He has been attending summer school at Lincoln.

Lyons Mirror: Geo. W. Little and daughters Esther and Mrs. John Spencer, went to Tekamah Sunday to visit the Rhoades family.

Plainview News: W. C. Chessier and family went to Norfolk Saturday afternoon where they visited over Sunday with relatives and friends.

Hartington Herald: Miss Bessie Varvais returned to her home at Hubbard on Monday after a visit here at the home of her sister, Mrs. Chas. Ireland.

Wisner Chronicle: Mr. and Mrs. Jay McEntaffer and daughter of Ft. Morgan, Col., were here last Friday, to call on Mrs. McEntaffer's brother, Dr. E. W. Magill.

Rosalie Rip-Saw: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mason spent Sunday night with Ralph's parents at Walthill. Mrs. Chas. Day and children went to Nacora Sunday morning and spent the day visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. Clarence Fitch.

Fulberton Journal: Word was received the first of the week from Will Mason at Walthill, that he had fallen and broken three ribs and cracked two more. Mr. Mason started the Variety Store that Mr. E. R. Tranbarger is now running.

Magnet items in Wausa Gazette: Lyle Olson was limping around town for a number of days last week as the result of an accident on Thursday when he stepped on a darned needle, running it in his left foot, the full length of the needle. In attempting to remove it, it was broken off. A doctor was called and removed the offending needle.

Walthill Citizen: On account of the slippery pavements due to the rain last Wednesday, Will Mason fell and broke two of his ribs; but he is now improving rapidly. M. J. Hermann, a pioneer resident of Dakota county, but now of Winnipeg, Can., visited Sunday with A. A. Nash and family. He came "up the river" in 1857.

Sioux City Journal, 24: Mr. and Mrs. Emory Leamer and son, Lawrence, of Wellsville, Kan., have arrived to visit several weeks with Mr. Leamer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Leamer, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Leamer and son Lawrence, of Wellsville, Kan., and Miss Esther Leamer were guests for 6 o'clock dinner Saturday evening of Miss Helen Graham at Dakota City, Neb.

Elgin Review: Congressman R. E. Evans, of Dakota City, Nebraska, spent a portion of the week in Antelope county. He was in Elgin Tuesday, calling on friends and constituents. Mr. Evans is a candidate for reelection. For the first term in congress he has given a good account of himself, and if re-elected it is reasonable to suppose that he will be able to do more for this district next term than he did last.

Sioux City Tribune, 18: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Garod returned Tuesday to Jackson, Neb., after a brief visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Small. The funeral services of Mrs. Agnes Helgeson, 17 years of age, of 904 South Alice street, who died from a complication of diseases, will be held at the Catholic cathedral, Tenth and Douglas streets this morning at 10 o'clock. The body will be taken to Hubbard, Neb., for burial, by automobile. Fr. Casey will officiate.

Allen News: Walter Lyle was born March 14, 1823, in Vermont, and died August 13, 1920, at his home in Marshall, Minn. He married Estella Hall at Stewart, Iowa, in 1869. They came to Nebraska the same year. To this union were born eight children: J. O. Lyle, of Russell, Minn.; Mrs. P. P. Gaughran, of Allen, Neb.; Bert Lyle, of Russell, Minn.; Leo Lyle, of Dickinson, N. D.; Mrs. Geo. Nordyke, of Sioux City, Ia.; Tom Lyle, of Marshall, Minn.; Earl Lyle, of Centerville, S. D. All of the children were present at the funeral except one son, Leo Lyle. All his family survive him except his wife, who died June 11, 1917.

Emerson Enterprise: S. Swanson attended the tractor demonstration in Dakota City Friday. Miss Marie Ryan of Jackson is visiting at the home of her uncle, W. C. Ryan, this week. Mike O'Neill and family, of South Sioux City, visited a few days at the home of his mother, Mrs. B. O'Neill. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rockwell and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Church of Homer, left last Saturday for Lake Okoboji, where they will spend a week or more. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kautz and daughter Genevieve, of Homer, motored over to Emerson Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Kautz and Genevieve spent a few hours with Mrs. Jeff Taylor and took the 5:45 passenger for Hoskins for a week's visit with her parents. Wouldn't it be fine if Emerson could be made the county seat of Dixon, Dakota and Thurston counties. Of course this is a pipe dream, but from an economical standpoint, the feasibility is obvious. The next best thing, therefore, is to move the court house from Ponca to Allen, and from Dakota City to Hubbard.

Neligh Leader: Congressman Evans was calling on his Antelope county friends Tuesday. Congressman Evans has done a good work at Washington during his first term, which is always a hard time for a congressman until he gets onto the ropes. He has made no effort to do spectacular things, but he has worked along constructive lines, especially in matters looking to efficiency in governmental affairs. Several amendments which he has proposed and which have been incorporated into legislation have had a big influence to that end. Notable among these have been amendments to cut down the great number of departmental employees. A report made to congress showed that a large number of the old employees were from 80 to 95 per cent inefficient. A bill was introduced to retire all such employees, those who had been long in the service to receive a pension. His amendment, which was adopted provided that in case of employees who were classed as 90 per cent or more inefficient was dropped from the rolls no one should be employed in their place, as they had admittedly been doing practically nothing. He has also been particularly active in doing things for his constituents, and is always ready to answer any reasonable calls in this direction.

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## Farm Bureau Field Notes

C. R. Young, County Agent

### REPORT OF TRACTOR DEMONSTRATION.

The Dakota County Farm Bureau makes the following report of the tractor demonstration held near Dakota City on August 13, 1920:

The ground plowed was very heavy gumbo which had been plowed but once since it was broken from the sod. To make it still worse a heavy rain had fallen on the afternoon and night of August 11. This made the soil very tough and plastic. To determine the difference in cost of plowing between tractor and horse drawn plows, a five-horse team, hitched to a 14-inch sulky, plowed one plot. This team plowed 146 square rods in 5 hours and 5 minutes. All of the tractors plowed 4½ acres each, except the Samson, which plowed four and three-tenths acres.

The grade of plowing is based on 100 as perfect. This score was determined by three farmers and the county agent surveying the work done by each outfit, and giving the plowing a grade. The average of these four grades is the report given. In figuring the cost per acre of the plowing, the operator was charged at 40 cents per hour, kerosene at 21 cents per gallon, gasoline at 39 cents per gallon and oil at \$1.25 per gallon.

It is very noticeable that aside from time lost to refill fuel, oil and water, almost none was lost for the tractors. Several outfits had rusty plows, which caused them many delays. The quality of work done was very high, considering the condition of the land. Even those who are most familiar with handling it, expressed themselves as surprised at the high class of plowing.

The summary report for each tractor follows:

Wetmore (3 bottom)—Full time, 4 hours, 24 minutes; time lost for plows, 18 minutes; for tractor, 8 minutes; pulled three 12-inch plows; average depth of plowing, 6.09 inches; grade of plowing, 77½%; used 16½ gallons gasoline; oil, 1¼ gallons; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.88.

Waterloo Boy—Full time, 5 hours, 23 minutes; time lost for plows, 3 minutes; tractor, none; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth of plowing, 6.87 inches; grade of plowing, 83¼%; used 13 gallons kerosene, ½ pint gasoline, ½ pint oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.11.

Wetmore (2 bottom)—Full time, 5 hours, 56 minutes; time lost for plows, 38½ minutes; tractor 8½ minutes; pulled two 14-inch plows; average depth, 6.54 inches; grade of plowing, 79¼%; used 18 gallons gasoline, 1 gallon oil, cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$2.02.

Wallis—Full time, 5 hours, 34 minutes; time lost for plows, 11 minutes; tractor, none; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 6.45 inches; grade of plowing, 84¼%; used 18½ gallons gasoline, 1 pint oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.77.

Huber—Full time, 6 hours, 27 minutes; time lost for plows, 1 hour, 49 minutes; tractor 10 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 5.73 inches; grade of plowing, 77%; used 17 gallons gasoline, 3 quarts oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.93.

Fordson—Full time, 6 hours, 42

minutes; time lost for plows, 9 minutes; tractor, 18 minutes; pulled two 12-inch plows; average depth, 6.85 inches; grade of plowing, 78%; used 18½ gallons kerosene, 2 quarts oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.61.

Rumley Oil Pull—Full time, 6 hours, 30 minutes; time lost for plows, 15 minutes; tractor, 39 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 6.75 inches; grade of plowing, 78%; used 14 gallons gasoline, 1¼ gallons oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.89.

Bates Steel Mule—Full time, 6 hours, 30 minutes; time lost for plows, 15 minutes; tractor, 39 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 7.07 inches; grade of plowing, 88%; used 15 gallons kerosene, 3 pints oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.40.

Hart-Parr—Full time, 5 hours, 25 minutes; time lost for plows, 7 minutes; tractor 1 minute; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 7.1 inches; grade of plowing, 88½%; used 16½ gallons of kerosene, 1 gallon oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.56.

Avery—Full time, 7 hours, 17 minutes; time lost for plows, 12 minutes; tractor, 45 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 6.19 inches; grade of plowing, 84¼%; used 1¼ gallons gasoline, 2½ gallons kerosene and 1 pint of oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.95.

Allwork—Full time 7 hours, 23 minutes; time lost for plows, 51 minutes; tractor, 2 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 5.73 inches; grade of plowing, 73½%; used 1½ gallons gasoline, 19½ gallons kerosene and 2 gallons oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$2.30.

Monarch—Full time, 9 hours, 10 minutes; time lost for plows, 1 hour, 13 minutes; tractor, none; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 6.6 inches; grade of plowing, 78¾%; used 5½ gallons gasoline, 14 gallons kerosene and 1½ gallons oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$2.27.

Allis Chalmers—Full time, 6 hours, 2 minutes; time lost for plows, 9 minutes; tractor, 19 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 7.7 inches; grade of plowing, 91%; used 21 gallons gasoline and 1¼ gallons oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$2.45.

Samson—Full time, 8 hours, 32 minutes; time lost for plows, 10 minutes; tractor, 5 minutes; pulled two 14-inch plows; average depth, 6.53 inches; grade of plowing, 82%; used 16½ gallons gasoline and one pint oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.98.

Twin City—Full time, 7 hours, 55 minutes; time lost for plows, 2 hours, 42 minutes; tractor, 17 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 5.7 inches; grade of plowing, 73½%; used 3¼ gallons gasoline, 21¼ gallons kerosene and 1 gallon oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$2.28. Because of a misleading statement this outfit plowed their plot in two fields and most of the time plowed pointed furrows.

Case—Full time, 4 hours, 50 minutes; time lost for plows, 5 minutes; tractor, 3 minutes; pulled three 14-inch plows; average depth, 6.8 inches; grade of plowing, 81%; used 12½ gallons gasoline and 3 pints of oil; cost per acre for fuel, oil and operator, \$1.12.

Five Horse Team—Full time, 5 hours, 5 minutes; pulled one 16-inch plow; average depth, 6 inches; grade of plowing, 81%; cost per acre for team, feed and operator, \$4.65. The team feed was figured at 70 cents a day for one horse.

**MATRIMONIAL VENTURES.**  
The following marriage licenses were issued by County Judge McKinley during the past week:  
Name and Address. Age.  
J. T. McConnell, Clayborn, Ia., Legal Dagnar Starkle, Sioux City, Legal  
Eugene H. Lilly, Sioux City, 29  
Zella E. Ballard, Sioux City, 26  
Lorenz P. Jurgensen, Sioux City, 32  
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