HOMER

Mrs Ches. Ostmeyer of Sioux City, away monia, was a Homer visitor Wednesday of

Mrs. Geo. Bates of Salem, attended Farmers' Institute both days.
Mrs. J. T. Graham, Mrs. Don Forbes and Mrs. S. A. Mason of Dakota City, were Homer visitors Thursday at the Farmers' Institute.

Mr. Alexander and Mr. Rogers, of Sioux City, told us a lot about chick-ens at the Farmers' Institute last

Mrs. Almeda Ream has been quite sick with stomach trouble. Helene, Merril and Viva Blacketer

were passengers to South Sioux City Friday evening to visit in the Hal Blacketer home. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Blacketer, and little Margie, motored up Sunday to bring

Albert Bristol of Sioux City, visited his parents here between trains

Forrest Buttler and wife, who are making Sioux City their headquarters just at present, visited Sunday at the E. S. stedden home. The ladies are sisters.

Mrs. Frank Church, principal of the Homer schools, was on the sick list the first of the week. Prof. Jacoby being in the hospital, there was no sessions in the high school Mon-

Albert Probst, of the Kettler & Probst hardware firm, has returned from Alton, 'owa, where he was at the bedside of his wife for several

the government hospital.

Mrs. Grover Davis returned from Rochester, Minn., Monday, where she had been for the past six weeks.

Prof. Jacoby, who is in a Sioux
City hospital being treated for stom-

ach trouble, is reported better.

The opera house being out of commission, Monday night's lecture course program was held in the M. E. church. A small boy, with a small conneighborhood squirrel. We fed and petted him (the squirrel) and loved him. Why do parents allow boys to

have guns?

Harold Allaway of So Sioux City
was a Homer caller Sunday.

Hubert Allaway was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Rachel Kinnear is quite low to "normalcy" again.

being sick for the past three years.

Some of our farmers have been

being sick for the past three years.

Emil Young were in Dakota City on business last Thursday.

Sine Rasmussen, who teaches the Bureau was held at the church on Bell school, was an over night visitor the 24th. Mr. C. R. Young, county the 24th.

Margaret R. Hartnett was a Sioux City snopper Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Leedom and grandson, and E. Story motored to Pender Sunday to attend the funeral

of Mrs. W. W. Pounds. George Timlin was a business call-er in the city Monday. Alice Hartnett and Katherine Evans were home from Wayne for a week-end visit with home folks.

Ray Cullen was entertained at the Will Evans home for Sunday dinner.

Kutherine Long and Margaret Hartnett of South Sioux City visited over Sunday here with their parents.

The Christensen family motored to

the city Tuesday. The Emil Young family visited at the Chas. Young home near Dakota

ited the week-end at the John Hartnett home here. Mrs. Fred Renze returned home on

You are all invited to attend these

JACKSON

eash register in his store. A number from here attended a found.

mother, Mrs. Ids Johnson, who passed away at her home here with pneu-

Joe Heenan has entored St. Joseph hospital, Sioux City, for treatment

for stomach trouble. John Rush and family have moved to Sioux City, where they will make their home. Their son, Will Rush, and wife, have moved into the Old

Homestead. Paul Kramper, who attends school here, fractured and dislocated his right arm Monday afternoon while cranking his Ford. He was returning to his home near Willis when the accident occurred.

Beatrice Jones entertained the card club at her home Tuesday evening. luncheon was served.

A number of friends surprised Mrs. Scott Fullen in her lome Saturday evening. I'he hours were devoted to music and cards. The occasion was Mrs. Fullen's birthday anniversary. An attractive luncheon was served at the close of the evening. Mrs. W. S. Frist has been on the sick list the past week.

Leonard Sutton returned to his home at Omaha Monday after spend-ing over Sunday in the Dr. Magirl home. His mother, Mrs. E. Sutton, accompanied him home for a few

weeks 'visit. Mrs, H. W. O'Neill was called to Wayne, Neb., last Thursday by the death of her brother, Thomas Moran, who passed away quite suddenly of apoplexy. Mr. Moran had been station agent for the C., St. P., M. & O. at Wayne for the past 40 years. Fred Wilkins returned Saturday The funeral was held from the Cath-from St. Louis, where he had been in olic church at Wayne on Saturday olic church at Wayne on Saturday morning.

Mrs. Jas Sutherland is substituting teaching at St. Catherine Academy the past two weeks on account of ill ness of Sister M. Felicia, who has been ouite ill, but is now much improved.

The infant babe of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Maurique has been very sick the past week Mrs. Will Hayes and little son,

ELK VALLEY

From the Allen News.
E. J. Way had a round with the

Mrs. H. A. Monroe of South Sioux marketing their stock. Sam Knox City visited her aunt, Mrs. Rachel shipped 204 lambs via auto truck to Kinnear Tuesday.

Mrs. Merril Brasfield is a guest of her sister. Mrs. John Rockwell, at Crofton, Neb.

the Sioux City market. He struck a good market. His lambs brought him \$13.15 per hundred—within a nickel of the top for the gory. the Sioux City market. He struck a figures that he got \$2.50 for the corn

HUBBARD

Anna Mogensen was in the city on Saturday.

W. Harty, W. Lovig, Mrs. M. Hurley and daughter Mary, were in Sioux City Wednescay.

George Timlin, D. C. Heffernan and George Timlin, D.

in her home here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hartnett, Mrs. of John Feller, the president, Martin George Hayes and Mike Hurley were in Sioux City last Thursday.

The business of the evening was to In Sioux City last Thursday.

Joe Hartnett shipped hogs to the Sioux City market last Wednesday.

Mis. James Waters of South Sioux City was a week-end visitor at the Tom Heffernan home and in the Emil Young home.

The Goertz and Biede families motorde to the city Tuesday.

Anna Blanche Evans was home from Wayne for a week-end visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Eyans.

Margaret R. Hartnett was a Sioux City shopper Saturday.

The business of the evening was to elect officers for the year. The election was by ballot, and created a good deal of good natured rivalry. Several ballots were taken on some of the offices. The result was: Martin Beacom, president; D. A. Woods, vice president; Mrs. Alfred Mogensen, secretary; Mr. John Feller and Mrs. D. A. Woods, directors.

W. E. and Mrs. McAfee went to Sioux City last Friday to visit Andy Meskel, who was in the hospital for treatment.

treatment.

WATERBURY

From the Allen News. G. A. Herrick was in the city on

Thursday, Miss Flossie Chase and Miss Twohig were shopping in the city Satur-

day.

There was a party last Saturday night in the Mora Cleveland home in honor of Jeff, it being his 21st birthday. D. O. Sayre, Mrs. A. D. Green and Mrs. Higgins and family spent Eur-day in the Ed Casey home near Mar-

FOR RENT

City Sunday.

Joseph Christensen of Wakefield, visited here Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Christensen.

Charlotte Hartnett of Jackson vis
Charlotte Hartnett of Jackson vis-

This is the time of the year when hens are apt to discontinue egg production so suddenly that one won-Sunday from Rochester, Minn. ders what occurred to cause the Services as usual in the Lutheran slump. One of the most common church next Sunday, Feb 19th. Sun-causes is frosted combs, says the state day school at 1:45, and church at 2:30. Agricultural College poultryman. In a well constructed poultry house there will be few if any frosted or services. Rev. Gilman, Pastor.

The Hubbart' school house was destroyed by fire of unknown origin on Monday morning.

This fact is well brought out by an investigation of conditions of the line of t birds at this time in different types JACKSON of houses. In houses that are not John Ryan has installed a new wider than twelve to fourteen feet many frozen combs and wattles are found. This is especially true if dance at Hubbard last Friday even the house lacks ventilation. On the other hand in houses that are well Mrs. M. R. Boler departed Saturday constructed as to ventilation and evening pr O'Neill, Neb., to spend freedom from draft there are few if the week in the Will Biglin home, any frosted combs found. Recently and also visit her sister Anna, who teaches at Plainview, Neb.

Rev. Father O'Toole of Sioux City

spent last Wednesday with Rev. Fr.

occur in houses throughout the state.

With practically no exceptions these occur in houses that are twelve to Felix McCartby.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest ventilation is inadequate. On the other hand whole flocks have been of the hand whole floc Vera Miers invited a number of found with not a single frozen comb. her school mates to her home Tues. In every case the houses were at day after school to a Valentine party, least eighteen feet wide and the ven-Each guest brought a valentine. A tilation was good. Proof of proper dainty inneheon was served by the ventilation will be shown by the abhostess at the close of the afternoon, sence of frost on the rafters, winMr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson, of St.

Paul, Minn, were called here last side, and by dry, dusty litter on the
week by the ilness and death of their floor.

RUSSIAN FAMINE'S AWFUL TOLL **WORST SINCE 'BLACK DEATH' ERA**

Likely to Be Greatest Catastrophe in World History Says McBride.

By ISAAC McBRIDE

NOT since the "Black Death" swept Europe in the Fourteenth century, taking a toll of 25,000,000 lives in a single year, has such a horrible calamity threatened the world as now is taking form in the faminestricken regions of the Volga valley in Russia. Twenty-five million people are facing starvation and experts on the ground estimate they will die During the evening a two course literally by the millions unless aid is speedily forthcoming.

The famine is likely to become the most ghastly catastrophe in world history. Not only will millions die of hunger, but typhus has made its appearance in the famine region, and, unless checked, this dread scourge may spread to other parts of Russia, and even to neighboring nations, and kill additional millions.

The districts of the Volga valley where acute famine prevails comprise 600,000 square miles, or an area comparable to the total area of the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Kansas. The Volga valley has a population of 25,000,000 and is the great grain growing region of Russia. The situation in Russia is much the same as it would be in America if practically all the crops of the great agricultural states of the Middle West were totally destroyed by drouth.

Land Parched by Drouth.

In April, 1920, a severe drouth affected the whole Volga region. There was practically no rainfall for seven months. The excessive heat and the lack of moisture left the land parched. All vegetation was burned up, and in the few fields where any grain appeared the sparse and stunted plants were carefully cut, one by one, and the thermometer dropping many dewhat few grains of wheat, rye, or barley they bore harvested by hand.

War has been almost continuous in Russia since the outbreak of the European conflict in 1914-a period of the economic blockade which has existed since 1917, has affected the famine region with peculiar severity. One military expedition after another was launched against Russia after the armistice in 1918 which served to complete the work of destruction which the war bad begun.

Over the Volga valley in 1918 and



This is the first of a series of four articles on the Russian famine situation by Isaac McBride, well known American writer and lecturer, one of the first Americans to cuter Soviet Russia after the allied intervention and blockade. He speut eight weeks in Russia, traveled 3,500 miles, visited many villages and the large cities, inspected the schools, factories and industries, interviewed practically all of the government officials and leading public men, affe capped his experience by spending three weeks in the field with the Red army. Mr. McBride wrote, upon his return, for the International News service, and articles by bim on Russia also appeared in the Christian Science Monitor, the London Daily News, Asia magazine and many other publications.

appropriated \$20,000,000. Grain bas been purchased and some of it is already on its way; but even this amount will feed but 20% of the stricken people.

With the hunger of these people has come the icy blasts of winter with grees below zero and a blanket of snow and ice covering the whole region.

American Committee Organized. The American Committee for Russian Famine Relief was organized to more than seven years-and this, with help meet this emergency. The government appropriation of \$20,000,000 is admittedly insufficient and although other relief organizations on the ground are doing herole work, they are only rescuing very small proportions of the famine sufferers in the Volga valley. The district is zoned and the American Relief commission and the Quakers do not even touch 1919, and as late as the spring of 1920. parts of the territory. It was for this invading armies fought and destroyed reason that the American Committee buildings, farm machinery, farms, rail- for Russian Famine Relief has decided way stations, water tanks, bridges and I to distribute directly through the Rus-



TEN MILLION CHILDREN TO BE FED Reports of American relief workers in Russia say there are 10,000,000 children to be fed over there, otherwise they will die in the next two months.

greatly damaged means of communica- i sian Red Cross which has local units tion. Draft animals were seized and carried away and wherever grain could be found this too was carted out of the vailey by the retreating armies under Kolchak, Deniken and others, The unprecedented drouth then put the finishing touches upon the devastation wrought by seven years of war and this explains why millions in this valley are facing slow death by starva-

Eat Mice and Locusts.

In August a cry went out to the world that millions were actually starving, living from day to day on acorns, locusts, field mice, grass, bark from the trees and the sun-parched clay of the earth, and that if belp were not immediately forthcoming the famine of the Volga valley of Russia would in the short space of six or eight months take a greater toll of human life than the World war.

This acute condition was called to the immediate attention of the governments of the world and the United distribution of these supplies. States government sent a mission to Russia with a corps of workers to relieve some of the distress. Colonel Haskell, who is in charge of the Amerlean relief work in Russia, said: "Two of several denominations, tending eduweeks ago the children in the Volga cators and prominent business, and valley were dying by the thousands; today they are dying by the tens of thousands and in a month more they will be dying by the hundreds of thousands,"

The American Relief commission Is the Volga valley, but there are 10,cheated.

The United States government has country.

organized in every section of the famine region and can get supplies to the people quicker than any other agency without the necessity of building up an expensive organization. The Russian Red Cross is organized

exactly as the American Red Cross and has the same international standing. It was recognized at the international conference of the Red Cross in Geneva, which certified that it administered relief without the distinction of sex, faith or political opinion, thus satisfying the essential requirements which must be met by every national Red Cross society. All money raised by the American Relief Committee for Russian Famine Relief is being used to purchase supplies inside the United States. These supplies will be shipped directly to Russla and the United States shipping board has made a special rate for this purpose. The American committee reserves the right to supervise the

Ten United States senators, many representatives in congress, 11 western governors, mayors of most of the large western cities, more than 15 bishops professional men and women from all walks of life regardless of race, creed, color and politics comprise the Committee for Russian Famine Relief and are taking an active part in this work

The committee has opened headquarfeeding at present somewhere in the ters at 405-400 Steinway building Chineighborhood of 1,000,000 children in eago, and is rapidly completing state organizations throughout the Middle 000,000 to be fed if death is to be West. Local committees will be organized in every city and town in the

Specials for Saturday

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3 STAR Oats 30c Package
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tongueless cultivator; I Beggs wagon and grain box; I wagon with hay rack; I wagon with Waterloo manure spreader box; 2 top buggles, one nearly new; I Emerson 16-inch sulky plow; one 16-inch walking plow; I hand corn sheller; I hog waterer; I tank heater; one 1½ horse, Wisconsin gasoline engine; I power washing machine; one 8-gallon barrel churn; I bob-sled; I feed bunk; throw boards; wire cribbing and hog wire; 1 garden plow complete; one 50-gallon coal oil barrel; 1 hog oiler; 1 V hog house; 1 Dairy Maid Internationai cream separator; 3 sets of work harness; and many other articles. 1200 bushels of Corn in crib. 500 bushels of Octs in bin. 1 straw stack 10 DOZEN BARRED ROCK CHICKENS.

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