

TO OUR customers we wish to express our appreciation of your confidence in this store and the generous patronage given us.

To you, and to the public generally, we extend sincere Christmas greetings.

**C. S. Clinton**  
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At the Sign of the Big Ring.

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Fugate have been visiting in Omaha for several days past.

Soft coal heater for sale. Price reasonable. Phone Red 875.

Mrs. John H. Day returned Saturday from a brief visit with friends in Denver.

J. C. Askwig left yesterday for Elk City, Neb., to spend Christmas with his sister.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bove left Saturday for Loup City to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Deltzer went to St. Joseph, Mo., Friday to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

The Coates Lumber & Coal Co. added a new Maxwell ton motor truck to their delivery system Saturday.

A farm hand wanted. Give name, age and wages wanted. Steady job. Address Box 318, North Platte. 981f

Will C. Woodring, a mess sergeant at Camp Funston, arrived home Sunday to spend Christmas with friends.

Ralph Vroman left the latter part of last week for Omaha to enter the balloon section of the aviation corps.

Miss Nanine Iddings is home from school at Bryn Mawr, Pa., to spend the Christmas vacation, having arrived Friday.

Engineer James McNeill is spending Christmas with the home folks at Shelton, having gone down Friday afternoon.

Miss M. Sioman, steam baths and Swedish Massage, ladies and gentlemen. Phone 897, Brodbeck bldg. 851f

Misses Florence and Lucille Wilcox and Claude Peters, students at the state university, arrived home Saturday morning.

Miss Mildred White, music supervisor in the city schools, left Friday evening for her home in Fremont to spend the holidays.

The North Platte contingent of young ladies and young men at the state university are home to spend this week.

Max VonGoetz has opened an automobile repair shop in the building formerly occupied by P. M. Sorenson on Fifth between Locust and Dewey.

Leave your orders early at Mart's Meat Market for Buffalo meat from Pawnee Bill's Buffalo Ranch, Pawnee, Oklahoma. 97-3

Mr. and Mrs. Victor VonGoetz left Sunday morning for Omaha to spend Christmas with relatives. A family reunion will be held at which there will be present six daughters and their husbands.

R. H. Dill and wife are spending this week with relatives at Blue Hill.

Louis Johnson, of the U. S. engineering corps, is home from Denver on a few days' furlough.

Earl Carpenter, of Omaha, spent Sunday in town while enroute to his father's ranch in the south part of the county, where Mrs. Carpenter has been spending the past two months.

Several real bargains left at the used car sale at the Romigh garage. Every car bears our guarantee for 30 days. Buy where you buy protection. J. V. Romigh Garage. 98-2

Ed Walker has been given the contract to erect the cement headgate at the intake of the former Cody & Dillon ditch. The ditch has been cleaned out, banks repaired and will be put in operation next spring.

"Jim" Clinton and Ernest Rincker, stationed at San Francisco as members of the hospital corps, arrived home yesterday. Mr. Rincker was not expected by his father and mother, and his arrival was a very agreeable surprise to them.

Friday morning Secretary Temple, of the Red Cross chapter, sent a draft for \$222.50 to Omaha headquarters as part of the fund to purchase Christmas packets for the soldiers. This sum was contributed by Lincoln county people outside of North Platte.

Miss Marcella Kenworthy arrived from Denver to spend the holidays with the H. D. Kenworthy and Donegan families. This is Miss Marcella's first visit to North Platte. She is a granddaughter of the late John T. Neary and a niece of Charles O'Rourke, of Fleming, Colorado. Miss Marcella was born in Denver and has lived all her life in the sunny San Luis valley.

C. F. Spencer, room 6, Reynolds building, real estate, farm loans, and Phonographs. W. R. Maloney Co. all kinds of insurance and bonds. Agent for the old line Bankers' Automobile Insurance Co., of Lincoln, Neb. They insure you against loss by fire, theft, tornado, liability and property damage and collision. In fact a complete coverage. A special policy for farmers. See me for rates. Phones office Black 394, residence Black 580.

O. E. Elder, who was auto riding in the Hershey section Sunday afternoon, reports a collision between the National car owned by Dan McNeil and driven by Mrs. D. H. McNeil, and a light car driven by a traveler. The latter car was badly damaged, but the man and woman occupying it were not injured. The bumper on the McNeil car was broken but no other damage, and the occupants of the car were not injured. The accident occurred just north of Hershey on the main road leading west.

**LAST OF DRAFT ARMY TO LEAVE DECEMBER 31.**

While at this writing the official order has not been issued, Washington dispatches state that the last fifteen per cent of the first draft army will be called to leave for the camps December 31st. Lincoln county's fifteen per cent will be eighteen men, and to fill this call a sufficient number of the drafted men have been examined and passed the physical test and can be summoned on short notice.

The fact that this call has been decided upon is taken to mean that the 40,000 soldier boys at Camp Cody are about to be sent east, and that their places there will be filled with boys from Camp Funston, who in turn will be succeeded there by the new draft recruits. It is also considered probable that a general call for a new draft army—probably a million and a half men—will be made during the month of January. The United States hopes to have 3,000,000 men in the fighting line when the spring campaign opens.

**Conditions Fine at Camp Cody.**

Ashley Peters, who recently returned from Camp Cody, where he was called by the illness of his son Ray, says he considers conditions fine at that camp. He spent four days there and had an opportunity to judge of the surroundings. He says the 40,000 men there look fine; they are well clothed; the meals served them are better than he has at home; the tents are comfortable, each boarded up four feet and supplied with a small stove; the water could not be better; the sanitation is as near perfect as can be made, and the hospitals are well outfitted though there is an apparent shortage of nurses. The worst feature of the camp in Mr. Peters' opinion, is the dust, the dove soil being ground into flour by the constant tread of men and horses, and becomes very dense and disagreeable.

Mr. Peters is a veteran of the civil war, and thinks the treatment accorded the troops today, as compared with those of the civil war, is so far superior that there is no comparison whatever.

**Workers Wanted.**

A room on the second floor of the federal building has been fitted up for making surgical dressings. This room will be open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week and the same days next week; each afternoon from 2 to 5 and each evening from 7 to 9:30. This is a central location and it is hoped that every woman in the city will find or make time, even at a personal sacrifice, to come and help with this work.

The dressings are so badly needed that we must try to get them made even if it is holiday season. Each worker should wear a wash dress or bring a big apron and a cap or man's handkerchief to cover her head. Also bring scissors and a silver knife.

MRS. WILSON TOUT, Chairman, Surgical Dressing Committee.

**Business at the Postoffice.**

The Christmas rush at the North Platte postoffice last week was somewhat below normal, though the total business was probably as large as usual. This year the people began sending out their packages earlier, this being true especially among those who sent out gifts to the boys overseas, on war vessels and at the various training camps. The in-coming mail was also below that of last year.

Dr. Brock, Dentist, over Stone Drug Store.

**NORTH PLATTE COUPLE MARRIED AT CAMP CODY.**

A telegram received by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Den Friday evening announced the marriage of their daughter Marjory Den to Sergt. Harold Langford at Camp Cody. This ceremony had been anticipated by the relatives of the contracting parties, but not by friends. Miss Den left for Deming last week in company with Mrs. C. W. Yost, sister of Sergt. Langford, with this object in view. Sergt. Langford enlisted in Company E, Fifth Nebraska, before the Company left for Camp Cody, and previous to that had become engaged to Miss Den, and the marriage is the culmination of a friendship extending over several years.

Mrs. Langford will probably remain at Camp Cody until the first of the year, and then return to North Platte to make her home with her parents while her husband goes to France. It is now expected that the troops at Camp Cody will leave for the Atlantic seaboard shortly after January 1st.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Langford will unite with The Tribune in wishing the soldier husband safety in the war zone and his return to his war bride in a normal condition.

**Real Estate Transfers.**

D. A. Frame has purchased of Buchanan & Patterson 160 acres of land two miles west and one mile south of the Villa Vista farm for a consideration of \$8,000. Mr. Frame, who has been living in the Hershey section, will improve the place and make it his home.

The Mrs. Bernard Beef tract of 320 acres seven miles southwest of town was sold last week to Barney Guinan for \$20,000. This is the land that has been under lease to Alex Brown for several years. It is considered a fine tract of farm and alfalfa land, and is located a half mile or so east of Mr. Guinan's home place. This sale was made through Buchanan & Patterson. N. A. Davis, who lately returned from Missouri, has purchased through Buchanan & Patterson nine acres of the Haspel land lying along the road running south of the Haspel tract. The price paid was \$1,305. Mr. Davis will improve the place with suitable buildings and will convert the land into a chicken farm, part of it to grow alfalfa and other food for his flocks.

**Reduction on Flour and Sugar.**

Elsewhere is published the fixed prices of certain food stuffs as recommended by the price committee of the Lincoln county food administration. As compared with the previous selling price, the only articles that show a reduction in flour and sugar. The reduction on flour is around twenty cents on a 48 pound sack; the decline on sugar is one-half cent a pound. It should be understood that this is the cash undelivered price; the seller has the right to charge for delivery as well as make an additional charge if the goods are bought on time. We are not advised whether the grocers have decided on a delivery charge, but at least some favor a ten cent charge whether the delivery is large or small. Making a blanket rate for deliveries means that the average housewife will not in the future order twenty cents worth of goods delivered, but instead will buy a week's supply in one order and thus save delivery charges. In the end this will be much better for the buyer as well as the seller.

**Episcopal Church Christmas Services.**

8:00 a. m., holy communion.

10:30 a. m., festival service and holy communion.

Christmas tree for the Sunday school will be held this evening, Christmas eve, in the church basement at 7:30.

**Sale of Cattle.**

Public sale at Mogensen's barn, north side of track, North Platte, Neb., Saturday December 29th, rain or shine. 30 head of thoroughbred Jersey heifers, all in calf, some springers. These cattle are from Oregon, and from the best dairy herd in the state, brought here on account of feed shortage. There will be a car of fresh cows here if railroad connections can be made. These cows are tuberculin-tested. There will be a number of good horses and cattle, also new and second hand farm machinery, new and second hand automobiles. One complete butcher shop fixtures. Terms 6 months, 8 per cent, 2 per cent off for cash.

J. W. Havens, owner of cattle; Julius Mogensen, owner of other stuff; F. C. Pielsticker, clerk. 98-2

**Will Norris, now stationed at Billings, Mont., in the employ of the Montana Oil Co. as geologist, is spending this week with the home folks.**

**Dr. Morrill, Dentist.**

Ice cutting on the Union Pacific lake east of town has been in progress for a week past. Al Tift has the contract for cutting and loading the ice.

**R. I. SHAPPELL, Auctioneer.**

SUTHERLAND, NEB. Have a wide acquaintance among buyers. Phone me at my expense. Live Stock a Specialty. Will also handle Thoroughbred sales.

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**The Christmas "Thrift Club" for 1918 is in Full Swing**

THERE are plans for making deposits suited to people of every age, occupation and circumstance.

No matter who you are or how much of your income you could afford to lay aside each week or month—whether you live in town or the country—you can easily accumulate a special fund the "Thrift Club" way for your Christmas expenses next year.

There are no back deposits required on the "Thrift" plan. Simply come to the bank any day, decide how much you want to save, and get your membership record.

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**Hang Up a Jar Instead of A Stocking**

NO LITTLE Mexican boy or girl ever thinks of hanging up a stocking. They have something far more interesting. Three or four days before Christmas stands spring up about the alameda, or open park, without which no Mexican village is complete. All about these shops are hung the pinatas, which take the place of Christmas stockings. These are apparently great dolls 2 or 3 feet tall, dressed in tissue paper, with paper mache faces and dangling legs and arms. In reality their flowing paper garments conceal earthen jars for the holding of candies.

Sometimes the pinatas are in the form of angels or fairies, but usually they represent some person prominent in Mexico. President and Mrs. Diaz used to smile from every stand. The Mexican child may live in a hut built of flat stones piled together in a public lot, but he has his pinata at Christmas time.

In the better homes the pinatas are strung on a rope across a room. They are already heavy with their load of dulces, or candies, and they dangle somewhat dangerously over the heads of the beholders. Finally, the tallest man is blindfolded, given a stout cane and turned round and round. Leaping up, he strikes at the suspended figures. Amid shrieks of laughter and directions he keeps striking until he hits one of the jars. "Crack!" go its sides, and, being made only of baked clay, they crumble away and the sweets come pouring out. Nobody is too dignified to scramble for them. The older people are on their knees with the children. Everybody gets at least a mouthful. Then another is blindfolded, turned about and told to strike for another sugary deluge.—L. Crozer in McCull's Magazine.

**Not Until "Next Christmas."**

It was said the other day by an old southerner in Washington that no home loving Virginian ever would move "until after the next Christmas." The next Christmas comes and goes, but there is still another to come, and the moving is put off and happily will be put off until the holiday spirit has gone from the South, a spirit that will go when the South goes.—New York Evening Post.


The Lutheran Girls' club will be entertained Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Ella Huxoll, 608 west Seventh street. The hostesses will be Mrs. Huxoll and Misses Elizabeth and Helen Brodbeck.

**What Others Like to Eat at Christmastide**

SPAIN loves her turkeys. Nor does she find it necessary to run them to death on the farms in order to make their meat tender, for the fowls are driven into town from long distances, and their feet are tarred to withstand the hardness of the roads. For three days before Noche Buena the streets of the cities and villages are thick with squawking poultry and

**BLACK DIAMOND DEHORNING PENCIL**

For Sale at **A. F. FINK'S** Harness and Saddlery. Every pencil will dehorn 50 calves from 10 days to 10 months old for \$1.00. A forfeit of \$5 for any calf that fails to dehorn. Call and get one. Phone Red 456.



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