

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Butler Miltonberger arrived yesterday from Camp Cody and will visit his parents for a week. Like all other Lincoln county boys who have been home on a furlough, he is looking splendidly.

Plan to attend the Epworth League Boston Baked Bean and Brown Bread supper, Friday, March 1st, at M. E. church, five o'clock.

Dave Day writes from Lincoln that he is now comfortably settled in the barber shop he purchased in that city and thinks there is a chance to make some "kale." He will always be glad to have North Platte men call on him when in the state capital.

For sale or trade—Two lots, 8 room house, modern except heat; J. E. Koontz, 414 So. Locust.

Brakeman Meyers, who met with an accident at Gering several weeks ago and which resulted in the amputation of a leg below the knee to an Omaha hospital returned from the latter city Wednesday.

Asst. Supt. McDuffy of the Nebraska division, will succeed Supt. Woodruff as superintendent of the Wyoming division. It is understood, however, that the position is held open for Mr. Woodruff pending his services in France.

The condition of Harry Reese, who has been at the General Hospital for four months, shows but little if any improvement. He is suffering from ulceration of the lungs and each week or two the lungs are tapped to remove the accumulation of pus.

Are you wanting the newest spring styles in suits, dresses, waists, coats and skirts? See them at Block's.

During the month of January the sales of War Savings Stamps in Dawson county totaled nearly \$32,000. Dawson county's quota is \$300,000 and the men in charge hope to have the full amount subscribed by December 31st next. Is Lincoln county doing as well?

Judging from information gleaned from farmers, the fall wheat in the county is apparently in very good condition up to date. If it is decided to place the minimum price of about \$2.50 per bushel, a big wheat crop means much to Lincoln county farmers.

I will be ready to receive weavings after March 1st, 501 E. 6th. Mrs. Frank Wilson.

The war department wants at least one thousand dogs for war service in France. If the specifications are not too severe North Platte can supply 500 within twenty-four hours after the order is placed and still have a sufficient number left to meet the real requirements of the town.

Miss M. Sieman, steam baths and Swedish Massage, ladies and gentlemen. Phone 897. Brodbeck bldg. 85th.

Word from Washington states that deferred classification for railroad employes is under consideration between the war department and the railroad administration. This is in line with the plan proposed several months ago, the general belief being that practically all men now in the railroad service are now needed to keep the roads up to the proper efficiency.

For Sale—No. 1 haled hay. In ton lots or by bale. Blankenburg Bros. 1205 North Locust St.

Dr. Curry, pastor of the Presbyterian church, does not thoroughly enjoy himself unless boosting along some feature that helps the church and its membership. His latest move is to have a "father and son banquet" and to this end has selected a committee to assist him. This committee will make a report Sunday of the number who will attend and arrangements for the banquet will then be made.

Receiver Beeler, of the U. S. land office who is devoting his time to filling out the cards showing how much each resident has contributed toward Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., K. C. county Defense and other war work, finds that he has a "real" job. To these funds there have been hundreds, if not thousands, of contributors, and to go through the subscription lists and transfer the names and amounts to the indexed cards requires a large amount of time. He is about ready to call for volunteer assistants.

Piper Given 90 Days. In the county court yesterday H. L. Piper pleaded guilty to the charge of adultery and was given a sentence of ninety days in the county jail. Piper is the man who was arrested in the home of Allen Tift a couple of weeks ago.

Buys Weingand Property. J. V. Romigh purchased the C. O. Weingand property in the 800 block on west Fourth street Wednesday for a consideration of \$5,000. Possession will be given March 9th. Mr. and Mrs. Weingand and sons will make their home at the Hotel McCabe.

Four Minute Speakers. Mrs. R. F. Cotterell, county chairman of the woman's council of defense, has appointed a number of ladies who will give four minute talks at the meeting of aid societies and other women's organizations. The first of these talks was given Wednesday afternoon at the meeting of the P. E. O. at the home of Mrs. York Hinman.

U. P. Officials Go to France. During the past week two officials of the Wyoming division of the Union Pacific left for France. They were Supt. Woodruff, who passed through to the east Wednesday, and Master Mechanic Heylmann, who went east Saturday. Both go as members of the railway engineering corps, and each were given official rank in the service.

Order Your Seed Wheat. Make your needs for Spring Wheat known to County Agent Barber at once that he may get seed for you as soon as possible.

He has some good Texas Red, sometimes called Mediterranean and Hunchback, located and if enough seed is in demand he can get a car of Marquis from the supply held by the government at Omaha.

Plans Now Ready. Detailed plans and specifications for the enlargement of the Hotel McCabe will be completed by Architect Beck today and turned over to Dr. McCabe, the owner. It is probable that bids will be asked for in a short time and that the contract will be awarded so that work can be started just as soon as the corner building is vacated by the Hedy-Ogier Co.

Firemen's Annual Ball. The city fire department has appointed a committee to arrange for the annual ball which will be held Easter Monday, April 1st. This is an annual event which the department has given each year since 1887. The boys propose to make the ball this year an exceptionally big affair. They need funds to equip their headquarters in the new city hall soon to be erected.

Bridge Bids to be Opened. Bids for the construction of the concrete bridge across the river south of town will be opened next Wednesday. Bids were made on the structure a month ago, but all of those received were in a sum greater than the amount of the bonds issued and the state's share of the estimated cost, which is \$40,000. It is believed that at the coming submission of bids one or more will be within the \$40,000.

Building Fund Growing. The building fund of the Lutheran church, in cash and negotiable paper, now totals \$18,000, and the fund is steadily increasing. The church building proposed by the Lutheran people will cost at least \$40,000, the plans contemplating future requirements—planning for the future growth of the congregation as the population of the city increases.

Whether work on the edifice will be started this year has not yet been definitely decided.

May Boost Passenger Rates. Washington.—Passenger rates on all railroads in the United States will be given a boost shortly. This has been accepted as the one means of cutting down the traffic that may be enforced and still not demoralize the service. While the government is moving its war material and necessities which more expediency than before the roads were controlled there is still a need of much speeding up.

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WRECK NEAR CURTIS KILLS TWO, INJURIES FIFTY.

Two persons were instantly killed and 52 injured Tuesday afternoon when Burlington train No. 151, the local from Holdrege, Neb., to Sterling, Colo., westbound, went into the ditch, caught fire and was destroyed by the flames.

The wreck occurred three and one-half miles east of Curtis, Nebraska, on what is known as the "High Line." The cause has not been determined, but at headquarters in Omaha, it is attributed to either a broken flange on one of the wheels or a broken rail. The train that went into the ditch consisted of three passenger cars, a baggage car and a mail car. According to the report the train was running at about 25 miles an hour and was close to on time. It was in charge of Engineer Snyder and Conductor Griffith, both old employes of the Burlington. Their report state that the first warning they had of danger was when the mail car, the car next to the engine, began to sway back and forth. Almost instantly it left the tracks and toppled over the embankment, 15 feet high.

As the mail car went over the embankment it was followed by the baggage car and two of the passenger coaches. The rear coach broke loose from the train and remained on the track.

The two passenger coaches that went into the ditch were heavily loaded and all the people in them were more or less injured. As the cars went down the embankment they rolled over three times, crashing down into the bottom of a ravine and immediately taking fire.

For heating purposes all the cars were equipped with the old style Baker heaters, and as the cars rolled over the heaters were broken loose from their moorings and the live coals scattered about. The cars were badly broken up and through windows, doors and holes the passengers crawled. Those who were not able to do so were nearly all rescued by parties who were uninjured, aided by the trainmen.

Mrs. Nettie Howe, of Eustis and her eight year old son, were the only passengers killed, but fifty-two were injured, five of them seriously.

Mrs. Howe was struck by some flying timber, and when her body was reached she was dead. She was in a portion of the car where the fire burned rapidly and her body was almost entirely consumed. Her son, who had been sitting in the seat near her, was pinned under some timbers, and in the wreckage he lay in plain sight of the rescuers. A heavy beam lay across his arm, and it being impossible to remove this, his arm was cut off below the elbow with an ax. He was dead at the time, something having struck him on the head, crushing the skull.

Among the Lincoln county people who were slightly injured were:

- Mrs. Jesse Fitch, Dickens.
Mrs. Russell Baker, Dickens.
Ray Corover, Dickens.
Willard Cameron, Dickens.
Dave Law, Wallace.
William Oakman, Wallace.
Ray Hill, Wellfleet.
A. M. Swanson, Wellfleet.

Retail Prices.

Table listing retail prices for various commodities as of February 22, 1918. Includes items like flour, sugar, corn, wheat, and various oils with their respective prices.

Do you have spells of dizziness and everything turning black before the eyes? These are symptoms of torpid liver and a clogged condition of the bowels. Take Prickly Ash Bitters and get rid of the misery. It is the right thing for such disorders. Price \$1.25 per bottle.—Rincker Book & Drug Co., Special Agent.

GERMANY WILL MEET OBSTACLES IN THE DRIVE.

Washington.—Both the allied and German armies are apparently ready for the big battle which will shortly be staged along the western front. Secretary Baker says in his weekly review. He gives out as official that Germany has hundreds of thousands of untrained troops along the western line and men of all ages ready to thrust at the allied strongholds. In cooperation with the allied preparations the secretary states that Germany will meet with more tactical obstacles when she drives at the west front than she has encountered at any previous time during the war. He says that no attacking army in the history of all attacks will have so much to overcome as is in store for the advancing Teutons. The nature of these obstacles, hinted at by the secretary as an amazing new warfare, is not being disclosed.

RAILROAD SITUATION A MENACE SAYS ADMINISTRATOR HOOVER.

Washington.—Food Administrator Hoover states that submarine warfare is a failure as far as starving the allies is concerned. Only seven per cent of the food laden ships which have been en route between this country and England or France have been sent to the bottom, he asserts. The activity of U-boats has decreased perceptibly within the past six months and they are no longer feared as a menace. The food administrator held that the railroad situation in this country was of far more seriousness than the U-boat problem. While the losses from submarines have been decreased the railroad situation confronts the admiralty with a real menace. Hampering of food shipments about the country, getting war material shipments to the ports without needless delays, are the big problems in solving food puzzles of this country and her allies.

Free Garden Seeds Limited. Congressman Kinkaid asks us to announce that, as the quota of free garden seeds is inadequate to supply more than one-third of the heads of families in this congressional district, he will this year send allotments only to those who write for them. As garden seeds are not desired by a large proportion of his constituents he wishes to supply them to persons who will utilize them. By this means of distribution waste will be prevented and larger allotments assured to all who will plant the seeds forwarded to them. Address Mr. Kinkaid, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

Successful Trapping. Whenever I catch an animal that leaves a natural odor in the vicinity I am almost sure to get another in the same place. An animal will come a long distance to investigate a scent of its own kind. One should be very careful not to leave human odor of any kind when killing a trapped animal since this will frighten away another fur bearer who has come to find the cause of the scent.

Few trappers stop to think how keenly sensitive is the nose of a game or fur bearing animal. Just suppose that you could smell as many things as you can see. Cover carefully every human odor on the trap line and you have half caught your animal. Then use some good scent to tickle his sensitive nose and you will win.

One of the best single drugs that can be used to allure a fur bearer is oil of anise. Oil of lavender, asafetida, rhodium and peppermint are often used together in manufactured baits. I think the most dependable scent bait that I have used is fish oil.—F. E. Brimmer in Orange Judd Farmer.

Hit the Same Way. "Professor Jones has no right to teach. He doesn't understand his subject, and he can't explain." "Yeah; I know. He gave me a low mark too."—Exchange.

Growing Grapes. Grapes will grow almost anywhere and are sure to bear. Grapes can be trained on trellises close to fences or to outbuildings. Spring is the best time to plant, using either one or two year old vines. Frequently cultivation during summer will improve the fruit.

Wood ashes make a good fertilizer for grapes, and half a bushel to the vine will not be too much. No pruning will be required the first season, but the second season cut back the strongest canes to three or four buds and remove all others.

Every age has its problem, by solving which humanity is helped forward.—Heinrich Heine.

If the bowels are clogged up poisons get into the blood causing loss of strength, skin eruption, dizziness and vertigo (blind staggers.) Prickly Ash Bitters will open the bowels, drive out the impurities and restore strength, energy and cheerful spirits. Price \$1.25 per bottle.—Rincker Book & Drug Co., Special Agents.

Notice of Final Report. Estate No. 1503 of Nicholas Wiley Grandey, deceased in the county court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The state of Nebraska, to all persons interested in said estate take notice that the Administrator has filed a final account and a petition for final settlement and discharge as such, which have been set for hearing before said court on March 15th, 1918, at 9 o'clock a. m., when you may appear and contest the same. Dated February 16th, 1918. Wm. H. C. WOODHURST, 11-3 wks. County Judge.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Block, who have been in New York City for a month, are expected home tomorrow.

Come in and see what every express brings Block's from New York.

The Domestic Science department of the Twentieth Century club will meet Monday afternoon, February 25th, at the home of Mrs. R. S. Cotterell, 310 east Fourth street.

For quick action and satisfactory sale list your land with Theolecks. If The city fire department has engaged the Knights of Columbus hall for its annual ball on April 1st. This will prove a much more comfortable place than the Lloyd opera house.

Postmaster McEvoy spent Wednesday in Grand Island attending a meeting of those interested in the War Savings Stamp campaign. About 200 from different parts of the state were present and heard the outlined plans for the statewide campaign, which will soon begin. It is planned to hold meetings in every school house in every county in the state. The plans of this campaign will be given publicity within a week.

NOTICE. We have buyers for city and farm properties. If you want to sell, list with us. If you want to buy, see us. HOLLMAN & SEBASTIAN. Brodbeck Bldg., Third door east of Postoffice upstairs. Phones Red or Black 612, North Platte. 12-2

Dispersion Sale

OF 100 HIGH GRADE ANGUS CATTLE Warren Doolittle having responded to the call of his country, necessitating a dispersion of the Doolittle cattle a public sale will be held at the Doolittle farm 3 miles south and 2 miles west of North Platte, commencing at eleven o'clock sharp on MONDAY, MARCH 4th. 100 Head of High Grade Angus Cattle Consisting of 40 cows, 20 2 year old heifers, 6 coming 3 year old steers, 16 coming 2 year old steers, 25 calves; also 10 good milch cows.

14 HEAD OF HORSES Team black geldings, 5 and 7 years old, team black mares 5 and 6 years old, team black geldings, 4 years old, bay mare 7 years old, bay stud colt coming 2 years old, 6 year old mare and mule colt, team of roans 5 and 6 years old, weight 1300 lbs. each, black gelding 7 years old, bay mare 6 years old. FARM MACHINERY Two P. & O. two-row cultivators, 3-section harrow, 8-foot disc, two farm wagons, truck with hay rack, spring wagon, hay rack, two 6-foot mowers, 12-foot hay rake, Star sweep, Hoosier press drill, Hoosier 2-row corn drill, two Moline listers, P. & O. 16-inch riding plow, Case 16-inch walking plow, 14-inch breaking plow, five sets of harness, grind stone. Also 5 dozen chickens, some household goods and other odds and ends. ALSO ONE OVERLAND AUTOMOBILE.

FREE LUNCH AT NOON TERMS—Sums under \$20 cash, over that sum 8 months time at 10 per cent interest. T. E. Doolittle & Ruth J. Osgood, Owners. W. H. McDonald, Clerk. M. L. McClara, Auct.

The nation's darling in a national character; MARY PICKFORD in a photoplay portrayal of that famous type of American childhood. "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm." KEITH THEATRE Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 25-26 ADULTS 25c. CHILDREN 10c.

Advertisement for North Platte Light & Power Co. featuring an image of a large industrial machine, likely a wringer, and promotional text: "This is the machine you have been hearing about with swinging wringer and latest improvements. North Platte Light & Power Co."

Advertisement for Platte Valley State Bank. Includes a logo with a shield and the text "a community service station", "Another Busy Year Ahead", and "Bank SERVICE for all". Text describes the bank's role in handling farmers' accounts and provides contact information for North Platte, Neb.