

GETTING READY FOR THE RED CROSS ROLL CALL.

Sam Souder, county chairman of the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, which will be conducted next week, is sending out to every voter in the county precincts a letter in which he calls attention to the fact that a meeting will be held at the school building in each school district Thursday evening, December 19th, and asking that the head of each family attend this meeting and subscribe one dollar for each member of his family. Mr. Souder hopes to make this campaign one hundred per cent—that is, that by the night of December 23d every man, woman and child will have taken out a membership in the Red Cross. In his letter Mr. Souder tells why it is necessary that the Red Cross be continued and the necessity of each individual becoming a member. Associated with Mr. Souder in this campaign are Harry Dixon, S. R. Derryberry and N. E. Beckley as the board of directors, M. E. Crosby chairman of the speakers' committee, and Mrs. M. E. Scott, who is chairman for North Platte.

Special for the balance of the week, beginning Wednesday, Dec. 12th, we will have a big lot of Batistes, Plain and Fancy Voiles and Crêpes, former prices from 25 cents up to as high as \$1.00 per yard, all must go. Our price will be nine cents per yard. The widths of these materials are from 27 inches to 40 inches. You cannot afford to miss this Special because the ones who see them will buy. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.

Synod to Meet Here in 1919.
North Platte was selected as the 1919 meeting place of the Lutheran Synod of Nebraska. This city was chosen at the closing session of the synod held at Fremont last week.

North Platte was further recognized by the selection of J. E. Sebastian as secretary-treasurer of the synodical brotherhood.

Horace Bird of Stanley, Iowa, Clark Bird, of Aurora, Iowa, Mrs. Mary Streeter, of Tacoma, Wash., and Mrs. J. C. Rathburn, of Maynard Iowa, brothers and sisters of Hugh Bird, arrived Sunday having been called here by the death of Lee Bird.

Wanted—Position by an experienced stationary steam engineer or fireman, or experienced farm tractor engineer. Phone Black 374.

Attorney Hamer, of Kearney, transacted legal business in town yesterday.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

The Happy Hour Club will meet with Mrs. Roy Bunnell, 621 west 9th street, Friday afternoon.

J. F. Keefe left Camp Taylor last week and for several days past has been visiting relatives at Sioux City while enroute home.

P. J. Barron, now located at Scotts Bluffs as a practicing attorney arrived Saturday and this week is having the family effects packed preparatory to shipment to that place.

You have heard of all sorts of people "Coming Back" but you can see the "Girl Who Came Back" at the Crystal Thursday or Friday nights.

Miss Julia Gleason, formerly of this city, who has been employed in a drug store at Chappell for several months, is visiting this week at the home of her parents.

Pat Sullivan, who had been spending the past summer and fall at Wallace, where he owns a big body of land, was in town Saturday enroute to his home in Seattle.

Our entire stock of dry goods including Suits, Coats and Dresses are on Sale. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.

The funeral of Carl Abrahamson, who died at Chadron last week, was held Sunday at Kearney in charge of the Masonic fraternity. The deceased made Kearney his home before coming to North Platte.

Suits, Overcoats, Union Suits, Leather Vests, Duck Coats, etc., at a discount of Twenty Per Cent. HARRY SAMUELSON.

Rev. W. F. Lindenmeyer, who has been in the service as a Y. M. C. A. secretary at the Great Lakes naval training station, arrived home Sunday night, having been called by the illness of his wife and son, who are suffering from the flu. Whether Mr. Lindenmeyer will return to camp work depends upon how well his sick folks get along.

Should you be interested in a real bargain do not fail to see the material we have on sale Wednesday and for the balance of the week at nine cents per yard. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.

Among the divisions named by General Pershing as the army of occupation in Germany is the Eighty-ninth, to which belongs the greater part of the Nebraska boys who are in the infantry and artillery service. Included are a number of North Platte boys, so it is probable we will not get to see them until the latter part of next summer.

MRS. HARRY GOLDSMITH ENDS LIFE BY OWN HAND.

Mrs. Harry Goldsmith, nee Gertrude Faulkner, ended her life Saturday evening at the Goldsmith farm ten miles southwest of town, by taking Paris green. She was found in an unconscious condition by her father-in-law who surmised from surrounding evidence that she had self-administered some sort of poison. Milk was given as an antidote and she regained consciousness. She was able to speak for a short time, then relapsed into unconsciousness again, and when the physician, who was immediately dispatched for arrival, she was past help and she passed away about midnight.

During her conscious moments Mrs. Goldsmith stated that she had taken the poison about three hours before found, assigned no particular reason for her act, and regretted what she had done.

The deceased had been married about eighteen months and leaves a three months old daughter. She was twenty years of age. The funeral will be held from the Episcopal church at 2:30 this afternoon.

Only One Hospital Patient.

But one patient was being cared for at the detention hospital yesterday, the other three patients having been discharged the latter part of last week. There are, it is said, a number of patients scattered around town who would receive better nursing at the hospital than at home for the reason that at the hospital one nurse can care for several patients, while at a home one patient will occupy the time of a nurse, and as there is a scarcity of nurses, some of the patients suffer for lack of proper nursing.

Six Per Cent Interest.

In order to supply funds to cover approved loan applications the Mutual Building and Loan Association will issue a limited amount of its paid up stock. This stock pays six per cent dividends, payable March 1st and September 1st.

Money invested in this stock, together with accrued dividends may be withdrawn on thirty days notice.

Mutual Building and Loan Association.

SAMUEL GOOZEE, Secretary.

Bird Funeral Tomorrow.

The funeral of Lieut. Lee Bird will be held tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock at the Episcopal church. Rev. Franklin Koch will conduct the service, a quartette of returned soldiers will render the music and the pallbearers will be soldiers. The Home Guards and drum corps will act as a military escort.

Tonight will be your last opportunity to see George M. Cohan in "Hit-the-Trail-Holiday" at the Keith Theatre. Aside from its educational qualities it is highly diverting because of its quaint humor and the peculiar mannerisms of Mr. Cohan which have made him one of the most conspicuous actors on the American stage.

All The Millinery and this season's latest style hats to be closed out quickly. All the hats that sold up to \$6.00 on sale at \$2.45. All the better grades, some as high as \$12.00 on sale at \$4.95 at THE LEADER MER. COMPANY.

Lieut. Geo. N. Gibbs, who was stationed at Camp Pike, and received a first Lieutenancy several weeks ago, arrived last night accompanied by Mrs. Gibbs. They are here temporarily, coming to ascertain how soon they can get back their home which is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pratt.

Special prices in our garment department. We can save you dollars on every purchase. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.

Capt. B. A. Cram, who has been stationed as chaplain at a camp near Atlanta, Ga., is spending today in town while enroute to Sidney. Captain Cram has received his discharge and he says he is somewhat in "the air" as to his work in the immediate future.

Those who are waiting for the hand decorated ivory at DIXON'S will kindly call in as we have just received a large shipment.

SICKNESS IN THE SCHOOLS SHOW A DECREASE

From the daily health bulletin issued by Supt. Tout, of the city schools for the twenty-four hours ending at six o'clock last evening, the following excerpts are taken:

The number of pupils absent dropped from 352 on Friday to 321 today. The number of pupils out on account of having flu in the family dropped from 136 on Friday to 96 today. The number of pupils out on account of other kinds of sickness also dropped being 86 on Friday and 69 today. Eighty-seven pupils were absent for ork out of town, afraid of flu or other cause not accounted as sickness. The others absent were not accounted for, being out temporarily or for the day or half day.

Mr. Newman was back at work this afternoon but is feeling a little weak yet.

Miss Murray was absent on account of her brother's sickness.

Miss Callan who was at the hospital last week has recovered but was not in school today.

500 leaflets on influenza, prepared by the College of Medicine of the University of Nebraska, are being distributed among the teachers and pupils today.

Attention is called to the fact that pupils are not allowed to come to school from homes where there are people sick with influenza. They can not come even if they stay in another part of the house.

CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

Regular meeting of the G. I. A. Friday afternoon.

A dance will be held at the Hershey hall next Friday evening.

Mrs. Geo. E. Brown left yesterday for a visit in Nampa, Idaho.

The W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon with Mrs. Rose Loudon, 602 south Pine.

Starting today the Union Pacific shops and round house went on an eight-hour day.

Mrs. W. J. Crusen, arrived yesterday from California to visit her daughter, Mrs. York Hinman.

The only store prepared to sell you Blankets at last season's prices is THE LEADER MER. CO.

Frank J. McGovern, who had been at the officers' training school at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, arrived home last evening.

Are you going to give him gloves? Then don't overlook our wonderful assortment. HARCOURT CLOTHING COMPANY.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Maynard, of Portland, Ore., who had been spending last week with their aunt Mrs. H. S. White, returned home Friday afternoon.

Another Big lot of outing flannel remnants saving you 4 cents to 10 cents on the yard at THE LEADER MER. CO.

Mrs. Clyde Lake, who had been ill for some time and had submitted to an operation, died Sunday morning. The remains were taken to Gandy yesterday for interment.

Your eyes need the best attention. Don't forget that HARRY DIXON & SON have an Optometrist who is a specialist. All his work is guaranteed.

"Friend Husband" is of especial appeal to young married people, engaged couples, and those who wish they were one or the other. Don't neglect seeing it at the Keith Wednesday and Thursday.

to attend the Big Forced Stock Reducing Sale now on at BLOCKS.

North Platte, and Lincoln county boys are arriving home from training camps on every train, in fact they are dropping in so lively that the news gatherers can't get track of all of them.

Wonderful Saving on all womens and misses suits, coats, furs and dresses. See our ADD elsewhere in this newspaper. THE LEADER MER. CO.

Frank Murray, who had been indisposed for a day or two but kept at business, went home Friday noon. A physician was summoned who pronounced him suffering from pneumonia. Since then his condition has been very serious.

SOLDIERS' HOME WELCOME COMMITTEE HOLD MEETING.

The Soldiers' Home Welcome Committee consisting of twenty-five or more members held its initial meeting at the federal building last evening, and the duties of the committee were outlined by President Seeburger. This committee is composed of representatives of the Red Cross, the Canteen, the Chamber of Commerce, the city government, the Home Guards, the G. I. R. and other organizations.

The object of the committee is to extend a welcome to the boys returning from both the front and from camps, to aid them in securing employment where such is needed and to impress upon the home-coming soldiers that we are more glad to have them return to us than we were to have them leave us. It is proposed to erect a welcome arch and to decorate the depot building and other buildings in the down town district. It is also suggested that every house in town fly a flag, even though the flag be small.

The meeting last night appointed an organization committee consisting of Judge Hoagland, Mrs. Rincker, Mrs. Bogue and Messers. Bare and Halligan. This committee met later in the evening and selected the following officers: L. C. Carroll chairman, Mrs. Frank Buchanan secretary and F. H. Barber treasurer. The chairman was given power to select the chairmen of the various committees that will be necessary to perform the work outlined for the organization.

A meeting of the committee will be called for some evening this week and the organization will at once begin its work.

Ernest W. Rincker is now attending Princeton university as a student in the navy paymaster department, and writes that he is rather luxuriously situated. In order to pass inspection he must shave and bathe daily, polish his shoes six times a day, and keep his apparel in absolutely spotless condition.

Remember two things: Only 14 more shopping days till Xmas. And the wonderful Xmas suggestions on display at DIXON'S Jewelry Store.

Among the boys who returned from training camps or schools Sunday and yesterday were Chas. Walter, Earl Quasley, Will Calhoun and Sylvester Rauch.

The only store prepared to sell you Blankets at last season's prices is THE LEADER MER. CO.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends for the beautiful floral offerings and the kindness shown us in our great bereavement.

Mrs. Mary H. Elder and family.

Another Big lot of outing flannel remnants saving you 4 cents to 10 cents on the yard at THE LEADER MER. CO.

VAN NATTA FOUND HIDING IN A HOUSE ATTIC.

Van Natta, against whom an information had been filed for criminal relationship with his fourteen-year old daughter, and who had been in hiding for several days, was placed under arrest yesterday. He was found secreted in the attic of a house on an island in the North Platte river northwest of town. Sheriff Salisbury got a tip that VanNatta was in hiding over north and suspected that he was harbored in a house where found He entered the house and asked if Van Natta had been there. The occupant replied that he had not. The Sheriff spied the open door to the attic. "Come out of there, VanNatta," he commanded. There was no response. The sheriff repeated the command in a somewhat more forcible manner, and the reply came forth "I'm coming down," and the form of VanNatta squeezed through the small opening.

VanNatta was arraigned in the county court yesterday afternoon, pleaded not guilty and the hearing was set for Thursday.

Do not forget, then lament, because you did not remember about the nine cent special Wednesday, Dec. 12th. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.


The aid society of the Christian church will meet in the church basement Thursday afternoon. Refreshments will be served. Members and friends are cordially invited.

For Father's Xmas, why not one of the new Cordova combination bill folds and pocket books. It will please him. HARRY DIXON, The Jeweler.

Mrs. Laura Whelpley, who was called here by the death of her nephew Lee D. Grimes, returned to Fremont on an afternoon train yesterday.

CRYSTAL THEATRE
Thursday and Friday
Ethel Clayton in
"The Girl who Came Back"
Greatest lesson taught in a pleasing silent drama

Tones Hitherto LOST
Now brought out in Rich Clarity by the Brunswick Method of Reproduction.



Never so True.
The simplest way to know the added charm of the Brunswick tone is to choose the most difficult records of all and play them on the Brunswick. Then on others.
In every comparison your ear will favor the Brunswick. Make as many tests as you choose, you will never hear the Brunswick's equal.

Call and let us demonstrate the merits of the new Ultona Reproducer which plays all records without changing reproducers and gives the correct weight on the needle for each record.

We want to correct an error in our ad last Friday.
The Adam Schaaf Player \$600, now selling **For \$475**
P.ckard Pianos \$475, now selling **For \$400**

WALKER MUSIC COMPANY

The "SUN" Theatre
Tuesday...
"INSIDE THE LINES" featuring Louis Stone and Margaret Clayton, also one reel comedy.—Lyons and Moran.
Has a Vampire ever tried to steal your lover? What would you do if she did? What did May Allison as Virginia-Houston do in "A Successful Adventure"
At The SUN Wednesday
One Reel of Current Events.
Thursday...
Gail Kaine in "LOVES LAW." How a girl's ambition won her fame and riches and kept her decent—also one reel comedy.

Everything a Man Needs!
No matter how particular you are in selecting the gift for HIM, you will find our store a really wonderful place to buy practical gifts and just the things he will want
Our assortment of useful gifts vary in prices and quality to suit your every want.
A wonderful showing of pure silk Neckwear at **50c to \$3.50**
Silk Shirts in a large variety at **\$3.50 to \$12**
Dress Gloves, Driving Gloves and Mittens at **75c to \$4**
If you are looking for traveling goods, don't overlook our large stock of Suit Cases and Bags **\$1.65 to \$25**

HARCOURT CLOTHING CO.

CLARA KIMBALL in
"The Reason Why"
A world famous novel and a well-beloved actress make a famous photoplay. A romance of high society
Crystal Theatre TONIGHT AND WEDNESDAY