

LOCAL MATTERS.

Miss Kathryn Barrett left Monday for her home in Sioux City.
J. J. Sfilson and J. Skradla, of Atkinson, were in the city last Tuesday.
Miss Minnie B. Miller went up to Atkinson Wednesday evening to spend Decoration day.
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. O'Donnell and

daughter, Miss Irene, left Tuesday morning for a few days visit in Omaha.

Attorneys M. F. Harrington and W. J. Hammond went over to Butte last Monday to attend the annual spring term of district court.

Judge Dickson and Reporter Scott went over to Butte last Monday morning where they are holding the regular spring term of district court.

Joe Winkler, of Emmet, was a caller at this office last Tuesday and left the necessary coin to extend his subscription to this household necessity another year.

John E. McDaniel, of Dixon, Nebr., and Miss Adaline Harvey, of Phoenix, were united in marriage by County Judge Malone in the county court room last Monday.

Ben Harty left last Friday morning for his old home at Shullsburg, Wisconsin, where he will spend a few days visiting his parents and other relatives in that vicinity.

Floyd Wolfe and John Carson were in from the north country last Saturday. The boys say that crop prospects are looking extra fine in the northern part of the county.

Jack Quig shipped in a Black Angus bull from Harlan, Iowa, last week that is a real beauty. He will head the herd of James Pace & Son, who lives southwest of this city.

The food administration has fixed a maximum price of fifty cents per hundred pounds for ice, delivered where the ice dealer maintains a delivery, for the towns of Holt county.

James Fallon, who has been an efficient employee of R. R. Morrison's the past two years, left for Omaha Tuesday morning where he will enlist in the marines and do "his bit" for his country.

Grover Shaw, one of the hustling young farmers and stockmen of southern Grattan, was a caller at this office Wednesday and extended his subscription to this disseminator of current events.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Marquis, of Chambers, were in the city yesterday. Mr. Marquis is engaged in the mercantile business at Chambers, having purchased the general store of Grimes Brothers.

Mrs. Charles Scott and daughter, Miss Ruth, departed Thursday morning for Des Moines, Iowa, for an extended visit with relatives. Charley as a consequence will batch it until the garden harvest is ready.

Sergeant Cecil Conklin, who has been stationed at Camp Funston since he was inducted into the service of the United States last September, is now in New York taking the first stage in his journey over seas.

During the thunder storm last Sunday night, J. C. Oswald, who lives on the William Joyce farm, northwest of this city, lost six head of cattle by lightning, five cows and a bull. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

The state fish car went through this city on the west bound passenger train Tuesday afternoon and several cans of trout were put off here to be planted in Steel Creek and other streams in the northern part of the county.

William Laviolette, of North Bend, Neb., arrived in the city Sunday evening for a few days visit with old time friends in this city and vicinity, and also to put in a few days at his favorite past time trout fishing on the Eagle.

Tom Shiveley, of Norfolk, came up last Tuesday afternoon and went out to the Storts ranch that evening to spend a few days visiting his wife and son, who are running the ranch this year, having leased the property from William Storts.

L. H. Downey and family returned last Friday from their overland trip through Iowa and Missouri. Miss Sarah Ek, of Independence, Mo., and Miss Jeneveve Evans, of Des Moines, Iowa, accompanied them home. They had been gone for a month.

Several local nimrods have been making some fine catches of catfish, in the river south of town, the past week. Or at least we have been told they are making them, but up to date

Cultivators.

We have a few Cultivators and Lister Cultivators left. Will not be able to get any more this year. It will pay you to buy now.

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Dain Hay tools. We carry all kinds of mower repairs: Deering, McCormick, Johnston, Dain and Independent.

Warner & Sons.

we have no ocular evidence of that fact, and the price of meat so high too.

John L. Quig has the smallest horse in town. One of his little Shetland ponies had a colt last Sunday and it only weighs seven pounds. The sire weighed 250 while the dam of the colt weighs 300 pounds, so the little horse will never be much for size.

Peter Egger left last Sunday morning for the Great Lakes Naval training station to bring back his son, who enlisted in the navy about six weeks ago. He became quite ill and was discharged from the navy and his father went after him to bring him home.

Re-appraisement of school lands under lease contracts in Custer, Gosper and Holt counties will add nearly \$21,000.00 to the state school fund annually. The increases of the new appraisement over the old were: Custer county, \$119,201.03; Gosper \$37,691.20, and Holt \$116,799.56.

Some light fingered gent visited the residence of C. E. Stout last Sunday and appropriated an ice cream freezer filled with ice cream. Mrs. Stout says she would be willing to forgive the culprit if, she or they would return the freezer, so they could make some more cream.

Last Sunday's State Journal contains the reproduction of a photograph of a number of recruits who have recently arrived at Fort Logan, Colorado, in charge of Paul Beha, of O'Neill, now in the quartermaster's department. It is not at all difficult to pick "Slats" out of the group.

Several good heavy rains have fallen in this county during the past week, in fact it has been raining most of the time for a week. Since May 19th nearly seven inches of rain has fallen in this vicinity. Now when it warms up Holt county crops will proceed to make record growths.

Mrs. Mary Driscoll, of Phoenix, Arizona, arrived in the city the latter part of last week for a couple of months visit with her mother, Mrs. Michael Gallagher. Miss Helen Gallagher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Gallagher, who has been visiting at Phoenix the past year, returned with her.

The Red Cross entertainment held at Marquette Chapel on the evening of the twenty-fourth, was a decided success. Mr. Nolan gave a thrilling patriotic address. The proceeds were \$76.80. The lucky numbers drawing the quilts were numbers 27, 37, and 72. Any one holding these numbers, please present, and receive quilt.

The Ladies Belgium Relief committee have tendered a unanimous vote of thanks to Mr. Sam Arnold of the Sanitary Laundry for his assistance in preparing the clothing and other material for shipment to the Belgian sufferers. More than fifty dollars worth of cleaning was donated by Mr. Arnold and his assistants.

Elliott Stanton and daughter, Cora, of Baldwin, Iowa, arrived in the city Friday, visiting with his nephew, E. D. Henry, and returning home Saturday over the Burlington. Mr. Stanton came out to Ewing to attend the funeral of his father, but arrived a few hours too late, on account of an undelivered telegram that was said to have been around the depot all day.

The entertainment given last Tuesday evening at the Royal theatre by the pupils of St. Mary's Academy, for the benefit of the Junior Red Cross, was one of the most successful entertainments ever staged by the pupils of St. Mary's, which is noted for the excellence of the entertainments presented to the people of this city. The little folks participating were well trained and were heartily applauded by the large audience. Retail merchants who purchase

poultry or eggs from producers, or take these commodities in exchange and sell them to any other than consumers who patronize their stores, must apply for licenses on or before June 1st. Such dealers are designated as packers and shippers and as such may resell to any wholesaler or jobber. Resales are not permitted between wholesalers or from retailers to wholesalers. Resales - between dealers in the same class are prohibited, without first obtaining consent of the Food Administrator.

Everett Brown, who was manager of the Ditch Company south of town for several years, was arrested at Valentine last Saturday upon orders from the sheriff of this county and was brought here Sunday morning by Sheriff Duffy. Brown was arrested upon a complaint signed by County Attorney Boyle who alleged that he stole and appropriated to his own use a saddle, the property of F. E. Cowden, and that said saddle was worth \$75. Brown appeared in county court last Wednesday and gave bail in the sum of \$200 to appear in court at 10 o'clock next Friday morning for trial.

Counting the men who left here for Camp Dodge, Iowa, last Tuesday, 205 men from this county have been sent to the army by the local draft board or have been inducted into the service on waivers from the local board. All these men had registered in this county and were classified for service. There are still in class one, eligible for service, 155 men. It is estimated that 125 more will be added on June 5th when the young men who have become of age during the past year, registers. These men will be examined and classified at once, being placed at the bottom of the list of eligibles.

County Board of Equalization.

The County Board of Supervisors County Assessor and County Clerk of Holt county, will meet as a County Board of Equalization on Tuesday, June 11, 1918, and will be in session for at least three days for the purpose of equalizing the taxable property of the county. All persons who believe that their property is assessed too high or that the property of another is assessed too low should present their claims to the County Board of Equalization for adjustment.
P. C. Kelley, County Clerk.

Overland and Willys Knight Automobiles.

As announced by the Company, in late issues of the newspapers, I have the agency for sale of the Overland and Willys-Knight Automobiles—office and sales room one door north of the U. S. Land office, O'Neill, Nebraska, at which place I will be delighted to meet prospective buyers. I have no time, nor inclination, to "knock" on any other make of cars, but will take great pleasure, at all times, to exhibit the many good qualities of the Overland products. Call and view the new cars now on hand.
51-1 SANFORD PARKER.

Directions For Registering.

All men who have attained the age of twenty-one years on June 5th, next, are required to present themselves for registration at the office of the Local Board at the Court house in O'Neill on Wednesday, June 5th, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 9 p. m., on that day. The only exceptions are those now in the Military or Naval Service of the United States. Persons who are absent from their home county should apply for registration to the Local Board immediately so that their registration cards can be sent to the Board of their home county before registration day.

FREIGHT RATES TO BE FOURTH HIGHER Increase Effective June 25, and 3-Cent Fare Fifteen Days Earlier.

Washington, May 28.—Twenty-five per cent rate increases on class and commodity freight rates will go into effect on June 25. Railroad fares will be raised to 3 cents a mile June 10th.

Some heavy commodities largely handled will undergo raises of more than 25 per cent.

This announcement came from the United States railroad administration in the wake of announcement that railway men's pay would be boosted.

The increases were designated as necessary because of the need to meet higher operating expenses, estimated at from \$830,000,000 to \$860,000,000 more than last year.

Traffic in heavy commodities will have increases not based on the 25 per cent ruling.

Some rate advances follows:

Coal, 15 to 50 cents a ton; coke, 15 to 75c; iron ore, 30c; building stone, 2c per 100 pounds; road stone, sand, gravel, 1c; brick, cement and plaster, 2c; lime, 1 1/2c; lumber, 25 per cent, but not more than 5c per 100 pounds; grain, flour and mill products, 25 per cent, but not more than 6c per 100 pounds; cotton, 15c; live stock, 25 per cent, but not more than 7c per 100 pounds; sugar, 25 per cent to middle west states (rates from producing centers will be maintained on the present relationship); copper bullion and smelter products, approximately \$6.50 per ton from Rockies and Pacific coast states to Atlantic seaboard.

All export and import rates will be canceled and domestic rates will apply to and from ports. Less than carloads will have a 50-cent minimum charge and roads hauling a carload will demand a minimum of \$15.

Important established rate groupings and differentials will be continued where practical.

Sleeper and Parlor Rates Up.

Passenger rates now above 3 cents will not be disturbed; round trip tourist fares will be higher, effective June 15; standard sleeper or parlor car charges will be one-half cent per mile more for travel tickets, in addition to charges for the seat or berth; tourist sleeper rates will be one-fourth cent more per mile.

Commuters must pay 10 per cent more than now. Water rates will be advanced in proportion to rail rates. Men in the service will obtain one-third fare rates when on furlough or leave of absence, but not between camps and nearby cities or ports.

Expenses Increase \$651,840,000. The need for increases was pointed out by a table showing that in 1915 railroads used 122,000,000 tons of coal at \$137,860,000 and now are using 166,000,000 tons, costing \$489,700,000. Taxes, rents or other costs similarly have gone skyward, resulting in wage increases exceeding \$300,000,000 annually.

Bankers Convention Next Tuesday.

The bankers of Group Six, comprising all the bankers from the eastern line of Holt county to the western line of the state, will hold their annual convention in this city next Tuesday, and it promises to be one event of the year in banking circles in this section of the state. Following are the officers of Group Six: President, John M. Flannigan, Stuart; Vice President, R. F. Kitterman, Hay Springs; Secretary, W. F. Parker, Wood Lake, Neb.

Following is the program for the meeting, which will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, next Tuesday: 10:30 a. m., called to order.

Invocation—Rev. Longstaff
Address of Welcome—Mayor E. H. Whelan
Response—C. A. Minnick, Crawford

Presidents Address J. M. Flannigan, Stuart
Address—"The Banker in the Trenches" W. S. Weston, president Nebraska Bankers Ass'n
Address—"War Savings Societies," J. J. Boucher, att'y, Omaha
Appointment of Committees.
Adjournment until 2 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

Address—"Why State Banks Should Join the Federal Reserve System," A. E. Ramsey, Chairman
Federal Reserve Bank, Kansas City
Address—"The Federal Farm Loan System," M. L. Corey, Registrar
Federal Land Bank, Omaha
Report of Committees.
Election of Officers.
Banquet at Golden Hotel, 8 o'clock
Question Box in charge of S. F. Folda,
Exchange National Bank, Omaha

Whale Meat In Chicago.

Whale meat has appeared in Chicago. A packing company received a shipment by express from Seattle. It was placed in the retail shops to be sold at around 25 cents a pound. If the venture is successful, it will be possible to sell whale meat for less than this by having it shipped in large quantities in refrigerator cars. Chicago daily papers ran a list of whale meat recipes.

Boys Leave For Camp Dodge.

Last Tuesday morning six boys left this city for Camp Dodge, Iowa, where they enter the national army. The seventh member of this county's quota, George P. Schone, entrained at Tecumseh. Monday evening the boys were entertained at the picture show, where T. V. Golden delivered a short and patriotic address.

Tuesday morning the boys were escorted to the depot by the Home Guards and a large delegation of the people of this city were present to wish them God speed and a safe return, after they had finished their work. The following were the members of the party:

658—Everet R. Pendergast, O'Neill.
661—John W. Crowley, Stuart.
734—William J. Meyer, Stuart.
794—Lowell M. Miller, Page.
872—Walter W. Sievers, Ewing.
885—Harry B. Cherry, Page.

Oil Well Goes Slowly.

Valentine Republican: The people at Bassett who have been led into investing their money in an oil well scheme are apparently undergoing the same experience which so many other communities have gone through. Although the state geological department could find no trace of any oil formations in that locality, the promoters induced the people to put their money for a well, to be sunk for purposes of investigation, at least. The drillers apparently have a contract under which they draw their pay whether they succeed in going down or not. It is reported that after several weeks of work the pipe had been sunk but 200 feet, quicksand being the obstacle. It is also reported that the company had paid out about \$4,000 on the well thus far, although of course this may be an exaggeration. At any rate, the citizens of that burg, becoming desperate over the lack of progress, sent for Uncle Milt Latta to come down with his famous well machine. Quicksand is easy for Uncle Milt, and nothing stops him. So he shipped his machine by express and went to Bassett prepared to do the work in short order. He was told to go ahead by the people interested, but the well driller refused to allow him to work, unless he paid \$10,000 for the privilege. This is evidently the amount the driller expects to make from the deal. Uncle Milt was obliged to return home without satisfying the Bassett people. Since his return it is reported that the well driller has resumed work.

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—Dr. Chatfield.

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