

**LOCAL MATTERS.**

Mrs. Morgan, of Mineola, was visiting friends in the city last Wednesday. A. R. Wertz was in from Star last Wednesday.

Sheriff Bradstreet and Attorney D. Harrington, of Butte, were transacting business in this city last Wednesday.

Miss Sue Lorge came up from Randolph last Saturday evening and is spending the week in the city visiting relatives and old friends.

Attorney M. H. Leamey, of Pierce, was in the city last Monday looking after matters in the district court.

A. E. Craig, until recently president of the Morningside College, at Sioux City, Iowa, will preach at the M. E. church in this city next Sunday.

Rhody Ryan, who is stationed at Fort Riley, arrived in the city last week, being called here by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. James Ryan.

Miss Katherine Grady returned last Monday evening from a trip to Chicago, where she had been to purchase her fall and winter stock of millinery.

Miss Helen Harrington returned returned home last Monday evening from a two months visit with relatives and friends in Lincoln, Omaha and other points in the state.

T. P. Mullen, of Elgin, arrived in the city last Saturday evening and spent Sunday in the city visiting relatives and old time friends. Tom is now in the life insurance business and is meeting with marked success.

John Ryan came down from Gillette, Wyoming, last Saturday, being called here on account of the serious illness of his mother. John says that crops are exceptionally fine in Wyoming and that everything is booming.

The Scottville Red Cross will give a patriotic program and box social at the Scottville church Saturday evening, August 31st. Will also raffie off two quilts they have sold numbers on. Everybody invited. All ladies bring boxes.

E. F. Gallagher received a letter from his son, Lieutenant E. M. Gallagher, the latter part of last week, announcing his safe arrival in France. He landed on July 21, after an uneventful voyage. Lt. Gallagher is with a balloon company.

Dr. M. E. Pettibone, of this city, expects to leave in a short time to enter the Y. M. C. A. service in France, as his application has been accepted and officers of the organization have asked for pass ports for him. He is looking for a call within the next month.

Prof. F. E. Marrin arrived in the city last Monday night and is getting things in shape for the opening of school a week from next Monday. Prof. Marrin spent the most of his vacation in Minnesota and says that he thoroughly enjoyed the three months vacation from school duties.

Hugh Campbell, who has been in the service for over a year and who is now stationed at Charleston, S. C., arrived in the city last Sunday evening for a few days visit with home folks. Hugh is looking fine, having gained a few inches in height since last here and it is apparent that life in the navy agrees with him.

Congressman M. P. Kinkaid arrived in O'Neill last Thursday night and spent a couple of days visiting his constituents in his home city. He left Washington about a month ago and had been making a tour of the district looking after his political fences, which he says he found in splendid condition. He left for Washington last Sunday morning.

Parnell Golden is now the champion golf player of the Elkhorn valley, having won the championship at the golf tournament at Norfolk last week. The News speaks very highly of his class as a player and said that some of the drives he made were of the sensational order. Some of the other city golf bugs say that they will not allow Parnell to keep the championship very long, as they are determined to try and get it away from him, while Parnell expresses the desire to take on all comers.

D. H. Cronin, chairman of the Federal Fuel Committee for this county, has received a check from William Krotter Company, of Stuart, for \$5.29, which was a rebate received by that company on a shipment of coal from an Omaha wholesale coal company and which the company

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  - 80c—2 Pound Can of Best Coffee **65c**
  - 85c Large Bottle Pure Lemon Extract **49c**
  - 85c Large Bottle Pure Vanilla Extract **49c**
  - 2—15c Bars Toilet Soap **20c**
  - 1.50 Bottle of Grape Juice **\$1.00**
  - 40c Pound of Golden Sun Coffee **29c**
  - 3—15c Boxes of Best Jar Rubbers **25c**
  - 65c Bottle Strawberry Preserves **45c**
  - 60c Jar Beech Nut Brand Red Currant Jelly **40c**
  - 25c Large Can Tuna Flakes Fish **17c**
  - \$2.00 Pail of 4-X Salt Fish **\$1.39**
  - 30c Can Van Camps Red Kidney Beans **20c**
  - 15c Boxes of Ivory Starch **10c**
  - 10 Pounds Corn Meal **58c**
  - 10c Jelly Glasses **05c**
- UP WHERE THE PRICES ARE DOWN.**
- \$3.00 Men's Dress Hats **\$1.50**
  - \$4.00 Men's Dress Hats **\$2.25**
  - \$2.89 Men's Overalls **\$1.89**
  - \$2.00 Men's Union Suits **99c**
  - \$2.00 Men's Dress Shirts **99c**
  - 10c Shoe Laces **05c**

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failed to pass on to the consumers. The rebate was traced by the Federal Fuel Administration. The draft was paid over to the local secretary of the Holt County Chapter of the Red Cross to be turned into the war fund of the Red Cross.

**The Keith Red Cross.**  
The Keith Red Cross and Auxiliaries will meet for a business meeting at the home of Mrs. George Robertson on Friday afternoon, August 30. Everybody welcome.  
Helen Robertson, Secy.

**Hay Dealers Must Be Licensed.**  
All hay dealers are again notified that they must have a government license before they may legally operate. Failure to at once procure such license is punishable by a heavy fine and other penalties. Application should be made to the License Division, Law Department, Food Administration, Washington, D. C.

**J. M. HUNTER,**  
Federal Food Administrator.

**Card of Thanks.**  
We desire to express our thanks to the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance, kindness and sympathy to us during our sad bereavement of our beloved father and brother.  
Mrs. F. A. Putnam,  
George Sanders,  
Charles Sanders,  
Rollin Sanders,  
Alfred Sanders,  
Mrs. W. E. McRobert.

**Peterson Pleads Guilty to Hoarding.**  
Charley W. Peterson, owner of a portion of the old Lee & Prentice ranch, south of Atkinson, pleaded guilty Wednesday to having in his possession without reporting it, more than the legal amount of wheat flour, and to not having used the proper substitutes with it. He signed a pledge to faithfully observe all rules and regulations of the food administration in the future and voluntarily contributed \$25 to the Red Cross through Food Administrator J. M. Hunter.

**Notice to Property Owners.**  
You will be required without further notice to mow all the weeds adjacent to your property in the city of O'Neill. This is necessary to maintain the streets of the city in a clean and sightly condition. This notice likewise provides for the cleaning of all alleys and the mowing of weeds adjacent thereto.  
In case of failure to do this work according to this notice within ten days the duty will devolve on the city and the expense on the property owner.  
C. M. DALY,  
Commissioner on Streets and Alleys.

**Sugar Regulation Violator Pleads Guilty.**  
Mrs. J. L. Fisher, of Ewing, Tuesday pleaded guilty, before Deputy Food Administrator Benson, to purchasing three twenty-five pound lots of canning sugar without having first asked authority to do the same and voluntarily paid to Federal Food Administrator J. M. Hunter the sum of \$25, to be paid by him into the war fund of the Red Cross. Mrs. Fisher also signed a pledge to in the future observe all rules and regulations of the food administration.  
J. M. HUNTER,  
Federal Food Administrator,  
For Holt County.

**Call No. 1139.**  
The following men comprise the contingent from Holt county, who will report for duty and entrainment on August 28th. Entrainment will be to Camp Funston, Kansas:  
Otto August Wahletz, Page.  
Henry Leo Wagner, Ewing.  
Elmer Elliott Wolfe, O'Neill.  
Earl Harry Miller, Atkinson.  
John Z. Widman, Swan.  
Charlie Schollmeier, Dorsey.  
Fred Neibauer, Stuart.  
Frank Ernest Backhaus, Inez.  
George Hotaling, Atkinson.  
Ivan Charles Grubbs, Page.

George E. Jonas, Stuart.  
Paul Adam Roth, Atkinson.

**Notice to Citizens.**  
Notice to citizens living adjacent to street lights in the city of O'Neill: You are hereby notified that if the respective street lights in the city of O'Neill and adjacent to their respective places or residences are not turned off in the morning so as to prevent the unnecessary burning of electricity during the day, and that any lights which are not turned off regular, and which are permitted to burn during the day, and also which are not turned on regular at night, will be removed. These street lights are placed there by the city with the guarantee and promise of property owners, that they would look after the turning on and turning off same.  
P. D. MULLEN,  
Commissioner on Water and Lights.

**Draft Slacker Arrested.**  
Ed. Sullivan, a draft evader from Gordon, Kansas, was arrested as he stepped from the evening train at Stuart last night. Sullivan's capture was by the Stuart Home Guards, who were on the lookout for a draft evader who escaped from Atkinson Wednesday afternoon. Sullivan was in possession of a draft card, but did not know his classification. Inquiry was made to Gordon, from where his card showed he was registered, and a telegram received back stated that Sullivan had left there without filling out a questionnaire. A later order was that he be turned over to the nearest military post. He was taken to Omaha this afternoon. The Stuart Home Guard will receive the reward for his arrest.

**Posse After Draft Evader.**  
Atkinson Home Guards and posses of citizens in automobiles are searching the country around Atkinson to apprehend a draft evader who walked away from the village marshal Wednesday afternoon. The fugitive had been working on a farm near Atkinson for several weeks. Recently the Home Guard became suspicious that he was not a registrant. Wednesday the village marshal accosted the man, who gave the name of Williams, at the depot, and asked for his registration card. He produced one made out in the name of Nyles and from Iowa. The marshal instead of taking Nyles, or Williams, into custody went up town to consult with others and while he was absent the man walked away. He was seen going toward Stuart and posses were formed to chase him. At last reports, late Wednesday night, he had not been apprehended.

**The Falling Birth Rate of Germany.**  
The Medical Herald, K. C. August 1918: In spite of many protests to the contrary, by German authorities, our government's information bureau has had many evidences of Germany's desperate efforts to increase the birth rate, whether legitimate or illegitimate. Here is a copy of a letter found on a German prisoner captured by the Americans (translation):  
"Since, as a result of the war, the greatest part of the manhood of the country capable of bearing arms has been called to the colors, it is the duty of the masculine population, in the interests of the fatherland, to take to themselves in loving manner the young women who have been left behind with the object of doubling or trebling the birth rate.  
"We believe that in you we have found the right man, and that you, in this difficult time, will fulfill this honorable and responsible duty in a conscientious manner.  
"The duty with which you have been intrusted is of a public nature, and by refusal you will incur severe penalties under the statutes of war.  
"You will be informed upon visiting this office as to the district allotted to you and the addresses of the women to be visited by you.  
"You may use this communication as a voucher."

**The Primary Election.**  
At the primary election last Tuesday a very light vote was cast throughout the county and state. The vote in this city was fairly heavy, but fell off in the country districts and the total vote will probably not be more than thirty-five per cent of the total vote of the county.

Returns from the state have been very meagre, but from those received it is apparent that Morehead has received the democratic nomination for United States Senator. He was running away ahead of the field and from the first reports received would have a majority over all the candidates. Governor Neville has won the democratic nomination for governor, defeating Charles Bryan by nearly two to one.

On the republican ticket the chances favor Norris for the republican nomination for Senator, with Sloan second and Hammond third. Norris developed wonderful strength in the country precincts of the state and looks like an easy winner in the three cornered fight.

S. R. McKelvie received the republican nomination for governor quite easily having defeated his opponent by two to one.

Returns have been coming in very slowly and many of the election boards having sealed the abstract of votes in the sack with the ballots and they can not be seen until the canvassing board takes charge of the returns. With ten precincts missing the democratic vote on United States Senator shows Morehead and Metcalfe running neck and neck in the county, with the chances favorable to Morehead for carrying the county. Governor Neville will have about 300 majority over Charles Bryan for governor.

On the republican ticket Hammond and Norris are running neck and neck with the chances favorable to Norris for carrying the county, with Congressman Sloan third. The vote then precincts missing is: Hammond 157; Norris 156; Sloan 90. For governor McKelvie will have about 200 majority over Johnson.

With ten precincts missing the vote on members of the supreme bench is as follows: Aldrich 436; Corcoran 436; Martin 398; Rose 397; Letton 333; Perry 303.

For representative from the Fifty-third district C. M. Daly won over H. W. Tomlinson for the democratic nomination by about 200 majority.

One of the greatest surprises of the election was the decisive defeat of County Attorney Hugh J. Boyle for the democratic nomination for county attorney by T. F. Nolan. The latter will have about 130 majority in the county, defeating Boyle in this city by 73 votes.

P. C. Kelley was nominated for county clerk, defeating T. D. Hanley by about 125 votes.

The only contest on the republican county ticket was for the office of sheriff in which R. N. Brittell of this city and LeRoy Richards of Atkinson were the contestants. Brittell won the nomination, having about 200 majority over Richards.

In the race for county superintendent a very pretty contest is on for the second place on the ballot, the contest for this position being between Miss Mary Horiskey and Miss Meta Martin. The vote on county superintendent, with six precincts missing is: Miss Anna Donohoe 773; Miss Mary Horiskey 281; Miss Meta Martin 263.

Another surprise was the defeat of M. P. Sullivan, chairman of the county board for renomination by John Sullivan by about 60 votes, John Sullivan carrying every ward in O'Neill as well as Grattan township.

In the first district the race between Benson and Bausch, present member of the board, is very close, with the indications favorable to the nomination of Bausch.

In the fifth district H. U. Hubbard, present member of the board, won the

republican nomination over C. D. Keyes.  
W. T. Hayes, republican member from the Seventh district, had no opposition for the nomination.

**Voluntary Registrators Wanted.**  
"I preparation for the contemplated extension of draft ages, Governor Keith Neville has issued a bulletin to all local boards requesting them to secure the services of voluntary registrators in every voting precinct in the State of Nebraska. Nebraska has achieved a very enviable record in the administration of the selective service law. Nebraskans have given freely of their time in the transaction of this work. In the 1917 registration, volunteer registrars were secured for the vast majority of counties. In Omaha, 400 registrars volunteered their services. The registration in that city of 20,000 men cost the federal government only \$9.48. The record attained in some of the rural districts of Nebraska has been equally as good and in some cases, better. The 1918 registration was handled with no expense to the federal government.

It is Governor Neville's desire that the titanic task of conducting the proposed new registration be accomplished with as little expense to the government as possible. He is, consequently, calling upon patriotic Nebraskans to communicate with the Local Board having jurisdiction over their territory, offering their services on registration day."

**From Leland Wertz.**  
In France, July 16, 1918.

Dearest Mother: I am in the loveliest town imaginable in France, and its about the nearest perfect end of a day I've ever seen. The fact is, I'm happy tonight, happier than usual. I only wish I could tell you what I am doing.

Along with other things, I am studying French. It cost two Francs an hour for an instructor, but it will surely help me a great deal. I get so I wave my hands a lot when talking "Parly-Vous." The French are a wonderful people. Not a bit more immoral than Americans as I can see. And patriotic, say they are simply superb. Let me tell you of an incident that happened the 4th of July in a little town close by, that affected me more than anything I ever saw. We had a little celebration and the band was there. The colonel made a very fine talk to the soldiers and to the towns people who were all there; an interpreter repeating it to the villagers. The women brought big bouquets of red, white and blue flowers and presented them to the officers. Well the colonel had just finished his speech and the band began to play the Star Spangled Banner; the soldiers saluted and the townspeople cheered and waved American flags. Just then the band struck up the Marseillaise and some soldier unfurled a big American flag, from somewhere in the crowd, a woman cried out, "Vive la Amerique, Vive la France." Another woman grasped the corner of the flag and kissed it. Women cried everywhere and men openly wiped their eyes. The American soldiers stood silent, eyes dimmed with tears for their brothers in arms and the great cause of Liberty. I never shall forget it.

I am well and happy and will write you soon describing some of the scenes and historic places about here. Love to all,  
Leland.

**Seed Wheat and Rye.**  
We have had several calls for seed wheat and rye, mostly the large white rye. If you have some good clean seed let us know the amount and price you want. We would be glad to help any farmers wishing to buy same. We will also aid any farmers wishing to ship their grain direct to the Omaha market.  
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