

#### MORE LOCAL MATTERS.

State authorities are investigating the throwing away of several hundred wild ducks on the roads north of O'Neill recently.

Stock and farm implements at the several farm sales already held this fall have brought excellent prices according to the auctioneers.

The claims of the judges and clerks of election at the primary election were allowed by the county board at its last meeting and warrants now are being issued for the same.

Mrs. M. H. Beck, of Lincoln, arrived the first of the week to be the guest of her daughter, Miss Octavia Beck, head of the English department and professor of dramatic art in the high school. She will remain until Monday.

A change in time on the Northwestern railroad, by which No. 2, east bound would leave an hour earlier than formerly and No. 6, east bound 45 minutes earlier, was to have gone in effect last Sunday. The change in time however has been postponed.

The windows for the farmers union elevator and warehouse have been received and installed. The electric motor arrived this morning and will be placed in position this week. The elevator will be ready for business probably within the next ten days.

The open season on prairie chickens began Wednesday and local hunters now may ramble without fear of encountering a game warden. Duck hunting, which already has been on a month, continues to be good, although but few northern ducks have arrived.

A strike of all the soft coal miners of the country now is proposed by the miners and operators as another means of further endearing organized capital and labor to the public. The rumor of the strike probably will be sufficient grounds to raise the price of coal to the consumer.

County Superintendent of Highways Hubbard and the county board have inaugurated a campaign to have all weeds, willows and vegetation liable to collect snow removed from the highways, that the roads will not become impassable from drifts this winter. Last winter the county spent several thousands of dollars in opening blocked roads, the blocking of which would have been prevented by clean roadways.

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#### LIVING COSTS MOUNT WHILE PALMER BLUFFS

Washington, Oct. 15.—With the cost of living mounting higher, in spite of the much advertised efforts of Attorney General Palmer to reduce it by a campaign against profiteering, administration leaders are finding difficulty in making a satisfactory explanation to the country.

The Department of Labor, which recently caused considerable alarm among the Democrats in Congress by revealing the actual number of idle workers, has caused what approaches consternation by showing that prices are still ascending. The index of prices in the United States has gone up one point in the past month.

When President Wilson made his campaign for election the first time he declared that the Republicans had, by means of the protective tariff, caused a doubling of the cost to the housewife of food in the sixteen years since McKinley's inauguration. The Republicans reported that high prices had been caused by a cheapening of the circulating medium through the increased production of gold, and that the tariff had protected manufacturers in industry and workers in employment as against foreign competition, enabling them to earn enough to pay the higher prices. But, said the President, the Democratic party will reduce the tariff and lower the living cost. He was elected and a year after his inauguration 2,000,000 men were out of employment. Then came the war to create what amounted to a tariff wall and, with Europe not producing, American production was speeded to the limit.

Now comes the Department of Labor to show the actual facts concerning prices as compared to 1913 when Mr. Wilson took office and at present. Increases in food prices in various cities for May 1919 over May 1913 follows: Atlanta, 84 per cent; Baltimore, 98 per cent; Birmingham, 95 per cent; Boston, 81 per cent; Buffalo, 91 per cent; Charleston, 95 per cent; Chicago, 82 per cent; Cincinnati, 80 per cent; Cleveland, 84 per cent; Dallas, 81 per cent; Denver, 86 per cent; Detroit, 92 per cent; Indianapolis, 82 per cent; Jacksonville, 82 per cent; Kansas City, 87 per cent; Little Rock, 80 per cent; Los Angeles, 65 per cent; Louisville, 90 per cent; Memphis, 93 per cent; Milwaukee, 90 per cent; Minneapolis, 90 per cent; New Orleans, 88 per cent; New York, 83 per

cent; Omaha, 91 per cent; Philadelphia, 86 per cent; Pittsburg, 85 per cent; Portland, Oregon, 91 per cent; Richmond, 93 per cent; St. Louis, 93 per cent; Salt Lake City, 69 per cent; San Francisco, 70 per cent; Scranton, 86 per cent; Seattle, 76 per cent; and Washington, 94 per cent.

#### HOMESICK FOR ARCTIC SNOWS

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What we lack, if we feel any lack at all, will be possibly the presence of friends far away, or the chance to hear opera or see the movies. At any rate, it is true that today in the movie infested city I long for more snow house evenings after caribou hunts as I never in the North longed for clubs or concerts or orange groves. And this is not peculiar to me. The men who have hunted with me are nearly all of the same mind—they are either in the North now, on the way back there by whaling ship, or eating their hearts out because they cannot go.—Vilhjalmur Stefansson in Harper's Magazine.

#### Flowers of Poland.

According to an English newspaper correspondent who recently reported a journey he had made from Paris to the Polish capital, the most impressive spectacle that he saw was the mantle of blossoms, clustered profusely, which fringed the highways and byways about Warsaw. "All the wars of Poland," he writes, "could not check the new life that came riding through her borders at the head of the advancing spring; sprays of lilac found place in the gray caps of Polish lancers, tulips and chestnut leaves, tokens of the new dawn, in the garb of peer and peasant. Everywhere was spring yielding back a measure of her everlasting rights." But the flowers never took much notice of the war even "at the front."

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Public ownership of railways may or may not be desirable. Municipally controlled water, and lighting systems are successful features of many cities.

There is one great principle of community interest however that has been proven by a number of years' practice to be an unqualified success That is the creation of Depositors' Guarantee Funds by several progressive States. In effect these laws are similar, and the Depositors' Guarantee Fund of Nebraska is a good example.

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