

# The Avoca Department

News Items Gathered Each Week by a Special Reporter for This Department of the Semi-Weekly Journal

O. Tefft was a Weeping Water visitor Saturday.

Henry Ernschoff was in town the first of the week.

Garden seeds that will grow at Cope's drug store.

Andreas Rehmeier is visiting his brother, Simon.

Claude Fahnestock visited friends at Lincoln Sunday.

Wall paper, paint and paint brushes at Cope's.

John Schmidt transacted business at Omaha Wednesday.

Henry Franzen and wife were Omaha visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Benjamin Betts is at Valparaiso visiting relatives.

Charles Hinze and H. A. Straub have traded automobiles.

G. A. Malcolm spent Sunday with his parents near Talmage.

J. W. Waldrup made a trip to Omaha the first of the week.

A young daughter of Charles Hinze was seriously ill the first of the week.

Gus Mohr was numbered among the sick ones the first of the week.

Several of our people attended the dance at Berlin Saturday evening.

J. C. Zimmerer was attending to business matters at Union Monday.

The young daughter of William Vette, south of town, is among the sick.

Mrs. J. H. Schmidt and Miss Witzke were at Weeping Water Friday.

The Misses Biggs were down from Omaha over Sunday visiting their parents.

Mrs. M. G. Keedy visited with her parents at Elmwood several days this week.

Miss Marie Malcolm was here from Talmage last week visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Marguerite Francis was here from Dunbar Friday and Saturday visiting friends.

A birthday party was held at the F. W. Ruhge home Saturday in honor of Fred Ruhge, sr.

George Peters cut his foot quite badly the first of the week. Dr. Kruse dressed the wound.

Joe Betts was here from Valparaiso Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Betts.

Mrs. Mead of Talmage, a sister of Mrs. Quinton, is visiting the Quinton and Dunbar families.

John Schmidt and family and Miss Witzke and William Gollner were Dunbar visitors Sunday.

Henry Hillman and wife of Berlin attended the birthday party at F. W. Ruhge's Saturday.

Mrs. John Mohr was over from Syracuse Monday visiting her daughter, Mrs. G. D. Maseman.

Sam Johnson and wife, Miss Maud Hanger and Miss Selma Marquardt autoed to Lincoln Sunday.

John Bredehoff and wife were up from near Berlin Friday evening attending "The Spinster's Return."

W. G. Bassett of Lincoln was here several days this week in the interest of the Pioneer Accident Insurance company.

Fred Ruhge has resigned his position with Ruhge & Gillin and will leave soon for Denver, where he has secured a good position.

Mrs. Coles was here from Weeping Water a few days last week to visit her friend, Miss Bardill, and attend the "Spinster's Return."

The Odd Fellows' lodge is enjoying a growth in membership the past few weeks. They are busy every lodge night conferring degrees.

Gus Ruder returned last week from Chapman. He reports Herman and Charles Roloff now located on their farm near the above place.

Dr. Brendel reports a case of scarlet fever at the Gus Ruhge home two and one-half miles west of Avoca. The victim is the small son, Freddie.

William Morley, Sophia Ruhge and Byrdie Fahnestock were at Omaha Thursday and Friday. On their return on the evening train they were met at the depot by the band and a crowd of rice throwers. The demonstration proved premature, however.

Mrs. Henry Behras, jr., who has been ailing nearly all winter, was operated upon at her home Saturday by Dr. Brendel and two doctors from Omaha. She is doing as well as one can be expected to do after undergoing so serious an ordeal. A trained nurse from Omaha is attending her.

The citizens of Avoca should fall in line with the other towns and have a "Clean-Up Day." It is a good plan this time of the year, as the accumulations in the back yards are an eyesore and a menace to public health. A clean town means a health town. Clean up.

"Ole Olson in Spiritland" was played at the Avoca hall Tuesday evening to a fair sized audience. The play was a good, clean, laughable one all the way through. So many rotten shows come along that people are afraid to go when a good one comes. Ole really deserved a good house and is one of the best little shows that has struck Avoca for some time.

**ASHLAND DRAINAGE DISTRICT. DETAILED REPORT OF APPOINTMENT OF UNITS OF BENEFIT AND ASSESSMENT.**

State of Nebraska, Saunders and Cass Counties, ss.

To Whom It May Concern:

The undersigned, President and Secretary of Ashland Drainage District, hereby certify that at a duly called meeting of the Board of Directors thereof, held at the Ashland, Nebraska, on the 18th day of March, 1911, the following resolution was adopted by said Board as the Detail Report of Apportionment of Units of Benefit and Assessment in said Ashland Drainage District:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of Ashland Drainage District, having heretofore, with the aid of the engineer chosen by them, made detailed plans of the public works to be done by said district under the terms of the law under which it is organized, and having traversed said district and carefully inspected all the various tracts of land therein with the view to making a fair and just apportionment of the units of benefit and assessment to said respective tracts according to benefits received from said improvement, and having apportioned one unit of assessment to each of the tracts least benefited, and to each tract receiving a greater benefit a greater number of units or fraction thereof, according to the benefits received; and having met at the Knights of Pythias Hall in the City of Ashland, Saunders County, Nebraska, on the fourth day of March, 1911, at the hour of ten A. M. pursuant to notice published for more than one week immediately preceding said meeting in each of the following named newspapers, to-wit: Wahoo Democrat, published at Wahoo, the county seat of Saunders County, Nebraska, Plattsmouth Journal, published at Plattsmouth, the county seat of Cass County, Nebraska, and the Ashland Gazette, published at Ashland, Saunders County, Nebraska, for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the apportionment of benefits by reason of said drainage improvement, and having heard and before said board at said meeting, and at the adjourned meeting of this board on the fourteenth day of March, 1911, in person, or by attorney, or otherwise, and having heard and considered all suggestions, arguments and objections and evidence presented by any and all parties interested, and being fully advised in the premises, and having made said apportionment fair and just according to the benefits received from said improvement, and having completed the apportionment of benefits in said district, said Board of Directors, on this 18th day of March, 1911, does hereby make detailed report of said apportionment of benefits, and the total number of units of benefit in said district, and direct that said report be filed with the County Clerk of Saunders County, Nebraska, as follows, to-wit:

**DETAILED REPORT OF APPOINTMENT OF UNITS OF BENEFIT AND ASSESSMENT.**

Description. Units of Benefit Assessment.

All real estate is in Township 12, North, Range 9, East of the 6th Principal Meridian, and is all located in Saunders County, Nebraska, except where otherwise stated.

(Explanation: All lands and lots located in Saunders County, Nebraska, and set out in detail in the Detail Report of Apportionment of Units of Benefit and Assessment in said district, on file in the office of the County Clerk of Saunders County, Nebraska, together with the apportionment of units of benefit and assessment apportioned to each said tract set opposite the same, are omitted from this report, which is a copy of said apportionment so far as the lands and lots located in Cass County, Nebraska, are concerned, together with a statement of the total number of units of benefit in said district.)

**Section 17 in Cass County, Nebraska.**

Northeast quarter of northeast quarter ..... 1

Southeast quarter of northeast quarter ..... 1

**Section 18 in Cass County, Nebraska.**

Irregular tracts 1, 2 and 3, in northwest quarter of northwest quarter of 8 acres ..... 3

Northwest quarter of northwest quarter (except irregular tracts 1, 2 and 3) ..... 7

Northeast quarter of northwest quarter ..... 10

Southwest quarter of northwest quarter ..... 5

Southeast quarter of northwest quarter (except T. Payne 6 acres) ..... 10

Northwest quarter of northeast quarter ..... 10

Southwest quarter of northeast quarter ..... 5

**Cass County, Nebraska.**

County Public Roads and Bridges within said Drainage District ..... 10

Total number of units of benefit in said District ..... 448

And he further resolved that said Board of Directors does hereby find and declare that none of the tracts of land in said District, other than those hereinbefore enumerated and to which units of benefit and assessment are hereinbefore apportioned, will be benefited by said drainage improvement, and therefore no units of benefit and assessment are apportioned to and against any of said non-benefitted tracts.

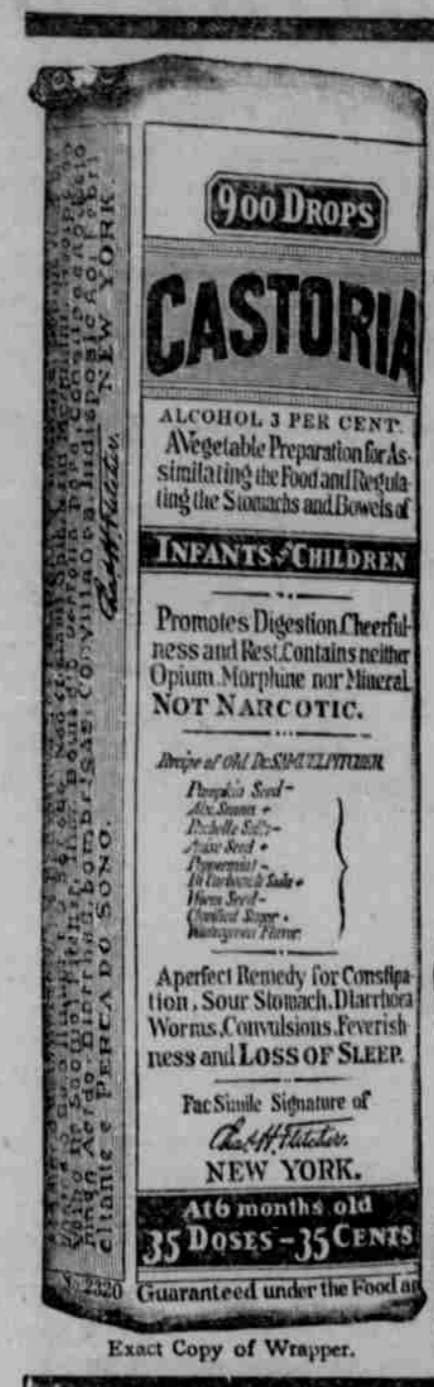
That a copy of said apportionment and statement of the total number of units of benefit in said District be published once each week for three weeks in the Wahoo Democrat, a newspaper published at Wahoo, the county seat of Saunders County, Nebraska, and that a copy of said apportionment, so far as the lands and lots located in Cass County, Nebraska, are concerned, together with a statement of the total number of units of benefit in said District, be published once each week for three weeks in the Plattsmouth Journal, a newspaper published at Plattsmouth, the county seat of Cass County, Nebraska.

Said Detailed Report of Apportionment of Units of Benefit and Assessment and statement of the total number of Units of Benefit in said District was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Saunders County, Nebraska, March 29, 1911, and is published herewith by direction of the Board of Directors of said District.

In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names as President and Secretary of said District, and affixed the corporate seal thereof this 20th day of March, 1911.

(Seal)

NELSON SHEPHERD, President.  
A. B. FULLER, Secretary.  
Ashland Drainage District.



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**Home Talent Play.**

"The Spinster's Return" was given at the Avoca hall Friday evening, March 17, under the auspices of the Congregational Ladies' Aid society. "The Old Maids' Convention" was held in Avoca last year, and everyone was anxious to see how many of them had succeeded in capturing husbands in their trip to the far north. Almost all were successful. The orchestra gave some of the most beautiful selections, melting the audience almost into tears by their pathetic rendering of "The Old Gray Bonnet" and other popular ballads. Specialties of different kinds were introduced. The clog dancing of Joseph Van Tassel (Lloyd Graham) was the hit of the evening. Prof. (W. Gillen) Dindenspiel gave a very interesting hypnotic demonstration. In fact, the play was an all-star performance, each one doing a little better than the other. The costumes were elegant, defying description, one spinster, now married, wearing enough diamonds to stock Tiffany's. Some of the bachelors wept audibly as the erstwhile spinsters sang the "Bachelor's Lament," to the air of "Long, Long Ago." A nice sum was realized from the proceeds.

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**Ora E. Cope,**  
DRUGGIST AND JEWELER  
Avoca, - - - Nebraska

**UNCLE NICK HALMES SWUNG CANE TOO HIGH**

Uncle Nicholas Halmes told a story this morning to an interested group of listeners in Peter Goos' saloon which cost him a \$1.50 spot cash at the windup. The story was an exciting one, the incidents of which Mr. Halmes had figured in himself, and was concerning his voyage on a rough sea, crossing the Atlantic on his trip from Germany a short time ago. A storm came up and the ship had been beat upon for so long a time that she could not withstand the breakers longer and was fast becoming a wreck, and all on board had about given up in despair, and Mr. Halmes had told the crowd that he believed he would go below and take a few glasses of beer, so that he would hold less salt water. The excitement on board was something dreadful, and in describing the furry Uncle Nick raised his cane aloft toward the imaginary flag floating at the mast, when his stick smashed into the chandelier and broke an electric light bulb worth \$1.50. Mr. Halmes insisted on making good the damage and completed the exciting tale of the shipwreck. The sequel was that an English shi plove in sight and took them all off the sinking ship without losing any. Uncle Nick says that the next time he tells the story he will not swing his cane at all.

**Entertains Busy Bees.**

The pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Beeson was the scene of frolic and merriment yesterday afternoon, when their daughter, Virginia, delightfully entertained the six little girls belonging to the club known as the Busy Bees. This club of little girls, with their leader, Rev. W. L. Austin, meet every two weeks at the home of one of the members for the purpose of having a social time together. Yesterday afternoon the time was very pleasantly spent in games and diversions which little people delight in. Mr. Austin, their leader, joining in their sports. Delicious refreshments were served, to which all did ample justice. At a late hour all departed for their homes, having had a fine time, and voting Virginia a charming entertainer. The members of the club are: Gertrude Ramsey, Marlon Mauzy, Virginia, Grace and Elizabeth Beeson.

**Very Ill With Pneumonia.**

Mrs. J. S. Vallery, residing near Mynard, who has been very ill for the past few days, is reported to be in a very dangerous condition at this time, suffering with a severe attack of pneumonia.

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**First Visit Since Being Injured.**

Montie Straight came down on No. 2 last evening, this being the first time he has been in Plattsmouth since the unfortunate accident befell him in Chicago some two months ago, in which his left leg was crushed under his express safe as he was en route from the office to the Burlington train, preparatory to making his run to Omaha. Montie's numerous friends here were overjoyed to see him in as good condition as he is, and had it not been for the skilled nursing, with lots of grit on his own part, he would have been minus a leg. It will be some time before he can use himself without crutches.

**Real Estate Men Here.**

Mr. A. C. Scott of Casey, Iowa, and C. H. Wedemeyer of Adair, Iowa, were in the city over night, having come to Plattsmouth to look after a real estate deal, Mr. Wedemeyer being the owner of a business block in the city, which Mr. Scott is trading for. From here they went to western Nebraska to look over the land which Mr. Scott is dealing for the Plattsmouth building.

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**ALVO NEWS**

Henry Snoko spent Sunday in Lincoln.

Henry Ough spent Sunday with his children in Lincoln.

Henry Ruloff has been repairing his building in which Julius Krecklow has his carpenter shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cashner visited Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Jesse Stone and family.

Carl Johnson shipped a car of cattle to South Omaha Monday night.

George Foreman, sr., sold a bunch of mules to Tom Cromwell of Weeping Water Monday and shipped three carloads of cattle to South Omaha.

Claus Ohms, A. Sutton and H. Clapp together shipped a car of hogs to South Omaha Monday afternoon.

W. O. Boyles came down from Lincoln Tuesday of last week to do repairs on his farm. He returned home Friday.

Will Casey had a very sick horse Monday night.

Mrs. J. H. Stroemer and son, Alfred, visited in Elmwood Sunday.

George Braun was called to Fairbury Monday night to the bedside of a cousin, who was dangerously ill. Operator Miss Ruth Swain is relieving him.

Carlton Gullion sold his barber shop to Mr. Holderness of Ulling, Neb., he taking possession Wednesday noon.

Ray Litch of Omaha was in town on business Friday of last week.

J. H. Stroemer went to Lincoln Monday to visit the state legislature.

James Rouse and Alex Skiles took in the Bryan dinner at Lincoln Monday night, where the latter's son, Charles M. Skiles, state senator of David City, spoke on "Progressive Democracy in the Nebraska Legislature." They returned home Tuesday.

**Another Big Engine.**

Ed Johnson came down from Lincoln this morning and stopped off in Plattsmouth a few hours for a visit with his father and mother, J. W. Johnson and wife. He was en route to Pacific Junction to pull west another wonderfully large train with another one of those massive iron structures of the steel rail, the type of an engine that has been passing through here for the past few weeks pulling unheard-of trains, almost beyond the expectations of our greatest railroad promoters. Mr. Johnson passed through Plattsmouth this afternoon with a train of 110 cars.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Ruffner returned home yesterday evening from Nehawka, where they have been visiting for the past week with friends and relatives. Ed says that everything is flourishing in the little south Cass county city. He is home to make arrangements for entering upon his duties as city assessor in the near future.

Elmer Boyles of Elmwood was in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hall are entertaining Mr. Hall's brother, Sumner Hall, of Pender, who came in Tuesday evening, and his sister, Mrs. Emma Craig, and cousin, Mrs. Whitney Micklewait of Ord, who came Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wilson of Overton, Neb., returned home Monday after visiting a week here with relatives.

The Misses Hannah and Lana Dettmann of Elmwood visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson.

Miss Pearl Woodard of Elmwood is visiting Mrs. Charles Snavely this week.

Mrs. S. C. Boyles went to Lincoln Friday, S. C. going Saturday evening to attend the state university juniors' play, "A Message From Mars," given at the Oliver theater Saturday night, in which their son, Dale, took part. Mr. Boyles returned home Sunday. Mrs. Boyles remained to witness a baseball game played by the girls in the gymnasium Monday, in which Miss Flora Boyles' nine were victors.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bennett of near Waverly spent Tuesday night with Mr. Bennett's mother, Mrs. Belle Bennett.

I have a few settings of Mottled Ancona eggs to spare at \$1.50 per 15.

Mrs. J. A. Shaffer.

Charles Appleman of Billings, Mont., is visiting his brothers, Harry and L. B. Appleman and families.

Marshall Higgins of Seward is visiting relatives here this week.

In last week's items a daughter was reported at the home of Charles Ayres, but it was a son, born Friday, March 10, 1911.

Mrs. Dr. Rdfern of Lincoln arrived last evening and will visit her mother, Mrs. F. S. White, and other relatives for a time.

**Garden Seeds!**

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