

WAR THREAT- ENS TO TAKE ALL HORSES

The Allies Have Already Bought
750,000 in the United States to
Ship Abroad.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 23.—"If the European war continues for another year the west will be facing a horse famine," says Mark W. Woods of Lincoln. "Nearly three quarters of a million horses and mules have been shipped from this country to the allies in the last seventeen months, and as the average life of a horse at the front is but six to ten days, it is quite evident we have got to keep on shipping at the same rate we have in the last year if we are to supply the demand for them."

"As a matter of fact there is a scarcity of the better grades of animals useful for the rough work of the farms at the present time. The first demand was satisfied by the ranch and range horses. That was because the allies were willing to pay around \$115 to \$125 and as the work was suitable for the animals they satisfied the requirements. Many men have cleaned up practically all of their range stock, and all horsemen have been glad of this fact because it means better stock for the future."

"For the last two months the cavalry and artillery arms of the service have been willing to go from \$175 to \$225 for the kind of animals they need, and this has brought out a great many horses of the better grades. In fact the main source of supplies for the allies now in the western farm. Good prices have induced many farmers to trim their farm horse herd down to the last possible number and the selling off of farm purpose animals is going on rapidly at every buying center."

Reduces Acreage.

"There are two serious results certain to follow. One is that as the colt supply will be lessened through the sale of general purpose animals, the prices of colts will jump. They are now much higher than a year and a half ago. The other is that with fewer horses on the farms there will be a tendency toward reduced acreage. The south, for instance, was attracted by the good prices for horses and has been selling off so many that already the estimated acreage for next year is about 10 per cent less."

"Canada is much more interested in the success of the allied cause than the United States possibly could be, and she has stopped the export of horses. Here, however, the three big nations each have commissioners buying all they can get shipping facilities for, and grumbling all the time because the price is getting higher and their work getting harder in buying what they want."

"The most serious phase of it all is that if we keep on shipping the United States will be in a bad way if she should get into trouble. Most of our surplus has gone, and the drain is now upon those that are needed for agricultural work. If the United States were plunged into war shortly, we would find the government paying stiff prices for the animals needed, so stiff in fact that congress would be giving the war department power to take what it needed and pay what was right. Battleships can be built in a few months, armies can be gathered and drilled in less than a year, but it takes a half dozen years to bring a horse into proper shape for good service in war."

Earl R. Travis and wife of this city spent Christmas at Nebraska City at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Abbott, Mr. Travis returning home Saturday, while Mrs. Travis will remain for a longer visit.

FARM LOANS, at 5 per cent and 5 1/2 per cent. No delays. T. H. Pollock.

M. Tritsch, refracting optician, at Gering & Co.'s Wednesday and Saturday evenings. Examination free.

For Sale.

Several male Duroc-Jersey pigs, about eight months old, at \$15.00 each. C. E. Schwab, Murray, Neb.

Adam Kaffenberger Ill.

From Friday's Daily.
Adam Kaffenberger, one of the prominent farmers of Eight Mile Grove precinct, is quite ill at his home suffering from a very severe attack of the grippe, and his condition is such as to cause his family considerable worry and apprehension. It is to be hoped that our old friend will rally from his illness and again be able to be up and around.

COUNTY ATTORNEY STOPS HYPONIST DEMONSTRATIONS

From Friday's Daily.
The exhibition which was scheduled to be given by LeRoy, the hypnotist, at the Grand theater last evening was checked by the county attorney yesterday afternoon, when he informed the gentleman that as these exhibitions were contrary to the laws of the state of Nebraska he would have to cease further operation in this line. LeRoy has had one of his assistants on exhibition in the window of the Kroehler store several days this week in different stunts while it was claimed he was under the influence of hypnosis, having him asleep Monday in the window and Wednesday in a bicycle riding stunt, and yesterday afternoon was again going to put on the sleeping exhibition when stopped by the county attorney. There has been a number of complaints made in regard to the matter to the county attorney, and under the law he proceeded to put a stop to the further public demonstration of this kind. Under the law a person giving these exhibitions is subject to a fine, as well as imprisonment.

SUIT IS FILED TO RECOVER \$678 FROM THE M. P. R. R. CO.

From Friday's Daily.
A suit has been filed in the district court entitled William F. Gillespie vs. the Missouri Pacific railroad, in which the plaintiff alleges that he has been damaged in the sum of \$678 by shortage in grain shipped and delay in transit of one car of grain from Mynard to Omaha, and which car was four days in going to its destination, and as a consequence the plaintiff sustained damages by the price of the wheat declining 6 cents per bushel. Nine of the cars which were shipped from Mynard to various points were short in weight at their arrival at their destinations, and which made a loss to the plaintiff. These cars contained wheat, oats and corn and the shortage occasioned quite a loss in the price of the cars of grain. There are ten causes of action in the suit involving the different cars.

JOHN PARKHILL OF LINCOLN IS VERY DANGEROUSLY ILL

A message was received here this morning by County Treasurer W. K. Fox announcing the serious condition in Lincoln of John Parkhill, a cousin of Mrs. Fox and of Mrs. H. N. Dovey, and that there was very little hope held out for the recovery of the gentleman, whose death was looked for at almost any time. He has been in poor health for some years and has gradually grown worse until his attending physicians have abandoned all hope of his recovery. Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Dovey and their father, Governor Knapp, departed for Lincoln Wednesday to be at his bedside, and Mrs. Dovey returned home last evening, as the patient is gradually sinking into his last long rest. Mr. Parkhill was well known to quite a number of the residents of the city, who will regret very much to learn of his serious condition.

Social Dance January 1.

Remember the next big social dance night in Murray will be Saturday, January 1, at the Puls & Gansemer hall. The music will be furnished by the Holly orchestra of Plattsmouth, and the usual good time is assured.

MRS. EUGENE SETZ ENTERTAINS A NUM- BER OF FRIENDS

From Friday's Daily.
Last evening Mrs. Eugene Setz entertained a number of friends at her cozy home in a most delightful manner. This jolly company whiled away the evening in various games and amusements, interspersed with social conversation, which made the occasion a most enjoyable one and one which those participating in would not soon forget. There were a number of pleasing instrumental and vocal selections rendered by a number of the guests. Mr. Coler of Lincoln favored the company with a number of violin selections, being accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Fred Stewart; Mrs. Setz and Mrs. Frank Sivey some vocal selections, Miss Gladys Steinhauer piano selections, while Mr. Setz put on several vaudeville stunts which aroused much merriment and provoked much laughter. At a convenient time a delicious oyster supper was served by the hostess, which was likewise most thoroughly enjoyed. After doing ample justice to this oyster supper the guests devoted a few moments to a pleasant social time and then, after bidding their hostess good-night, departed for their homes, declaring they had had a splendid good time. Those in attendance were: Messrs. and Mesdames Fred Stewart, Frank Sivey, Roy Smith, Henry Steinhauer, Miss Gladys Steinhauer, Mr. Harvey Henneger, Mr. Coler of Lincoln.

SKETCH OF DR. ALEX- ANDER VON MANS- FELD OF ASHLAND

From Friday's Daily.
One of the most distinguished of Nebraska's professional men is Dr. Alexander S. Von Mansfeld of Ashland, who has during his long residence in Nebraska aided greatly in advancing the interests of the medical profession and the health of the men and women of the state. At his seventieth birthday, celebrated at Ashland on Tuesday, a fitting tribute was paid to his services to the state, and it is not amiss to give a brief sketch of this gentleman who is so well known to Cass county people, as well as over the entire state.

Dr. Von Mansfeld was born in Neumark, Prussia, in 1845, and in 1862 came to America, studying medicine from 1862 to 1866, and then entered Rush Medical college, where he graduated. He then came to Nebraska in 1875, locating at Lincoln, and became identified with the State Medical association, in which he has been quite a prominent figure. In 1877 the doctor published the first of his medical work that has since become some of the most widely read of the professional works of this line. Since that time he has contributed a large number of other valuable works in the medical line. He was honored by his fellow citizens with the office of mayor of Ashland, and has been president of the State Medical association, the Missouri Valley association and a member of the National Medical association, and while a member of this organization was one of the parties instrumental in securing recognition from the government for Drs. James Carroll and Jesse W. Lazear, who died in Cuba as the result of their research work to prevent the spread of yellow fever.

OMAHA COUPLE START IN TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

From Friday's Daily.
This morning two Omaha young people decided to visit this city to secure their wedding present, and accordingly arriving on No. 4 at once sought the court house, where they called upon County Judge Beeson and secured the necessary permit that would allow them to realize their happiness, and then requested that the court join them in wedlock, which was done in the most approved style, and the court gave the young people a guaranteed ceremony that is warrantable to last. They returned to their home this afternoon, rejoicing in their new found happiness.

New Red Wagon in Town.

From Friday's Daily.
William P. Cook has just opened up a new dray line and is now ready to look after all kinds of work in this line, with a new and up-to-date wagon which is so sufficient in size as to permit of the hauling of either light or heavy loads, and Mr. Cook will see that the needs of his patrons are looked after in proper shape. He will make all trains and be in a position to look after the transfer of baggage of all kinds.

FUNERAL OF J. G. HORN TOMORROW AFTER- NOON AT 2 O'CLOCK

From Friday's Daily.
The body of the late J. G. Horn, one of the early settlers of this county, who died at his home in Beaver City, Nebraska, and which was expected to reach this city this morning for burial, was delayed owing to the missing of a train connection and will not reach here until 4:30 this afternoon, coming in on No. 2, and will be taken to the home of Mrs. C. L. Herger, a niece of the deceased gentleman, where it will lay in state until the funeral services, which will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the St. Paul's Evangelical church. The body will be met at the depot by the pallbearers, selected from the old friends and neighbors, Leonard Born, Theodore Starkjohn, Jacob Tritsch, John Bauer, sr., William Starkjohn and F. G. Egenberger, who will accompany the casket to the Herger home.

THE SECOND SNOW OF THE SEASON AR- RIVED LAST NIGHT

From Friday's Daily.
Last evening the soft and fleecy snowflakes began to fall about 9 o'clock and came down very lively for several hours, and in a short time the ground wore a mantle of snow-white which made a truly Christmas aspect to the landscape and seemed very pleasant to those who are lovers of a white Christmas. The storm seems to have been quite general throughout the state and in the north and west was considerably heavier than through this section, with the result that the train service was interfered with to a greater or less extent, making the trains from the west a little late, as the snow and the heavy Christmas travel both had a tendency to delay the trains. The snow was not accompanied by any cold weather and does not make it at all unpleasant to be around.

THE BIBLE CLASS BASKET BALL TEAM GOES TO GLENWOOD

The basket ball team of the Young Men's Bible class of the Methodist church journeyed over to Glenwood Saturday afternoon, where they took on the town team of that city in an exhibition of that sport, and were defeated by a score of 35 to 15 in a very interesting contest. The local boys have not been organized a great while and were outgeneraled in the game by the Iowa boys, who were veterans in knowledge of the game, but the showing they made was such as to furnish them with a feeling that with a little practice they will be able to take the measure of the Iowa gentlemen. The contest was staged in the new armory in that city and was quite largely attended. The Glenwood team is scheduled for a return game here later in the season.

A Very Fine Present.

From Friday's Daily.
Val Burkel this morning received a very much appreciated present in the shape of a fine seven and one-half-pound salmon, which was sent to him by his niece, Mrs. Nellie Kennedy, of Tacoma, Washington, and this fine specimen of the fish family will be enjoyed at a future time by the Burkle family. The fish was one of the finest and in excellent shape from its long journey across the continent.

FORMER PLATTS- MOUTH CITIZEN AR- RIVES FROM GERMANY

The World-Herald of yesterday contained a very interesting account of a gentleman, William A. Derrick, who is well known in this city, where in years gone by he was quite prominently identified with the musical circles, and was here frequently to take part in various entertainments given by the different organizations. He has been residing in Berlin for a number of years and his visit to Omaha has been a very pleasant one. The article has the following to say:

A business man of Berlin, Germany, who enjoyed old friends and old scenes in Omaha this Christmas, is William A. Derrick, formerly of this city, who was a guest of an Omaha brother, and whom he met with stories of life in Berlin and other sections of Germany.

Mrs. Derrick is in Berlin, where her husband is at the head of the Carborundum Co. of Niagara Falls, N. Y., which organization exported to Berlin, prior to the beginning of the war, a sufficient supply of carborundum to keep the factory busy for some time to come.

Mr. Derrick left Omaha in 1898, and went direct to London. From there he went to Berlin, where he has since resided, although he is an American citizen. For several years prior to 1898 he was one of the best known vocalists in the west. He has a deep, rich bass voice, and his renditions always captivated the audience. Among his early friends was the late Jules Lumbar. He was also a close friend of Thomas J. Kelly, who with Mrs. Kelly, is soon to take up his residence in Chicago. Another great friend of Mr. Derrick was Bishop Worthington, at whose church he sang regularly for some time.

MRS. HENRY KIRKHAM PIONEER LADY DIES SHORTLY AFTER NOON

Mrs. Henry Kirkham, one of the aged residents of this city, is quite ill at her home on South Fourth street and her condition is such as to cause her family and physicians to give up all hopes of her recovery, and her death seems only the matter of a few short hours. Mrs. Kirkham, who is 83 years of age, has been affected with the grippe for the past few days, and at her advanced age it has been too much for her to overcome and she has gradually grown worse. Her son, B. L. Kirkham, of Belle Fourche, South Dakota, has been summoned and will reach this city tomorrow, as the train connections are such that he cannot get out of his home town this afternoon.

This afternoon shortly after 1 o'clock the spirit of this grand good lady was called away and she sank peacefully into the sleep that knows no waking. There will be no arrangements made for the funeral until the arrival of the son from South Dakota.

SOCIAL DANCE AT COATES HALL CHRISTMAS NIGHT

A number of the young men of the city gave a very pleasant social dance Christmas evening at Coates' hall for a number of the out-of-town guests who are spending the holidays here with their friends. The event was one that was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number of the younger social set present and proved an enjoyable feature of the holiday week. The music for the occasion was furnished by the Holly orchestra and was very much enjoyed in every way by the lovers of the art of dancing, and at the midnight hour the jolly party wended their way homeward, feeling that the event had been a most pleasant one to all.

Was Not L. H. Heil.

In the account of the auto mix-up in this city on Wednesday afternoon the name of one of the parties was given as that of L. H. Heil, when it should have been that of Louis Keil, and through the inaccuracy of our informant it has done Mr. Heil an injustice in creating him with being involved in the accident, when he was not near the scene of the collision. While the accident did not amount to anything serious, it is only just to put the matter in the right light.

DELIGHTFUL FAMILY REUNION AT THE J. W. JOHNSON HOME

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson was the scene of a most delightful family reunion Christmas and Sunday, when their children and grandchildren gathered to spend the festive occasion beneath the roof of the hospitable home of this worthy couple, and the event will long be very fondly remembered by every member of the party. A feast fit for a king was served Christmas day and everyone did ample justice to the store of good things provided for them, and spent the day most pleasantly in visiting with each other and enjoying the Christmas good cheer. Those who were present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson and son, Edgar, and daughter, Miss Lorene, of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Johnson and son, Walker, of Weeping Water; Mrs. J. H. Adams, Mynard; Mr. and Mrs. Don Bagnell, Lincoln; Mr. Mike Cody, Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chapman and son, Sammie, of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Eades of Omaha.

YOUNG PEOPLE OF NEAR MURRAY DOUBLE UP FOR LIFE

Another Cass county couple who were made happy on Christmas day were Mr. Will Cook and Miss May Wolfe, both residing in the vicinity of Murray, who were united in the bonds of wedlock by County Judge A. J. Beeson at the court house on Friday afternoon. The ceremony was witnessed by Deputy County Clerk B. A. Rosencrans and County Assessor W. B. Bryan, and at its close the young people departed homeward to celebrate the Christmas season with added pleasure, and this event will be doubly happy to them in the future. Both are well known and very popular in their home locality and their friends will rejoice to learn that they are joining their lives together for the future.

JOURNAL FORCE REMEMBERED BY KIND FRIENDS

The Journal force, from the proprietor down, was very kindly remembered on the Christmas season by a present from the firm of C. E. Westcott's Sons, who presented to all the male members of the force a handsome piece of neckwear, while the ladies were remembered with suitable gifts. The whole "bunch" desires to express their appreciation of the kindness shown to them by this firm and assure them that they will be kindly remembered for their thoughtfulness, which will allow everyone to "doll up" in the fine new neckwear. Another remembrance received by the editorial force was presented by Chief Barclay, and the publisher and editor, as well as the reporter are enabled to enjoy the fine perfectos through the courtesy of the chief.

Aged Resident Quite Ill.

From Friday's Daily.
John Libershall, sr., is reported as being quite ill at his home in the south part of the city today and his condition has caused his family considerable apprehension. Mr. Libershall has been a sufferer from asthma for several years and the present illness seems to be due to this malady.

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CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCHES IN PLATTSMOUTH

The Spirit of Good Cheer Prevailed
Everywhere, and Everybody
Was Happy.

Christmas in Plattsmouth this year was one that was filled throughout with the spirit of good cheer and helpfulness and everyone seemed to take a great interest in seeing that the occasion was celebrated in the most fitting manner, both in the various church services as well as in the numerous home gatherings which were held throughout the city.

The various church organizations, as well as the Elks, arranged to look after the poor of the city and a great many homes were gladdened by visits of generosity and good cheer from these organizations, which made the day one that will long be very pleasantly remembered by those who are unfortunate and have not fared as well as the others in the battle of life during the year just ending.

One of the chief religious observances of the day was held at the St. John's Catholic church, where the beautiful Christmas high mass of the church was celebrated at 5:30 Christmas morning and which was largely attended by the members of the parish. The church was decorated in a beautiful manner with flowers on the altar and chancel, while the candles burning on the altar added their beauty to the scene, and with the inspiring music of the mass made the occasion one of beauty and solemnity. The mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father M. A. Shine, rector of the church, and the choir was assisted in the music of the mass by the addition of several voices and cornet accompaniment for the music.

The services at St. Luke's Episcopal church Friday night at 11:30 in celebration of the coming of the birth of the Savior was most beautiful and impressive, with a full choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist by the rector, Rev. Father W. S. Leete, and the choir of the church. The interior of the church was beautifully arranged for the occasion with profuse decorations of the Christmas greens and holly, and the altar arranged by the ladies of the church, was trimmed with the holly and white poinsettia while the lights of a myriad of candles cast a soft and reverential glow over the scene. The church was crowded to the utmost capacity by the worshippers who gathered to partake of the sacraments of the church and to enjoy the strong and impressive sermon which the rector gave in keeping with the spirit of Christmas and which brought closer to the hearts and minds of his hearers the intent and desires of the Christmas season and of the wonderful birth of the Prince of Peace that brought salvation to the human race. Low celebration of the Holy Communion was held Christmas day at 9 o'clock at this church.

FINE REUNION AT THE V. V. LEONARD HOME CHRISTMAS DAY

One of the largest family reunions of the season was held on Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Leonard on North Sixth street, when all of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gathered for a Christmas celebration. The company arrived Christmas eve and spent Saturday and Sunday in a joyous reunion and holiday celebration. A bounteous Christmas dinner was served, at which twenty-four persons were seated and the party mixed turkey and cranberries with Christmas joy. A box of oranges received by Mrs. Leonard on Christmas eve from Judge Wimberly of Interlocken, Florida, was one of the highly prized and most enjoyed gifts. The company included Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Leonard and family and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Leonard and family of Kansas City; Mrs. C. L. Bulger and son and Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Leonard of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Worley and family and D. C. Leonard of Lincoln.