



## THE BIG STORE.

Every Dollar That We Spend  
With the Printer Tells You  
Something to Your Profit.

Every price we print is printed because it is worth printing.

Reconstruction period bargains now abound through various departments. The addition to our building is nearly completed.

The first floor will be occupied with groceries and queensware department.

The second floor with furniture. The room now used for groceries will be filled with Carpets, Rugs and house furnishings.

We expect to move the carpet department in about two weeks. We find the following short length patterns in our stock.

The reconstruction period prices on these few patterns selected from the stock means:

- 2 pieces Sultana reversible printed carpets at 25c per yard.
- 2 pieces extra heavy Union carpetings at 30c.
- 3 pieces Extra Super C. W. Ingrains at 42 1-2c.
- 1 piece all wool Ingrain, light weight, 42 1-2c.
- 2 pieces Extra Super all wool 55c.
- 3 patterns Axminsters and Moquettes 87 1-2c.
- Grass matting rugs, 30x50 inches, \$1.10.
- Grass matting rugs 36x72 inches, \$1.40.
- Special prices on Smyrna rugs, Art Squares, Lace Curtains, Portieres, Etc.
- Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

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Red Cloud, Nebraska.

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## Correspondence.

Items of Interest as Reported by Chief Reporters at Several Nearby Localities.

### COWLES.

George Hutchison and wife were in Red Cloud the first of the week.

Geo. Hoyt and Ed Barton were in Red Cloud on important business last Friday.

Who will be the first young lady to ride in Earl Poyer's new buggy? It is nice, indeed.

Levitt, the horse buyer of Guide Rock, was in Cowles the first of the week trying to buy horses.

If the heavy wind last Saturday night caused that nice rain Sunday night, let the wind blow again.

Claude Morgan did not return to his work at Riverton, but went on to McCook to take a position in the B. & M. roundhouse.

T. H. Quiggle of Rosemont was visiting with Ed Scott last week and was detained one day longer than expected with a sick horse.

Mrs. Adamson and daughter Edith returned from Illinois last Friday. Miss Edith has been under the doctor's care for some weeks, but at this writing is much better.

The Greenhaigh & Benton firm has changed hands, Mr. Benton having sold out to Mr. Greenhaigh's brother. The firm will be Greenhaigh Brothers hereafter.

Nate Platt and Warren Edson traded horses "sight unseen," but Edson failed to show up with his horse, and when asked his reasons he said he feared his wife could not drive Platt's horse. A very poor excuse.

There is a new doctor in town, and he says he came to stay. His name is Owens and he comes from Lincoln, where he has been in the drug business and has been practicing medicine for six years. He comes with a good recommendation.

A very pleasant birthday party was given at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. George Latta, near Cowles, last Monday. It being Mrs. Latta's forty-ninth birthday, a number of their relatives and friends decided to give her a surprise. It was indeed a grand surprise, as she was wholly unaware of it until about half past 10, when the guests began to arrive in large numbers, each bringing well filled baskets and many handsome and useful presents. The elder ladies spent the forenoon in conversation in the parlors, the men and boys enjoyed themselves at horseshoe pitching, while the girls took charge of the kitchen and cooking. At half past 12 o'clock the doors between the parlor and dining room were thrown open and the guests beheld a beautiful sight. The table was laid for twenty people and was beautifully decorated with roses and ferns, which formed a splendid contrast to the spotless white linen with which the table was laid. The room was also handsomely decorated. The tables were taken care of by the Misses Mabel Latta, Fay Hurd and Della Auxier. The dinner for the elder guests was over by half past 1 o'clock, and the table was quickly cleared and relaid for twenty-one of the young people. They remained at the table until 2 o'clock, when they were called to the parlor to listen to some excellent music furnished by Mr. Jesse Bennett of Wyoming and Miss Mabel Latta. The afternoon was spent in social intercourse, horseshoe pitching and checkers. At 4 o'clock the guests were again summoned to the dining room to partake of ice cream and cake and at 6 o'clock they departed for their homes, declaring Mr. and Mrs. Latta a very charming host and hostess.

### STATE CREEK.

Fine rains, and everything looks wonderfully revived.

The earliest planting of corn is up and ready to work.

Wm. J. Scrivener now runs a daily milk route to Womer.

F. L. Smith was transacting business on our creek last week.

Mr. Stanley of Old Solomon was on our creek last week on business.

Miss Myrtle Fitzgerald, who has been on the sick list for some time, is some better.

A lot of alfalfa is being sown this spring. The earliest sown is up nicely and more is being sown since the last rain.

Charles Arbuckle sold nine of his steers to Tom Hitchcock of Womer last week, receiving about \$40 per head for them.

The cemetery board of Mount Hope has not been sent to the penitentiary yet for holding its meeting in the school house. Wonder if they will be?

Rev. Campbell of the Wesleyan Methodist church at North Branch, held a meeting at Penny Creek Sunday and the regular pastor at Reach held services at Pleasant Grove.

Corn planting is the order of the day. Some few of the "early birds" are through planting, though we intend to be with them at gathering time, and well know that our later planting will come up more evenly and stand more durable.

The high wind did some damage in our vicinity. Jake Williams' barn was blown down and well scattered. Wm. Barrett's barn was blown down and his buggy badly smashed. The roof was blown from Charles Bartlett's residence, and several others report minor damages.

Miss Melva Van Dyke was married last week to a gentleman living near Mount Rose, Kan., whose name we were unable to learn. Mrs. Van Dyke, mother of the bride, accompanied the happy pair to their new home, returning to Lebanon Saturday, where she was met by her husband.

We wish to make a correction in justice to our school board. They feel a trifle hurt about our report in the last issue to the effect that they had closed the school house against everything but a day school, and now say we are welcome to use it for Memorial day or any other meeting or Sunday school.

There will be memorial services at Mount Hope on Sunday, May 25, at 3 o'clock. Judge Edson of Red Cloud has promised to be present and deliver an address. Everybody should turn out, as it is expected we will have a good meeting, and will probably have public decoration afterward. All are invited to bring flowers and take an active part.

### CROOKED CREEK.

Fine Rain Sunday night.

Corn is coming up nicely.

Yance Sorgenson is planting corn for Mrs. Wallin.

Chas. Gurney shipped a bunch of fine cattle Tuesday.

Mr. Schlosser's son who has been sick for some time is able to be out again.

The wind Saturday night badly damaged the wind mills of Gus Roats and Ed Stanton.

F. Abbey has a fine prospect for a good crop of wheat and oats on the old Pope place.

J. W. Wallin is in Lincoln building a house on his property there. He expects to be gone all summer.

J. R. Morse says the rain Sunday night was the best they have had in his part of the neighborhood.

John Havel has a new milk tank and milk house. John is selling lots of cream this summer to the Red Cloud creamery.

The wheat is heading out awful close to the ground this year. It will have to do a great deal of stretching to get tall enough to bind.

Mr. Brush is enlarging his pasture by fencing in more grass land. John

believes in giving the cows plenty to eat. He says that is the reason he gets so much cream.

A bad wind storm swept through this part of the country last Sunday morning at an early hour, doing considerable damage by uprooting trees, moving buildings, upsetting wagons and buggies, etc. H. J. Sheldon says that he has been here twenty-two years and that it was the worst wind he has known of.

### LINE

Small grain is doing finely. Samuel Shuck lost a fine cow this week.

Weather fine. Plenty of rain this week.

Listing corn will soon be over for this year.

The wolf hunt at F. D. Hutchison's last week was a failure.

Paul Rocher is the owner of a new bicycle of the latest improved pattern.

Mr. Jackson reports having plenty of sweet potato plants for his own use.

Mrs. V. H. Scrivener attended the U. B. quarterly meeting at Dutch Flat Sunday.

Mr. Rocher, our local gardener, has planted four acres to sweet potatoes this spring.

Elmer Noble and Mr. Reynolds of Walnut Creek were visiting friends in Line Sunday.

Grandma Soderlin is laid up with rheumatism this week and is under the doctor's care.

The wind storm Saturday night destroyed L. Aubushon's windmill and unroofed his barn.

Mrs. William Van Dye spent a week visiting at Montrose, Kan., and reports plenty of rain there.

L. Aubushon sold twelve head of yearling steers to a buyer from Bostwick for \$325 per hundred.

Allen Carpenter spent a few days with friends at Franklin this week and reports the crops looking fine.

W. J. Haskins and S. Shuck have taken the contract to haul milk to the Red Cloud creamery for the farmers.

### REACH

Most of the wheat around here has been listed in corn.

Mrs. A. Hartman was visiting at Mrs. John Frazier's Monday.

Henry Smith and son passed through here on their way to Lebanon Saturday.

The boys enjoyed a fine game of ball here Saturday, the score standing 5 to 8.

Leo Shook of the Cora ball team was over and played with the boys Saturday.

We understand that the Red Cloud baseball boys are to play here next Friday.

A fine rain Wednesday and again Sunday night, but it came too late for most of the wheat.

Wm. Smith went to Salina Sunday as a witness in the mail case that originated at this place.

Quite a number of the young people gathered at Mr. Burgard's to celebrate Miss Blanche's birthday.

There was a social gathering at Elmer Beardslee's last Tuesday night at which dancing was indulged in.

We are to have Children's day exercises at the church the third Sunday in June, in the evening. Everybody invited.

### DRY CREEK

Crops are doing fine, especially corn. Another fine rain of an inch fell last Sunday night.

Elmer Himes spent Sunday with his parents on Elm Creek.

Mrs. Nellie Rasser called on Mrs. Emick one day last week.

Oscar Emick bought a horse from John Galbraith this week.

A new boy arrived at the house of Mr. Burdick last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Decker spent Sun-