



The Big Store.

We present values you cannot afford to miss.

Our annual June clearing sale is proving attractive to the buying public. Several of the lines of goods offered last week have been sold out.

This week we add Groceries!

National Biscuit Company, fresh ginger snaps, per pound	74c
Choice Japan Rice	5c
Gallon can pie fruit, peeled peaches or apricots	37c
Lima beans	5c
Special offer on raisins	9c
Cleaned currants in packages, per package	8c
Libby soups, per can	7c
1 pound can of Baked Beans with tomato sauce	7c

CALIFORNIA CANNED GOODS!

Apricots, 20c grade reduced to	16c
Peaches, 20c grade reduced to	16c
Plums, 20c grade reduced to	16c
Peaches, 25c grade, reduced to	20c

Another - Wash - Goods Sale.

500 yards 12 1/2 and 15c Wash Goods reduced to	8c
500 yards 8c, 9c, and 10c wash goods and gingham reduced to	6c
1000 yds Gingham, Lawns, Swisses, Dimities, Batistes reduced to	14c
200 yards yard wide percale remnants	6c

A Splendid Value.

Another lot of Ladies shoes, complete line of sizes, new shapes \$1.50 shoes reduced to

MINER BROS.

SPECIAL!

We have just received a new lot of

Fruit - Jars,

And to move them in a hurry we will sell them very cheap. Get out prices before buying.

Butter and Eggs taken in exchange. Cash paid for Poultry and Hides.

WIFE & KOON.
GROCERIES AND MEAT MARKET.

Correspondence.

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

BLADEN.

Mrs. J. F. Brewer returned home Friday after a week's visit with friends at Stoddard, this state.

Miss McKenzie of Blue Hill, who was the guest of Bessie Stricker, returned home with her father Wednesday.

James Dority and wife returned to their home last Tuesday after spending several weeks with friends and looking up a home in the Oklahoma country, but they have decided Nebraska is good enough for them and they will remain on their farm northeast of Bladen.

Art Bailey, A. P. Johnson's popular clerk, will work in the harvest field for Robert Miller.

Henry Ludlow and H. H. Fuller of Campbell drove over to Bladen Wednesday to see the ball game.

Miss Barrs of Campbell was the guest of Miss Lottie Doyle.

Mrs. Priestly and son, who have been in the eastern part of the state, returned home Wednesday evening.

Mrs. S. J. Wheeler was a passenger to Blue Hill Wednesday morning.

A. Kiene and son, from Ohio, an uncle of H. L. Richendifer, spent a few days with him last week.

H. L. Richendifer and son were at Lawrence last Friday.

C. E. Hicks left last Friday for Lincoln, where he attended the state convention as a delegate.

Charles Morey commenced clerking for Frank Wauls the latter part of last week.

Clyde Keith returned home last Wednesday from Lincoln, where he has been attending dental college.

Miss Rose Thorne has returned from Wood River, where she has closed a very successful term of school, and we understand that she has been engaged for another year.

Mrs. G. P. Cather, with her daughter and sons, came home from Grand Island last week, where she has been keeping house for the children, who are attending school at that place.

Mr. Reynolds, the new butcher, has moved his family from Red Cloud to our city. He is occupying the Roy Grandstaff house.

John Lutz, Jr., gave a party at his home last Saturday evening.

The Methodist church has had its steeple remodeled, which adds much to the appearance of the church, and it will make a suitable place for the new 1000 pound bell, which is expected in every day. Rev. Priestly deserves credit for all of this, as he has drawn the plans and has done the greater part of the work.

Miss Abbie Munson has gone to Lincoln on a visit.

STIWLLATER.

Fine weather for corn.

Harvest time is drawing nigh.

John Thompson, Sr., of Denver is here on a visit.

E. C. Christy has remodeled his barn on his farm occupied by Samuel Richardson.

A number of people from Mt. Clare and vicinity attended the children's exercises at Prairie Center Sunday.

Allie and Nellie DeWolf are expected to arrive this week from Weeping Water to spend the summer with relatives here.

Children exercises at Prairie Center passed off very pleasantly. The pieces were nearly all of a high character and were in most cases well rendered. The exercise entitled "Sowing" by a class of little ones, and one by a larger sized class, where four young girls representing the four countries, China, India, Africa and Japan, calling for help, were responded to by four others who presented each with a bible with appropriate remarks, and the songs accompanying it were worthy of special mention. Elder Headley of Guide Rock gave a short talk. A liberal collection was taken at the close.

REACH.

Henry Smith is putting up his alfalfa this week. The crop is not quite so heavy as usual.

John Frazier bought a fine young bull of W. J. Miller Monday.

Plowing corn seems to be the pushing business of the day. With very few exceptions corn is in good condition.

Our second nine played a very nice game of ball on the home diamond Saturday with a nine from White Rock while the first nine was at Cora.

Our game with Cora Saturday resulted in a score of 12 to 6 in favor of Cora.

The republican caucus of Logan township was held at the usual voting place, at which the delegates were chosen for the convention at Smith Center and a general township ticket was nominated.

Will Dollins was one of the jurymen on the Cooper-Leadbrand trial Wednesday.

Another fine rain Saturday night—but let it come as long as we can keep the weeds down.

Children's day exercises were held at the church Sunday evening and the largest crowd that has ever been in our big church was in attendance. The program was a success from beginning to end and everybody enjoyed a general good time.

C. C. Frazier bought a load of corn of his father Saturday.

Grandma Stones is reported very sick this week, but under the efficient care of Dr. Morrison of Womer is getting along nicely.

Arthur Hartman bought a team, wagon and harness the other day. Arthur knows a good thing when he sees it and always takes advantage of it.

Ben Beardslee reports his mother not so well and says he looks for her and his father home soon.

The Children's day exercises at Oriole school house Sunday were well attended and a fine program was rendered.

J. W. Starr drove over to Red Cloud Monday on business.

Willie Hartman and his mother were up from Lebanon Sunday to attend the exercises at the church.

Some of the young people who went over to Cora Saturday didn't get back until Sunday.

Grandma Frazier came up from Lebanon to visit with her daughter, Mrs. George.

There will be a grand picnic in the grove at Al Krolick's Sunday, June 22

BLUE HILL.

Rob Hamill visited at home this week

Mrs. Stewart and daughter came in from Keystone, South Dakota, Saturday morning.

Mrs. Ashby and children will visit her father, the judge, at Bloomington the next two weeks.

Mrs. W. W. Scott came in from Donaphin where she spent Sunday.

Lawn Tennis is all the go here now. There are five tennis courts in town at present.

Oliver Wright came up from Red Cloud Friday and remained until Monday.

The base ball limp and biciple hump are the latest fads in Blue Hill.

The Good Templar lodge gave a fine program Thursday evening. The paper written and read by Mrs. Hummel was especially good and elicited no end of applause from the audience.

Mrs. Newsome is expecting her

daughter and family from Kearney this week.

Mrs. Wilcox and daughter Miss Linnie arrived from Lincoln on a visit to Mrs. Bruce. They were joined by Mr. Wilcox Saturday and all departed for their home in Bloomington Monday.

Mrs. Wm. May is slowly recovering from a severe attack of peritonitis.

The ladies of Blue Hill are true grit. Saturday afternoon one laid down her purse on the counter in a store. A man picked it up and went out. She walked out after him and took it away from him. We have no need of a police when our women have that much nerve.

The air is full of rumors of weddings.

The M. E. People are very much elated over their children's day collection which amounted to \$20. Pretty good.

Miss Alta Shottenkirk is entertaining two young lady friends from Lincoln. They departed for Imperial Monday evening to visit their parents.

There have been 100 binders sold so far this season at this place. This looks like the wheat crop is a failure.

A great many of the farmers are buying cream separators now.

The district convention of Christian Endeavorers will be held at Dewese this week.

Ezra Conrad is breaking a fine span of colts this week.

Rosemont is preparing to celebrate the Fourth of July. The eagle is flying high up that way. Hurrah for Rosemont!

The Emerick brothers have four fresher engines and two separators at their blacksmith shop undergoing repairs, besides several binders.

Lewis Goble of Bloomington spent Sunday in Blue Hill.

Tommy McClure is reported some better at present.

Our small boys are earning a few dollars weeding onions for Fillio, near Ayr. They work a few days, then come home and visit the folks.

CROOKED CREEK.

Corn is doing fine, and so are the weeds.

Everybody is busy working their corn, so as to be ready for harvest, as the wheat is ripening rapidly.

Fine rain Saturday night, with some hail, but not enough to damage any thing to speak of.

Pat Kellet is sowing Kafir corn this week.

Ed Reiher, one of our most prosperous neighbors, shipped one car of fine fat steers and one of hogs Tuesday.

Dick Ruache is working for Mr. Martin this summer.

Frank Smith was hauling hogs for Mr. Reiher Monday.

Mr. Pierce is listing corn in the ground from which he cut his rye last week.

BATIN.

Erasmus Stenner has built a new frame residence.

S. Lindquist has returned from an extended visit in Wisconsin.

John Pavlicek went to Kansas City last week.

Rudy Streit was transacting business in Bladen Monday.

Miss Eunice Kelly from Topeka, Kan., is here visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Bean.

Frank Sadilek has rented a half section of land from A. N. Wilson for five years.

Henry Williams went to Red Cloud Monday after a new binder.

C. M. Wilson, from Otto, was seen in this vicinity last Friday.

Mr. Crowell hauled several head of fat hogs to Red Cloud last Saturday.

C. H. Wilson was down to Red Cloud last week transacting business with the county board.

WOMER, KANSAS.

Plenty of rain. Corn and weeds doing fine.

There is a new implement firm in

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Books

Given

Free.

Commencing,

Saturday,

June 21st.

Below we give a partial list of the books we have on hand at present.

Arabian Nights (8) New and Revised Edition	Scott
The Fortunes of Nigel	Scott
Ivanhoe	Scott
Beyond the City (2)	A. Conan Doyle
Strange Secrets	A. Conan Doyle
All Sorts and Conditions of Men	Besant and Rice
Edwards	Edwards
Knights Errant	Lyall
Beppo the Corsair	Anthony Trollope
Chicot the Jester	Dumas
Countess de Charny	Dumas
Love and Liberty	Dumas
The Corsair	Dumas
Vicomte de Bragelonne	Dumas
Consuelo	Sand
The Countess of Rudolstadt	Sand
Indiana	Sand
Fanchon the Cricket	Sand
Deidre	Warden
Confessions of an English Opium Eater	De Quincey
Gold Elsie	Marlitt
A Daughter of Meth	Black
The Frontiersmen (2)	Alford
The Blithedale Romance	Hawthorne
Arcturion	Marie Corelli
Uarda	Ebers
Pilgrim's Progress	Bunyan
The Deemsters	Hall Caine
Humphrey Clinker	Smollett
Corinne	De Stael
Paris Sketch Book	Thackeray
The Man Who Was Good	Merrick
Jack Horner	Mary S. Tiernan
Homoselle	Mary S. Tiernan
Woodlanders	Thos. Hardy
The Desire of the Eyes	Grant Allen
Not in the Prospectus	Danforth
Ramuntch	Loti
A New Note	McMahon
Dragon's Teeth	Serrano
The Cedar Star	Mann
The Crystal Button	Thomas
A Living Lie	Bourget

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Come in and get one before they are all gone.