



The - Big - Store.

MINER BROS.

Shirt Waists.

To the woman who wishes to make every dollar count; to the woman who appreciates the necessity of economy, and to the woman who usually makes her own waists, this sale offers opportunities to secure a waist at less than she can buy the cloth to make it.

- July Sale price of 78c to 50c.
- July Sale price of 98c to 63c.
- July Sale price of \$1.38 to 87½c.
- July Sale price of \$1.50 to \$1.00.

Other Values
at \$1.25, \$1.50,
\$1.75 and \$2.25

Wash Goods.

Our July Sale on Wash Goods was productive of very heavy sales and consequently many remnants containing from 3 to 8 yards in a piece. In order to clean this stock up we will sell these short lengths:

- July Sale price 9 and 10c, now 6c.
- July Sale price 14c, now 9c.
- July Sale price 25c, now 18c.

Calico.

Commencing July 25 and continuing up to and including August 10th we will sell our entire stock of Standard Prints in blue, black, grays, reds and Fancy Prints at 4½c.

FURNITURE!

- Sewing Rockers, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.
- Kitchen Cupboards, \$5.50 to 12.50.
- Kitchen Chairs 50c.
- Bedroom Suites, \$14.00, 15.00, 16.00 and upward.
- Couches, \$7.00, 9.00 to 20.00.
- Wood seat Dining Chairs from \$1.00 upward.
- Cane seat Dining Chairs from 70c upward.

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Red Cloud, Nebraska.

CROOKED CREEK.
The storm last Thursday night did considerable damage to the corn.
Miss Howser, from Michigan, is visiting at Ed Dickson's, and expects to remain a couple of weeks.
Mrs. Hedge has a new separator. She means business now.
Ed Seaton says the storms and high water have done him \$600 worth of damage this summer.
Gus Roats has his second crop of alfalfa almost up.
Messrs. Morhart & Cutter were up the creek Monday buying cattle.
Threshing is progressing very slowly on account of the grain being so wet.
Mr. Brush says the rain last Thursday night was the heaviest that has fallen at his place this summer, as well as the wind, which tried to blow his wind and rack, with a load on, through his house. It didn't damage the house much, but it smashed the rack.
The new owner of the old Pope place is making some good improvements in the way of new buildings. A new

granary is already completed.
Ed Dickson and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Dickson in Red Cloud.
LINE.
Weather warm and dry.
Cutting grain is over with.
The Fruit brothers are threshing on State creek, near Mount Hope, while Al Slaby is threshing on the river bottom.
Mr. and Mrs. Campbell of North Branch and Rev. Bradley of Concordia were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Shuck this week.
Mr. Milligan of Red Cloud was cutting alfalfa for L. A. Haskins this week.
The corn bids fair for a good yield—probably 50 bushels per acre.
Potatoes are good on the upland and gardens are doing nicely.
L. A. Haskins' tenant on the river sold his entire interest in the crop to Mr. Arneson for \$125.
The Wesleyan Methodists will hold a series of meetings at Pleasant Dale, district No. 29, this week and next,

beginning at 7:30 each evening.
The barn of Reuben Keagle, which burned last week, was insured in two companies.
NEBRASKA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT
Tenth annual event, to be held at Grand Island August 5 to 7. Half rates from all Nebraska points via the Burlington Route. The Nebraska Volunteer Firemen's Association has arranged to hold its annual tournament at Grand Island. Nearly \$1,500 has been appropriated for cash prizes, in addition to many valuable medals and trophies, for exhibition drills, contests and races. Firemen will attend from all parts of the state. For this occasion the Burlington Route has made a rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale August 4 to 7, inclusive, good returning until August 8. Ask the Burlington Route agent or write J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Omaha.
To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Correspondence.

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

BLADEN.

R. A. Simpson, one of Blue Hill's real estate men, was in this city Thursday.
Mrs. Harrington of Roseland is visiting with her brother, Wm. Kile.
Mr. Feist went to Lincoln Friday, returning Monday evening.
Mr. Wayman's year-old child met with a painful accident Thursday evening. A large piece of plaster fell from the ceiling and struck the child on the arm, breaking it near the elbow.
Mr. Corey of Fairbury was in this village the latter part of last week in the interest of a hail insurance company.
An exciting game of baseball was played on the home diamond Friday between Bladen and Cowles. Score, 4 to 2 in favor of Bladen. The members of the Cowles team are a very gentlemanly set of young men who like sport.
James Turner, who has been visiting his mother northeast of town, returned to Lincoln the first of the week.
Real estate in Bladen has been changing hands quite lively the past few days. H. L. Richendifer sold his home to Mrs. Griffith, mother of Mrs. Mead West. H. H. Watson sold to A. Waulle, who contemplates moving to town. Chas. Spence has purchased the Tooker property.
Friends from near Lawrence were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Horn.
It is said that this village is soon to have a wedding. A couple of our young people have decided to go to housekeeping.
Dr. Pettit of Kansas City, a brother-in-law of Charles Hartman, is in this village on business.
The Bladen band has reorganized and will begin practice at once.
Mrs. Kummel returned Monday to her home at Rothville, Mo.
Mrs. Fred Kauffman is at Lincoln visiting with her son John.
Mrs. B. Lee of Lawrence was visiting in this village the first of this week.
L. C. Keith contemplates moving to Hastings in the near future.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Britton, living south of town, were happily surprised by their daughter, who lives at Huntington, Ore., coming to pay them a visit.
Last Friday a footrace between Tody Baker of this place and a Mr. Richey of Cowles caused a little amusement for the people of this village. On account of the recent rain there was some difficulty in finding a race track. Everybody was there, and it is said by those who witnessed the race that Tody stood some show of winning until he "petered out."

DRY CREEK.

E. Seaton is stacking his alfalfa this week.
The wind blew Mr. Hulsebush's barn over Thursday night, killing two horses and one hog.
Miss Nell Cockrell spent Sunday with Lora Decker.
Mrs. J. Emick called on her son Sunday.
Quite a gang of railroad men have camped down by Mr. Frisbie's repairing the railroad between Cowles and Lester.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Decker spent Sunday afternoon with Oscar Emick and family.
Fred Bright attended church at Red Cloud Sunday.
Mr. Conrad Starke is out from Milwaukee visiting his uncle, Gottlieb Kasser.

STATE CREEK.

Lloyd Carpenter was thrown from a horse a few days ago and considerably bruised.
Miss Viola Ward of Red Cloud is visiting on our creek with old friends and acquaintances.
In coming from town last Saturday a 25 pound sack of flour was lost from our wagon. Finder will confer a favor by leaving same at THE CHIEF office.
Rev. Con Hewitt of Geneva, Neb., formerly of this part, was visiting here last week.
The new bridge north of Scrivner's was built last week by the road superintendent.
Al Scrivner sold a fine 1,000 pound cow to Wm. Rife last week for 34 cent's per pound.
We are sorry to report the death of Miss Myrtle Fitzgerald, who died last Saturday, a full account of which will be found in another part of this paper.

COWLES.

Prof. Thompson is putting down a new well.
Mell Morgan had a runaway a few days ago which cost him a new wagon.
A valuable two year old colt of Jack Waller's got badly cut on the barb wire fence one day last week.
Dr. Owen's wife arrived last Friday from Missouri. Where she has been visiting relatives; the Dr. wears a broader smile.
Lou Beal's wheat went 23 bushels to the acre, pretty good for this year.
The rains Thursday night raised the creek again almost as high as before, the railroad track and also the wagon road was left in pretty bad shape.
The ball team went to Bladen last Friday, or part of them rather scores 2 to 4 but Bladen look out when you come down here you may have the full team to play against.
Jim Hager is following the thrashing machine as band center.
The ladies of the Christian church

gave an ice cream social last Saturday evening although it was pretty cold for ice cream.
Corn in this vicinity looks fine.
NORTH BRANCH, KAS.
Roasting ears are the order of the day.
Mrs. Fred Kenworthy is no better at this writing.
Miss Ora Watt is very sick with appendicitis.
Louisa Toland is working for Dr. C. F. Moranville of Guide Rock.
Mollie Cline is working at Mr. J. F. Watts.
D. O. Haskins and wife from Oklahoma are visiting his sister Mrs. George.
Mr. Davis is putting up alfalfa on his farm west of town.
Alice Fishburn is home from Colorado.
Rev. J. J. Campbell and Rev. Bradley are holding a camp meeting in Nebraska.

BATIN.

Mrs. Bretthauer and son William have come home from Kansas, where they have been visiting.
A. J. Battan has moved his corn crib and granary and is putting a stone foundation under them.
Miss Eunice Kelly was the guest of Miss Grace Wilson of Otto one day last week.
E. W. Coplen has cut the second crop of alfalfa.
Henry Lambrecht and Sam Sorrenson have each built a new granary.
C. F. Cather is having material hauled for another large granary on his farm.
Mr. Wolfe of Red Cloud was in this vicinity Friday.
C. M. Wilson vaccinated several head of cattle last Thursday for Mr. Holt, having lost several head from blackleg.

Books

Given Free.

Commencing, Saturday, June 21st.

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

- Arabian Nights (2) New and Revised Edition
- 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
- Jet.....Edwards
- Knight Errant.....Lyal
- Beppo the Conscript.....Anthony Trollope
- Chelet the Jester.....Dumas
- Countess de Charny.....Dumas
- Love and Liberty.....Dumas
- The Conscript.....Dumas
- Vicomte de Bragelonne.....Dumas
- Consuelo.....Sand
- The Countess of Rudolstadt.....Sand
- Indiana.....Sand
- Fanchon the Crieret.....Sand
- Delice.....Warden
- Confessions of an English Opium Eater.....De Quincey
- Gold Elsie.....Marlitt
- A Daughter of Beth.....Black
- The Frontiersman (2).....Alford
- The Blithedale Romance.....Hawthorne
- Ardath.....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
- Bamutich.....Lott
- A New Note.....McMahon
- Dragon's Teeth.....Serrano
- The Cedar Star.....Mann
- The Crystal Button.....Thomas
- A Living Lie.....Bourget

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