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AS TOLD TO US

Ed Platt went up to Hastings, Tuesday morning.

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Grant Turner was in Lebanon, Kansas, Wednesday.

Glen Walker autoed home from Omaha, Sunday.

J. E. Jarboe returned to Lincoln, Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Myrtle Cloud came down from Inavale, Saturday.

Eves tested, glasses fitted—J. C. Mitchell, the Jeweler.

Edgar Turner returned in his duties at Hastings, Monday.

Jack and Hal Skelton went up to Hastings, Wednesday.

Mrs. Stanford went down to Guide Rock, Monday morning.

Ed Fearn made a business trip to Guide Rock, Wednesday.

Mrs. Paul Storey was a passenger to Hastings, Tuesday morning.

Dr. Mitchell returned home from Denver the last of the week.

Attorney A. M. Walters of Blue Hill, was attending court this week.

Cal Stewart at the Orpheum to-night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Masters of Holdrege are visiting relatives in this city.

Mrs. Mattie Fearn returned home Saturday morning from a visit in Inavale.

Good second hand car for sale. Price reasonable if taken at once.—L. L. Yost.

Wesley Huff of Worth, Mo., and L. W. Huff of Elmo, Mo., were in the city Sunday.

Fred Schenk and Arthur Glebe of Campbell, spent Sunday here with friends.

Mrs. W. A. Sherwood returned home Tuesday evening from a visit with relatives at Omaha.

G. L. Bailey of Omaha, and Mr. Quimby of Denver, were in this city on business Tuesday.

Guy Zeigler of Lincoln, former superintendent of the light plant, was in the city over Sunday.

Pete Shey, a former merchant of this city, but now of Orleans, was in the city between trains Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Schellak returned to Hastings, Wednesday morning, after a short visit with relatives here.

Jack Steffin of Camp Funston, Kansas, spent the first of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Steffin.

R. E. Mitchell left Monday morning for Rochester, Minnesota, where he will receive treatment at Mayo Bros. Sanitarium.

Wm. Robertson was in St. Joe, Sunday.

Jas. Saunders was down from Cowles Sunday.

Cecil Franer went up to Hastings, Monday.

Cal Stewart at the Orpheum to-night.

Miss Mary Christian spent Monday in Hastings.

Ed. Burr of Guide Rock was a city visitor Sunday.

Mrs. A. Schultz spent the weekend in Guide Rock.

John Schenk returned to Hastings, Monday morning.

C. H. Bennett of Nebraska City, is here on business.

Leslie Graves of Grand Island spent Sunday in this city.

Miss Lena Rathjen spent the week end in Guide Rock.

Donald Funk went down to Superior, Saturday morning.

Wm. Thomas was a passenger to Cowles, Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Knutson autoed down from Bladen, Sunday.

Good meals—good service—moderate prices—Powell & Pope's cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morris autoed down from Riverton, Sunday.

Farmers' Union meeting at Kellogg Hall every Thursday night at 8:30.

R. R. Leggett is enjoying the trials and tribulations of a new Ford car.

Cal Stewart at the Orpheum to-night.

Miss Lena Rathjen returned to her home in Guide Rock, Friday morning.

Miss Kathryn Truitt and her mother, Philip, spent Saturday in Hastings.

Miss Josephine Shadlock and a very successful term of school near Cambridge, Friday.

Mrs. Alice Hasner and grand-daughter, Alice Whitaker, spent Saturday in Hastings.

O. C. Teel received word the last of the week, that his son-in-law, Fred Wells, had safely landed in France.

Harold Fey and Earl Saladen, who have been attending Cotner University, returned to this city Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Leggett and daughter, Miss Grace, and Chas. Hillen autoed to Smith Center, Kansas, Sunday.

Schuyler Hayes will leave the last of the week for Omaha to take the physical examination for entrance into the U. S. Navy.

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. for study will be held at the home of Mrs. E. Albright, on Wednesday May 15th at 2:30 p. m.

A nice long, interesting letter was received from Art McArthur this week, but it came too late for publication this week's paper.

Mrs. Erving Cummings returned to this city Tuesday evening, with her daughter, Miss Jennie, who was operated upon in a hospital at that place.

Will Ohle of Kearney, who was enroute to the Great Lakes Training Station, stopped off in this city a few days the last of the week to visit his sister.

The new Fairbanks-Morse, 100 h. p. engine which the city purchased some time ago, has arrived and is being transported to the power house this week. Curt Evans has charge of the moving of same.

Mrs. J. W. Corbett returned home Tuesday evening from Hastings, where she has been at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Starr. She reports Mrs. Starr some better but not out of danger yet.

First Impressions

Preliminary to my arrival in Red Cloud last week I had to leave home, an incident commonplace and trivial, to read, but by no means amusing or of little moment when it is considered that for sixteen years I had dwelt in the one resting place and within it there had grown up, and accumulated, everything that the word home implies.

By train and by rail, through mud and rain and cold, I traveled for twenty-three long, dreary hours, saddened with thought of leaving home, wife, children and filled with anxiety as to what might be at my journey's end. "Prospects bright, come quick," was all the information I had as to "Quig's" condition, and you know, dear reader, that "bright prospects have a trick of fading suddenly."

Of sleep I caught a mere trifle, and close connections at transfer points gave me just time to sample coffee and sandwiches along the line.

Did you ever happen to obtain coffee at the railroad lunch counter in Hastings? If so you can imagine me up against it, the lunch counter, so filled with bitter anxiety that I couldn't get away with a cup of coffee after I had bought and paid for it. I would almost bet that cup of coffee is there yet standing alone by means of inherent strength.

These items I have put into this record that you may realize something of the mood in which I landed at the little town and received my first impressions of Red Cloud.

When I stepped out of the train at home my first impression was a trip to the Pacific coast. Some days later I received a telegram dated at San Francisco, California, saying, "Am coming home, but not yet west now." Many a time since we laughed about it, but I can now sympathize with dear dad away from his family and home.

Since his time "out west" has outgrown short pants and assumed a garb great in both breadth and length.

Long ago I learned that a large portion of the United States lies west of the Hudson river but not until last week was I cognizant of the fact that Nebraska occupies so much of it. Vastness is the first impression, riding across "a disk of earth beneath a cup of sky," the sense of expanse is exhilarating, opportunity lies at hand on every side bidding the newcomer welcome.

If New York city had been built out in this country there would have been no Flatiron building towering to the sky or streets shut in so deep that sunshine scarcely reaches the pavements. This thought seemed exemplified in your capital city, the home of a once lowly man who rose to great heights politically. I wonder if he has forgotten when in his early career he had to remain in an eastern hotel room while he sent out his only pair of pants to be mended of a rip. The more honor for that! He is but another example of what Nebraska does for her earnest citizens.

So, as I came onward, I pictured to myself Red Cloud, not so large, but, as it were, a sparkling little jewel in a princely diadem. And at the "all out," of our genial Short Line conductor, stepped briskly down to take my first look.

Alas, was I so tired? Or dazed? Something lacking! A cheery voice came to my ears—"Ride up town? Only ten cents!" Again I breathed, and riding briefly found reality of my imaginary picture—for Red Cloud is a pretty town. Perhaps to you who dwell here, who have grown up with the town, who see it everyday, these items are commonplace. The eyes of a stranger newly arrived from abroad, filled with comparative examples, see utilities, beauties, opportunities, attractions, unnoticed by those who daily come in contact with them.

The broad central streets lined with prosperous looking business blocks, swinging out in long vistas of residences, the numerous cozy bungalows interspersed with pretentious homes, the strikingly modern public buildings, court house, Lincoln school, high school, Auld Public Library, all new, make an attractive ensemble, indicating civic pride, commercial activity and progress.

My chat, dear reader, grows lengthy. Of what lies back of these visible effects—the hidden details—the powers that make and move—I shall have to write more later.

Meanwhile I believe that I have made clear the fact that, at first impression, Nebraska in general and Red Cloud in particular, are pleasing to the newcomer.

Brown.

Edmond Knutson returned to his duties at Kershner Field, La., Monday morning, being called here by the death of his father, R. W. Knutson. Cheryl Knutson accompanied him to Oklahoma City, Okla.

Friday evening, May 17th, the Red Cross will give a two-reel moving picture at the Orpheum, showing the actual work on the battle fields; a short patriotic program will be included. The Orpheum management donates house and lights and there will be no admission charge.

ONE WAY THE RED CROSS HAS TAKEN TO DEFEAT THE KAISER'S GAME

1,000 Ragged, Sick and Homeless People Are Daily Dumped at Evian.

At the first onslaught of the Hun, before the French were able to withstand their invasion, the Kaiser secured a goodly section of France. With the captured cities and villages he acquired many thousands of Frenchmen.

True to all the rules of Teutonic efficiency, the noble German worked and starved these French close to the point of death, then saw to it that an impressive number of them "caught" tuberculosis and finally sent these poor wrecks back to burden France.

It has taken the Kaiser from two to three years to suck the healthy blood from the veins of these sturdy rural French, but now he is sending them back at the rate of about 1,000 a day. The Kaiser never announces these

shipments. He simply dumps them in Evian, on the French-Swiss border.

If it were not for the American Red Cross the task of caring for these starved, ragged, sick, homeless, terrorized men, women and children would be more than the French government could handle. But our American Red Cross is making heroic efforts to defeat the Kaiser's aim to fill France with consumptives. Trained Red Cross workers are at the receiving station at Evian. They first separate those showing signs of tuberculosis from those who are only starving or have some other disease.

It is just like the tender care of our Red Cross to give particular attention to the babies and children to whom the kindly Kaiser has fed con-

sumptive germs. We have a hospital of 30 beds for children in Evian. These are reserved for the children who are too ill to take farther. Then our Red Cross has a convalescent hospital outside the town and yet another in a nearby village. It also keeps six ambulances busy transporting sick women and children. Yet even then the strain upon our workers is so great that for eight long months one American nurse has had to look after 120 beds.

We, through our American Red Cross, are doing great things toward defeating the Kaiser in his efforts to turn France into a graveyard, but we have just started, and our duty demands that we work fast and without ceasing.

ROMANCE GONE

Efficiency Kills Sentiment as Machine Makes Socks in 25 Minutes.

By RUTH DUNBAR.

"Money when your fingers look blue at the winter work!" was the first speech of grandfather when he was paying out to grandmother, who at history is correct, never allowed little things like love and courtship to distract her mind one minute from her knitting.

The modern young man is robbed of any opportunity to make those pretty speeches, for the wool is no longer spun but knitted. Worse yet, the machine sits before a cold, steel man and grinds off socks in as many minutes as it takes hours to knit them.

This is what efficiency does to romance.

In the various Red Cross workrooms of the New York County Chapter there are nearly seventy-five sock machines. Eight of these are in the model workroom at 20 East Thirty-eighth street and others that have been ordered are held up by traffic conditions. Here instructors teach the use of the machine to Red Cross workers.

A complete pair of socks can be made on the machine in 25 minutes. The machine looks like a cross between fishing tackle and a pile driver. The worker threads it through the arm and carrier on to the treader. The body of the machine is a circle of needles bent at the ends like crochet hooks.

Sweaters also are made on the sock machine, the strips sewed together and the ribbing at top and bottom knitted on by hand.

Besides the machines in the Red Cross workrooms there are many owned by private individuals or groups who work at home and donate the results to the Red Cross. In a family hotel, for instance, four or five women can club together and buy a machine.

"WHAT HOME SERVICE HAS DONE FOR ME"

My husband enlisted over a year ago. Shortly after he went away our twelve-year-old boy had the measles. After his recovery his school teacher complained about his conduct. At home he was nervous and irritable. When I called at the Red Cross to find out how I could secure an increase in allowances because of our newly born babe I told them of my trouble with Harry. On their advice I took him to an oculist, who said glasses were needed immediately because of the weakened condition of the eyes following measles. He no longer causes trouble at home or at school.

T. R. TO GET SHELL THAT HIT HIS SON

Captain Roosevelt, Who Was in Hospital, Lauds Red Cross.

Capt. Archibald Roosevelt, who recently was injured and nursed back to health in a Red Cross hospital, in speaking of the Red Cross work, is reported as having said:

"The Red Cross is doing everything possible for us. I cannot say too much in appreciation of their efforts, which make us feel as if we were back home. It is a great comfort to us fellows in hospitals, and if our folks could see the way we are being taken care of they would stop worrying."

The Red Cross chaplain in this particular hospital happens to be Doctor Billings of Groton, Mass., who taught Captain Roosevelt at the Groton school. The Red Cross shopping service in the hospital has been commissioned by Captain Roosevelt to obtain a new uniform for him to replace the one which was torn to pieces when he was wounded by fragments of a German shell.

The piece of shrapnel which wounded Captain Roosevelt will be presented to Captain Roosevelt's father, Col. Theodore Roosevelt.

NURSES PRETTY

Red Cross Hospital Uniform Most Becoming in History of World.

In a recent issue of the front of the war correspondent of the Philadelphia North American helps to explain the song, "Up in Love With a Beautiful Nurse."

"There are 62 Red Cross nurses at this place," says the dispatch. "They are cheerful, obedient, brave and competent. And those who weren't pretty to begin with become so the moment they donned the uniform that is the most becoming in all the long history of costumes devised for the mystification and beguiling of men."

"In the officers' ward was a colonel with bronchitis. I've seen them in the Philippines, and I've seen them in China," he told me. "I suppose I've seen about all the existing types, but I never yet saw one that wasn't pretty inside of 24 hours."

"He reminded me of an Irish Tommy, who, so his major told me, woke up in a hospital in 1916 and, seeing the nurses in the ward, exclaimed, 'May the howly Virgin bless us, but the angels have come down to the Somme!'"

Hundreds of Red Cross nurses, however, are doing work abroad in which their looks are less eagerly considered. Finding and caring for war orphaned babies, fighting tuberculosis, re-establishing homes in shell wrecked villages—these are some of the big tasks of mercy which, thanks to American contributions, the Red Cross sets for its nurses.

There are 13 divisions of the Red Cross in the United States. There is a complete organization at each division, with a great warehouse for the collection and shipment of all kinds of Red Cross supplies.

Two More Bargains Near Bird City

100 acres 8 miles from Bird City, all smooth but 5 acres, 100 acres just broke, if rented one third of next wheat crop goes to purchaser, and if put in by the purchaser one good crop will pay for the land, a bargain to either rent or farm by purchaser. Price \$3200.00, will carry \$1000.00.

320 acres 1 1/2 miles from Bird City, all smooth, 235 acres of fine wheat, 120 acres fine sod wheat, one third goes to purchaser, 115 acres old ground wheat, one fourth to purchaser, and 25 acres corn. As things look the rent share will be at least \$2000.00. Price \$12800. For sale for a few days only and then off the market until after harvest. Beautifully located. See 191st J. H. BAILEY.

Christian Church Notes

Forty seven men attended church Sunday morning and forty nine in the evening in honor of father.

Mrs. Bartunek came into the fellowship of the church at the Sunday morning service.

Mrs. Carrie Diederich and her helpers gave everybody a beautiful bouquet of flowers at church Sunday.

Sunday May 13 is Mothers' Day—a national holiday. Two special services will be held at the Christian Church in our honor. Being your mother to church and stay to service for her sake. See to it that every mother in the community who is able to attend church has the privilege of enjoying the services held in her behalf.

Sunday May 14th will be newspaper day. Plan for this event. You need to interpret current shot. In the evening a thrilling story will be given. May 26th is Sammies Day. Interesting biographies will be given and appropriate services.

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Notice

Notice to all users of water and current in the city of Red Cloud. On and after May 16th you will be cut off if water and light bills are not paid by the 16th of each month. This applies to the ones now delinquent. By order of ROBT. DAMERELL, Mayor.

Burton Here This Week

A. L. Burton, the Franklin piano doctor, is keeping his regular date with Red Cloud this week. He states that there will be no change in price on all regular annual or semi-annual tuning.

The thing to do is to list your plans with him now, says he doesn't care to waste his time or your money on plans that must go two or three years between tunings; that he takes care of his pianos right, and that no man alive can take care of them right if he can't get into them at least once a year. Leave orders at the Amack or Sattley piano stores.

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