

The following is the valuation of personal property of Webster County for the year 1918, as shown by the Assessor's books.

Precinct	1917		1918		Increase	Decrease
	Actual Value	Actual Value	Actual Value	Actual Value		
Guide Rock	\$348,900	\$408,050	\$59,150			
Guide Rock Vill.	308,360	335,825	27,465			
Beaver Creek	289,870	350,770	60,900			
Stillwater	304,980	364,280	59,300			
Oak Creek	278,625	337,035	58,410			
Garfield	163,550	239,685	76,135			
Pleasant Hill	200,165	239,130	38,965			
Cowles	96,165	106,420	10,255			
Cowles Village	148,850	144,250			\$4,500	
Elm Creek	204,155	250,080	45,925			
Potsdam	258,410	322,925	64,515			
Blue Hill	347,420	428,750	81,330			
Line	115,715	141,385	25,670			
Red Cloud	449,560	465,590	16,030			
Red Cloud, City	588,630	683,555	94,925			
Batin	231,635	269,950	38,315			
Glenwood	393,330	402,675	9,345			
Bladen	225,725	307,475	81,750			
Walnut Creek	316,135	361,500	45,365			
Inavale	371,590	391,805	20,215			
Catherton	292,510	306,075	13,565			
Harmony	223,065	242,160	19,095			
Total	\$6,157,345	\$7,099,370	\$942,025			

Following is the increase in valuation under the new Special Schedules A, B and C:

	1917	1918	Increase
Household Goods	\$205,295	\$244,525	\$ 39,230
Implements	129,420	255,665	126,245
Stocks of Mdse.	390,820	548,415	157,595
Total	\$735,535	\$1,048,605	\$313,070

	Total No.	Value
Hogs	20,926	\$ 414,520
Horses	8,834	873,685
Mules	2,041	225,615
Cattle	25,680	1,213,525
No. Automobiles—1287,		Valuation\$465,445

Somewhere in England

Dear Folks at Home:—Tomorrow is to be Mothers Day. General Pershing wants everyone in the A. E. F. to write to their mother or some one at home. Will start this tonight as I may not have much time tomorrow. It is after nine o'clock now and I just came in from work. Have been out on the flying field all day looking after the cameras, putting them on the machines and getting everything set so all the pilot has to do when he goes up is to work the shutter. Probably I will work in the dark room tomorrow. Would rather work on the field during the nice weather we are having just now, but it may not last long. We change off in the photo work—one fellow will work in the dark room one day and the next day do something else—perhaps go out in the field. That way everyone gets experience in all branches of the work. When I came in from work to-night I found the tent I had been in, also all our baggage, had disappeared, but I looked around a while and found that they had put up a new tent in another place. I think we have one now that will keep the rain out and I won't wake up in the morning to find a pool of water on top of the bunk. Yes, I see that we can not have any more packages sent from home without permission. I don't know of anything that I want or could use just now, so the order will not inconvenience me any. I have enough stuff for a pack mule now, and when we move we have to carry it a part of the time. I have no idea when we will leave England, but I don't think it will be for some time. It is now Sunday noon and I will add a few lines and close this letter. I imagine you are just about having breakfast over in the States, as there is about six hours difference in the time since the clocks were turned ahead. The weather is not so nice today, we had two or three showers this morning. I have been making enlargements of maps this morning and will continue the same work this afternoon. I see by the papers that four thousand more Americans marched through London yesterday. E. D. Lacy

Schuyler Hayes Writes

Great Lakes, Ohio. Dear Folks at Home:—This has been a long, hot day for me. Got up at six o'clock, had "chow" at seven, and muster was held at eight. Several of the boys had on dirty clothes, so the entire company was ordered to report at camp. Paul Jones for detail work. If just one has on dirty clothes the entire company has to do penalty for it. As luck would have it the commander had received orders to report somewhere and so we did not have to go. I was glad, indeed, for I expected Uncle Bert or Aunt Alice would be in. At nine o'clock the Catholics were called for their religious service. The Knights of Columbus have a large tent near the Y. M. C. A., very nicely fitted out for the amusement of the boys who go there. Everyone is welcome but there are not so many go there as to the Y. M. C. A. The latter is surely a dandy place. The first night we were here the commander would not let us go down there because some of the boys had on dirty clothes. The next night nearly all of us went there to a concert given by three fair maidens of the city of Waukegan. They gave us a fine entertainment, which we all enjoyed immensely. There are books, papers, and camp-books for anyone to read. The latter were contributed by the people of Chicago and are filled with very interesting clippings. There are many games for pastime, free desks for writing which one is welcome to use any time, and the Y. M. C. A. men are all princes. The Protestant church services were held in the Y. M. C. A. this morning and about all of us attended. A business man of Chicago gave the address. The pianist was a Jackie, the choir was composed of Jackies, and the entire audience were Jackies. About three o'clock I received message from Uncle Bert saying he was afraid they could not come to see me. I was sorry, for just about this time we had received orders to prepare for a move. We are to start for Philadelphia tomorrow. No liberties are allowed in this camp as we may get orders any minute to move on. So I had to give up the hope of seeing the folks. A lot of the boys are arguing the question, which is the best, Ohio or Nebraska, and of course I have to butt in, so I am writing this part of my letter under difficulties. The Ohio boys seem to be getting the worst of the argument and some of them are nearly fighting mad. I am perfectly satisfied with the Navy, and am happy. It is a dandy place for a fellow who wants to make good. Will drop you a card as soon as we get to our destination, so don't worry about your Sailor Boy. Schuyler.

Bladen Brieflets

I. V. Negley and family visited friends and relatives at Oxford and Inavale Sunday. Miss Sylvia Marshall of Blue Hill visited at the S. P. Dunnean home the first of the week. The Chautauquus is now on. Bladen is turning out splendidly to the first few sessions. Adolph Anderson suffered from a severe stroke of appendicitis Sunday evening but is now improving. Frank Peterson, while shocking wheat in his son's field north of town, Saturday, suffered a stroke of lightning and received fatal injuries. He was found at about 6 p. m., unconscious, and passed away Sunday. Last Thursday evening the Bladen members of the M. E. Church and the Plainview members combined in surprising Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Wilcox, it being their 25th anniversary. The Bladen people gave a splendid silver set while Plainview gave 35 silver dollars as a token of their good will. Harvest in this section is almost over due to early ripening and dry weather. Tractors and feminine assistance have lent novelty and speed to the work. Seven or eight tractors have been in use in the district and the ladies have helped wonderfully by driving binders and shocking.

Treasurer's Statement

Mayor and City Council, City Red Cloud, Neb: Gentlemen: I submit herewith statement covering receipts and disbursements of my office for the period from June 4, 1918 to July 2, 1918.

Occupation Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	\$1631 45
Disbursements	517 85
Balance	1083 61
Water Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	614 45
Disbursements	561 94
Balance	50 51
Water Levy Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	1 75
No receipts or Disbursements	
Balance	1 75
General Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	1324 51
Disbursements	598 58
Balance	725 93
Electric Light Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	852 30
Receipts	947 50
Disbursements	1800 43
Balance	862 37
Electric Light Levy Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	27 78
No Receipts or Disbursements	
Balance	27 78
Paving District No. 1 Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	1981 44
No Receipts or Disbursements	
Balance	1981 44
Library Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	453 18
Disbursements	62 15
Balance	391 03
Sewer Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	89 36
No Receipts or Disbursements	
Balance	89 36
Firemen's Fund	
Balance June 4, 1918	230 00
Receipts	5 00
Disbursements	244 60
Balance	50 00
Recapitulation	
Occupation Fund	\$ 1083 61
Water Fund	50 51
Water Levy	1 75
General Fund	725 93
Electric Light Fund	862 37
Electric Light Levy Fund	27 78
Paving Dist.	1981 44
Library Fund	391 03
Sewer Fund	89 36
Firemen's Fund	104 60
Total	5474 48
Registered Warrants Outstanding	7207 40
Water Levy Fund	291 20
Paving	4353 09
Total	\$ 13,353 09

S. R. FLORENCE, City Treas.

Notice of Administration.

In the County Court of Webster County, Nebraska. In the matter of the estate of Alfred H. Bright, deceased. To all persons interested in said estate. Notice is hereby given that Sarah E. Bright has this day filed a petition in the county court praying that administration of said estate may be granted to herself as administratrix, and that said petition will be heard before the court on the 19th day of July, 1918, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a. m., at the county court room, in the city of Red Cloud, in said county, when all persons interested in said matter may appear and show cause why the prayer of petitioner should not be granted; and that notice of filing of said petition, and the hearing thereof, be given by publishing a copy of this order in the Red Cloud Chief a legal weekly newspaper printed and of general circulation in said county, for four consecutive weeks prior to the said day of hearing. A. D. RANNEY, County Judge. (Seal) 264 Dated this 24th day of June, 1918.

Red Cross Notes

A second quota of 69 sweaters has been received by the Webster County Chapter but no new assignments will be made as the Branches and Auxiliaries now have under way enough garments to fill both quotas. All those having sweaters to complete should endeavor to get them finished by July 20th the date of the next shipment. The attention of the knitters is again called to the following. 1. Regulate the number of stitches according to the size of the needles and yarn used, that all sweaters may measure not less than 17 or more than 20 inches across chest when laid on flat surface and measured with ruler not a tape line. 2. Sweaters should be not less than 23 or more than 25 inches long measured as above. 3. Do not crochet side seams. To close sew up with a double thread of yarn same as sweater leaving 18 inches arm size. 4. Use no fancy colors in sweaters or socks. 5. Finish neck and arm hole of sweaters with a plain single crochet stitch. 840 Pairs of Socks Wanted Central Division American Red Cross at Chicago has issued a call for more than 2 million prs. socks. The quota for Webster county is 840 prs. To make these socks it will require 210 pounds of all wool yarn at a total cost of \$487.20. The following is the apportionment for the county:

Red Cloud, 245	
Blue Hill, 120	
Guide Rock, 90	
Cowles, 85	
Bladen, 80	
Inavale, 45	
Lester, 35	
State, Line 35	
Batin, 35	
Garfield, 35	
Line Precinct, 35	
Each branch and auxiliary will be given credit on above quota for the socks included in the shipment just made June 20.	
Webster county has shipped the following knitted goods to the Red Cross since Oct. 15th, 1917:	
Sweaters	801
Mufflers	161
Socks	751
Wristlets	449
Helmets	82
Total	2235

The Red Cross shipped 3 large cases of supplies to Omaha June 20, 1918. Goods from the following Branches and Auxiliaries making up the shipment:

BLUE HILL—
30 sweaters
15 pr. socks
15 pr. socks
BATAUXILIARY—
7 sweaters
12 bed shirts
COWLES—
30 sweaters
3 pr. socks
4 pr. wristlets
15 suits pajamas
2 muslin bed shirts
20 sheets
5 draw sheets
50 pillow cases
20 napkins
10 tray covers
20 wash cloths
190 hand towels
80 bath towels
3 prs. operating leggings
11 prs. bed socks
10 hdkfs.
10 cup covers
6 knitted wipes
6 comfort pillows

GUIDE ROCK—

GARFIELD AUXILIARY—

9 sweaters
1 pr. socks
1 knit wash cloth
5 bed shirts
5 suits pajamas

INAVALE—

12 sweaters
10 prs. socks
25 suits pajamas
12 towels

LESTER—

9 sweaters
2 pr. socks
6 suits pajamas
11 bed shirts

STATE LINE AUXILIARY—

10 sweaters
7 bed shirts
36 hand towels
12 hdkfs.

JUNIOR RED CROSS—

5 infants dresses
1 quilt

CHAPTER WORK ROOM—

LIBRARY—
12 sweaters
9 pr. socks
10 bed shirts
20 towels

SOUTH WARD—

5 suits pajamas
2 bed jackets
10 dish towels

WAR RELIEF CLUB—

10 bed shirts
5 suits pajamas
1 bed jacket

WOMAN'S AUX. RED CLOUD—

36 sweaters
17 pairs Sox
21 bed shirts
20 undershirts
24 suits pajamas
1 pair wristlets

Red Cross Auxiliary

Treasurer's Report of Women's Red Cross Auxiliary for June:
On hand June 1st \$696 16
Donations 16 00
Monthly subscriptions 117 80
Sales of supplies to Blue Hill 1 67
Membership fees 5 00

Total \$746 03

EXPENSES

Turnure & Son \$121 42
Freight & Express 10 95
Mrs. Phares 35

Total \$132 09

Amount on hand \$613 71

SURGICAL DRESSINGS SHIPMENT OF WEBSTER COUNTY FOR JUNE

Blue Hill—150 large paper-backed pads
Library work-room—200 large paper-backed pads
Court house work room—150 large paper-backed pads. 2100 4x4 sponges.

The basement of the Washington school house will be open for canning Saturday afternoon at two o'clock

Smith Confesses

Our esteemed contemporary in the east side basement justly pokes a little fun our way as regards the make-up of the Advertiser a few issues back, when a Parisian Sage reader led off the Council Proceedings. The incident, however, twice plays on our ticklish sensations, first that we were able to afford them some amusement and second that it conclusively proves they read the paper. Some time ago we became convinced "that an empty barn needs no cover," and can conscientiously inform our contemporary that we are not partial toward, or endeavoring to boost any particular brand of hair tonic.

This clears up the mystifying "Council Proceedings" and lets Bro. Teel out although just how he may look upon the "empty barn" proposition depends on his mood. We admit reading the paper—Lord bless you! we read everything that comes our way, not even excepting the Tamora music box.

Notice of Probate.

In the County Court of Webster County, Nebraska. To all persons interested in the estate of John W. Tierney, deceased. TAKE NOTICE that a petition has been filed praying that the instrument filed in this court on the 10th day of June, 1918, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be proved and allowed and recorded as the last will and testament of John W. Tierney, deceased; that said instrument be admitted to probate, and the administration of said estate be granted to E. G. Caldwell and E. G. Caldwell.

It is hereby ordered by the court, that all persons interested in said estate appear at the County court to be held in and for said county on the 19th day of July 1918, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted; and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Red Cloud Chief, a legal weekly newspaper printed in said county for four consecutive weeks prior to said day of hearing. Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 14th day of June, A. D. 1918.

A. D. RANNEY, County Judge

(Seal) E. G. Caldwell, Attorney for Estate

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The usual resorts of the Black Hills are open; likewise the ranches in the Sherman Big Horn Mountain locality; also the ranches along the Cody Road in the Absaroka Mountains.

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