

Harold R. Berg Not Killed

There is a report around that Harold R. Berg of Inavale, Webster Co., was killed in action. This is erroneous and is simply a rumor...

July 4th, 1918

My Dear Mother:—Today is a fine day but it is very cool. I feel bad today, but I am getting along fine. As I was coming in to the Y. I saw two flags flying from a window...

This pen does not work very good and so I will change to pencil. I guess you won't care—just so I write—if you are like me. Just so I get a letter.

I want to write very much because I am getting sick. I do not think it will last long. I have just been working too hard. I am Tank Instructor. I have charge of a Tank and as the new men come in, instruct them how to drive it...

July 21, 1918

My Dear Mother:—I received a letter from you the other day and was sure glad to hear from home. It is hot over here now. And we have lots of work to do. I was made Mechanic Sergeant. I have sure got a good job. And I am going to work hard and try to keep it.

I don't have to stand guard now, and there are many other things I do not have to do that I will not try to tell you of just now. I am glad I do not have to stand guard, for that was so hard on my feet. Did my \$20 a month stop coming to you? I do not know, but I think it did. This is all for now I am feeling fine. Your loving son, Sergt. H. R. Berg.

326 Bn Tank Corp. Co. C. A. E. France (Mrs. W. H. Taber, Inavale)

In preparation for the contemplated extension of draft ages Governor Keith Neville has issued a bulletin to all local boards requesting them to secure the services of voluntary registrars in every voting precinct in this state. Nebraska has achieved a very enviable record in the administration of the selective service law...

The New Hi-Way

The newly routed highway between Oxford and Nebraska City is entered in the Blue Book under the title "Golden Rod Hi-Way". Gold and black markers with an appropriate emblem will be used.

A permanent organization to look after the interests of this new cross-state route was effected with E. L. Brown of Chester, president; J. G. Sealy of Alma, secretary; and M. M. Vaughn of Nebraska City, treasurer. Vice-presidents will represent the association at each town on the route.

Starting at Oxford the Hi-Way runs through Orleans, Alma, Republican City, Naponee, Bloomington, Franklin, Inavale, Red Cloud, Guide Rock, Bostwick, Superior, Hardy, Byram, Chester, Hubbel, Williams, Reynolds, Fairbury, Jason, Haybine, Vesta, Tecumseh, Graf, Johnson, Auburn, Nebraska City.

This makes a route offering advantages that will undoubtedly attract hundreds of tourists annually; being a direct cross-state line with a minimum of hilly or sandy sections, and directly connecting with the popular auto roads westward from Oxford and east from Nebraska City via the Waubesaic trail across Iowa.

A Bargain

167 acres 7 miles from Bird City, all good level farm land except a few acres, 87 acres of breaking to be sown to wheat this fall one third to the purchaser, price \$3500.00. Will carry \$1000.00 for 5 years. This is an exceptional bargain. J. W. Stockman has just returned from Bird City with \$1200.00 as his one third share of 84 acres of wheat from his farm, which is \$14.00 per acre. No further comments are necessary.

J. H. BAILEY.

Inavale Items

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Waldo's children visited in Bloomington Sunday. Miss Hannah Jorgenson has been on the serious sick list but is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Dally and Mr. T. A. Jones left Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Dally's relatives in Missouri.

Mr. F. Farnum purchased the Colson farm south of the river one day last week.

Mrs. Gerald Leonard spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. Jane Farley.

Mrs. Dorothy Wilson of Red Cloud spent last week with her friend Miss Inez Petty.

Jno Burgess and Earl Grau are working for Ray Mitchell this week.

Charles Arnold and Miss Lucille Upton are here, visiting at the Arnold home. Charles is here from Camp Funston.

An ice cream supper for the W.C.T.U. was held on Wickwar's lawn Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Charles Renkel and daughter DeLita spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. C. H. Burgess.

Mrs. Edith Miller spent Monday evening with Mrs. Link Dally.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Hartwell left Sunday evening via Burlington for Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Leonard were attending the county fair at Bladen Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barker, of Red Cloud, visited their daughter Mrs. Roy Palmer the first of the week.

Mrs. Nell Hunter spent Sunday evening with the Tad Saunders family.

R. E. Hunter commenced ploughing this week, using his new tractor.

Little Mahie Lockard is spending this week with her friend Ethelna Farley.

Nelse Nelson threshed his wheat last Tuesday.

(Too Late for Last Week)

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCracken, of Red Cloud, are visiting their daughter Mrs. Jack Kraut. They have just returned from a summer outing in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Upton are here visiting Mrs. Chas. Hunter, the lady's aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jergerson and Mrs. Jane Farley spent Sunday at the C. H. Burgess home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Robertson made a start for Camp Dodge, Iowa, Tuesday morning, but found at Inavale a card awaiting them stating that their son had left the camp and was then in Chicago enroute east. There was nothing to do but give up their trip and return home.

Miss Jessie Rutledge visited at the Petty home several days this week.

Mrs. William Tabor was in Bladen Sunday.

A. B. Pierce of Red Cloud visited Inavale Tuesday.

Mrs. Bessie Norris and children are home from a two week's visit at Kenesaw.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. C. Wickwar Tuesday afternoon. Election of new officers was a part of the program.

The Sheperson brothers, of Riverton are seen on our streets quite frequently of late.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hunter were Red Cloud shoppers Monday.

Lawrence Pierce carried the mail for his brother Claude, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Walker of Red Cloud were pleasant visitors at the C. H. Burgess home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno Diamond were business visitors in Red Cloud last Tuesday.

The Misses Norma and Margaret Waldo spent several days at Donaphon this week.

Miss Helen Morrow of Riverton, spent several days with her brother George and wife at Inavale.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hunter and Mrs. Upton were Hastings visitors last Tuesday.

John Diamond and his wife, Mrs. C. H. Burgess; Mrs. Farley and daughter attended the Hillman show at Riverton Wednesday evening.

The Use of Substitutes

Householders in buying wheat flour must buy pound-for-pound substitutes and use them during the time the flour is used. Householders may buy not to exceed 6 pounds of flour for each member of the household for the month.

Farmers in exchanging wheat at the mill for flour may do so after they have signed two pledges—one that they raised the wheat on their ground, owned or rented by them, and the other that they will use pound-for-pound substitutes covering the flour. It is not necessary for the farmer exchanging wheat to buy the substitutes at the mill but he must get them some place and use them while he is using the flour.

Kansas Pickups

Little Glen Spurrer is on the sick list.

Elsie Barber visited with Grace and Louise Brown Monday.

Miss Edith Greenfield is spending a few days in Red Cloud with her sister, Miss Matilda McGee.

Wm. Bogarth and family were pleasantly entertained at the E. E. Spurrer home Sunday.

Miss Beatrice Grewell staid with her sister, Mrs. Ethel Upp, last week and assisted in feeding the harvest help.

Miss Loneta Atkins, of Lebanon, spent the week end with Miss Edith Grewell.

John and Myrtle Tweedy, of Smith Centre, are visiting relatives in this vicinity.

R. F. Payne and family were Sunday visitors at the J. C. Peterson home.

The patriotic speaking at the Pawnee Union Church Sunday afternoon was well attended. Elder Blee, pastor of the Christian Church at Smith Centre, delivered the address.

Red Cross Service Committee

Red Cloud, Nebr., July 29, 1918. To The Relatives and Friends of the Webster County Soldiers:

J. W. Auld, E. G. Caldwell, Dr. J. W. Stockman, J. L. Beebe, and others have been appointed as the Home Service Committee, for the Red Cross of Webster county. The business of this section of the Red Cross is to secure a record of each soldier boy, who has entered any department of war service, to give comfort and aid to the families whose sons and boys have gone to the war service, and to help in maintaining the morale, and preserving the man power of the people at home.

A committee has been appointed for each precinct to serve as an information committee and keep in touch with the families of soldiers in each community, and to cooperate with the Home Service in Civilian Relief. The following named persons constitute the precinct committees:

- RED CLOUD CITY—Clark Stevens, Ed. McAllister, W. B. Smith, Wilber Hamilton. COVLES—C. E. Putman, J. T. Lacy. BLUE HILL—W. C. Frahm, F. T. Hopka. GUIDE ROCK—I. A. Pace, Lloyd Hunter. BLADEN—S. M. Hall, D. O. Bennett. INAVALE—Clyde Pitney, A. F. Hartwell. WALNUT CREEK—Frank Stokes, Harry Chaplin. CATHERTON—Clarence Wilson, Otto Skjelver. HARMONY—C. W. Fulton, Earl Patterson. BATHIN—Alex Buckles, James Hubatka. RED CLOUD TOWNSHIP—Ted Harris, Joe Crow. LINE—Charles Steward, J. W. McIntyre. RLM CREEK—Herman Gerlach, E. T. Poe. PLEASANT HILL—Henry Sommerholder, J. H. Ellinger. GARFIELD—Frank Allen, E. E. Sherman. OAK CREEK—E. A. Outman, B. Hannon. STILLWATER—C. J. Chum, Adam Alber. BEAVER CREEK—John Hamilton, Jr., J. H. Portenier.

The relatives and friends of the soldiers in each precinct should aid the precinct committees and give them such information as will best carry out the designs of this section of the Red Cross. Any assistance in this work will be appreciated.

Yours truly, J. L. Beebe, Home Service Committee, Red Cloud.

Directory of Nebraska Dairy Cattle Breeders

In response to numerous inquiries, "Where can I purchase dairy cattle?" the dairy Husbandry Department published a directory of Nebraska Dairy Cattle Breeders. This is put out for the purpose of getting buyers of dairy cattle in touch with Nebraska Dairy Cattle Breeders before they buy of the highly advertised sections of the east.

The department of Dairy Husbandry will gladly give such information as it may possess concerning any dealer or breeder and wherever possible will render assistance to any one desiring to build up a better dairy herd.

Any one wishing to see the directory may do so by calling at the county agent's office.

Red Cross Appreciation

At the first annual meeting of the Women's Red Cross Auxiliary of the Webster Co. Chapter held in the Court-house in Red Cloud July 7, 1918 it was resolved to extend a vote of thanks to all those who have aided in the work of the Auxiliary during the year and by their untiring efforts have made it possible to accomplish the large amount of work that has been done.

Resolved, that we extend our sincere thank to Mrs. Dora Kaley, our Chairman, who so successfully organized the Auxiliary and so efficiently carried on the work during the year. To the County Commissioners for the use of the work rooms.

To all those who have furnished equipment for the work rooms.

To the Lincoln Telephone Co. for placing phone at disposal of the workers.

To Mr. O. J. Kailey, who has had extra duties because of work being done at the court-house.

To the editors of the Argus, Chief and Commercial Advertiser, who have been so generous in donating space for Red Cross notices and work, especially during the membership drive.

To those who have given the proceeds from entertainments and socials during the year.

To those who are donating each month and thereby enable the Auxiliary to carry on the work steadily.

To those who do the delivering of the materials and hauling of the shipments.

Resolved, that we express our highest respect and sense of obligation to the 1,200,000 soldiers who are fighting our battles on foreign soils and to the 1,000,000 who are serving their nation in the various training camps of our country and that we feel through the Auxiliary we are able to be of service to those who are giving their all.

Resolved that we commend the patriotic sacrifices of the loyal women who are proudly and courageously bidding Goodspeed to their loved ones who are going "over there."

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. E. M. Ege, Edith L. McKeighan, Mrs. Nellie Grimes

Speaking in English

"Applied to religious instruction, it is intended that the Sunday School and all other services shall be conducted in ENGLISH, excepting that for the old people unable to read, write, speak, or understand our language, AND THOSE ONLY, a special service shall be arranged. To this end, any hour may be set agreeable to the pastor and congregation, any day or place. In many foreign-language churches over the state where, for instance, the regular Sabbath services are held at 11 o'clock the old people referred to above are given a special service at 10 o'clock. Then follows the main service in English, which those who do not yet understand English are especially urged to attend in order to familiarize themselves with the language of the country. This plan is being followed quite generally with gratifying results, and if the ministers will make their announcements accordingly, they will thus guarantee the constitutional right of religious worship, and give due response to the popular demand of our citizens for the exclusive use of the language of our country. This plan in no wise interferes with the religious liberty of any one.

"Applied to the use of the telephone it is manifest that one unable to use our language cannot be denied the right to converse in his native tongue, and here the rule must bend accordingly; but those who speak English must not be given this privilege. The State Council assumes that the County Councils, being conversant with local conditions, can best administer the terms of the proclamation, dealing with the infractions thereof as in other matters pertaining to the defense work."

Franklin County Farm at Auction on TUESDAY, Sept. 3rd, 1918, a 100-acre farm one mile east of Bloomington on main county road will be sold at public sale. Purchaser will be given good terms.

General farm sale the same day. A fine crop now in field will also be sold.

For particulars write for large bill. Try to see this farm and crop before day of sale if interested.

L. E. HOLMES, Owner, S. Y. Hart, Clerk Wm. Dann, Auct.

Notice of Final Report

In the County Court of Webster County, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of James Milton Steward, deceased.

All persons interested in said estate, are hereby notified that the Executors have filed therein a final account and report of their administration, and a petition for the final settlement of such account and report, and for a decree of distribution of the residue of said estate, and for the assignment of the real estate belonging thereto, and a discharge from their trust, all of which said matters have been set for hearing before said court on the 30th day of August, 1918, at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., when all persons interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated this 9th day of August 1918. (Seal) A. D. RANNEY, County Judge.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

The following proposed amendment to the constitution of the State of Nebraska, as hereinafter set forth in full, is submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska to be voted upon at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 5th, A. D. 1918:

A JOINT RESOLUTION to amend Section one (1) of Article seven (7) of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Nebraska:

Section 1. That Section One of Article Seven of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska be and the same hereby is amended by striking out the following words:

"Second. Persons of foreign birth who shall have declared their intention to become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States, on the subject of naturalization, at least thirty days prior to an election."

And inserting in the place of the words so stricken, the following words:

"Second. Persons of foreign birth who shall have become citizens of the United States by naturalization or otherwise conformably to the laws of the United States at least thirty days prior to an election."

Sec. 2. That at the general election nineteen hundred and eighteen (1918) there shall be submitted to the electors of the state for their approval or rejection the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution relating to the right of suffrage. At such election, on the ballot of each elector voting for or against said proposed amendment, shall be written or printed the words: "For proposed amendment to the constitution relating to the right of suffrage."

Sec. 3. If such amendment shall be approved by a majority of all electors voting at such election, said amendment shall constitute Section One (1) Article Seven (7) of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska.

Approved, April 9, 1918.

KEITH NEVILLE, Governor.

Attest: CHARLES W. POOL, Secretary of State.

FINE, FIRM AND FERTILE

Should Be the Condition of the Wheat Seedbed to Insure Maximum Yields.

A fine, firm, fertile early prepared seedbed insures the largest crop of best quality wheat. When wheat follows oats, barley or other early harvested crop, plow the land from 4 to 6 inches deep as soon as the preceding crop is removed and work down each half day's plowing before leaving the field. Harrow or disk the field after every rain or as often as crust forms, until seeding time to kill weeds and to retain the soil moisture.

Ideal seedbed preparation consists in disking, plowing, again disking and harrowing. Up-to-date farmers are following this system especially when there is considerable organic matter to be plowed under. Always cut up coarse material before turning it in the furrow, otherwise it interrupts the movement of moisture upward, making an air space which allows drying out. By plowing early and maintaining a soil mulch, moisture is retained which favors quick germination. From one to several weeks will be gained in the sprouting and growth by a thorough soil preparation. The Kansas experiment station found a gain of as much as 21 bushels of wheat when grown on land plowed 7 inches deep July 15 and then kept well worked until seeding time, over land that was plowed the same depth September 15.

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