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Local Items

Mrs. Chas. Voss and daughter, Miss Thekla Voss, of Homer, were visitors here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pizey and son John, of Sioux City, were visitors here Sunday afternoon.

Woods Hileman came in from Julesburg, Colo., last week to look after his property interests in this locality.

Mrs. R. E. Evans left Sunday noon for McCook, Neb., to attend the annual grand chapter Order of the Eastern Star, of which she is a past grand matron.

A. B. Rich came down from Dixon, Neb., Monday, where he has served as principal of the schools the past year. The school at Dixon has closed for the year.

M. J. Herman, of Homer, has announced the marriage of his daughter, Mrs. Ida Coleman, to Frank Novy, of Oneida, S. D., where the wedding took place May 4th.

Fred Schroeder, manager for the Fields & Slaughter Co., was sent to McLean Tuesday evening to look after the shipment of some grain for the company from that place.

The officers and a number of the members of the local M. B. A. lodge attended a lodge session in Sioux City last Friday evening, at which the supreme officers of the order were entertained.

P. E. Rush, of Ponca, one of the old timers of this county, was in town on business Tuesday. He was a pleasant caller at the Herald office and inquired about many of the old settlers with whom he was acquainted.

Mrs. John F. Sides returned last week from Lincoln where she went to see her son Frank Sides, a student at the state university, who had suffered a dislocated shoulder while playing ball. She left him recovering nicely from his injury.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Christensen returned Friday from Savannah, Mo., where Mrs. Christensen had been taking treatment for the past month for a cancer on the breast. She has about recovered from the treatment and a permanent cure has been effected.

Eric Ansnes and George Barnett came home from Omaha Saturday, having finished their work as jurors in the federal court. Mr. Barnett will resume his work as deputy oil inspector, relieving Dan Stephens Dakota City postmaster, who has been holding down the job for the past month or two.

Geo. O. Cawley, employed by the Omaha road as repair man on signal towers, was arrested Saturday afternoon, charged with assaulting Mrs. Cawley, his wife, and mistreating and abusing his children. He pleaded guilty to each charge in Judge McKinley's court and was given a sentence of thirty days in jail on each count.

Wm. C. Iversen, of Sioux City, came over last Friday and applied for a marriage license in Judge McKinley's court. A natural thing to do. The judge took him to be of rather tender years, and got him to admit, finally, that he had only seen twenty summers—and the same number of winters, and sent him home without the coveted license.

Quite a number from here went to Homer last Thursday to help the high school boys defeat the Homer high school team in a game of ball. Dakota City won 8 to 5. The Newcastle boys came down Saturday and defeated our boys 8 to 4. The game was hotly contested until the last inning, when our boys "went up" and let the visitors score 4 runs on one hit and a bunch of errors.

The Commercial club of Homer, Neb., has employed counsel to carry its fight before the state railway commission to compel the Burlington railroad to provide better facilities for reaching the depot. The Burlington also has a proposition under consideration to cut through the hill a short distance east of Homer, thus avoiding the dangerous crossing at the Omaha creek bridge and leaving a clear route to the depot.

This locality was visited by a rain shower Sunday afternoon, accompanied by a wind storm that was severe enough to blow down sixteen poles for the Bell telephone company between here and South Sioux City, putting the toll lines out of commission and delaying traffic on the street car line for a time. Manager Walker was on the job with a force of men and soon had temporary service established, and by noon Monday the trouble was all straightened out.

For carpenter work, painting, porch screening, etc., call Dick Broyhill, Dakota City, Nebr.

Preserve and beautify your home with Mound City Paint and Varnish. For sale at Dakota City Pharmacy.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will meet Friday afternoon at the parsonage. A 10-cent lunch will be served.

Mrs. O. A. Wickert, of Rising City, Nebr., is expected here today, Thursday, for a visit in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Lowe.

The W. C. T. U. meets Thursday afternoon at the M. E. church. A cordial invitation is extended to all interested in the work.

Oma lodge No. 5 will hold its regular meeting Saturday evening, May 13th, at which time officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Mrs. Amanda Fueston and little granddaughter, Viola Hartranft, left Tuesday for Seward, Neb., for a visit with Mrs. Fueston's daughter, Mrs. W. D. Wait.

"Deak" Foltz and family are living at Crystal lake for the present, where he is working for F. A. Wood cleaning up the park and getting it ready for the camping season.

The following marriages were solemnized by Judge McKinley since our last issue: Raymond A. Jackson and Alma D. Jackson, on the 5th, and Robert R. Crittenden and Pearl Sluyter, on the 8th, all hailing from Sioux City.

John W. Tulleys, of Lincoln, Neb., arrived here Tuesday evening to begin the work of checking over the accounts of the different county offices. Mr. Tulleys made an examination of the county records a few years ago, and will again bring it up to date.

Rev. C. R. Lowe went to Wayne Tuesday to attend a session of conference. His father, Rev. J. A. Lowe, who has been here on a visit, accompanied him and will go from there to Wilber, Nebr., where he will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class.

Word came Saturday from Wilmerding, Pa., of the arrival of a baby daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Snoberger. Mrs. Snoberger was formerly Miss Mildred Burkett, and made her home here with her sister, Mrs. R. E. Evans, for a number of years while teaching in the Sioux City schools.

Among those from here who attended the Shrine ceremonial and banquet in Sioux City last Friday afternoon and evening were, Geo. Wilkins, Fred A. Wood, J. J. Eimers, John H. Ream, H. D. Wood, Mell A. Schmied, S. T. Frum, Harry H. Adair and Harry F. Aughey, the latter being one of the class of initiates.

Fire, that is supposed to have started from sparks from a passing train, burned a large straw pile at the Will H. Orr farm just north of town Wednesday morning, and for a time threatened to destroy the farm buildings. The Dakota City volunteer firemen were soon on the ground with the hand-pump wagon and hose and saved the large hay barn near by, thus preventing the spread of the fire. Mr. Orr got off lucky, considering the gale that was blowing at the time.

Government Crop Report

A summary of the May crop report for the state of Nebraska, as compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates, U. S. Department of Agriculture, is as follows:

Winter Wheat—May 1 forecast, 59,300,000 bushels; production last year, 66,618,000; two years ago, 64,172,000; 1909-13 average, 45,392,000 bushels.

Rye—May 1 forecast, 3,250,000 bushels; production last year, 3,500,000; two years ago, 1,952,000 bushels.

Meadows—May 1 condition 92, compared with ten-year average of 89.

Pastures—May 1 condition 90, compared with ten-year average of 86.

Spring Plowing—Per cent done to May 1, 1916, estimated 73 per cent, compared with 52 May 1 last year, and 62 the ten-year average.

Spring Planting—Per cent done May 1, 1916, estimated 46 per cent, compared with 48 May 1 last year, and 49 the ten-year average.

Hay—Old crop on farms May 1, estimated 815,000 tons, compared with 279,000 a year ago, and 168,000 two years ago.

Prices—The first price given below is the average on May 1 this year, and the second the average on May 1 last year. Wheat, 93 and 137 cents per bushel. Corn, 60 and 65. Oats, 37 and 49. Potatoes, 89 and 68. Hay, \$5.70 and \$8.10 per ton. Eggs, 16 and 15 cents per dozen.

Lutheran Church Notes

There were 89 persons at Sunday school at Salem last Sunday. The counting was done early in the Sunday school hour. We are not sure, but think probably eleven people came in after the count was made. We are positive, however, there were more than enough in the yard and the ante room to have made up all the shortage. We have had the people on the ground, anyhow, for our 100 at Sunday school, that is some gain. Sorry to have lost the count the first time we had the opportunity to come thru with the 100. But we will make it soon. Call attention to the Sunday school services to those you find staying on the outside. Ask them to come in.

Just on the outside. That is where so many people are with regard to their salvation. They are good people, as good as any in the world, but they have not come in. They are not far from the kingdom of God, but "one thing thou lackest." "Follow me," Jesus said it. We are saved by faith in Christ and to be a follower is a necessity.

The boys and girls chorus favored the Salem congregation with an anthem again last Sunday which was appreciated by the hearers.

The Missionary society will meet next Friday afternoon with Mrs. W. A. Niemeyer, at 2 o'clock.

The pastor will be absent a couple of days this week attending Conference at Wayne. He will read a paper on Home Mission Activities and Progress.

June 11 will be Children's Day. Shall we fund the song service furnished by our Nachusa Orphanage? It would be a fine thing if you would make an offering for this work some time. Nachusa has no regular support, is maintained by voluntary offerings. They have 34 children. We have our benevolences in fine shape, and it would be a glad thing to send Nachusa something.

Confirmation will be held May 28, both at Emmanuel and Salem.

The Salem congregational meeting was changed from Saturday p. m. to Sunday a. m., just after preaching service.

Emmanuel has resumed night preaching again, commencing next Sunday at 8 p. m.

REV. C. R. LOWE.

Lost

Purse containing \$25.00, between Nacora and John C. Sullivan farm, May 3rd. Return to Albert Mullin Hubbard, Neb., and receive reward.

M. E. Church Notes.

On Sunday a special Mothers Day sermon will be preached by the pastor. Service will begin at 11 a. m. Special seats will be reserved for mothers. An invitation is given all mothers to attend.

Sunday evening at 8 o'clock the Epworth League will give a special Mothers Day program consisting of songs, recitations, readings, etc. Short address by the pastor on "Famous Mothers."

The Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. F. J. Aucock at the parsonage at 2:30 on Friday. Weather permitting a ten cent lunch will be served on the lawn. An open invitation is given. Let everyone come who can. We will be glad to see you.

We hear with deep regret that the second son of Rev. E. E. Hosman, our district superintendent, has just passed away, following a paralytic stroke. Dr. Hosman was on the point of leaving for general conference when he was called to Texas by a telegram. I am sure that we all join in extending to him our deepest sympathy in his bereavement.

The pastor greatly enjoyed the dedicatory services at Ponca on Sunday, April 30. The people there have just cause for thanksgiving when they remember the old shell that used to be their place of worship. A fire is not always a catastrophe, in fact a few more might result in giving us some more modern, and more beautiful churches. Well done Ponca! May your spiritual church become as beautiful as the one made with hands.

F. J. AUCOCK, Pastor.

For Sale

Six bushels Reed's Yellow Dent seed corn. Hung up before frost. Price \$4.00 per bushel. John B. Evans, Dakota City, Neb.

MATRIMONIAL VENTURES

The following marriage licenses were issued by County Judge S. W. McKinley during the past week:

Name and Address	Age
Raymond A. Jackson, Sioux City	27
Alma D. Jackson	26
Robert R. Crittenden, Sioux City	21
Pearl Sluyter	18

Subscription Bargains

The Herald and
 —Sioux City Daily and Sunday Journal 4 50
 —without Sunday 3 70
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 —American Boy 1 70
 —Successful Farming 1 13
 (Remember—these prices include both The Herald and any publication named in this list. See us for any magazine or periodical published—we will save you money.)

Minstrel Show and Basket Social

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Friday Evening May 12

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[PART IV.] It is estimated that Congress by its lack of a proper military policy, has sent unnecessarily to their death—by direct causes alone—over three hundred thousand of our citizens. How long is this to continue? Only adequate preparedness will stop it. Up to 1890 the United States has had one year of war to every three of peace. During the life of our country we have employed 4,095,215 soldiers in wars against a total enemy of 2,853,000.

We hear arguments against preparedness on the grounds of militarism. Militarism is a state of mind. When a nation has reached the limit of its expansion and competition becomes excessive expansion is essential and lust of conquest results. The United States today has nowhere even nearly touched the limit of its expansion, and we have no desire for conquest. While we have still unconquered our own resources it is impossible to become militaristic. We are too busy developing our own possibilities to think of conquering others.

Security is cheap at any price, but unpreparedness is the most expensive luxury in the world. Switzerland was prepared and is inviolate. Belgium was unprepared. Now look at it! Even assuming that preparedness costs half a billion this year (due to our previous negligence we are forced to make a spur), if we consider it as a form of insurance and consider the capital and lives saved it is a low rate of premium. As a business proposition, what would you think of a man who neglected to maintain his factory fireproof if he knows it is in a dangerous neighborhood and apt to catch fire and when he knows that such a fire would result in the loss of lives of many of his employees? What would be done to the directors of a company who deliberately shut their eyes to such a condition and allowed their factory to become a firetrap and did nothing to prevent it? Congress today stands in the position of such a board of directors.

It is a peculiar frame of mind these anti-preparedness people have got themselves into. "The ocean is defense enough," and they forget Gallipoli and Saloniki. "Preparedness brings on war," and they ignore China. "Our present system is good enough," and they overlook our history. "Our navy can't be licked." How about the fact that it was licked in the last maneuvers? "Preparedness is immoral." The Bible shows us time after time that preparedness against unjustifiable attack is not only moral, but also essential. And so they go. All have different reasons—as to why preparedness is wrong, and the only thing which they seem to possess in common is an infinite ability to talk without a knowledge of facts. Preparedness is a business proposition for this country, and it simply means being farsighted and unprejudiced enough to learn by our experience and current history.

We have a decentralized government. Our system of political organization is such that it is necessary to impress congress with what we want before they will start to give it to us. Congress will vote for preparedness when its members realize that the people demand it, and the way to make them realize this is to write and tell them so. The war college and the navy general board have submitted reports showing what we should do to make this country invincible. These reports are the result of months and years of study by the best military and naval authorities in the country. They should be adopted.

Every citizen owes a duty to himself, his family and his country to learn all he can about present conditions, to discuss preparedness with his friends and show them why it is essential and to write his congressman and senators and have his associates also write them and state that they want Congress to adopt the reports of the general board and war college. Speed is essential. Do it now!

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