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## MRS. T. J. KERR IS NOW RURAL ROUTE CARRIER

Woman's sphere of usefulness is daily enlarging these war times and this country is to be congratulated that for any and every emergency position that opens there stands some courageous woman to speedily accept and successfully fill, thus proving her patriotism and her desire to do her bit.

The war calls have made a shortage of men in Lincoln county, a shortage that grows more acute each day, and Postmaster McEvoy has had considerable trouble in securing rural mail carriers. This week the carrier on Route One resigned; no men were available. It was then that a courageous woman in the person of Mrs. T. J. Kerr, wife of one of North Platte prominent physicians, offered her services as carrier for the route in this time of need and she was gladly accepted by Postmaster McEvoy. Mrs. Kerr began her duties yesterday, driving a Buick car and successfully and speedily delivering the mail to the many patrons on a route that runs twenty-eight and one half miles through the thickly populated valley west of the city.

Earns one? Certainly; but not of necessity. Mrs. Kerr is doing her bit by pleasing a man who can fill a position that a woman cannot; she has increased the man-power of the county to extent of one man. That's creditable and commendable.

## Noted Editor Coming.

S. K. Ratcliffe the distinguished English editor and publicist, will address the people of North Platte at the Franklin auditorium next Wednesday evening on the war policies and reconstruction plans of the United States Department of Labor.

Wednesday noon Mr. Ratcliffe will be the guest of members of the Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon to be served by the Presbyterian ladies in the church basement.

Mr. Ratcliffe's lecture will be intensely interesting for next to our interest in the war, comes that of the reconstruction period following the war, and on this the speaker will give us some thoughts and ideas that may allay some of the fears we may now hold.

Wiley Walker will leave to day for Kansas City where he will transact business for a few days.

Dr. Brock, Dentist, over Stone Drug Store.

## GERMAN RETREAT DESCRIBED AS ALMOST A ROUT.

London, Oct. 3.—In the week ending today the allies have captured sixty thousand men and one thousand guns on the western front.

The big army retreat of history is now on, with the Germans doing the retreating.

Only a miracle, military experts declare, can prevent the retreat from degenerating into an indescribable rout.

Deserted by Bulgaria and Turkey the plight of Germany and her only ally, Austria-Hungary, is hourly becoming more desperate.

And in the face of the general Hun retreat the allied armies are pounding the Germans harder than ever on every front. Everywhere the allies are making important gains.

The British launched fresh attacks this morning on a front of nearly six miles between Sequehart and Bony, northeast of St. Quentin. Again there has been heavy fighting along the Hindenburg line in this area and more ground of the most important nature has been gained.

In Flanders further substantial advances have been made and there has been extraordinarily heavy fighting in which the British forced their way forward by sheer might.

Along the Lens-Armentieres line the Germans fell back three miles.

In their retreat from St. Quentin the Huns removed all the inhabitants. When the French troops entered the town there were no civilians to be found.

The Germans are not giving up ground without a struggle. They have been making violent counters at many points on the front, but every where these assaults were crushed and the allies in their turn went forward.

## War Garden Prizes.

To the people who were awarded garden prize—please call on me for your medals. They were exhibited during the county fair so they are all ready to be given out to those awarded. Please call on me at the store or during my absence call at the office for your prize.

J. E. NELSON, of the Leader.

Mrs. W. B. Brown and mother, Mrs. Hammond leave today for a two weeks' visit in Denver and other western points.

Dr. L. J. Krause, Dentist, room 3 McDonald Bank building.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

All Sammy Girls must be at the Franklin auditorium Monday evening by 7:00 in order to get places on the trucks for the parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hansen, well known residents of the north side have been spending this week in Omaha attending the Ak-Sar-Ben.

For Sale—An oil stove and a soft coal heater. Call at 302 south Chestnut.

Dr. J. T. Kerr received his commission yesterday for the medical corps and will leave within the next fifteen days for Ft. Riley to begin active service.

For Sale—Majestic range and hard coal heater; both in good shape. Inquire at 709 west Third.

Chas. Hapfer, who made application for entrance into the naval officers' training school at Pelham Bay, near Chicago, received word this week to report at that station Nov. 1.

Miss Lenore Cummings, well known in town, will arrive today for a visit with Mrs. Blanche Fields and other friends while enroute from Chicago to her home in Los Angeles.

Orders have been received by the local board to induct Chas. G. Lawrence, of this city into military aeronautics. He will be sent to Post field, Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

Horton Munger, who made application a month or more ago for entrance into an officers training school, received orders last evening to report at Camp Pike, Ark., October 10th. He will leave for that camp Sunday or Monday.

Its best to buy your winter blankets now. The LEADER MERC. CO. are selling blankets at before the war prices. Heavy wool nap blankets on sale at \$2.95, \$3.45, \$4.90 and \$6.85. Better one at \$7.45 and up.

Only five counties in Nebraska outside of Douglas and Lancaster have heavier registration than Lincoln county. These five counties were: Gage, Dodge, Custer, Buffalo and Hall. Lincoln county's total registration as reported back by the provost marshal of Nebraska was 2,598.

E. T. Kelliber, of Omaha, so well known here in his old home, who has been state agent for the Great Western Accident Insurance Co., has been made assistant general manager of the home office in Des Moines, Ia. Mr. Kelliber will hold this position until he is called into service, having made application for enlistment in the quartermaster's department.

Sixteen Union Pacific engine men at this terminal largely, if not all, engineers, have been re-classified and taken from Class One and placed in Class Two D. None of these men have dependants, but in a letter to the local board the district board says that there is a great scarcity of engineers, and that the situation demands that these men be placed in a deferred class. Some of the farmer boys who have a hundred or more acres of corn standing in the field ready to be husked will no doubt feel that they too should be placed in a deferred class by the district board.

## BIG LIBERTY LOAN PARADE NEXT MONDAY.

What is hoped to be made the biggest parade North Platte has ever had is being arranged for next Monday evening, the object of which will be to increase interest and enthusiasm in the Fourth Liberty Loan. Following parade a meeting will be held at the Franklin auditorium where short patriotic addresses will be made and music rendered.

In the big event North Platte will receive assistance from Omaha in the way of speakers and a band. The Union Pacific will run a special Liberty Loan train over the system. On this train will be several of Omaha's noted orators and the Union Pacific shop band. This train will arrive at 5:45 Monday evening and immediately after arrival meetings will be held simultaneously at the round house and the shops, short addresses to be made at both places by the Omaha speakers. In the parade the visiting band will furnish music along with the North Platte band and the Home Guards Drum and Bugle Corps, and the Omaha men will make the talks at the meeting at the auditorium.

In the parade will be all the women's patriotic organizations, the Home Guards, the Boy Scouts, the High School Cadets, the Union Pacific employees and citizens generally. Large delegations are expected to be present from the country precincts and it is aimed to have not less than 3,000 men and women in line. The line of march will be on the usual course.

Captain Shilling, of the Home Guards, will be the marshal and has appointed the necessary aides to look after the several divisions. The parades which had been arranged for this evening and tomorrow evening have been abandoned and all will unite in the big event Monday it being considered better to have one large parade rather than three smaller ones.

Mrs. Frank Buchanan, county chairman of the woman's loan committee, is looking after the representation of women in the parade. W. L. Richards of the Union Pacific committee of solicitors, will arrange for the railroad employees division, and County Chairman Temple will have general supervision of the parade and preside at the meeting at the auditorium. One of the speakers at the auditorium will devote his remarks to the work of the woman's loan committee.

It is hoped that every citizen in North Platte, and every country resident who can, will participate in this big event and thus help create enthusiasm in the big bond drive which formally starts next Monday morning.

## Former Resident Married.

On September 29th in Greeley, Col., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Morford, uncle and aunt of the groom, Lloyd N. Newman, a former North Platte boy, and Miss Flora Brown, of Lyons, Col., were united in marriage by the Rev. G. M. Henderson, of the Methodist church of Greeley. The ring ceremony was used. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Newman will be at home at 1431 Lipan street Denver. The groom is an employee of the Union Pacific.

For Farm Loans see Gene Crook, Room west of Vienna Cafe.

## CITY AND COUNTY NEWS

W. B. Brown went to Denver this morning to witness the aeroplane flights.

New velvet hats at \$4.50, \$6.50, \$7.50 and up. Millinery department at THE LEADER MERC. CO.

Major J. Rhodes Longley, a former North Platte boy, has arrived safely at Archangel, Russia, where he is in the field medical corps.

Because of the parade on Monday evening the meeting with Miss Mac Walker of the Travel and Study club has been postponed until Tuesday evening.

For Rent—Store building at 8th and Locust Sts. after Sept. 10th. Mrs. M. E. Gregg, 505 So. Chestnut. Phone Black 853.

Henry McMurray, a Lincoln county boy and a brother of Mrs. Asa Snyder of this city, has arrived safely overseas as a member of a Canadian engineering corps.

We have sold more coats and suits this season so far than ever before. Do you know why? Because we deliver the goods at the right prices.

The Twentieth Century club will meet next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Walter Crook, 215 Locust. The literary department will be in charge.

Jas. G. Lambert, a member of the 126th machine gun battalion, arrived safely overseas this week, his father, B. L. Lambert, having received a card to this effect yesterday.

Largest assortment in the city of children's wool serge dresses and silk and gingham dresses as well, in all sizes, priced from 98c up, 2nd floor at BLOCKS.

Sarah Rebekah Lodge No. 10 I. O. O. F. will meet this evening at I. O. O. F. hall at 7:30. Business of importance, every member urged to be present. Committee meeting at close of regular session. By order of Noble Grand, Eva Van Derhoof.

The most important—buy early is our advice to you. Women's best tailored suits at 20 per cent to 40 per cent less than present value. Having contracted our suits many months back enables us to save from 20 per cent to 40 per cent on your suit at THE LEADER MERC. CO.

## STEAMSHIP TAMPA SINKS. 115 LIVES ARE LOST.

Washington, Oct. 3.—The U. S. S. ship Tampa, a former coast guard cutter in naval service, was lost off the English coast Sept. 28, with all on board, while on convoy duty.

Ten officers and 102 enlisted men of the crew, one British officer and five civilian employees lost their lives.

A navy department statement Thursday announcing the disaster says the ship was sunk at night in the British channel and that reports indicate that she was struck by a torpedo while escorting a convoy.

Capt. C. Satterlee of the coast guard commanded the cutter. Apparently there were no eye-witnesses to the sinking. The navy's report says an explosion was felt after the Tampa had gone well ahead of the convoy about 8:45 p. m., and that later quantities of wreckage, one of the Tampa's life belts and the bodies of two unidentified officers in uniform were found.

## Gurley and Grimes Will Speak.

The speakers at the big Liberty Loan meeting to be held at the Franklin auditorium Monday evening following the parade will be W. F. Gurley and Frank Grimes of Omaha. Mr. Gurley is no stranger to a North Platte audience, for he has made addresses at two of our former patriotic meetings and thrilled the audience with his eloquence. Mr. Grimes is equally as brilliant as Mr. Gurley, and the two will make up an evening's program that all will enjoy.

## Liberty Bonds Selling Well.

Washington Oct. 3.—First figures on the early sale of the "Fighting Fourth Liberty Loan" were announced by the treasury department Wednesday night. They include only the subscriptions on which the down payments have been made. Subscriptions are believed to have reached \$1,000,000,000 mark, but only \$411,142,050 is recognized officially. This represents the sale on the first three days campaign.

Silks and dress goods such as are most wanted, everything that's new at THE LEADER MERC. CO.

If he can secure a short leave of absence, A. W. Shilling will leave Monday for Rising City to attend the convention of the men's brotherhood of the Lutheran church. Mr. Shilling is on the program for an address.

## SESSUE HAYAKAWA IN

## The Honor of His House

A high class photo play in which the eternal triangle is treated in a new light and we are brought to realize that true love never seeks to degrade its object.

The 2 Part Comedy "Playwright's Wrong"

The Keith, Saturday Evening.

## Peggy Hyland "Other Men's Daughters"

The play that will keep you in the right road. See this Photoplay and tell Dad about it, or Better still bring Dad to see it. Also the two part Sunshine Comedy, "The Diver's Last Kiss."

Keith Theatre -- Tonight

## Cattle and Hogs

Have a higher market value today on account of the demands for greater food production.

Show your patriotism by raising more and better cattle and hogs than you have done in the past.

Our soldiers need meat and plenty of it. You do your part and you can depend upon the boys "over there" to do their duty.

Let us help you plan a larger and better production of cattle and hogs.

## Platte Valley State Bank

NORTH PLATTE, NEB.

Queen  
Quality  
SHOES

## Do You Know What It Means to Make a Real Good Shoe?

Can you imagine three hundred people engaged in making a single hat? Think of them using in this hat sixty-six items of materials from all parts of the world!

Imagine one hundred and ten machines needed to put it together for you! Impossible!

Yet all this is necessary to produce one woman's shoe.

Now compare the relative cost of hats and shoes.

Then reflect on the care bestowed on the pretty bit of millinery which people too often fail to give to the pretty shoe!

Considering its merit and its price in comparison with other necessities, the quietly stylish, well-made shoe of today is easily the best value in the whole range of apparel for women.

Doubtless you wear both kid boots and kid gloves at some season of the year. Both are carefully made of fine, selected skins.

Consider the service you get from each. In a sadly brief time the pretty gloves find their way to the kitchen. Doubled in price, they are halved in service.

Kid leather in shoes is better than ever. The best selections now are reserved for American women.

There are sound materials; fine workmanship, efficient production and true style in a pair of Queen Quality famous shoes. Their service makes them cost you less by the year.

The test of a shoe is service. "Money's Worth" in style, materials and workmanship is the basis of the Queen Quality appeal to discriminating shoe buyers.

Wilcox Department Store



## SKIRTS FIND MANY USES

A separate skirt is a most essential requisite to every woman's wardrobe, especially in Autumn. Many occasions present opportunities to wear a skirt and waist when it is undesirable to be attired in a dressy outfit. These skirts in many fabrics—serges, satins, gabardines and others, are priced from

\$5 to \$25

Wilcox Department Store