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WAYNE'S PRODUCTIVENESS

The Agricultural Riches and Possibilities of Wayne County Shown in Report of Board of Agriculture

NONE BETTER IN THE STATE

The following figures were compiled by the Nebraska board of agriculture and gathered from their annual report, showing the agricultural riches of Wayne county:

There are 655 farms occupied by owners, and 613 by tenants. The occupants of these farms number 1,713 male and 1,374 female persons. They have 444 square miles of territory or 283,000 acres. In the state there are a total of 65,221 farms occupied by owners and 39,747 on which tenants live.

In the county are 211,298 acres of improved land and but 1,727 acres of unimproved land—that is land which has never been plowed, mowed or cultivated and is now grown up to trees and shrubs.

The entire value of these farms is given at \$10,072,125, and the value of all farm buildings is placed at \$1,380,055. The value of implements used on the farms is placed at \$83,670, and the value of animals fattened and sold or slaughtered during the year ending April 1, 1914 was \$972,257.

There were 6,620 milch cows and 18,290 other cattle. Of hogs there were 30,813, and of sheep but 449 on hand April 1, 1914. (Considerable number of sheep are annually fattened in this county, but they are usually sent to market before the assessor comes along, and this is in a measure true of cattle, thousands of which are fed here from early fall until spring.

In this county the clip of wool reported for 1913 was but 395 pounds. Eight sheep were killed by wolves and the same number by dogs, according to report, up to April, 1914. That is not many considering that the report credits the county with harboring 1,061 dogs, or more than twice as many dogs as sheep, and so far as known there never was any tariff to protest the dog industry, and it is not considered as profitable as the growing of sheep.

The state had 1,467,936 hogs and 267,135 sheep. (Looks like room for more sheep—especially in these days of hog cholera.)

Of horses they found 9,064 and 777 mules in the county. In this county 318 horses died of disease and 15 mules passed away. 196 cows and 708 other cattle died, also 136 sheep and 42,002 hogs. This last item shows the need of some effective way to combat the different hog diseases.

Cedar county with a loss of more than 53,000 hogs was the only county in the state reporting a greater loss than this. The fact that hogs in this part of the state are largely corn fed may account for the heavy loss, perhaps. Thurston county, where they had a farm demonstrator vaccinating hogs, lost but 6,853 head of swine.

The county produced 2,889 pounds of honey from 135 stands of bees.

We sold \$66,926 worth of poultry and eggs during the year ending April 1, 1914, from 93,174 fowls.

Wayne county reported but 2,315 bushels of wheat on hand April 1, 1914, but had 444,745 bushels of corn in crib at that time. But the corn crop of 1914 from 107,010 acres made an aggregate of 2,386,323 bushels, worth on the market at 50 cents the bushel \$1,193,162. The corn crop of this county is usually fed to fattening cattle to a great extent, and really brings more than the market price when it is thus manufactured into beef, pork, butter and kindred products.

Of winter wheat we harvested 1,013 acres that averaged 15 bushels per acre making a value of \$1,519,500 for 15,195 bushels. Of spring wheat we had 10,554 acres, but this grain averaged a little less than 10 bushels per acre, and the 102,373 bushels was computed to be worth \$87,017.

This is not much of an oat county, but 53,929 acres of that crop was harvested, and the average yield is placed at 35 bushels, which made a total of 1,887,515 bushels of oats, said to be worth at market price \$755,006.

162 acres in rye yielded a few bushels less than 3,000 and was valued at \$2,041. (This is an excellent crop for fall pasture and

more could be profitably raised.)

We raised but 350 acres of barley, which made an average yield of 31.6 bushels, making 11,060 bushels, with a value of \$4,977.

Alfalfa was grown on 12,241 acres and averaged 2.3 tons per acre, and the 28,154 tons were given a value of \$197,087. (It would doubtless be profitable to grow more of this hay.)

But 19 acres of sorghum, 23 acres of spelts and 156 acres of millet were raised.

In hay crops we had 10,931 acres of timothy, 13,684 of blue grass, 4,492 of clover, one acre of sugar beets, 310 acres of orchard grass and 3,856 acres of tame grasses. Of wild hay this county had 8,012 acres, and it averaged one ton per acre and was computed to add \$56,000 to the wealth of the county.

The county has 2,684 acres of timber.

There are 776 hand separators in the county, and should be many more.

Eighteen silos are all that could be found in the county. (We read today that the earning value of a silo is \$300 per year, so it is easy to see that this community is neglecting its opportunities.)

The county grew potatoes on 739 acres, and the average yield was 88.1 bushels, and the value of the crop at 60c per bushel was \$55,105.

This is not what would be termed a fruit country, yet we raise some. Of first grade apples there were 977 bushels in 1913, and the next grade amounted to 5,235 bushels. There are about 30,000 apple trees in the county, but fully half of them are not yet of bearing age. The proportion of bad to good apples shows that the trees are not properly cared for with sprays. There are but few pear and peach trees—less than 1,000 of the two fruits, and the product from them is less than 150 bushels.

Cherries do much better here, and there are more than 10,000 of these trees and the 1913 crop was almost 1,000 bushels, indicating that there are many young trees that are not yet in full bearing. It has been our observation that the cherry does as well here as any fruit. Grapes are said to thrive here, but there is no record for them in the report.

Belgian Relief

Belgian is the most unfortunate country in the present great European struggle. She has the sympathy of the civilized world. Her need appeals to all of us. Our country has nobly responded by generous help. Kansas has sent a half million dollars worth of food. Just now a systematic appeal is being made in Nebraska. This appeal is carried on through the Governor's office and the mayors of the various cities of the state. Mayor Chace has received an appeal for help. Rev. Thos. M. C. Birmingham of Omaha, has arranged to speak here next Monday at 7:30 p. m. He will speak at the Baptist church. Mr. Birmingham will give the address which he delivered some time ago and which congress authorized to have printed. Let us all respond to this appeal from humanity's need and give aid to our suffering friends across the sea.

Break Up Poker Game

J. E. Ott made complaint to Marshall Miner Saturday night of a gambling den being held in the upper rooms of his Dry Cleaning plant, occupied by the Adams Brothers, barbers, who came here about five months ago, and who lately had conducted a shop in the Richards pool hall. The Marshall raided the joint about 11:30 Saturday night and found a poker game in full swing, and broke up the game, and under Mr. Ott's orders, ordered them out of the building. Mr. Ott had ordered the game stopped several times and finally had to resort to strong measures to break it up. The barbers made their departure Sunday without as much as saying farewell to their many creditors, and they will not be missed to any great extent by any of the business men in Wayne.

The Cradle

CHRISTENSEN—Thursday, January 7, 1915, to C. M. Christensen and wife, a daughter.

See the Democrat for wedding invitations.

THE NEW COUNTY OFFICERS

New Terms Begin Today in County Offices. Old Officers Retire and New Ones Assume Their Duties

Today is the day when the officers elected last fall assume the duties of their offices, and the change was made in the court house here with but a mere ripple in the affairs of the county. Eph Anderson retired as a member of the county board, and was succeeded by P. M. Corbit. Mrs. Elsie Littell, who has been superintendent of schools for more than four years past is succeeded by Miss Pearl Sewell. In addition to the above the hold-over officers and those re-elected make the list of county officials as follows:

County clerk, C. W. Reynolds; treasurer, L. W. Roe; judge, James Britton; attorney, L. A. Kiplinger; sheriff, Geo. Porter; commissioner, Geo. Farran. The above were re-elected to the offices they have filled the past term or longer. Those holding over were assessor, A. B. Carter; clerk of district court, Forrest L. Hughes; and commissioner, Henry Rethwisch.

The old board of commissioners held their last regular meeting Wednesday, finishing up as far as possible the business affairs of the county that had been commenced under their direction. They allowed a large list of bills, approved the bonds of the incoming officials, and adjourned for the last time.

Smoke Anderson Out

At this time there appeared to be concerted action on the part of the two old members of the board and all of the old and hold-over county officials to smoke out Mr. Eph Anderson, who was retiring in good order at the conclusion of more than seven years of faithful service as commissioner. Mr. Anderson was appointed more than seven years ago to fill a vacancy caused by the retirement of Dick Russell, who was moving from the county. He was twice elected for full terms following his short term, and as there has been some controversy over the length of term of office of the commissioners in this and other counties it was decided to make sure that Mr. Anderson, who had made no fight to hold his office longer, fully understood that his fellow officers expected him to retire at this time, a handsome silver smoking set, neatly engraved with the names of the donors and "Eph Anderson, Wakeheld, Nebraska, 1915," was presented to him, Attorney L. A. Kiplinger in a few appropriate remarks expressing the high regard in which he is held by his fellow officials and the public, and presenting this set as a token of their friendship and esteem. Mr. Anderson responded in an acceptance with as much grace as a man can command at the moment when such a surprise is sprung on him.

The new board met this morning and organized by electing Henry Rethwisch chairman.

Deaths and Births 1914

The records for Wayne for the past year show that there has been 31 deaths here during the year, and 46 burials, 15 of those buried here have died elsewhere and the bodies were brought here for burial.

There were 99 births reported here, 40 female and 59 male children. The figures for the county are not yet available.

A New Place to Feed

The Wayne Bakery is adding equipment for a "short order" counter and tables, and will also plan to serve regular dinners at the noon hour to all of the hungry who come. This new enterprise is to consider quality first, as in all other lines at this place.—adv.

LeRoy Owen was the victim of a surprise party. New Year night, when a number of his young friends accepted the invitation sent to them by Mr and Mrs. Owen to come and spend a happy evening with them, and say nothing to the lad about it. The evening was most heartily passed with games and music. Choice refreshments were served.

The Young Ladies Bible circle will meet with Mrs. Buell Saturday evening at 7 p. m.

Eastern Star has its regular meeting next Monday evening.

Obituary—Mrs. Ralph Hoatson

(By the Pastor)

Elsie L. Seace was born in Chicago, March 10, 1885, and died at Gregory, S. Dakota, Sunday morning, January 2, 1915.

The Seace family moved to Wayne when the deceased was a little girl and she grew up in this community known and respected in the public schools, the Normal, the church and the community at large. Elsie Seace was baptized into the Methodist church when an infant and later in life was received into the Wayne Presbyterian church of which she was a consistent member at death.

She was married to Ralph Hoatson, January 1, 1914, in Omaha. She leaves a husband bereaved, an infant daughter, father and mother, four sisters and two brothers. One sister awaited her coming in the (Glory Land, having been called away some years ago.

The funeral was held Monday, Rev. S. Xenophon Cross, officiating.

She is not dead, the child of our affection.

But gone into that school Where she no longer needs our poor protection

But Christ himself doth rule. In that great cloister's stillness and seclusion,

By guardian angles led, Safe from temptation, safe from sin's pollution

She lives, whom we call dead.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Seace and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Petz of Lusk, Wyoming, her sisters Mrs. J. I. Scofield, Mrs. C. K. Corbit, and Miss Lucie Seace, and her brother Homer of this place, were present at the funeral, also V. L. Hoatson, a brother of the husband from Hebron in this state. Her brother Charles at Lusk could not be present.

A large audience attended the funeral services, paying a tribute of sympathy and respect to the bereaved family and the lovable life that was endeared to many in the home of her childhood. The floral offering was beautiful and bountiful.

CARD OF THANKS—We desire to express our sincere thanks to the people of Wayne for their many acts of kindness and sympathy in our hour of sorrow, caused by the death of wife and daughter.

Ralph Hoatson

S. B. Seace and Family.

Shower for Mrs. Littell

Last Saturday evening, January second, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ley was the scene of one of the most pleasant social events of the season. For some time past there had been little showers but this was a deluge as the gifts came pouring in thick and fast to our friend, Mrs. Elsie Littell, one of Wayne's most popular ladies; she is also Wayne county's retiring superintendent of schools. She has proved herself a most capable official and has many friends. She is leaving Wayne for a home of her own in the near future.

There were over sixty guests present who responded to the invitation of the hostesses, Mrs. Ley, Mrs. Conn, Mrs. Huse and Mrs. Beaman. One of the most amusing features of the evening were the bride and groom as they descended the stairs keeping step to the bridal march played by Mrs. Beaman, followed by three little flower girls bearing the gifts in baskets decorated in white. The bride-elect was stationed in the large window of the living room where she received her gifts in a sweet, modest way. Then they were passed to each guest for inspection. During the evening the guests were highly entertained by a number of musical selections; Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Oman, accompanied by Mrs. Miller, each sang in a most pleasing manner. Joy Ley sang a charming Japanese song and little Mary Alice Ley gave a reading.

Delicious refreshments were served in the dining room which was beautifully decorated in palms and Christmas Poinsettias.

On this occasion the bride was Mrs. Mattie Ley and the groom was a stranger to the guests, as we never before have seen any one wearing this fabled complexion and tango makeup in our city.

C. H. Hendrickson went to Lincoln today where he has a case to present before the supreme court.

Social Notes

The ladies of the Rural Home society entertained their husbands and families at an annual reunion on New Year's Day at the beautiful country home of Mr. Henry Linke, 2 miles northeast of Wayne. An excellent four-course dinner was served at one o'clock by a committee who left nothing undone to satisfy the inner man. The afternoon was spent in various contests in which Mr. C. K. Corbit, Miss Rose Linke, and Mrs. P. M. Corbit were winners. There were 45 present and each vied with the other in trying to make this a "happy new year" for all. The reluctance with which the guests dispersed was sufficient evidence of how well each succeeded. Many best wishes for each other were expressed, and each could but feel that his neighbor was sincere. Such gatherings tend to unite neighbors as nothing else can do, and are looked forward to with great expectations by those who are fortunate enough to participate in them.

On Thursday afternoon, December 31, Mrs. Wendte's Sunday school class gathered at the home of Faith Philleo, each member bringing some article she did not care for. These packages came in mysterious shapes and sizes, and were used to decorate a Xmas tree. Various games occupied the early part of the afternoon. A memory test resulted in a tie which was drawn by Marietta Clasen who received a box of bon bons, and Ruth Jones received the consolation, an all-day sucker. Progressive dominos and lynch was also much enjoyed, after which the girls did full justice to ice cream, cake and candy. The choosing and opening of the mysterious packages provoked much hilarity. Among the amusing articles drawn was a mouse trap by Edith Huse. The girls then departed for their homes feeling that they had thoroughly enjoyed the last day of the year.

At the Methodist church, last New Year's eve, the regular Community social was held in the form of a watch party, the social having been postponed from the Friday evening before. These socials are under the leadership of Rev. Buell and are developing into a great success not only from a social standpoint, but from a religious standpoint as well. Games are played, musical and vocal numbers rendered and the one most pleasant feature of the entertainment is the short talks by Rev. Buell on bible history. Everyone is most cordially invited to each entertainment or social, the next one being Friday evening, January 15.

Thursday evening the Wayne homestead of Yoeman held a watch meeting at their hall and the members and their friends saw the old year out and the new in. They had a program of music, games and speaking, and passed the closing hours of 1914 very pleasantly. As the year grew to a close a substantial lunch was served and enjoyed by all. Owing to war conditions across the Atlantic the trip around the world was not extended beyond the borders of this country, and the fact remains that this country is good enough for any or all of us.

The Acme club held their meeting last Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. S. R. Theobald. Members answered roll call by quotations from Martin Luther. Mrs. Theobald read a paper on the Castle of Heidelberg. Mrs. Mines read a paper on the cathedral of Cologne. Mrs. Britell read a short story called, "The Vision of Anon". The next meeting will be with Mrs. Walter Weber.

A number of the young people of the Baptist church enjoyed a watch party New Year's eve at the pastor's home. The hours were spent in games, music and a general good time. At mid-night refreshments were served followed by music after which the guests departed for their homes with the wishes of all for a happy new year.

The U. D. club met last Monday afternoon with Mrs. Green. Review on Christmas in South American life. Club answered to roll call with current events. Magazine article on Paraguay by Mrs. Kinne. The club will be entertained next week by Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Felber.

Mrs. C. Shultheis was hostess last Friday at a New Years dinner to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. K. Mellor, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ringland, Mr. and Mrs. Hamer Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Berris of Lexington, Mo., and Mrs. Stanley Huffman of Elgin.

The Monday club met with Mrs. George J. Hess. The members responded to roll call with left-overs. Mrs. Hess had an excellent paper on "the proper balance for complete diet." Next meeting will be with Mrs. Frank Zoll.

The Early Hour club met Thursday with Mrs. J. Woodward Jones. The evening was spent in playing 500. Light refreshments were served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Fenske.

The O. N. T. met last Tuesday evening with Mrs. C. E. Carhart. The evening was spent in playing 500. Light refreshments were served.

Miss Helen Blair entertained sixteen young ladies at Bridge last Saturday afternoon. Light refreshments were served.

P. E. O. met with Mrs. Harry Fisher Monday evening. No business was transacted and a social evening was spent.

Jones' Bookstore

Office Furniture and Stationery Supplies

Blank Books : Letter Filing Cases and Cabinets.

The I. P. line of Ledgers, Ring Books, Commercial and Professional Outfits.

Business Stationery and Cards Engraved.

Initial Stationery—Old Hampshire Bond, Old Hampshire Vellum. These papers may be chosen in perfect confidence.

Old Hampshire Bond Typewriting Paper : Whiting's Versailles Linen, and Correspondent Cards. These are above reproach.

Jones' Bookstore

Our Fifth Annual Clearance Sale

Winter has just commenced. You can get the clothing listed below at a big reduction, and many other seasonable goods at bargain prices.

COME IN AND TAKE A LOOK

All Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits and Overcoats (blue serge suits excepted) worth \$25.00, cut to **19.90**

All \$22.50 H. S. & M. fancy worsted and cassimere Suits and Overcoats at **16.90**

STYLEPLUS Suits and Overcoats worth \$20.00 always **17.00**

All \$18.00 Suits and Overcoats cut to **14.90**

All \$15.00 Suits and Overcoats (excepting blue serge) go at **11.90**

Boy's Clothing Dept.

20 Boy's Double Breasted Knickerbocker Suits, size 10 to 16 years at **HALF REGULAR PRICE**

15 Boy's Norfolk, all wool Knickerbocker Suits worth up to \$6.00 go at **3.90**

All Boy's Norfolk Suits, (excepting blue serge) worth from \$6.50 to \$8.50 go at **5.90**

50c Boy's K. & E. "Look for the Loop" Blouses, during this sale at **39c**

50 pairs of Boy's Odd Pants, worth up to \$1.00, Your choice of the lot for **59c**

Special Bargains

All Children's one and two-buckle Arctics at **One-Half Price.**

Men's One-Buckle Heavy Arctics (not guaranteed) Leader **1.19**

\$3.00 fancy tan and gray striped, military collar flannel shirts reduced to **2.29**

1.50 Flannel Shirts, assorted colors reduced to **1.19**

1 25 Flannel Shirts, assorted colors reduced to **.99**

All Men's and Boy's Bradley Sweaters at **One-Third Off**

1.00 Bradley knitted caps **.69c**

...Underwear...

1.00 Wool Shirts or Drawers **.69c**

1.50 Wool Shirts or Drawers **1.19**

2.00 Wool Shirts or Drawers **1.49**

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Wayne, Nebraska

Sale Ends
Jan. 23

P. S. We will continue to give 5 per cent discount for Cash on anything bought at regular prices excepting Styleplus \$17 Suits and Overcoats, Oshkosh and Breadwinner garments. G. & S.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. F. Peterson was a visitor at Sioux City Monday.

Mrs. Grier is home from a visit with relatives in Iowa.

James Stanton of Carroll was a visitor at Sioux City Tuesday.

Henry Fisk of Bloomfield was in the city Monday on business.

Miss Nellie Juhlin went to Wakefield Saturday for a short visit.

J. H. Mark was a passenger to Norfolk on business Saturday night.

Wynot is to have a "Movie" show, which again puts that town on the map.

Mrs. J. H. Porter from Carroll visited Mrs. Geo. Porter in this city Saturday.

Miss Nellie Strickland returned to her school work at Randolph Saturday night.

Mrs. Wm. Mick of Carroll was in this city Saturday, looking after business matters.

Oscar Leidtke went to Sioux City Sunday for a short visit with the Frank Kruger family.

Joe Beckman of Bloomfield was in the city Saturday between trains returning to that city.

Waldo Hahn returned to Lincoln Sunday, where he is taking a law course at the university.

Ralph and Geneva Porter returned from a two week's visit with relatives at Hoskins, Monday.

Misses Minnie and Halene Harringfeldt returned Sunday from a visit with relatives at Emerson.

Mrs. J. H. Porter from Carroll was in the city Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ralph Hoatson (nee Elsie Seace).

Howard James made a business trip to Norfolk Sunday, to purchase a larger machine for his pop corn and peanut business.

G. Garwood of Carroll purchased a Shorthorn bull from the Reese herd south of town, and the animal was loaded here for his destination.

Rudolph Gabler was in the city between trains Saturday returning to the State University at Lincoln after spending the holiday vacation at his home in Bloomfield.

Alex Holts was a Monday visitor at Sioux City.

Newton Morris of Carroll was in the city Monday on business.

Robt. Nance of Randolph was in this city Saturday on business.

Geo. Hoguewood was a passenger to Sioux City on business Monday.

Mrs. Ralph Rundell went to Sioux City Tuesday morning for a short visit.

John Harrington and wife spent New Year day with friends at Laurel.

Will H. Weber was looking after real estate business at Sioux City Monday.

F. S. Berry and Henry Ley were visitors at Pierce Monday, on a business mission.

President Conn of the Wayne State Normal went to Omaha Saturday on business.

J. M. Strahan returned to Lincoln Saturday to resume his studies at the State University.

Gus Welch, engineer of the Wakefield electric light plant was in Wayne on business Monday.

Mrs. Herb Jenkins returned to Carroll from Concord where she visited her sister, Mrs. Howard Porter.

Miss Fheiroff of Creighton passed through Wayne Saturday to Wausa where she is a teacher in the schools.

J. G. Senter returned to Bancroft Saturday, having visited his brother V. A. Senter in this city the week past.

Miss Clara Leidtke returned from Sioux City Saturday evening where she had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kruger.

Martin Bastian received a pure bred R. I. R. rooster from Inthna, Missouri last week, to mate with the flock he is just starting.

Miss Ruth Fortner returned to Laurel Saturday to resume her school duties there, after spending the holidays at home in Wayne.

Misses Fern and Vera Peck of Laurel spent New Years with Miss Luella Bush in this city. They returned to that place Saturday.

If you want the best cuts of beef, pork, veal or mutton, phone or call at the Central Meat Market. Two phones, 66 and 67.—adv. fr.

Miss Neva Orr returned to Albion, Neb. Sunday, where she is teaching in the public schools.

Albert Donner returned from Emerson Saturday where he had been visiting friends for two weeks.

J. W. McGinty was called to Hartington Saturday to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, Mike Rippon.

W. L. Morrill returned to Fairview, Mont., Saturday after a short visit with his cousin, V. A. Senter in this city.

Walter Savidge was looking after business matters at Norfolk and Petersburg last week, returning home Monday morning.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sherbahn died at their home in this city New Year's day. The baby was only one week old.

Chris Hansen and Emmett McManus were in the city between trains Monday enroute from Creighton to their homes in Bloomfield.

Miss Celia Miester was at Norfolk last week for a short visit with her sister, Mrs. H. Bluchel, returning home Monday morning.

Maurice Mather, drummer with the Brouettes orchestra of Sioux City was in the city Friday visiting the Ballard-Plumleigh-Sherbahn orchestra.

Miss Jewel and Miss Anthony of the Wayne State Normal faculty returned to their duties here Saturday after spending the holidays out of town.

Miss Pearl Cooper was in the city between trains Saturday, returning to her school near Wausa after spending the holidays at her home in Hartington.

Mrs. Elmer Noakes and daughter returned from Omaha Saturday where she had been visiting the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sweet in that city for a week.

F. L. Neely and J. Schofield went to Omaha Tuesday to spend the remainder of the week at that place attending the meeting of the implement men of the state.

Miss Marjorie Kohl left Saturday to resume her studies at a college at Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

Miss Tot Chapin of Winside, who was here to see her start, left the next day for Massachusetts where she is attending school.

J. H. Massie and family went to Winside and ate New Year dinner at the home of E. W. Cullen and wife.

Frank Gamble was a New Year visitor at Omaha, going down to visit his sister (accent on that word) for a short time.

Mrs. C. E. Tompkins returned to her home at Bassett Friday, following a week visit with her parents, E. L. Griffith and wife.

Ray Ohee of Dakota City, arrived last Thursday for a short visit at the John Sherbahn home in this city. He returned to that city Saturday.

Jas. Britton, Jr., returned to Crofton Saturday where he is teaching, after spending the holidays with his parents, Judge and Mrs. Britton.

Miss Lucile Williams of Randolph returned home Saturday evening after a visit here at the home of her uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Williams.

Miss Helen Blair returned to her school work at Hastings, Sunday after spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Blair in Wayne.

Students returning to the State University at Lincoln Saturday morning from Bloomfield were Frank Trierweiler, Golden Kratz and Alfred Harms.

Hays Main returned to the Culver Military Academy at Culver, Ind., Monday having spent the holidays with his mother, Mrs. D. C. Main in this city.

Alfred Lewis returned to the State University at Lincoln Sunday after spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis in this city.

Herbert Welch left Monday for Williamson, Mass. where he is attending the Williams College, after spending the holiday season with Judge and Mrs. A. A. Welch in Wayne.

Ernest Richel went to Omaha Monday to spend the week at that place attending the annual meeting of the Nebraska implement dealers. It is good for a man to attend such gatherings and learn what methods others use to conduct a successful business, and also to give others the benefit of his experience.

Carl Madsen from south of town accompanied him to see the show.

Miss Gene Brown was at Sioux City Saturday, consulting her physicians, and Sunday evening returned to her school work at Ewing.

Harry Gildersleeve returned to Atkinson Sunday after spending the holidays with relatives in Wayne. Mr. Gildersleeve is the principal in the high school at that place.

Miss Dorothy Slaughter came from Dallas, South Dakota, last week and visited a day or two with her grandparents, Henry Hansen and wife, returning home New Year day.

E. J. Lyons left for Omaha Monday where he will visit for a few days before returning to the Chicago Veterinary College at Chicago. He visited Dr. Tobias in this city during the holidays.

Bessie Hughes was here from Norfolk Monday visiting her sister, Miss Helen McNeal. Tuesday she went on to Laurel to visit home folks. She is nursing at the new hospital in Norfolk.

Harvey Newquist of Wausa and Miss Constance Johnson of Creighton were in the city between trains Saturday enroute to Creighton for short visit.

Mrs. Henry Puls went to Minden, Iowa, Monday to visit relatives. She was accompanied as far as Sioux City by her daughter who is attending sewing school there.

Mrs. W. W. Kingsbury and daughter Ida of Wakefield visited the I. C. Trumbaur home in Wayne New Years. Miss Ida returned to Wakefield Saturday, Mrs. Kingsbury remaining until Sunday.

Mrs. A. A. Covaldt and Miss McKenzie of Omaha were through the city Saturday returning to Omaha from Bloomfield where they had spent Christmas and New Years at the P. A. Tulleys home.

For any paper or magazine published Sam Davies has the agency, and will be glad to take your order for same. He has some money-saving combinations and clubbing offers. See him about the year's reading.—adv. —34-1f.



Women Suffer Most

Owing to their more delicate structure, women are more apt to suffer from reflex nervous trouble caused by eye strain than men.

Eye strain which is an unequal contracting of the eye's muscles is productive of a long line of reflex ailments, such as nervousness, pain in top and back of head, sick headache, inflamed and granulated lids, etc. Glasses so ground and fitted as to relieve the tension of the muscles, remove the cause of such troubles and they at once disappear.

I devote my entire time to fitting and making glasses.

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EXCLUSIVE OPTICAL STORE
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Some Plain Business Talk

(The Nebraskan)

What has become of the old-style man and woman, who, on their wedding day so many years ago, sat down together and calmly calculated their future? They might safely expect a married life of twenty-five years. If they began by saving \$300.00 per year, investing this safely, and adding to it, they could expect in due time to be able to retire on their own savings. Through all the years this safe and sane plan was lived up to, emergencies were met and conquered—but the savings were not disturbed. Can this couple be the fore-bearers of the race who now start housekeeping on the third floor front and buy a range, kitchen cabinet, and victrola on the installment plan, ten per cent down and the balance fifty cents per, incidentally paying two prices. We say—times have changed, also the environment.

If the young husband and wife of today had been placed on the flinty hills of New England, where nature yields up her wealth so slowly, then this man and woman would be as frugal as were the Yankee pioneers. If on the other hand, even if the best Plymouth Rock stock were planted on Nebraska's fertile farms and wealth poured into them on every change of season, the purse strings would loosen and economy, such as New England practices, would not be required or desirable.

Nebraska Needs Her Savings

Never were better or safer returns possible than the development of our resources by our own capital an afford. We need power. Nature did not give us coal, that great factor in human development, the supply of which grows less each day, but our water power and irrigation projects are wonderful. We must develop manufacturing plants that will consume our water power.

A vast number of enterprises need capital, its own capital, not the kind that a panic in Wall Street or a war of kings will call home. Our capital should belong to Nebraska, then who can call it in and where would they take it if it was called in?

France, the great economical nation, teaches us by example how to save. Fully one-third of the great electric hydro enterprises of the globe are backed by French capital. These great savers are the financial bone and sinew of the world-wide industrial development of the past quarter century. They furnish capital to build railroads, operate mines, and build water power and irrigation schemes in all lands.

France's Secret

They are the possessors of two great secrets of success. They know how to make and to save money. Next, they know how to co-operate in the investment of accumulated savings.

It is a sad fact that in America the most markedly profitable feature of great corporations is the freezing out of the small investor. Men of the Jay Gould, "Old Hutch" type have made "lamb-shearing" an old year occupation. Have they and their kind killed off the supply of golden eggs? Doc. Farnham says, "A Nebraskan will only invest in but two things, farm land and mining stock." This is not quite true. There are many institutions of great magnitude and requiring much capital, owned and operated by our citizens.

We must adopt the French idea, or ideal, and interest, convince, and hold fast to the small home investors. God has made a good many in Nebraska. Once assure the home folks that they are to be looked out for and their interest honestly and wisely administered and those who seek capital for legitimate business and industrial purposes will find it coming into their vaults in a wonderful golden flood.

Know Your Business

Englishmen and Germans divide honor quite equally in the thoroughness of their business methods. One year or even five years is not too long to devote to an investigation of a business venture. The venture must first show that it possesses possibilities of profits. This question once determined, the plan of operation is worked out in great detail. Men for each important part are chosen as carefully as an army is organized. Nothing is taken for granted. There is no

trusting to luck.

Stick to Your Investment

A resume of the early history of a large number of American corporations is quite interesting and instructive. In too many instances the entire list of original stockholders is changed. Due to lack of preparation and a knowledge of the business, the original capital is largely wasted in experimental work. Funds run low. The stockholders are called in and possibly for the first time are told the condition existing. Nothing is left but to decide between assessing the stockholders or suspending operations. Because they do not know the business or its possibilities, the stockholders usually let their holdings go at any price obtainable. They thus often drop out just when, if they continued, they should be liberally rewarded. The officers have by now been taught their duties, at the expense of the treasury, and are really prepared to do effective work. In such cases, no charge of bad faith will lie against the management, except that of unpreparedness.

No More Foreign Bond Market

Our cities, countries, corporations and quasi public utilities have long been accustomed to issuing bonds or needed capital. These bonds have found ready sale to brokers and eventually found their way to the strong boxes of Europe. The "paish" of the present war will be felt in a falling off of this market. Not only will no more bonds be taken, but if the war continues long, securities held over there will be forced on sale. New issues are out of the question. We have money enough to finance our own affairs if properly directed. While figures are not available, it is perhaps true that our own Nebraskans have invested enough money in Texas, western irrigated and Canada lands in the past decade to finance all bond issues from our state.

The outside investments have not proven especially profitable according to reports heard from the investor. It is an open question if these holdings will in the end return as good interest rates as the bonds. The speculative spirit is strong in us all but education along the line will convince the average investor that the safety of the principal is the prime requisite in investment.

Nebraska Banks

Nebraska banks have during our entire history so conducted their relations with the public that to be a banker is a mark of distinction in every community. These bankers are alive to the situation as it exists and are giving foresighted and valuable advice to investors which will, if followed, result in the financial independence of one of the great wealth-producing states of America.

Warehouse Bill

Information from Washington indicates that the Lever warehouse bill has passed the house of representatives. The measure is a substitute for a senate bill which provided for cotton warehouses. The Lever bill contains provisions for both cotton and grain warehouses. The measure will now go to a conference committee between the senate and house. In discussing his bill, Representative Lever said: "This bill will result in the establishment of uniform warehouses receipts for agricultural products throughout the country. It will give a certainty and a value to warehouse receipts which they do not now possess. It will furnish to the farmers for the first time in this country the machinery through which he may be enabled not only to know the class or grade of his products but their commercial value."

Order of Hearing and Notice On Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Wayne County, Nebraska.

State of Nebraska, Wayne County—ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of John Harder, deceased:

On reading the petition of Rollie W. Ley, administrator, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 19th day of December 1914, and for distribution of the residue of said estate in his hands. It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county, on the 12th day of January A. D., 1915, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner 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 Nebraska Democrat, a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

JAMES BRITTON, County Judge.

Notice

To Oliver E. Graves, F. W. Summers, Mrs. F. W. Summers, Mrs. Oscar C. Wamberg, Ida R. Miner, Nora L. Porter, Mary A. K. Fisher, Margaret Grier, Mary Palmer, John A. Barbour, and J. G. W. Lewis, and to all persons owning or having any interest in the property or any part thereof, hereinafter described.

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 12th day of January, 1915, at 8 o'clock p. m., at the Council room in the City Hall in the City of Wayne, Nebraska, there will be a special meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Wayne, Nebraska, sitting as a Board of Equalization for the purpose of establishing and fixing the valuation of each of the following described parcels of real estate, to-wit:

Lot 4 of block 1 of Britton & Bressler's addition to Wayne.

East half of lot 1 of Taylor & Wachob's addition to Wayne.

North half of lot 1 in block 7 of Britton & Bressler's addition to Wayne.

East half of lot 4 in block 6 of Britton & Bressler's addition to Wayne.

Lots 4, 5 and 6 in block 24 of College Hill addition to Wayne, all in the County of Wayne and State of Nebraska.

And ascertain and determine the benefits derived or injury sustained by each parcel of land above described by reason of the construction, during the year 1914, of certain sidewalks by said City, along or abutting said property, and at said meeting will levy a special assessment against each said piece or tracts of land for said improvements:

(Seal) C. A. CHACE, Mayor.

50-5 J. M. CHERRY, Clerk.

Culvert Notice

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received at the county clerk's office of Wayne county, Nebraska, for the furnishing of steel or corrugated culverts for Wayne county, for the year 1915.

Bids to be received on the following sizes:

18-24-30-36-42-48-60 inch.

Culverts to be delivered at either Wayne, Winside, Carroll or Hoskins or Sholes.

Said bids to be filed with the county clerk on or before 12 o'clock noon of the 19th day of January, 1915.

Bids will be opened at 12 o'clock noon of the 19th day of January, 1915, by the county clerk in the presence of the Board of county commissioners of said county at the office of the county clerk of said county.

No bids will be considered unless accompanied by cash or a certified check of \$200.00 payable to Chas. W. Reynolds, county clerk of said county, in case the successful bidder refuses to enter into contract with said county if same is awarded him. Successful bidder will be required to give bond to the county with two or more good and sufficient sureties in the sum of \$1000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of contract awarded him.

The Board of county commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at Wayne, Nebraska this 16th day of December A. D. 1914.

CHAS. W. REYNOLDS, (Seal) 51-4. County Clerk.

Lumber Notice

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the county clerk of Wayne county, Nebraska, for lumber for any of the following dimensions, to-wit:

2x4 to 2x12-12 to 20 feet long.

3x10 to 3x12, 3x14, 3x16, from 16 to 32 feet long.

4x4 to 10x10, 18 feet long.

Prices on the above in both pine and fir.

Piling 8-inch top 10 to 32 feet long.

Prices for piling to be quoted on both red cedar and oak.

Separate bids to be made on commercial and full sawed lumber.

Bids must be quoted on above dimensions, and as shown above.

County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, also right to buy piling and lumber in car load lots from other parties than those to whom the contract is let.

All bids to be filed with the county clerk of Wayne county, Nebraska, on or before 12 o'clock noon of January 19th, 1915.

All bids to be opened at 12 o'clock noon of January 19th, 1915.

All bids to be and cover all lumber and piling to be used for the year 1915.

Dated at Wayne, Nebraska, this 16th day of December, A. D. 1914.

CHAS. W. REYNOLDS, (Seal) 51-4. County Clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry and family, who have been visiting the Wm. Mellor home in Wayne left Monday for their home in Lexington, Mo.

Shorthorn Dispersion Sale

By J. M. Roberts and Burton Bros.

As the undersigned are moving to new homes they are obliged to dispose of their herds of thoroughbred Shorthorn cattle, much to their regret, and will sell at auction at

Wayne Stock Sales Pavilion

Thursday, January 14, 1915

Beginning at 1:30 p. m. sharp.

44 HEAD OF THOROUGHBRED SHORTHORN CATTLE

Consisting of 15 BULLS and 29 COWS and HEIFERS

At the head of these herds are the famous herd bulls

Wayne Sultan, Lord Randolph and Joe White

WAYNE SULTAN by Sultan Chief, and he by Whitehall Sultan, and on the dam's side traces back to Imported Young Mary, is an exceptional individual, 2 years old, good bone and form, strong breeder, and fit to head the best of herds.

LORD RANDOLPH, a roan from the Hooper herd, weighs 2,000 pounds, and is an exceptional in breeding and individually.

JOE WHITE from the A. E. Clark herd is another one of individual merit and faultless breeding.

There are also several young bulls from 12 to 18 months of age that are fit to head any herd, both individually and in breeding.

The females are all of good breeding, and all of breeding age are bred to these herd bulls. Full particulars may be had from catalogues.

TERMS:—Cash or 9 months time on approved notes bearing 10 per cent interest. Buyers from a distance will please bring bank references.

Certified pedigree will be furnished with each animal sold. All stock to be shipped will be put on cars free of expense to buyer, but will be at buyers risk as soon as bid off.

All buyers from a distance will stop at Boyd hotel as our guests. A cordial invitation is extended for all to be with us on day of sale. Mail bids sent to owners, auctioneers or fieldmen will be given careful attention. For catalogues address

J. M. ROBERTS, Wayne, Nebr. } Owners
BURTON BROS., Laurel, Nebr. }

E. & D. H. CUNNINGHAM, Wayne, Auctioneers.

M. H. CRUISE, representing Drover's Journal-Stockman, South Omaha, Fieldman.

Public Sale!

I will sell at my farm, one mile east and two and one-half south of Carroll, eight miles due west of Wayne and four miles north of Winside, on what is better known as the George Barnes old place, the following property, at public auction, on

Tuesday, Jan. 12th

FREE LUNCH AT NOON.

SALE RIGHT AFTER.

Five Horses

Buckskin mare 12 years old, wt. 1350; brown horse 15 years old, wt. 1300; bay mare 12 years old, wt. 1100; gray mare 3 years old, wt. 1100; yearling colt.

Forty-Five Cattle

3 milch cows, one to be fresh soon; 38 White Face heifers; 2 steer calves and 1 heifer calf.

Seventy-One Poland China Hogs

30 brood sows, 40 stock hogs and 1 thoroughbred boar.

Machinery, Etc.

Wagon, carriage, single seated buggy, six h. p. Waterloo gasoline engine, International feed grinder, Corn King spreader, hay rack, hog rack, 12-inch Good Enough gang plow, Janesville pulverizer, Joker cultivator, broadcast seeder with grass attachment, Dain hay stacker, Acme sweep, McCormick hay rake, John Deere go-devil, grindstone, 3 feed bunks, 5 hog troughs, set of double harness, 60 tons good wild hay, stack of oat straw, other articles.

TERMS—On all sums over \$10.00 ten months time on approved notes bearing 10 per cent interest, \$10.00 and under cash.

W. C. Schlotfeld, Owner

COL. F. JARVIS, Auctioneer.

DANIEL DAVIS, Clerk.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm has upon the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Remedy for constipation.

GARDNER & WADE, Publishers

Entered at the postoffice at Wayne, Nebraska, as second-class mail matter.

Subscription Rates: One Year... \$1.50. Six Months... 75c. Three Months... 40c. Single Copies... 5c.

WAYNE MARKET REPORT

Following are the market prices quoted us up to the time of going to press, Thursday:

Table with market prices for various commodities: Oats (44c), Corn new (57c), Barley (45c), Spring wheat (1.12), Wheat (1.14), Eggs (25c), Butter (30c), Hogs (65c), Fat Cattle (\$7.50 @ \$9.50).

Advertising is the greatest business tonic, says an exchange. It is more than that in these latter days. It is what business subsists on, and newspaper advertising is beyond doubt the best method to obtain most for the investment.

The suffragists were to visit the President Wednesday and try to persuade him that he should favor the enactment of equal suffrage as the law of all of the land. The President does not necessarily oppose equal suffrage in not favoring their plan. The President in common with many people believes that this is a question for the state to solve. The suffragists evidently believe the same for they have been trying to get the states to enact such laws. Following the rebellion, the national government undertook to say who might vote in the south, and gave the franchise to the negro, who was not qualified in any particular for the trust, and while these are not parable cases the principle of self government is the same. Each state should pass on the qualifications for citizenship to a great degree.

'Buy it NOW' is the new slogan which bids fair to become more than state wide, adopted as a means of stimulating conditions along all lines of trade. The idea is that it will be better for all concerned if people will promptly buy a lot of things they have to have and thus put the money into the channels of trade. That is good advice, and we urge the business world to accept it. You need a lot of job printing, Mr. Merchant and Mr. Businessman—'Buy it NOW'. You need newspaper publicity to make your campaign a success—'Buy it NOW'. You need the Democrat to keep you in touch with this and other great moves—'Buy it NOW'. In short if you have a lot of dollars laying idly about that you are going to have to spend in a short time, get busy and 'SPEND 'EM NOW'. They will do you and others more good than to remain idle.

The early bird does not always get the worm. Henry C. Richmond of Omaha announced himself a candidate for the office of speaker of the present house almost before his nomination was assured in the primary campaign, and then missed out, his vote getting to 13 on one ballot. George Jackson of Nuckolls county was the choice of the members for the speakership. Following are the officers named: George Jackson of Nuckolls, speaker; George W. Potts of Dubois, chief clerk; Horace M. Davis of Ord, first assistant; E. E. Ridgway of Omaha, second assistant; The Rev. Frank Mills of College View, chaplain; J. H. Boyd of Nelson, sergeant-at-arms. Senator Kohl of this county won place of president pro-tem of the senate, with the following men to fill the other places, at a harmonious session of the senate Monday evening. E. A. Walrath of Osceola, secretary; Louis Oldham of Kearney, assistant secretary; The Rev. Mr. Bristow, chaplain; Frank Lawrence of Fremont, sergeant-at-arms.

The school question is going to have a large part of the attention of the legislature at Lincoln this winter if they do their duty. It should have had more attention in the past, for so large a part of the revenues of the state go for school purposes that the best for money should be the slogan. The question of consolidated schools is one that will need to be considered. It should be made possible for dis-

tricts to consolidate if they so desire without much unnecessary red tape. The change, if it comes will then come gradually as communities learn that it is to their advantage to make the change. If it is good the change will come as fast as it can be made. Iowa adopted a plan for the change where desired, and it has been under trial there for several years, and in the two years last past there has been an increase of 62 schools of this class. Two years ago there were but 18 consolidated schools in the state where there are now 80. It seems to spread like a contagion by contact, as most of these schools are in the northwest part of the state. But if the ratio of increase continues, another two years will see several hundred of these schools. The transportation problem was considered the most serious, but reports show that it looked worse than it proved to be.

Painful in The Telling

One of the saddest stories I ever read was the Detroit newspaper story of the misfortune of Champ Clark on occasion of his recent address at the Chamber of Commerce in that city. It is unhappily too true that most gifted men are the victims of some grievous fault. I have never been a great admirer of Speaker Clark, but all the same I am distressed by the unhappy manner in which he is conducting himself while filling a great office, second in importance only to the presidency of the republic. I do not think Clark wrong when I now congratulate him, and also his country, upon the great service which William J. Bryan performed for the republic one day in June, 1912, in Baltimore.—Columbus Telegram.

Personal observation enabled us to know that the speaker of the House of Representatives was a victim of the run king and therefore it was an easy matter to vote against him forty-three times at Baltimore notwithstanding the splendid vote he had received in the primaries in this state.

But why pick out poor old Champ Clark as a terrible example?

We have seen United States senators stagger through the senate chamber in a manner which would cause some saloon keepers to call the patrol wagon if the performance occurred in an orderly saloon. But this is the kind of men the special interests want at Washington.

If those congressman and senators do the bidding of the allied transportation and manufacturing interests, then they need have not fear of any of their moral delinquencies ever getting into any of the large newspapers.

It is no wonder that the question of the entire prohibition of the manufacture of intoxicants is becoming an issue in so many places. We are all so selfish that we care nothing whatever about what our neighbor eats or drinks unless perchance that neighbor should be a locomotive engineer or hold some other position where our life or our fortune is at stake.

It is then that we become radical on the question of intoxicants even if we use them ourselves—we demand that the man we hire for dangerous or important work should have his wits with him all the time.—Creighton Liberal.

The President to Tell Us Something

It is announced that President Wilson will begin a swing of the country in about ninety days, and will invade those sections of the country from whence has come his most persistent opposition, not only from the opposition party, but from those senators in his own party. He is scheduled to invade Nebraska and to speak in Omaha, the home of Senator Hitchcock. He will not only speak concerning measures of political import, but he will tell his side of the patronage fight that has been forced upon him. The president believes that the power given to the president to make appointment by the consent of the senate, doesn't mean that the senators shall make appointments with the consent of the president. Some senators have asked this very thing and refuse to allow the president to have his way in such matters. Especially is this true in Nebraska and that is why the President will shortly come before the Nebraska democrats and tell them that his hands are tied and that he has been asked to be but a figure head in the making of appointments which he alone must assume responsibility for. He may want to know why too, that those who opposed him in his primary campaign in Nebraska, have been singled out especially, for patronage favors, while those who stood by him and for him, have been ignored and to all intents and purposes disbarred from a right to federal appointment.—Riverton Review.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Bad Prophecy

No more dismal failure has ever been recorded than were the predictions of the high tariff advocates during the period just preceding the passage of the last tariff law.

We can all recall vividly the protest made against the certain destruction of the sugar beet and beet sugar industry. It was only a few months ago that a moving picture artist was going about the state showing elaborate pictures of the beet sugar factories and remarking casually that this industry was likely soon to be wiped out because of the graduated reduction of the sugar tariff.

In a recent issue of Farm and Fireside, a high-class agricultural publication, was published a paragraph embodying some authentic estimates showing that the beet sugar crop for 1914 would be 800,000 tons short of that of 1913, and concluding with this significant paragraph:

'The chances are that sugar will be the last one of the products to go down in price.'

What has occurred in relation to sugar has been even more pronounced in relation to sheep and wool. When the tariff law was passed sheep men in the northwest were quite well convinced by the false prophets that they would simply have to kill off all their sheep to keep them from eating their heads off.

Within a month or two after the tariff had passed taking the tariff off wool, sheep men were astounded to observe that sheep and wool had gone up tremendously, and that those of them who had sold at a sacrifice had been bilked. Now comes an expert in the same paper referred to above who tells why he sees a 'really good time coming for the sheep man.' This is what he says:

'England is the distributing point of the world's wool, especially for that of her great wool-producing colonies. She has now strictly prohibited its export. She will take in all she can and keep it for her own manufacturers. The allied armies need enormous supplies of woolen clothing, far more than their own factories can turn out. Already many of our mills are running day and night to fill contracts made with England and France.'

'The coarse wools of the Down breed and their crosses are used altogether for that class of goods, and their prices have gone up to 10 to 15 per cent, and are still rising. We may get a few bales from South America, but our farmers must find the bulk of what is needed. Fine wools are not in such good demand.'

'Our beef supply is certainly not in excess, and this sudden call for it cannot and in other forms must tend to raise its cost. Mutton and lamb are gaining in popularity; the Down breeds produce the best of them, as well as the wool now most in demand.'—Lincoln Star.

Talk about the wealth of this country as you will, few can conceive of our possibilities. In one week, for instance, the stock growers of this country were paid \$11,134,210 for 442,453 head of cattle at the Chicago union stock yards. Multiply that by 50, then consider the other great stock markets all over the country and dream of the results. A Boston banker has been considering our possibilities from his view point, and is quoted as given below, and the chances are about even if he is a Boston banker that he has never seen the half of our vast inland empire to take in its possibilities: 'People have no idea how rich this country is. If we weren't a nation of spenders and wasters, ten years would see us dominating the finance of the world. And even as it is, our surplus is going to play a big part in foreign fields. I wouldn't be surprised to see an immense amount of United States capital invested in Europe after this war is over; and it is going to go into South America independent of the war.'

Late News Notes

Medil McCormick of the Illinois moose party has taken his doll and gone back to his first love, and it is said that he will take a lot of his little boy friends with him, and thus cause the death of the moose party in the state of Illinois. This leaves Teddy with one less millionaire lieutenant. It is said that the three moose members of the New York legislature may become lonesome and do likewise.

Delicate Children

usually only need a food tonic to make them strong and healthy. Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion containing Hypophosphites is not only the best food tonic but is pleasant to take. Sold only by us. The Shultheis Pharmacy.

Among the Churches of Wayne

Methodist Church

(Rev. A. S. Buell, Pastor) At the Methodist Sunday school last Sunday, the new officers were installed and assumed their duties. A very impressive installation service was held when the members of the school met the teachers and officers at the altar and pledged faithfulness to each other and to the work of the Sunday school for the ensuing year.

The men of the Brotherhood will have charge of the service next Sunday morning. The speakers are to be Prof. Bowen and Prof. I. H. Britell. The subject is 'Service' from the text 'Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's'. Professor Bowen speaking on first part of the text, and Professor Britell speaking on the last part.

A mass meeting of all the churches and temperance people of Wayne will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday afternoon at 3:00. National worker, John G. Wooley, will give the address. The exercises will be in charge of one of the state workers of the anti-saloon league. The league is launching a campaign for state-wide prohibition in 1916. Temperance sentiment is growing and it is hoped to get Nebraska in readiness for the national campaign which is certain to come within a year or two. Special music will be provided and a full house is expected.

The 2nd Quarterly Conference will be held in the church Monday evening, January 18, at 8 o'clock. This will be an open meeting and all members and friends of the church are invited to attend. The regular members of the quarterly conference board are especially urged to be present with reports of their work. Dr. E. E. Hosman will be present.

The Brotherhood of the M. E. church will have charge of the program next Sunday morning at the Methodist church. The programs they are giving are of great interest and those who are not hearing them are missing much. Professor Coleman, the chorister, will furnish some special music for the occasion and Professors Bowen and Britell, who are the speakers, will have something to say that you cannot afford to miss hearing. All who come will receive a cordial welcome and cannot fail to be benefitted.—E. S. Blair, President.

The ladies of the Missionary society are planning a chicken supper to be held in the church parlors next week. Particulars next week.

The church is planning on revival meetings beginning January 24. The Rev. Wiley H. Shoaf of Wisner and others will assist in the meetings.

To all these services you are very cordially invited. The pastor is in Wakefield this week assisting Rev. Hatfield in special meetings.

Choir practice this week Friday evening at Mrs. Ed. Johnson's, instead of Thursday evening.

Presbyterian Church

(Rev. S. Xenophon Cross, Pastor) We have entered upon a new year of service of Christ and the church. With the past we have nothing more to do, except to be thankful for its many blessings and seek to profit by its mistakes. The church demands the most efficient work of which we are capable. There is no branch of our church service which does not need more helpers.

The Sunday school is in very good condition. The greatest immediate need is more members in the adult classes. The Christian Endeavors are planning to organize a teachers training class. Prof. J. H. Kemp has been persuaded to keep his position of superintendent which assures progress for another year.

The Christian Endeavor society held an enthusiastic business meeting Monday evening at the home of the president, Miss Elizabeth Mines. The temperature record on the efficiency thermometer is steadily rising. One of the C. E. New Year's resolutions is that our record shall be at least 75 by Easter. You are invited to attend the Endeavor meeting next Sunday evening.

The church prayer meetings is held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 in the lecture room of the church. The pastor will lead the prayer meeting this week. The subject will be: 'The Prayers of David'. It will be very gratifying to the new pastor to meet a large percentage of the members at the meeting this week.

The hour of morning worship is 10:30, sharp. The pastor will preach a sermon taking for a text the first verse in the bible. At the evening service at 7:30, the sermon subject will be 'The Name of Jesus'. You are cordially invited.

to worship with us. Good music at all the seasons.

Now, start the new year right. You will never be sorry. Show your interest by your presence. Young people, attend the various services. Your being present will be very much appreciated. We must all pull together if a great work is to be accomplished. This can be the greatest year and the best of your life thus far. You can make 1915 a blessed year in the history of our church.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

(Rev. Blessing, Pastor.) Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Morning Worship at 11 o'clock. Evening Worship at 7:45 o'clock. Luther League at 6:45 o'clock.

The subject of the sermon Sunday morning will be 'The Value of Divine Testing' Luke 12:49. Every person desires to have his own way in matters pertaining to himself. He does not want to be brought to a test, in his relations with his fellow men, yet such testing reveals his mistakes and is of value to him. In regard to spiritual matters, man does not wish to be tested. He desires to have his own way. If he wishes to live at ease, enjoying the pleasures of the world, he thinks that it pertains to no one but himself. But tested by the spirit of God, though man may realize it or not, it is of infinite value to man. David thought that he could have his own way in life, but when Nathan revealed to him, where it would lead, as the Divine test was applied, he was grateful to God for the test.

The subject for the evening thought will be 'The opening of the Soul' Mark 3:33.

The annual congregational meeting held last Sunday was the best attended in the history of the church. All reports were most gratifying, showing that a marked increase had been made in every department of work and the organization now stands without a burden. Three new church officers were elected at that time. Ole Hurstad, elder; Henry Hansen, trustee; Sedwick Swanson, deacon. Choir rehearsal next Thursday evening in the study of the church. Catechetical class will meet Saturday afternoon at half past two.

A cordial invitation is extended to all who wish to worship with us.

Baptist Church

(Rev. B. P. Richardson, Pastor) The prayer meetings this week have been worth having. Those who have attended are richer for having been present. Only two more meetings this week—tonight and Friday. You ought to try especially to be present at both these services. It will mean much for you to come.

Dr. Wilson Mills, will preach for us Sunday morning. Dr. Mills will follow with an inspirational message, the theme of our week of prayer. It will help you to hear him. Let us be prepared to get his inspiration.

Sunday afternoon, at the Methodist church, there will be a great address given. John G. Woolly, one of the most brilliant orators of the American platform will speak. Every person wants to hear Woolly.

The young people's session will be led by one of the officers, Sunday evening. Let us all help make it a strong meeting.

At 7:30 the pastor will preach another sermon of the series on 'Men of Achievement' in Bible history. The subject being, 'Joseph, the Conqueror'.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

A great many of the members seem anxious to have some special meetings this winter. The pastor believes that we ought to plan for something of this sort. Let us talk it over among ourselves and see if arrangements cannot be made in the matter.

German Lutheran Church

(Rev. Moehring, Pastor) The usual services will be held at this church Sunday, the pastor again being able to speak. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching an hour later. This last service will be followed by the quarterly conference, and it is hoped that all members will make it a point to attend this meeting.

Librarians Report

For the month of December, 1914. Number of books loaned—adults, 536; children, 407; total, 943. General average 42.8. New reader's cards 12. Magazines 46. German books 5.

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Local News

Lovers of the best singing will be entertained this evening at the Normal chapel, when Helen Axe Brown, the famous dramatic soprano, will sing. Tonight, remember.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Dayton Friday afternoon where they will have a 'Patent Medicine Quiz.' Mrs. J. T. House will talk on 'Medical Temperance.'

Carl Baker has sold his farm of 80 acres southwest of Wayne to Otto Fleer, the price being \$152,50, says the Kohl Investment Co. Possession is to be given March 1st, and Mr. Baker is preparing for a sale at an early date.

Miss Elizabeth Kingsbury of the college faculty has just received a message from defiance telling of the death of her father at their home there today. Mr. K. was injured by a fall a short time ago, and the daughter, who was home for holiday vacation remained with him until Tuesday on account of the accident, and it is supposed that death was the result of the injury.

Adolph Rethwisch from near Carroll went to Lincoln a few days ago accompanying his son, Hans, to that city where the young man has entered the agricultural department of the university for a short course in stock and farm. It is a wise thing to do, and if the lad makes the best of the opportunity it will be worth to him and the home farm many times the cost of the schooling.

Thursday evening at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Myers, in the north part of the city occurred the death of their little son, John Francis Myers, aged 4 years and 13 days, after a lingering sickness, of heart and kidney troubles. The burial was Saturday, January 2d, a funeral service being conducted from the home by Rev. Father Kearns. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the community in their sad loss.

Cooper Ellis, who was at Sioux City last week as one of the contestants in the chess contest in that place won 4th place, which is remarkable well for so young a player. He won ten games, lost five. The chess club at this place is increasing in membership and interest is growing in the game as those who just began the game become better acquainted with it. There is a move on foot to have the champion player of the United States meet with the club here before the winter is over. A visit from such a noted player would do much to stimulate interest in the game, but it is not probable that any here would win a game from him should he stay a week.

The Crystal Theatre moved their equipment today, from the old site on the west side of Main street across the street to the old Cozy Theatre building next door south of the Boyd hotel. The show will still be known as the Crystal. Mr. Hostettler, owner, and Oscar Liedtke, manager, went to Omaha a few days ago and returned with a new Powers 6-A, motor driven picture machine and have everything in shape to offer the patrons the best pictures possible. A 50 ft. addition will be built on the building and a larger stage will be put in as soon as the weather permits and first class vaudeville, will be run occasionally as well as small road shows.

The Firemen's Masquerade Ball held in the opera house New Years night was a decided success from both a financial and social standpoint. Through the earlier part of the evening the balcony was crowded with spectators and a great number remained until late. The dance floor was crowded and the costumed dancers were a source of great amusement to the balcony. Midnight supper was served at the Calumet Cafe. The Ballard-Pumleigh-Sherbahn orchestra scored as usual and were called upon for several encores to many of their numbers. The total proceeds were \$165 which will go into the treasury of the department and arrangements are already being made to hold another big masquerade some time in the near future.

Two Bucks, O. O. and Lilly M., own and edit the Newman Grove Reporter. They carry a few paragraphs under the heading of 'Buckshot', and here is a specimen or two:

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Otto Mick from Carroll was in the city Monday on business.

J. H. Kemp was a passenger to Norfolk Tuesday on business.

Dr. T. T. Jones went to Winside Tuesday on a professional call.

Mr. J. H. Porter came down from Carroll Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Pierson of Carroll were visitors in Wayne Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Hornby was in the city shopping from Carroll Monday.

Fred Hinkle returned to Wayne Monday from Oakland to spend the winter at home.

Ferdinand Ortman returned to Winside Tuesday after a short visit with friends in Wayne.

Miss Margaret Coleman went to Carroll last Thursday to spend the New Years day with her sister, Mrs. Tim Collins.

Miss Lilly Hersch returned to Bloomfield Monday after visiting at the Ed Murrill home in Wayne during the holidays.

Hear John G. Woolly at the Methodist church Sunday, 3 p. m. He is one of our great orators. Admission free.—adv.

W. R. Hoyt of Bloomfield passed through Wayne Monday night returning from an extended trip to Sioux Falls and Sioux City.

Leslie Welch left for Kansas City, Mo., Monday, where he practices law after spending two weeks with his parents, Judge and Mrs. A. A. Welch.

Mrs. Young, who has been visiting home folks, Wm. Gildersleeve and family for a week, returned to her home at Percivil, Iowa, Saturday morning.

C. Clasen went to Akron, Iowa, Friday to accompany his aunt home, Mrs. P. F. Johnson, who had been spending two weeks at the Clasen home.

Rev. J. H. Hand of Allen is at Wausa this week assisting the pastor of the Methodist church of that place, Rev. Martin, in a series of special meetings.

Chas. Edwards and family from Ogden, Utah, passed through the city Tuesday enroute from Ogden to Carroll where they will make an extended visit with relatives.

W. A. Mosby, lineman for the Bell Telephone Company left for his home in Decatur, Ill., Tuesday in response to a telegram stating that his mother was seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Churchill left for their home at Winnepeg, Canada, Saturday after a two week's visit here at the home of Mrs. Churchill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Neely.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Donahy went to Sioux City Friday morning to visit at the home of Mrs. Clark, Miss Emma Clark, who had been visiting her sister here and relatives at Sholes, accompanied them to her home.

Miss Florence Kingsbury arrived in Wayne Sunday after a two weeks visit with relatives in Preston, Minn. She stopped in Wakefield on her return for a short visit with her father, W. W. Kingsbury and family.

Clarence Anderson from St. Francis, Minnesota, has been spending a fortnight with his folks at Winside and his friends here. He was visiting at the home of I. D. and E. Henderson Monday and Tuesday, and returns to Minnesota this week.

Who said that the ballot in the hands of woman makes no difference? Mayor Carter Harrison of Chicago has consented to be a candidate for re-election, but he would not make announcement until his wife gave her consent. Bet he never before asked her permission.

Peter Henkle went to Sioux City Saturday for a brief holiday, the only one he had at this vacation time. He presides faithfully at the furnace room of the public school building and also over the cleaning department, and his work is always faithfully looked after.

Jos. Egler was over from Wakefield Friday to visit his sister, Mrs. Almira Merriman, who had the misfortune to fall from a chair and injure her shoulder last week. No bones were broken which is fortunate, for as she has passed four-score years of life, a fracture would be a serious matter for her.

Perry Benshoof came from Van Tassel Tuesday morning to visit Nebraska friends for a week or two. He reports that they have had a fine winter thus far for stock, and that he has had to feed but one or two days. The Wayne folks in that vicinity are all reported to be in good health and spirits, and Perry appears to be thriving with the best of them.

Allen has organized a commercial club with 46 living members. We venture to guess that the number will be less before it is much greater, for it is the rule that the business men of a place seldom stay enthused over such a proposition. The officers are: President, A. R. Wilson; vice president, V. W. McDonald; second vice president, J. H. Hard; secretary, W. F. Filley; treasurer, Frank Clough.

A number of farmers in this and neighboring counties are putting up ice for use next summer. It is a good thing, and the cost need not be high for a lot of ice. Straw and chaff are mostly used for packing and covering in this land that has no sawdust, and it is a good substitute. But the man who will make a fortune is the one who can find some method of storing the summer heat for winter use—if he can get a corner on the scheme and use it to buck the coal trust.

Last Thursday Miss Katherine Lewis left home to begin school work at Tucson, Arizona, where she has been elected to a splendid position in the high school. A graduate of the Wayne high school, the State Normal here and the university at Lincoln she has proven a successful instructor. She but recently finished a course at Ames, where she made a specialty of domestic science and agriculture. Thus fitted for her life work of teaching she has been called to the best school in the new and progressive state of Arizona.

Dr. G. J. Neely left for Sioux City Monday morning, preparatory to having an operation performed on his left leg, which has been the source of considerable pain and suffering to the doctor in the past. The injury originated from a fall when the doctor was a boy, and was followed immediately by an operation which failed to bring complete relief, two more operations followed in the years ensuing each of which proved no more benefitting than the first. A bone splinter in the leg seems to be the source of the affliction and it is hoped when this is removed it will produce the required results.—Winside Tribune.

COUNTY BOARD.

Wayne, Neb., Dec. 29th, 1914.

Board met as per adjournment. All members present.

Proceedings of December 7 and 15 read and approved.

The following official bonds were on motion duly approved—

D. M. Davis, as constable of Deer Creek precinct.

Pearl E. Sewell, as county superintendent of schools.

J. C. McDonald as overseer of road district No. 27.

George W. Sweigard, as overseer of road district No. 33.

Frank Larsen, as overseer of road district No. 45.

George Reuter, as overseer of road district No. 21.

Anton Granquist as overseer of road district No. 55.

Harry McMillan, as overseer of road district No. 41.

Art Ziegler, as overseer of road district No. 64.

B. Stevenson as justice of the peace for Sherman precinct.

James Britton, as county judge.

Robert H. Jones, as county surveyor.

George Porter, as sheriff.

William Beckenbauer, as coroner.

The following claims were on motion audited and allowed, and warrants ordered drawn on the respective funds as follows:

County general fund—

465 Austin Western Road Machinery company, grader supplies	16.70
540 Austin Western Road Machinery company, grader	136.80
893 Austin Western Road Machinery company, two graders and grader supplies	424.00
897 Nebraska Culvert & Manufacturing company, two wheelers with steel wheels	104.00
898 Nebraska Culvert & Manufacturing company, two wheelers with steel wheels	104.00
1206 University Pub. company, supplies for county superintendent	5.09
1238 Orr & Morris company, groceries for Mrs. Sparks	34.29
1245 E. J. Huntmer, surveying	28.50
1258 Mrs. Irene Snell, December allowance as guardian for Opal, George	

and Jack Snell, minors 20.00

1270 Costs in the case of Amanda Johnson, insane. Dr. J. J. Williams, examination and commissioner 8.00

James Britton, commissioner 3.00

Forrest L. Hughes, commissioner and clerk's costs 5.25

George T. Porter, sheriff's costs, mileage and expense 7.00

B. M. McIntyre, witness 2.00

1284 Hammond & Stephens company, supplies for county superintendent 15.15

1285 Henry Hogrefe, blacksmithing .75

1295 L. C. Larson, blacksmithing 101.00

1296 Hammond & Stephens company, supplies for county superintendent 11.55

1300 H. B. Craven, hardware 101.25

1302 Mrs. W. P. Agler, four weeks' board of pauper 24.00

1304 George T. Porter, salary from November 8 to December 8, 1914. 100.00

1305 Nebraska Democrat, printing 38.38

1306 Wayne Herald, printing 88.70

1307 Wayne Herald supplies for county clerk 30.25

1308 Wayne Herald, supplies for county clerk, \$52.85; for county judge, \$14.00, total 66.85

1314 Henry Rethwisch, freight advanced 54

1315 G. A. Lamberson, coal for Mrs. Sparks 19.90

1316 G. A. Lamberson, coal for Mrs. Baker 8.65

1317 Eph Anderson, advanced for freight, drayage, axle grease and telephone 7.37

1318 L. A. Kiplinger, salary fourth quarter and expenses 215.70

1319 George S. Farran, cash advanced, freight, telephone, postage 12.71

1320 George S. Farran, commissioner services 117.50

1321 Henry Rethwisch, commissioner services 88.60

1322 Eph Anderson, commissioner services 104.00

Inheritance Tax fund—

1219 Lloyd Prince, hauling cement and hauling and cutting weeds 3.00

Rejected claims—

645 Lee Arnett, grader supplies, claimed \$16.70, examined and rejected.

Laid over and not passed on claims—

1912-763 for \$1.50, 999 for \$2.

1914-108 for \$16.45, 123 for \$13.06, 541 for \$157.00, 557 for \$16.95, 617 for \$6.00, 684 for \$6.00, 687 for \$223.09, 688 for \$345.23, 696 for \$267.30, 698 for \$20.00, 673 for \$27.20, 764 for \$195.80, 765 for \$13.20, 800 for \$60.00, 812 for \$41.00, 818 for \$80.75, 823 for \$79.75, 824 for \$200.00, 825 for \$99.50, 954 for \$38.00, 975 for \$38.50, 876 for \$35.00, 877 for \$59.50, 899 for \$356.00, 902 for \$14.25, 910 for \$7.00, 920 for \$83.50, 923 for \$308.55, 925 for \$4.00, 952 for \$92.00, 958 for \$42.00, 959 for \$56.00, 960 for \$217.00, 994 for \$82.00, 1014 for \$61.50, 1022 for \$187.00, 1024 for \$200.00, 1034 for \$10.50, 1042 for \$36.00, 1043 for \$11.95, 1045 for \$17.50, 1055 for \$57.50, 1062 for \$7.50, 1076 for \$193.60, 1077 for \$46.30, 1117 for \$34.00, 1124 for \$5.00, 1128 for \$131.20, 1132 for \$13.25, 1133 for \$7.00, 1134 for \$3.50, 1135 for \$60.50, 1137 for \$15.75, 1143 for \$6.50, 1149 for \$7.00, 1156 for \$125.00, 1165 for \$15.75, 1167 for \$20.00, 1180 for \$5.00, 1181 for \$153.20, 1189 for \$142.88, 1191 for \$110.75, 1192 for \$14.00, 1193 for \$10.00, 1202 for \$7.00, 1204 for \$111.75, 1208 for \$3.50, 1209 for \$30.00, 1210 for \$14.00, 1211 for \$17.50, 1212 for \$41.25, 1213 for \$45.25, 1214 for \$2.50, 1215 for \$86.50, 1216 for \$10.50, 1217 for \$3.50, 1218 for \$7.00, 1220 for \$63.00, 1221 for \$71.50, 1222 for \$29.75, 1223 for \$97.75, 1224 for \$9.50, 1225 for \$3.50, 1226 for \$3.50, 1227 for \$5.25, 1228 for \$5.25, 1229 for \$5.00, 1230 for \$2.00, 1231 for \$2.00, 1232 for \$4.50, 1233 for \$5.25, 1234 for \$8.75, 1235 for \$28.00, 1236 for \$27.50, 1237 for \$11.40, 1239 for \$7.75, 1240 for \$16.00, 1241 for \$75.00, 1242 for \$5.25, 1243 for \$1.75, 1244 for \$10.00, 1246 for \$7.50, 1247 for \$68.00, 1248 for \$11.00, 1249 for \$31.50, 1250 for \$7.00, 1251 for \$7.00, 1252 for \$7.00, 1253 for \$7.00, 1254 for \$2.00, 1255 for \$1.00, 1256 for \$28.00, 1257 for \$2.00, 1259 for \$7.00, 1260 for \$1.00, 1261 for \$3.00, 1262 for \$11.00, 1263 for \$7.50, 1264 for \$15.50, 1265 for \$19.25, 1266 for \$9.50, 1267 for \$7.00, 1268 for \$6.00, 1269 for \$15.75, 1271 for \$35.00, 1272 for \$3.50, 1273 for \$7.00, 1274 for \$20.00, 1275 for \$19.25, 1276 for \$3.50, 1277 for \$35.00, 1278 for \$10.50, 1279 for \$8.75, 1280 for \$3.50, 1281 for \$66.50, 1282 for \$5.25, 1283 for \$39.25, 1286 for \$3.50, 1287 for \$1.75, 1288 for \$3.50, 1289 for \$36.75, 1290 for \$1.85, 1291 for \$748.80, 1292 for \$3.50, 1293 for \$7.00, 1294 for \$121.00, 1297 for \$7.00, 1298 for \$3.50, 1281 for \$66.50, 1282 for \$3.50, 1303 for \$3.50, 1309 for \$32.00, 1310 for \$9.20, 1311 for \$100.42, 1312 for \$3.50, 1313 for \$31.50.

Audited and allowed claims, but no warrants ordered.

1027 for \$3,000.00, 1028 for \$3,000.00, 1029 for \$4,000.

Comes now C. M. Craven and says that for the year 1914 he was charged with poll tax, which was certified up by the city clerk of Wayne to the county clerk to be spread on the tax list. That he paid said tax of \$2.50 and interest amounting to \$2.75 under protest, and filed the receipt with the affidavit attached within the thirty days as required by law, showing that he has served his time as a volunteer fireman and is not subject to tax. Thereupon the board after considering the same, orders the treasurer to refund the sum of \$2.75, tax and interest.

Comes now C. M. Craven and says that for the year 1914 he was charged with a poll tax, which was certified up by the city clerk of Wayne to the county clerk to be spread on the tax list. That he paid said tax under protest for the reason that he had served his time as fireman, which exempted him from poll tax. That he filed his receipt and affidavit within the time required by law and asks that the treasurer be ordered to refund to the said C. M. Craven the sum of \$2.50. The board after due consideration orders treasurer to refund the sum of \$2.50, poll tax so paid under protest.

Whereupon the board adjourned to January 6, 1915.

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NEBRASKA NEWS

Elected by Democratic Caucus to Lead Lower House.

POTTS IS NAMED CHIEF CLERK

First Ballot on This Position Results in Choice, With Horace M. Davis First Assistant—New Rules to Govern House—Fix Time of Sessions.

Lincoln, Jan. 5.—George Jackson, implement dealer of Nelson, was selected for speaker of the house of representatives by the Democratic caucus on the fourth ballot. George W. Potts was selected for chief clerk and Horace M. Davis, of Ord, first assistant clerk.

Henry C. Richmond of Omaha was strongest on the third ballot, when he polled thirteen votes, having received eleven votes on the two preceding ballots.

On the fourth ballot the landslide to Jackson resulted and before the vote was counted a motion to make the selection unanimous was made and passed.

Sixty Democrats constituted the house roll who made the choice of officers for the session.

G. W. Potts was elected chief clerk on the first ballot and Horace M. Davis was elected first assistant on the first ballot.

George W. Potts is from Pawnee county. He is a grain dealer and was a leading member of the Thirty-third session of the legislature two years ago.

New Rules to Govern.

New rules will govern the legislature at the coming session, according to action taken by the Democratic caucus called at the Lindell hotel to listen to the report of the legislative committee.

The report of the committee was adopted without much change from the published report. W. J. Taylor of Custer was chairman and Datoe of Johnson, secretary.

The Wisconsin system was adopted, wherein bills introduced will have the old matter to be stricken out printed in cancelled letters and the new matter in italics, while the bill will be letter-head size.

Engrossed and enrolled bills will be typewritten and the minutes of the previous day will be printed and laid on the table each morning and then sufficient copies printed to be bound into the house journal at the close of the session.

Sessions of the house will be from 9 in the morning until 12 and from 1:30 in the afternoon until 3, when the committee will meet and work until 6. Employees were cut down from seventy-one to thirty-one and the mail carriers and postmasters eliminated. In place of these a substitution of the postoffice will be established during the session. There will be fewer committees and fewer members to each committee.

Des Moines Man Chosen State Chemist

W. F. Frisbee of Des Moines has been appointed state chemist in connection with the pure food department of the state to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of D. L. Redfern, who has filled that position for many years and who accepts a similar position with the Iowa pure food department at a substantial increase in salary. Mr. Frisbee has been second in charge of the state chemist's department in Iowa for seven years and is a graduate of Yale.

IMPLEMENT MEN MEET

Midwest Dealers Start Annual Exhibition at Omaha.

Omaha, Jan. 4.—Perhaps the finest implement show ever held in the central west started in the Auditorium today and will last until Friday evening. The Midwest Implement Dealers' association is holding this exhibition in connection with its annual convention here.

Farm tractors are on exhibit—this year in considerable numbers. The show began a day before the convention actually opens and will continue a day after the convention proper closes.

Smith Goes to Jail.

Omaha, Jan. 5.—Del R. Smith, who was sentenced to six months and fined \$500 as an accomplice in the Walter S. Sammons case, gave himself up to Logan Sammons, brother of the convicted man at Kearney. Smith was granted a parole to spend Christmas with his family on condition that he would report to the officials at Kearney immediately following the holidays.

Surety Company Pays Shortage.

Harrisburg, Neb., Jan. 5.—A check has been received from an Omaha bonding company, surety for J. W. Hill, treasurer of Banner county, for \$729.71, the amount found due by the state examiner. The check will be turned over to the commissioners at the next meeting on their acceptance of the same and signing the proper voucher.

River Meeting to Be a Hummer.

Omaha, Jan. 5.—Various clubs and organizations in the city are taking a keen interest in the big Missouri river navigation mass meeting to be held at the Commercial club rooms Friday evening. The business men feel that Missouri river navigation is the largest project undertaken here for some time.

WEBSTER SUBMITS REPORT

Calls For The Celebration of State's Fiftieth Anniversary.

Lincoln, Jan. 4.—General John L. Webster of Omaha, president of the Nebraska State Historical society, made his report to the governor of the work of the society during the last two years.

According to the report, in addition to the \$20,000 voted by the last legislature for marking the Oregon trail through the state, \$1,399.95 additional was contributed from private sources. This has all been spent in an effort to do the work and it is nearly completed.

The report calls attention to the fact that March 1, 1917, will be the fiftieth anniversary of the birth of the state, and he believes steps should be taken for a fitting celebration of that event. General Webster calls attention to the needs of the society of a building suitable for the society and the storing of its valuable records and recommends an appropriation sufficient to complete one or two stories of the building already started at Sixteenth and H, near the state house grounds.

SUPREME COURT OPINIONS

Decision in Shellenbarger Murder Case Is Reversed.

Lincoln, Jan. 5.—Supreme court opinions cover several damage suits from Douglas county, the Shellenbarger murder case from Nemaha county, in which the district court is reversed, and the opinion of the court denying the application of John I. Tamnostian, an Omaha merchant, to have his name, Mohammed Nadir, under which he was christened, restored.

In the case of Edgar Wenquist, a motorman in the service of the Omaha street railway company, the judgment secured in the Douglas county district court was affirmed.

The court also affirms the judgment of the Douglas county district court secured by James Usher for personal injuries received while in the employ of the smelter.

The court affirms the judgment secured by Mary A. Rosencrans against the Modern Woodmen of America, the court holding that absence for seven years was sufficient to warrant the presumption of death of her husband, Charles H. M. Rosencrans, and that the policy was payable.

SHORT BALLOT MEETING

Conference to Be Held at Lincoln January 15.

Lincoln, Jan. 4.—A short ballot conference will be held at the state house, Lincoln, Jan. 15. This conference, which is said to be the first of its kind ever held in this state, is being promoted and will be held under the auspices of the Nebraska Popular Government league.

The need of the short ballot and its efficiency, as compared with the present system, will be the theme for discussion.

"The purpose of this conference," says C. A. Sorenson, secretary, "is to crystallize the rapidly growing sentiment in favor of the short ballot. It is expected that the conference will appoint a committee to work with the legislature."

First Service in Plymouth Church.

Omaha, Jan. 4.—The first services in the new auditorium of Plymouth Congregational church were held in the new building at Eighteenth and Emmet street. The auditorium marks the completion of the new church, built since the tornado of March 23, 1913, destroyed the old church. Hundreds flocked to the service and filled the auditorium to overflowing so that many were turned away unable to find accommodations.

Hotel in Beatrice Suffers From Fire.

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 4.—Fire partially destroyed the interior and the west end of the Butler hotel, at Third and Court streets, driving the guests into the streets. The firemen succeeded in confining the flames to the part of the building where the fire broke out. The loss is placed at \$3,000, covered by insurance.

Gage County Ships Flour.

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 4.—Gage county's carload of flour for the Belgian sufferers was shipped from Blue Springs to New York. The car, which contained 900 sacks, was consigned to W. C. Edgar, publisher of the Northwestern Miller, who is promoter of the movement to send flour to stricken Belgium.

Irrigation Convention at Sidney.

Sidney, Neb., Jan. 5.—Prominent among the attractive features on the program for the irrigation convention at Sidney, Jan. 7, 8 and 9, will be a thorough and comprehensive study of irrigating by means of pumping plants in the valleys of Nebraska, by men who have studied this method of irrigation.

M. D. Stone Is Dead.

Republican City, Neb., Jan. 5.—M. D. Stone, aged seventy-one years, an old soldier and an old settler of this section, died at his home, eight miles south of this place. He leaves a large family of children besides a widow and two brothers.

Dates Set For Farm Congress.

Omaha, Jan. 5.—The National Farmers' congress has definitely set its dates for the big annual national convention, which is to be held in Omaha this year. The meeting is to be held Sept. 28 to Oct. 1, inclusive.

WAR NEWS SUMMARIZED

The French forces have occupied the heights around Sennheim and in addition have driven the Germans out of Steinbach, a village farther to the north.

At other points along the front extending to the North sea there has been only intermittent cannonading.

Both Russians and Germans admit that no important change has taken place of late on the front along the left bank of the Vistula. In west Galicia the Russians are making steady progress and according to their official statement have captured many Austrian prisoners. Russian troops have crossed the crown land of Bukowina and occupied the town of Suzawa, within a short distance of the Austro-Roumanian frontier.

In France and Belgium the attacks of the allies have failed to develop into another great battle and it is believed in London that the attempt to expel the Germans from their conquered territory may be deferred for several months.

The capture by the French of Steinbach, a small Alsatian town near Thann, is admitted in the statement from the Berlin war office. Except for this fighting along the eastern end of the battle front, there is little activity, the German counter attacks apparently having halted effectually the forward movement which the allies attempted last month. A few unimportant gains are chronicled in the French official statement.

The German statement makes no mention of the severe fighting in the east reported by the Russian military authorities. It says merely that the situation is unchanged and German attacks continue.

Violent fighting is in progress along the eastern battle front, leading at points to desperate hand-to-hand encounters. An official Russian statement shows that, after capturing Bolimow, the Germans attempted to push on to the northeast in the direction of Warsaw, about thirty miles away. This movement marked the renewal of the German offensive toward the Polish capital, after a period of comparative inactivity, but their advance in this direction is said to have been repulsed, with large losses.

The official statement given out in Paris shows that the artillery fighting along the front is proceeding intermittently and at some points with particular violence. There seems to have been few infantry attacks recently. The French admit failure in an effort to occupy a German position in the Meuse country. They claim, however, further progress in Steinbach.

The London Stock exchange reopened for business after having been closed on account of the war since July 30. Severe restrictions were placed upon trading in order to prevent anything approaching panic selling or the unloading of securities by hostile holders.

Wheat prices at Chicago overtopped all previous high records since the beginning of the European war. May delivery went to \$1.34 3/4 a bushel.

French aviators dropped several bombs in the vicinity of Brussels, partly destroying a Zeppelin shed and killing several German soldiers. Work of the American Red Cross hospital unit in Serbia, under direction of Dr. Edward Ryan of Scranton, Pa., has saved many lives in and around Belgrade, according to Miss Emily Simmonds, a British Red Cross nurse, who was sent with the first British expeditionary force into France and from there to Serbia.

Newspaper dispatches forecast possible grave happenings in the Balkans. The revolutionary situation in Albania is said to have grown worse and it is declared that the efforts of the Christian Balkan states to secure the neutrality of Bulgaria apparently have not met complete success and that Greece, Serbia and Roumania are preparing for eventualities.

Pope Benedict is hopeful that during January many wounded soldiers in capable of further fighting will be returned to their home countries. Great Britain has notified the United States government that seized cargoes of turpentine, rosin and copper shipped before they were placed on the contraband list have been or will be paid for.

No decisive engagements are noted in the latest official communications issued by the various governments. The situation in Belgium and northern France has not changed materially in several weeks past, while in the east the reports are at variance.

Sanguinary fighting continues in that broad reach of territory between the Vistula and Pilica rivers, in Poland, where the Germans are endeavoring to push through toward their objective, the Polish capital, and every where are being met with stern resistance by the Muscovite forces. Germany merely says of the contest here that its offensive has made progress in the district of the Rawa river, but that in the other regions the situation is unchanged.

Petrograd has made no report. Farther south in Galicia and up in the Carpathian passes the Russians seemingly hold their reported advantage over the Austrians.

Upper Alsace seems to be the center of the most important fighting in the western arena of the war. Engagements of a violent nature are being fought in the region of Sennheim, which the French call Cernay, lying about eight miles northwest of Muelhausen.

LIVE STOCK PRICES AT SOUTH OMAHA

Fat Cattle Slow to Lower and Other Kinds Steady.

HOGS SHOW BUT LITTLE CHANGE

Lambs, Yearlings and Ewes Strong to 10@15c Higher—Bulk of Lamb Move at a Range of \$8.05@8.50 and Ewes at \$5.50@5.75.

Union Stock Yards, South Omaha, Jan. 6.—Cattle receipts yesterday amounted to 5,400 head. The demand was good and the market as a whole in very fair shape. The fact that beef steers sold lower at most market points Monday, while prices here remained steady, or very nearly so, made buyers a little bearish yesterday morning and they wanted to buy the cattle lower. As sellers were not inclined to make any price concessions without a fight the trade was in consequence a little slow on that kind of cattle. The market might in fact be described as slow to possibly 10c lower. Cows and heifers were again in good demand, and they commanded prices that were steady with Monday's decline. Good feeders were in active demand and fully steady. Inferior grades were a little slow, but still without much change in prices. Stock calves were lower.

Cattle quotations: Prime yearlings, \$8.50@9.00; good to choice heaves, \$8.00@8.60; fair to good heaves, \$7.50@8.00; common to fair heaves, \$6.50@7.50; good to choice heifers, \$6.00@7.25; good to choice cows, \$5.75@6.60; fair to good cows, \$5.00@5.60; canners and cutters, \$4.00@5.00; veal calves, \$7.00@8.75; bulls, stags, etc., \$5.00@6.50; good to choice feeders, \$7.25@8.10; fair to good feeders, \$6.75@7.25; common to fair feeders, \$5.75@6.50; stock heifers, \$5.25@6.25; stock cows, \$4.75@5.75; stock calves, \$6.00@8.00.

About 12,500 hogs arrived yesterday. Heavy receipts at all points started a fresh break all along the line and fat hids were around 10c lower, but as buyers were unable to fill any orders at these prices, hids continued to strengthen up, so that before the close a good share of the hogs were cashed at fully steady prices. Bulk of sales were made at \$7.00@7.05, with a top of \$7.10.

Sheep and lamb receipts yesterday totaled 8,700 head. Prices showed an advance of anywhere from strong to 10@15c higher on lambs, yearlings and ewes, there being few wethers here. The lamb receipts included eleven cars that went to a feeder buyer at \$7.80 which cut down the supply at the disposal of the packers. The bulk of the lambs found an outlet at \$8.05@8.50, with quite a few at the latter figure and a top at \$8.55. Heavy lambs being in smaller supply than was the case Monday, naturally were more active and sold to a better advantage. The ewe supply moved at a range of \$5.50@5.75, there being a top at \$5.85, which was paid for very choice grades. Three cars of yearlings sold at \$7.20.

WAR BOOSTS EXPENSES

Her Suggestion

Waste less, use more substitutes for high priced meats, says Mrs. Katherine Hoelstein, New York inspector of weights and measures, in report commending to the investigation of the rationing of meat.

"The diet should be such as to be rich in nutritive value, and to contain more appetizing and palatable meats and soups. And in planning your menu do not forget the natural broths, soups, curries with salmon or other fish, the cost of living, if the war teaches the how to buy and cook economically, it will have added something to civilization."

Send your name for a free set of None Such Poster Stamps

NONE SUCH MINCE MEAT



"LIKE MOTHER USED TO MAKE"

All the pie but the crust

at the grocery

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This bank offers its services to responsible people who desire to build a surplus, and enjoy the benefits of an association with a strong financial institution.

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Oldest Bank in Wayne County

Capital.....\$75,000.00 Surplus.....\$20,000.00

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These men face hardship and danger, because they realize that snow-bound farms, homes and cities must be kept in touch with the world.

This same spirit of public service animates the whole organization.

It is found not only in our linemen and repairmen, but even in the girls at the switchboard, who, on countless occasions, have proved themselves heroines in times of emergency.

In response to the telephone needs of the public, this company has grown to be a large organization.

But mere size should not be considered a sin nor business success a crime.

A corporation that renders big service to the public must be big and prosperous or the public will suffer because of poor service and poor pay-rolls.

"Big Business" means big salaries—yes—but it also means big men, big brains, broad-minded policies, intelligent organization, proper supervision, and big service to the people. Big business, properly conducted and regulated, means better service to the public at less cost.

"We Advertise So That the People May Know."

NEBRASKA TELEPHONE COMPANY

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Sheriff Porter was at Sholes Wednesday.

The library board meets next Tuesday evening.

First show at the NEW Crystal at 7 o'clock.—adv.

John Mulloy went to Carroll Wednesday morning.

H. H. Barge of Hoskins was a Wayne visitor Monday.

B. F. Stevens of Sholes was a Sioux City visitor Wednesday.

Glenn Deurig is here from Long Pine greeting his many friends for a few days.

Rev. Father Kearns went to Bloomfield Tuesday evening for a short visit.

J. E. Hostettler made a business trip to Bloomfield Tuesday returning Wednesday.

Mrs. Louie Hinget of Emerson was in the city Tuesday consulting local physicians.

The Odd Fellows and Rebecas will hold joint installation at the hall Friday night.

Syrup Wild Cherry Bark. We recommend this for coughs. Model Pharmacy.—adv.

Chas. Chace of Stanton came Wednesday to visit his brother, C. A. Chace at this place.

Nick Hansen left for Inwood, Ia., Tuesday where he expects to remain for a few weeks on business.

C. R. Witter and wife went to Winside Sunday to visit during the dinner hour with the lady's sister.

Fred Fisher, who has been visiting in Minnesota, and at Davenport, Iowa, returned Tuesday evening.

Theo. Bell is on the sick list, suffering from something with symptoms of the old fashioned grip.

Misses Eva Alter and Hattie Shultheis returned to Grand Island Sunday—where both teach in the schools.

Auctioneer Neely reports a good sale at Winside Saturday, the owner and buyers both being pleased with his work.

D. S. McVicker left Wednesday for a business trip to Marshall, Minn., and other points in southern Minnesota.

Thos. Bardshaw, who has been here visiting his uncle, F. J. Schmalstieg, left Tuesday morning for Sioux City.

Hear John G. Woolly at the Methodist church Sunday, 3 p. m. He is one of our great orators. Admission free.—adv.

Mrs. James Mitchell from Corning, Iowa, came Wednesday evening to visit for a time at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bruner.

C. R. VanHorn went to Homer today in the interest of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen. He expects to be gone for a week.

Jake Brandt of Winnetoon passed through Wayne Wednesday going to Washington for a visit with relatives in several parts of the state.

Would like rooms for light housekeeping, or board and rooms with private family, by young couple. Call or phone McLeran, with Gasoline Supply Co.—adv.



Cash Specials for Saturday

- Pre-inventory Items**
- 25c K. C. Baking Powder..... 18c
 - 2 pounds Vanilla Wafers..... 25c
 - 4 packages Mince Meat..... 25c
 - 4 packages Corn Flakes..... 25c
 - 4 quarts Cranberries..... 25c
 - 10 box Evaporated Peaches..... 1.00
 - National Light Oil per gallon..... 15c

J. R. Rundell

Laxative Cold Breakers. Model Pharmacy.—adv.

Miss Cora LeCroix from Carroll was a visitor in Wayne today.

Mr. James Miller went to Sioux City this morning for a short visit.

Have moved the show to the Cozy, but is still the CRYSTAL.—adv.

W. C. Hinnerichs of Wakefield visited his brother Julius in this city Wednesday.

Jack Pease of Sioux City was a Wayne visitor this week. He is a friend of Jay Joy.

Meritol Peroxid Cream, greaseless and delightfully perfumed. Model Pharmacy.—adv.

Meritol Cold Cream, an excellent application for chapped face and hands. Model Pharmacy.—adv.

Frank Zila of Winnetoon returned to his home in that city after a short visit in Wayne Wednesday.

I still have a few of those large flour sacks for sale—excellent dish towels—at the Wayne Bakery.—adv.

Mrs. E. B. Young, who has been quite seriously ill for the past two weeks is said to be improving in health.

Miss Flora Leffer returned to Bloomfield from Foster Thursday where she visited relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. Carl Wolf and son were down from Winside today, the son taking treatment from the local chiropractors.

Fred Farnsworth came over from Sioux City Tuesday for a visit with his brother, J. A. Farnsworth and wife.

The Wayne bakery is fitting up to serve short order meals and regular dinners—and doubtless will receive a liberal patronage.

Jas. McEachen returned to the state university at Lincoln Sunday, after spending the holiday vacation at the home of his parents in this city.

C. M. Christensen, who has been quite ill, and confined to his house most of the time for a week, is improving, and able to visit his office now daily.

M. Thompson, wife and family returned to their home in Sioux City Wednesday after a two weeks visit at the Otto Jacobson home near Wayne.

Leslie Ellis returned to the State University at Lincoln Saturday after spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis in Wayne.

W. R. Wilson from Bloomfield is here in the employ of J. E. Hostettler at the new cigar factory, turning out their popular cigar, "Wayne County".

D. C. Nelson came out from Omaha Wednesday morning to join his wife in a visit here. She has been here several weeks visiting her parents, F. Martin and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mason and their daughter, Mrs. Wheeler, who is here from Ohio, visiting her parents and friends, went to Meadow Grove Tuesday to visit their son at that place.

Mrs. E. F. Jones and children, who have been visiting at the home of parents, O. C. Lewis and wife, left this morning for her home at Gettysburg, South Dakota. They came before Christmas.

The Wayne Bakery is becoming famous for the quality and beauty of the wedding and party cakes they build. In ornamentation they are perfect, and tell much for the skill of the baker.—adv.

There is a growing interest in bowling, and some exceptionally good scores have been made in the past week, and as the men get more practice the scores get better and there are more good ones.

Ed Wingate, a carpenter who recently came to fill a place in the crew working on the new college building, was called to Wausa Tuesday by a message telling of the serious illness of his mother.

W. Y. Miles and wife went to Pender Wednesday to visit friends and relatives a few days. Mr. Miles' brother, Jerry Miles from Danhoff, North Dakota, is here visiting, and accompanied them on this trip.

Geo. Ott, and Mr. Rosacker, his brother-in-law, both of Carroll were called to Omaha today to attend the funeral of Mr. Ott's sister, Mrs. Anderson of Dundee, who died at an Omaha hospital Wednesday, following a lingering illness.

Gus Hansen left Wednesday morning for Emporia, Kansas, to look up a land deal they have pending.

Samuel Allen and wife went to Coleridge this morning to look at a farm which they contemplate renting.

A. Hansen of Randolph visited relatives in Wayne Tuesday, and went to Pender Wednesday for a short stay.

Fred B. Miskin of Prospect, Idaho, who has been here several weeks went to Randolph today in the interest of the Mormon Missionaries.

E. B. Chichester, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. O. S. Gamble and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. W. L. Chichester, went to Sioux City Wednesday morning, the ladies returning that evening, while he remained for a longer visit.

John Goss, well known to all of the old timers here, came over from Morningside Wednesday morning and was greeting many friends here. He was one of the early settlers of the county—and moved across the river into Iowa a few years ago.

Don Cunningham left Tuesday morning to cry a sale of thoroughbred horses and mares and close out a livery stock at auction at St. Anthony, Idaho. Mrs. Cunningham accompanied him as far as Hastings where she will visit until his return.

County Judge Britton says that the marriage license business and weddings as well fell off last year as compared with the year before, from 118 to 94. This looks bad for a democratic administration, but then we predict that the rest of the Wilson term of office will show improvement.

Robert Pritchard and wife of Carroll were visiting Wayne Tuesday and looking after business matters. Mr. Pritchard thinks he will not have enough of his pure bred hogs left at sale season to make a sale this year, but he may enter a few at some pavilion sale if all are not taken at private sale.

Chas. Riddell of college hill is said to have lost the carcass of a hog the other night, which he carelessly left out to thoroughly cool before packing away. It is too bad, but really the man should have known better than to have placed temptation in the way of the people in that part of the city.

W. B. McLeran, who has been with the Gasoline Supply company since it was young, and has been in charge of the Nebraska territory for a time, has been transferred to the station at this place, succeeding James Steele in charge here. The new man is planning to move here soon if he can secure a place in which to reside.

The Firemen cleared \$125.45 above expenses on their masquerade ball held at the opera house New Years night, and feel very much gratified for the support given them by business men and the people of Wayne. They decided to hold a dance annually and the proceeds of these dances go for equipment and other necessities of the department.

Starting in to make quality first, W. L. Fisher is succeeding well at the Wayne Bakery. He tells the editor that they use nothing but the very best of flour, made from northern grown wheat. This flour is said to be the best that can be obtained, and then he puts the trimmings with it to correspond. The people who eat appreciate quality.—adv.

John T. Bressler and family have moved to Lincoln to spend the remainder of the school year, having rented a house there. This will give their son, John who is attending the university there an opportunity to be at home. Their daughter, Mrs. Harker, who has been visiting here for some time departed Monday for her home at Champaign, Illinois.

John Sumner and Miss Emma Dall, both of Bloomfield were married at the court house in Wayne, Wednesday morning, January 6, 1915, by Judge Britton. They were attended by Glen Sumner, of Bloomfield, a brother of the groom and Miss Nora Lang also of Bloomfield. The entire party returned to that city Wednesday where the bridal couple will make their home.

Miss Margaret Pryor, who has been visiting at Sioux City and stopped here for a day or two on her return, went on to visit at Winside today, and this evening will continue her journey to her home at Creighton. We are informed that herself and mother are planning to return to their Wayne home in the not distant future. They will be sure of a welcome here from many friends whenever they elect to come.

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Beaman has put out a lot of VOTES on account of first of month collections. Are you getting your share? Next week is Flour week—ask about it . . .

At the poultry show at Sioux City Wayne breeders are well represented. J. H. Luders has several pens of Barred Rocks, LeRoy Owen a good showing of S. C. W. Orpingtons, Perry Theobald a pen of five cockerils of Buff Wyandots. The Logan Valley Poultry Farm had a pair of geese. There may be others. LeRoy Owen and J. H. Luders went to the show Wednesday.

Wednesday morning Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Davis went to Sioux City, accompanied by Dr. Ingham, Mrs. Davis going at once to a hospital there where she underwent an operation for appendicitis. The case had not developed to a stage where conditions were considered critical, and she rallied last evening from the anesthetic and there is little reason to doubt but that she will soon be able to return home.

G. W. Scranton is in Wayne for a two weeks visit with his niece, Mrs. Olive Graves. This is Mr. Scranton's first visit here since he left in 1894, 20 years ago. He says Wayne has grown over twice as large as it was when he left, besides the improvement in buildings and the general make-up of the city. From here he will return to his home in Kansas City, after a short visit at Glidden, Ia., where he also has relatives.

J. N. Landanger and son Roy went to Omaha this morning where the lad will have a new eye fitted in to take the place of the one he lost about two months ago. The new eye will be of glass and will add to the appearance of the lad and be beneficial in filling the vacant place, but as the Dutchman is reported to have said about a blind horse he was trading, "it don't look good," meaning that he could not see. From Omaha they plan to go on to Red Oak, Iowa, and visit a few days. Frank Landanger, a brother of J. N. who has been visiting here since the holidays began, returned to his home at Red Oak this morning.

Some time ago, says the Ashland Gazette, a prize was offered of \$100 each for the three best sermons on temperance, competition being open to any Methodist minister. When the contest ended, in which many prominent men had taken part, among the ten sermons which were judged worthy of honorable mention and a place in the volume to be printed containing the winning sermons and the next best, was a sermon by Rev. Howard P. Young of Ashland. Mr. Young is a brother of E. B. Young of this city and he has preached here when visiting his brother, and has quite a circle of friends here who will gladly congratulate him upon his effort.

Senator Phil H. Kohl left for Lincoln New Year day to again don the senatorial toga, being in on time to keep posted and assist in shaping some of the work preliminary to the opening of the session. Representative Mears went down the first of the week to be present for his initiation. The Democrat hopes to see them make a good record in the line of progressive legislation. For one thing, we believe that should stand like a rock against the state being robbed by the Lincoln real estate ring that is planning to put over a gigantic graft in the sale of a lot of second rate city property to first-class prices. If the state need the property and the price is not fair let it be appraised by a commission representative of the people of the state.

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What is the best laxative? Years of experience in selling all kinds leads us to always recommend

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The Shultheis Pharmacy.

..Announcement..

Ladies' Day
AT
Bowling Alley
WEDNESDAY Afternoon,
JANUARY 13, the bowling alley will be reserved for use of the ladies of Wayne and vicinity, when they are invited to come and participate in this invigorating sport, at which time the management will glad to consult their wishes as to the use of the place part of the time in the future.

On Wednesday afternoon the place will be closed to men unless accompanied by their wives, daughters or sisters, and ALL LADIES WILL BE GIVEN ONE GAME FREE . . .

It is the desire of the proprietor to give the ladies opportunity to enjoy this sport if they wish to. In many places the ladies have regularly organized bowling clubs and enjoy the sport as heartily as the men. The few who have availed themselves of the use of the allies mornings enjoyed it greatly.

Inviting all interested, I assure you a cordial welcome.

L. B. Welbaum, Prop.

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The Million Dollar Mystery

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

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CHAPTER XX.

Braine Tries Another Weapon.

"What I want now," said Braine, as he paced the living room of the apartment of the countess, "is revenge. I've been checkmated enough. Olga; they're playing with us."

"That is nothing new," she replied, shrugging. "At the beginning I warned you. I never liked this affair after the first two or three failures. But you would have your way. You wanted revenge at that early date; but I cannot see that you've gone forward. Has it ever occurred to you that the organization may be getting tired, too? They depend solely upon your invention, and each time your invention has resulted in touching nothing but zero."

"Thanks!"

"O, I'm not chiding you. I've failed, too."

"Are you turning against me?" he demanded bitterly.

"Do my actions point that way?" she countered. "No. But the more I view what has passed, the more disheartened I grow. It has been a series of blind alleys, and all we have succeeded in doing is knocking our heads. I can see now that all our failures are due to one mistake."

"And what the devil is that?" he asked, irritably.

"We were in too much of a hurry at the beginning. Hargreave prepared himself for quick action on your part."

"And if I had not acted quickly he would have started successfully on one of his world tours again, and that would have been the last of him, and we should never have learned of the girl's existence. So there's your argument."

"Perhaps you are right. But for all that we have not played the game with any degree of finesse."

"Bah!" Braine lit a cigarette and smoked nervously. "I can't even get rid of that meddling reporter. He has been as much to blame for our failures as either Jones or Hargreave. I admit that in his case I judged hastily. I believed him to be just an ordinary newspaper man, and he was clever enough to kill my suspicions. But I'm going to get him, Olga, even if I have to resort to ordinary gunman tricks. If there's any final reckoning, by the Lord Harry, he shan't get a chance in the witness stand."

"And I begin to think that that little bit of a girl has been hoodwinking me all along. By the way, did you find out what that letter said?" she asked after a pause.

"Letter? What letter?"

She sprang from her chair. "Do you mean to say that they have not told you about that?" Olga became greatly excited.

"Explain," he said.

"Why, I was at the garden day before yesterday, and a man approached and asked if I was Miss Hargreave. Becoming at once suspicious that something very important was about to happen, I ascertained that I was Miss Hargreave. The man slipped a paper into my hand and hurried off. I took a quick glance at it and was dumfounded to find it utterly blank of writing. At first I thought some joke had been played on me, then I chanced to remember the invisible ink letters you always wrote me. Understanding that you were to visit the cave in the morning, I had one man at the garden take the note. And you never got it!"

"Some one shall pay for this carelessness. I'll call up Vroon and Jackson at once. Wait just a moment."

He went to the telephone. A low muttering conversation took place. Olga could hear little or none of it. When Braine put the receiver back on the hook his face was not pleasant to see.

"That girl!"

"What now?"

"It seems she had been out horse-back riding that morning. She had seen one of the boys cross the field and suddenly disappear; and she was curious to learn what had become of him. With her usual luck she stumbled on the method of opening the door of the cave and went in. She must have been nosing about. She didn't have much time, though, as the boys came up to await me. Evidently she crawled into that old chest and in some inexplicable manner purloined the letter from Jackson's pocket. They left to reconnoiter; and it was then that Jackson discovered his loss. When Florence heard them returning she jumped into the well. And lived through that tunnel! The devil is in it!"

"Or out of it, since we consider him our friend."

"And I had her in my hands, note and all!"

"But with all that water there will not be any writing left on the letter."

"Invisible ink is generally indelible and impervious to the action of water; at least the kind I use is. I'd give a thousand for a sight of that letter."

"And it might be worth a million," Olga suggested.

"Not the least doubt of it in my mind. Olga, old girl, it does look as if my star was growing dim. We'll never get our hands on that million. I feel it in my bones. So let's settle down to a campaign of revenge, without any furberows. I want to twist Hargreave's heart before the game winds up."

"You wish really to injure her?"

"I do not wish to injure her. Far from it," he replied, smiling evilly.

"You want her dead?"

Whispered Olga, palling.

"Exactly. I want her dead. And so if all my efforts here come to nothing, so shall Hargreave's. His millions will become waste paper to him. That's revenge. The Persian peach method."

"Poison? You shall not! You shall not kill her!" vehemently.

"Tender hearted?"

"No. If I must in the end go to prison, so be it; but I refuse to die in the chair."

"Very well, then. We shan't kill her, but we'll make her wish she was dead. I was only trying to see how far you would go. The basket of peaches is in the hallway. Every peach is poisoned. No man in the



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country knows more about subtle poisons than I do. Have I not written books on the subject?" ironically.

"And they will trace it back to you in a straight line," she warned. "I will not have it!"

"I can go elsewhere," he replied coldly.

"You would leave me?"

"The moment you cross my will," emphatically.

It became her turn to pace. Torn between her love of the man and the danger which stared her in the face, she was for the time being distracted. All the time he watched her with malevolent curiosity, knowing that in the end she would concur with his evil plans.

"Very well," she said finally. "But listen; we shall be found out. Never doubt that. Your revenge will cost us both our lives. I feel it."

"Bah! The law will have no hand in my end. I always carry a pellet; and that ring of yours would suffice a regiment. She will not die. She will merely become a kind of paralytic; the kind that can move a little but not enough; always wheeled about in a chair. I'll bring in the peaches; rogan and downy. One bite, after a given time, will do the trick. If they suspect and throw them out we have lost nothing but the peaches. A trusted messenger will carry them to the Hargreave house. And then we'll sit down and wait."

Meantime, in the library of the Hargreave house, Florence and Jim were puzzling over the blank sheet of paper.

"I'll wager," said Jim, "the water washed all the writing away. The fire does not seem to do any good. We'll turn it over to Jones. Jones'll find a way to solve it. Trust him."

"What are you two chattering about?" asked Susan, who was arranging some flowers on the table.

"Secrets," said Jim, smiling.

"Humph!"

Susan pattered about for a few minutes longer; then crossed to the recep-



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tion room, intending to go upstairs. At that moment the maid was admitting a messenger with a basket of fruit.

"For Miss Hargreave," said he. He gave the basket to the maid, touched his cap awkwardly, and swung on his heel, closing the door behind him. He was in a hurry to deliver another message.

"O, what lovely fruit!" cried Susan, pausing. "I'm going to steal one," she laughed. She selected a peach and began eating it on the way up to her room.

The maid passed on into the library. "What's this?" inquired Florence, as the maid held out the basket. She selected a peach and was about to set her white teeth into it when Jim interposed.

"Wait a moment, dear." Florence lowered the peach. Jim turned to the maid. "Who sent it?"

"I don't know, sir. A messenger brought it, saying it was for Miss Hargreave."

"Let me see if there is a card." But Jim searched in vain for the card of the donor. At once all his suspicions arose. "Don't touch them. Better let the maid throw them out. Fruit from unknown persons might not be the healthiest thing in the world."

"What do you think?"

"That in all probability they are poisoned. But there's no need trying to prove my theory right or wrong. Ask Jones. He'll tell you to throw them away."

"Horrible!" Florence shuddered. "But they do not want to poison me. I'm too valuable. They want me alive."

"Who can say?" returned Jim gloomily. "They may have learned that they cannot beat us, no matter what card they turn up. I may be wrong, but take my advice and throw them away. . . . Good Lord, what's that?" started.

"Some one cried!"

"O, Miss Florence!" exclaimed the maid, terror stricken as she recalled Susan's act. "Miss Susan took a peach from the basket and was eating it on the way to her room!"

"Good heavens!" gasped Jim. "I was right. The fruit was poisoned. Jim had had enough to the send for a specialist he knew. The specialist arrived about twenty minutes after Susan's first cry. To his keen eye it looked like a certain poison which had for its basis the venom of the cobra. "Will she live?"

"O, yes. But she'll be a wreck for some months. Send her to the hospital where I can visit her frequently. And I'll take that peach along for analysis. No police affair!"

"No. We dare not call them in," said Jim.

"That's your affair. I'll send down the ambulance. Keep her quiet. She'll have a species of paralysis; but that'll work off under the treatment. A strange business."

"So it is," agreed Jim grimly.

"Florence knelt beside her friend's bed and cried softly.

"You called me just in time. An hour later, nothing would have saved her. She would have been paralyzed for life."

Jim accompanied the doctor to the door and went in search of Jones. He found the factious bray eying the fruit basket; his face gray and drawn, though his eyes blazed with fury.

"Poison!"

"A pretty bad poison, too," said Jim. "We can't do anything. We've just got to sit still. But in the end we'll get them. That's the devil."

"No, my friend; that's the devil. The woman is mad over him and would commit any crime at his bidding. But this is his work. We want him. He wasn't without courage to send this fruit, knowing that I would instantly

suspect the sender. Yet, I have no definite proof. I could not hold him in court in law. He will have bought the fruit piece by piece, the basket in a basket shop. He will have injected the poison himself when alone. Poor Susan! That messenger was without doubt some one over whom he holds the threat of the death chair. That's the way he works."

Jim tramped the room while Jones carried the fruit to the kitchen. The butler returned after a while.

"What about that blank sheet of paper?"

"It has to be dipped into a solution; after that you can read it by heating. I have already dipped it into the solution. The moment the heat leaves the sheet the writing disappears again. The ink is waterproof. I'll show you."

Jones got a candle from the mantle, lit it, and held the sheet of paper very close to the flame. Gradually, almost imperceptibly, letters began to form on the blank sheet. At length the message was complete.

"Dear Hargreave—The Russian minister of police is at the Blank hotel under the name of Henri Servan. He is investigating the work of the Black Hundred in this country and can free you from their vengeance if you supply the evidence needed."

"Now, what evidence can he want?" asked Jim.

"Such as will prove Braine an undesirable citizen."

"And then."

"Quietly pack him off to Russia, where he is badly wanted."

"Who sent this message?"

"One of our mysterious friends. We have a few, as you already know. But I'll go and make this man Servan a visit. I have seen the real minister, and if this man is the same one, something of importance may turn up. I shall want you somewhere about. Here, I'll let you have this letter. Remember, heat brings it out and cold air makes it vanish. Now I'll go up for a moment to see how that poor girl is getting along. We are lucky; there's no gainsaying that."

"You're a clever man, Jones," said Jim.

Jones turned upon him, his face grave. The two men looked steadily into each other's eyes. Jones was first to turn aside his glance, as he had something to conceal and Jim had nothing.

When the ambulance took the tortured Susan away, Jones addressed Florence gravely.

"I am going out and so is Mr. Norton. Do not leave the house; not even if you have a telephone call from me or Norton. Both of us will return; so don't let anything bother or confuse you."

"I promise," said Florence, struggling with a sob.

Jones went downstairs again, paused by a window as if cogitating, and suddenly threw it up and looked abroad. A rattle among the lilacs caused a smile to flit across his face. So they had sent some one to learn the effect of the poison? Or to follow him should he leave the house? He retired to the kitchen and gave some

explicit orders to the chef, orders which did not in any way refer to cooking. Then Jones and the reporter left the house, each quite aware that they were being followed. Near the Blank hotel they separated in order to confuse the stalker. He might dodder and follow the wrong man. But it was evident that this time he had been directed to follow Jones; for he entered the hotel a minute after Jones.

Meantime a second spy, whom Jones had not seen, had observed the transfer of the invisible writing and had immediately informed Braine, who was not far away. That his poisoned fruit had stricken down an outsider troubled him none at all. But that mysterious message he meant to have; it might be a life and death affair, it might be a clue to the treasure, or the whereabouts of Hargreave.

Thus, while only one man followed Jones, several kept a far eye on Jim.

Jones scribbled his name on a blank card and had it taken to the Russian's room. The page eyed that card curiously. It was different from anything he had ever seen before. In one corner he were written three or four words which resembled a cross between Hebrew and Greek.

"Humph!" muttered the boy. "Vhadda y' know about that? Chicken-scratches; but I guess the bell rings Roosan. On your way, Hortense," he cried to the hall maid, who wanted a look at the card. "Up t' the room, sir. He'll see yuh!" The boy kept the silver salver extended expectantly, but Jones went past without apparently noticing the hint.

The Russian was standing by a window when Jones knocked and was



Letters Began to Form on the Blank Sheet.

bidden to enter.

"You are not Hargreave."

"Neither are you the Russian minister of police," urbanely.

"Who are you?"

"I am Hargreave's confidential man, sir."

The two men eyed each other cautiously.

"You speak Russian?"

"No. I am able to scribble a few words; that is all."

The Russian lit a cigarette and smoked leisurely. He was in no hurry.

"No, I am not the minister; but I am his accredited agent. I am empowered to bring back to Russia a man who is known here by the name of Braine, another by the name of

head.

"He's got it on him somewhere. I saw him take it. He's got his nerve with him."

The cigarette glowed. Jim smoked hurriedly.

Through every pocket they went. The contents of his wallet lay scattered at his feet; his watch dangled from the chain. The cigarette grew shorter and shorter. Suddenly one of the men stretched out a hand and whisked the cigarette from Jim's lips. He threw it to the floor and stamped out the coal.

"I thought so!" he exclaimed, holding out the scrap of burnt paper towards Braine.

The words "Dear Hargreave" were all that remained of the message. With a snarl of rage Braine whipped out his revolver.

"I will give you one minute to tell me what that paper contained."

"And after that minute is up?"

"A bullet in your stomach."

Quick as a flash Jim's hand shot out, caught the loosely held revolver, gave it a wrench, and brought it down savagely upon Braine's head. Then he reversed it and backed toward the front entrance.

"Au revoir, till we meet again, gentlemen!"

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Jones Paused by a Window.

Vroon, and a woman who calls herself a countess, and unfortunately is one. All I desire is some damaging proof against them that they are outlaws in this country. The rest will be simple."

"They have all three taken out naturalization papers."

The Russian waved his hand airily. "Once they are in Russia those documents will never come to light. This man Braine, it has been learned, has long been in the pay of Prussia, and has given the general staff of that country many plans of our frontier fortifications. I do not know what any one of the three looks like. That is why I sought Hargreave."

"I will gladly point them out to you," said Jones, rubbing his hands together, a sign that he was greatly pleased.

"That will be very good of you, I'm sure," in a rumbling but perfectly intelligible English.

"And suddenly they all three will disappear?"

"Suddenly; and you may believe me that from that time on they'll be heard of never more."

"All this sounds extremely agreeable to me. Mr. Hargreave will be happy to hear that his long enforced hiding will soon come to an end."

"All you have to do, sir, is to point them out to me."

"It may take a week or ten days."

"My government has waited for ten years to gather in this delectable trio. A month, if you like."

"The sooner the better. I shall call this evening after dinner. We shall begin with Mr. Braine; and generally where he is is the woman. Vroon will be the most difficult."

"After dinner, then, since you know some of his haunts. There is a reward."

Jones laughed shortly. "Keep it yourself, sir. Mr. Hargreave would willingly double whatever this reward is to eliminate these despicable creatures from his affairs."

"Thanks."

While this conversation was taking place Norton idled about; and feeling the cravings for a cigarette, prepared to roll one, only to find that he hadn't the "makings." So fate urged him to step into the nearest tobacconist's.

He asked for his favorite brand and passed over the silver.

Braine and his companions saw Norton enter the shop. It agreed with their plans perfectly. The tobacconist happened to be affiliated with the order. So they hurried into the shop. Jim instantly realized that he was in a trap.

"How can I get out of here?" he whispered to the tobacconist.

The latter smiled. "I have to obey these gentlemen. I don't know what they want you for; but if I made a move to help you I should find my own throat cut without saving yours."

"The devil!"

Jim made a dash for the rear door, to find it locked. Even as he fumbled with the key, Braine and his companions flung themselves upon the reporter and overpowered him.

"Ah, my friend Braine!" he said.

"My friend Norton!" jeered the victor.

"And what do you want; some peaches?"

"A paper, my friend, a little secret of paper with invisible writing on it. We promise to give you something in exchange for it."

"What?" asked Jim with as much nonchalance as he could assume.

"Life."

"Search," said Jim. "You won't object to my smoking?" He began to roll a cigarette while they passed over him. He struck a match; the pleasant aroma of tobacco floated about his

head.

"He's got it on him somewhere. I saw him take it. He's got his nerve with him."

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WHY THE COST OF OPERATING RAILROADS HAS BEEN INCREASED

STRUGGLING AGAINST INCREASED COST OF LABOR, SUPPLIES, ETC., ON ONE HAND—REDUCED RATES ON THE OTHER.

During the last few years the advocates of government ownership of railroads have been somewhat persistent in the public press and the matter is referred to here, not with any idea of combating this propaganda, but merely that the people may briefly see both sides of the picture. So long as a lot of men welcome the wrecking of the railroads on the theory that the government will take them over and that such a state of affairs would be preferable to private ownership, it will be impossible to obtain from them a fair judgment of the latter system which now prevails in the United States. It is impossible to go into this great question at any length at this time, but here are a few things worth thinking about. Much has been said in recent years about the "water" contained in American railroad securities, and, in this connection the valuation of the government owned railroads of Europe is very interesting. In Germany the state-owned roads are valued at \$114,187 per mile, in Austria at \$120,692, in Hungary at \$69,210, in Italy at \$126,886, in Belgium at \$190,914, in Switzerland at \$102,950, in Roumania at \$90,113, in Japan at \$88,104, in New South Wales at \$71,391—while the privately owned lines in the United States, regardless of what water may have been forced into them in specific instances, are valued at only \$63,944 per mile. Whatever inflation may therefore have been put into these properties in the past, the fact remains, that their present valuation is much lower than that of the government owned railroads of Europe, and what is still more important, the rates charged are the lowest and the service rendered admittedly the best in the world. It is also pertinent to remember that the charge of watered stocks, after all, can be made against but very few American railroads—the lion's share of them having been managed without a breath of scandal or criticism.

In this connection, a statement contained in the last annual report of the Deutsche Bank of Berlin, which has a paid-up capital and reserve fund of \$75,000,000, is interesting: "American railroads need higher rates. The present rates are the lowest in the world—representing but a fraction of the English railway rates, for instance—and this in the face of the fact that wages in the United States on the average are fully twice as high as in Europe." Certainly this view of the privately owned lines of the United States, coming from Germany, which has the most successful state owned system of transportation in the world, is worthy of grave consideration.

In further confirmation of this statement we quote the following statistics: It costs 7 mills per mile on an average to haul a ton of freight in the United States while in England it costs an average of 2.33 cents, in France 1.41 cents and in Germany 1.42 cents. The average daily wage paid to American railroad employes is \$2.23, in England it is \$1.35, in France 88 cents and in Germany 81 cents. Are American railroads therefore entitled to the wholesale abuse and denunciation which has been heaped upon them from all sides in recent years?

Letting Well Enough Alone
In view of these facts, the average citizen may well ask himself whether it is not best to let well enough alone rather than invite other ills we know not of—whether it is not wiser to cure such defects as may encumber the present system rather than run the danger of plunging this mighty industry into the whirlpool of party politics for all time, with its attendant opportunity for evil which the past affords such rich variety of experience. The United States is still a young country, and in many sections only partially developed. Many new lines and extensions are needed here and there to give a wider opportunity to expanding agriculture and commerce, and nothing could be more unfortunate or disastrous than that these favors could henceforth be obtained only by leave of the dominant political factions which will reign at the national capital in the years to come. Political parties are intensely human institutions, and the average cautious citizen will prefer to leave the railroad expansion of the future to the economic law of supply and demand of the different communities rather than to place such a temptation for power

in the hands of those who rise and fall in the hands of politics. Furthermore, should the time ever come when the government takes over the railroads, it means that the people will have to forego the millions of taxes which they now pay and which help to support the public schools, public highways and other public expenses—and that henceforth these millions of revenue would have to come out of the pockets of the people.

Many other things could be said upon this phase of the question, but space forbids. For some time, the government, through the Interstate Commerce Commission, has been engaged in making a physical valuation of all our railroads as a matter of guidance for future rate adjustments. Again, we repeat, since the people absolutely control and regulate the railroads, is that not enough? Will it not be better to let well enough alone—to cling to that which is good and eliminate that which, with all that has been said against it, furnishes the best and cheapest transportation service in the world?

Increased Cost of Operation
We now wish to refer briefly to another phase of the problem. For a number of years the cry of the "high cost of living" has been everywhere abroad in the land.

Time was, not so many years ago, when the farmer sold his corn at 25 cents per bushel. Now it brings from 50 cents to 75 cents. So, too, he sold hogs at 3 cents per pound, which now readily bring from 7 cents to 10 cents—while a good steer calf, which used to bring from \$10 to \$12, now sells for from \$20 to \$25. Nobody who knows anything about present land values or the farmer's cost of production will contend that he is not entitled to these increased prices. As a matter of fact, unless he is an exceedingly good manager and utilizes the best of modern agricultural thought he is by no means getting rich at present prices—high as they may seem to people in the cities who do not understand the cost attached to present-day farming. To go back to the old prices he used to receive would bankrupt, in a little while, every farmer in the country—and the tendency of the future will be for the prices of farm products to go still higher rather than lower. Agriculture is the nation's greatest fundamental industry and society must make the farm game sufficiently profitable to justify the man who is on the farm today and the farmer boys of the future to stay by the plow. Much has been said recently about the fact that the farmer does not receive enough for what he produces—that there is too big a waste in the channels through which his products pass before they reach the consumer, and that he has some cause for complaint, in this respect is undoubtedly true. However, the railroads can face such an inquiry with a clear conscience—for an exhaustive investigation conducted by the Lehigh Valley Railroad some time ago shows that the farmer gets 50½ cents out of the average dollar's worth of products he sells; the packers, local shippers, distributors and retailers get 44½ cents between them; while the railroads receive only 5 cents, or one-twentieth of the dollar, for the transportation services they render.

So, too, there has been a steady advance in practically the entire realm of merchandise and manufactured products, whatever their nature, and the ever increasing toll in the cost of labor, steel products, lumber, cars, locomotives, and other supplies has levied a tribute of untold millions upon the railroads, which have not only been forbidden to increase their rates, but, on the contrary, in many instances, compelled to lower them.

Big Increased Cost of Labor
To give the reader an exact idea of how the cost of labor has advanced in the operation of railroads we quote the following increases in the daily wage from 1900 to 1914—a period of only fourteen years: In the case of engineers it increased from \$3.68 per day to \$5.76, or an increase of 56 per cent; firemen from \$2.21 to \$3.62 or 64 per cent; conductors from \$3.31 to \$4.83, or 45 per cent; station agents, from \$1.98 to \$2.16, or 9 per cent, other station men from \$1.62 to \$1.90, or 17 per cent—ordinary trainmen from \$1.97 to \$3.36, or 70 per cent; machinists from \$2.72 to \$3.62, or 29 per cent; carpenters from \$2.31 to \$2.59, or 12 per cent; other shopmen from \$1.93 to \$2.20, or 14 per cent; section

foremen from \$1.51 to \$1.83, or 12 per cent trackmen from \$1.15 to \$1.52, or 32 per cent; telegraph operators and dispatchers from \$2.25 to \$2.65, or 17 per cent. This means a general average increase in wages of 32.29-100 per cent—and all other classes of railroad operatives and employees in a more or less similar degree. While these advances have proven a great boon to the nearly two million men employed in the railway service and increased their capacity to buy from merchant and farmer, they have exacted many millions annually from the railroads themselves—all of which made the general public richer, but the roads poorer. In 1900 the railroads paid \$1.44 per ton for coal. Now they pay \$1.81. Then they paid 38c for ties. Now they pay 52c.

Other Increased Costs
But there are many other items which have enormously increased the cost of railroad operation which we cannot go into because of a lack of space. The public is constantly demanding a more efficient and a safer service, and hence the railroads have had to spend vast sums in installing block signals, steel passenger cars, doing away with grade crossings, straightening lines, heavier locomotives, better roadbeds, and supplying many other precautions protecting both their operatives and the public—all things very necessary, yet very costly. So, too, numerous states have passed "Full Crew" laws which have compelled the railroads to pay a toll of millions to useless employees.

Now while labor, farm products, merchandise and manufactures and supplies of all kinds have steadily increased in price, the railroads, as stated before, have been compelled to reduce their rates in the face of this avalanche of ever-advancing cost of operation—and that all but the most powerful lines find themselves in an exceedingly critical condition is not to be wondered at. The farmer, the merchant, the manufacturer and the laborer justly insist that they would not be able to get along on the prices they received ten or fifteen years ago. How, then, can the railroads, which are the largest employers of labor and buyers of material in the United States, be expected to exist on less than they received ten or fifteen years ago? In view of these facts it is no wonder that President Wilson and other patriotic and careful students of the situation are speaking words of kindly admonition to the American public, to the end that the railroads, through whose giant arteries flows the very life blood of the nation, may not be wrecked and destroyed.

The Public and the Manager
On the one hand, for the last twenty-five years the public has demanded the best and highest efficiency in service and lower rates in one and the same breath. On the other hand stand the thousands of men and women who have invested their money in railroad securities and who, in common with the farmer, the manufacturer and the merchant, believe they are entitled to a fair profit. Then come the hundreds of thousands of employees who are continually clamoring for an increase in wages, as well as the cost of all manner of railroad supplies which is constantly advancing—and between them, as arbiters, stand the managers of the roads—the big "hired men", struggling with might and main to reconcile all these conflicting interests in the face of reduced rates upon every hand. That they have at last reached a point where they can continue the unequal struggle no longer should not be a matter of wonder—and in face of the harsh and unfriendly criticism which has decended upon their heads from every quarter they find themselves in the mental attitude of the fiddler in the Western mining camp when he yelled out, "Please don't shoot, boys; I am doing the best I can." (PAID ADV. To be continued next week.)

Real Estate Transfers
Ending week of January 4th, 1915.
D. N. Connable to Frank L. Connable, lot 11, blk. 4 north addition to Wayne, \$1.
Alva C. Garner to Harry E. Garner, and seventeen sixty-thirds int. in n½ 6-27-3, \$1.
Daniel Davis, guardian, to Forrest L. Hughes, und. two-fifths int. in and to the ne¼ 10-26-1, \$3560.
Forrest L. Hughes to Francis I. Hughes, an und one-third int. in and und. two-fifths int. in the ne¼ 10-2-61, \$1.
D. S. Conn to C. W. Foster, north 20 feet lot and all lots 3 and 4, block 2, Spahr's addition to Wayne, \$300.
U. S. Conn to J. H. Foster, south 5 feet lot 2, blk. 2, Spahr's addition to Wayne, \$25.
See the Democrat for wedding invitations.

1885 **30 Years** 1915
Milling in Wayne, Nebr.

Not an idle day because of lack of business. Shut down a few days at a time "only for repairs." Certainly a good record. Why is this thus? Because we make what the consumer wants every day, namely:

GOOD FLOUR-- "WAYNE SUPERLATIVE"

The same yesterday, today, and as long as we operate the Wayne Roller Mill. It has *The Quality*, it has *The Color*, it has *The Strength*, it has that "*Velvety Feeling*" of which millers talk, and it makes the fine grained loaf of bread of which the housewife is so proud. "Wayne Superlative" comes high but it is "*Worth The Money*."

Weber Brothers

Order Your Hard Coal Now!

I handle nothing but the best grades of domestic coal.
HAUL ME YOUR GRAIN
Phone 83 **Marcus Kroger** ...Wayne

PUBLIC SALE

Having bought a farm in the western part of the state, I will sell at my present home on the old Broscheit farm 9 miles south and 1½ miles west of Wayne, 2 miles west of Altona and 7 miles north of Pilger, on
Monday, January 18th, 1915
Commencing at 12 o'clock. Free Lunch at 11 o'clock

12 Head of Cattle
3 milch cows, will be fresh soon; 3 two-year old heifers, fresh soon; one coming 2 year old steer, 2 spring steer calves, 3 heifer calves coming yearlings.

Two Yearling Mare Colts

90 Chester White Hogs
30 head of Brood Sows safe with pig by thorough-bred boar, 60 stock hogs.

Farm Machinery, Etc.
One Old-Hickory lumber wagon, one top buggy, one Standard mower, one New Departure walking cultivator, one Navy walking cultivator, one 16-in. Moline walking plow, one feed grinder as good as new, nearly new hand corn sheller, one disc cultivator, one hay rack, one hay rake.

700 bushel of corn in crib, 10 bushel choice seed corn, stack of oat straw, stack of wheat straw, a few tons of millet and alfalfa hay, pile of cobs, 3 Angora goats, one dozen Buff Orpington roosters, two dozen hens, a nearly new range stove, washing machine and numerous other articles

TERMS OF SALE:—All sums over \$10, a credit of 10 months will be given on approved notes bearing 10 per cent interest. \$10 and under, cash.

J. O. CONLEY, Owner
E. and D. H. CUNNINGHAM, Auctioneers.
ROLLIE LEY, Clerk.

Let The Democrat Print your Sale Bills

County Correspondence

Wakefield News

Alfred Nordstrom spent the weekend with his brother, August at Wausau.

Louis Leuch spent his vacation with his parents at Winside, returning Saturday.

Mrs. Bert Busher took her little daughter to Mayo Bros., at Rochester for treatment.

Mrs. Gene Luce came up from Omaha Friday to see Mrs. Metcalf who is seriously ill.

Miss Nellie Packer returned Monday to Cotnam after a couple of weeks visit at home.

Mrs. C. A. Larson and Miss Esther spent New Year's day with C. J. Larson at Carroll.

Mrs. J. H. Montgomery departed Saturday for Lancaster, Wisconsin, to visit her grandmother.

Miss Lillian Spotts of Omaha returned home Saturday after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Alec Carlson.

Miss Ruth Berry returned Monday to Sioux City after spending the week with Miss Olive Aistope.

Mr. and Mrs. Gust Johnson, who have been visiting friends in Omaha returned home Monday evening.

George Foster went to Kansas City, Mo., Monday to take a cousin at the Sweeney automobile school.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Emil Baxstrom, Jan. 1, a girl; to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lundquist, Jan. 2, a girl.

Mrs. J. P. Anderbery left Saturday for Minden. Her daughter Miss Tillie accompanied her to Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Westrand returned Monday from a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Westrand of Omaha.

N. N. Sackerson and H. W. Meyers are attending the State Implement Dealer's association at Omaha this week.

Will Thompson, Gust Test, Oscar Brown, August Brudigan and C. M. Jensen shipped cattle to Omaha the first of the week.

Mrs. E. D. Lund returned Wednesday from a two week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walton of Winnetoon.

John Linder, who has been having trouble with his eyes for some time, went to Omaha Saturday to see Dr. Gifford, specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Binderup, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Scott returned Saturday to their home at Wynot.

Miss Lucille Mattien returned Saturday to her school duties at Ewing after spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Gus Mettlen.

John G. Wooly, the noted temperance lecturer, will lecture at the Lutheran church Sunday evening. Everyone is invited to hear him.

Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Fleetwood entertained a company of friends at six o'clock dinner Friday. They also had fourteen guests for dinner Sunday.

Mr. Telander has sold his eighty acre farm one and one-half miles east of town to Geo. Bato for \$125 per acre. Mr. Bato traded in his town property on the deal.

Special meetings are being held at the Methodist church by Rev. Buell of Wayne. They will continue throughout next week. Rev. Langley of Laurel assisting.

Frank and Nick Leuck arrived Saturday from Nyssa, Oregon, and expect to visit relatives here and at Winside for about ten days. They will also visit their mother in Iowa before returning home.

The Choral Union will give a recital at the Auditorium Tuesday evening, January 12. Besides several choruses there will be solos by Prof. Abernathy and Mrs. Roush, duets by Martin Ekworth and Edwin Burman, piano solos by Hazel Eberle and several numbers by the male quartet. Admission 15, 25 and 35 cents.

Hunter Precinct.

John Munson's put up ice on Monday.

Chas. Lessman shipped a car of cattle on Monday.

The Bell literary society will have a meeting on Friday, January 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Herman entertained company on New Years day.

Miss Clara Holmquist has been visiting at the home of Henry Rubeck's.

A party of young people were entertained at the home of John Olson's Saturday evening.

Nels Herman received a car load of cattle Tuesday, last week. He got them from Sioux City.

Mrs. Henry Anderson and children spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. David Seastedt arrived Monday from Omaha for a visit at the C. A. Soderberg home.

Mrs. David Seastedt, who is staying at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Soderberg, was on the sick list last week.

Frank Holm's were fortunate in having their quarantine removed Wednesday of last week, and are able now to enjoy the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hallstrom and children spent Christmas at the home of John Olson's. They returned to their home at Magnet Monday.

Joe, Dave and Carl Kuno and Elmer Olson went to Sioux City on Xmas morning. Elmer Olson went to see his sister who is in a hospital there.

Hoskins News

(From the Headlight)

Miss Marion Detrick, who spent her vacation with relatives at Chicago and Iowa returned here Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Herman Brummond from Norfolk was a guest with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Buss, sr., Sunday afternoon.

C. W. Anderson returned home Wednesday forenoon from Omaha with a car load of cattle which he will feed on his farm northwest of Hoskins.

Roy Brubaker from Mortlach Sask, Canada, and lady friend from Norfolk, Miss Manda Zsavor were guests at the Charley Brubaker home on New Year's day.

Miss Ruth Sterling passed through Hoskins Sunday forenoon on her way to Stanton to take up her school duties after spending her holiday vacation with her parents in Sioux City, Iowa.

Mrs. Henry Lutt returned here Sunday afternoon from Norfolk where she spent several days with relatives. She expects to leave the latter part of this week for her home in South Dakota.

August Spengler left Monday forenoon for Lincoln where he will attend the Agriculture course at the State University. He subscribed for the "Headlight" before leaving as he likes to get all the news from home.

The M. W. A. Lodge held their annual meeting at their hall Saturday night and transacted their yearly business, elected officers and after the meeting an oyster supper was served and all the members took their part in disposing them.

The masquerade dance which was held New Year's night was attended by one of the largest crowds that ever was present at a dance in Hoskins. A royal good time was had and those present had the pleasure to see all different sizes, colors, shapes, big and little costumes. Uncle Sam was also present. Mrs. Glenn Green and August Spangler were awarded \$1.50 each for first prize and Mrs. M. H. Kibler and Charley Pfeil were awarded \$1.00 each for second prize.

E. H. Evans, Traveling Man, Dead

E. H. Evans, a prominent traveling salesman of Sioux City, Ia., is dead. He passed away at his Sioux City home, according to word received by his Norfolk friends. He traveled in and throughout Norfolk territory for more than thirty years and was one of the best known traveling salesmen in this territory.

Many Norfolk people knew Evans. His pleasant smile and warm handshake were not soon forgotten by the many friends he made here. He was one of the big, jolly "good fellows" of the traveling fraternity and he was loved by all of his fellow travelers as well as by those who did business with him.

Evans was in Norfolk a week before his death.

"I am not feeling well and I don't believe I can see that customer today," he told a friend.

It was the first time this friend had heard Evans say he did not feel well enough to see a customer.

"I know I don't look sick," said Evans to a joking remark made by his friend. "No one ever thinks a big man ought to be sick, but really I am ill and must go home."

It was the last Norfolk saw of "Shirt" Evans, says the News.

Chiropractors Ask Recognition

The Chiropractic doctors met in Lincoln a few days ago and appointed committees to appear before the legislature in their behalf.

There were about fifty delegates in the convention, representing the Nebraska Chiropractors' association whose one hundred members are located in various parts of the state. They seek the enactment of a law, such as other states have passed, recognizing the science of Chiropractic and placing the profession on an equal plane with Osteopathy. In order to do this they ask the legislature to create a state board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to examine all persons who may wish to practice the Chiropractic science in Nebraska. Fees will be imposed, making the board self-sustaining. The governor is authorized to appoint the members of said board, and he will choose men of high standing, thus protecting the interests of the public.

The Chiropractic science has many thousands of practitioners throughout the United States, and their numbers are growing rapidly. The Nebraska Chiropractors expect the active opposition of the medical doctors, but the legislative committee, of which Dr. Lee W. Edwards of Omaha is chairman, relies upon the people's sense of fair play to bring about the desired recognition by the state.

Late Legislative News

The daily press of the state tell that in the final roundup the senate which was said to be under control of the conservative wing of the party could not retain that position. Here is what the dispatches said:

J. M. Taylor of Douglas was turned down by the upper chamber for the job of clerk of the engrossing and enrolling committee. In his place by a vote of 17 to 15 was placed E. W. Miller of Omaha.

The democrats who helped Quincy out in his caucus breaking raid were Beal of Custer, Krambach of Polk and Robertson of Holt.

Another sensation was sprung when a motion was sent up by Kleeche of Nemaha to adopt the report "in the main" of the legislative committee appointed at the last session on legislative procedure. This report, which had been adopted by the house caucus, cut down the senate employees from 71 to 31.

Inasmuch as the majority in the senate caucus had agreed that the maximum number of employees should be fifty, another scrap was started, ending by deciding to refer the matter to a committee consisting of Brookley, Howell and Wilson of Dodge, democrats, and Spirk and Ruden, republicans.

Today the preliminary work of both houses continues and the inauguration will be held Thursday afternoon.

State Normal Notes

The Y. W. C. A. held the first meeting of the new year in the chapel Wednesday evening.

At the Wednesday morning convocation the students had the pleasure of listening to several selections on the new victrola recently purchased for the department of music.

Basket ball practice is going nicely under the direction of Professor Keckley. The boys meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 3:45 and the girls on Monday and Friday at the same hour.

When school opened Monday morning there were seventy new registrations. All the rooms in the boys' dormitories were soon exhausted and many in town opened their homes for the accommodation of students.

Building construction is a new subject offered by Professor Hunter, and it promises to be a very popular course with the young men who have recently enrolled. Among the subjects which will be considered are: Planning and constructing of houses, barns, hog houses, wind mill tanks, silos and out buildings.

The winter registrations have crowded to the limit the commercial and manual training departments. Professor Lackey has organized a class in animal husbandry, which has been selected by a large number of the young men who have had a general course in agriculture.

The sale of tickets for the lecture course of the first semester has been so satisfactory that the committee has found it possible to add a new number to the program already announced. Helen Axe Brown of Valparaiso, Indiana, has been secured for a recital on Thursday evening, January 7.

School Notes

Throughout the upper grades, term reviews are in progress preparatory to the examinations, which will be given next week.

The children of the second grade are very much interested in the dramatization of their stories, among them the "Gingerbread Man" and "Three Goats Billy".

LeRoy Owen of the Junior class is attending a poultry show at Sioux City. LeRoy is becoming quite a chicken fancier, and is interested in all that pertains to that line.

Martha Harker, Nellie Lane and Dorothy Felber will be missed from their classes. Dorothy will visit California with her parents and Martha and Nellie have moved from the city.

Mrs. Burrett Wright taught the fifth grade Monday and Tuesday in the absence of the regular teacher, Mrs. Homer Seace, who was absent on account of the death and funeral of the late Mrs. Elsie Seace Hoatson.

The sale of leather articles made by the handicraft classes was very satisfactory, over ten dollars having been realized. This sum will be used to purchase tools for metal work, which will be begun next semester.

The pupils of the first grade are very much interested in the study of the Esquimaux, their homes and customs. Through pictures, drawings and stories they will also become acquainted with the animals of the cold regions.

Miss Grace Nattleton of the Junior class is detained at home by the illness of both her father and mother. The former is suffering with rheumatism, the latter from a fracture of the bones of an arm, broken in a fall on the ice.

Mrs. Louise Murfree was called to St. Louis, Mo., last week, by the serious illness of a sister. Word has been received by friends in Wayne, that her sister had died before her arrival in St. Louis. She will return to resume her work as music supervisor, next week.

The city schools opened Monday morning after the holiday vacation, with a good attendance. Miss Emma Hughes assumed charge of the eighth grade, and Miss Clara Burson, the seventh, these changes in the corps being due to the resignation of Miss Pearl Sewell, who has begun her work as county superintendent. Miss Janette Garlough is the new kindergarten teacher in Miss Teich's place.

Beginning Class in the Kindergarten

On Monday morning, January 18, a new class is to be organized in the kindergarten. Any child who is five years of age or who becomes five on or before April 1, may become a member of this new class. O. R. BOWEN.

I. P. Lowrey

Factory repair man and piano tuner, at the G. & B. store. Phone 62.—Adv.

THE GARDEN IN WINTER.

Little Remains to Be Done Outdoors at This Season.

Little remains to be done outdoors no more indeed, than just enough to give us the needed exercise and an occasional sniff of the clear, bracing winter air, says the American Cultivator. The fields are frozen or likely to freeze up solid any day. Just as soon as that happens we cover the strawberry patch with a protecting coat of some coarse litter. This should be entirely free from weed seeds. I know of nothing better than clear marsh hay, and I like to have it put on reasonably thick, at least between the rows, with a lighter covering over the plants themselves. There are some winters in which some protection is not necessary, the snow staying on from early winter until spring right along and making a satisfactory and sufficient covering. The good gardener, however, does not depend on the vagaries and uncertainties of the season. It seldom fails to pay well to apply the mulch at this time, especially as we need it anyway in spring and during the fruiting season.

In open weather the plowing of the garden patches may be continued where not already finished, and mild days come handy for gathering up old vines, brush and rubbish of all sorts, to be burned at an early date. We try to leave no hiding places for insect foes and nothing that may contain the spores of fungous diseases. Among this rubbish we include the trimmings of grapevines, old raspberry and blackberry canes, trimmings of currant and gooseberry bushes, etc. All these bush fruits may be pruned during mild weather from fall until spring. We like to do this early and thoroughly.

The garden needs manure, needs it every year, and the application may be made at any time. Whenever you happen to come across a load of really good old compost or can get a load of the sweepings of the blacksmith shop or poultry manure or some ashes or other materials that will answer the purpose, now or at any time during the winter, the best place for it is the garden. Scatter it rather freely over the plowed ground, frozen or not (as it may happen to be), and thus leave it to be plowed under in spring.

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SCRUTINIZE SEED POTATOES.

Department of Agriculture Issues a Warning to Farmers.

The farmers of New Jersey, middle Atlantic states and the southern states are warned by the United States department of agriculture to see that the seed potatoes they buy bear the white label of the potato inspection service of this department. This label is placed on each container and certifies that the potatoes have been examined by federal inspectors and found free from powdery scab; that they were grown on farms free from and have not in any way been exposed to this disease.

Farmers are warned against the use of table potatoes for planting purposes, as these, even though they do not show the disease, may have been exposed to powdery scab. Table potatoes are usually shipped from Maine in bulk, and the car carries a blue certification tag, while seed potatoes are in sacks or other containers of a capacity not to exceed 180 pounds, and each container is separately certified.

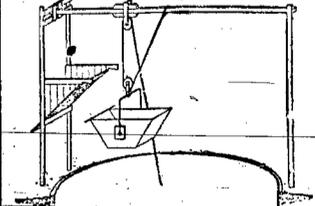
Some dealers have been buying table stock and selling it for seed. These men are not violating any law, but they are exposing their customers to the risk of the introduction of a dangerous disease and a quarantine should the powdery scab be introduced.

The white seed certificate relates only to freedom from powdery scab, but potatoes so certified are likely to be of better quality and less mixed than table stock potatoes. The supply of certified seed potatoes in Maine is ample, and the price this year is low, so that there is no excuse for planting table stock potatoes.

The department also states that the rigid inspection and other precautions thrown around certified seed stock from quarantined districts make such stock as safe as potatoes from non-infected areas and often better selected.

Methods of Handling Silage.

The Nebraska experiment station advises several conveniences in handling feed from upright, pit and partial-pit silos. A handy and easily constructed convenience is the silage cart. Any farmer with saw, hammer, nails and



HOMEMADE SILAGE LIFT.

tumber can construct one of these carts. The wheels used may be plow wheels or other small wheels. In constructing the cart the capacity should be considered. It should be borne in mind that loose silage weighs about 15 1/2 pounds the cubic foot.

When considerable outside feeding is done a swing track is oftentimes used in the west. This makes it possible to distribute feed in a radius of considerable circle. Some farmers use a stationary track. Where twin silos are used and it is necessary to carry feed to any distance a U shaped chute inclining downward toward the wagon and occupying the space between the silos is used. The sides of this chute are angular like a V, but there is a flat bottom.

Wants, For Sale, Etc.

Rooms for Rent—Inquire at Democrat or call 77.—adv.

WANTED—To rent small house. See McLeran, with Gasoline Supply Co.—adv.

FOR SALE—Japanese Bantams—nice pets. Phone 212.—adv. 50-ft.

Won 2nd and 3rd on Barred Rocks at Sioux City fair. Cockerels for sale. Write for prices. H. J. Luders, Wayne, Nebr.—adv. 1-4.

Polled Durham For Sale

Have a few double Standard Polled Durham Bulls for sale. Am pricing them right for immediate sale. E. W. Splittgerber, route No. 3, Wayne Nebraska.—adv. 9ft

Short Horns For Sale.

I have a number of good Short Horn bulls for sale, from seven months to two years old. Come and see them if you are wanting a thoroughbred animal.—Adv. C. B. THOMPSON

Now On Sale.

Some excellent young Duroc male pigs and Rhode Island cockerels. Call at farm one mile south of Wayne.—Adv. Will Morgan.

Some Good Thoroughbreds.

I have a few choice pure-bred Duroc sows and Shorthorn bulls for sale. See me at the harness shop. JOHN S. LEWIS JR.—Adv.

John S. Lewis, Jr.

Wayne, Nebraska

Breeder of

Short Horn

CATTLE

Britton Goods head my herd—the youngest son of FAMOUS OLD CHOICE GOODS.

Young Bulls For Sale

Painting and Paper Hanging.

I am prepared to do all kinds of house-painting, decorating and paper-hanging. Leave orders Union hotel.—Phone 14, R. B. Smith.—adv. 12ft.

It looks a little inconsistent for a newspaper to criticize the railway commission in increasing freight rates on the eastern roads and then publish without comment the advertising which the allied railroads are running to create public sentiment in favor of western railroads getting the same manner of concession. The Democrat is publishing the advertisements, and believes that the railroads have a right to present their case to the public—and also that the reader should understand that it is the plea of the railroad attorney when he reads it. In other days lots of such matter used to appear in the papers as real news or editorial, and the editor took his pay in annual passes. So long as the railroads makes an open appeal and presents its claims the interest of the people are far more safe than when the matter appeared as the opinion of a disinterested person, but was really from one in the pay of the corporation.

The demand for cattle is likely to be greater than ever for the next few years, and quality and size will be important factors in determining the cost of production, and consequently the profit there will likely be in the business. Next Thursday there will be an opportunity offered here for Wayne county farmers to get the start of a herd of Shorthorns, when 43 head are to be sold, including both sexes, from calves up. It is not a case where the culls of herd are being offered but the entire herd of cattle grown right here so that they are thoroughly acclimated and ready to continue to do well. Neither are they animals that have been fitted for the show ring, but in perfect growing condition to do the purchaser the most good. You can learn from the advertisement more of them and where to secure a catalogue, for it is all recorded stock.—adv.

Advertised Letter List

Letter—J. B. Clark, Jack DeFrates, Farmers State Bank, John Glandt, Miss Vety Lavern, Mrs. Pearl Pruden, Mrs. Marie Sappe, L. J. E. Sweet, John P. Wolf. C. A. BERRY, P. M.

Cedar County News Sold

A news dispatch from Hartington tells that E. B. Hirschman, the retiring county treasurer has purchased the Cedar County News from George W. Kelley, who has been editor and proprietor for the past six years, building an excellent paper every week, and also installing a well equipped office. The paper will continue to be democratic.

See us for wedding invitations.

DAYTON'S

Sixty Duroc Jersey Brood Sows

Duroc and Holstein Sale

Thursday, Jan. 28th

At Wayne, Nebraska

Four Pedigreed Holstein Bulls