

## A Sure Sign of Weak Eyes



When the letters begin to dance it is a sure sign that your eyes need looking after.

Possibly they have an inherited defect that is just beginning to show itself; possibly they have been strained by too much reading or sewing. At any rate it is a warning nature gives that your eyes need help, and that help is to be found only in the right kind of glasses.

Better let me examine your eyes before serious harm is done.

I devote my entire time to fitting and making glasses.

### R. N. DONAHEY

Exclusive Optical Store

First Door North of Union Hotel

Wayne, Nebr.

There are more traveling salesmen in this country than men in the regular army—yes, a great many more, and they are out skirmishing for business. Some find it and some fail. In these later days of competition on the road they have come to be classed as salesmen and order-takers.

A Norfolk man is quoted as advising the citizens of that place to let their commercial club die—hoping that in the resurrection it will reappear in a more angelic form or at least so composed as to make it more desirable. The Press says that it is a one-man affair and therefore not popular nor as useful as it should be.

Miss Pearl Sewell went to Lincoln Monday in response to a bid from the state superintendent to attend a meeting of the county superintendents of the state. The superintendents were in session two days, presumably spent in outlining the work for the coming two years. If they can work together for uniformity it will mean much to the schools of the state.

Now the primary is called for an election of postmaster at Bloomfield, and yesterday was the last day for a candidate to file, so we have not been able to secure a list of the candidates, but it is fair to assume that Dr. Mullen was not one of those to file, for he is against the postmaster election and is consistent enough to stay out of a game he does not approve of.

James Finn, near Carroll, who has been having a siege of typhoid fever, is up and about, and gaining in strength. His son William now has the disease in a modified way. The attending physician tells us that since the son came down with the fever the well water has been tested, and is found to be free from typhoid germs, and they will now have a test made of the milk in an endeavor to locate the cause of the sickness if it lurks about the home place.

Mrs. Wiedenfelt was down from her farm near Hartington last week looking after her property in the east part of the city, which is for sale or rent. She reports that they like farm life very well, and that her son is getting interested in the work, and did exceptionally well last year considering the condition the place was left in after a series of renters had "farmed" it for all it was worth. The young man is making it look like a different place.

Chas. Shulteis returned to Westington, South Dakota, Friday, following a visit there of several weeks.

John N. Storey, an old soldier and a pioneer of Antelope county, died at Neligh last week at the age of 70 years.

R. E. K. Mellor and wife went to Elgin Saturday to visit at the home of Stanley Huffman and wife, their daughter.

Representatives and senators at Lincoln who wish to be sent back for another term should make a record for the repeal of some worthless laws rather than the enactment of more of the same kind.

The farmers of Madison county held a successful institute at Madison last week. Instructive lectures from outside talent and entertainment from home folks made up the excellent program.

Senator Cummins of Iowa is just now throwing out a bit of protection sop to the republicans who believe in that antiquated doctrine—but that is no sign that Cummins is for or against protective tariff laws.

One of the things that might be practical for this state and Wyoming to unite in doing would be to lay a pipe line from the oil fields of Wyoming to the Missouri river, and let the people own and control it.

Mrs. Horace Theobald went to Sioux City Monday to spend the day with her sister, Mrs. A. R. Davis, at the hospital. The patient is reported to be doing nicely, and is expected to be able to come home within a few days.

Should the new law be enacted relating the salary of postmasters as proposed it would reduce the salary of the postmaster at this and other places in this class of office. Of course a postmaster has the chance to resign if the salary does not suit.

What threatened to be a blizzard Saturday proved a false alarm. The day was cold and windy, but the mercury did not reach as low as zero and during the night the wind ceased and the temperature began to rise and was but little below freezing Sunday forenoon.

The Norfolk Press gives place to the rumor that the school children paid \$90 for the use of the auditorium one night recently, and that the suffragists had to pay \$75 for the use of the building. If the owners can only keep the place occupied at those prices it should pay well.

At Madison they are planning to organize the fifth, sixth and seventh grades of the school into a department, and will conduct those grades on much the same plan that the high school follows. The experiment is to be made as soon as the new school building is ready for occupancy.

McLean dedicated a new \$10,000 school building last week. It is built of brick and is modern. Nebraska is gradually coming to build better school houses. They should consider the matter of consolidated schools well before they make any expensive improvements in the rural districts.

C. A. Fox and wife returned Monday from a visit of three days with relatives at Randolph and Laurel. At Randolph they went to the home of his brother to visit his mother, so well known in this county where she was a pioneer. She is now 87 years of age and while not as spry as she used to be is bright and cheerful. At Laurel they visited at the home of their son over Sunday.

# PUBLIC SALE

Having sold my farm a mile west and 1½ miles south of Wayne, I will make a closing out sale there on

## FRIDAY, JAN. 29

Beginning at 12 o'clock sharp

FREE LUNCH AT NOON

## 9 HEAD HORSES

A team black geldings 5 and 6 years old, weighing 3,400 pounds—full brothers and a well matched team; black team (mare and gelding) 8 and 10 years of age, weighing 2,650, a good work team; black gelding 4 years old, weight 1200; a good saddle horse, 8 years old, weight 1000 pounds; bay mare 5 years old, weight 1400; bay mare about 12 years of age, wt. 1300; bay mare 4 years old, wt. 1200.

## 25 HEAD OF CATTLE

5 choice milch cows, four of them Jerseys, and nearly all fresh, 9 yearling steers, 6 yearling heifers, 5 calves.

## 85 HEAD OF HOGS

Consisting of 20 Chester White brood sows bred to thorobred boar, 25 stock hogs, 40 fall pigs—all good ones.

20 dozen pure Plymouth Rock chickens, nearly all pullets, 2 dozen Guineas, 15 bushel good White Seed Corn.

## MACHINERY, ETC.

An 8-ft. Acme Queen binder, nearly new Great Western 90-bushel manure spreader, like new; Deering corn binder, 2 disc pulverizers, 1 with trucks; 16-in. Good Enough riding plow, garden plow, a Good Enough 14-in. gang plow, 14-in. walking plow, a new John Deere riding cultivator, a Buisy Bee riding cultivator, 3 walking cultivators, disc cultivator, McCormick 11-ft. hay-rake, endgate seeder, new; 5-ft. Deering mower, 4-section harrow, feed grinder, low-down wagon with hay rack, lumber wagon with box, a good 2-seated carriage; top buggy like new, new 55 gallon kerosene tank, 50 gallon gasoline tank.

TERMS:—All sums of \$10.00 or under, cash. Over \$10.00, ten months time at 10 per cent interest.

### CARL A. BAKER, Owner

E. & D. H. CUNNINGHAM, Auctioneers

P. H. MEYER, Clerk.

# MORGAN'S PURE BRED SOW SALE

## 40 HEAD OF IMMUNE Duroc Jersey Brood Sows 40

### To be sold at public auction at Sale Pavilion, Wayne, Nebraska Saturday, January 33, '15

Sale to Begin at 2:00 P. M.

The following blood lines will be represented:

14 Fall Sows by the great breeding boar Morgan's Critic, a Critic and Crimson Wonder bred boar.  
2 Yearling Gilts by Sioux Wonder, a Crimson Wonder bred boar.  
1 Sow by Muncie Chief, a Strong Col. bred boar.  
1 Melina's Wonder Sow, a Crimson Wonder bred boar.  
1 Proud Col. Jr. Sow, he by Proud Col.  
1 by the Champion Golden Model 4th.  
8 Spring Gilts by the good breeding and show boar, Fancy Chief.  
2 Spring G'Its by Col. Chief, the 1,000 pound boar.

4 Spring Gilts by the Old Champton Golden Model 31st.  
2 Spring Gilts by Blue Ribbon Wonder, he by B. & G's. Wonder, dam by Blue Ribbon Model.  
2 Spring Gilts by the Champion Crimson King.  
1 Spring Gilt by Golden Model.  
1 Spring Gilt by Wonder Lad.  
17 head of Fall Gilts and Aged Sows will be bred to Fancy Chief.  
14 Spring Gilts will be bred to the 3d Prize Pig, Wonder Model.  
9 Spring and Fall Gilts will be bred to Col. Chief 2nd.

All sows guaranteed to be in pig to boars in service. If any prove to not be, the purchase price will be refunded upon return of sow in as good condition as when sold within 20 days of date of sale, except in cases of abortion or caused by accident or injury. After 20 days this guarantee ceases.

Will also sell one pure bred Shorthorn Bull, 9 months old. Pedigree furnished sale day.

TERMS:—All sums of \$25 or under, cash. On sums over \$25 a credit of 10 months will be given on approved notes drawing 10 per cent interest from date. Parties from a distance please bring bank references.

ENTERTAINMENT—Parties from a distance will please register at the Boyd Hotel at my expense.

Parties not being able to attend can send bids by mail, telephone or telegraph to either of the Fieldmen, Auctioneers or Clerk, in my care.

FIELDMEN: G. E. Hall, Twentieth Century, Omaha, Neb. O. I. Purdy, Neb. Farmer Pub., Co., Lincoln, Nebr.

All hogs vaccinated with double treatment, Aug. 13, 1914.

AUCTIONEERS: Cols. E. & D. H. Cunningham, assisted by Auctioneers Earl Smith, Allen, Neb., and W. H. Neely, of Wayne, Nebr.

H. S. Ringland Clerk.

# WM. MORGAN

Wayne, Nebraska

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A. B. Clark was at Laurel Friday.

Magnet again has a paper, the Messenger.

Postmaster Fry of Wirsidie was a Wayne visitor Friday.

W. H. Billeter of Carroll was a visitor at Sioux City Saturday.

John Morgan was looking after business matters at Laurel Saturday.

Mrs. C. Gates went to Emerson Saturday to visit her parents a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Vail went to Norfolk Friday to visit relatives for a short time.

A. R. Davis and A. J. Ferguson were looking after business matters at Pender last Friday.

John Williams has a new residence about ready for occupancy in the east part of the city.

Mrs. Edd Ott returned Thursday evening from a visit of three weeks with her parents at Chicago.

C. A. Chace and wife were called to Stanton Friday by word of the sickness of his mother at that place.

The Young Ladies Bible Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. C. E. Sprague Saturday, January 23, at 7 p. m.

Mrs. R. A. Hatfield from north of town went to Bassett Monday to visit friends and old neighbors for a short time.

Mrs. Walter Frame, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Griggs, returned home Monday morning.

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. tf

Geo. W. Kinkaid of Randolph was called to Wagner, South Dakota, the first of the week by the serious illness of a relative there.

John James of Pierce was called to Carroll last week by the serious illness of his father, Frank James, who was suffering from pneumonia.

Stanley Huffman was down from Elgin last week to attend the Roberts-Burton stock sale, and purchased one of the best bulls offered.

Mrs. Laura Lewis, trained nurse, has returned to Wayne and anyone desiring her services may phone 318, residence of Mrs. A. H. Ellis. —adv.

A. R. Hatfield was at Bassett two weeks ago and purchased a few cars of hay for February delivery. Bassett is a great hay shipping station.

D. L. Parker and daughter, who have been here from Blencoe, Iowa, left Saturday for their home. They were guests at the home of Mrs. Kate Parker.

The republican papers that are now busy predicting the defeat of President Wilson at the next election are simply giving expression to their wishes.

Mrs. D. Mackley was at the station Friday to visit between trains with Mrs. E. B. Healey of Bloomfield, an old Dakota neighbor, who was passing through.

**You Can Enjoy Life**  
Eat what you want and not be troubled with indigestion if you will take a  
**Renall Dyspepsia Tablet**  
Before and after each meal. Sold only by us—25c a box.  
The Shulteis Pharmacy.

**Chairman Fries Receives 190 Applications For State's Cash.**

**DISTRICT JUDGES ON THE LIST**

Ask That They Be Allowed Hotel Bills While on Circuits—Newspapers Claims Are Filed—State Appropriation Is Asked For Wells.

Lincoln, Jan. 19.—About 190 items involving claims against the state have been turned over by the auditor's office to Chairman Fries of the house committee on claims and deficiencies for action by the legislature. These will be tabulated, after which the committee will go over them and decide which have enough apparent merit to be incorporated in the general bill for claims and deficiencies.

Practically one-half of all the claims on file are by newspapers for printing the constitutional amendments voted on last November. The total of these claims will be in the neighborhood of \$17,000.

A dozen corporations are asking refunds of the occupation tax. Woodruff Ball of Valentine wants \$1,402.66 on account of his litigation with the state over 100 acres of Cherry county land.

A number of district judges have filed claims for hotel bills and railroad fare incurred at different times. The legislature two years ago appropriated \$4,000 for railroad fare and livery expense, but cut out hotel bills. Notwithstanding this, some of the judges think the state ought to pay their board and lodging when they are away from home.

**Harman Makes Ruling on Sale of Oleo**  
The sale of oleomargarine containing butter is against the law, according to an opinion of Food Commissioner Harman. He has submitted the matter to the attorney general and believes the official of the legal department of the state will sustain him in his belief. He takes the ground that there can be no mixture of butter with any other substance of vegetable or animal oil. The most of the substance sold in Nebraska as butterine is a mixture of some other substance with some butter and is, therefore, adulterated butter. There can be no combination of the two under the guise of one or the other.

**Tornado Insurance Case.**  
The case of Pearl R. Brady against the State Insurance company of Nebraska has been appealed to the supreme court from the district court of Douglas county. The suit is one of the tornado insurance cases. The dwelling house of the insured burned after the wind had wrecked it. The insured collected \$2,000 on her policy against damage by wind and cyclone. She sought to collect the fire insurance in the same amount, but the district court directed a verdict for the defendant.

**Treasury Vault Safe From Fire.**  
The joint committee of the house and senate, appointed to investigate the condition of the treasury vaults, reported that in its opinion the vaults were safe enough, being constructed in a most modern manner of concrete and reinforced steel. Even though the state house were entirely destroyed by fire, according to the report of the committee, the upwards of \$10,000,000 worth of securities in the vaults would be perfectly safe.

**Would Prescribe Width of Tires.**  
A bill introduced in the house by Moseley of Lancaster empowers county commissioners to prescribe the width of tires on vehicles traversing the public roads, where the weight carried exceeds 3,400 pounds. The commissioners are also given authority to specify how much weight may be carried on tires of any certain width.

**Thomas Names Examining Board.**  
Dr. A. O. Thomas, superintendent of education, has announced the appointment of the three members of the board of inspectors and examiners for state and life certificates. The new board will be as follows: Superintendent R. M. Campbell of Columbus, Superintendent C. N. Walton of Wahoo and Superintendent H. M. Eaton of Emerson.

**Appropriation Asked For Wells.**  
A state appropriation of \$15,000 for experimental irrigation wells is urged in a resolution recently passed by the Lodge Pole Irrigation association, a copy of which has just been received by State Engineer Price.

**Recalls Resolution Indorsing Hitchcock**  
Lincoln, Jan. 19.—Senator Howell's resolution indorsing the resolution of Senator Hitchcock in congress protesting against the exportation of arms to warring nations was recalled from the house by the senate. The house had passed to consider it on the ground it was a concurrent affair and should take the course of a regular bill, which had not been the case in the upper body.

**Full Information About Mileage.**  
Lincoln, Jan. 18.—There will be no lack of information concerning the amount of mileage used by state officials during the coming administration, if all of the same make proper use of the blanks furnished them by Auditor Smith. The blanks provide for the date of any amount used, the points of departure and the destination, and the number of miles.

**ADOPT RESOLUTIONS**

**Farmers' Union In Session at Lincoln Touches Wide Territory.**

Lincoln, Jan. 18.—Conferral of power on the state banking board to prevent duplication or triplication of state banks would be "an insult and a brazen affront to the farmers of Nebraska," according to the resolutions of the state farmers' union. The farmers' organization asks that the banking board be given power to charter state co-operative banks on some safe plan to be evolved by it.

Other than this recommendation the farmers' body approved and indorsed a constitution convention, the Torrens' land registration system, public printing of school books, a rural credit system of state scope, diversion of railroad taxes, saloon license money and all similar taxes to go into a state school fund for apportionment between all districts, public ownership of power plants with a safe provision for private development, lower freight rates, nonpartisan primary elections, elimination of party circles and enlargement of the serum plant at the state farm.

The union went on record as favoring state ownership of telephone properties. It favors warehouses licensed and controlled by the state "in the interests of the producer and the consumer, with the provision that farmers' co-operative organizations may lease, hold, own or build such warehouses on the same terms as any other person or corporation."

**HOUSE CARRIES THE PURSE**

**Stipulates Amount Senate Shall Spend For Employees.**

Lincoln, Jan. 19.—In its passage of the legislative salaries and expense appropriation bill the house threw down the gauntlet to the senate, stipulating the amount the senate shall spend for employees.

The house bill, instead of putting the total amount to be appropriated for expenses of the legislature in one lump, goes to the extent of stipulating that \$10,000 shall be for employees in the senate and a like amount in the house. The senate has understood that house members say that if the senate exceeds that amount for the session there will be no more money coming. Just what the upper body will do when the bills come over for its consideration is hard to tell, but the senate asserts that the house can't tell it what it shall do.

**HALL ADOPTS NEW RULE**

**State Treasurer Will Advance No Money Before Warrants Issued.**

Lincoln, Jan. 19.—George E. Hall, the new state treasurer, will advance no cash either to the legislature or to the various state officers before the warrants are regularly issued and presented.

Mr. Hall says that he feels it his duty to decline to follow the practice, although various requests have been made upon him and the thing has been done in the past. He says he feels it would amount to embezzlement on his part.

He will also decline to pay out cash on warrants and will refuse to have any cash on hand in his office.

**42 COLONELS FROM OMAHA**

**Governor Morehead Picks Large Number of Personal Staff from Metropolis.**

Lincoln, Jan. 18.—Forty-two of the eighty-nine colonels appointed by Governor Morehead on his personal staff come from Omaha and South Omaha. Ten of the number are from Lincoln, including Colonel John Grant-Maher and Colonel Charles Jonathan Bills. Two members of the legislature are on the staff. Senator Piller of Seward and Representative Rheinhold of Butler county.

**Firemen Meet at Nebraska City.**

Nebraska City, Jan. 19.—The local firemen have spared nothing in their efforts to care for the delegates to the state firemen's convention, which convened for a three-day session in this city today. All the places of business are gaily decorated for the occasion and arrangements have been made to furnish amusements and entertainments for the visitors all of the time they are in the city.

**John Jump, Jr., Shot by Jesse Cohorn.**

Bancroft, Neb., Jan. 19.—Jesse Cohorn, marshal of Rosalia, Neb., shot and seriously wounded John Jump, Jr., at the home of Lot Jenkins, near Rosalia. It seems that Jump has been paying attention to the divorced wife of Cohorn and at which Cohorn took offense. After the shooting Cohorn made his escape.

**Founder of Dubois Is Dead.**

Dubois, Neb., Jan. 18.—Albert W. Mallory, who settled near here fifty years ago and later founded the town of Dubois, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Garrett at Wakita, Okla. The body was brought here and laid to rest beside his wife, who died a number of years ago.

**Missouri Pacific Wreck.**

Weeping Water, Neb., Jan. 18.—Two coaches of a west-bound passenger train were derailed by a broken rail a mile and a half east of here, and although both coaches were filled with passengers, no one was seriously injured.

**Senate Favors Merger of Cities.**

Lincoln, Jan. 19.—The senate bill on municipalities reported unanimously in favor of the Howell bill, which provides for the consolidation of Omaha and its suburbs.

**WAR NEWS SUMMARIZED**

French advices say that the allied front in the positions taken up after the retreat from Soissons is stronger than ever. London suggests that the Germans may follow up their victory by inaugurating another forward movement. Berlin considers that the general offensive movement of the allies, said to have been ordered a month ago by General Joffre, has broken down.

The rear guard of the Moroccan rifle regiments who covered the retreat of the French center across the river at Soissons acquitted themselves with distinction. They had been posted in the village of Crony.

In the eastern arena of the war the steady pressure which the arrival of 1,000,000 of last year's levies has enabled the Russians to exert upon the Germans, according to news dispatches reaching London, has been slowly pushing back the German line to the west of Warsaw. News dispatches report that the Russians reoccupied Plock.

The Russian defeat of the Turks, if the claims of Petrograd are truly borne out, was so decisive that it may mark the close of the Ottoman attempt to invade Russian in the Caucasian region.

Germans in Poland again have attacked the Russians west of Warsaw, but apparently have been unable, thus far, to break through the line of defense. In northern Poland the Russians continue to advance toward the Russian border.

The Paris Humanite estimates the damage done by the war to French industry at \$6,000,000,000.

Emperor William, who watched the battle north of Soissons, in which the French were driven back across the river Aisne, decorated on the field General von Lochow and Lieutenant General Wishura, who commanded the victorious troops.

The New Zurich Gazette points out that it would be impossible to starve Germany into surrender, as the precautionary measures of the government has assured sufficient provisions.

German official reports state that the prisoners of war in Germany and Austria now number 800,000. The Cologne Gazette compares this figure with 200,000 prisoners which it asserts are held by the allies.

That English precedents have been violated by the British admiralty in its methods of searching and detaining American merchant vessels and ships carrying American cargoes is a contention that will be made by the state department in further representations to the London government in regard to the shipping controversy.

The French official statement recites French successes at various points along the battle-line, most of them artillery engagements. None of the actions seem to have been of great importance. There was stormy weather in Flanders, as well as in the Vosges.

Staff of the Caucasus army devotes a statement to the operations in Azerbaijan, where, it is explained, it became expedient to re-group the Russian forces, necessitating the evacuation of certain places previously captured.

Allies in Belgium and France and the Russians in Poland are both making progress against the opposing forces, according to latest official statements issued from Paris and Petrograd.

Germans, who are endeavoring to advance on Warsaw, seemingly have been held in check, while Russian advance columns have stormed and captured the important pass of Kirlibaba, leading from Bukovina into Hungary.

Turks in the Caucasus have met with another disaster in the neighborhood of Kara-Urgan, advices from Tiflis assert, the Eleventh Turkish corps being routed and all its artillery captured.

The French claim to have forced the Germans to evacuate their trenches in the Great Dune. In the Argonne the Germans claim to have secured the advantage, although the operations have been hampered by heavy storms.

Important British gains are reported near La Bassee, and the Germans have lost some trenches to Zouaves in the region of Arras.

Petrograd claims the Russian troops have progressed on the right bank of the lower Vistula, where the German cavalry was repulsed. On the other front the fighting is made up largely of skirmishes and artillery duels.

The Turkish military preparations point to apprehension of a British invasion of Palestine. The many hills around Nazareth have been fortified and roads suitable for the transport of heavy guns are being constructed from Acre, Syria, to Mount Carmel.

A false alarm of an Italian invader was spread in Trantino by the mistake of a telephone girl, says a Venice dispatch. She reported that Italian troops were marching toward Sappada, one of the eastern points for invading Trantino. The authorities never questioned the truth of the report. All night long roads were blown up and troops were rushed toward Sappada. In the morning all was ready for the invaders, but there was no sign of them. The telephone girl is being prosecuted.

Reports that cannon firing had been heard at sea off the coast near Havana were found to be untrue. Blast ing work being done along the shore is believed to have led to the reports.

**Shoes Shoes**

Bargains? Yes, there is lots of them left. We must reduce this stock and we are putting the prices down so low you will be forced to help us.

**Sensational Prices in Women's Footwear**

300 PAIR of Patent and Gun Metal Shoes bought this fall, good styles and sizes; values from \$3.50 to \$4.50, to be closed out at

From ALL the other stock we will give the unusual reductions as per quotations below:

ALL \$5.00 Values.....	\$3.45
ALL 4.00 Values.....	2.95
ALL 3.00 Values.....	2.15

**\$2.45 the pair**

**MEN, here is your opportunity**

100 pairs of 4.00 and 4.50 shoes, black or tan, button or lace, Your Choice..... PER PAIR **\$2.95**

For the balance of the stock these prices hold:

5.00 values 3.95      4.00 values 2.95

**SPECIAL—\$3.50 Guaranteed Work Shoe . . . \$2.75**

**Now Going At Full Speed**

**SALE**

**Will Continue All Next Week**

Children's Shoes are a hard problem, but here are some prices that will interest you

<b>LOT 1---</b> 200 pairs valued from 1.25 to 2.50. Choice.....	<b>50c</b>	<b>LOT 3---</b> 1.50 to 2.00 values Choice.....	<b>1.05</b>
<b>LOT 2---</b> 1.00 to 1.50 values Choice.....	<b>69c</b>	<b>LOT 4---</b> 2.00 to 2.75 values Choice.....	<b>1.55</b>

We also give the following prices from the entire stock of children's shoes

3.00 values.....	2.15	2.50 values.....	1.95	2.00 values.....	1.55
1.50 values.....	1.05	1.00 values.....	75c		

**Overshoes**  
Children's one and two-buckle, size 4 to 11  
**Choice 38c**

**100 Pair**  
Men's and Women's Shoes  
small or large sizes  
**Choice \$1.00**

**Baughan Shoe Co**

Wayne THE YELLOW FRONT Wayne

**Shoes Shoes**

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Senator Phil H. Kohl was home over Saturday and Sunday.

Axel Erickson went to visit at Minneapolis the first of the week.

Ferd S. Benschhof went to Sioux City Tuesday on a business mission.

Jack Davis, who is here from Iowa visiting, went to Sioux City Tuesday.

200 pairs children's shoes, 50 cents the pair. Baughan Shoe Company.—adv.

W. A. Hunter and G. Zimmerman went to Carroll Tuesday on a short business mission.

Mrs. Ludwickson and children went to Sholes Tuesday to visit relatives a few days.

**All cut prices continued another week. S. R. Theobald & Co.—adv.**

Mrs. Bodenstadt from Sioux City spent part of Monday and Tuesday with Wayne relatives and friends.

Elmer Sala from Colome, South Dakota, came last week to visit for a time at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Q. Sala.

Abe Martin says that printer's ink is the only thing that you can successfully mix with business. And that is one of his true sayings.

Ten dollar shoes are promised in the near future if this war does not stop soon. Well, it will soon be time to go barefooted if necessary.

D. F. Meeker, who was here a few days visiting at the home of his brother-in-law, V. A. Senter, returned to his home at Omaha Tuesday.

Mrs. Jack Stanton and children left Tuesday to join Mr. Stanton at Pender where he has a situation cutting meat at the leading market of that place.

Mrs. C. Norton went to Carroll Tuesday and from there went to visit at the home of their son Roy, and assist in the lunch department the day of his sale.

**Muslins, sheetings, outings, prints, fleece goods, lowest price for years. S. R. Theobald & Co.—adv.**

The pupils of Dist. No. 69 will give a program and box social Friday evening, January 29th. A cordial invitation extended to all. Gladys G. Ewing, teacher.

G. W. Moore came from Oakland the first of the week to visit at the home of Fred Freese a few days. He has a brother living eight miles south of town.

If you haven't attended the one big shoe sale, do it next week. You will find some things there you will know are real bargains. Baughan Shoe Company.—adv.

It is suggested that if the district of Columbia is voted dry by the present congress there will never be another long session of congress until we elect an almost entirely new bunch of legislators.

Bryan Kloppling left here Tuesday morning to seek his fortune in the west, going to Twin Falls, Idaho, where his brother Roy is now living. He plans to farm when spring comes. His Nebraska friends wish him success in his new home.

Perry Theobald sent two of his best Buff Orpington birds to the great poultry show at Kansas City, and won first on pullet and second on cockerel. One is assured of strong competition at the Kansas City show, and it means glory to make a first winning there.

Frank Kloppling and wife arrived from Chicago Sunday where they have been staying for almost a month since their marriage, and will remain at the home of his parents, Henry Kloppling and wife until spring when they go to a farm near Carroll where they are to farm this season. Mr. Kloppling grew to manhood here and has many friends, who doubtless will become the friends of the bride—he brings to make her home in Nebraska.

In Antelope county the county commissioners are being urged by the Neligh commercial club to employ a commissioner of highways—an expert or experienced man who will supervise the road overseers and aid in determining the character of the roads to be made, and where and how the road money is to be expended. There is a provision for the commissioners to do so, and where it has been tried it is said that it results in much better returns for the money spent on roads. There is no doubt but that lots of money is wasted in ineffective road work, because lack of a system of work controlled by someone who understands and knows what is needed and how to do it to best advantage.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Children's overshoes, size 4 to 11. Special 38c. Baughan Shoe Company.—adv.

**Our sale of Household Muslins and Sheetings continue another week. S. R. Theobald & Co.—adv.**

Fred Hollenback was here last week visiting at the home of his parents, N. P. Hollenback and wife. He is going to move to the western part of the state soon, and was making a visit here before increasing the distance from home folks. His father accompanied him to his home at Arlington Monday for a short stay.

Roy Fisher was at Malloy, Iowa, Wednesday attending a sale of Hampshire sows and serving in the capacity of field man for the Nebraska Farmer. He will attend at least a dozen Hampshire sales this season in that capacity. Of course while thus engaged he don't let any one else steal a good animal—one that might develop into a show bird for the herd he is gathering for the big show on the Pacific coast this year. It is his plan to attend this great international show and win a lot of first prizes.

A person who is entitled to receive a passport, if within the United States, must make a written application in the form of an affidavit, to the Secretary of State. The application must be made by the person to whom the passport is to be issued and signed by him, as it is not competent for one person to apply for another. The affidavit must be made before a clerk of a federal or state court within the jurisdiction of which the applicant or his witnesses resides, and the seal of the court must be affixed.

We are going to try to open the markets of Brazil to our potato starch. Good thing—and but for the trust methods this country might have been full of starch factories. Here we are with the best and cheapest potato land in the world letting crowded Germany sell starch on this side of the big water, for it was from Germany that most of their starch came before the war. The writer remembers when the starch combine began to stiffen up and cut out the little factories which had made a market for surplus potatoes near where they were raised.

Several successful rural leaders in farmers' clubs, farmers' institutes, and rural schools will tell something of their experiences at the agricultural extension conference to be held at the university farm, tomorrow, during Organized Agriculture week. Among the speakers are J. O. Shroyer, a farmer and successful in the organization of farmers' clubs; Mrs. Lulu Kortz Hudson, an experienced rural school and club leader; J. W. Good, president of the Dawes county farm management association; and A. V. Teed, superintendent of schools of Dixon county.

When an 8-page paper carries four pages full of advertising matter and gives but half the other four to news, business is said to be good and the readers must read the advertisements to get the worth of their money. It may not be flattering to the brothers in the newspaper making, but we notice a great many papers in which the advertising makes the most interesting reading the paper contains. We believe that the advertisers are entitled to have some news matter carried in a paper as a sort of ballast to get it past the postal department with the second class postage rate.

Patronize a home industry when possible should be the motto of every one in this community. Wayne has a brick and tile factory, and its product should be used when possible. We have an incubator factory here, and they should have the patronage of home people to the greatest extent consistent with the purchaser securing what he wants. There are two cigar factories here, and if you buy out of these shops when you smoke you help make employment for people at home. If you need a bit of printing done give the home printer a chance at it. The Democrat is not prepared to do a real fine line of embossing just at present, but we are in position to secure good work in that line for you as reasonable as any can do it, and as for the common commercial printing we can do it right. Should you want a calendar for 1916 it might pay you to figure with the home printer, for we have the best of opportunity to buy such goods at the best possible prices. In fact give the home man the first and best chance.

**One more week of Bargain Giving. Coats one-half price, Furs one-half price. S. R. Theobald & Co.—adv.**

# January Clearing Sale

## They Are Going to Be Sold

Now that the first rush of winter trade is over we find that we are far overstocked on some lines. We bought too heavily of these goods and will be satisfied if we can just break even.

To get this big stock off our hands we are cutting prices regardless of cost. We can't describe all of the bargains here, the prices will give you an Idea. Don't wait.

**All Ladies', Misses' and Children's Coats**  
**20% to 50% Discount**  
**All Men's and Boy's Overcoats, Fur Coats and Duck Coats at 20% Discount**

**Underwear**

Ladies' \$1.00 two-piece wool garments at.....	69c
Ladies' 2.25 Mercerized ribbed union suits at....	1.49
Ladies' 1.75 Silk and Merino union suits at.....	1.29
Misses' 65c Ribbed fleeced union suits at.....	39c
Men's 1.50 wool 2-piece underwear at.....	1.15
Men's 1.50 and 1.75 wool and fleeced union suits.	1.29
Boy's 2-piece fleeced underwear at 20 per cent discount	

Men's and Boy's Sweater Coats.....	20 per cent discount
Men's and Boy's Flannel Shirts.....	20 per cent discount
Women's and Misses' Flannel Skirts	20 per cent discount
Women's and Misses' 15c Fleeced hose at.....	11c
Women's and Misses' 35c Wool Hose.....	19c
Women's Knit Hood, 1.00 to 1.50.....	69c
Women's Suede and Doeskin gloves at.....	39c
Women's 3.50 to 4.50 black Silk Waist, at.....	2.69
Women's 1.25 to 1.50 Shirt Waists at.....	69c
50c and 60c Wool Dress Goods, the yard.....	39c
15 to 20c Laces and Embroideries, per yard.....	10c
15c Percales, 36-inch, at.....	12 1/2c

Men's and Boy's Caps at..... 20 per cent discount  
 Men's and Boy's lined Mittens, at..... 20 per cent discount

### Friday Specials Saturday

10 Bars Mohawks Laundry Soap.....	25c	25c Can A. B. C. Gossberries.....	15c
4 Bars 10c Toilet Soap.....	25c	20c Can A. B. C. Succotash.....	15c
30c Can A. B. C. Lemon Cling and Yellow free Peaches	25c	29c Can A. B. C. Lima Beans.....	15c
30c Can A. B. C. Damson and Egg Plums.....	25c	15c Can A. B. C. Carriers Plums.....	10c

**One Box Fancy Jonathan Apples, per box \$1.75**

# THE RELIABLE GERMAN STORE

### Successful Shorthorn Sale

The sale of 43 head of shorthorn cattle at the Wayne pavilion by Messrs. J. M. Roberts of this place and Burton Bros. of Laurel last Thursday proved to be a good sale. These two men were closing out their herds for the reason that they were going to move to other places and could not handle this class of stock at present in their new homes. Their offering was all well bred and good individually, but the Burton offering was not in as good condition for the market as the Roberts offering, which accounts partially for the difference in the average price. The Roberts cattle sold at an average price of \$97, including calves and matured animals, and the other part of the herd brought an average of \$70. Messrs. Cunningham & Son cried the sale. Below is a list of the purchasers.

- The J. M. Roberts Cattle**
- No. 1, bull, W. S. Larson, Laurel, \$177.50.
  - No. 2, cow, True Prescott, Wayne, \$100.00.
  - No. 3, cow, Andrew Stamm, Wayne, \$102.50.
  - No. 4, cow, J. H. Campbell, Laurel, \$97.50.
  - No. 5, cow, J. R. Hurst, Wayne, \$92.50.
  - No. 6, cow, Henry Cozad, Wayne, \$112.50.
  - No. 7, cow, Henry Cozad, Wayne, \$85.00.
  - No. 8, cow, S. W. Elder, Wayne, \$72.50.
  - No. 9, cow, Joe Garwood, Carroll, \$97.50.
  - No. 10, cow, O. G. Randal, Wayne, \$70.00.
  - No. 11, cow, C. E. Sprague, Wayne, \$70.00.
  - No. 12, cow, Joe Garwood, Carroll, \$115.00.
  - No. 13, cow, Frank Mellick, Wayne, \$55.00.
  - No. 14, cow, Ray Halladay, Laurel, \$47.50.

- No. 15, bull, Fred Nelson, Wausa, \$115.00.
- No. 16, bull, John Venneberg, Wayne, \$87.50.
- No. 17, bull, S. M. Huffman, Elgin, \$135.00.
- No. 18, bull, F. W. Vahlkamp, Wayne, \$90.00.
- No. 19, bull, Geo. Hofeldt, Wayne, \$100.00.
- No. 20, bull, C. K. Corbit, Wayne, \$110.00.
- No. 12, bull, Ray Halladay, Laurel, \$82.50.
- No. 22, bull, Carl Baker, Wayne, \$125.00.
- No. 23, bull, O. G. Randal, Wayne, \$82.50.

- Burton Bros. Bunch**
- No. 24, bull, G. L. Marquardt, Norfolk, \$115.00.
  - No. 25, bull, W. H. Kohlmeir, Wakefield, \$95.00.
  - No. 26, bull, Carl Beck, Wayne, \$62.50.
  - No. 27, bull, C. B. Thompson, Wayne, \$47.50.
  - No. 28, bull, Adolph Rohlf, Winside, \$60.00.
  - No. 29, cow, C. B. Thompson, Wayne, \$60.00.
  - No. 30, cow, Simon Lessman, Wayne, \$50.00.
  - No. 31, cow, C. E. Sprague, Wayne, \$72.50.
  - No. 32, cow, O. G. Randal, Wayne, \$100.00.
  - No. 33, cow, J. S. Lewis, Wayne, \$77.50.
  - No. 34, cow, J. H. Campbell, Laurel, \$97.50.
  - No. 35, cow, W. S. Elder, Wayne, \$120.00.
  - No. 36, cow, W. S. Elder, Wayne, \$85.00.
  - No. 37, cow, G. H. Patterson, Wayne, \$85.00.
  - No. 38, cow, J. H. Miner, Wayne, \$70.00.
  - No. 39, cow, W. W. Garwood, Carroll, \$90.00.
  - No. 40, cow, E. E. Rich, Neligh, \$47.50.

- No. 41, cow, E. E. Rich, Neligh, \$37.50.
- No. 42, cow, Carl Baker, Wayne, \$37.50.
- No. 36 1/2, bull, C. S. Ash, Wayne, \$50.00.

**Legislative News**

Representative Mears of Wayne—hardly more than 30 years of age to look at him from the balconies—was announced as "the youngest grandfather" in the history of legislatorhood. He was commended in resolutions adopted by the house upon suggestion of Tibbets of Adams. He, too, thanked the house and declared that he felt no older since receiving the news, an hour before, that his son was the proud father of a son.

The above is from the Lincoln World-Herald, the occasion being the arrival of news from Sioux City of the arrival of a son at the home of Archie Mears and wife at that place. Grant evidently does not propose to let any democratic president put one over on him in the grand-pa business. Here's to both of the grand children and the proud grandpas—long may they live.

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I handle nothing but the best grades of domestic coal.

**HAUL ME YOUR GRAIN**

Phone 83 **Marcus Kroger** ....Wayne

**Why Not You?**

People realize, more and more, that a bank account, maintained systematically is the greatest aid to financial progress.

YOU can enjoy many privileges by becoming a depositor here.

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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 H. F. Wilson, Vice-President. H. S. Ringland, Cashier.  
 B. F. Strahan, Assist. Cashier. Geo. E. Roe, Teller.



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WAYNE MARKET REPORT

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

Oats	46c
Corn new	60c
Barley	45c
Spring wheat	1.17
Wheat	1.16
Eggs	25c
Butter	80c
Hogs	9.40
Fat Cattle	\$7.50 @ \$9.50

The milling interests think that there is little need of an embargo on wheat, for the crop is now about exhausted they claim. Well, if flour gets too expensive, we have lived on corn bread, and can do it again if necessary. In fact it is pretty good food when properly made.

Had there been a public warehouse law in Nebraska to enable the farmers to have stored their crop had they wished, they, instead of the speculators, might have profited from the recent advance in grain prices. It is bad enough for the consumer to have to pay this increased cost, and it seems harder when they know that the increase goes to a class of men who toil not, neither do they spin, yet the farmer is not arrayed like one of these.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon is trying to use his "influence" to stop the proposed investigation of election frauds in his district, but some way the more he tries to dodge an investigation the more it appears that such an investigation will bear fruit in the form of an expose of the favorite election methods of the standpat element of Danville. Take your medicine, Joe. If you or your friends were square you should court an investigation if there are charges of wrong doing.

Now that some such railroads are on the eve of going broke for want of an increase in freight rates why should not the government go on the stock market and purchase stock enough to own a controlling interest in a road or two and try out government ownership without being pounced into buying a road at two or three times what the owners are able to make it pay a dividend on. If the government pay what the stockholders are willing to take for their holdings in an unprofitable venture it should be a fair deal. With a government owned and operated line there might be some competition in railway circles.

Judge Smith McPherson of Red Oak, Iowa, died at his home in that place Sunday evening following a sickness of six months, brought on by a five mile walk in Kansas last summer, when an automobile break down left them stranded in the country. He became fever heated. He has been for the past fifteen years a federal judge for the southern Iowa district, and has presided at sessions of the federal court in different states. He was long one of the republican party leaders of Iowa, in the palmy day of republicanism in that state, when the man who could secure a nomination on the state ticket could do just as he pleased and still be elected. He was district attorney and attorney general of the state as well as a railroad attorney. He was looked upon by the people as the favorite judge in the eyes of the railroads and corporations, and it is possible that he was prone from education and environments to look at things from their view point. He it was who, while acting for a Missouri judge, granted an injunction to prevent the state from enforcing the 2-cent rate law, and later made it a permanent injunction. Personally he was a genial man, and very loyal to his friends. He was 65 years of age.

Examination for Postmasters

An examination is to be held at Wayne February 20, for applicants for fourth-class postmasters, and from the applicants postmasters will be named. These examinations will be held at different points in the state, and candidates may go to the place nearest for the test. In Nebraska appointments are to be made at the following points: Berlin, Boelus, Burkett, Carroll, Center, Colon, Inman, Morse Bluff, Royal, Scotia, Springview, Stockham, Strang, Unadilla.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Farmer Opposes Demonstrator

Editor Nebraska Democrat, Wayne, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:—I see by the Democrat that you want the farmers to state their opinions for or against farm demonstrators. I most certainly admire your broadminded attitude in getting all sides of the above question discussed.

The sum and substance of the farm demonstrator question is for the farmers to produce more per acre and enhance the yearly income of the farmer. Of course that is the idea, but as to whether it does or not is a thing to be proved, and in striking a balance in the yearly income of the farmer they should take an average of the whole United States and not just one neighborhood as the demonstrators now do.

Now let us look at this question in a common and sensible light. Who is pushing this movement mostly? The farmers, no; the bankers, yes; railroads, yes; business men in general and demonstrators, yes again.

They say the farmers in general are for a farm demonstrator, which in my mind is not so. Why? Because in every instance the farmers have to be talked, cajoled and pushed into it.

Now, why am I farming? For the philanthropic purpose of feeding the world? Partly so, but the fact is I am farming for the dollars and cents (mostly cents) that is in the business. Now then if the farm demonstrator can prove to me that if all the farmers in the United States raise twice the amount in crops this year that they did last year and get twice as much money for it, then I will say "hurrah" for a demonstrator. But as facts and figures (cold statistics if you please) have proven time and again that when the farmer has raised a large crop, he gets less for the same in dollars and cents than he gets for raising a small crop.

Remember in 1896 the farmers raised an enormous crop. Where were the prices, where was the farmer; yes I may even say where was the business men with all the unsealable goods on their shelves?

Did a farm demonstrator ever try to explain why it takes 56 cents to deliver a dollar's worth of farm products from the farm to the consumer? Why should the farmer get only 46 cents out of each dollar's worth raised and those grafters in between get 56 cents? Did you ever see a demonstrator go to the bankers and moneyed men and try to get them to lower the interest on farm loans, when figures will prove that on an average throughout the United States the farmers pay 7 1/2 per cent interest on real estate loans, and as high as 25 per cent on chattel?

According to government statistics given out by Secretary of Agriculture Houston the net average income on farmers capital invested for the year 1913 was just two (2) per cent and on the other hand the income on capital invested by bankers in banks was over 15 per cent and in spite of these facts the bankers are advocating a system whereby the farmers are imposed upon in raising larger crops when any one knows it takes more labor and more money in raising larger crops.

What then should be done to help the farmer (and in helping the farmer you help everyone else)?

First, the interest rate should be at least cut in two.

Second, cut out all non-producing middlemen and get the crops directly from farm to the consumer.

Third, let all the farmers join the Farmers' Union or some other organization so as to accomplish the above results.

Fourth, let all farmers be human, farm less land and cut the working hours from 14 hours to 8 hours same as they do in the cities.

Fifth, let the farmer alone and they will come out on top.

Respectfully yours,

WM. ELIASON,

Concord, Neb.

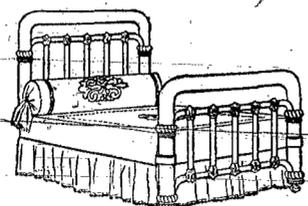
Jarred His Dignity.

James G. Blaine used to tell a story showing the contrast between senatorial dignity and presidential simplicity. He was a member of a joint committee to wait upon the president. Senator Foote of Vermont, one of the most dignified of men, was chairman. On being ushered into the presence of President Lincoln Mr. Foote involuntarily struck an attitude and said in his stately manner, "Mr. President, we have been appointed a committee on the part of the two houses of congress to apprise you that they have met and organized and are ready to receive any communication which it may be your pleasure to make to them."

Mr. Lincoln stepped up and, taking him familiarly by one button, said, "Now, look here, Foote, if it is a matter of life and death with you I can send my message in today, but if it isn't I should like to keep it till tomorrow to stick it up a little."

# A Car Load of Brass and Iron Beds To Go On Sale Jan. 23rd to Feb. 20th

Every Iron Bed Guaranteed. Every broken part will be replaced free of charge. Every Brass Bed Guaranteed Not to Tarnish. Every Brass Bed Discounted 20 per cent to 25 per cent.



## The Popular \$10.00 Bed

2-inch continuous steel post, 5 fillers, 4-6 or 3-6. White or Vernis Martin finish.

Special \$6.85

## Regular \$9.00 Bed

2-inch continuous post bed, 5 fillers, 4-6, Vernis Martin finish.

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## The Popular \$14.00 Bed

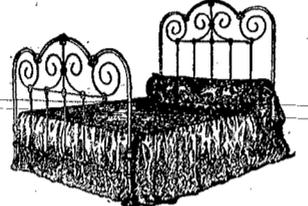
2-inch continuous steel post bed, five 1-inch fillers, no castings, White or Vernis Martin finish, 4-6 or 3-6

Special \$8.35

## All \$3.75 Beds

4-6 or 3-6, assorted colors

Special \$2.90



## All \$8.50 Beds

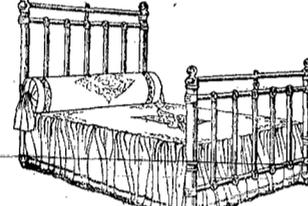
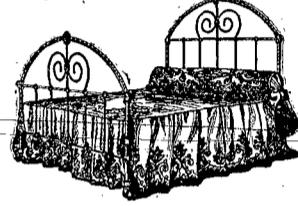
Size 4-6 Assorted Colors

Special \$6.30

## All \$7.00 Beds

Size 4-6 Assorted Colors

Special \$5.35



## All \$4.50 Beds

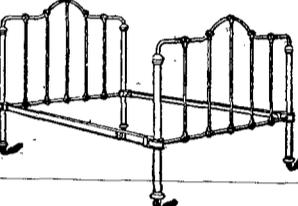
Size 4-6 or 3-6 Assorted Colors

Special \$3.90

## Special Guaranteed Bed

Size 4-6 or 3-6 Assorted Colors

Special \$2.35



# GAERTNER & BECKENHAUER

Wayne, Nebraska

School Notes

Paul Chipperfield is a new student in the Freshman class.

In the department of music, steps have been taken to organize an orchestra.

In the industrial work new classes are being organized in sewing and handicraft.

The work of the second semester was begun in all departments. In the kindergarten a new class of seven pupils was organized.

Miss Edith Beechel of the State Normal delighted the high school last Friday morning with a talk on her observations at Ellis Island.

The Junior class has challenged any other class in the school to a debate. To date no class has had the courage to accept the challenge.

In the art department the first and second grades are doing yarn weaving, the third grade hammock weaving, the fourth and fifth grades reed basketry, sixth grade raffia.

The Sophomore class provided a treat for the high school Tuesday morning by providing a victrola concert of high class. It is the hope of the high school to possess a victrola in the near future.

Mrs. Louise Murfree has returned from Alton, Illinois, where she was called during the vacation, by the death of her sister. Mrs. Murfree has the sympathy of the entire school in this great sorrow.

Nita Foster has been sadly missed for the past week, she having been out of school on account of the illness and death of her mother. The faculty and students of the high school extend sympathy to her in her great bereavement.

In the second grade the pupils are memorizing Tennyson's Winter; in the third grade the children are interested in new readers and number books; in the fourth grade the new geographies are a source of delight, and in the seventh grade the students are enjoying the study of Eyangeline.

In the English department the Senior class has completed the study of American literature and is beginning the history of British literature in the course of which a large share of the time will be devoted to the study of Shakespeare. In the Junior class, study has been begun on a collection of modern short stories.

HARD FOR HIM TO DECIDE.

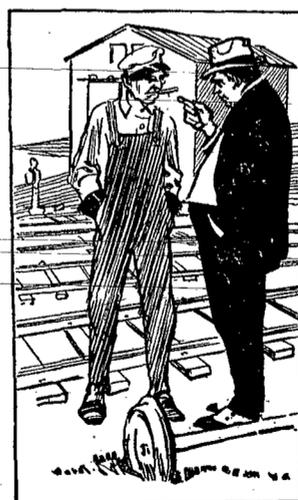
Both Propositions Seemed to Be in the Same Class.

When William A. Garrett was general manager of the Pere Marquette railroad he had an aversion to smoking. He therefore issued an order that any employee smoking while on duty would be discharged. This story of what then happened was told by William H. Canniff, head of the Nickel Plate railroad:

Garrett was walking through one of the company's freight yards one day not long after the issuing of his anti-smoke order and saw a freight brakeman contentedly putting a cigar.

"I see you're smoking," remarked Garrett.

"Yes, you're exactly right," replied the brakeman in deferential tones,



"I SEE YOU'RE SMOKING."

"I'm smoking." And he kept right on smoking.

"You probably don't know who I am," observed Garrett.

"Oh, yes, I do," said the brakeman. "I've seen you around here before. You're the general manager."

"Then evidently you haven't heard about our new order against smoking," went on Garrett.

"Sure, I heard about it—a week ago," replied the brakeman courteously and without ceasing to puff at his cigar.

Garrett then began to be angry. "See here, my good man," said he, "which looks the best to you, that cigar or your job?"

For some moments the brakeman stared off into space, puffing slowly at his smoke and apparently thinking the proposition over. Then he declared:

"I hardly know what to say, Mr. Garrett—they're both so rotten!"—New York Sun.

# Save Money, Now!

This shop is making a reputation for itself by having only the good new things in men's wear. In order to do this it is necessary to sell all the winter goods now to make room for my big spring purchases.

LAY IN A SUPPLY OF THESE GENUINE BARGAINS.

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| <p><b>Dress Shirts</b></p> <p>All Arrow and Monarch color-fast shirts in mushroom, tucked and plaited bosoms or fancy negliges.</p> <p>\$2.00 values.....\$1.35<br/>\$1.50 value..... 1.15<br/>\$1.25 and \$1.00 values.. .90</p> <p><b>Winter Underwear</b></p> <p>All union suits. Every suit new this fall. Lay in your supply for the remainder of this winter and next winter.</p> <p>\$4.50 values.....\$3.00<br/>\$3.75 values..... 2.60<br/>\$3.00 values..... 2.15<br/>\$2.00 values..... 1.40<br/>\$1.00 values..... .75</p> <p><b>Sweater Coats</b></p> <p>Pennsylvania, No-Tair sweater coat.</p> <p>\$7.00 values.....\$5.00<br/>\$6.00 values..... 4.00<br/>\$5.00 values..... 3.75</p> <p><b>Mufflers</b></p> <p>All that remain of the winter stock must go.</p> <p>\$1.00 values.....\$ .65<br/>\$2.50 values..... 1.75</p> <p><b>Fur Caps</b></p> <p>\$5.00 New Seal Caps...\$3.75<br/>\$3.50 Coney Caps..... 2.75</p> | <p><b>All Winter Cloth Caps</b></p> <p>\$1.50 values.....\$1.15<br/>\$1.25 values..... .90<br/>\$.100 values..... .75</p> <p><b>Mackinaws</b></p> <p>All of them the original Patrick Duluth line.</p> <p>\$9.50 values.....\$7.50<br/>\$8.00 values..... 6.25</p> <p><b>Woolen Shirts</b></p> <p>Heavy weights, greys or tan, all wool.</p> <p>\$2.75 quality.....\$2.00<br/>Also a big line of medium weight flannelette shirts.</p> <p>\$1.75 quality.....\$1.25</p> <p><b>Hats</b></p> <p>All Velours and Derbys at 20 Per Cent Discount. All other hats at 10 Per Cent Discount.</p> <p><b>Neckwear</b></p> <p>In this line you will find many new ideas but I am determined to clear out every cravat, just the same, before the spring goods arrive.</p> <p>\$1.00 values.....\$ .75<br/>75c values..... .50<br/>50c values..... .40</p> <p>All other furnishings at 10 per cent discount during this sale.</p> |
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EXTRA SPECIAL

A PAIR OF TROUSERS FREE! Until Jan. 29th, I will give a pair of trousers free with every suit ordered from the KAHN TAILORING CO'S. Fall and Winter Samples

# Morgan's Toggery

Opposite Post Office Wayne, Nebraska

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Cured and fresh meats at Rundell's.—adv.

L. A. Fanske was a visitor at Norfolk Sunday.

Wine Sap apples 85c per bushel at Rundell's.—adv.

W. N. Andresen and wife visited at Wakefield Sunday.

W. H. Morris is at Omaha this week buying for the Orr & Morris Co.

F. S. Berry was looking after legal matters in Hartington Tuesday.

Try one of the 35c dinners now being served at the Wayne Bakery.—adv.

Read Morgan's ad carefully before you drop this paper. It's on page 6.

Mrs. W. B. Vail returned Wednesday from a visit with Norfolk relatives.

Meritol Rheumatism Powders for rheumatism in its various forms. Model Pharmacy.—adv.

Mrs. Chas. Beebe was here from Wakefield Wednesday evening, returning Wednesday morning.

There will be lots of traveling this year. Buy your hand baggage now at reduced prices of Morgan.—adv.

K. P. meeting next Wednesday evening, when special business makes it desirable to have a large attendance.

Chris Schinstock, the horse-buyer, will be in Wayne Friday, January 29th. Bring in your horses.—adv.

R. P. Williams left this morning to visit for two or three weeks at the home of his daughter at Bismarek, North Dakota.

Meritol Massage Cream, a compound for cleansing and beautifying the skin. Model Pharmacy.—adv.

Good warm underwear will help some these chilly days. It's to be had now at 75c, \$1.40, \$1.15, \$2.60 and \$3.00 at Morgan's Toggery.

C. E. Conover went to Bloomfield Friday to visit friends living near that place and to attend to some business matters, returning home Tuesday.

E. T. Erickson from Red Oak, Iowa, is here visiting his brother Jos. Erickson, and assisting him to prepare for a farm sale he will give February 9th.

W. S. Brown returned home Wednesday from Omaha where he went for treatment a week before. He says that he is feeling better than for weeks before.

Forrest L. Hughes was at Omaha Sunday on a matter of court business, although there are those who expressed the opinion that he did not go so far down the line.

In spite of bad weather a host of people are taking advantage of Frank Morgan's big sale. Those dress shirts look good to all of them at 90c and \$1.15.—adv.

There will be a box social at the school house in District No. 15, or the Wilber school, on the evening of Friday the 29th to which the public is invited. Ethel Spahr is the teacher.

Elmer Sala went to Craig this morning to visit his sister a few days. He was accompanied by his cousins, Misses Pearl Hughes and Rue Rickabaugh who will look after him while there.



# One-Half Price Sale--Saturday Only



Remember Saturday is the last day to get Good Clothes at Cut Prices. Here are a few Specials for Saturday only and good only with the Coupons

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Fresh cream every morning at Rundell's.—adv.

James Mulvay has returned from a visit a Neligh.

Wedding Breakfast maple syrup, \$1.00 per gallon at Rundell's.—adv.

Rock and barrel salt at Rundell's. Pure country sorghum at Rundell's.—adv.

Meritol Depilatory for removing objectionable and superfluous hair. Model Pharmacy.—adv.

The size of Holsum bread has not been reduced. Fresh every morning at Rundell's.—adv.

A trial of Security Calf food will convince you of the saving, also a superior calf. See Rundell.—adv.

Have you forgotten to order that supply of apples. Rundell's Grocery has all kinds at reduced prices.—adv.

Misses Nettie Craven and Mary Mason and Mrs. Weaver are spending today at the Chas. Beebe home at Wakefield.

If you go once you come again when hungry to the Wayne Bakery for their popular 35c dinners—for quality counts.—adv.

R. E. K. Mellor and wife went to Elgin the first of the week to visit at the home of their son-in-law, Stanley Huffman.

One of those big jumbo knit sweater-coats will keep you warm these days. They're on sale now at Morgan's for an even \$5.00, formerly \$7.00.—adv.

S. E. Auker shipped three cars of cattle to the South Omaha market the first of the week. The local dealers have sent several cars of hogs to market also this week.

Ed Raymond came from Des Moines Wednesday morning to look after some matters of business and greet a few of his friends. He reports that X-ray stock is above par.

Wayne Homestead of American Yeomen held their second meeting here Tuesday evening and initiated two candidates and received three new members by transfer from other Homesteads, making them a membership of about twenty-five.

We are glad to report that Walter, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hanssen, who has been quite ill with a kidney trouble is much better. The nurse, Miss Hill of Omaha, who was in charge of the case for a time, returned home Wednesday.

G. W. Lush and his sister, Miss Litia Lush from Page, were visiting relatives and friends here the first of the week. They had been spending a few days with relatives at Fontanelle, Iowa, and continued her journey home from here Tuesday evening. Miss Lush moved from here to Page about two years ago.

Zero auto oil. Lubricates freely in cold weather. 50c per gallon at Rundell's.—adv.

Miss Margaret Baker has returned home from a visit with relatives at Winnebago and Neligh.

Shoe sale now going at full speed, will continue all next week. See adv page 3. Baughan Shoe Company.—adv.

Louie McKinne of Neligh came Wednesday evening to visit at the home of W. Green and wife, his brother-in-law.

Two more practical farmers convinced of the merits of Security Calf food. Names given on application. See Rundell.—adv.

Mrs. Irene Snell of Carroll went to Omaha today to accompany her little son Jack, home, he having been at a hospital there for the past three weeks for a minor operation. He expects to come back well.

W. W. Roberts of the Roberts Drug Company went to Oakland Wednesday afternoon, having finished the invoice and taking over the stock of drugs which the company of which he is the head has purchased here.

With a choice of two or three meats, vegetables and desert and drinks, those mid-day dinners at the Wayne Bakery are a most satisfying meal for a hungry man, woman or child, and the price is but 35c.—adv.

One of our attorneys has discovered a new "medicine dance" which from his viewpoint puts the "turkey trot", "Tango", or "hesitation" waltz all to sleep. We cannot give the name here, but the lawyer will tell it to you at a moderate price.

Ernest Rippon was "took" with a stitch in the back the first of the week while in the act of moving a meat block at the Central market, and has since been trying to get the kink out. It is improving, however, and he hopes to soon be back on the job.

Henry Lessman is at Lincoln this week attending the sessions of Organized Agriculture, hob-nobbing with senators and representatives as well as taking part in the deliberations of a mutual insurance company for farmers of which he is one of the officers.

Mrs. Chas. Hanson and daughter Florence from Weeping Water have been here several weeks visiting the lady's mother, Mrs. M. J. V. Becker. They left for home this morning, and Mrs. Becker accompanied them as far as Omaha and from there went to Council Bluffs to visit a sister.

Moving pictures of the Better Babies contest at the 1914 Nebraska State Fair made a decided hit at the meeting of the Minnesota state board of agriculture at Minneapolis January 12. Delegates from the various women's organizations of the Twin Cities were in attendance. Films portraying the resources of Nebraska, taken by the Nebraska Conservation and Public Welfare commission, were shown.

Mrs. J. Johnson went to Omaha Wednesday morning to visit a few days before going on to their new home at Weeping Water. Mr. Johnson, who has been manager for the Standard Oil station at this place for several months past has resigned and will move to a place he has purchased at Weeping Water as soon as his successor comes to relieve him. Mr. Johnson has been a diligent, representative of "Jawn D." and a good citizen, and we will miss him when he's gone.

John P. Vedell, an aged gentleman who has been making his home in Wayne and other places where he has relatives, was taken to Norfolk Tuesday by order of the board of insanity for treatment. He had a growing conviction that his friends and relatives were trying to poison his food. He spent much of his time since the cold weather set in about the railway station, and except for this one illusion, so far as we can learn, was in normal condition for a man of his years.

It is reported that Attorney Kiplinger wishes to become a member of the N. M. N. S. club, but can he qualify?

Miss Killen at the library lecture room next Saturday afternoon will tell the little folks from 2 to 3 o'clock something of Naples and the surrounding country and also about Vesuvius and Pompeii.

There are two bowling teams here, one representing the east side of Main street, the other the west side. So far honors are easy, each team having won a contest. The rubber is the next to be played.

The H. H. Roberts household goods came this week, and Mr. Roberts expects Mrs. Roberts to join him here today. They have not yet secured a house, but will store part of their goods and room for a short time.

W. N. Andresen, who deals in congealed water in season, has the old ice house filled, and the addition nearly doubling the storage capacity, is partially filled, and if the good ice weather continues a few days both parts will be filled.

W. O. Hanssen is said to be quite ill at his home in this city suffering from a complication of throat trouble and rheumatism. One feature of the case that makes it bad is the fact that the home is under quarantine for scarlet fever which the children have been having. One little one was quite sick for a time, but it and the others are all considered out of danger. Neighbors would be glad to stop in and cheer them up but that they are not permitted to enter and leave the home.

With dairy feeds at the present prices, cottonseed meal should be used more extensively by Nebraska dairymen according to the department of dairy husbandry of the college of agriculture. It is by far the cheapest source of protein in concentrated form that it is possible to supply the dairy cow. In buying cottonseed meal at this time the dairyman is not only helping himself, but is doing a good turn for the South in its financial crisis. Where the dairyman produces an abundance of alfalfa hay, however, he will need only a limited amount of cottonseed meal; but where he must buy all of his protein feed, this source of supply should not be overlooked.

There were a number of people that braved the elements on last Tuesday evening and were given a rare treat in the entertainment given at the normal chapel by Marie Monfort Keckley, assisted by the State Normal Quartette. The programs throughout the first semester have been of a very high order, and this, the closing number of the first semester was a fitting climax. Mrs. Keckley in depicting the various characters of Charles Read in his play of three acts, showed unusual ability. She was at her best in Nance Oldfield, putting her whole soul into her work. The writer feels no hesitation in saying Mrs. Keckley is by far the best monologist Wayne hearers have ever had the pleasure of listening to, and her many friends hope to hear her soon again. The male quartette that assisted Mrs. Keckley gave a program of high order and rendered the music in their usual easy manner to a very appreciative audience. Notwithstanding the disagreeable evening, an unusually large crowd was present.

The little daughter of a local clergyman has reached the age where big words are apt to floor her and where she is very sensitive to the remarks of an older brother.

Not long ago she came running to her father.

"Papa, papa, George called me names."

"Why, what did George say?"

"Oh," said the little girl, with a strong expression of disgust, "he said I practiced what I preached! I don't do it!"

"Well, my child, I—"

"But I don't, do I, papa? I don't any more than you do, do I?"

And then the rector choked up. But he took a half hour from his sermon and explained the meaning of the obnoxious expression to the best of his ability.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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# The Million Dollar Mystery

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

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## CHAPTER XXII.

### A Night of Adventure.

The federal government agreed to say nothing, to put no obstacles in the way of the Russian agent, provided he could abduct his trio without seriously clashing with the New York police authorities. It was a recognized fact that the local police force wanted the newspaper glory which would attend the crushing of the Black Hundred. It would be an exploit. But their glory was nil; nor did Servan take his trio back with him to Russia.

Many strange things happened that night, the night of the final adventure.

Florence sat in her room reading. The book was "Oliver Twist," not the pleasant sort of book to read under the existing circumstances. Several times—she had reached the place where Fagin overheard Nancy's confession—she fancied she heard doors closing softly, but credited it to her imagination. Poor Nancy, who wanted to be good but did not find time to be! Florence possessed a habit familiar to most of us; the need of apples or candy when we are reading. So she rang the bell for her maid, intending to ask her to bring up some apples. She turned to her reading, presently to break off and strike the bell again. Where was that maid? She waited perhaps five minutes, then laid down the book and began to investigate.

There was not a servant to be found in the entire house! What in the world could that mean? Used as she was to heartrending suspense, she was none the less terrified. Something had taken the servants from the house. From whence was the danger to come this time? Where was Jones? Why did he not return as he had promised? It was long past the hour when he said he would be back.

She went into the library and picked up the telephone. She was told that Mr. Norton was out on an assignment, but that he would be notified the moment he returned. She opened a drawer in the desk. She touched the automatic, but did not take it up. She left the drawer open, however.

Earlier, at the newspaper office that night, Jim went into the managing editor's office and laid a bulky manuscript on that gentleman's desk.

"Is this it?"  
"It is," said Jim.  
"You have captured them?"  
"No; but there is a net about them from which not one shall escape. There's the story of my adventures, of the adventures of Miss Hargreave and the butler, Jones. You'll find it exciting enough. You might just as well send it up to the composing room. At midnight I'll telephone the introduction. It's a scoop. Don't worry about that."

The editor rifled the pages.  
"A hundred and twelve pages, 300 words to the page; man it's a novel!"  
"It'll read like one."  
"Sit down for a moment and let me skim through the first story."

At the end of ten minutes the editor laid down the copy. He opened a drawer and took out two envelopes. The blue one he tore up and dropped into the waste basket. Norton understood and smiled. They had meant to discharge him if he fell down. The other envelope was a fat one.

"Open it," said the editor, smiling a little to himself.  
This envelope contained a check for \$2,500, two round-trip first-class tickets to Liverpool, together with innumerable continental tickets such as are issued to tourists.

"Why two?" asked Jim, innocently.  
"Forget it, my boy, forget it. You ought to know that in this office we don't employ blind men. The whole staff is on. There you are, a fat check

## The Million Dollar Mystery

May Be Seen at the

# 'Crystal'

Next Monday Evening

Showing the scenes told of in this chapter. Read it and then see it. The story is to be given each week in advance in the DEMOCRAT. Be sure to get the paper.

and three months' vacation. Get and get married; and if you return before the three months are up I'll fire you myself on general principles."

Jim laughed happily and the two men shook hands. Then Jim went forth to complete the big assignment. Five minutes later Florence called him up to learn that he had gone.

What should she do? Jones had told her to stay in the house and not to leave it. But where was he? Why did he not come? What was the meaning of this desertion by the servants? She wandered about aimlessly, looking out of windows, imagining forms in the shadows. Her imagination had not deceived her; she had heard doors close softly.

"Susan, Susan!" she murmured; but Susan was in the hospital.

"Oliver Twist!" What had possessed her to start reading that old tale again? She should have read something of a light and joyous character. After half an hour's wandering about the lonely house she returned to the library, feeling that she would be safer where both telephone and revolver were.

And while she sat waiting for she knew not what, her swiftly beating heart sending the blood into her throat so that it almost suffocated her, a man turned into the street and walked noiselessly toward the Hargreave place. He passed a man leaning against a lamppost, but he never turned to look at him.

This man, however, threw away his cigar and hot-footed it to the nearest pay station. He knew in his soul that he had just seen the man for whom they had been hunting all these weary but strenuous weeks—Stanley Hargreave in the flesh. Half an hour after his telephone message the chief of the Black Hundred and many lesser lights were on their way to the house of mystery. Had they known!

Now, the man who had created this tremendous agitation went serenely on. He proceeded directly and fearlessly to the front door, produced a latchkey and entered. He passed through the hall and reception room to the library and paused on the threshold dramatically. Florence stepped back with a sharp cry of alarm. She had heard the hall door open and close and had taken it for granted that Jones had entered.

There was a tableau of short duration.

"Don't you know me?" asked the stranger in a singularly pleasant voice.

Florence had been imposed upon too many times. She shook her head defiantly, though her knees shook so that she was certain that the least touch would send her over.

"I am your father, child!"  
Florence slipped unsteadily behind the desk and seized the revolver which lay in the drawer. The man by the curtains smiled sadly. It was a smile that caused Florence to waver a bit. Still she extended her arm.

"You do not believe me?" said the man, advancing slowly.

"No. I have been deceived too many times, sir. Stay where you are. You will wait here till my butler returns. Oh, if I were only sure!" she burst out suddenly and passionately. "What proof have you that you are what you say?"

He came toward her, holding out his hands. "This, that you cannot shoot me. Ah, the damnable wretches! What have they done to you, my child, to make you suspicious of every one? How I have watched over you in the street! I will tell you what only Jones and the reporter know, that the aviator died, that I alone was rescued, that I gave Norton the five thousand; that I watched the windows of the Russian woman, and overheard nearly every plot that was hatched in the council chamber of the Black Hundred; that I was shot in the arm while crossing the lawn one night. And now we have the scoundrels just where we want them. They will be in this house for me within half an hour, and not one of them will leave it in freedom. I am your father, Florence. I am the lonely father who has spent the best years of his life away from you in order to secure your safety. Can't you feel the truth of all this?"

"No, no! Please do not approach any nearer; stay where you are!"  
At that moment the telephone rang. With the revolver still leveled she picked up the receiver.

"Hello, hello! Who is it?"

Oh, Jim, Jim, come at once! I am holding at bay a man who says he is my father. Hold him where he is, you say? All right, I will. Come quick!"

"Jim!" murmured the man, still advancing. He must have that revolver. The poor child might spoil the whole affair. "So what Jones tells me is true: that you are going to marry this reporter chap?"

She did not answer.

"With or without my consent?"

If only he would drop that fearless smile! she thought. "With or without anybody's consent," she said.

"What in the world can I say to you to convince you?" he cried. "The trap is set; but if Braine and his men come

and do not like this, good heaven,

child, we are both lost! Come, come!"

"Stay where you are!"

At that moment she heard a sound at the door. Her gaze roved; and it was enough for the man: He reached out and caught her arm. She tried to tear herself loose.

"My child, in God's name, listen to reason! They are entering the hall and they will have us both."

Suddenly Florence knew. She could not have told you why; but there was an appeal in the man's voice that went to her heart.

"You are my father!"

"Yes, yes! But you've found it out just a trifle too late, my dear. Quick; this side of the desk!"

Braine and his men dashed into the library. Olga entered leisurely.

"Both of them!" yelled Braine exultantly. "Both of them together; what luck!"

There was a sharp, fierce struggle; and when it came to an end Hargreave was trussed to a chair.

"Ah, so we meet again, Hargreave!" said Braine.

Hargreave shrugged. What he wanted was time.

"A million! We have you. Where is it, or I'll twist your heart before your eyes."

"Father, forgive me!"

"I understand, my child."

"Where is it?" Braine seized Florence by the wrist and swung her toward him.

"Don't tell him, father; don't mind me," said the girl bravely.

Braine, smiling his old evil smile, drew the girl close. It was the last time he ever touched her.

"Look!" screamed Olga.

Every one turned, to see Jones' face peering between the curtains. There was an ironic smile on the butler's lips. "The face vanished."

"After him!" cried Braine, releasing Florence.

"After him!" mimicked a voice from the hall.

The curtains were thrown back suddenly. Jones appeared, and Jim and the Russian agent and a dozen policemen. Tableau!

Braine was the only man who kept his head. He floored Norton, smashed

You and your precious countess will sail tomorrow morning for the Baltic, and from there you will go to the lead mines." He dragged his prisoner toward the house.

"Your troubles are over, my child," said Hargreave, as he pressed Florence to his heart.

"And mine have begun," murmured the countess. "But I have still one shot."

The police stood encircling her. Calmly she opened her handbag and took out her handkerchief. It was a thick and heavy silk one. Swiftly she unscrewed the top of her walking stick (it will be seen now that the carrying of it was not an affectation!), extracted a vial and threw it violently to the floor. An overpowering sweet odor filled the room. Jones, knowing how deeply versed Braine was in oriental poisons and narcotics, made a desperate but futile effort to tear down a curtain to throw over the liquid; but even in the effort he felt his senses going. The last he was conscious of was a mocking laugh.

But the entrance of Jim, dragging Braine after him, shocked all the banner out of the countess. She turned and rushed madly for the stairs, without having the least idea how she was



The Escape of Countess Olga.

to manage an escape from the upper stories. She had thought Braine free. As she flew up the steps all the past returned, all her warnings to that stubborn man. "This was the end of Russia! The horrors of the cold and the deadly damps of the mines . . . forever!"

Jim, still holding the battered conspirator, watched her flight in amazement. He could not understand till he pushed Braine into the library and the vanishing odor assailed his nostrils. What these fumes were he never knew, but they proved to be transitory. Five minutes sufficed to bring all back to their senses. For the while they forgot Olga.

"This man is mine," said Servan, nodding toward Braine.

"He's yours without charge," said Jim.

"I'm an American citizen," said Braine, who, realizing what the future held, readily preferred a long prison term in America to the horrors of Russian exile.

"Your certificate has been destroyed," said Servan, "and the state department considers your papers void because you obtained them under false oaths. You are an undesirable citizen; and the republic is happy to learn that you will be taken off its hands."

"And because," added Norton, "you have laid too many mines in the blackmailing business, and the government does not propose to have them made known to the public through a long and useless trial. It was a long run, old top; but right is right. And by the way, I want you to meet Mr. Jed-



The Clean Life of the Reporter Told.

a window, and leaped out. The blow dazed Norton, but he was on his feet almost instantly and followed Braine through the window. Across the lawn the two sped, with an exchange of shots which emptied both automatics but did no damage. Braine headed for his auto. He jumped in, only to be hauled out again by the furious reporter. A hand-to-hand fight followed; and the clean life of the reporter told.

"There, my angelic friend, I believe that the game is up. There is one shot left in this automatic. If you make any attempt to escape, I'll let you have it; not to kill but to disable.



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son, formerly of Scotland Yard.

He indicated Jones, who started.

"Yes," went on the reporter, "I recognized him long ago."

"It is true," said Hargreave, taking Jones' hand in his own. "Fifteen years ago I employed him to watch my affairs, and very well has he done so. And to you, you wretch," turning upon the haggard Braine, "listen; there is a million, and you have been within a foot of it a dozen times. It has been under your very nose. Do you remember Poe's 'Purloined Letter'?"

Under your very nose, within touch of your hand! Now, take him away, Mr. Servan. The police will be satisfied with the prisoners they have."

So, presently, Hargreave, Jones, Florence and Jim were alone. That smile which had revealed to Florence her father's identity stole over his face again. He put his hand on Jim's shoulder and beckoned to Florence.

"Are you really anxious to marry this young man?"

Florence nodded.

"Well, then, do so. And go to Eu-

rope with him on your honeymoon and as a wedding present to you both, for every dollar that he has I will add a hundred; and when you get tired of travel you will both come back here to live. The Black Hundred has ceased to exist!"

"And now," said Jones, shaking his shoulders.

"Well?" said Hargreave.

"My business is done. Still—" Jones paused.

"Go on," said Hargreave soberly.

"Well, the truth is, sir, I've grown used to you. And if you'll let me play the butler till the end I shall be most happy."

"I was going to suggest it."

Norton took Florence by the hand and drew her away.

"Where are you taking me?" she asked.

"I'm going to take this pretty hand of yours and put it flat upon \$1,000,000. And if you don't believe it, follow me."

She followed.

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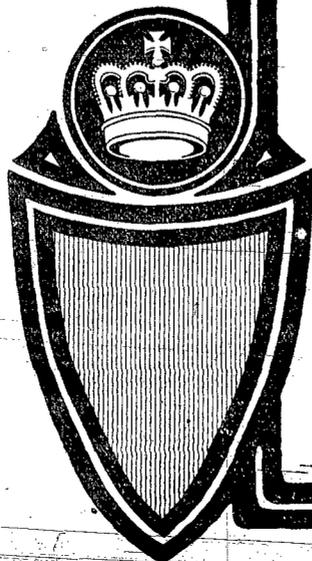
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## A Certain Rich Man's Son

### How He Worked Out His Own Reform.

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"I mean just what I said—I'm not ready to go to work."

There were unlimited complacency and assurance in Hilling's voice as he said it.

"Then what—what do you want to do?"

"I want to run around a bit, you know, and see what's going on in the world."

"See the world! Why, good heavens, from reports I've had of your college career there's nothing left for you to see or do!"

"Plenty of time for drudgery and all that sort of thing later, dad. I want to knock about a bit like the other fellows I know."

"By thunder, you shall do as you wish! Pack your gewgaws and go—I don't give a tarnation rap where—but go! Go and see the world—all of it, every stratum of it. I'll pay the freight—every penny. But this is the condition—you've got to stay away five years! You are not to write home, nor shall any one from home write to you. You will draw upon my New York banker for your needs. I—but that's all—there is no need for further discussion."

Young Hilling stared with mild surprise at the broad shoulders of his father for a moment; then, the expectant look of superciliousness turning, he arose languidly to his feet.

"Aw—er—I say, dad, isn't that—er—just a trifle strong?"

"The older man did not look around. 'No; not a bit of it! Scoot!'"

For a moment the mask of insolence fell away from the young man's face, and the natural strength of his features stood out strikingly.

"All right, sir; you're on! The five years begin today. Good-by, dad!"

As he swung jauntily down the street of the prosperous southern town—a town that had seemed a good place in which to live before his eight years of college life—he became suddenly conscious of a feeling of uneasiness as he thought of the gentle mother who but a few hours before had thrown her arms about him in a joyous welcome home. Many months passed before a realization filtered through his brain of how inconsiderate was her disaffection.

When a couple of hours later Hilling boarded the train for the north he carried with him the disturbing picture of his mother's disappointment and solitude. To him she had ever been the diplomatic buffer between the acerbity of his father and his own self-willed follies. But he realized this last—this five years' silent absence—was too much for even her philosophy of indulgence.

But, whatever of remorse his precipitate departure caused him, it was of short duration.

He went abroad and for a time revelled in the glitter of the cafes of Paris. He idled precious hours in Italy. He barely escaped a duel in Berlin.

Then, after a month of stupid boredom in London, he hastened back to New York.

Thus two years passed. Not once had he heard from either his father or mother. Not once had he written home. Once or twice his submerged manliness threatened to break through the veneer of his pleas, seeking existence some eddy of memory which brought a fleeting recollection of that last glimpse of his mother—but always would he brush it stubbornly aside and plunge with increased abandon into the whirlpool of folly.

Then one evening, after an exceptionally strenuous day, he arrived at the theater during the third act just as a prima donna of worldwide fame was rendering her finest number.

Hilling stood at the head of the aisle for a moment, carelessly sweeping the audience filled theater with his glance; then, with a scornful shrug, he turned and strolled down into the smoking room.

The singer finished, and a tremendous outburst of applause filled the theater and echoed out into the corridors. Again and again the singer responded to the encores.

Curiously, Hilling wandered back into the foyer and once more took up his position at the back of the theater and watched the audience. Bowing and smiling, the prima donna was approaching the footlights for her fifth encore.

Hilling watched with patient sympathy. He fidgeted nervously, his forehead drawn in a scowl and his lips curled with unbounded sarcasm.

Then in notes low and tremulous the singer began the line, "Far from the old folks at home." At the same moment, with the startling suddenness of a crash of thunder, the audience was electrified to hear a man's voice—discordant, raucous, scoffing join in the song with the prima donna.

Then, with a scornful laugh, Hilling permitted himself to be led away by a couple of pale faced, excited ushers.

Out in the lobby he impatiently shook himself free of the ushers and imperturbably passed out and stepped into his motorcar. As the chauffeur threw on the power and the machine glided swiftly away Hilling flung back

at the undecided group of theater attaches the words of the song with taunting mockery.

When, at 4 in the morning, his valet admitted him to his apartments Hilling had worked himself into a frenzy. He seemed obsessed with the notion that the valet in some ingenious way was responsible for the hideous words of that song and treated him accordingly.

He tossed sleeplessly until daylight, the words of the song pounding his eardrums unceasingly. Gradually the whole line blended into one word—home.

"Confound that infernal, asinine word!"

Frazzledly he got up and dressed, sent for his automobile, dismissed the chauffeur and all that day motored alone over quiet country roads that led through peaceful villages and over picturesque hills.

One moment he would viciously shift the throttle wide open, sending the car hurtling along at a reckless pace; then, coming a quick change of mood, he would slow down sharply, lean back against the cushions and gaze thoughtfully over the peaceful fields as his machine chugged slowly along.

All the while "Old Folks at Home" harassed him like an inexorable thing of chastisement.

The sarcasm and mockery were still in his face, but there was also something else creeping in there—lines which bespoke torment and raging conflict.

That night as the prima donna appeared again in the famous third act scene—Hilling, pale and tense, sat alone in the deep shadows of a box. With eyes that burned with strange emotion and perfect sobriety he leaned eagerly forward as if his soul were drinking in the melody through eyes and ears.

Again was the singer recalled repeatedly. As she appeared for the fifth encore and the orchestra had started in on a lively prelude to some Scotch air Hilling, his voice strangely hoarse and shaken, called out, "Sawannee River!"

Instantly the call was taken up enthusiastically all over the house. A wave of applause shook the theater. With a smile the prima donna nodded to the orchestra leader, and a moment later the rich, clear voice of the singer was glorifying the old folks at home.

Hilling was as tense and motionless as a man of stone. Perspiration dampened his forehead; his dry lips stood apart; wide eyed, he clinched his nails into his hands. His very soul seemed a thing detached that floated upward with the melody of the song.

With indescribable pathos and expression, her voice low and trembling, the singer paused; then "Far from the old folks at home" floated out and upward like a benediction. It was grand, dramatic, glorious!

Something like a sob surged up into Hilling's throat. His eyes blurred.

The following morning early he discharged his valet and chauffeur, sold his machine, resigned from his club, gave up his apartments and packed his trunk. Then, his passing as unobtrusive as his advent had been unobtrusive, he dropped completely out of sight.

Two years later and four years after the stormy scene with his father Richard Hilling again crossed the threshold of that grim gentleman's office.

Inside the door he waited respectfully while the stern faced, gray haired head of the great steel works finished the signing of certain papers before him on his flat mahogany desk.

Pausing, pen suspended, the elder Hilling glanced up briskly.

"Well?"

"I wish to speak to you on behalf of the men, sir."

The other gave a start and leaned forward. "You—why—Richard—why?"

He could say no more. For a time he stared into the marvelously changed face in silence. Slowly his appraising glance traveled downward, taking in every detail of the son's clothing and lingering wonderingly on the big, grimy hands. Again he spoke—hoarsely.

"What does the condition of my employees matter to you?"

"A great deal. I am one of them, and I find they are underpaid."

"One of them?" Skepticism and astonishment gave varying inflections to his tone of voice. "One of them? What do you mean by that?"

"Just that. For two full years I have worked out there in the shops. I began at the very bottom. I know whereof I speak."

Again the father surveyed the son in silence, searching his face long and critically. Slowly a look of conviction crept into his face, softening it and paving the way for one of great hope and gratification. Then, smiling, he puffed out his lips in mild reproof.

"Then—er—you did not observe my orders to remain away five years?"

"I—I did not come to discuss—that."

The father persisted eagerly.

"But I want to know; I want to know."

"I obeyed you for two years, sir, and that was two years too long. You see, mother and—home called me—strongly. Mother and home and—work."

"And does mother—"

"Yes, she knows—has known all the time." Then firmly, "But I wish to take up this matter of the workmen."

"Yes—yes, to be sure. But first tell me—did you—have you actually been working out there in the shops as a common laborer for two years?"

Silently the son spread out his blackened, hardened hands in mute answer.

For a time father and son looked each into the other's face. Then, his face inscrutable, the elder Hilling said:

"And—and—you think that reforms are needed—out there?"

The answer came forcibly.

"Yes, sir, I do."

"Then make them—it's your job—now."

## Farm and Garden

### ORCHARD WINTER CAMPAIGN.

Now is the Time to Destroy Orchard and Garden Pests.

Early winter is the ideal time to catch many of the orchard and garden pests off their guard, says the Country Gentleman. They are in a torpid state and can be located more readily. We can also use much stronger sprays on dormant trees than we can use in summer, and the absence of leaves makes possible a much more thorough and convenient job of spraying.

The work may be done at any time from fall until growth starts in spring, but the best time is now.

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simple. In addition to your regular knapsack or compressed air garden sprayer you need a spray pole or a length of quarter inch hose which you can fasten to a saved off bamboo fish pole and one or two suitable spray nozzles.

If you don't already own a knapsack or a compressed air sprayer make yourself a useful present of one at once—not for winter spraying alone, but because you will need it every month, almost every week, to take proper care of your summer garden, flowers, potted plants, house plants, etc. Your sprayer should be equipped with an automatic valve and an anti-clog nozzle; then the starting and stopping of the spray can be controlled with your left hand while your right is free to manage the pole and to direct the spraying.

There are a number of good nozzles on the market, but for operations on foot under the trees select one of the goose necked or angle type. With this a simple turn of the wrist will direct the spray in any desired direction and save a great deal of shifting from one side of the branch or tree to the other.

A cup shaped washer of stiff leather, three or four inches in diameter, that will slip tightly over the pole will keep the spray material from running down

the pole and up the sleeve, and a wooden handle made of soft pine, bored out just large enough to fit snugly over the spray pipe and held in any desired position by a set screw made of any ordinary screw with the end squared off, will make the handling of the pole more convenient. These can be made with jackknife and blistock.

The orchard pests that we can fight successfully in winter are the various scales and scabs, though spraying now will help to control a number of the other insect pests and will check still others by destroying cocoons, egg masses or dormant larvae. Some of the scales are rather hard to find, and all are very small and innocent looking in comparison with the serious damage they can accomplish.

Wheat Following Millet.

Millet leaves the soil in shape to produce a better crop of wheat. At the North Dakota station it has been found that the three crops of wheat following millet produced sixteen and one-quarter bushels more wheat than the three crops of wheat following wheat.

### ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

Now is a good time to cut and make firewood of good or dying trees on the lawn or in the windbreak.

Cabbage and root crops trenched outside need careful watching to see that frost does not get through the covering.

A newspaper wrapped about a geranium or other house plant these cold nights will often save it from being frosted.

Look at the celery stored in the cellar. It may need more water. Do not wet the foliage, but apply water to the roots.

A good method of cleaning the foliage of house plants is frequently to tip the plant bottom side up in soapy water. Immerse the plant clear to the pot for fifteen minutes or more, then cleanse in clean water.

When watering house plants it is a good plan to set the pot in water until the soil is thoroughly wet, then drain and do not water again till water is needed. Small amounts of water, applied frequently, often do more harm than good. Water thoroughly when water is needed.

### Criticism.

Censure and criticism never hurt anybody. If they are false they cannot hurt you unless you are wanting in many character, and if they are true they show a man his weak points and forearm him against failure and trouble.—Gladstone.

### Henry Ward Beecher's Wit.

On one occasion an Mr. Beecher was in the midst of an impassioned speech some one attempted to interrupt him by suddenly crowing like a cock. The orator, however, was equal to the occasion. He stopped, listened till the crowing ceased and then, with a look of surprise, pulled out his watch. "Morning already!" he said. "My watch is only at 10. But there can be no mistake about it. The instincts of the lower animals are infallible."

There was a roar of laughter. The "lower animals" in the gallery collapsed, and Mr. Beecher was able to resume as if nothing had occurred.

## LIVE STOCK PRICES AT SOUTH OMAHA

### Cattle Market Slow and Steady to Easier.

### HOGS STEADY TO 5C LOWER.

Sheep Higher on Light Run and Lambs, Ewes and Yearlings Advance 10@20c—Trade Generally Active Quality Little Different.

Union Stock Yards, South Omaha Jan. 20.—Cattle receipts were quite liberal yesterday, some 5,100 head arriving. Slowness was the outstanding feature of the fat cattle market yesterday—and most of the salesmen quoted values steady to a little lower than Monday. Trade in the stock was fully as dull as in fat cattle and the undertone to the market was decidedly weak. Both packers and outside buyers wanted the cows and heifers lower, when they wanted them at all and it was an unevenly lower market practically on everything that went to the killers. There was quite a little inquiry from buyers for anything that they could use in cows and heifers and prices ruled steady to strong. Aside from the good, fleshy, feeding steers the market for stockers and feeders was slow and weaker. The demand was slack, as the present snowstorm tended to shut off the country demand for a while.

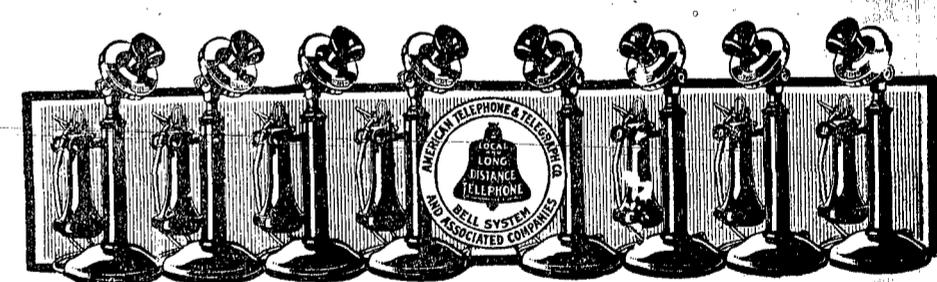
Cattle Quotations: Good to choice heaves, \$8.00@8.50; fair to good heaves, \$7.50@7.90; common to fair heaves, \$6.50@7.40; good to choice heifers, \$6.00@7.25; good to choice cows, \$5.75@6.60; fair to good cows \$5.00@5.60; canners and cutters, \$3.71@4.85; veal calves, \$7.00@9.00; bull stags, etc., \$5.00@6.75; choice to prime feeders, \$8.10@8.55; good to choice feeders, \$7.25@8.00; fair to good feeders, \$6.50@7.00; common to fair feeders, \$5.75@6.35; stock heifers, \$5.00@6.25; stock cows, \$4.75@6.00; stock calves, \$6.00@8.00.

About 9,000 hogs showed up yesterday. The market was rather dull at the way through, with prices steady to possibly a nickel lower than Monday. Bulk of the supply moved at \$6.70@6.75, and tops reached \$6.80.

Some 5,000 sheep and lambs arrived yesterday. There was a good demand for sheep and lambs yesterday, with prices 10@20c higher than Monday. Some Colorado lambs sold up to \$8.35 these lambs being a straight cut of those at \$8.15 on Monday. The top of fed westerns was \$8.25. Ewes were picked up at \$5.45. Some feeding ewes sold at \$5.00.

Quotations on sheep and lambs. Lambs, good to choice, \$8.15@8.35; lambs, fair to good, \$7.90@8.15; lambs 85 pounds up, \$7.50@7.90; lambs shearing, \$7.65@8.05; yearlings, light \$7.00@7.25; yearlings, heavy, \$6.75@7.00; wethers, good to choice, \$6.00@6.25; wethers, fair to good, \$5.75@6.00; ewes, good to choice, \$5.25@5.50; ewes, fair to good, \$4.75@5.25.

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**Among the Churches of Wayne**

**Methodist Church**  
(Rev. A. S. Buell, Pastor)  
The ladies of the missionary societies served nearly three hundred suppers last Friday evening.  
At the community social last week Miss Sewell's class entertained the large gathering of enthusiastic young people.  
Professor Bowen's class of young men had charge of the opening exercises of the Sunday school last Sunday morning. The items of special interest were the reading of the scripture lesson by Brother Sim Jacobson and the rendering of a special sacred selection by the double male quartette. The primary department will feature the opening of the school next Sunday. We are pleased to note the growing interest and increased attendance in the school.

There was a good attendance at the Sunday school board meeting and at the quarterly conference on Monday evening. Dr. E. E. Hosman spoke very encouragingly of the work over the district. In sixty days he had visited eighty churches and had given more than eighty addresses. All of the forty-four charges are supplied with regular pastors. The pastors and people in general are going into the year with a unity and determination to make this a record year in the Master's work. Many of the charges have increased the support of their pastors. Several good revival meetings have been held and others are in progress. Mrs. Hosman, the wife of the district superintendent, is seriously sick at her home in Norfolk at the present time.

We will hold communion service next Sunday morning. This will be our first opportunity to use the beautiful new communion service cups recently purchased for the church by Brother and Sister Charles Gildersleeve. Let us make it a communion in spirit and in truth. Sunday evening will be the opening of the revival meetings. On Monday the Rev. Wiley H. Shoaf, of Wisner and Miss Agnes Gerkens of Waterbury will be here to assist during the two weeks meetings. It is hoped that the meetings may last longer than the two weeks but that will depend upon the interest manifest.

The Womans' Foreign Missionary society will meet at 2.30 Friday at the home of Sister Rennick.

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
(Rev. Blessing, Pastor.)

Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
Regular morning worship at 11 a. m.  
Evening worship at 7:45 p. m.  
Luther League at 6:45 p. m.

The subject of the Sunday morning sermon will be "The World Want Supplied" Acts 17:23. One of the great mediums for conveying truth to man, is through the avenue of art. But a piece of art, though it be perfect in every line, may lose its value, if it conveys an untruth. This thought was no doubt impressed upon the mind of Paul when he entered the cultured city of Athens. For Greek architecture was mainly devoted to glorify the temples of the Gods. The Parthenon at Athens, the temple of Dina at Ephesus, the temple of Appolo and Dian at Antioch, were indeed materially beautiful, but that beauty was eclipsed by the moral deformity of their consecration to idolatry, to imposture, and to falsehood. The devout eye of the Apostle would therefore be much shocked by the dishonor done to God and the injury to the moral nature of man, than gratified by mere beauty of form, or architectural grandeur and grace. In such display of art, the Apostle saw the weakness and the need of the people, thus does he say "For as I passed by and beheld your devotions, I found an altar to the Unknown God. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship him declare I unto you."

The evening sermon will be based upon another representative character of the old Testament.

The subject for consideration at Luther League will be "Woman's Ministry of Mercy", Acts 9:36-42.

The Ladies Aid Society held their first meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Silas Mellick on last Thursday. The meeting was well attended and a pleasant afternoon was spent.

Choir rehearsal Thursday evening.  
Catechetical class meets every Saturday afternoon at 2.30 p. m.

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

**Baptist Church**  
Rev. B. P. Richardson, Pastor

Dr. J. A. Leavitt gave a splendid address last Sunday morning. It enlarged one's ideals and gave all food for thought. As one is brought face to face with the many great needs of the world, one feels the need of consecrating his life fully to the highest service.  
An usually large crowd attended

the evening service. The unreached possibilities of this audience of young people is an inspiration to any speaker.

The sympathy of the church goes out to Mr. Foster and family during these days of their deep sorrow.

Sunday morning the pastor will preach on the subject "The Relation Between Good and Evil." This sermon will be the exposition of another familiar parable of our Lord.

The young people's lesson will be led by Miss Hazel Norton Sunday evening.

The evening sermon will be based on another old testament character. "Joshua, the Leader." As we study these men of achievement, we become aware that the thing that made them great was the place they let God have in their lives.

Considerable interest has been manifested in the Wednesday evening bible study preceding prayer meeting. We were pleased to see so many out last week. Next Wednesday we shall have another study.

Some plans are being considered regarding the holding of special meetings in the church this spring. We hope soon to know definitely what we shall do.

Every member of the church ought to be interested in every department of our church, and be a booster everywhere for the church.

**Presbyterian Church**  
(Rev. S. Xenophon Cross, Pastor)

The hours of public worship on Sunday are 10:30 and 7:30. The morning theme next Sunday will be: "In the Image of God." The subject in the evening will be: "The Two Baptisms". We were glad to see some new faces last Sunday. Come on and let us become acquainted.

The Sunday school superintendent announces an important change in the Sunday school program. The idea is to combine the morning worship and the Bible school into one grand morning service. The service will begin as usual at 10:30 and the worship and preaching services will last just one hour. Then, without any formal dismissal, the Sunday school will be convened at 11:30 sharp. The intention is to make the Sunday school session last an hour, dismissing with the benediction at 11:30.

The Christian Endeavor meets each Sunday evening at 6:30. Plans are already under way for the observance of Christian Endeavor Week, February 7-14. The morning sermons on both these dates will be for the young people. The evening service on February 7 will be conducted by the young people. The evening service on February 14 will be under the auspices of the Women's Missionary society and will be of interest to all young people.

**German Lutheran Church**  
Rev. Moehring, Pastor

Regular services next Sunday. Sunday school at 10 o'clock and preaching services at 11 o'clock.

**That Indictment of Rosenwald**

The press has given the Sears-Roebuck Company free advertising during the past few months through a news item telling of the indictment of Julius Rosenwald, who is the owner of more than \$25,000,000 worth of the stock of the Sears-Roebuck Company. Mr. Rosenwald is one of the wealthiest Chicagoans. In fact, he has paid income tax on more than one million dollars yearly revenue.

According to the earnings of the Sears-Roebuck Company and Mr. Rosenwald's shares of stock in that concern, it is evident that instead of having an annual income of a paltry million it is six or seven times this amount. It is interesting to note that as a tax dodger Mr. Rosenwald has for years been the leading one of the nation. There is not a state in the Union but that has suffered through the operations of Mr. Rosenwald's concern. Doing more than \$100,000,000 of business annually in all parts of the country the Sears-Roebuck concerns pay taxes only in Chicago and a few other cities where small branches are located.

This publicity given Mr. Rosenwald's attempt to dodge the payment of taxes should be a factor in strengthening the support that should be given to the measure now before congress for the tax on mail order house business and the apportionment of the tax among the different states.—The Tradesman.

**Back to the Farm**

Mighty good advice, but it meant inconvenience, discomfort and danger to health in days gone by. Now country folk can have the health protecting conveniences of the city folks. The Hypoc Aseptic Closet is one of the most important of these. Particulars and prices may be obtained on application to C. Clasen, special representative of the Hygienic Promotion Co., of Detroit Michigan.—adv. 50-ff.

**Coming Hog Sales**

February 12th is the day for Roy Fisher's sale at the Wayne pavilion of Hampshire bred sows, and while talking with the Democrat man at the depot Tuesday he said it would be his purpose to make it another Nebraska record breaker. He will have 60 sows in this sale, and quite a number of them will be from his show herd of last season—some of the prize winners. One thing that we dislike about this sale is the fact that Mr. Fisher is planning to make it a sort of a closing sale for him in this county—he having engaged to go to Iowa and assume the position of manager of one of the largest herds of Hampshires in the sister state. He has made a success of the Hampshire hog business, and knowing the valuable points of the animal as he does he will be a valuable man for the owners of the Iowa herd to take in and give the position of manager. We hope that some worthy successor will take his place among the breeders of this county.

There are two Duroc Jersey hog sales advertised for Wayne yet this month, and both by home breeders.

On Saturday Wm. Morgan will hold a sale at the pavilion of 40 head of immuned bred sows of this breed. He has the name of selling some excellent individuals of the best of breeding.

On next Thursday, V. L. Dayton will enter the ring here with 57 immuned sows and four Holstein bulls. One who has seen the Dayton herd tells us that they are all good ones.

The Democrat is glad to see the farmers of this county turn their attention more and more to the growing of pure bred stock. It tends to add to the wealth of the country. The farmer gets more for the feed and labor expended and the man who purchases this class of stock gets more for his money.

**Hog Cholera and Other Diseases**

This question ought to be taken up, discussed and settled by hog raisers. So far only one side of the question has been presented. As I understand the treatment it is supposed to immunize hogs against cholera. Is there such a disease, or is the name "cholera" used for the purpose to carry on the serum treatment? Does it immunize hogs against any disease? I have been among hogs on the farm all my life and in all that time have never seen a single herd of hogs sick with cholera, that is, if I know what cholera is, as I myself have never seen it. I have read and heard from others that it is very destructive among swine. I am positive that this is not the case with the prevailing hog disease, as I have never seen hogs die that fast. The fastest that I ever saw hogs die was with what safely was called "pneumonia" or worms, which often sets in at the last stages, during damp, wet or very cold weather. The disease that is killing about 90 per cent of the hogs, always starts in digestive organs, mainly the stomach. I doubt very much that there is a single case of hog cholera anywhere in the country today. There are thousands of hog raisers throughout the United States today who are feeding medical preparations to their hogs and preventing them from taking the disease and even curing it. I surely recommend the Columbian Stock Powder and Dip. I have sold about 3 tons of it now, in a little over a year. All those who bought it, have not had the disease if they feed it to the directions. So why should not the hog raiser use this powder and dip. Columbian Stock Powder is also the best thing for fattening, and a great powder for brood sows. Try a sample and you'll never be without it. I have fresh powders and dip on hand. W. E. Roggenbach, Local Agent, Phone 1708; one mile southwest of Altona, Nebr.—adv. 2-ff.

**Estimate of Expenses**

The State of Nebraska, Wayne County, ss.

I, Chas. W. Reynolds, County Clerk in and for Wayne county, Nebraska, do hereby certify that the Board of County Commissioners of Wayne county, Nebraska, did on January 12th, 1915, it being the regular session of the Board, make the following estimate of expenses for Wayne county, Nebraska, for the year 1915.

County General Fund	30,000.00
County Bridge Fund	30,000.00
County Road Fund	20,000.00
County Poor Fund	5,000.00
County Road Drugging Fund	5,000.00
County Solder's Relief Fund	1,000.00

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of January, A. D., 1915.

(Seal) CHAS. REYNOLDS, County Clerk.  
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# PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will hold a combination sale at the Frank Larson home, near Old LaPorte, 1 1/2 miles south and 5 miles east of Wayne, and 4 miles south and 3 west of Wakefield, on

## FRIDAY, FEB. 5, '15

Commencing at 12 o'clock sharp.  
Free Lunch at 11 O'clock.

# 22 Head of Horses



Black Imported stallion 7 years old, wt. 1900; bay mare 5 years old with foal, wt. 1400; brown mare 12 years old with foal, wt. 1150; team horses, black and grey, 7 and 9 years old, wt. 3500; black horse 9 years old, wt. 1150; black horse 4 years old, wt. 1300; black team horse and mare, coming 3 years old, wt. 2500; brown driving horse coming 3 years old, wt. 900; 2 black horse colts and 1 black mare colt coming 2 years old; team Shetland ponies, one spotted coming 3 years old and one bay coming 2 years old; 3 yearling colts; one black gelding coming 6 years old, wt. 1300; bay gelding coming 2 years old, wt. about 900; sorrel gelding coming 2 years old, wt. about 900; spotted saddle pony 12 years old, wt. 800, a good trusty pony for children.

# 44 Head of Cattle

38 head of Whiteface steers coming 2 years old; 2 three-year-old heifers fresh in the spring; one extra good milch cow 4 years old this spring, will be fresh soon; one yearling heifer and two fall calves.

# 32 Head of Hogs

About 32 head of hogs including 4 sows and pigs and 8 fall pigs.

12-BUFF ORPINGTON ROOSTERS

## Machinery, Etc.

T. G. Mant lumber wagon in good order, hay rack good as new, single seated buggy, Avery corn planter with 120 rods of wire, in good shape; 4-horse disc, riding cultivator, walking cultivator, single row listed corn cultivator, walking stirring plow, 14-inch Fuller & Johnson gang plow, two-horse gasoline engine riding cultivator, hay rake, stack hay, and numerous other articles.

TERMS:—\$10.00 and under cash. On sums over \$10.00, ten months time on approved note drawing 10 per cent interest.

## Frank Larson J. W. Conley

E & D H. Cunningham, Aucts.  
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## More Money in Hogs



**Worms are the pests that cut down your stock profits.** They keep your pigs from thriving, stunt the little ones, affect your brood sows and the size and vigor of their litters. Some hogs with worms will eat their heads off and not gain a pound; others will gain slowly, many die and if Cholera breaks out in your neighborhood, the worm infested hogs are first to take it and almost sure to die.



**SAL-VET**  
The Great Worm Destroyer and Conditioner

**Sal-Vet is a medicated stock salt.** Stops all losses from worms quickly. No pay if it fails. No drenching, no dosing, just put a supply where your hogs can run to it freely and they will doctor themselves. You will make more money from hogs if you use Sal-Vet. Thousands have proven it. We carry Sal-Vet in 6 sizes of packages from 75c up. Come in and get a package to try.

Read what E. C. Stone, Peoria, Ill., Sec. American Hampshire Swine Record Ass., Pres. Illinois Swine Breeders' Association says:  
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Sold by

# Wayne Feed Mill

J. L. Payne, Prop.

# RAILROADS OF NEBRASKA LOSING THOUSANDS PAY MILLIONS TO PEOPLE IN WAGES, TAXES AND FOR SUPPLIES EVERY YEAR

It is a strange fact, but nevertheless true, that in times past the people of the average state have not regarded their railroads as an "industry"—and yet, next to agriculture, there is not a single Central or Western state in which the railroads do not pay out more money for labor and supplies than does any other enterprise, however large. We brag about our fertile farm lands and rejoice that our cities are filled with big factories with big pay rolls which create a market for farm products—but we forget that more working men's families depend upon the railroads for a living than upon any other one industry in either the average state or the nation and that their welfare is therefore closely linked to that of the farmer and the merchant—not merely because they furnish him freight and passenger service, but because the millions they disburse in one way and another contribute tremendously to the prosperity of the state in which we live.

Thus, for instance, the railroads are the largest taxpayers in the state of Nebraska, their taxes for the calendar year of 1913 having amounted to over \$2,553,000—and this tidy sum contributed its full share toward the support of every public school, public highway and other revenue expense of the state. In round figures, the railroads of Nebraska are valued at approximately \$275,000,000—money which in years gone by, was invested in these great arteries of commerce by thousands of men and women who live all over the U. S. and in Europe and without whose financial aid the wonderful progress of our great commonwealth would have been impossible.

During the last year the railroads of Nebraska employed 30,634 men and women in this state, and paid to them over \$20,000,000 in salaries—and these millions did their full share to create a profitable market for Nebraska farm products and to uphold the volume of business of Nebraska grocers, clothiers, drygoods men and others who depend upon the public patronage. In other words, when the people of Nebraska look at their railroads in the light of an industry—when they look at the figures on the other side of the ledger—they will find that not only do the railroads return to them in one way and another practically every dollar they collect within the state for freight and passenger service, but that a number of lines are actually doing this business at a loss, while others the margin of profit is so small that it doesn't begin to pay a fair return upon the capital invested.

In this connection, we wish to digress for a moment to quote some statistics which should have had a place in a former article. It costs an average of 7 mills per mile to haul a ton of freight in the United States, whereas in England it costs 2.33 cents, in Germany 1.42 cents and in France 1.41 cents. In the United States the average wages paid to railroad employees are \$2.23 per day, in England \$1.15, and in Germany \$1 per day. The English railroads are capitalized at \$265,000 per mile, in France at \$137,000 per mile, in Germany at \$114,185—while in the United States the stock and bond capitalization averages only \$63,000 per mile. In view of this remarkable comparison, do American railroads deserve the wholesale denunciation which has been heaped upon them?

**Losses Under Present Rates**  
As evidence of the justice of the plea of the Nebraska lines that three-cent passenger rates should be restored, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, the Missouri Pacific lost \$153,560 on the total volume of its Nebraska business—both state and interstate included. The Missouri Pacific has 371 miles of railroad in the state and the above deficit means that it sustained an actual operating loss of \$166 per mile upon properties valued by the engineer of the State Railway Commission at \$32,633.60 per mile. During this time it paid \$1,207,260.64 in salaries to its Nebraska employees and over \$105,000 in taxes.

During the calendar year ending December 31, 1913, the St. Joseph & Grand Island Railway sustained an actual operating loss of \$86,494 or a deficit of \$768 per mile on properties valued by the engineer of the State Railway Commission at \$22,596.46 per mile.

During the same period, the Rock Island, which has 246 miles of road within the state, showed net earnings of only \$194 per mile upon properties valued by the State Railway Commission at \$43,643.92 per mile. During the year 1914, the Rock Island earned only a little more than \$16,000 on all of its Nebraska business, while in the meantime it paid out more than \$1,500,000 in salaries, taxes, for ties, fuel and other supplies and materials.

The Northwestern, which is one of the stronger lines of the state, has 1,065 miles of road in Nebraska upon which during the calendar year ending December 31, 1913, it earned \$1,130 per mile. The physical valuation placed upon the Northwestern is \$35,436.29 per mile, which means that on this basis it earned only a little better than 3 per cent on its investment. In a greater or less degree the same conditions prevail with reference to several other lines. Since the above figures were compiled—and they are taken from the report of the Nebraska Railway Commission and therefore should be entitled to the highest public confidence as to their conservatism—a reduction of 20 per cent in intrastate freight, known as Order No. 19 has gone into effect and this means, therefore, that from this time forward the showing of the various roads will be much lower than the figures cited above which were based upon the railroad incomes before the 20 per cent freight reduction went into effect. While both freight and passenger rates have been inadequate for a number of years in Nebraska and adjoining states—yet in the passenger department they are nothing short of confiscatory and hence the plea of the railroads that the three-cent passenger rates be restored. In view of the facts and figures quoted above, is there a single fair-minded citizen in the state of Nebraska who will contend that the railroads are not entitled to help? Is not the present situation an impossible one and does it not mean inevitable wreck and ruin to several thousand miles of railroad which are intensely essential to the well-being of hundreds of towns and farming communities throughout the state?

**Losses Growing Continually**  
From these figures, which are open to absolute proof, it can be seen that the Nebraska lines are not only sustaining a loss amounting to thousands of dollars annually on their traffic, but that with an ever-increasing cost of operation these losses are constantly growing heavier—and if the service to the public is to remain efficient and adequate, and if the railroads investments of the state are not to be driven to the point of confiscation, the people of Nebraska must, through their rate-making authorities, consent to a return to the three-cent passenger fare which was abolished without a due regard for increasing labor and supply cost or an adequate interest return upon the millions invested in Nebraska railroads properties. What industry is there in the nation which could have tolerated a reduction of one-third in its income on a large volume of its business during the last few years without coming to grief?

Four years ago, as governor of New York, Justice Hughes, of the United States Supreme Court, vetoed a two-cent passenger law enacted by the Legislature on the ground that it was an arbitrary procedure which did not take into consideration a fair return upon the railroad properties of that state—and few men stand higher in the esteem of the American people than this great jurist who did perhaps as much as any other man in the country to break up illegal and unfair practices on the part of large corporations.

So, too, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania bar held that a two-cent passenger fare was unconstitutional in that state because it was essentially confiscatory. This high court took the position that capital invested in railroads, as well as in other lines of private property, is entitled to earn 6 per cent on a fair capitalization and that the arbitrary enactment of a two-cent fare rendered such a return upon the lines

in Pennsylvania impossible. It also took the position that railroads not only have the right to insist upon a fair return upon both freight and passenger business, but that it is their duty to do so in order that one class of patrons may not be compelled to pay an inequitable rate to make up the losses sustained in another department. If the arbitrary enactment of a two-cent passenger rate is unfair to the railroads of New York and Pennsylvania, where there are large centers of population and where the nation's greatest density of freight tonnage naturally exists, how much more unfair is such a rate in a purely agricultural state like Nebraska, which has a total population of only a million and a quarter with no large manufacturing centers?

The reader is familiar with the recent 5 per cent increase in freight rates granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission to Eastern lines—and again, as the commission wisely says, if the precarious financial condition created by the European war renders this increase necessary, how much more are the weaker Western lines, which are compelled to exist almost altogether upon an agricultural patronage, entitled to some substantial relief? The population per square mile in Massachusetts is 441, in New York 204, in Pennsylvania 181, in Ohio 122, in Nebraska it is only 16. If under these circumstances the Eastern lines need relief, can there be any doubt about the justice of the plea made by Western roads?

**Facing Grave Problems**  
Unquestionably we are facing some of the gravest problems that ever confronted us as a Nation—and these problems grow largely out of a war which is without precedent in history. True, with a rapidly increasing cost of operation on the one hand and reduced rates on the other, it was merely a matter of time until the railroad question was bound to become pressing—but the great tragedy across the seas has suddenly resolved into an acute crisis a problem which might otherwise have been solved gradually and without any far-reaching industrial disturbance.

The United States is a heavy debtor Nation. During the average year our balance of trade against the rest of the world amounts to approximately \$500,000,000, but on top of this we always owe approximately another \$500,000,000 which heretofore we have been able to stand off by selling Europe industrial securities to that amount. Now, however, the great warring countries have served notice that they not only expect us to pay our debts above our trade balances in gold, but that in addition they look to us to buy back from them hundreds of millions of dollars worth of American securities which are now held abroad. It was to deliver this grim message that Sir George Paish, of the English Exchequer, paid his recent visit to the United States, and when he got through making his statement to a group of big New York bankers, an old veteran financier who has survived many a financial storm remarked to his profoundly silent auditors, "The sheriff, with a writ, is on the doorstep."

That a great nation-wide crop next year will give us the largest trade balance we have ever known is undoubtedly true—and yet, with having to finance all our monetary needs at home from this time on and buying back millions of foreign owned securities, the future at best is precarious. However, the heaviest strain of all will come when the war ceases and when Europe begins to rebuild the hundreds of millions of dollars worth of property which has been destroyed—for this period is certain to force the highest interest rates the world has ever known, and if at that time American railroad securities are not earning a fair return upon the investment, nothing can prevent them from going into the financial scrap heap—and it is to prepare for this emergency—to keep railroad securities from becoming a point of national weakness, which will bring the whole temple of American investments tumbling down over our heads—to protect the hundreds of banks, life and fire insurance companies, etc., whose assets are largely invested in railroad bonds, as well as the railroads themselves—this is the fear which is gripping hundreds of financiers, and students of economic conditions in the present hour—men, many of whom heretofore have never seriously concerned themselves over the troubles of American railroads. In the present instance, therefore,

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the railroad crisis is of tremendous importance because in it is involved the still greater problem of the integrity and safety of the whole superstructure of American business. That we cannot shove it aside by a broadside of demagogic platitudes or minimize it by employing the strategy of an ostrich is apparent to all thinking citizens who are seriously concerned in their own and their country's future welfare.

**Up to People of Nebraska**  
In few other states have the railroads had a larger share in progress and development than in Nebraska, whose broad prairies they have helped to convert from the habitat of roving herds of buffalo and savage Indians—and from that hour to this they have contributed their full share to a story of thrift and enterprise which swells with pride the breast of every true Nebraskan.

The last federal census report shows that from 1900 to 1910 the general value of Nebraska farm lands increased 156 per cent—and in view of these facts, had the men and women who put hundreds of millions of dollars into Nebraska railroad securities years ago invested their money in Nebraska farm lands, would not the investment have proven infinitely more profitable for them? And have not the railroads played a tremendous part in these advancing land values in the past, and will they not also have much to do with the value which will be added from this time forward? Have not the interests of the farmer and the railroads always gone hand in hand in this great Western country? Did they not conquer the wilderness together and would the progress of one have been possible without the other? Should not the railroads of this state, therefore, have the good will and friendship of the farmer when all they ask is that they be permitted to earn a reasonable income upon their investment?

Splendid as has been our progress in the past, Nebraska today stands merely on the threshold of her true destiny. We have ample room for thousands of additional tillers of the soil. So, too, our splendid inland towns and cities plead for factories in order that we may ourselves produce much of the finished merchandise for which our people spend many millions of dollars annually. Again, we still need hundreds of miles of new railroad mileage before we shall be able to make the most of our agricultural and commercial possibilities—and the millions necessary for the construction of these factories and these added transportation facilities will not be forthcoming unless we treat fairly the millions already invested within our midst.

No state can rise higher than its people. The state is what its people make it. We are all dependent upon each other. The welfare of the town and the surrounding farms depends upon a spirit of kindly co-operation between those who live in town and those who live upon the farm. Without splendid little inland towns we would have a rural atmosphere which would drive every bright country boy and girl to the cities—while without the farms the towns would wither and die. Even so it is with our great commonwealth as a whole—a commonwealth which for its own sake and for the sake of the great nation of which it is a part should contribute its full share to the "New Day" to which the President referred so beautifully in a recent address—a day fraught with a broader understanding and justice for every man or interest, whether great or small. At this moment there are half million men out of work in New York City, nearly 200,000 in Chicago, almost 100,000 in St. Louis, while in Kansas City the Commercial Club for the first time in the history of that splendid city is grappling with the problem of thousands of idle men. Truly it is a time to think.

**The Course of Empire**  
Slowly but surely the course of empire is moving westward. Her lands impoverished in fertility. New England, as well as the great nations of the Old World, today look to the Corn Belt for foodstuffs—and sooner or later the center of this mighty nation's wealth will be found here amid the rich valleys of the Missouri and the Mississippi, which, in point of productive ness, are without an equal in any similar area upon the habitable globe. Here our people are assured that Nature will always sooner or later amply reward honest thrift and industry. Here our families are farthest removed from those influences which corrode and corrupt civilization. Here American manhood and womanhood find their broadest opportunity, and with a commonwealth so rich in promise and so much in need of additional capital with which to develop its resources, can her people do a wiser thing than to say to the world that every dollar invested in Nebraska

**COST OF LIVING FIGURES.**  
Percy B. Ball, Socialist Candidate for Secretary of State, Gives Address in This City.  
Percy B. Ball of North Attleboro, who is running for secretary of state on the socialist ticket, spoke in Court square today night. He quoted some interesting statistics in the course of his speech upon the high cost of living. According to the figures of Prof. Scott, starting of the University of Pennsylvania, it cost a family of man and wife and three children \$4,915.35 a year and a week of \$94.55. The railroads cost \$1,400.00 for the average family of four. The cost of the average family of four for the year is \$3,265.35. For the year 1913, the cost of the average family of four is \$3,265.35. For the year 1914, the cost of the average family of four is \$3,265.35. For the year 1915, the cost of the average family of four is \$3,265.35. For the year 1916, the cost of the average family of four is \$3,265.35. For the year 1917, the cost of the average family of four is \$3,265.35. For the year 1918, the cost of the average family of four is \$3,265.35. 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# County Correspondence

## Wakefield News

Rev. E. Wallin is spending a few days in Omaha.

C. M. Jensen and Emil Hallstrom made a business trip to Lincoln Monday.

Miss Vena Green was the guest of her sister, Miss Alta Green, at Sioux City Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Kraft and Miss Jevannah Swanson spent Monday with Sioux City friends.

Mrs. J. H. Montgomery returned Friday from a visit with her grandmother in Wisconsin.

The Commercial club are making plans for a banquet to be given the business men and farmers.

George Oliver, who underwent an operation at the Wakefield hospital, is improving rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Long and Mr. and Mrs. George Aistrop were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Cornell at Colburn Monday.

Mrs. R. D. Allen was hostess Monday to a company of friends in honor of Miss Maude McKittrick. Dainty refreshments were served.

W. F. Park has sold his eighty northwest of town to Carl Pearson for \$112.50 per acre. Mr. Park bought this land thirty-two years ago for \$5.50 per acre.

C. John Anderson has let a contract to Gus Johnson for a bungalow to be built on Anderson Heights. Excavation for the basement was begun last week.

Mrs. Dudley Lockwood and daughters departed Monday for their home in San Acacio, Colo., after spending the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Agler.

Si Dillon is having the cottonwood trees on his farm south of town cut down and sawed into lumber. W. I. Baker who is doing the work estimates there will be 50,000 feet of dimension lumber.

The Farmers' Institute will be held here next Thursday and Friday, January 28th and 29th. Good speakers and demonstrators have been secured and every farmer is urged to attend the different meetings.

Miss Maude McKittrick left Wednesday evening for Cody to resume her school work after spending a couple of weeks here convalescing from her operation. She visited friends at Norfolk and Stanton enroute.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Lindahl are here from Mancos, Colo., arriving Monday evening. They will remain until after the 31st to be present at the golden wedding of Mr. Lindahl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lindahl.

In Sioux City last Sunday morning, little Margaret Frichoff passed away, the cause of her death being whooping cough, followed by pneumonia. The little one's grandmother, Mr. C. E. Hunter, Miss Ethel and Gay Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Hunter and Mrs. Merritt went from here to attend the funeral which was held Tuesday.

Mrs. J. O. Peterson entertained a dozen friends in honor of her guest, Mrs. Maggie Beckenhauer of Sleepy Eye, Minn., Thursday afternoon. The afternoon hours were spent in social visiting after which the guests found places at a pretty appointed table and partook of a delicious two-course luncheon. Mrs. Beckenhauer departed Monday for Omaha for a short visit before returning to her home.

Miss Nelda Olson, daughter of Mrs. Hilda Olson, and Nels A. Nelson, son of Olaf Nelson, were united in marriage at the home of her mother last evening at eight o'clock. Rev. Kraft performed the ceremony in the presence of the relatives. A delicious dinner was served. The bride has been a teacher near here and Wausa for a number of years and has the well wishes of many friends in her new home on a farm near Carthage, S. Dakota.

The high school girls' basketball team won from the Hartington girls Friday evening, 14-12. Miss Jones of the visiting team and Miss Kingsbury of the local team won the laurels at goal throwing, each winning twelve points for her team. The Hartington boys defeated the home team 41-31. The Hartington team showed better coaching and were sure of their goals. One of the visiting boys made a goal from the center of the floor. The Wayne high will play the boys at Wayne Friday evening, the girls' team going to Oakland. The Normal Midgets will play here Saturday evening.

## I. P. Lowrey

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

## Hoskins News

A telephone meeting was held on Friday evening.

Ernest Behmer, sr., is convalescing from an attack of the grip, Lloyd Rohrke of Norfolk visited with home folks over the week-end. Harry E. Ruhl left Thursday for a several days' business visit in Omaha.

Miss Katherine Dolly left Friday evening for a few days' visit in Norfolk.

Edna Baluss and Lu's Porter visited in Norfolk Saturday and Sunday.

Robert Tempin was an Omaha visitor from Saturday until Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Drevesen visited this week in Norfolk at the Chase Shaw home.

Mrs. Harry Robinson of Wakefield visited with Miss Martha Deck Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred and Mrs. Glen Green attended a Highlander lodge meeting in Winside Tuesday evening.

Fred Nelson returned home Friday evening after attending the lumbermen's convention in Omaha.

Six car loads of live stock went from here to South Omaha Sunday afternoon, consisting of one car load of hogs and five cars of cattle.

John Posahl started to fill his ice house on Monday of this week. The ice is being shipped in here from Crystal lake and is of good quality.

Fred Lehmann held his sale last week Thursday. He expects to move to Wayne in the near future with his wife where they will make their home.

The cattle shipments last week are: Pete Brummels, one carload of cattle to Omaha on Sunday. The sales this week are: Mrs. Glager, Fred Lehmen.

A birthday party was held Thursday evening at the Leo Wehr home in honor of his birthday. The evening was spent in dancing; lunch was served at 12 o'clock.

The directors of the Hoskins State Bank held their annual meeting Monday afternoon, at which meeting they elected new officers for the coming year and translated other business which came up before the meeting.

About forty guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Schlack Sunday evening where they took part in the helping Mrs. Schlack celebrate her birthday anniversary. At 6 o'clock an elegant supper was served.

Mrs. Claymore arrived here last week from White Lake, South Dakota, where she spent the past month with Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Sackett. She will visit with her son, J. W. Overman and family for several days after which she will leave for her home at Betheny.

## Hunter Precinct.

Fred Sandhal is building new improvements on his farm.

David Seastedt and Fred Soderberg have rented a farm near Carrol.

Mr. and Mrs. David Seastedt visited at the John Munson home last Sunday.

Miss Nina Manley of Lyons has been visiting Miss Maude Kayton at the John Olson home the first of the week.

Mrs. S. E. Soderberg and C. A. Soderberg returned home from their visit at Casey, Iowa, last Saturday night.

Roy Lennart, who came home last week to attend the funeral of his uncle, Pete Johnson, returned Monday morning to Sioux City to take up his school work at Morningside.

Quite a large crowd attended the Bell school literary program last Friday night in spite of the stormy weather. An extensive program is being prepared for the next meeting.

## Back to the Farm

Mighty good advice, but it meant inconvenience, discomfort and danger to health in days gone by. Now country folk can have the health protecting conveniences of the city folks. The Hypoc Aseptic Closet is one of the most important of these. Particulars and prices may be obtained on application to C. Clasen, special representative of the Hygienic Promotion Co., of Detroit Michigan. —adv. -50-ff.

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-ft.

The Democrat for job printing.

# MY UNCLE'S FORTUNE

### It Stood Between Me and Happiness.

By EILEEN BRENNAN

While traveling on the continent I had met Winthrop Sayles, and we had been members of the same party traveling together in Italy, with a long stop at Lake Como, in Switzerland, and in France. Mr. Sayles singled me out among several other girls of our party, and so marked were his attentions that we were soon considered to belong to each other.

The party broke apart in Paris. I going to London. My admirer followed me. He had proposed to me while we were in Lucerne and had during our subsequent journeying together implored me to marry him. It was not a case on my part wherein a girl feels that she has met her fate—that is, that the proposer is absolutely necessary to her happiness. Nevertheless I liked him well enough to consider his proposition, and I was sensible of the fact that girls are liable to let desirable parties slip away from them till they have become old maids, when they are left out in the cold.

Mr. Sayles was so persistent that I at last yielded, but so late that we had barely time to be married before we were obliged to endure a separation. I was about to sail for home, while he was obliged to remain temporarily in England. Yielding to his solicitations, I consented to do what I afterward considered an unwise thing. I agreed to marry him before going aboard the ship, reserving our honeymoon till his return to America.

Just before sailing I was handed a letter from an aunt of mine in America. Her husband was wealthy; they were getting old and had no children. If I would agree to abide with them so long as they lived my uncle would leave me all his property.

Had I been desperately in love with the man I had married I doubt if this offer would have had more than a passing effect on me. If my husband had accompanied me to America the inevitable, the association of marriage, would have brought the same result. But, receiving this offer immediately after parting with a man I had known but a few months, it caused regret.

We see marriage on the surface. There are the happy pair, the wedding gifts, the shower of rice and old shoes. The first month of wedlock is called the honeymoon and savors of sweetness. What we do not see are the balkings that may take place or certain regrets that may thrust themselves in the face of one or both of the happy pair up to the point where the knot is tied. Yet it is possible such may occur in the case of those who are destined to become absolutely necessary to each other.

I confess I should have put the matter out of my head. I was married, and that was all there was about it. But I fancy, as I have already said, that I am not the only person who has just been married to wonder whether he or she has taken a wise or a foolish step.

However, by the time I had reached port I had made up my mind to cease to think about the proposition I had received, but to write my aunt, telling her why I could not accept it. I had promised to write something every day to my husband and mail what I had written on arrival. I wrote him of the offer I had received, and on reading over what I had written it occurred to me that possibly what I had said might be interpreted to express regret that I had lost the power to decide between him and a prospective fortune. I would have rewritten this part of my letter, but could not very well get it out from the rest. Besides, the letter was already ready to mail, and so I dropped it in the post.

As soon as I landed I wrote my aunt, who lived in the west, that I had been married abroad and, of course, could not accept her proposition. I received loving letters from my husband till about the time he should have received my epistle written on the steamer. After that I heard nothing for several days, when I received a brief note from him stating that he had been ill, but was now better. He would write again soon. A few days later I received a cablegram from a friend of his that my husband was dead.

I confess I was much shocked. Besides, the message brought a revelation to me. I learned that my affections had been more completely engaged than I had supposed. I blamed myself for my regrets. I felt that if I could only have my husband back again I would not exchange a prospective fortune for him nor even a fortune in hand.

The cablegram had advised me to remain where I was and await a letter. When the letter came I was informed that my husband had requested that I should not on any account return to England as a result of his death and that his body be buried abroad. He had very little property to leave and had—so I was informed—some time before his marriage left what there was to a sister. This was entirely satisfactory to me.

My aunt and uncle, being informed that I had become a widow, renewed their proposition to me, and I went to live with them. They were very kind

to me, and I entered upon a style above what I had been accustomed to. My uncle made a will in my favor, and I had before me the anticipation of enjoying a fortune. Nevertheless my life was dull. They were old persons and had outlived most of their intimate friends. They were certainly not companionable for me.

As to enjoying the society of persons of my own age, I had very little opportunity to do so. My aunt soon after I went to live with her became an invalid and required my constant attention. Besides, my aunt had not for many years had anything to do with social affairs, and I was not thrown into the "swim." I had stepped into what from a distance I had considered an enviable position, but was not satisfied. I had become a nurse, my pay to consist of a living and a fortune after my patient's death; or, rather, after the death of two persons, either one or both of whom might outlive me.

And now that I had experience in this condition which had led me to regret my marriage I turned longingly to what would have been my lot if my husband had lived. I pictured a little house that I would have made cozy and an interest in husband and children—all an interest which is paramount to all other interests. I do not except those cases where the husband and wife quarrel or separate. The interest is there, but it has become, so to speak, diseased. I had all the comforts wealth could bring, but there was no soul in them. I lived in a splendid house, but there was no home in it for me.

I did not meet my husband's sister, who inherited what little property he left. She wrote me offering, inasmuch as it was mine by right, to give it up to me, but I declined to accept it. She was very sympathetic, and somehow through her letters I conceived a decided liking for her. I would have liked to see her, but she lived at a distance, and neither could I go to the other. She and I became regular correspondents, and I confided in her misanthropic fact that I could not have had a home of my own, "be it ever so humble."

To this she replied that the day would come when I would be wealthy, and I would then be satisfied that fate had led me from marriage without adequate income and had given instead the power and comfort that money brings. But to this I replied that, having become familiar with a blessing, it did not seem so much of a blessing as those who saw it from a distance supposed.

I had lived with my aunt three years when she died. Then my troubles began in earnest, for I had the whole responsibility of bolstering up my uncle in his old age. A woman left desolate can accommodate herself to the new situation better than a man. My uncle could not accommodate himself to get on without his life partner. I endured his misery with him for the greater part of a year, when I saw evidence that he was intending to marry again. A woman about half his age had set her cap for him and his age had not secured him.

My standing in dead men's shoes had been a failure. I knew well enough that this new wife would seriously object even to sharing her husband's inheritance with me, and I did not believe that, under the circumstances, we two women could get on together under the same roof. This turned out as I expected. The lady soon made it plain to me that I was not desirable and set my uncle against me. What should I do? I had no place to go, and the means at my command were limited. My uncle was soon got under the thumb of his wife, and she would not even permit him to give me an allowance. I knew nothing about his destroying the will made in my favor, but if his wife permitted it to remain she was not the woman I supposed she was.

In my distress I wrote to my sister-in-law, pouring my troubles out to her. She wrote me a sympathetic letter, reminding me that I was still young—I was twenty-four—and would likely marry. She suggested no plan for me, but said she would write again soon.

Later I received another letter from her inviting me to make her a visit. We would then talk over what it was best for me to do and would doubtless hit upon some plan for my comfort. I determined to accept the invitation.

I found Miss Sayles living in modest comfort and took her into my heart on sight as I had through her letters. She made me feel at home from the moment I entered the house. She was older than my husband had been and seemed to have looked upon him more as a son than a brother.

"I have a surprise for you," she said, "of such importance that I fear to give it to you without preparing you for it. You remember that you wrote Winthrop while coming from England of the proposition of your aunt and uncle to live with them and inherit your uncle's wealth. In your letter you showed regret that you had been married and must consequently decline their proposition. Winthrop—a very sensitive man—was much hurt by your letter and determined that he would not stand between you and the life you preferred. He—"

# The Scrap Book

**A Gladstone Chip.**  
Once Mr. Gladstone had been cutting down a tree in the presence of a large concourse of people, including a number of "cheap trippers." When the tree had fallen and the prime minister and some of his family who were with him were moving away, there was a rush for the chips. One of the trippers secured a big piece and exclaimed: "Hey, lads, when I see this shall go in my coffin!"  
Then cried his wife, a shrewd, motherly old woman, with a merry twinkle in her eye: "Sam, my lad, if thou'd worship God as thou worshipst Gladstone thou'd stand a better chance of going where thy chip wouldna burn!"

**Uphill.**  
Does the road wind uphill all the way? Yes, to the very end.  
Will the day's journey take the whole long day? From dawn to night, my friend.

But is there for the night a resting place? A roof for when the slow, dark hours begin.  
May not the darkness hide it from my face? You cannot miss that inn.

Shall I meet other wayfarers at night? Those who have gone before.  
Then must I knock or call when just in sight? They will not keep you standing at that door.

Shall I find comfort, travel sore and weak? Of labor you shall find the sum.  
Will there be beds for me and all who seek? Yes; beds for all who come.  
—Christina Georgina Rossetti.

**Her Memory All Right.**  
Mrs. Geddes had a new maid, and she found it necessary to repeat her instructions several times before Nora obeyed them. The mistress had told her repeatedly about the finger bowls, and one day when there were guests they were again forgotten.  
"Now, Nora," said Mrs. Geddes, extremely exercised over the omission, "this is the sixth time I've had to tell you about the finger bowls. Didn't the woman you last worked for have them on the table?"  
"No, mum," replied Nora, "the friends always washed their hands before they eat."—Boston Herald.

**The First Laugh Was the Last.**  
A personable young man with little baggage but a winning smile engaged two rooms and bath at one of the finest hotels in a western city. He spun a twenty dollar gold piece across the desk and said, "I'll stay that much anyhow, and when that's used up let me know." The room clerk smiled and turned the gold over to the cashier to be credited to the man's account. He faded sumptuously every day.  
A bill for \$98 was presented to the young man a week later. He frowned and handed it to the room clerk. "This is all wrong," he said. "You remember I paid you \$20 in advance and said I'd take that much of your hospitality?"  
"Yes, but that was only a joke," the clerk protested.  
"I wasn't joking, and you can't get another cent out of me," said the personable young man. They sent for the proprietor, Colonel Sackett. He listened to the facts, glowered awhile, then broke into a genial grin and exclaimed, "I'll give you your money back and play this trick on the — House."  
"Sorry, colonel," answered the young man, "but Mr. Blank of the — House gave me a week's board to come over and play it here."—Harper's Monthly.

**Thought He Recognized Them.**  
A lunatic was being escorted to an asylum some distance away and consequently journeyed to it by train. It was raining hard, and as they passed a large field the lunatic noticed several men grouped together. Some of them had umbrellas raised over their heads, and these were looking at two men "putting." Turning to the attendant by his side, the "soft" one remarked, "What are the people doing?"  
"Playing golf," answered his busy guardian.

"Then," said the other, after a pause, "hadn't we better stop for them?"

**Hicks' Story.**  
It was in 1847 that Hicks first made a county name as a witty raconteur. In that year Sir Samuel Spry, who had been member for Bodmin since the great reform bill, lost his seat and in a reticent mood took legal proceedings against Hicks on the ground that he had abused his official position to influence voters at the poll. In the course of the trial Hicks was called upon to state what he had to say in his defense. In the course of his statement he asked leave of the court to illustrate his position by a story. His request being assented to, he related how a few days previously he had been to see a lad whom he knew well who was laid up from a fall from a vicious donkey, which had kicked out all his front teeth. The lad, said Hicks had taken the matter in the most kindly way and had said to him, "Tisn't the fall, Mr. Hicks, and 'tisn't the valley of the teeth what annoys me, but 'tis the nasty, ghastly, wishous disposition of the jackass."  
Sir Samuel Spry sprang up in the seat of the court in a fury and exclaimed, "He has called me a jackass!" The court was convulsed with laughter, and Hicks was promptly and fully acquitted of the trumped charge brought against him.—Cornhill Magazine.

# Wants, For Sale, Etc.

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

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For Rent or Sale—7 room house. Ask at this office.—adv. 3ft.

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FOR SALE—50 pure White Rock roosters, Mr. Rose Scott, Rt. 2, Wayne, phone 221-411.—adv. 3-3pd.

FOR SALE—30 Duroc Jersey sows, bred for March and April farrow. They are good ones and will be offered at a price to move them in a short time. Victor Carlson, two miles northwest of Wayne, phone 222-412.—adv. 3-ft.

FOR SALE—Good five-room house, three blocks west of Main street, just north of First street, in sewer district; good cistern; city water. Inquire at State Bank or of R. P. Williams. Half cash; easy terms will be given on balance.—adv. 3-2.

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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

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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.

## A Barbarian.

Sir Donald Mann, the Canadian railroad builder, had a sensational career, beginning as an axman in the Canadian lumber woods.

Early in the Mann visited Europe on a business mission and at a dinner one night became involved in a quarrel with a Russian nobleman. Next day he received a call from one of the nobleman's friends, bearing an invitation to a duel. "If he doesn't like what I said to him, let him come up and tell me so," said Mann. "He can come a-running, too, and carry any size gun he likes."  
The friend explained that would never do. "Nothing but the regular thing on the field of honor would do."  
"Oh, all right!" said Mann. "I've been fighting duels all my life. But I'll have to insist on using my national weapon—a sixteen pound double blined ax."  
The friend went away holding up his hands at the barbarian. That night the nobleman met Mann. He was about the size of a grasshopper. Mann is something over six feet high and four wide, with no fat. "I fight you, m'soo," said the nobleman, "with the weapon of any civilization nation, but I be hang if I commit suicide."

## Ripe For a Change.

One secret in executive work is getting the right man in the right place. Lord Claud Hamilton knew it. Lord Claud was traveling over his line when a brakeman—or guard, as they say in the old country—shouted at Acton station: "Hacton! Hacton!" Lord Claud smiled. A little further on, arriving at Hanwell, another guard shouted: "Anwell! Anwell!"  
Quick as a flash Lord Claud said to his companion: "You see how difficult it is, Thornton, to get the right man in the right place. We must have that Acton porter brought here and we'll send that Hanwell fellow to Acton."

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