

Random Shots

Doug and Mary are married.

And the conductor of this column is one of the few folks who will not say: "I told you so."

Bryan has, for the 'stealth time this week, announced that he is not a candidate.

Yet there be blind mortals who say that the world is not growing better.

"Eviditence" is a brand new one.

So, for that matter, is "appropoa." This time the op. wasn't gudy.

Sniff at Latin all you like—those who have dabbled in it are spared a number of amusing errors.

Ignorance is hard to conceal.

Words may have been given us to conceal thought, but too many of them sometimes reveal its absence.

Some day we're going to write nothing but epigrams.

AMONG THE "PERSONALS"

Wanted—Man with half pint of vermouth wants to meet man with half pint of gin. Object—cocktail.

A heavy gentleman lost one of his rubbers at one of those little lakes at the crosswalks along Box Butte avenue the other day and spent twenty minutes fishing for it.

In that time he recovered two handbags, a plug of chewing tobacco, a package of soda crackers and three sets of false teeth.

The chamber of commerce plans to sell concessions for this attraction during the race meet if the rains keep up.

WHERE IS THIS PLACE?

Los Angeles.—Look what \$40 will buy. This ad appeared in a morning paper: "For Rent—Nice apartment in Wilshire district, completely furnished with lady, \$40."—Ex.

She Got There

Here's a humorous gem from one of the first newspapers published in

western Nebraska, some forty years ago:

The other morning in a barn near Norristown, Pa., the hired man and two of the farmer's sons were competing ardently with each other on the barn floor to ascertain who could put one of his heels around his neck. The boys said they had seen a man in a circus put both heels around his neck at once. Strange, indeed, if they could not get one around. So they heaved and strained and the hired man heaved and strained to accomplish the feat. Little did they know that the hired girl was watching the performance with breathless interest through a knot hole in the barn. A few hours later the hired girl was missing. After yelling for her a dozen times with no response a search was instituted. She was not in the house, neither was she in the barn. The searching party repaired to the milk house. There was the hired girl prostrate on the floor with both heels around her neck and utterly unable to get them loose. She said she would have died before calling for help.

Today's Best Story

An Alliance business man was discussing the circulation "map" got out by the publisher of the s. w. up the street. He was referring to the multitude of little dots, each one supposedly a subscriber. "Some little scheme," said he. "Just wait till spring time, and all he'll have to do will be to put it in the window and the flies will double his circulation in two hours."

Can you beat it?

And now comes a brother living on Missouri, between Fifth and Sixth, who says there's another error in the makeup of The Map. "Haven't bit for nearly a year," he says.

Who was it that said: "Sample copies give scattered results."

Can't you imagine the newsdealers and newsboys taking the names of those who buy papers?

They must have done it, though, for The Map gives accurate (?) locations.

If some folks would only confine their foolishness to the first of April.

—For Sale—Nine room house. Best part of town. Modern. Priced right and good terms. See Nebraska Land Company.

Here Are The PRIZE WINNERS —AND THEIR REASONS

In the Melick & Redmon Tractor Contest

Several weeks ago we instituted a contest for the boys and girls of Box Butte County in which liberal cash prizes were given for the five best answers to the question:

"Why should my Father, Brother or Neighbor Buy the E-B Tractor or Three-Bottom Plow?"

A great many replies were made and from among the number the three disinterested judges selected the following answers as the best of those submitted.

Here are the winners with their answers in full. Read them over —weigh what has been said—and do not overlook the truth and force of the point brought out by them.



FIRST PRIZE—Won by Patrick Sherlock, 14 years old, who lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherlock, 7 miles west of Alliance.

Alliance, Nebr., Feb. 22, 1920.

Dear Sir:

My five best reasons why my father and brother should buy an Emerson Tractor—

First Reason Is—Because they have repairs of all kinds for the Emerson Tractor in Alliance.

Second Reason Is—The Emerson is all inclosed, dust proof. All main parts run in oil and grease cups are easy to get at.

Third Reason Is—You can plow, plant, cultivate and dig your potatoes with the Emerson Tractor, because width of the wheels are just right.

Fourth Reason Is—Because any boy or girl can run the Emerson Tractor, because it is easy handled and controlled.

Fifth Reason Is—You are sitting up out of the dust where you can see the land side of your tractor.

Age 14. PATRICK SHERLOCK.

SECOND PRIZE—Won by Glen Wiltsey, of Hemingford.

Hemingford, Nebr., Feb. 23, 1920.

Messrs. Melick & Redmon, Alliance, Nebr.

Gentlemen:

After a careful consideration of the merits of the E. B. tractor and the Grand Detour 3-bottom plow, I give these five reasons why anyone thinking of buying a tractor and plow should invest in this outfit:

1—Best materials used in construction throughout.

2—Service: Systematized service station that insures prompt filling of orders for repair parts and avoids loss of time.

3—Simplicity: No complicated parts to be always giving bother to the inexperienced operator.

4—Dependability: A thoroughly reliable machine that can be relied on in times of emergency.

5—Durability: With reasonable care it is good for years of hard work.

GLEN WILTSEY.

Hemingford, Nebr.

THIRD PRIZE—Carlton W. Taylor, Long Lake, Nebr., age 17.

Long Lake, Nebr., Feb. 20, 1920.

Dear Sirs:

Reasons why a farmer should buy an E. B. tractor and a Grand Detour three-bottom plow:

1—I think a farmer with 80 acres or more under cultivation should have an E. B. tractor, as it will save horses, and do more work in a given time at less expense and with less men.

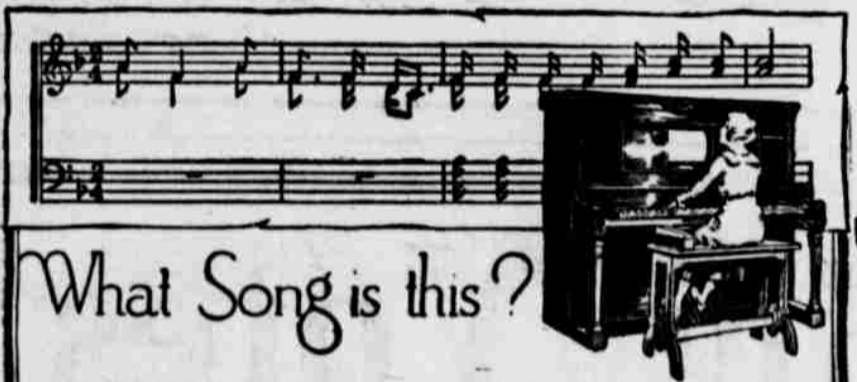
2—An E. B. Tractor will do any work in the field that horses can do; you can plow, harrow, plant, cultivate, and dig potatoes because it will travel between the rows.

3—A farmer ought to buy an E. B. tractor because he can break up a field, plant and raise a crop of corn that would pay for the breaking, with horses it would take all summer and be too late to plant.

4—The farmer ought to buy an E. B. tractor because it can shell your corn, grind your feed, cut your hay and other jobs too numerous to mention.

CALTON W. TAYLOR.

Long Lake, Nebr.



What Song is this?

HOW often do you hear melodies that are familiar, and yet you do not know what they are! Wouldn't it be fine to have in your home a Manualo, "the player-piano that is all but human?" Then you and your family could play and sing all the favorite songs, old and new. You would enjoy the Manualo especially because it is built by Baldwin.

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There are many things that have helped make Baldwin-built Pianos the standard the country over. First, is the policy of producing only high-grade instruments. Second, the two completely equipped factory groups and experienced organizations of piano builders in Cincinnati and Chicago. Third, the tremendous demand for the instruments which enable Baldwin to buy the choicest materials at the lowest prices. Fourth, the selling method which eliminates jobbers' and wholesalers' profits. The Baldwin line includes the Baldwin, Ellington, Hamilton and Howard Pianos—and the Manualo, "the player-piano that is all but human."

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—Chesterfield

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Chesterfield CIGARETTES They Satisfy

Study the Answers

If you are interested in the Tractor proposition it will be well worth your time to study the answers submitted by the contestants. They have obtained their material from family discussions, actual performance of E. B. Tractors and tractor literature. What they say has real meat for the man who considers the advisability of investing in a tractor.

WE WILL BE GLAD TO ADD ANY INFORMATION DESIRED CONCERNING THE PERFORMANCE AND DURABILITY RECORDS OF THE E. B. TRACTOR

MELICK & REDMON

Alliance, The Live Wire Tractor Men Hemingford