

# The Plattsmouth Journal

The Journal wishes its patrons and all others a most merry and happy Christmas.

BUT for the Monroe doctrine how long would Venezuela last against the rapacious Europeans? About as long as a snowball in the lower regions of h—ll.

PLATTSMOUTH merchants are the very bone and sinew of our progressive city. They are entitled to the trade of our people. They are prepared to supply every need in the line of holiday goods. Don't take your money out of town.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT, who has just made a deal with Addicks of Delaware, once wrote: "No man who is corrupt, no man who even condones corruption in another can fulfill his duty toward the public." Many years ago it was written: "Physician, heal thyself!"

The editor of the Weeping Water Herald takes a side swipe at the Courier for expressing an opinion on a question of grave importance. Whether our position is right or wrong we have assumed it and must be shown where we are wrong. The editor of this paper says what he thinks is right without waiting (as some do) for the popular side and then following. We believe this is the only way for a paper to make itself felt. If we always waited and found out what side would be popular we would be considered a weak sister. As long as we are running a paper we will always try to give our honest, candid opinion on all subjects of general interest.—Louisville Courier

The Journal is very much pleased to see our friend Morrison take this course. In fact it is the only policy for a newspaper to pursue. It was adopted by the Journal people many years since. To try to please everybody, you can't do it, and the more outspoken you are in expression the better your readers like your utterances. We congratulate our good brother on the stand taken by him, notwithstanding the Journal was "hit onto" last fall by nearly every paper in the county for doing the same thing.

The newspapers over the state are receiving many flattering requests from the management of the St. Louis exposition for advertising space and to be paid for in "hearty thanks." As far as this newspaper is concerned we are not making such contracts and we hope every other publication in the state will see as we do. The space in our columns is our stock in trade and if it is to be used in furthering the interests of the St. Louis exposition it will be paid for through some source. We expect to be compelled to pay our money and take our choice if we visit the exposition.—Aurora Sun

Here too, Pete. If the managers of the St. Louis exposition would appropriate the money they pay the "do-nothings" that hover around the fair grounds and in the offices of the exposition in St. Louis, on good big salaries, to pay for the extensive notices they keep sending out weekly to country papers with requests to publish, it would look much better. If the managers have money to throw away on such favorites at the expense of the people, they certainly can pay newspapers for the matter provided and sent out by a large corps of fellows employed to do so on big salaries. If the Louisiana Purchase Exposition desires the country papers to boom it, let the managers pay the editors for so doing, and "fire" their dead-head favorites on the pay rolls, now riding around over the country on free transportation and enjoying a good time. This would be the proper move to make. We are pleased to note that the waste baskets are recipients of nearly all the exposition literature sent to publishers in this state, and also in Iowa.

## The Monroe Doctrine.

Since the trouble between the empires of England and Germany on the one side, and the defenceless little republic of Venezuela, on the other side, the Monroe doctrine on numerous occasions has become the subject of conversation, and no two persons, it seems, can agree as to the direct intentions of that most memorable document.

The Monroe doctrine is a simple and plain statement that the people of the United States oppose the creation of European dominion on American soil; that they oppose the transfer of the political sovereignty of American soil to European powers, and that any attempt to do these things will be regarded as "dangerous to our peace and safety." What the remedy should be for such interposition by the European powers the doctrine does not pretend to state. But this much is certain, that when the people of the United States consider anything "dangerous to their peace and safety," they will do as other nations do, and if necessary defend their peace and safety with force of arms.

The doctrine does not contemplate forcible intervention by the United States in any legitimate contest to result in the increase of European power or influence on this continent, nor in the overthrow of an existing government, nor in the establishment of the protectorate over them, nor in the exercise of any direct control over their policy or institutions. Further than this the doctrine does not go. It does not commit us to take part in wars between a South American republic and a European sovereign when the object of the latter is not the founding of a monarchy under a European prince in place of an overthrown republic. In the present instance, therefore, the doctrine does not apply so long as England does not hold the ports of Venezuela longer than is necessary to secure the payment of the sum she is determined to extort. Should she attempt to hold Venezuela forever, the Monroe doctrine would apply and our duty and PLATTSMOUTH resistance to the bit-

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## Commissioner's Proceedings.

Plattsmouth, December, 16th.—Board met pursuant to adjournment. All present. Minutes of last session read and approved. Claims allowed on the general fund:

L. C. Todd, salary and expenses.....	27 50
J. P. Falter, same.....	31 50
Turner Zink, same.....	37 50
C. T. Richards, work on road.....	60 00
A. C. Rawls, mdse to county.....	7 00
Pioneer Livery Barn, team to comms.....	6 00
A. W. Atwood, mdse to county.....	6 00
Louis Ottat, part pay on painting at court house.....	30 00
J. H. Becker, damages.....	50 00
Charles Spencer, care of booths.....	1 50
A. J. Beeson, defending Vogtman.....	25 00
Sattler & Fassbender, mdse to county.....	15 20
T. E. Fulton, repairs.....	2 25
H. E. Pankonin, boarding well at poor farm.....	185 00
Mrs. Alice Cory, boarding pauper.....	10 50
F. R. Guthman, same.....	9 00
Minnie Carnes, boarding pauper.....	7 00
A. B. Dickson, aid to pauper.....	6 00
Wm. Schmidtman, mdse to county.....	2 50
Louisville Courier, printing.....	5 00
J. W. Brendel, M. D., salary 3rd quarter.....	10 70
ROAD DISTRICT FUNDS.	
Andy Hoover, work, dist. No. 11.....	105 30
H. J. Stoll, same.....	71 25
O. C. Zink, same.....	7 50
A. J. Schafer, same.....	33 00
John Irish, same.....	35 00
W. G. Pankonin, same.....	85 00
J. M. Meisinger, same.....	10 50
A. H. Hennings, same.....	48 50
D. A. Miller, same.....	63 85
S. Barker, same.....	3 75
COUNTY ROAD FUNDS.	
C. A. Richey, lumber.....	33 00
G. W. Curvey & Son, same.....	123 80
John Davis, Jr., work.....	5 00
H. H. Parkhurst, mdse.....	60 57
Henry Wessel, mdse.....	1 00
Clark & Voorhees, same.....	5 27
C. J. Martin, estate, damages.....	50 00
E. L. Martin, work.....	2 00
Geo. B. Hicks, same.....	23 80

Mr. W. H. Hell was appointed a delegate to the National Live Stock convention at Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 13 to 16 1902.

Board adjourned to meet December 16, 1902.

December 17, 1902. Board met pursuant to adjournment. All present.

The following resolution was adopted by the board. Whereas, it appearing to the board of the county commissioners for Cass county that repairs are needed on the wagon bridge across the Platte River, part of said bridge being in Cass county and one-half thereof being in Sarpy county, said repairs to said bridge requiring the furnishing and driving of three new piles, and the sinking down of about six piles now under the west side of said bridge and the leveling of the floor of said bridge at said point; said point being near the north end of said bridge; and whereas, it is the duty of Sarpy county to jointly with Cass county keep said bridge in repairs thereof, the said county of Sarpy and its board of county commissioners are hereby requested to join with the county of Cass through its board of commissioners in contracting with some person for the making of said repairs including the furnishing of material and performance of work. The county of Cass hereby agrees that should it become necessary to advertise for bids for such work and furnishing of materials that the bids may be reported to the board of county commissioners of Sarpy county and opened by it. That if the said county of Sarpy refuses to join with the county of Cass in contracting for the making of said repairs the county of Cass will enter into a contract for such work and material and making of repairs, and recover from Sarpy county one-half the amount of such contract price and expense of making said repairs. That a copy of this resolution be furnished the board of county commissioners of Sarpy county and it be requested on behalf of Sarpy county to act thereon.

Board adjourned to meet Jan. 6, 1903.

## Better Than a Plaster.

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## Editorial Hot Shot.

Most of us hang larger stockings than Santa Claus can fill.

Cast your bread upon the waters, but revise your Crum letter.

We have had several falls of snow, now let us have several falls in the price of coal.

Beware of a philosophy or a religion that answers all questions and solves all riddles.

The "Watchdog of the Treasury" will after this session limit the baying of the jackals.

Every time we put a shovelful of coal in the furnace we thank God and think of Deacon Baer.

The explanation department of the republican party got a start of the legislative department.

A characterless presidential message promises to be followed by a characterless congressional session.

"Seeking the bubble recognition at the Cannon's gavel" is the new reading of Shakespeare for the next Congress.

As predicted the republican leaders are beginning to explain why the party promises will not be fulfilled at this session.

If Postmaster General Payne has his way the power of life and death over the press of the country will be conferred on him.

Perhaps the allies consider their bombardment of Puerto Cabelle as mere target practice incident to their peaceable blockade.

It looks very much as though Senator Allison still had some hopes of getting under the shadow of the Cummings banner.

Doubtless the position Senator Hanna has taken against the amending of the trust law will endear him to the trust magnates.

Senator Frye says there will be no tariff revision and Mr. Hanna announces his opposition to trust legislation. That settles it.

As was to have been expected, the capitalists and plutocrats managed to take all the fire out of Mr. Roosevelt's trust recommendations.

The Lillywhites think the President should cease hunting black bears and confine his attention to the white variety or at least to cinnamons.

The President will now devote himself to the business of rounding up the colored voters of the South. They need it to hold them in line for Teddy.

The capitol at Washington is short of coal, but some of the speeches that will not get in the Record will be hot enough to keep members from freezing.

Even the president is ready to repudiate the promises of the republican national platform when it comes to a possible increase of democratic senators by the admission of the territories.

Political economists have always argued that there was a relation between the high cost of commodities and the increase of crime. In these days of unparalleled prosperity the increase of crime must be attributed to the prevalence of — philanthropy.

Even in the face of the present scarcity of coal and the monopoly of the natural supply, Congressman McCall's bill authorizing free trade between the United States and Canada will receive no consideration from the republican party.

The Christmas tree with its candles and bright lights runs back through Druidic mysteries to sun-worship, and the use of decorated green trees at the time of winter solstice has been and is known all over the northern hemisphere. The lights celebrate the return of the sun.

"Over at Wymore," says the Nebraska City News, "a Rev. Parker assisted in the closing of the illegal saloons and their keepers were fined \$250, and now he has brought suit for a part of the fine, claiming that it is due him under the statutes." Evidently the Rev. gentleman went at it, not for moral effects, but for the money he would derive therefrom. Funny religion some people have.

The South American countries can now see how utterly helpless they are against Europe except for the United States, the Monroe doctrine and the American navy. Without the strong arm of Uncle Sam the feeble governments of Latin America would have been swallowed up by Europe decades ago. But are they capable of realizing this fact?

A small editorial in an exchange is worth traveling along the line of newspaperdom. Here it is: "It is very apparent that Mr. Bryan is still for Mr. Bryan. We believe also that Teddy Roosevelt is for Roosevelt, and Mark Hanna is for Mark Hanna and that we are following their example. The only really selfish one in the push is Satan—he is for us all."

The ungrateful people of Lincoln are finding fault with Burkett, says the Nebraska City News, because he only secured \$300,000 for a new postoffice for them while Mercer got Omaha a federal building that cost \$2,500,000. The people of Lincoln ought to be satisfied. What has Burkett ever done for the remainder of the district?

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**Report of Murdock Schools.**

The following is the report of the Murdock schools for the month ending December 19, 1902:

Those neither absent nor tardy:—Minnie Buell, Clara Stearns, Elsie Stearns, Mina Goehry, George Mooney, Merle McDonald.

Those neither absent nor tardy in the grammar and intermediate department:—Laura Stearns, Edwin Blum, Edgar Mooney, Leota McDonald.

Attendance increased during the month, 6.

Primary Department.—Those neither absent nor tardy:—Freddy Buell, Ruth Eby, Charley Buell, Gail McDonald and Harry Eby.

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**Teachers' Meeting.**

Program, Teachers' Meeting, District 10, Cass county, at Murdock, January 17, 1903: Officers:—Olga Neltzel, President; Nellie Allison, Secretary.

Song No. 56.  
Roll Call.

PART I.  
Propagation of Plants—Miss Olga Neltzel.  
Insects of the Garden—Miss Edith Moon.  
Beneficial Insects—Miss I. G. Allison.

PART II.  
Song—No. 18.  
The Tree—Miss Blanche Sawyer.  
Ben.—Miss Mae Cameron.  
In the Snow—Miss Nellie Allison.

PART III.  
Book Review—Earth and Man—Miss Florence Whipple.  
Discussion.  
Quotations from Whittier.  
Election of Officers.  
Song—No. 62.

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