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REPRESENTATIVE CURTIS is on record as favoring an amendment to the Kinkaid 640 acre homestead law, providing for commutation. We second the motion.

WHILE waiting for the legislature to enact a wolf bounty law, this would be an excellent time to get out with horse and hounds and kill off a few that are bothering your sheep or poultry.

You will notice, if you keep an eye on the votes of the legislature, that Senator Bresee and Representative Curry are voting right on every measure that comes up, and they are not making much noise about it, either.

POSTMASTER Tash informs THE HERALD that the month that has just passed was the largest month in point of post office receipts in the history of Alliance. This is the best barometer of business improvements possible. Alliance is enjoying a steady, permanent growth and business men all look forward to the best year in its history.

RECENTLY THE HERALD learned of a rupture in the big beef of packer's combine and indications point to better prices for meats. Already more than a cent and a half reduction has been announced in the price of dressed beef. On the other hand, beef cattle promise to reach the highest price in June this year for many years past. Ranchmen who have had the judgement to hold their cattle are about to receive their reward.

Not the least of the evils of the big system-combinations among the railroads is the remoteness of the central authority from the local patrons of the roads. The local officials, who are in touch with, and cognizant of the needs of their own particular districts, are stripped of authority and rendered powerless to conserve the interests of both the people and the railroad interests which are in most cases identical.

SENATOR Bresee has introduced a bill to change the present divorce law. The most important change provides that divorced persons must allow one year to elapse before they marry again. If Bresee would add to his divorce law a clause to prohibit the intermarriage of blood relation, he would curry favor with the element of our population who stand for higher civilization. The whole subject of marriage and divorce is however a subject for national legislation and very little good will result until the government shall provide a law that embraces every part of the National domain.

CONGRESSMAN Hinshaw has secured an additional \$10,000 appropriation for the Omaha Indian supply station. Burkett has secured complete rural free delivery for the 1st congressional district, and Millard has done the same for the second district. Kinkaid has secured the valuable 640 acre homestead law for the sixth district, and each of the other republicans are doing things for their district or state—but has any one heard of anything that our democratic congressman has done except distribute garden seeds and draw his salary? It don't pay to send democrats to congress, and the second district of Nebraska found it out in time to replace Hitchcock with a good republican after March 4th.

WHEN the Alliance-Gurnsey line of the Burlington was built some four years ago, it opened up one of the best agricultural sections in the state and half a dozen towns along that line have grown and prospered and now have a population of several hundred each, and a good, well watered, irrigated farming community surrounding each, yet the Burlington railroad are giving that line train service that is worse than the old stage coach lines, only one train every other day. If Jim Hill had not absorbed the Burlington this would be different, and we are glad to see President Roosevelt and the Department of Commerce and labor go after these giant merger corporations and let us again have train service that we are entitled to.

The City of Alliance

ALLIANCE is a thriving city of more than 3000 population, prosperous and glowing prospects for the future. 400 miles west of Omaha, 236 miles north of Denver. It is the metropolis of western Nebraska. It has water works, electric lights, a three story city hall and fire engine house, first class fire company and apparatus. Two large school buildings; employs twenty teachers to educate its 1000 school children. Seven churches. U. S. land office, Court house, two National Banks, modern business blocks and handsome residences. Its railroad facilities are the best. It is on the main line of the Burlington from either Chicago or St. Louis to Portland and the Pacific coast. It is the Division headquarters for western Nebraska, Wyoming, South Dakota and Montana, the offices of General Superintendent Rhodes having been recently located here. The western division shops are located here and more than 600 railroad men are employed here. Its people are hospitable, enterprising, and intelligent. Its climate is healthful and invigorating. In short, no town in Nebraska presents superior inducements for men of capital, enterprise and push, to locate within her borders. Letters of inquiry addressed to the Alliance HERALD will be answered promptly and in detail. Better write for a copy of our handsome twenty-four page illustrated Industrial edition, it will tell you more than we could write you in a month.

WAKE UP! COMMERCIAL CLUB.

THE commercial club of this town should brace up and do something, aside from amusement for themselves. They can if they will. We need and can get a branch distributing house from one or all of the big packing houses, that consumers and retailers of packing house products can have their wants supplied from here, without waiting twenty-four to forty-eight hours on shipments from the packing centers. The first one here would get a monopoly on the business that would compel others to follow suit and a resident manager and one or more assistants would add to the population. Then a branch or distributing wholesale grocery house would do a land office business here, Alliance being the natural distributing point or gateway to a large territory. The brewers have distributing houses here. If luxuries pay why not the necessities?

There are over 5000 people here and 50,000 people adjacent to Alliance who could and should be supplied from here. Why not get busy and get some of these distributing houses here?

There was at one time a small warehouse, owned by the railroad company used as a ware-house or storage-house, for one of the packing houses but the railroad needed the room and destroyed the building. No effort was made to retain the business and we lost it. That place, small as it was, employed a man constantly.

Newberry's warehouse, just completed, is the pride of the town. We are advised that the railroad company will work hand in hand with the Commercial club in establishing more such houses. A half dozen such houses can be located here within a year if the Commercial club will wake up and go after them.

RANDOM THOUGHTS.

What does Alliance's Anti-Saloon league think of Bishop Potter's plan?

It is not a dearth but a surfeit of remedies that promises to delay railroad legislation.

The juvenile pugilistic rule "no pulling hair or scratching faces" should be applied to that Mahoney-Rosewater encounter.

Say what you please, it looks like a dirty trick to collect a man's delinquent taxes by the application of the scavenger law.

If Omaha could fight its municipal battles at home, perhaps the state legislature could give some attention to the affairs of Nebraska.

If the czar had only proposed his conciliatory measures before that last effusion of "innocent blood" had come between the people and himself!

Talk about enlightenment and up-to-dateness in America! Russia can give us cards and spades and then some when it comes to official graft.

To recognize the opportune moment when to crystallize into law new governmental policies is as much the attribute of statesmanship as the creation of them.

Perhaps those western railroads would welcome the advent of a commission with power to declare the hostile grain tariffs unreasonably and to establish and enforce a reasonable rate.

The western grain shipper and the western and southern railroads may take some of the conceit out of Chicago

and some of the North-Atlantic seaboard cities before peace and harmony is restored among the railroad rate makers.

We predict an early boom in the number of trusts organized. So many of the precious youth of the country know how it is done after Mr. Lrwson's instructive exhibit.

What has become of the man who used to exchange enthusiastic views with you over the humor and pathos of Dickens' creations? Extinct as the dodo! Swamped beneath the rising flood of modern literary ephemera.

"I told the railroad managers to keep their lobbyists away from the capitol and I would see that the railroads were treated fairly." This is the substance of Governor Folk's statement regarding his movement to suppress lobbying. Suppose that other famous democrat, Richard Croker, was in Folk's place what a howl would arise from his hungry legions over the chief's monopoly of the dispensation of "fairness" to the corporations of old Missouri.

It may be unpatriotic for the Russian working classes to precipitate trouble at this time, while the nation has more than its hands full, but to the impartial observer, loyalty to such a government as theirs looks more like fanaticism than patriotism. There does not seem to be a single sound reason why any of the common people of Russia should raise a finger to prevent the overthrow of the barbaric institution that crushes hope, freedom and life out of the vast majority of them.

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Elizabeth Wadum is seriously ill with tonsillitis.

Friday is fresh fruit day at Gleason's Delicacy Store. Nov. 11-12

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kline are the proud parents of a baby girl, born this morning. All concerned doing well.

Lost:—Watch fob with locket attached, containing picture. Finder return to Clayton Reed and receive reward.

Mrs. D. W. Butler entertained about twenty-five of her lady friends yesterday afternoon. A delicious luncheon was served and a pleasant time is reported by all who attended.

The Alliance branch of the Auburn telephone company have just issued a new telephone directory. Better call at the telephone office and get one if yours has not been delivered.

The United Presbyterian church: Services next Sunday as usual; Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject "The Teacher come from God." Evening subject "The Rock Christ Jesus." Young People's meeting at 6:45.

W. W. Norton has let the contract for excavating the basement of the new three story brick building he will erect on the corner of Wyoming and Box Butte avenues this spring. The basement and first floor will be used for the Norton dry goods store. The second and third floors will be used as lodge halls.

The two big ice houses of the Burlington just west of the station are having the finishing touches put on this week. Enough ice is stored in the new houses to keep down the temperature of the passengers enroute to the Portland exposition next summer. All Burlington trains for the east, west and south are iced here.

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Golden Oak, Princess Dresser—Regular price \$28.00	21.00
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