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On account of the bad roads, Kearney grocers make but two deliveries each day, one at 9:30, the other at 3:30. That seems to be a good plan, but it would prove unpopular in North Platte even though temporary.

Statistics gathered by the department of agriculture show that the increase in the cost of living in a certain period has about doubled the increase in wages. If the increased cost of living continues, where will we land at the end of another five years.

That eggs are scarce was emphasized one day this week when a case consigned to W. H. Merrick & Co. at Maxwell was received from the east part of the state and sent down on the local. When farming communities like Maxwell are compelled to import eggs the conditions are certainly unusual.

There promises to be a spirited contest over the location of the county seat of the new county of Garden, both Lewellen and Oakshok striving for the honor. At Lewellen a fund of \$10,000 for a new court house is being subscribed and will be hung up as a bonus. Officials for the new county will be elected January 10th.

In referring to the probability of Kearney building a new water plant, the Fremont Tribune says: "If Kearney has anything like Fremont's experience in building a municipal plant, it has an interesting time in store." From this remark it may be conjectured that Fremont's experience has not been altogether pleasing or satisfactory.

The best ear of corn in the world is exhibited at the national corn exposition at Omaha by T. C. Palin, of Newton, Ind. It is the perfect ear insofar as perfection in corn breeding and production has yet been reached. Out of the thousands of ears of corn exhibited at the exposition, this one has been selected by the judges as combining in the greatest degree all those qualities which go to make up a perfect ear.

Believing that the iniquities of the present tariff law can be properly cured only through formation of a competent tariff commission which can furnish congress with the necessary facts, Senator Norris Brown Tuesday conferred with President Taft for some time on the best method of its accomplishment. He found the president fully convinced that congress should this year create a permanent tariff commission.

Congressman Kinkaid introduced a number of bills at the opening of Congress Tuesday. Among them was one granting leave of absence to homestead entrymen for the purpose of sending their children to school; another increasing the pension to soldiers of the civil war that they may receive \$15 at 62, \$20 at 65, \$30 at 70, and \$40 at 75; appropriating \$135,000 for federal buildings at Chadron and Alliance; nineteen special bills to increase and grant pensions to soldiers of the civil and Spanish-American wars; appropriating \$1,760 to B. B. Wood and other residents of Morrill county to pay damages for loss by prairie fires set out by government reclamation officials.

The President's Message. President Taft sent his first message to a regular session of congress Tuesday.

Recommendations on vital subjects like the interstate commerce law, conservation and the trust problem are reserved for special messages; suggestions for amendments to the tariff law until the new commission has had two or three years in which to gather facts upon which action can be based.

The important things asked for in the message are: The creation of postal savings banks without waiting for the report of the monetary commission; an increase in the postage rates on magazines; some changes in the army and navy regulations and a reduction in the annual expense of \$45,000,000 for the army and \$33,000,000 for the navy; a general reduction in the expense of the government and a reorganization of the departments to secure better service at less cost; reform in judicial procedure to lessen cost and increase promptness, also to prevent the issuance of injunctions without notice; a federal law for the publication of campaign contributions; legislation to stop the white slave traffic; and a few other matters of greater or less importance. Congress is asked not to investigate the sugar scandals, as this might hamper the work the government is now doing in bringing the guilty parties to justice.

This message shows that economy in expenditures and increased efficiency in the public service will be sought by the administration so persistently as perhaps to mark out a distinctive "Taft policy." That these reforms are to be pursued without giving up the great fight for the square deal begun by his predecessor is shown by several sections of the message and will no doubt be demonstrated afresh when the promised special messages are sent to the congress.

Cottonwood and Vicinity. Has winter come upon us in earnest is the question that arises in our mind. E. F. Rose, who has been a little off his feed for several days, is getting back into normal conditions again. Bert Hostetter lugged home a coon last week that he trapped which weighed about 30 pounds. Mrs. Kerr is visiting in Clay county for a fortnight or perhaps longer. C. E. Oldfather is feeding a nice bunch of porkers. He has a good crop of beets to assist in the feeding rations. James Rose has purchased 40 acres of ground at the new town of Bignell. Mr. Romine is calculating and refreshing the rooms at the lodging house at the fork.

Arrangements have been made for a Christmas exercise at the Fort McPherson Sunday school. For four days we have kept the hens in closed quarters on account of frozen combs and feet. The price of eggs indicates that the hen is a little off on the laying business just now. J. W. Fetter has been absent from Maxwell the past week on account of the death of his father. A dividend of one-fourth per cent has been parcelled out to the Standard Beet Sugar Co's creditors as their last check. When Mr. Whitney received his he sold it for 5 cents, realizing sixty-six and two-thirds per cent profit. What was the amount of his check, school boy? This cold spell of weather puts a check on house building for the present. John Erskine still continues to improve, from latest reports. The roads are in a rough condition since the snow fall of last week. James Rose met with a little smash up on Sunday a week ago while returning home. In opening the gate and allowing the horse to pass through the wheel touched the gate post scared the horse and ran off, smashing one wheel and other less damages. John Discoe of Bignell took a nice lot of extracted honey of his own make to Merrick & Co's store last week. The reception at cemetery on Thursday evening of last week was well attended considering the stormy evening. The families of C. C. Clark, Bert Shaner, P. W. Jorgenson, H. P. Stevens, S. S. Reynolds, C. E. Oldfather, Kerr Bros, and E. M. Arnold were well represented. Three school mamas, Misses Abbie, Clark and Anderson were also present. Mr. and Mrs. Igle enjoyed the evening very much. A visit to the North Pole, music and lap supper were the features of the evening. All who went were glad to meet the good friends at the cemetery.

For Sale. The Hall farm of 733 acres, within two miles of North Platte. All good alfalfa, farm and hay land, well watered with a spring creek and the Platte river. Good farm improvements. Three nice groves, all fenced and cross-fenced. Will sell half cash, balance on easy terms. For price and terms call on E. H. EVANS, Atty., Keith Theatre, North Platte, Neb.



For That Tete-A-Tete. There is nothing like a box of Good Home Made Candies. Take along a pound of our Bitter Sweets and you'll find the way to her heart paved already for you. 75 cents. DICKEY BROTHERS. Bakery and Confectionery.

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is our cigar. The more you smoke the more you'll praise it, because a veteran votary of the weed knows a good thing when he lights it. Only smokers of these cigars have a match for them. Our five-centers can't be duplicated for a nickel anywhere else in North Platte. J. F. SCHMAZRIED.

ROAD NO. 330. To all whom it may concern: The commissioner appointed for the purpose of locating a public road as follows: Commencing at the center of section 17, township 12, range 28 and running thence north on half mile line to the laid out road on half mile line running east and west across section 8, township 12, range 28, said road to be 33 feet wide, has reported in favor of the establishment of said road and all claims for damage or objections thereto must be filed in the office of the county clerk on or before noon on the 12th day of February, 1910, or such road will be established without reference thereto. Dated North Platte, Neb., December 6, 1909. F. R. ELLIOTT, County Clerk.

SPECIAL PRICE ON Base Burners From Dec. 3d until Dec. 25th. We have a few Stoves left that we do not wish to carry over and offer them at the following prices during the above period: 2 only, No. 50 Palace Peninsular Base Burner, regular price \$45.00 special price \$35.00 1 only, No. 515 Empire Peninsular Base Burner, regular price \$40.00 special price \$33.50 1 only, No. 328 Peninsular Oak Coal (for soft coal), regular price \$24.00 special price \$19.00 1 only, No. 96 Peninsular Oak Coal for soft coal, regular price \$22.50 special price \$18.50 This is your opportunity to buy large sized high grade Stoves for the price of broken down second hand ones. Come early if you want one. Wilcox Department Store.

THE First National Bank, of North Platte, Nebraska. UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY. Capital and Surplus \$130,000. ARTHUR McNAMARA, President, E. F. SEEBERGER, Vice-President, F. L. MOONEY, Cashier.

MAKE SOME ONE HAPPY While you are racking your brain about what to get your husband, wife, father or mother for a Xmas present just stop and rest your mind and come down and pick out a nice easy rocker that will make them happy every day in the year. We have a complete line from a child's rocker up to a turkish, at reasonable prices. HOWE & MALONEY.

SACRIFICE SALE OF TOWN LOTS. Why go out into the country to buy residence lots when you can buy the following choice residence lots in the West End where they will increase in value and always be in demand. Three nice lots in block 17, Town Lot Co's Addition, \$350.00 for all three. Two handsome lots on Block 12, Town Lot Co's Addition, \$350.00 for both lots. Three handsome lots on west Fourth street, sewer in and paid for, \$1200.00 for the three. Four choice lots on west Sixth street close in for \$400.00, \$450.00, \$500.00 and \$650.00 each. These lots are all close in, high and dry, do not require any filling and each of them is worth more money than we are asking for them. Buchanan and Patterson.

What to Buy a Smoker The best thing is a smoke he will like. Few women know just what kind of cigars their husbands smoke. Few men know just what kind of cigars other men smoke. It is our business to know the preference of all customers at the cigar case. If you want a Christmas box of cigars for a friend, come to us. We guarantee to suit him. We sell you a box with the understanding that if the man does not like that brand he may return the cigars, after trying them and exchange for a box of his own choosing. Cigars from 50 cents per box up. Schiller & Co., FAMILY DRUGGISTS. 1st door north First Natl. Bank.

DR. ELMS, General Practice of Medicine, Surgery Together with his Specialty, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Your Glasses Carefully Fitted. Office and residence 413 East Fifth St., on ground floor, no stairs to climb. Phone 559. North Platte, Nebraska.

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We Desire to call the attention of the public to our line of Hardware and Harness. In hardware we carry a full line needed for general use and all classes of harness hardware. We carry everything in the harness line. We do repairing of all kinds and guarantee all work. We respectfully ask a share of your patronage. PREMUS FORSTEDT, Blankenburg's Old Stand.



A ROADSIDE MEETING with a wealthy acquaintance will cause you no embarrassment if you are riding or driving a horse from our livery stable. We make it a point to keep our service as nearly as possible up to the standard of a private stable. The result is that on the road you'll meet no one you need take off your hat to. A. M. Lock.

Hunting Prohibited. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned land owners and lessees of land in Hall Precinct, that no hunting is hereby permitted on the land owned or leased by us, and any person found thereon will be prosecuted under the law relating thereto. Schreyer & Marlett, Geo. Kopf, H. Waltemath, G. W. Long & Sons, Frank Steel, Geo. Shanks, Fred Malone, Blankenburg Bros., Geo. T. Patterson, Charlie Robinson, Loren Purdy, Frank Ebele.

Notice to Bidders. Sealed bids will be received at the office of the county clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on or before December 31, 1909, for records, blanks and supplies estimated as follows: Class A books, 4-8 qr. plain records, 4-8 qr. printed page records.

4-tax list 1-8 qr., 1-6 qr., 1-4 qr. and 1-3 qr. All records to be made of the best linen ledger paper, patent backs, full bound, extra ends, bands and fronts, 6,000 tax receipts in duplicate or 6,000 tax receipts in triplicate. 1 dozen chattie files of 200 each 42 assessor's books, ledger paper, cloth bound per book. 8,000 assessor's schedules (linen paper). Poll books for 42 precincts (general election). Poll books for 42 precincts (primary election). Class B. Whole sheet blanks per 100. Half sheet blanks per 100. Quarter sheet blanks per 100. Class C. Sanford's, Carter's or Stafford writing fluid per quart. Spencerian, Glucium or Talla pens per gross. Vanadium or Falcon pens per gross. Perfection pencils or equal, rubber tips, per gross. All of said supplies to be first class and to be furnished as requested by the county officers. Successful bidder to furnish bond to be approved by the county board. Each bidder to have printed on the envelope, "Bids for printing." The commissioners of said county reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Dated North Platte, Neb., Nov. 26, 1909. F. R. ELLIOTT, County Clerk.

Serial No. 0033 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at North Platte, Neb. Dec. 6th, 1909. Notice is hereby given that William H. Torgle of North Platte, Nebraska, on July 9th, 1904, made Homestead Entry No. 20311, Serial No. 0031, for north half southwest quarter, north half northeast quarter and northwest quarter, section 12, township 12, range 33, west of the sixth principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver at North Platte, Nebraska, on the 23rd day of January, 1910. Claimant names as witnesses: Geo. Broder, Hugh Sonner, John Schumann and Curtis Hummel, all of North Platte, Neb. Dated December 6th, 1909. F. R. ELLIOTT, Register.

LEGAL NOTICE. The unknown heirs of John Hardan, deceased, will take notice, that on the 14th day of June, 1909, Isaac Dillon, plaintiff, herein filed his petition in the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, against the unknown heirs of John Hardan, deceased, the object and prayer of which said petition are to quiet the title of the plaintiff in and to the north 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 and the southeast 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of section 14, township 14, north of range 31, west of the 6th P. M., in Lincoln County, Nebraska, and that the decree rendered in said action, be of the same force and effect and take the place of a certain deed of conveyance from the said John Hardan, deceased, to F. H. Loughey, of said lands and which said deed has been lost and destroyed and has not been placed on record in the records of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 17th day of January, 1910. Dated December 6th, 1909. ISAAC DILLON, By Wilcox & Halligan, his attorneys.

ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION DISPENSING WITH REGULAR ADMINISTRATION. State of Nebraska, Lincoln County, ss. In the county court November 22nd 1909. In the matter of the estate of James H. Beckwith, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of James H. Knorr, petitioner, that the regular administration of said estate be dispensed with as provided in sections 5302, to 5306, Code of 1907. Ordered, That December 14th, 1909, at 9 o'clock a. m., is assigned for hearing said petition, when all persons interested in said matter may appear at a county court to be held in and for said county, and show cause why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. This order to be published in the North Platte Tribune for six successive weeks prior to December 14th, 1909. W. C. EIDER, County Judge.

Notice for Publication. Serial No. 0253. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at North Platte, Neb. October 23rd, 1909. Notice is hereby given that Charles E. Williamson of North Platte, Neb., who on October 30th, 1904, made Homestead Entry No. 20668, Serial No. 0256, for north east quarter and south half of southwest quarter, section 28, township 13, north, range 31, west of the 6th principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the register and receiver at North Platte, Nebraska, on the 22nd day of December, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: G. F. Meyer, Arthur Conner, Carl Broder, and Thomas Zimmerman, all of North Platte, Neb. Dated October 23rd, 1909. E. EVANS, Register.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of November, 1909, Thomas Cowley, Frank Englund, Herman Wendeborn, Fritz L. Wessberg and Gus F. Meyer, associated themselves as a body corporate, under the name and style of the "Farmer's Independent Telephone Company." The principal place of transacting the business of said company shall be at the school house in School District No. 122, located on the Southeast 1/4 of Section 8, township 13, north, of range 31, west of Lincoln County, Nebraska. The general nature of the business to be transacted shall be to construct, own, operate and maintain a main telephone line in Lincoln County, Nebraska, extending from Section 2, in Township 11, Range 33, in Lincoln County, Nebraska, to the City of North Platte, Nebraska, with lateral and branch lines and extensions of the main line, and for such purposes may own, lease, purchase, sell and convey such real estate as may be necessary or incident to the profitable and proper conducting of said business, and to do and perform such other acts and things as may be incident and necessary to the main powers of the corporation. The amount of the capital stock authorized is \$2000.00, divided into 40 shares of \$50 each, of which capital stock, not less than 14 shares shall be subscribed at the organization of said company, all of which shall be fully paid up at the time of subscribing. The date of the commencement of said corporation shall be the 1st day of December, 1909. The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which the corporation is at any time to subject itself, shall not exceed the sum of \$200. The affairs of said corporation are to be managed by a board of three directors, together with a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, together with such other subordinate agents and servants as other officers may appoint and hire. Signed November 13th, 1909. THOMAS COWLEY, FRANK ENGLUND, HERMAN WENDEBORN, FRITZ L. WESSBERG, GUS F. MEYER.