

The Plainview Ranch.

While out riding Sunday we stopped and shook hands with our old friend S. J. Koch at his Plainview Ranch, four and one-half miles southwest of Hastings. We received a very cordial welcome from Jake and spent an interesting hour looking over the ranch. He has about eighty head of two-year olds—mostly high grade White Faces—in the feed lot and they are a bunch that will undoubtedly top the market next March. In addition to these Mr. Koch has somewhat over 100 cows. The same number of yearlings and runs about fifty head of horses, that his cattle and horses are well bred, his beautiful gray stallion and his White Face herd being among the best in the county. In fact Mr. Koch is thoroughly impressed with the belief that the thoroughbred animal is the only one and he applies this to not only his cattle, horses and hogs, but to his Rhode Island Red chickens and his Scotch Collie dogs.

Plainview ranch consists of 2400 acres of deeded land, with an additional 640 acres leased. About 600 acres are put in crops—corn, wheat, oats, cane and alfalfa, and there is sufficient meadow to produce ample hay. All the corn grown this year is being shredded, which Mr. Koch says results in four times the actual forage as compared with turning the cattle in the stalk fields, and also avoids possible loss of animals by the stalk disease. The ninety acres of alfalfa is irrigated by the pump method; while a reservoir used to water the orchard, lawn and garden is kept full of water by a windmill that runs day and night during the summer months. The comfortable residence is supplied with running water and has a gas lighting system.

Twenty-eight years ago Mr. Koch landed in North Platte with sixty cents in his pocket. The day after his arrival he went to work on what was then the Nowell ranch, part of which he now owns. He was then, and now is, an energetic man of business ability; he managed to get a few dollars ahead, homesteaded 160 acres, bought a few cows, gradually acquired more land and more cattle, and today Jake is, to use a slang expression, "on the shady side of easy street." In his success he has had the help of a splendid woman called mother by two boys and three girls, the eldest of the latter at present finishing her musical education in the Wesleyan school of music at Lincoln.

Facts in Regard to the Newly Formed Poultry Association

North Platte Produce Co. ships in \$2000 poultry every month, which can be produced in Lincoln county if the breeders of poultry will join hands and work together, which can be done only by an association or club, whose purpose is to help the breeders individually. Every poultryman should take a deeper interest in the large number of local shows to be held this year. Local shows are the life of the poultry industry. They are an incentive to a great many breeders, and fanciers, they are a source of education to each and every exhibitor, they are a stimulant to trade of stock and eggs, they create a living example to thousands of people throughout the country.

A steady advancement and improvement is being made in fowls by the scientific poultrymen of the twentieth century. In other words, poultry raising is giving to the world a fowl with more meat upon it, a fowl which reaches marketable conditions in half the time necessary years ago, a fowl which lays from 200 to 300 eggs a year. In fact in our state of Nebraska the poultry industry, as a result of modern scientific breeding, housing and care in raising, is annually greater than the output of all the gold mines in either Colorado or Alaska; so what does Nebraska want of gold mines. The point, however, is that our great source of showing the public the improvement of the fowls is through our local poultry exhibits.

It therefore behooves the management of these exhibits to make them as neat, clean and attractive as possible, and to use every possible advantage to get local publicity. It also behooves all breeders of the county both large and small to take a deeper interest in our coming county show on January 6, 7 and 8, 1915, and to assist by making an exhibit, even though the exhibit may be worth more to the association than to you personally. For full particulars in regard to membership, etc., address the secretary, Mr. John A. MacDonald.

Bowling Teams Organized

The six bowling teams that have been competing for honors on the local alleys have been reorganized so that they will be more evenly matched. The tournament that just closed, preliminary to the main tournament, brought out the averages of the players and the teams were organized on the strength of those averages.

Following are the lineups of the teams and the averages of the different players:

Tigers		Pirates	
Player	Average	Player	Average
H. Landgraf	137	Eshelman	174
Baskins	148	Tucker	148
Rodden	144	Jones	147
Weinberg	139	Scoonover	133
O'Keefe	121	Swope	122
Feds		Outlaws	
Player	Average	Player	Average
Hullard	171	D. Rankin	165
Samuelson	149	D. Adams	156
Armstrong	148	M. Leonard	142
Stegmann	134	A. Sandall	135
F. Sandall	123	Carlton	126
Snakes		Cubs	
Player	Average	Player	Average
Wooten	158	Carlson	154
W. Landgraf	153	Ackerman	154
Haggerty	142	Ford	140
Low	136	Baker	136
Canlin	127	Kosbau	130

Following are the averages of the different teams in the preliminary tournament just closed:

Team	Games	W	L	Pct.
Tigers	12	10	2	83%
Feds	9	7	2	77%
Snakes	9	5	4	55%
Cubs	12	5	7	41%
Outlaws	9	2	7	22%
Pirates	9	1	8	11%

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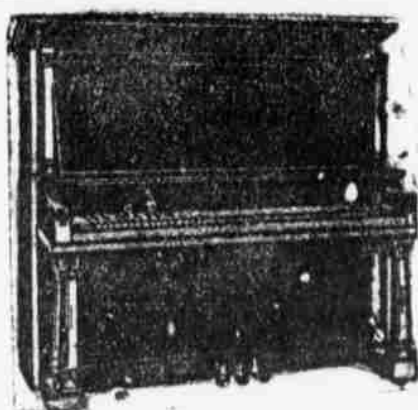
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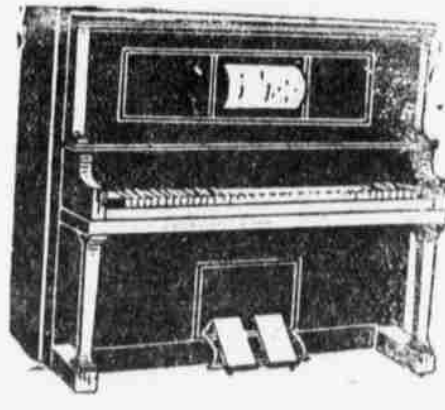
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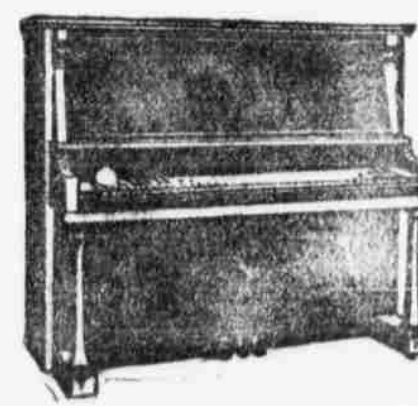
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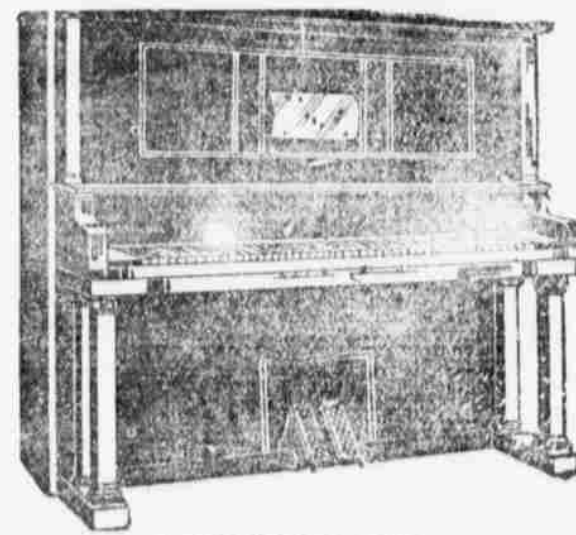
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Records For Wrecks.

More than a fourth of a million train wrecks in ten years ending 1913 is the record of the American roads as reported to the national association of railroad commissioners by Chairman F. C. McChord, of the rails and equipment committee. These wrecks claimed 8,895 lives, 127,542 injuries and a property loss of \$104,625,897.

L. P. Jensen moved his household goods Tuesday from 221 west Fifth street where he had been living to the Letts house at 923 west Fifth street.

No preparation is equal to Imperial Cream Lotion for chapped hands. A full 4 ounce bottle 25c, at Stone's Drug Store.

ORDINANCE NO. 57.

An Ordinance Granting to Union Pacific Railroad Company, the right, power and authority to build and construct a sewer through, along and under the surface of Adams Avenue in the City of North Platte, as follows: Beginning at the north line of Lot 18, County Clerk's Sub-Division of part of the Southeast ¼ of the

Northeast ¼ of Section 32, Township 14, Range 30, abutting on the south end of said Adams Avenue thence through, under and along the center line of said Adams Avenue, between blocks 15 and 16, 13 and 14, 7 and 8, 3 and 4 of Bellvue Addition to the City of North Platte in a northerly direction to the north line of the said City of North Platte.

Be it Ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Platte:

1. That there be, and is hereby granted to the Union Pacific Railroad Company, a corporation, the right, power and privilege of constructing a sewer in, through and along, under the surface of Adams Avenue beginning at the north line of Lot 18, County Clerk's Sub-Division of part of the Southeast ¼ of the Northeast of Section 32, Township 14, Range 30, thence in a northerly direction, along the center line of said Adams Avenue, between blocks 15 and 16, 13 and 14, 7 and 8, 3 and 4 to the northern limits of the said City of North Platte; said sewer to be constructed at such depth and in such manner as not to interfere with sewer already laid by the City of North Platte, or to be hereafter

constructed and laid.

2. The privilege and right hereby granted, however, shall be subject to all general ordinances of said city that are now, or hereafter may be, enforced concerning sewers.

3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication, according to law.

Passed and approved this 17th day of November, 1914.

Signed, E. H. EVANS, Mayor.

C. F. EMPLER, City Clerk.