

Why We Fight.

Because no German invader, save the German plotters, is within gunshot of our shores, some Americans are unable to see how we can be in such a dangerous position from any source to warrant a defensive war.

While actual German invasion of our "territory," our common right to be upon the high seas, made the specific cause for the war, the deeper cause and occasion rests on the factor expressed crudely by the Indiana senator. Germany was making itself by unscrupulous force the master of Europe, making itself the dominant nation of the world except as the United States might still assert a claim to independence.

Had the Germans been actually pouring over our borders, we know that few Americans would oppose resisting them with every ounce of our strength. It takes a little farther vision to see that invasion is its incipency. The stitch in time is less often made than the nine that come later.

The Knitting Clubs. The little clubs, the patriot clubs! They're knitting all the time; All over the greatest land on earth Their needles flash and shine.

That may be our soldier boys Writhing and comfort bring. And no one knows so well as they, The soldiers and the sailor lads.

Edison's Device is Good. Orange, N. J.—Thomas Edison has returned from a ten weeks' trip at sea, during which time he was working out an anti-submarine device.

Shoot the Way You Shout. Colonel Roosevelt has given us another epigram worth remembering: "Shoot the way you shout." It does no good, says the colonel to wave the flag unless you are prepared to back it up.

Heavy Potato Loss. The unusually large potato crop in McPherson county is cut short about one-half owing to recent freezes. Some farmers have lost their entire crops, none of them less than 500 bushels and some of them 800 and 900, and they will have to buy for their own use.

Farm and Ranch loans at lowest rates and best terms. Money on hand to close loans promptly.

DEPENDENTS OF SOLDIERS WILL BE PROTECTED

A Lincoln dispatch, dated Saturday says: "According to instructions received at the governor's office Saturday from Provost Marshal Crowder, draft men with dependents will be allowed a specified sum for their families, based upon the number in the family and conditions."

Must Be Applied For

"A family allowance not to exceed \$50 per month, in addition to pay allotted by the man shall be paid out of the treasury of the United States. Such family allowance shall be paid upon application, which may be made by the man, or made by or in behalf of the beneficiary. No family allowance shall be paid for any period preceding November 1, 1917. Family allowance will be paid from time of enlistment."

Beneficiaries entitled to family allowance and schedule:

(a) If there be a wife but no children, \$15.00.

(b) If there be a wife and one child, \$25.00.

(c) If there be a wife and two children \$32.50, and \$5 per month additional for each additional child.

(d) If there be no wife, but one child, \$5.00.

(e) If there be no wife but two children \$12.50.

(f) If there be no wife but three children \$20.00.

(g) If there be no wife but four children, \$30.00, with \$5 per month additional for each additional child.

Class B—Grand Child, Parent, Brother or Sister—

(a) If there be one parent \$10.00.

(b) If there be two parents \$20.00.

(c) For each grand child, brother, sister, and additional parent \$5.00.

"The act contains further provisions relative to contributions from the government and allotment from enlisted men's pay, but which are too long and involved to be set forth in this telegram. Compensation for death and disability is also provided for."

Face to Face With the Germans

The nation was thrilled Saturday by word that American troops at last were face to face with the Germans across No-man's land. Announcement by General Pershing that several battalions of his infantry were in the front line trenches, supported by American batteries which already had gone into action against the enemy, fanned a new flame of patriotism throughout the country.

The absolute silence with which Secretary Baker and war department officials greeted the news, however, showed that although the movement into the trenches had been expected at any time, it was regarded only as the final phase of the men's training—a military finishing school conducted under fire, a school of blood and iron.

German shells are breaking about the Americans and, although they have not been taken over the trench sector, rifles, machine guns, bombs and bayonets in American hands will greet any enemy attack.

Liberty Loan Passes Goal

The Liberty loan passed the \$5,000,000,000 mark. The Saturday drive of titanic proportions throughout the nation rounded up more than \$1,000,000,000, is believed to have carried the total several hundred million dollars beyond the maximum sum treasury officials had hoped for.

Federal reserve banks were struggling Saturday night under an avalanche of last-minute subscriptions to form some idea of the grand total. Indications are that they will not complete their tabulations for several days. At least 8,000,000 persons throughout the country wrote their names on application blanks. How many more did so will not be known until the final count several days hence. The number may go as high as ten million.

Lay Waste to Country

Paris.—The German "destruction corps" is at work razing small villages and felling trees in the vicinity of the latest French victories, along the Aisne. Everything is being torn down or razed with dynamite and the country is made as barren as the destructive policy of the German army can possibly bring about. This is taken to indicate that the Teutons are preparing to make another of their "strategic retreats" which have heretofore followed similar systematic acts of devastating whole sections of country.

Edison's Device is Good

Orange, N. J.—Thomas Edison has returned from a ten weeks' trip at sea, during which time he was working out an anti-submarine device. It is believed that he has discovered a device which can be used effectively against the submarine but no definite statement would be made regarding results achieved. It was admitted at Washington that the Edison ship had returned with the inventor and that the protecting device to be used against U-boats as result of this trip was admittedly the most promising which has as yet been developed.

Big Yield of Beets

Henry Fulk has reason to feel proud of the returns from one acre of his beets, at least. By actual weight one acre produced twenty tons and six hundred and seventy pounds. This was not a specially tended acre but from nearly the center of the field. Of course his acreage will not average up to this heavy figure but he is well satisfied with his yield this year, as are many in this rich valley.—Hershey Times.

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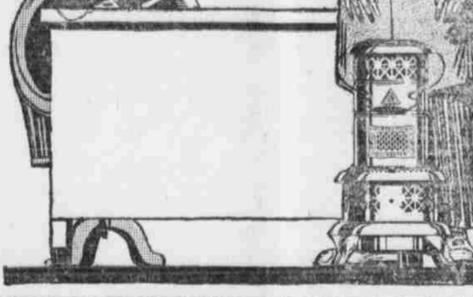
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Stray Notice

Taken up on section 25-13-30, south of the Baker school house, by the undersigned who there resides, on September 10th, 1917, an iron gray, two year old mare, weight about 800 pounds, no brands discernible. Owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take animal away.

90-10 R. G. TATTISON.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate No. 1503 of Nicholas Wiley Grandey, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said estate is February 15, 1918, and for settlement of said estate is October 12, 1918, that I will sit at the county court room in said county on November 25, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m., and on February 15, 1918, at 9 o'clock a. m. to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections daily filed.

GEO. E. FRENCH, County Judge.

NOTICE OF PETITION

Estate No. 1511 of Libbie Johnston, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested in said estate take notice that a petition has been filed for the appointment of Libbie Johnston as administrator of said estate which has been set for hearing herein on November 9, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Dated October 10, 1917.

GEO. E. FRENCH, County Judge.

NOTICE OF FINAL REPORT

Guardianship of Charles E. Iddings, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested in said Guardianship, take notice that the Guardian, Effie C. Iddings, has filed a final account of her acts as guardian and a petition for final settlement and discharge, which have been set for hearing before said court on November 9, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m., when you may appear and contest the same.

Dated October 10, 1917.

GEO. E. FRENCH, County Judge.

Stray Notice.

Taken up on my land in Hinman man precinct three miles west of North Platte, September 2, 1917, two four year old horses; weight about 1100 each, one black, the other bay with star in forehead; no brands. Owner can have animals by proving property and paying charges.

MARY FREDERIC.

Notice, Decree of Heirship

Estate No. 1507 of Irene I. Smith, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The heirs, creditors and all persons interested in said estate will take notice that on the 1st day of October, 1917, Alice O. Cole claiming title by mesne conveyance from Irene I. Smith decedent filed her petition herein, alleging that the said Irene I. Smith died intestate on or about January 1, 1902, a resident of Lincoln County, Nebraska, and that at the time of her death she was the owner of or had an estate of inheritance in Lots one and two in Block 7, in Peniston's addition to the City of North Platte, in said Lincoln County, Nebraska, and that no application has been made in the said State for the appointment of an administrator. That she left surviving her Eber H. Smith, a husband, Claude C. Smith, a son, Exa Hazel Smith, a daughter.

That all debts of said decedent have been paid, and praying that regular administration be waived and a decree be entered barring creditors and fixing the date of her death and the degree of kinship of her heirs and the right of descent to said real estate.

Said petition will be heard November 2, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m. at the office of the County Judge in said county.

GEO. E. FRENCH, County Judge.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Serial No. 06153.

Department of the Interior

U. S. Land Office at North Platte, Neb.

Notice is hereby given that Ellisworth Pease, of Tryon, Neb., who, on Sept. 19, 1914, made a certain deed, No. 06153, for 3/4 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 34, Township 16, N., Range 21, W., 6th Principal Meridian, has filed notice of intention to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver, at North Platte, Neb., on the 10th day of Nov., 1917.

Claimant names as witnesses: Platt, Welliver, of North Platte, Neb., Harry Madison, of Tryon, Neb., Fred Johnson, of North Platte, Neb., Melvin Welliver, of North Platte, Neb. O-6 E. J. FAMES, Register.

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Notice of First Meeting of Creditors

In the District Court of the United States for the North Platte District of Nebraska. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of Clyde A. Alexander, Bankrupt, in Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of Clyde A. Alexander, of Dickens, in the county of Lincoln, and district aforesaid, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of October, A. D. 1917, the said Clyde A. Alexander was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of Walter V. Hoagland, Referee, in North Platte, on the 10th day of November, A. D. 1917, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

North Platte, Neb., Oct. 24, 1917.

WALTER V. HOAGLAND, Referee in Bankruptcy.

NOTICE TO BOND BUYERS.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the county clerk of Lincoln county, Neb., until 12 o'clock noon on the 19th day of November, 1917, for the \$10,000.00 Osgood Precinct Bridge Bonds bearing six per cent semi-annual interest, bonds in denominations of \$1,000.00 each and payable one bond each year commencing July 1, 1928.

A. S. ALLEN, County Clerk.

Notice to Bond Buyers for Sale of Bonds.

On November 19, 1917, 5 o'clock p. m., sealed bids will be received by the mayor and council of the city of North Platte, Neb., for the \$10,000 state aid Osgood precinct bridge bonds, made in denominations of \$1,000.00, run 20 years, optional after five years, draw five per cent semi-annual interest, payable July and January. The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

O. E. ELDER, City Clerk.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued from the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, upon a decree of foreclosure in said Court wherein James A. Pike is plaintiff and Arthur Battles, et al are defendants and to me directed I will on the 10th day of November, 1917, at two o'clock p. m., at the east front door of the court house in North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said decree, interest and cost, the following described property, to-wit:

The West One-half of the Northwest One-fourth and the Southeast One-fourth of the Northwest One-fourth, in Section Three, in Township Fifteen, North of Range Thirty-two, west of the 6th P. M. the Southwest One-fourth and the West One-half of the Northwest One-fourth and the Southeast One-fourth of the Northwest one-fourth and Southwest One-fourth of the Southeast One-fourth, in Section Nineteen, Township Sixteen, north of Range Thirty-two, West of the Sixth P. M., the South One-half of the Southwest One-fourth in Section Seventeen, and the North One-half of the Southeast One-fourth of Section Nineteen, all in Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, West of the Sixth P. M., and the North Half of the Southeast One-fourth of the Southeast one-fourth in Section Nineteen, all in Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, west of the Sixth P. M., all in Lincoln County, Nebraska.

Dated North Platte, Neb., Oct. 8, 1917.

A. J. SALISBURY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued from the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, upon a decree of foreclosure in said Court, wherein Anna V. Metcalf is plaintiff and Will Outtrim et al are defendants, and to me directed, I will on the 10th day of November, 1917, at Two o'clock P. M. at the east front door of the court house in North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said decree, interest and cost, the following described property, to-wit:

The West One-half of Section Twenty-one, in Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, West of the Sixth P. M.

The East One-half of Section Twenty-one in Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, West of the Sixth P. M.; the Northeast One-fourth of Section Twenty-nine, in Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, West of the Sixth P. M.; the Southeast One-fourth of the Southeast One-fourth and the West One-half of the Southeast One-fourth, all in Section Twenty-nine, Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, West of the Sixth P. M.; and the South half of the Southeast One-fourth of the Southeast One-fourth of Section Nineteen, in Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, West of the Sixth P. M.; Thirty-west One-fourth of Section Twenty-nine, in Township Sixteen, North of Range Thirty-two, west of the Sixth P. M., all in Lincoln County, Nebraska.

Dated North Platte, Neb., Oct. 8, 1917.

A. J. SALISBURY, Sheriff.

NOTICE OF FINAL REPORT

Estate No. 1441 of Elizabeth Whiting, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested in said estate, take notice that the administrator has filed a final account and report of his administration and a petition for final settlement and discharge as such, which have been set for hearing before said court on November 9, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m., when you may appear and contest the same.

Dated October 11, 1917.

GEO. E. FRENCH, County Judge.

LEGAL NOTICE

P. C. Lathrop, the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and personal representatives of P. C. Lathrop and all other persons interested in the estate of P. C. Lathrop, T. J. Mackey, the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and personal representatives of T. J. Mackey, and all other persons interested in the estate of T. J. Mackey, will hereby take notice that on the 8th day of October, 1917, Wesley T. Wilcox, an attorney wherein the said Wesley T. Wilcox is plaintiff and the above named defendants are defendants, filed his petition in the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, against said defendants and each of them. Plaintiff alleges in said petition that he is the owner in fee simple and in the possession of the following described real estate, to-wit: The East half of the Northwest quarter, and the East half of the Southwest quarter of Section 21, township 8, range 29, and the North half of the North half of Section 24, township 16, range 29, all in Lincoln County, Nebraska. That the above named defendants have or claim to have some interest in and to said above described real estate by virtue of two certain mortgage deeds, one of which said mortgage deeds was executed upon said land by Elmer E. Reese, single to Lew E. Darrow, May 13th, 1889, and recorded May 15th, 1889, in Mortgage record 8, Page 169 to 172, real estate records of Lincoln County, Nebraska, and which said mortgage deed appears of record as a lien upon the title to the East half of the Northwest quarter, and the East half of the Southwest quarter of said section 21, and the other of which said mortgages was executed upon said land by Elmer E. Reese, unmarried, to the above named defendant T. J. Mackey, under date of December 18, 1895, and recorded December 23d, 1895, Book 13, Page 478, mortgage records of Lincoln County, Nebraska, and which said mortgage appears of record as a lien upon the North half of the North half of said section 26.

Plaintiff further alleges that said mortgage deeds and each of them are wholly barred by the statute of limitations of the State of Nebraska, and have ceased to be a lien upon the said above described real estate.

Plaintiff prays that his title to said real estate be forever confirmed, and quieted in him as against the claims of the defendants and each of them under and by virtue of said mortgage deeds or otherwise, and that the defendants be each of them be forever enjoined from setting up or claiming any right, title, interest, estate or demand in or to said real estate, or from ever interfering with the possession or enjoyment of the plaintiff in said real estate, and for such other relief as may be just and equitable.

You are further notified that on the 8th day of October, 1917, said District Court made and entered a certain decree setting aside by publication upon you and each of you for four consecutive weeks as required by law, and said defendants are further notified that they are required to answer said petition on or before the 15th day of November, 1917.

WESLEY T. WILCOX, By WILCOX & HALLIGAN, His Attorneys.

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