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HODSHIRE OFFERED \$8,500 FOR OPTION ON OIL LAND

W. R. Hodshire, better known as "Shorty," clerk in the Huffman cigar store, received an offer by wire yesterday of \$8,500 for an option on a lease he holds on oil land in Oklahoma. Mr. Hodshire paid \$1,700 for this option several months ago. It covers twenty-five acres in one of the best oil producing sections of Oklahoma. Mr. Hodshire declined the offer, wiring back that nothing less than \$10,000 could secure the option. The boys around the cigar store are congratulating "Shorty" on his fore sightedness in buying the option and his apparent success in being able to sell it at such an increased price.

You Who Need Dental Service

Here is some of the classes of work that can be done in ONE DAY or LESS Time: Nerve removed, roots filled, crown put on or inlay made—one hour and thirty minutes. Full set of teeth made in One Day. Any size bridge made and set in one day.

DR. WALTER CROOK,
McDonald State Bank,
North Platte, Neb.

Boy Scouts Handle Pledge Cards

The Boy Scouts will handle the food pledge cards in North Platte, making a house to house canvass. The boys started on this work last evening. For this purpose the city has been divided into districts. As the boys attend school, the canvassing will be done evenings.

In the country precincts the work will be in charge of the school teachers in the respective districts.

No More "Treats"

On and after November 1st, 1917, we, the undersigned merchants, agree to discontinue the practice of giving treats on payments of accounts, owing to the additional tax being placed on all commodities:

E. T. TRAMP & SONS.
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WILCOX DEPARTMENT STORE.
RUSH MERCANTILE CO.
J. L. LOU, ON.
JOHN LEHARD.
WESTENFELD & SON.
H. L. GAUNT.
JOHN R. NOBLE.
R. N. LAMB.

Stage struck lassies will find a valuable lesson for their consideration in the Bluebird photoplay "Triumph," to be exhibited at the Keith theatre Saturday, with Dorothy Phillips, playing the star role. Miss Phillips and her supporting company, headed by Lon Chaney and William Stowell, will tell Samuel Hopkins Adams' story in screen form, the original publication having been made in Collier's. The experience of a country Rosalind who had been told by her friends that she possessed great dramatic talent, are reflected in her journey to New York and the events that transpired during fruitless struggles for recognition.

Special Sale
of
Serving Trays
\$1.25
Saturday, Nov. 3rd,
CLINTON, The Jeweler

Denver and Omaha papers announce the disappearance of a letter containing \$10,000 in checks forwarded by the Platte Valley Bank of this city to the First National of Omaha the early part of this week. Federal authorities are investigating the loss. The missing letter will not result in loss to the bank, as payment on the checks will be stopped and duplicates issued.

Hereafter the general admission to the Crystal and Keith theatres will be ten and twenty cents, this raise to cover the ten per cent war tax on tickets, the war tax levied against theatres and the war tax on picture films which the exhibitor must pay. The war has dealt heavily on the picture show men, and it was either raise prices or go out of business.

For Sale—Pure bred Duroc Jersey hogs, both sexes. Inquire of or address, Blankenburg Bros., 1305 north Locust street, North Platte, Neb. Phone Red 851.

CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

Dr. W. T. Pritchard returned yesterday from a business visit in Lincoln.

When you need blankets don't forget that The Leader Mercantile Co. have plenty at last year's prices.

J. G. Beeler is transacting legal business in Denver today, having left for that city yesterday afternoon.

I am now prepared to do all kinds of dressmaking. Mrs. Thies, 509 west B. street. 82-3*

The ladies of the Christian church will hold an exchange at Derryberry & Forbes' store tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Nieman, of Tipton, Iowa, arrived this morning to visit their daughter Mrs. Carl Hollman.

I now have funds at 5 1/2 per cent on choice bottom table land. Gene Crook, Room 4, Keith theatre Bldg.

A score or more young girls enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Alice Hoagland Wednesday evening at a Hallow E'en party.

Christian Science Society Sunday 11 a. m. Wednesday evening meetings every week at 8:00. Building & Loan building, room 25. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Epworth League gave a very enjoyable Hallow E'en social at the church parlors Wednesday evening. Games appropriate to the evening were played followed by refreshments.

You people who are going to buy this season should not put off buying early. The assortment here is big and all at last season's prices, at The Leader Mercantile Co.'s.

Dr. and Mrs. N. McCabe leave today for an extended trip in the east, which will include New York and Washington. At Chicago they will be joined by their daughter Miss Marie.

Late arrivals in women's and misses' coats compels us to sacrifice profits. Buy now and save money. All the coats are the newer models of fashion's latest. The Leader Mercantile Co.

The Eta-Virg club met with Mrs. Nels Rasmussen Wednesday afternoon. The prizes of the contest were won by Mrs. Tiley and Mrs. L. C. Sawyer. The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. L. B. Dick on November 7th.

It's very evident that we are selling millinery at less price—the way women have bought pattern hats of us the past week. Sweeping reductions on all high class hats at The Leader Mercantile Co.'s.

Oscar Oleson, aged sixteen years, whose foster parents conduct the rooming house over the Daily Telegraph, had a hearing in the county court Wednesday on the charge of compelling children to submit to indignities. He was found guilty and will be sent to the reform school at Kearney.

Manager Burke, of the North Platte Stock Yards, says feeding in transit at the yards has been exceptionally heavy this fall. These cattle are shipped both ways, the greater number of course going east. It is not a rare thing, he says, for cattle to be shipped from the west to South Omaha, sold and then re-shipped to the west. This is particularly true of young cattle.

We don't know of anything that will wean a man of the meat eating habit quicker than to go into the market and pay thirty cents a pound for a beef roast or thirty-five for a pork roast. These are the prices in North Platte for the best cuts, with proportionate prices for the cuts that are not so good, and from a financial standpoint the advocacy of "meatless day" should certainly be heeded.

In talking with farmers of the valley as well as some who live in the hills we learn that the hard freeze the early part of last week caused considerable damage to corn. The corn seemed to be well dented and apparently well ripened, but following the freeze much of it has softened and is likely to become mushy and sour. One farmer said he believed his corn had suffered a fifty per cent damage.

WOMEN PHYSICIANS TO ORGANIZE WAR UNIT FOR SERVICE

The medical women of the American Institute of Homeopathy in recent session in Rochester, N. Y., have arranged through the Institute fraternally to organize a medical unit for war service, composed entirely of women physicians and surgeons. The call is imperative at this time, and a strenuous effort is being put forth to raise \$50,000 within the next few months for the equipment of the unit.

Notwithstanding the large demand for philanthropic and patriotic service, we trust that this appeal, which has received the assurance of representative men in your locality, as well as every city and town where its activity is being centered, will bring a favorable return to the initiative body above mentioned.

This campaign is nation-wide, and has received publicity through the metropolitan papers and medical journals throughout the country and up to this time has shown splendid and most encouraging material results.

If you wish to support the loyal work of the Homeopathic Medical Women of the United States, kindly make checks payable to the Women's Homeopathic Base Hospital Unit, and state whether mention may be made of the liberality on your part, by our press committee, directly or indirectly. Do not forget that every dollar will count and do a good work. Awaiting your favor, I am,

Very truly yours,
JOHN S. TWINE, M. D.,
North Platte, Neb.

P. S.—Give some, no matter how little.—J. S. T.

"Jim" Will Locate in Omaha.

J. B. McDonald, who this week disposed of his clothing store, will locate in Omaha as soon as he closes up his business affairs in this city, which will probably be within the next month. Mr. McDonald is financially interested in and is treasurer of the Crown Tire and Rubber Co., a concern that is capitalized at \$250,000, a suburb of Omaha. The company, has been delayed in getting started by inability to secure the necessary machinery, but the plant is now about ready for business and in a short time will be turning out auto tires, inner tubes and other products of like nature.

Mr. McDonald will probably go to Omaha Sunday to visit the plant and see how the work is progressing.

SATURDAY

Beginning at 9 o'clock your choice of every Trimmed Hat at

ONE HALF PRICE.

These hats were formerly priced at \$5.00 to \$15.00. Shop as early in the day as convenient, for those wonderful bargains will not last long. Villa Whitaker, at the Wilcox Dept. Store.

Pinnacle coal, a favorite for furnaces, has advanced to \$9.50 a ton in the local market. Thirty days ago it sold for \$8.50. In this instance government regulation does not seem to be regulating in favor of the consumer.

The local postoffice has received a limited supply of three-cent stamps, but under instructions from the department the stock of two-cent stamps will be pretty well sold out before many of the three-centers are issued.

A North Platte man who was at Moorefield yesterday says the boys of that village on Hallow E'en night decorated in yellow the store conducted by a woman who is decidedly pro-German.

Mrs. A. F. Streitz will leave today for a visit with her daughter Ruth in Lincoln and with friends in Omaha.

RAILROAD NOTES

H. N. Getty has again taken the position of road foreman of engines on the Second district, succeeding Roy Bunnell, who asked to be relieved.

In a fire at Grand Island the early part of the week the wife of Engineer Westfall, of the Second district, and her mother were burned to death.

Engineer Jas. Morrow returned this morning from Grand Island where he attended the double funeral of Mrs. Westfall and her mother, who were burned to death.

The strike in the steel works at St. Louis has been settled and the steel for the new depot has been shipped. This is a relief to Constructing Engineer Crutchings.

Good progress is being made on the pipe line between the round house and the North Platte river, from which the Union Pacific will obtain its supply of water. The main is sixteen inches in diameter.

G. L. Ally, general baggage agent of the U. P. system, spent yesterday in town looking over the new depot and inquiring into the general conditions at this terminal. He returned to Omaha this morning.

The first railroad ticket sold at North Platte with the war tax attached was purchased Wednesday night by Joe Sarbach, of Nebraska City, who travels for a company in Kalamazoo, Mich.

A new dispatchers' district has been created at Laramie with W. A. Borton, late of this city in charge. The trick men are Joe Wisner, formerly of the local office, and Roberts and Redding of the Cheyenne office.

Effective yesterday all news agents on Union Pacific trains were pulled off, thus abating what the general public has considered a nuisance. Many railroads discontinued the "butchers" a number of years ago, but the Union Pacific permitted them to remain on account of the revenue derived.

The New York Central system purchased during the three years and two months since the war began (August, 1914), locomotives, freight cars and passenger coaches costing \$84,324,735. The same units at present-day prices would cost the companies \$193,028,616—just \$108,703,874 more money—or an increase in the aggregate of 128.91 per cent.

Wednesday a switchman told us the congestion of freight in the local yards had been greatly relieved; last evening another switchman told us the yards were again congested. Just as the switching crews begin to see "daylight," a dozen or so long trains pull in and the "daylight" disappears—and in the meantime the motive power shows the wonderful strain of the past year.

It now develops that the Waltemath Co. and the Coates Co. did not have their coal confiscated by the Union Pacific Co., though both reported so to The Tribune. The cars were "buried" for a week or more among the congested freight in the local yards. The Waltemath Co., however, did have one car taken by a western connecting road, and have been notified by letter that the coal will be paid for. The officials plead guilty to confiscating several cars of coal consigned to dealers in the central part of the state.

Last month was the coldest October since 1913, the mean temperature for the month being reported by the local weather bureau at forty-five degrees. The precipitation for the month was thirty-two one hundredths of an inch, which is less one-third the normal amount for the month. The deficiency of precipitation since January first is sixty-six one hundredths of an inch.

PIONEER WOMAN OF GASLIN PRECINCT PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Christina Johnson, widow of the late Olaf Johnson, a pioneer resident of Gaslin precinct died early Wednesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Lierk, Jr., 614 west Ninth street. Mrs. Johnson came to the city about a month ago to take treatment for a complication of kidney and heart trouble, but the diseases had reached such stages that medical assistance was no avail. The remains were taken to the home in Gaslin precinct this morning where services will be held and the body laid to rest in the Gaslin cemetery.

The deceased was born in Denmark and when a young woman came to North Platte where she was married to Olaf Johnson, then employed as a tailor by A. P. Carlson. This was more than forty years ago, and shortly after the marriage Mr. Johnson moved to Gaslin where the couple resided until the respective summons came.

Mrs. Johnson, who was not quite sixty-four years of age, is survived by eight children. They are Mrs. Waldo Larsen and Mrs. Geo. Bailey, of Brady; Mrs. Chas. Lierk, Jr., and Harry S. Johnson of this city; J. H. Johnson of Raymond, Minn., and Ben. Leaf and Ray who live on the home place. Mrs. Johnson was a woman who was held in high esteem by the people of the section of the county in which she lived, and by her North Platte acquaintances, and her passing away will be much regretted by them.

Judge Grimes and Reporter Barron returned last evening from Ogallala, where a ten-day term of district court was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Rafe Elliott, of Omaha, are in town visiting relatives. They were former North Platte residents, but left here ten years ago.

GOVERNMENT WILL FURNISH COAL TO THE DEALERS

John L. Kennedy, national fuel administrator for Nebraska, in an address to coal dealers at Lincoln yesterday said the government is prepared to furnish coal to all retail or wholesale dealers who cannot get coal through the channels they have been accustomed to secure it. The government is piling up at all the mines in the country 10 per cent of the output of the mines. When dealers cannot obtain coal the usual way, the government will fill their orders from these piles. Railroads are prohibited from confiscating cars of coal shipped over the roads for private individuals or for dealers.

The government is seeing that the roads have sufficient coal to carry the commerce of the nation and they cannot obtain it any other way than through legitimate channels.

1918 Prices for Beets

The Great Western Sugar Company state their 1918 contracts will be the same as the present contracts excepting as to the price of beets, which will be raised to \$8.00 per ton in the territory east of Finley, Nebraska. The usual bonus of 50 cents per ton additional will be paid to all growers who also one-fourth of the crop. This will make \$8.50 per ton for beets delivered from the field, and \$9.50 for deliveries from silo.—Hershey Times.

Piling has been driven in the river bed west of the fill in the north river with a view to checking the effect of the water later. It is expected to fill in behind the piles with brush. Further west more work will be done to swing the south channel in toward the north. Weather conditions have interfered with the work to some extent in the past week.—Sutherland Free Lance.



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DIXON, The Jeweler.

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Cadillac closed and open cars are purchased by the government for the army staff officers, Dodge Brothers Sedans and open cars for lesser officers, Dodge Brothers roadsters and light trucks for the commissary, field service and one roadster for every truck squadron. The government, after exhaustive competitive tests, has figured Dodge and Cadillac are good enough to tie to, as an almost exclusive buy, and they expect to get real service.

Is not this just about what you are looking for when you buy your car? I would be glad to explain some of the reasons for the government preference for Dodge and Cadillac cars if you will call in.

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The War's Effect on Telephone Traffic

Since the beginning of the war the government has been a very heavy user of our service, and private requests for telephone facilities have been greater than ever before.

We are finding it difficult to meet these increased demands for service and equipment because of the shortage of metals and other telephone materials.

You can "do your bit" by asking only for such telephone equipment as you must have and by making only such local or long distance calls as are absolutely necessary.

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