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The Night Before Christmas

Don't wait until the last minute to inspect the largest stock ever brought to Plattsmouth. I have made special efforts this season to supply your holiday wants. You will find novelties here that you won't see anywhere else. Just a few suggestions:

Solid and Gold Filled Watches

Bracelets	Lorgnette Chains
Rings	Gold and Silk Fobs
Chains	Fountain Pens
Charms	Smoking Sets
Lockets	Umbrellas
Brooches	Hand Bags
Buckles	Leather Novelties
Souvenir Spoons	Gold Picture Frames
Hat Pins	Sterling Silver Goods
Scarf Pins	Hand-Painted China
Gold Clocks	Cut Glass, Etc. Etc.

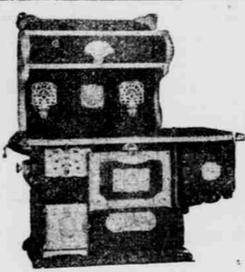
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"On the Sunny Side of Main Street."

Ask Your Dealer for Plansifter Flour

Manufactured by Plattsmouth Roller Mills
C. HEISEL, Proprietor Plattsmouth, Nebraska



CHIEF NATIONAL RANGE

Although this range may have an exterior appearance resembling the Ranges exhibited in other stores in the city, and therefore does not appeal to you, as a subject of special attraction. We assure you that it is decidedly different from all others in construction, containing those particular features which make it the best Range ever offered to the user. The firebox is so constructed that the heat will radiate into the oven at the same moment a fire is started. Consequently, soon as the fire has attained the necessary 250 degrees of heat, the oven also will register the same temperature; therefore, it is ready to bake. The results of this direct action will have a telling effect on the coal pile, saving nearly half the fuel used in ordinary stoves. The fire back lining is guaranteed for 5 years use. The front section of the top can be suspended, making a convenient place for broiling or toasting. A special cover or lid on top is arranged for cooking oat meal, milk, rice, etc., without fear of scorching. The body is made up of three distinct walls, which retain all heat into the stove. If you will call at my store and examine this Range, you will admit there is no other to equal it at prices that will meet your approval. I have some special bargains in express wagons, child and Misses Rockers, bookcases.

D. P. JACKSON

PEARLMAN'S OLD STAND

Crabill's Jewelry Store

For Appropriate Christmas Gifts

Diamond Rings	Chains, Charms and Locketts
Solid Gold and Filled Watches	Fobs, Hairpins, Thumbles
Signet, Set and Plain Rings	Bracelets
Souvenir Spoons	Gold Handled Umbrellas
Cut Glass	Silverware
Sterling Silver Toilet Sets	Sterling and Filled Belt Pins
Novelties in Silver and Gold	Hand Bags
Purses	Stick Pins
Fountain Pens	Smoking Sets

OPEN EVENINGS.

JOHN W. CRABILL,

Sixth & Main Streets.

C. B. & Q. Watch Inspector.

WANTS STATEHOOD

Governor Curry Says New Mexico Citizens Are Capable and Deserve it.

Governor Curry, of New Mexico making his annual report to the government at Washington makes an excellent showing for his people and says they desire statehood. The Washington correspondent to the World Herald has the following to say touching the report:

"We have a wide-awake, progressive, industrious and intelligent population and we want to be treated like men." In these words Governor Curry of New Mexico asks statehood for his territory in his annual report to the secretary of the interior, made public today.

Governor Curry says New Mexico's credit is excellent, that no strikes mar the record of its industries; the laws enacted by its legislature are good; gambling is prohibited and the "Sunday closing" rigorously enforced. So, he concludes, New Mexico deserves statehood.

The governor states that the population of the territory is over 450,000, and that there is over \$300,000,000 worth of property in New Mexico, in addition to its coal, timber and fertile lands.

He asks that the Carey land act be extended to the territory and the bill now before congress providing for a Seventh judicial district for New Mexico be enacted into law.

Books, popular copyrights, at Irwin's.

MARRIED THURSDAY

Miss Ina Randall to Benjamin B. Joselyn at Residence of Bride's Parents.

Wednesday at 10 o'clock Miss Ina, daughter of Rev. A. A. Randall and wife of this city was wed to Mr. Benjamin B. Joselyn a prosperous young business man of Lincoln. The wedding was a quite one, only immediate relatives of the contracting parties being present. The ceremony was performed by Doctor Randall.

A wedding supper was served Monday evening by Mrs. Randall in honor of the approaching marriage. Mr. Joselyn and his sister being present. It is not given out at this time just what the plans of Mr. and Mrs. Joselyn are as to starting on their wedding tour. The NEWS-HERALD joins the many friends and acquaintances of the happy couple in extending best wishes for their future prosperity.

Fine Chocolate Bon Bons in Xmas boxes 45 cents per pound at Irwin's.

Detained By Business.

Arguments in the two motions pending in the suit of J. M. Leyda, trustee vs. Matt and Henry Gering Gering and the First National Bank of Plattsmouth were not heard before Judge T. C. Munger this morning owing to the absence of the attorney.—State Journal.

Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease.

A powder for swollen, tired, hot, smarting feet. Sample sent free. Also Free Sample of the Foot-Ease Sanitary Corn-Pad, a new invention. Address: Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

RIOTS AT HAVELOCK

Trouble Between Street Car Company and Citizens Over Ten Cents Fares.

The troubles between the Havelock citizens and the street railway which has been brewing for some time reached a critical stage last night when 150 men took possession of the tracks. A special to the Omaha Bee by phone under date of the 22nd has the following to say concerning the trouble:

"A telephone message from the Burlington railroad shop town of Havelock, six miles from Lincoln, at 2 o'clock this morning said a mob of 150 men was tearing up the tracks of the Lincoln Traction company. Manager Humphrey of the traction company had posted a guard at Havelock earlier in the night and when the mob began work appealed to Mayor Hinkle of Havelock for protection. Sheriff Hoagland was called upon to send assistance. There has been no collision so far as known. A party left Lincoln for the scene shortly after 2 o'clock.

The action of Havelock people is due to resentment against the street car company over cars fares, the demand for 2-cent fares, from the shop town to Lincoln, instead of 10 cents, the fare imposed.

A late telephone message says an attempt is being made to burn the traction company barns at Havelock.

A message from University Place, near Havelock, says fire was set to a small bridge over which the car tracks pass, but the fire was put out. Men, said to be under the influence of liquor, are carrying fuel to the bridge and declare they will burn it."

Postal Reforms.

The proposed reorganization of the Postoffice department is in direct line with the progress which Postmaster General Meyer has made in the application of business methods to that branch of the public service. In the comparatively brief period of his administration he has given an impetus to the improvement of the postal service which has as yet hardly begun to have its effect. The restoration of the popular notes as a means of money transfer is to be commended, but it is not more important for the convenience of the people than would be the parcels post and the postal savings bank plans, which Mr. Meyer has recommended.—Boston Herald.

City And County

The Majestic, 5 and 10 cents.

Waterman's "Ideal" Fountain Pens at Irwin's.

The two most popular games of the year, Finch and Somer 'R' sets at Irwin's.

Ed. Snodgrass and wife are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy at their residence Monday night.

George Conrad of Nehawka visited the county seat Tuesday and transacted business with the county officers.

When buying candies, why not buy the best? We always have a fine line of the superior grades on hand. Nemetz & Co. next to P. O.

W. B. Richards of South Bend precinct was in the city Tuesday looking after official business. Mr. Richards is out overseas in his district.

TOILET SET. I will give to the person making the largest cash purchase during this week, (21st to 28th.) A six piece Toilet Set worth \$2.75. D. P. Jackson.

William Bogard of Avoca was looking after important business matters in the county seat Tuesday. Mr. Bogard made the NEWS-HERALD a pleasant call.

F. A. Creamer of South Bend was a pleasant caller at the NEWS-HERALD office on Tuesday morning. Mr. Creamer had important business matters to look after in the city.

Don't let the baby suffer from eczema sores or any itching of the skin. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, cures quickly. Perfectly safe for children. All druggists sell it.

"Had dyspepsia or indigestion for years. No appetite, and what I did eat distressed me terribly. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me."—J. H. Walker, Sunbury, Ohio.

Jacob Downing, Mrs. Salsbury's father departed Wednesday for Breckenridge, Mo., to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Downing expects to visit his daughter at Kansas City before returning to Plattsmouth.

Mrs. George Ballance and daughter, Edith, accompanied by Mrs. Ballance's mother, Mrs. M. L. Buttery departed Tuesday on the noon train for Lincoln where they will visit relatives during the holidays.

William Schlichtemier of Nehawka was a Plattsmouth visitor Tuesday and made the NEWS-HERALD office a pleasant call. Mr. Schlichtemier is one of the substantial farmers of the county and a very pleasant gentleman to meet.

Mrs. Peter Jensen and son and daughter, who have been visiting at "Longs Avenue" as the guest of Mrs. and Mr. Long departed for their home at North Platte today. Mrs. Jensen was accompanied by her niece and nephew, Miss Ella and Master Long.

John Mackey a former Plattsmouth citizen but now residing near Oxford, arrived Tuesday to spend the Xmas holidays with old time friends and neighbors. Mr. Mackey is located on a farm in Furnas county and is prospering nicely.

Ed. Magowan, of Gibbon, arrived Monday and made a brief visit in the city with his uncle W. D. Jones and family. Mr. Magowan is a brother of Al Magowan, deceased who formerly was in the livery business here. Ed. departed for his home Tuesday morning.

J. A. Becker, the piano man has added a stock of latest sheet music to his music store. Mr. Becker is pleasing the public by his gentlemanly habits, and can sell a reliable make of piano much cheaper than the Omaha trade, owing to his largely reduced expense.

L. K. McGaw of Osceola, Neb., a brother-in-law of W. D. Jones arrived in the city Monday and was an overnight visitor at Mr. Jones' home. Mr. McGaw made arrangements to take his wife to California for the winter to see if the milder climate would not aid her in regaining health. Himself and wife departed for the coast Tuesday afternoon.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

THE RATE QUESTION

California Shippers Protest That They are Being Discriminated Against.

The protest of California shippers against the alleged extortion by railroads in the way of increased freight rates is but the echo of similar protests that have been filed with members of congress and which promise to reopen the railroad question again and cause an inquiry into the operations of the new law and the work of the Interstate Commerce commission.

Since the opening of congress members have been receiving letters from shippers among their constituents who charge an unusual number of increases in rates by the railroad companies. A hurried compilation of these complaints shows that of seventy commodities, selected at random, and compared with former freight bills, the rates have been increased in sixty-eight cases. On the showing already made, Senator La Follette has prepared a resolution calling upon the Interstate Commerce commission for a complete statement with reference to the freight rate situation, comparing rates in effect a year ago with those recently filed, the comparison to be made in such manner as to show exactly what has been done by the roads. The resolution will also ask the commission to require that when railroads file new schedules hereafter they shall be required to show, in a separate column, whether the proposed rate is an increase over the rate then existing.

The railroads have already filed notices with the commission announcing a general increase in freight rates, to take effect January 1, covering the entire country from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. The increase is said to be about 10 per cent and to apply only on transcontinental business. The Oregon and California shippers have already protested against these rates as "unjust and unreasonable" and will appeal to the Interstate Commerce commission. Under the recent supreme court decisions "the commission will have no power, pending a final appeal to the court, to fix the rates, but can only hear complaints and fix a maximum rate, where the complaints satisfy the commission that the rates in existence are unjust and unreasonable. Subject to that laborious process of correction, the railroads are still free to fix their own rates. As a result of this condition, some of the leaders in congress strongly favor amending the law so as to give the Interstate Commerce commission full authority to fix rates, as well as to determine when a rate is excessive.—Omaha Bee.

Parlor lamps. Lowest prices at Irwin's.

George W. Young of Alva, Oklahoma Celebrates Xmas In Old Cass.

George W. Young, of Alva, Oklahoma and wife arrived Tuesday to visit old scenes and celebrate Xmas in old Cass county once more. Mr. Young was a prominent figure in Cass county politics ten years ago and was twice elected county Commissioner from Nehawka precinct, where he settled when he came to Nebraska in the pioneer days. He was one of the most careful and painstaking officials the county ever had, and managed the county business just as he did his own. He was not lavish in expenditure nor niggardly economical, but was a warm anti-saloon member and his vote was recorded 'nay' when that question had to be passed on. Mr. Young is more than pleased with the Oklahoma country as a farming community and he would advise his friends to go there and look at the lands before investing elsewhere.

Mr. Young will be in Cass county during the holidays, and will visit relatives and old neighbors in and near Nehawka, and will probably be in Plattsmouth again before returning to Oklahoma.

Candy pure and fresh, 10 cents per pound at Irwin's.

W. L. Street Improving.

Mrs. W. L. Street and little granddaughter, Clara Mae, visited Mr. Street at the hospital Tuesday, and found him resting comfortably. Mr. Street is recovering from the effect of the operation very nicely, although not as rapidly as at first expected. He was sitting up when Mrs. Street arrived, and walked the length of the hall and returned yesterday. There is no doubt of his ultimate recovery, but it will be two weeks or more before he can return to Plattsmouth. Mr. Street will not be very strong for some months as the operation was quite severe, and some time will be required to regain his strength.

Something new in post cards every week. Nemetz & Co. next to P. O. School Supplies at Irwin's.

Bankers and Postal Banks.

It is not clear that the establishment of postal savings banks would operate against the interest of the regular banks in any such measure as some banks suggest.

It is objected to the Carter bill that it exempts postal savings funds from garnishment and attachment and from taxation. It is held by some bankers that this exemption would furnish the government banks with a great advantage over the privately conducted banks.

The fact is that the general government never allows itself to be subjected to the process of garnishment or attachment, so that the provision in the Carter bill is virtually superfluous, and criticism of the bill on that account is outside of the discussion.

There is no sound reason either, why the small savings of the poor, who alone are likely to deposit in government banks, should be subject to such process of law. There is good reason why such small savings should be permitted to enjoy exemption. The law allows no debtor to be utterly stripped. It gives him the absolute necessities of life. Such funds as are likely to be laid up in postal banks, may be regarded as disability reserves, as, reasoning from the experiment of savings banks, they virtually will prove to be. Good public policy, as well as benevolence, will dictate such an exemption of the savings of the small depositors.

Besides such funds, even if allowed to be levied upon, would in most instances go but a little way toward satisfying the debt. The true satisfaction for debt is to be found in wages, which are likely to exceed by much the infinitesimal savings. The remedy for the creditor lies in garnishment or attachment of wages, and that remedy is by no means invalidated by the proposals of the Carter bill.

Privately managed savings institutions will not feel the competition of the postal banks to any appreciable degree. They are, in fact, likely to profit by the spread of thrift, the formation of a mild sort will prove stimulating.—Minneapolis Journal.

Nearly 1,000 Pianos at a Bargain.

Lyon & Healy of Chicago, known everywhere as the world's largest music house, are doing a remarkable thing. They are rebuilding their great establishment and offering an enormous stock of pianos to make room for carpenters, painters, etc. Lyon & Healy offer all these pianos on such extraordinary terms that hundreds will buy now who otherwise might wait till next year. In short, here is a chance to get a much better piano for any sum you have in mind than you could ordinarily obtain.

Write to-day for the list of pianos in this piano sale, which is an event entirely unprecedented in the history of piano-selling. Address Lyon & Healy, 10 Adams street, Chicago. Four distinct plans of easy payments for those who do not wish to pay all cash.

WRECK AT ELMWOOD

Train Crew On Extra East Bound Freight Have Serious Trouble.

The Elmwood correspondent to the State Journal under date of December 22 gives the following account of a wreck on the M. P. Railway near that place Monday.

"The train crew on an extra east-bound freight train consisting of engine and caboose, had a very narrow escape from death early Monday afternoon. The train was running backward when the tender jumped the track about three hundred feet south of the first bridge north or town, when it struck the bridge, tearing it to pieces, knocking the trucks from under the tender and piling engine and tender in a mass on the center of the bridge. The sudden stop broke the engine loose and it ran on down the track several hundred feet. The engineer and fireman stayed at their posts until the engine stopped. No one was injured. E. E. Koontz of Omaha was the engineer in charge. Had the engine gone a foot or two farther it would have fallen off the bridge into the creek, a distance of twenty or thirty feet. The wrecking crew arrived at midnight and had the track clear late Monday afternoon. Everyone who viewed the wreck could not help but remark at the miraculous escape of the engine crew.

When Rubbers Become Necessary. And your shoes pinch. Allen's Foot Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes, is just the thing to use. Try it for Breaking in New Shoes. Sold everywhere, 25c. Sample Free. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. Don't accept any substitute.

A BAPTIST ELDER

Restored to Health by Vinol

"I was run down and weak from indigestion and general debility, also suffered from vertigo. I saw a cold liver preparation called Vinol advertised and decided to give it a trial, and the results were most gratifying. After taking two bottles I regained my strength and am now feeling unusually well." Henry Cunningham, Elder Baptist Church, Kingston, N. C.

Vinol is not a patent medicine—but a preparation composed of the medicinal elements of cods' livers, combined with a tonic iron and wine. Vinol creates a hearty appetite, tones up the organs of digestion and makes rich, red blood. In this natural manner, Vinol creates strength for the run-down, overworked and debilitated, and for delicate children and old people. For chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis Vinol is unexcelled.

All such persons in this vicinity are asked to try Vinol on our offer to refund their money if it fails to give satisfaction.

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PLATTSMOUTH, NEB.



IF SANTA CLAUS BRINGS FURNITURE

this year he will be wise to select it from our splendid collection of pieces and suites especially appropriate for holiday gifts. Come and pick out the furniture you want, for it is certainly here. Then you can tell Santa Claus to come and do his part. We will reserve any furniture chosen now till wanted. Our handsome line of rugs would make fine Christmas presents, and we have numerous other articles which you should call and select while going on holiday shopping. Everything is strictly guaranteed.

M. HILD, THE FURNITURE MAN.

We Are Now Ready

We are now ready to show you our COMPLETE and UP-TO-DATE line of

Heating Stoves and Base Burners

to all that are interested. We carry all grades and styles at prices ranging from \$1.25 up to \$60. We are also sole agents for the famous Coles Hot Blast Heater. Come in and let us show you how you can reduce your coal bill one-third with this stove and get the same amount of heat as from other brands.

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