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SPEAKING of innovations, how do you like that word "yegman" as compared with the old-fashioned burglar?

It's bad enough to write it "Xmas," but the Kearney Hub reached the limit when it made a display line read "A Xmas Present."

IT DOESN'T sound much like hard times when burglars go about dressed in silk hats and things and make their get-away in automobiles.

JOHN D., JR., doesn't propose to let the old man hog all the newspaper notoriety. His bid took the form of a criminal libel suit against Hearst's New York American.

IF MUNICIPAL ownership of water and light plants is a good thing in one locality, why not in another? If it is successful in Fremont, Grand Island, Hastings, Wahoo and Broken Bow, would it not also be in Plattsmouth?

THE Farmer's institute which meets at the District court room in this city December 30 and January 1 is being extensively advertised. The secretary W. C. Ramsey has had some fine posters printed on cardboard outlining the program for the two days. Since the programs were prepared M. O. Eldridge a specialist on roads has been secured to address the institute on the last day of the session. Mr. Eldridge is connected with the interior department of the government, and has devoted years to the subject of good roads. It will be worth while to hear his lecture on this important subject. Farmers are as much interested in getting their products to market as the merchants are in having them do so, and the transportation of the farm products can be much facilitated by proper attention to the subject of roads.

THE people of Havelock have a grievance against the Lincoln Traction Company, and public sympathy is with them in their effort to obtain concessions in rates and other accommodations.

But Havelock is injured by the actions of the few men and boys who tried to work damage upon the property of the company. That is not the way to fight, and that is not the way the majority of people in Havelock believe in fighting. Havelock is not that kind of a community, and the disorder of Monday night must not be charged against the town as a whole.

So far as the individual offenders are concerned, the names of most of them are known and they will probably be dealt with as they deserve. But the lawless acts of the few should not be held against the entire town, which as a whole is as orderly as any community in Nebraska.

IT is to be regretted that the leaders of the laboring class have seen fit to push their ideas of what is legal and right to the extent of forfeiting their privileges of liberty. No one will deny the laborer, or anyone else, the right to trade with whom he pleases; but the law stops with this and does not accord him the privilege of forbidding others from trading with a concern distasteful to him. The infliction of drastic jail sentences upon Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell, president, secretary and vice president of the American Federation of Labor, by Judge Wright of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, punishing them for contempt of court for violating an order enjoining them from placing on the "unfair" or "we don't patronize" list the Bucks Stove and Range Company of St. Louis, comes like a clap of thunder out of a clear sky. Judge Wright's arraignment of the labor leaders nor Mr. Gompers' well-warded "reason why sentence should not be passed" relieves the situation. The tenseness of the struggle is regretted by conservative men in all walks of life.

What Others Say

A Texas paper complains that the latest American battle ship ordered will cost \$9,000,000, that one broadside will burn up \$17,000, and that at the end of two hours fighting her guns will be worn out. To complete the picture it is necessary to show what would happen to the enemy in two

hours. The game might be worth the powder. -Globe Democrat.

TO SAVE THE COYOTE.

For the first time in all history, it is believed, the coyote who serenades the moon to a distraction of wickeriness has a defender. The fruit growers of the northwest find the jack rabbit a multiplying enemy. His appetite for the bark of young fruit trees concerns them greatly. They reflect that the hunted and all but exterminated coyote is the only thing on earth that can and does run down a jack rabbit, and so they propose laws ordering man's hands to no longer be raised against the coyote.

What the poultrymen think of this has not yet been reported. The most significant point to the situation is the admission it involves that the balance of nature cannot be disturbed by the extermination of even so sneaking dirty and altogether unlovely a beast as the many tongued coyote without unexpected and menacing results. It suggests, moreover, something of interest to Nebraska. May not Mr. E. F. Stephens' devoted efforts to turn the sand hills into a land of orchards end in time the biennial demand for a bounty on wolf scalps? -State Journal.

HERE AND THERE.

Plattsmouth merchants all report a good holiday trade.

Even if you can't be happy tomorrow be as cheerful as possible.

If you haven't bought that Christmas present yet—somebody's likely to lose out.

Somebody will get a royal Christmas present a week from today when the Department Store's cash register checks are counted.

Can you remember when you thought there was a real Santa Claus? How Christmas was looked forward to for weeks with fondest anticipations, and finally how you carefully hung up your stockings where Santa could find it with the least trouble and then tried to compose yourself to sleep, with a calm confidence that upon awakening your hopes would be realized? Sweet are the days of childhood!

"Summer Is Over" is the title of a new song just published by Mrs. G. F. S. Burton of this city. The poetry is admirable and the music quite up to Mrs. Burton's standard of excellence. One sometimes wonders what can be the excuse for the infliction upon the public of much of the so-called music of today, and at such times a production of the character of "Summer Is Over" is hailed with delight.

A couple of strangers dropped into town one day this week and gathered in about \$25 on an advertising scheme the value of which (to the advertisers) was questionable, to say the least. It is noticeable, however, that those who spend any considerable sum annually for publicity, confine their appropriations to legitimate channels, and they do so because experience has proven the wisdom of this course.

Henry Speck, George Morrison and Oleander Barnes, the triumvirate of irrespressible responsibility for the mechanical efficiency of this household necessity, have joined in a petition to Santa Claus to be remembered in the distribution of good cheer tomorrow. Speck thinks he could be perfectly happy with a sack of Duke's Mixture, Morrison wants a teddy bear, while Barnes avers that he would be satisfied with a string of beads.

IT has been suggested that the merchants of Plattsmouth might find it profitable to agree upon a date and hold a big discount sale the latter part of January, the object being to sort up stock by cleaning out the odds and ends before the arrival of the spring invoices, and in doing so to make prices that will draw trade for miles around and serve as an object lesson to all beholders that, barring possibly a little better display, better merchandising may be done at home than in Omaha or any other town. As a special inducement to the outside trade arrangements might be made to refund railroad fare to purchasers of a stipulated amount. The NEWS-HERALD believes the suggestion to be a good one and would be glad to see it carried to a successful termination.

Cannon For Speaker.

Congressman Pollard has returned to his home at Nebraska and will spend the holidays with his family. The Lincoln correspondent to the Omaha Bee talked with Mr. Pollard relative to the speakership, over which there was considerable discussion during the campaign during the congressman's stop over in Lincoln. The correspondent says: Mr. Pollard is firmly convinced that Speaker Cannon will hang to the job and that the next election, which will come up with the special session in March, will see the opposition line up in doleful fashion for the autocratic speaker.

Before election Congressman Pollard would not state his position publicly. He said to his friends that he did not wish to jeopardize his committee positions by going against a sure thing or words to that effect. He said immediately after election that he did not think his defeat was due in any measure to his attitude toward the Cannon matter.

Chas. Herren and wife were Plattsmouth visitors Wednesday.

Contest Getting Close.

Bring in your checks. We mean your cash register checks, which are of great value to you, or your friends in the piano contest now, but in a few days they will be absolutely valueless to you or anyone else, as the piano contest closes Friday, December 31. Someone is going to win this beautiful \$450 piano but we do not know who it will be; you don't know, your friend may be within reach of the winning point, and a light lift from you might do a great deal of good.

Bear in mind that checks issued upon credit sales will not be voted in this contest. It only includes cash sales, or cash paid in on account. We simply remind you of this fact for two reasons. First, that you might think that you can vote them on the last minute; second, because we wish to give you an opportunity to settle your account at this store, and secure your cash register checks before January 1, that can be voted for yourself or your friend in the contest.

We also wish to remind you that this is the greatest Christmas trading place in Cass county, when it comes to strictly dependable merchandise for such gifts. Gifts that will be appreciated by every member of the family. Remember that we still have a great many of those popular Wooltex garments that will be sold at thirty-three and one-third per cent off from former price in order to close them out before January first. This great reduction also applies to everything in the millinery department, and the clothing department.

Here is where sixty-six and two-thirds cents buys \$1.00 worth of good dependable merchandise.

Come and see us now, buy your goods and get your cash register receipts.

M. FANGER.

William Chapman Dies.

A special from Nehawka to the Bee under date of December 23rd, gives a brief account of the death of William Chapman, an aged citizen of that community which occurred at his home early Wednesday morning. The special says: This morning William Chapman was working in his yard as usual and on going in the house sat down, expiring instantly from heart trouble. He was 73 years old and a veteran of the civil war, serving in an Iowa regiment and was severely wounded. He leaves a wife and three daughters, Mrs. Newman of Frontier county, Mrs. Neil of McPherson county and Mrs. Duclos of Otter county.

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Want Column

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