

# The News-Herald

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Plattsmouth No. 85 Nebraska No. 85

Don't freeze up. The weather man is treating us fairly.

Are you hustling, then you will succeed. We never knew it to fail.

WANTED—more optimism, and less pessimism among the citizens of this city.

Let the other fellow wear the long face and talk pessimistic, you and I haven't time.

If things don't go, push them along. This is to be the best year in the history of this city.

Don't let your goods become shelf worn. Sell them or give them away and get new ones.

Wake up! Be cheerful, and speak a good word for our business men. Plattsmouth is one of the best cities in the State.

Let people know that you are doing something and they will help you. Let people know that you want to sell your goods, and that you want them to buy, and they'll buy.

Have you tried to get other people to come to Plattsmouth to buy their goods? If you have, good. If you have not, then you have not done your part. Our merchants can duplicate Omaha or Lincoln prices. Try them.

Plattsmouth wants factories and business institutions and we'll get them. Do you want to help get something? The editor of this paper, six years ago, commenced working for a Federal Building for this city, and a year ago the appropriation was made. This summer the building will be erected. It was Congressman Pollard, who secured the appropriation. Did you ever thank him for it?

### FARM WEALTH IN 1908.

While the year 1908 brought to the railroads, manufacturing, and general trade such depression as was inevitable after the financial crisis of the preceding autumn, the twelve months following the panic were for the farmers of the United States the most prosperous in the history of the county. Secretary Wilson's report of the Department of Agriculture gives the final figures of the size and value of the year's crops, —and amazing figures they are. The total value of farm products reaches \$7,778,000,000, a gain of 4 per cent over the value of these products for year 1907, and a gain of 65 per cent over the year 1899. In this decade the farms have produced new wealth amounting to the staggering figure of \$30,000,000,000. Corn is still king in its contribution to the farmer's pocket; the value of the 2,643,000,000 bushels raised in 1908 was \$1,615,000,000, or more than one-fifth of the value of the total products of agriculture. This year cotton has wrested second place, in rank of value from the hay crop, which has always, until 1908, been next to corn. And yet the hay crop is the greatest ever produced.—68,000,000 tons, worth to the farmers \$621,000,000. Close after hay comes wheat, the 660,000,000 bushels raised in 1908 having a value of \$620,000,000, which is more than 10 per cent, in excess of any previous wheat crop's value. Minor crops, barley, rye, beet-sugar, and potatoes, were, except the last, which suffered from unfavorable weather, well up to the records in point of quantity, and all made new records in value. Dairy products brought the farmer nearly \$800,000,000, poultry and eggs even more than the cotton, and animal products, as a whole, nearly \$3,000,000,000. The farmer in 1908 produced new wealth four times as great as all the minerals taken from the ground, including oil and the precious metals.—Review of Reviews.

### BIGGEST LAWSUIT IN HISTORY.

President Roosevelt's administration will go down in history as having waged one of the greatest legal battles in all history.

The suit to dissolve the Standard Oil company of New Jersey was commenced on December 6, 1906. In all 192 witnesses were called by the government and 140 by the defense. The record of the testimony proper totals up 4,500,000 words. The exhibits, consisting of over 73,000 groups of words and figures, adds another ten million words. The printing office at Washington has been kept busy night and day for months completing the record which, when bound, will make twenty-two printed volumes. The maps showing the company's pipe lines and oil fields are printed in four colors, a procedure heretofore unknown in legal record making. From the printer's viewpoint, it is the greatest case in legal history.

Arguments of both sides next April before the full bench of the United States circuit court sitting in St. Louis, will further enlarge the record, and as the case is to be given to the supreme court of the United States, no matter what the decision of the circuit court, the final bulk of the record in the case promises to be appalling.

It cannot truthfully be said that the President has not waged a giant fight against the greatest trust in the world. Mr. Roosevelt has not hesitated to go after "big game" while in public office. He cannot, therefore, be blamed for hunting big game, when he becomes a private citizen.

WHAT's the difference between impulsive insanity and insane impulsiveness.

We are doing well, our business is increasing. How is your business? Keep at it and you'll win, we intend to.

When our business men get their heads together and all their shoulders against the same wheel, something will commence to move.

THE republican policy is to make business good, so good, that the democrats are now worrying about bank guarantee deposits. Who had a bank deposit at the end of four years of democratic administration?

ERE long the election of new city officers will be held. It is time you began to think of some good, clean, and capable man for mayor. Give us the names of persons you think would make a good business manager for the city. Let everybody be on the lookout.

A TOWN is judged by its newspapers, much as a man is sized up by his clothes. The whole community is thus a partner in its journalistic enterprises. If you want your city to put its best foot forward, give the home paper the support it needs to keep on expanding and growing more attractive.

REP. SINK is somewhat of a man, in stature as well as in intellect, and the probabilities are that he knew exactly where he was at when he introduced his bill regulating the length of bed sheets to be used in hotels. But that other man who wants to get a law passed regulating the size of the hole in a doughnut is clear off his base. The bigger the hole the more doughnut it takes to go around it.

ARE our merchants prepared to meet the competition, constantly growing stiffer, of those alluring spring catalogs from the metropolitan department stores? Of course the bargains at home are better, when you consider that in our own shops you get more personal attention and a better chance to return unsatisfactory goods. But the public forgets this. Trade has to be drummed, and the only efficient drummer is a live newspaper.

ONE frequently hears the claim made that the English language is but a poor vehicle for the conveyance of thought, —that it is lacking in those finer shades of expression accredited to some of the tongues lying further south in the world's geography. Passing for the nonce this phase of the question, the fact remains that our slang is the most expressive on earth. Were you ever "stung?" Then you know that this little word of five letters carries a meaning as forceful as it is delicate and leaves nothing to the imagination as to exactly what is meant.

### A BILL ON NEPOTISM.

What is considered the biggest joke of the legislature so far is the contemplated introduction of a bill to prevent nepotism in the state house, state institutions and the judiciary. Such a bill as sure of passage through this economical, businesslike democratic legislature as a freeze-up in August.

But the obstacles in the way of the passage of such a bill are insurmountable. Take it in the house alone and the death knell of the bill is already sounded. Nepotism runs rampant through this legislature. Here are a few of the obstacles in the way of the enactment of the bill into law. Henry and son, Snyder and son, Brown and son, Bates and daughter, and nephews and niece and other relatives too numerous to mention.—Omaha Bee.

Honorable "Colonel" Bates' be consistent with your practice and vote against any such bill, but don't attempt to make a speech against it, for the other fellow may be laying in wait for you with a bundle of Plattsmouth Journals in which you have condemned your own practices. There is an old adage "Chickens will come home to roost."

### TRAMPS AND THE ASHLAND METHOD.

Last week we spoke of two classes of tramps, and dealt with one class at some length. This city is infested to a far greater extent with that class, who wander from place to place, begging and pilfering as they go. Ashland, Nebraska, seems to have been infested like Plattsmouth by this worthless horde, and the authorities of our neighboring city have adopted a method that seems to be effective. We shall call it the Ashland method, and we give it below and comment it to the attention of the local authorities. Here it is:

The city authorities have devised a method of ridding Ashland of tramps that has proven successful beyond all expectations. Until about a month ago the town was overrun with tramps, as many as six to ten being nightly lodged in the local jail. It had been customary to turn them loose every morning, allowing them to beg from door to door for breakfast. Now, however, the tramps are provided with accommodations in the jail, which is heated, but are given no food or water, and are not released until the afternoon following the night of their incarceration. They are then marched to the city limits and told to keep moving. Within two days after this rule was put in effect tramps gave the place a wide berth, and in the last three weeks there has not been one tramp seen in the town.

### Collision On Rio Grande.

Number of known dead ..... 21  
Identified dead ..... 12  
Unidentified dead ..... 9  
Seriously injured ..... 40

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo., Jan. 16.—Twenty-one persons were killed and forty injured, many of them seriously, in a head-on collision between west-bound passenger train No. 5 and an east-bound freight train on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad between Dotsero and Spruce Creek, twenty-two miles from Glenwood Springs, at 9:36 o'clock last night.

While nothing official has been given out as to the cause of the wreck, it is said to have been due to a misunderstanding of orders on the part of Engineer Gustaf Olson of the passenger. Olson, however claims he understood his instructions perfectly, but that he misread his watch, thus encroaching on the time of the freight train which was being drawn by two locomotives, the first of which was in charge of his brother, Sig Olson.

### NEBRASKANS AMONG DEAD.

Dr. Arvilla Oleson of Axtell, Neb., reported killed, has been a prominent physician in his home town for seven years, being a graduate of Rush medical college, Chicago. With his wife and two-year-old baby he was on his way to Spokane, where he was preparing to locate. Considerable anxiety is felt for his wife and child, whom it is feared are among the unidentified dead.

W. C. Kettle and his daughter, May Kettle, who are listed among the dead, lived at Ashton, Neb. Until recently Kettle has been a prosperous farmer near that place. He had just purchased a fruit farm in Colorado and with his mother, two daughters and seventeen-year-old son, were enroute to their new home. Kettle has a son and many other relatives living in the vicinity of Ashton.

John Williams of Clarks, Neb., reported killed was accompanied by his wife and four children. He was on his way to Fruita, Colo., where he had accepted a position on a government irrigation ditch. Friends are waiting for news from his wife.

W. O. Vinack, who was injured is a traveling salesman for an Omaha hardware jobbing house, but his home is in Denver.

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A nice lot of dark wrappers. Worth \$1.25 to \$1.50. Yours at..... 75c

### Broken Lot of Underwear

This is a chance to save money if we have your size. Good assortment now. Yours at..... 19c per garment

33% Fancy China 33%

All our salad bowls, sugar and cream sets, vases, salt and pepper sets, fancy cake plates and others go at 1-3 off the actual value.

33% Lamps 33%

Here is an opportunity to get one of our fancy parlor lamps at less than you will ever buy them again. Come and look at them, if you do you will buy.

### An Able Address.

Luke Wiles returned Tuesday from Lincoln where he was in attendance at a meeting of Red Polled Breeders' association. On that day he made an address before the association on the subject "Why I Breed Red Polls in Nebraska," which was well received by those in attendance. Mr. Wiles is an extensive breeder of this species of cattle, and is well posted on their many good points. Since this country has ceased to be the great beef producing territory of the west, and is depended upon for a large share of the dairying products of the nation, he contends that to keep abreast of the times it is necessary to turn the attention to the growing of dual purpose cattle—those which may be turned into beef after serving a time for dairy purposes, and he claims that the Red Polls more fully meet these requirements than any other breed on the market today. One breed may serve better for dairying purposes and another may prove more profitable for the growing of beef, but for the dual purpose necessary in this particular part of the country in order to secure the best returns for the labor expended, he is most enthusiastic about the Red Polled cattle.

### Legal Notice.

In County Court, Cass county, Nebraska. In the matter of the estate of James Skourmal, deceased. To all persons interested: You are hereby notified that on January 6th, 1909, Frances Skourmal, filed a petition for the appointment of an administrator of the above estate, and asking that she be appointed as administrator; that there will be a hearing on said petition at my office in the city of Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, on the 25th day of January A. D. 1909 at 9 o'clock a. m., objections thereto must be filed before said hour. Dated this 4th day of January, A. D. 1909. ALLEN J. BEKSON, County Judge.

### REFEREE'S SALE.

John C. Wharton, Attorney, Room 515—New York Life Building, Omaha, Nebraska. By virtue of a decree of partition of the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska, entered in said Court on the 29th day of September A. D. 1908 and an order of sale entered in said Court on the 8th day of October A. D. 1908 in an action therein pending wherein Ida M. Krampien is plaintiff, and John H. Krampien and Martha Krampien, his wife, Maggie M. Gallup and John N. Gallup her husband, Sophia M. Krampien incompetent and Conrad Baumgartner, Guardian of Sophia M. Krampien, incompetent and Julius M. Flaezel Mortgagor are defendants, ordering and directing the sale of the following described real estate situated in Cass County, Nebraska, to-wit: The south half (S. 1/2) of the north-east quarter (N. E. 1/4) and the south half (S. 1/2) of the north half (N. 1/2) of the north-east quarter (N. E. 1/4) and the north half (N. 1/2) of the south-east quarter (S. E. 1/4) all in section twenty-six, (26) township twelve (12) north of range ten (10) east of the 6th P. M. in Cass county, Nebraska. NOW THEREFORE, I, James Robertson, the undersigned referee duly appointed by the district court of Cass county, Nebraska, to make partition of the lands hereinbefore described will on the 24th day of February A. D. 1909 at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the south front door of the Court House of Cass County, Nebraska, in the city of Plattsmouth in said county and state, offer for sale and sell said real estate above described at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said decree in partition according to the terms thereof and costs and accruing costs. Said sale will remain open one hour. JAMES ROBERTSON, Referee.



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- Round Oak, former price \$19.00, now..... 13 50

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