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The people of Lincoln ought to get together and get that location for the new high school decided by the time the grand-children of the present high school pupils get ready to graduate from the eighth grade. However it is not necessary to be in a hurry about it, for some of the future school boards may have locations which they like better than either the Davenport or Davis tracts.

Many admirers of Mr. Roosevelt are getting nervous over reports that he and his party may have been inoculated with the fever germs in Africa and that at any time they may be attacked by the fatal disease. The fact that a gentleman who sat at the same table with them was a short time later taken with it and died in a short time is making people in the United States feel very anxious over the outcome. Mr. Roosevelt has an iron constitution, but whether it would be able to withstand the onslaughts of the dreaded Asiatic fever is a question which many are worrying over. Let us hope that there will be no such ending of the career of a brilliant and very popular American.

The announcement of State Treasurer L.G. Brian that he will be a candidate for the republican nomination for congress up in the third district will have the effect of making republicans up there feel pretty good, or at least it ought to. Mr. Brian carried the third district in 1908 by something like eight hundred majority, notwithstanding that the district went democratic. This shows his popularity up there and there is little doubt but that he is the strongest man who could possibly be nominated. Furthermore, if elected he is the kind of a man that could do things for the district. This might not be considered our fight, but having lived up in the third district nearly thirty years, we feel interested in seeing the republicans up there put up a man who can make a successful race, and we believe that L. G. Brian is the man.

The Lincoln News says that Senator Charles Sloan would not make a successful candidate over in the fourth district for the reason that in years gone by he was not considered among the progressives, but that possibly he may have changed. Possibly he may have changed. The bunch of fellows who claimed to have front seats in the progressive arena up at Lincoln a few weeks ago have changed mightily, in fact are hardly recognizable, and the News was backing them with all its vigor. Cannot others change without being eyed with suspicion by the News. Change or no change, Charles H. Sloan is one of the solid republicans who are not afraid to stand on their record and who are never afraid to take a stand and fight for it. Because he cannot be stampeded by every wild steer which breaks its lariet and makes a dash for the open prairie with wild bellow and tail in the air, is no reason that he would not do good service in congress.

In a speech before the university democratic club at Lincoln the other night Richard L. Metcalf, Mr. Bryan's editor, alluded to the republican party as "a sinking ship," and predicted that in 1912 the great leaders of the party will have abandoned it to its fate. He said that he was sure that one or the other of the two great parties of the present time would die and that a new party would spring up which would fill the aching void. This would indicate that it is possible that when Mr. Bryan gets back from South America he may found a new party and with himself as its leader save the country from everlasting destruction. With his own party which he has valiantly led to defeat at three different times on the point of throwing him over the

transom it stands Mr. Bryan in hand to find a soft spot to light, and it is not at all strange or surprising if a new party is formed. If Mr. Bryan still feels that he could not lie easy in his grave unless over it was placed a slab having engraved thereon "Here lies a dead President," as he cannot hope to secure that epitaph and remain a democrat, he may see in the temperance movement a chance and make the leap for life. Anyhow, any move between now and 1912 on the part of Mr. Bryan, no matter what it is, must be expected.

How would you like to live in London and have the kind of fog that prevailed this morning for breakfast every day.

The Chicago Record-Herald says that a man in that wicked city contracted a severe case of lumpy-jaw from chewing straw. It seems to be as natural for a man to pick up a straw and chew it as it is for a woman to use a powder rag.

John D. Rockefeller is preparing a scheme whereby he is to dispose of his millions for the benefit of charity education and other things which need the attention of money. The oil king proposes to grease the track to the next world so that the sailing will be easy.

It is now estimated that the population of the world is 1,544,510,000, of which 534,940,000 are Christians, 300,000,000 Confucians, 214,000,000 Brahmins, 175,290,000 Mohammedans, 121,000,000 Buddhists, 10,860,000 Jews and the remainder belong to other denominations such as pagans and insurgents.

The Chicago Board of Aldermen are raging war against the deadly hat pin. A pin a foot long they think is not to be considered in the line of safety to the public, but like the horse pistol and the bowie knife will have to be restricted. We would suggest that the ladies stick a cork stopple on the end of the pin and then there will be no danger.

It is said that a couple of girls down in Missouri contracted leprosy through wearing their hair elongated in the rear so far that it came in contact with the disease. That is, in order to get the back part of their hair to assume a distant rear, they purchased some hair from a hair factory which had got the product from some dead people who had succumbed to the disease. Whether this will have a tendency to make the girls bring their hair back in a position near enough so they can keep it from wandering away where grim death struts abroad is another question. It is the general opinion of a great many of the gentler sex that one better be dead than be out of fashion, and so the chances are that the hair will still continue to back off the reservation.

While people all over the country have been anxiously waiting and wishing for warm weather to come its coming brings danger and disaster. With the warm sun the snow and ice is beginning to melt and many sections of the country, especially the mountainous portions are beginning to feel the effects. The avalanche near Wei-

ington in the state of Washington which caused the death of nearly forty people is the beginning of the trouble. The heavy snows in the section are beginning to feel the warm rays of the sun and in consequence every stream is a raging torrent, resulting in filling up and overflowing the larger streams. Families are moving out of their homes along those streams and before the week is over much suffering will be felt as well as damage done.

The great commotion stirred up a couple of months ago by the opponents of Senator Burkett who thought that they saw a chance to get even with him by defeating him for the renomination, has subsided to such an extent that very little is heard any more of the matter. Occasionally a faint squeak is heard from some editor who shouted so loud a couple of months ago that he has yet got the microbe in his system and thinks it is necessary to kick in order to see if there is any response anywhere down the line. As a general thing his wail is answered with oppressive silence and he begins to think that possibly the thing might have been overloaded. Should the primaries be held within the next week, Senator Burkett would undoubtedly win with a good margin to spare.

## CLUB CRITICIZES.

The action of the commercial club at its meeting last night in condemning the papers of the city for sending out stuff in the papers in the matter of news which would tend to give the outside world a wrong impression of the conditions which exist in this city while it may be taken by some as going a little too far, as far as the Daily News is concerned we believe that the point made by the members of the club is a good one.

However in the race for news between the papers of a city, they take into consideration this fact. If one paper does not print the news, the other will, and if there is anything which a reporter on a paper dislikes it is to see the reporter on the other sheet scoop him on an article of news which is of considerable interest to the readers.

One incident which some of the commercial club members spoke of especially was that sometime last year when this city had some trouble because of high water, one of the daily papers sent broadcast over the country in big headlines a lot of stuff which had a tendency to make the public believe that floods were a frequent occurrence in Plattsmouth when the facts are that it is not so. He said that as an instance of the harm which was done by such a publication, he received a letter a few days ago from a man who desired to buy property here, but wanted it to be "outside of the flood district." Now Plattsmouth has no flood district, yet the impression has gone out that it has.

This and other incidents were spoken of in which the publication of happenings by the local papers, while done in good faith, had a tendency to detract rather than assist in the welfare of the town.

As far as the Daily News is concerned we are heartily in favor of cutting out all reference to incidents which will in any way work to a misunderstanding of conditions which exist in the city. We have always opposed the publishing of such matter which might tend to harm rather than help the city, but we have discovered that if the Daily News did not publish these items and the other paper did, that many of the members of the commercial club, noticing the omission, would be the first to condemn the Daily News because its reporter was not up to date and did not get into the game in competition with the reporter for the opposition paper.

It is the same old problem which confronted the newspaperman as to what is news. To be able to distinguish what should be printed and what should not be. When one paper goes into details over some misfortune which has overtaken the city, and the other makes no mention

of it, the latter paper is at once set down by the general public as a poor excuse for a newspaper, and as a consequence the people do not care to read it. The paper which can get up the most sensational article describing the horrible condition which has overtaken the city in some calamity which has befallen it will be the very one which the members of the commercial club will buy to send to their friends in the east. That is some of them.

The problem thus reverts back to the original question before the house: "What is a newspaper?"

## DOUBLE VISION.

It Affected the Oculist as Well as the Patient.

A well known oculist of New York city tells a story of one of his patients who proved rather more than a match for him. The patient was an old fellow from one of the rural counties of the state, fifty years of age or more, who strolled leisurely into the doctor's office and, after taking a mental inventory of the place, remarked that he was afraid that his eyes were "gitting a little out o' kilter" and he guessed the doctor had better "take a peek at them." He was seated and, as a preliminary, was invited to look through a prism at a photograph.

"Why, now," said he after "squinting" awhile, "this is curious! I see two photographs. What makes me see like that?"

The oculist, who is something of a humorist and inclined to be jocose with certain of his patients, replied that this phenomenon was certainly very interesting and that, while possibly it indicated some slight abnormality, it yet had its compensating advantages. "With double vision you have a great advantage over me, for example," he continued, smiling, "for you will be able to see twice as many beautiful things in the world as I can. You will have twice as many friends. Your family will be doubled. You will have twice as much real estate and two pocketbooks instead of one."

The old man did not say much in reply, but seemed to be pondering it. Meanwhile the oculist completed his examination, and the time came to receive his fee, which in this case was \$10.

Very slowly the old man, still pondering, drew forth a roll of notes and, carefully selecting a five dollar bill, looked hard at it for some moments. Then, proffering it, he said quietly, "Here's your \$10, doctor!"

## Spoiled Her Play.

A very promising love affair, if not nipped in the bud, received an ugly jolt through the medium of that "infernal little brother" the other evening at the home of the young lady involved.

An informal card party was in progress, and a young fellow who had been very marked in his attentions to the daughter of the house had her for his partner. In the midst of the play "little brother" popped up with this query:

"Mr. Blank, does sister play cards well?"

"Yes, very well, indeed," replied the suitor.

"Well, then, you'd better look out," shouted the youngster, "cause I heard mother say that if she played her cards well she would catch you yet."

## FUTURE SPORT EVENTS

The national motorboat show will be held in New York Feb. 19 to Feb. 26. Boston will hold its annual automobile show during the week of March 7.

The British open golf championship, will be held at St. Andrews June 1 to 25.

The eastern thoroughbred horse racing season will open at Aqueduct, N. Y., April 15.

Sam Langford, the colored heavy weight pugilist, has made arrangements to arrive in Paris about March 1.

San Francisco is likely to witness a six day auto race this summer. It will be run on the bicycle plan, three drivers to a team, working eight hours and the greatest mileage wins.

Secretary Crow of the Canadian A. U. is corresponding with the Boston A. A. with a view to exchanging boxers at the annual championships. Boston is to hold the New England tourney in March and also the national championships April 11 and 12. It is said in Toronto that if the Canadian championship dates are suitable a Boston team will try to attend.

## Misnamed.

During a geography lesson in a Baltimore school one day the teacher spoke at great length touching that wonderful stream, the Mississippi. Incidentally she afforded the pupils some interesting account of the historic events associated with the great river. "Finally," said she "we must not overlook the poetic value of the name Mississippi. It means 'Father of Waters.' Don't forget that, boys and girls."

One lad, however, was not much impressed by this later contribution to his store of knowledge. "I beg pardon, ma'am," said he, "but if the name of the river means 'Father of Waters,' why don't they call it 'Mister Sippi'?"—Circle.

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## DEATH OF PROMINENT CITIZEN OF THIS CITY

H. E. Wilson, Resident of Plattsmouth for Several Years, Dies--Leaves Wife and One Son.

## DEATH WAS THE RESULT OF VERY BRIEF ILLNESS

Many Friends and Acquaintances in This City Who Will Miss Him.

Died: In this city about 11 o'clock Thursday March 3rd, at his home, H. E. Wilson, aged 58 years.

The many friends of H. E. Wilson were greatly saddened this morning by the announcement of his death in this city at eleven o'clock this morning. Although Mr. Wilson has been ailing for some weeks past resulting a stroke of paralysis, yet his demise comes as a distinct shock to the community at large of which he was during his lifetime one of the most useful and efficient members. Mr. Wilson has been confined to his home for some

weeks, but up to the beginning of his illness he was engaged in the business of painting and decorating and did an extensive business in partnership with his son Rex Wilson. Besides this son Mr. Wilson leaves a widow to mourn his loss and these two have the deepest sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

Definite arrangements have not been made for the funeral, but to morrow's edition of the News will contain announcement of the time and place, together with a more extended account of his life and work.

## BIG CUE MATCH IN SIGHT.

Denver Will Back Eames Against De Oro For \$2,500.

If Alfred De Oro accepts the proposition made to him recently by Denver backers of Fred Eames, the new three cushion billiard champion, the Colorado metropolis will be the scene next spring of an angle game for the biggest stake ever contested for in an individual billiard match. The westerners say they will put up \$2,500 on Eames if De Oro will wager as much on himself in a special match of 150 points to be played in Denver.

After De Oro finishes his engagements on the coast he probably will visit Denver on his way east and consider this proposition seriously. He feels sure that he is the superior of the new champion at the angle game and is inclined to look upon the Denver proposition as easy money. De Oro expects to be in Denver when Huerton plays Eames next March, as he has a challenge in to meet the winner.

## Fresh Cow For Sale.

I have a Jersey-Holstein fresh milch cow for sale at my farm one mile southwest of Mynard. Phone 3-k. Earl V. Cole.

## Dodged.

During a lecture on history in a Baltimore educational institution the instructor had given a lengthy disquisition on the character of George Washington, incidentally touching upon his work as the organizer of the Revolution.

"Now," asked the instructor, "if George Washington were alive today what practical part do you think he would play in present day politics, judging from the past?"

A prolonged silence on the part of the pupils followed this. Finally, however, one lad saw a way out. "Sir," he queried, "wouldn't he be too old?"—Lippincott's.

# HAVE YOU?

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Have you looked over our 5 & 10c counters?  
Have you sampled our fresh candy?  
Have you examined our new stock of paper napkins and shelf paper?  
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Have you EVER found our goods below standard?  
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