

The commencement of the trade excursions from Eagle to this city ought to be hurried along. Secure some free attractions and make arrangements to handle the crowds and see that they are well taken care of, and it will help business immensely.

It is not too early to agitate for another Fourth of July celebration. Plattsmouth last year despite the immense disadvantages of the streets torn up had a wonderful celebration and the finest parade ever put on the streets by any city of its size in the state. By starting it early enough an even better celebration is possible. Let it be started.

Yesterday marked the formal return of the Atlantic squadron from its famous trip around the world. While the real effectiveness of the trip may be questioned in so far as it concerns other powers, there can be no doubt it has demonstrated the immense reserve strength of the fleet and the men manning the ships. They were entitled to the warm greeting they received when they reached the Virginia capes for they are a great set of fighting men.

The question of a number of small factories for the city is one which should receive consideration by business men and the property owners of the town. Other cities in this section are making every effort to secure these factories and they are not so much entitled to them as this city is. All the advantages which other Nebraska cities can claim Plattsmouth has, and in addition many more. An united effort to secure the small factory ought to be productive of results.

The construction of an interurban which would bring into the city country trade and which would make Plattsmouth a concentrating point for poultry, eggs, butter and the like would result in bringing much money to the city and in aiding materially in its upbuilding. The benefits would extend to every person having a dollar invested in the city or in the country adjacent to it. The advantages such a road would have are so manifest as to warrant the immediate looking into the matter, and the agitation for its construction. The farmer who would benefit by the creation of such a market should give it his attention also and assist in getting it under way. He would gain heavily by so doing.

It is quite plain that the row among the democrats at Omaha over the elective or appointive police commission, which is now up before the legislature probably means that no matter which side is adopted, the republicans will elect the board. They have so successfully split the democratic party of Omaha on that question that they could not elect the board if it should be decided to make it an elective board and they cannot hope to elect a mayor to appoint the board if it is appointive. There is, of course, a chance that the democrats will heal up their row before election time, but it is only a chance and the prospects are not bright. From a distance it looks like the Omaha democrats in their anxiety to grab spoils were going to lose all they now have and all they hope to get.

**Small Factories.**

There seems to be disposition of the small factories to seek the small cities instead of going to the large cities. There are many reasons for this, principally on account of the cost of living in large cities and better help can be secured. By "better" we mean men who are anxious to secure homes of their own and accumulate a small competence. These are the men to be depended upon. And several small factories are much better for a town than one large one. Our Commercial Club cannot do better than to secure a number of small factories.—Nebraska City News

The esteemed Omaha World-Herald acts very much as if it was going to drive the legislature into doing just as it wants in regard to the Omaha charter or to drive the members of that august body out of business. The World-Herald can accomplish much in the right way but threats and abuse have not often swayed legislative bodies. A little more calm consideration and a little less abuse would be a good thing for Omaha democrats and democratic papers.

The day of the small factory for the small town is at hand. The general tendency of these institutions is to seek the smaller towns and villages where they can get cheap rent and where they can readily obtain the labor they need. Plattsmouth is an ideal place for these institutions and the members of the Commercial Club should get after them and see if they cannot be brought in. A number of small factories in different lines would result in building up the business interests of the city. Let the small factory receive its attention by all means.

Yesterday was a day of riots in the country. South Omaha and Kansas City entered the list with vicious attacks upon Greeks and in Ottumwa, Iowa, a mob sought to take a negro accused of assault from the jail and lynch him. It is to be regretted that the mob spirit grows so in this country. It is a bad sign and one which does not augur well for the safety and stability of the nation. It is true that there are in many instances cases of great provocation and that one reason for the growth of the spirit is the failure of the law to mete out justice to the offenders. Juries are too lenient and are swayed by curious and complex motives in determining cases, often letting criminals go free when they should have been convicted. These things lead to the mob rising and taking the law in their own hands. The doing away with delays, the speedy trial and the prompt punishment of criminals would do much toward stopping this spirit which is growing into a flagrant disregard of the law, the country over. In the Omaha and Kansas City cases, the conditions do not seem to have been serious enough to have warranted the mob action but the Ottumwa case was a particularly atrocious one and in the measure the mob is not to be so severely condemned.

**A Good Newspaper's Broad Field.**  
(From the Philadelphia North American's "Confessions of a Newspaper.")

The newspaper that would best serve a public must go far beyond recording news. All newspapers disseminate information and keep their readers in touch with the development of public questions. The ideal paper must do more. It must create public sentiment, organize movements, raise funds, formulate legislation, work for appropriations and conduct a practical campaign for each good cause. It must be willing to stand alone when once convinced that its course is right. It must have convictions on all public questions, and obtain them in the face of misrepresentation. It must prize character and consistency above popularity.

To be informative, corrective and, most of all, constructive—this is the sum of the work.

**A Good Bill.**

There is a bill before the legislature prohibiting youths under sixteen or intoxicated persons from running automobiles. It ought to pass unanimously. No man would want to ride on a railroad having a sixteen year old boy at the throttle, and he has still more strenuous objections to a drunken engineer. The danger to the passenger is not so serious with the auto—there are not so many of them—but it is the ones not riding who suffer. A man can easily get out of the way of a train by stepping off the track; an auto with a small boy or intoxicated person running it is not so easily dodged. A stout tree is not always handy, and even if it is, the devil-wagon with a wreckless driver may chase half way up it after you. Pass the bill.—Central City Record.

The spirit of the mob which pre-

valled Sunday at South Omaha seems to have come to a definite end. This is to be hoped. There was no such provocation for the riot in that city as to justify it in any sense of the word. The bombastic and sensational utterances of a few men anxious to curry favor with the mob was responsible for the destruction of much valuable property and the injury of several persons, and they should feel ashamed of themselves for having taken so prominent a part in a senseless and foolish riot. It is probably true that the Greek is not the most desirable of citizens, but even if that be the case, it does not justify their expulsion from the community by force. And it is not so sure that men who make inflammatory speeches are altogether desirable citizens. The part of the good citizen is to depreciate mob violence and not incite it and this, the orators of the Sunday meeting seemed to have overlooked. Let it be hoped that Nebraska is not further disgraced by such disturbances.

**Show at Kenosha.**

An entertainment consisting of two plays, "Betsy Baker" and "From Pumpkin Ridge" will be given at the Kenosha church on Saturday evening, February 27. Admission 10 and 15 cents.  
**CHARACTERS "BETSY BAKER."**  
Mr. Mouser, a lawyer .....  
.....Omer Yardley  
Mrs. Mouser .....Manda Campbell  
Mr. Crummy, Mr. Mouser's partner and Mrs. Mouser's cousin ..  
.....Ray Campbell  
Betsy, Baker, heroine of the play .....Vera Yardley  
**FROM PUMPKIN RIDGE.**  
Jonathan Scroggins, a Yankee and hero of the play, . . . . .Glenn Campbell

Mr. Brown, owner of the premises  
.....Omar Yardley  
Augustus Simroy, a dude who tries to marry an old maid for her money ..... Ray Campbell  
Annie Brown, Mr. Brown's daughter ..... Vera Yardley  
Harry Clifton, Annie's lover .....  
..... James Conn  
First Policeman . . . . .Geo. Applegate  
Second Policeman . . . . .Fred Campbell  
Belinda Jane Hopkins, Johnatha Scroggins' sweetheart from Pumpkin Ridge .....  
..... Manda Campbell  
Miss Elisabeth Brown, Mr. Brown's old maid sister . . . . .Mary Trotter

**Many Sleepless Nights, Owing to a Persistent Cough, Relief found At Last.**

"For several winters past my wife has been troubled with a most persistent and disagreeable cough, which invariably extended over a period of several weeks and caused her many sleepless nights," writes Will J. Hayner, editor of the Burley, Colo. Bulletin. "Various remedies were tried each year, with no beneficial results. In November last the cough again put in an appearance and my wife, acting on the suggestion of a friend, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The result was indeed marvelous. After three doses the cough disappeared and has not manifested itself since." This remedy is for sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

In the account of the debate Friday evening between the Plattsmouth and Weeping Water schools, an unintentional injustice was done John Falter, one of the local debating squad. Mr. Falter delivered a strong and telling argument and did his full share in carrying off the honors for his school. By oversight mention of his work was unfortunately omitted and the amend is made to the fullest extent.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.**

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested and to the public, that the undersigned, Andy Thompson, has filed his petition and application in the office of the County Clerk of Cass County, Nebraska, as required by law, signed by a majority of the resident free holders of Eight Mile Grove precinct, setting forth that the applicant is a man of respectable character and standing and a resident of the state of Nebraska and praying that a license be issued to said Andy Thompson for the sale of malt, spirituous and vinous liquors for the period of one year from May 17, 1909, ending May 17, 1910, in a building on lot 1 in block 4, in the village of Cedar Creek, in Eight Mile precinct, in Cass County, Nebraska.  
Andy Thompson,  
Applicant.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**

State of Nebraska, Cass County, ss.  
In County court:  
In the matter of the estate of August Stohman, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the creditors of said deceased will meet the Administratrix of said estate, before me, County Judge of Cass County, Nebraska, at the County Court room in Plattsmouth, in said County, on the 8th day of March, 1909, and on the 8th day of September, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., each day, for the purpose of presenting their claim for examination, adjustment and allowance.  
Six months are allowed for the creditors of said deceased to present their claims, and one year for the Administratrix to settle said estate, from the 8th day of March, 1909.  
Witness my hand and seal of said County Court, at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, this 8th day of February, 1909.  
Allen J. Beeson,  
County Judge.

**NOTICE OF PROBATING OF WILL.**

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska.  
In the matter of the estate of John B. Meisinger, deceased.  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED OR CONCERNED:  
You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in the County Court of said Cass County to probate a will purporting to be the last will of John B. Meisinger, deceased, and for the appointment of the executors named therein. There will be a hearing upon said petition at my office in the Court House in the City of Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, at ten o'clock a. m. on the first day of March 1909, and all objections thereto must be filed prior to said hour, and at said time such orders will be made in the premises as the Court may deem just and proper.  
Allen J. Beeson,  
County Judge.  
D. O. Dwyer,  
Attorney.

J. L. Green of Eagle was in the city last night being a guest at the Perkins Hotel.

**Entertains for Miss Teegarden.**

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Douglass was the scene of much merriment and frolic Saturday evening when their daughters, Misses Vesta and Marie entertained a number of their friends in honor of Miss Grace Teegarden of Weeping Water.

The rooms were attractive, decorated with little hatchets and a color scheme of red, white and blue, commemorating the birthday of Washington. The principal amusement was derived from progressive high five and was entered into with much interest and enthusiasm. Miss Lucile Gass succeeded in capturing the king prize. Refreshments, characteristic of the occasion were then served and at a late hour the guests dispersed voting the hostesses delightful entertainers.

Those who enjoyed the Misses Douglass hospitality were Misses Hallie Parmele, Ellen Pollock, Helen Clark, Madaline Miner, Lucile Gass, Mildred Cummings, Catherine Dovey, Messrs. Geo. Dovey, Linn Miner, Clarence Statts, Fred Mann, Wayne Dixon, Frank Cloldt and Earl Hassler.

**Card of Thanks.**

For the many kind acts of sympathy shown us during the brief illness and death of our beloved husband and father, we desire to return our sincere thanks.

Mrs. Herman Herold.  
Otto F. Herold.  
Mrs. W. R. Skinner.  
Mrs. A. E. Pitt.  
Miss Freda Herold.

**Death of Sister.**

Mrs. Geo. Hild departed Sunday for Oklahoma where she was called by the unexpected and sad news of the death of her sister Mrs. Margaret Pappé. No particulars had been received as to the cause of her death, the message mere stating that she had died.