

# The Plattsmouth - Journal

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The Fort Crook Military band will play here on the Fourth of July.

Everything is very quiet in the city at the present time. It is too hot to do very much hustling.

Twenty-four republicans voted with the democrats in the lower house for the wool bill, while one democrat voted against it.

A refreshing shower right now wouldn't be out of place. But still the farmers say that corn is not suffering for the want of moisture.

The Bristow amendment was fought by La Follette, Gronna, Borah, Poindexter and Works, republicans, and every democrat in the senate save one.

Quite a crowd was on the street last evening to hear the band concert. The next one will be more generally attended by people from the country.

If the Lorimer committee insists on asking for the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, it is feared its deliberations may "disturb business."

The secretary of the Commercial club is kept pretty busy in replying to inquiries about Plattsmouth. Hill Wescott is able to give the desired information to all.

Last Sunday, June 18, was suggested as "Father's day," but not observed, unless some of the kids thought it a good time to strike the old man for a bigger allowance.

The Platte river bridge is interesting a goodly number of people, who think an investment in stock is an excellent proposition. Well, why shouldn't it be? It is on a direct route south and west.

If you want to attend a real, genuine old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration, where you can hear the Declaration of Independence read and the "Star Spangled Banner" sang, come to Plattsmouth.

Since the special session was called April 4 the senate has been in session a total of only eighty-two hours, which is about one hour a day. The rest of the time the senators devote to appearing august.

Filings for candidates before the primary election will expire Saturday night, July 15. There is plenty of time, but don't forget the date of expiration. The field is wide open and only requires the filing fee to place anyone in the race.

No federal income tax for at least another year. Five more states must ratify the amendment before it goes. The fathers certainly fixed the constitution so it would be immune against "sudden gusts of popular—and almost everything else."

Nothing is thoroughly bad. There is some good in every manifestation of evil. The much maligned, pugilistic English sparrow is now looked upon as the hope of the country in case of the threatened invasion of the seventeen-year locust. His cap-

acity for the consumption of that delicacy is said to be unlimited, his digestion phenomenal and his continual presence on the job certain. It is pleasing to learn that the sparrow is possibly other than an unmitigated nuisance.

While this question has not as yet been definitely answered, the house investigating committees are bringing out testimony which tends to throw light on the subject at least to the end of showing that the great trusts of the country have at some time or another had most of the government prosecutors on their payrolls.

From reports all over the country tramps are more numerous than for several years, and in every section of the country the farmers are yelling themselves hoarse for harvest hands. One hundred and fifty tramps were in the Burlington yards in Lincoln at one time yesterday.

One man in this city who has a nice lawn and tries to keep it clean, says he is going to purchase a pair of goats to eat the handbills that are thrown on his lawn. The goats also have a better record which he will be willing to demonstrate to anyone who throws any handbills in his yard.

The Journal truly agrees with Senator Gore when he says the democrats must nominate a candidate for president who "deserves to win and who is able to win." Yet, at the same time, there is a vast difference of opinion as to who that man should be. We have several good candidates looming up, and while the senator is of the opinion that Woodrow Wilson is the man to win, other leaders, as equally interested in democratic success, have other favorites who they believe are just as able to win as Mr. Wilson.

It will be a very strange thing indeed if there is not an almost universal demand for the lowering of the tariff on sugar when the information regarding the sugar trust which has been secured by the investigating committee reaches the people. The trust has been convicted of defrauding the government of millions. The republican party went into collusion with the Mormon church to get Utah to support it and it has levied a tax of 88 a year on the average family. The tax on diamonds is only 10 per cent, but on sugar it is 78.87 per cent.

Contracts have been entered into by the State Fair association with the Wright company of New York for two aeroplanes and two aviators to make two flights each day of the fair, September 4 to 8. Last year, Hoxey, with one machine, was secured for the flights, and when he went into one of the barns on Tuesday morning it deprived numbers of our people from witnessing this modern attraction. The management does not intend to have such an accident to one machine disappoint their patrons, so have gone to added expense to secure two complete outfits that people who come to one of the best fairs on earth will not be disappointed this year.

A \$25,000,000 bread trust which will operate, to start with, in twenty-one large cities, has been

formed in New York under the name of the General Baking company. The alleged object of the new octopus is to "educate the public to a higher standard of quality in bread." Inquiry at the office of Attorney General Wickersham elicited the information that absolutely nothing was known there of the formation of "any bread trust." The reply was not unusual, as the attorney general's office is generally the last place in Washington to go to for information which might be construed to admit the existence of any trust.

The silver wedding was the most popular feature of the Taft administration.

Everybody and their families are coming to Plattsmouth this year on the Fourth of July.

It is too hot to do anything rash. So don't make any rash promises that you can't fulfill.

Wheat has advanced a few cents, it is stated, on account of the poor crop in the two Dakotas.

The law against the sale of explosives in Nebraska is very rigid, and it will be well for dealers to be on the safe side.

Senator Lorimer has been swatted so generally this year that he must have a heart full of sympathy for the common house fly.

A fashion note says that girls are wearing their waists so high now that it is risky for a boy to hug his sweetheart—he might choke her to death.

If congress is going to get Uncle Sam's garden hood before the snow flies, they've got to do something besides smelling around the pig-pen for bad odors.

Cherries are very plentiful in this section of Nebraska, and are selling at \$1.25 per bushel. The berry crop is also immense. But where are we to get our peaches?

Scientists claim to have discovered suns fifty thousand times as large as ours. Please do not let any of them get in any of their work at present, as our own little old sun is getting in its work sufficiently right now, thank you.

The general counsel for the sugar trust expresses regret that the supreme court did not speak with more clearness and certainty concerning trust distinctions. We fail to see wherein the most explicit language would have relieved the sugar trust from the odium of crookedness.

It will be well for our dealers in fireworks to look up the law passed two years ago by the legislature, before they rush headlong into the sale of some things that are prohibited. Some of them are liable to get themselves into serious trouble. "A word to the wise," etc.

The people for miles around Plattsmouth will be here on the Fourth of July. The managers claim they will have a fine program, and if the Red Men keep up their reputation for doing things as they should be done they will have to hustle some. The day is not very far off.

The steamboat Chester arrived in Kansas City yesterday afternoon and it was met by a large delegation of business men, accompanied by a brass band. Every town from St. Louis up turned out to cheer the boat on its onward course. Evidently the people on the lower Missouri are being very much interested in river traffic. When will Omaha take on

a little of the enthusiasm possessed by Kansas City in this matter?

Some senators are threatening, if Canadian reciprocity is adopted, to revise the whole tariff. Well, why not? That was just exactly what the country expected in the special session of 1909. Instead, congress gave it a sham revision, and the people would not stand such monkey business.

The supreme judges appointed by Governor Sheldon will have to go some if they are nominated at the primary. There are now eight republican candidates in the field and others yet to come. The people have not forgotten the manner in which these three judges were appointed, when Governor Shallenberger should have had the say-so.

## LA FOLLETTE AND TARIFF.

Senator La Follette, it is announced, is soon to declare himself a progressive candidate for the republican nomination for president.

A year ago there were millions of progressive voters who would have thrown up their hats and shouted their satisfaction with this announcement. We doubt if there are nearly so many now.

La Follette was looked on then as a genuine and fearless progressive; as a man who was fighting consistently and without wavering against the evil of special privilege.

Today special privilege is attacked, in congress, in one of its most odious aspects. Democratic progressives are making an honest effort to reform some of the more glaring evils and inequalities in the existing tariff. To this end they are supporting not only the reciprocity treaty, as a step in the right direction, but they are proposing a farmers' free list bill, and a 50 per cent cut in the woolen tariff, and expect to prepare, before the session is very much older, similar bills making substantial reductions in the cotton, steel and sugar schedules.

What help are they getting from La Follette?

Exactly none.

A year ago La Follette, with other insurgent senators and representatives, was angrily denouncing the monstrous wrongs hidden in the Payne-Aldrich tariff. He was condemning that tariff as a breaking of platform pledges. He and other insurgents were joining with the democrats to pledge the country a revision downward.

Yet now, when the time is ripe, when the opportunity is at hand, the democrats are getting little help or encouragement from their insurgent allies. La Follette himself stands with Gallinger and Smoot and the special interests that are fighting reciprocity. He has had not a word of encouragement for the democratic tariff reduction bills. The democratic woolen bill is so conservative that Mr. Bryan has heatedly denounced it as an act of infamy and surrender. Yet it seems twice too radical for La Follette, if it be true, as reported, that he will propose as an amendment a 25 per cent reduction.

If this is where Robert Marion La Follette is to stand, what claim will he have to progressive support in next year's campaign? How can he even contest with Taft for his party's nomination, charging that Taft is not a progressive, if he is to allow Taft to make a more progressive tariff record than he makes himself?

The World-Herald cannot but entertain the hope that Senator La Follette will yet take his stand on the people's side of the tariff question, and that he will finally lend his help to the democrats who are trying to save the people hundreds of millions of dollars

annually which tariff robbery now compels them to pay over to the lumber, woolen, cotton, steel and sugar corporations. If he does not—if from beginning to end of the session he stands with Gallinger and Smoot to defeat the democratic tariff reform program—what a sorry travesty his "progressive" candidacy will become.—World-Herald.

## Burlington Men Appreciated.

From Thursday's Daily.—There was another blowout at the water main last night, which was repaired by Jimmie Hickson and his helpers. Through an oversight the good work of the four Burlington men who came to the rescue both nights was overlooked. Their good work with their air machine was what saved the pipe line. The pipe was laid in concrete last night, so that Jimmie says if it blows out a hundred years hence he will return and fix it and it "shan't cost the company a cent."

## Shoots Himself in Foot.

A special from Tecumseh, under date of June 22, says: "While engaged in shooting rats with a shotgun this afternoon Dr. C. D. Barnes, a physician of this city, suffered a serious accident. The gun was accidentally discharged and the charge struck him in the foot and lacerated the member to such an extent that amputation may be necessary." Dr. Barnes was born and reared in this city, and is well known to many of the older residents of Plattsmouth.

## Married in Omaha.

Mr. Lauren Mickle and Miss Mable Doty went to Omaha last week and were married Wednesday, June 14. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Doty, old residents of the county, living northeast of town about five miles. The groom has been a resident of the county since his birth, is a very fine young man, and both have many friends. They will reside on the E. B. Taylor farm south of town.—Weeping Water Republican.

## Error Corrected.

From Friday's Daily.—An error crept into the item in last night's Journal referring to Mr. Ed Streight of Lincoln, wherein we stated he was visiting his brother, H. J. Streight. Mr. H. J. Streight never had a brother Ed that he knows of. What we should have said was that Mr. Streight of Lincoln was a guest of his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Streight, of this city.

## Catch Fish Near Union.

From Friday's Daily.—W. J. Streight, A. L. Tidd, A. J. Beeson and Sheriff Quinton went to Union today on invitation of C. L. Graves, editor of the Union Ledger, and took with them their fishing licenses and tackle. When they return the Journal readers may look out for some whaling big fish stories.

## Operated on for Appendicitis.

Frank Vetesnik was operated on at Hot Springs, South Dakota, a short time ago for appendicitis. Anton Vetesnik, John Libershal and Joe Holly departed yesterday afternoon for Hot Springs, where they will visit Frank Vetesnik for a few days.

## Announcement.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination of the office of sheriff, subject to the decision of the voters at the coming primary. I ask them to place me in nomination on the democratic ticket.  
D. C. Rhoden.

## CALL FOR BIDS.

Bids will be received up to Noon on Friday, July 14th, A. D. 1911, at the office of the County Judge of Cass County, in his office at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, for the construction of one concrete culvert to be located one mile east and one-quarter mile north of Murray; also for one fill to be made on section line one and one-half miles section line one-half mile north of Union, Cass County, Nebraska. Work to be done out of Inheritance Tax fund.  
Plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Clerk in Plattsmouth, Nebraska.  
County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids.  
Allen J. Beeson,  
County Judge.  
Plattsmouth, Neb., June 19th, 1911.

## Do you want an AUCTIONEER?

If you do, get one who has Experience, Ability, Judgement.

Telegraph or write  
**ROBERT WIKINSON,**  
Dunbar, Neb.

Dates made at this office or the Murray State Bank.  
Good Service at 1:15:30 Rate

## TAFT LAUDS ALDRICH PLAN

President Says Currency Reform Transcends All Other Questions.

New York, June 23.—There is no legislation—I care not what it is—tariff, railroad, corporation, or of a general political character, that at all equals in importance the putting of our banking and currency system on the sound basis proposed by the national commission plan.

So declared President Taft to a big gathering of bankers and men of prominence in the financial and business world at a banquet of the New York State Bankers' association, which is in session at Manhattan Beach. His address was mainly devoted to a careful and coherent elucidation of the Aldrich national reserve association plan, which he warmly commended as providing for "the establishment of the 7,000 national banks of this country on a representative republican basis."

He declared it "a careful and well drawn plan, devised by a non-partisan commission," to avoid the concentration of controlling influence either in Wall street or in Washington, and expressed his belief that the plan in its general features ought to commend itself to "the whole business community of the country," the farmers and wage earners as well as the banking, railroad, commercial and manufacturing interests.

## MORTENSEN-FURSE IN SUPREME COURT

Arguments in Quo Warranto for Office of Railway Commissioner.

Lincoln, June 23.—Arguments in the quo warranto suit of Peter Mortensen against W. J. Furse, involving possession of the office of railway commissioner, were heard by the supreme court. The case devolves on the question whether the vacancy caused by the death of Commissioner Cowgill last October occurred in time for it to be filled legally at the November election, and whether Mortensen had a right to have his name upon the ballot as a candidate for the position. He was nominated by petition and was the only candidate whose name appeared on the ballot.

The suit was filed last January, after the legislature recognized Furse as the incumbent, by refusing to declare Mortensen elected to the position. Furse holds the office by appointment by Governor Shallenberger. He insists that Cowgill's death took place less than thirty days before the election and appointment by the governor was the only legal way of filling the vacancy.

## PROBE MORMON SUGAR DEAL

Cutler Tells of Relations of Church to the Trust.

Washington, June 23.—Inquiry into the relationship between the Mormon church and the American Sugar Refining company, which began before the house committee of inquiry into the sugar trust, disclosed that Henry O. Havemeyer's first dealings in the beet sugar industry were with the Utah Sugar company, in which the Church of Jesus Christ and the Latter Day Saints were interested. Thomas R. Cutler of Salt Lake, vice president and general manager of the Utah-Idaho Sugar Refining company and former bishop of the Mormon church, appeared before the committee as a witness. He declared that of the approximately \$9,500,000 paid up stock of the Utah-Idaho company the American Sugar Refining company controls \$4,650,000 or 465,000 shares; Joseph F. Smith, president of the Mormon church, as trustee for the church, 49,815 shares, and the estate of Henry O. Havemeyer 23,174 shares, while the balance is owned by 1,492 individual stockholders.

## Shoots Himself Instead of the Rats.

Tecumseh, Neb., June 23.—While engaged in shooting rats with a shotgun, Dr. C. D. Barnes, a physician of this city, suffered a serious accident. The gun was accidentally discharged and the charge struck him in the foot and lacerated the member to such an extent that amputation may be necessary.

## Byrnes Leaves Hospital.

Columbus, Neb., June 23.—John C. Byrnes has so far recovered from his recent operation as to be able to sit up. He returned home.

## CONDENSED NEWS

One hundred and fifty thousand persons saw the "rainbow" parade of the Foresters, the uniformed branch of the Modern Woodmen, now in session at Buffalo. More than five thousand men were in line.

Representative Lee O'Neil Brown of Ottawa assaulted E. O. Phillips, the legislative correspondent of the Chicago Tribune, in the speaker's room at Springfield. Mr. Phillips was unconscious for forty minutes.

The National Children's Home society, in convention at Detroit, elected a board of directors, among the members being Judge Ben Lindsey of Colorado, Rev. E. P. Quilley of Nebraska and F. A. Hiser of Iowa.

Congress will be asked for \$10,000 for the proper entertainment by the United States of Admiral Togo, the famous Japanese naval officer, who will visit this country immediately after the coronation festivities at London.