

Swearing off time is nearly here. Do it bravely.

Have you sealed your letter with a Christmas Seal? Don't forget to do it.

If present signs hold good a few days longer, Old Santa will be compelled to use his sleigh, after all.

The first thing you know, Mr. Procrastinator, you are going to find yourself in the last grand scramble.

The department of justice, if it believes there is a butter trust, ought to make its prosecution of it warm enough to dissolve it.

We are pleased to note that the merchants who are doing the advertising in the Journal are the people who are doing the Christmas business.

There will be more farmers in the new legislature than there has been in that body in many years. There is enough of them, in fact, to hold "the gay deceivers" within the bounds of justice and right. And they will no doubt do their duty.

It is very easy for republicans to suggest things that ought to be done under a democratic administration that they have failed to do in the past sixteen years of steady administering to the needs of the people. They have no business suggesting legislation that they have failed in doing while they had the opportunity under republican administrations.

The medical profession is waging a vigorous warfare against the quack, the charlatan and the "fee-splitter." The ministry is unalterably arrayed against the hypocrite and the man of dissolute life who uses his sacred office wrongfully. The third great "war of the professions" must be that waged by the high-minded members against the snitches, the slysters and the obstructors of justice generally.

There will be many new laws passed by the incoming legislature, and probably many old ones repealed, as they should be. It is not a question as to the number of laws passed. The fewer the better, so that they are sensible laws and mean what they read. The members should exercise judgment on the matter of presenting bills. It is not the proper thing to do to introduce bills simply to say that you did so, as such has been the case many times over. The member who uses judgment in voting on measures is worth more to the people than one who is a professional bill introducer.

If Governor-elect Morehead is looking around for a warden of the penitentiary he should cast his optics in the direction of Nebraska City, where resides Hon. George W. Leidigh, who has served three terms in the legislature and was warden of the penitentiary under Governor Holcomb's administration. It is a well known fact that he made a record as warden that no one should be ashamed of, and plenty of citizens scattered over the state can be found who will readily declare he made the best warden the state ever had. His record as warden should be sufficient to commend Mr. Leidigh to Governor Morehead.

Last call. Do that Christmas shopping now and have done with it.

You have just three days for biz, worthy friend, ere the shopping season is at an end.

The religion of some people depends chiefly upon whether the fig tree has figs or lemons on it.

The man or woman who waits till the night before Christmas to do their shopping can take their place in the "slow poke" ranks.

Santa Claus is getting things in readiness for the children. He hasn't decided whether he will use a sleigh or an automobile. He will let you know in time.

The Journal advertising columns certainly do present a fascination just now. You will certainly not fail to find the very thing you want listed there.

President Wilson promises public disgrace to the panic-makers. These troublesome schemers are not dealing with Taft and Roosevelt when they approach President Wilson.

Moses P. Kinkaid, the astute congressman from the big Sixth Nebraska district, now favors the election of postmasters by the people, now that we are soon to have a democratic administration, and he thinks by this means a number of republicans would stand a big show of retaining the offices in Nebraska. There is nothing wrong in the election of postmasters, but why didn't Moses think of this long ago?

When the new parcels post law goes into effect January 1, 1913, there will be much trouble unless patrons carefully follow instructions. Ordinary postage stamps may not be used, and each package must bear the return card of the sender. These conditions are mandatory, as is attested by the following excerpts from the department's instructions: "Distinctive parcels post stamps must be used on all fourth-class matter beginning January 1, 1913, and all such matter bearing ordinary postage stamps will be treated as 'held for postage;' and all parcels must bear the return card of the sender; otherwise they will not be accepted for mailing."

Clair J. Pitman, Denver's assessor, has become famous in a short time, and may serve as food for thought for other assessors in the large cities of the country, where they have selected such officials who have the bravery to do likewise in the performance of their duty. With an old-fashioned belief that property of all kinds should share equally in the patriotic joy of maintaining the government, etc., he has decided that the \$30,000 worth of wardrobe of Denver's lady of fashion ought to be taxed. In order to be taxed it has to be assessed. But he proposes to assess it and, ergo, to send deputies right into milady's boudoir, if unavoidable. Gowns will be listed; gowns of from \$50 to \$2,500 each, diamond-studded garters, corsets, shoes, silk hose and even the lingerie, some of which he states upon alleged information—it is not stated what sort of information—comes to \$2,000 per person. Perhaps Mr. Pitman is seeking a life job? If he successfully comes across with that undertaking won't he be entitled to it?

**UNITE FOR GOOD ROADS.**

The different organizations in this state that have gone on record in favor of state legislation for good roads, should unite behind some bill that can be agreed upon so that there need be only one measure asked for and supported by the organizations before the legislature. There are always enough members of the legislature who oppose any real development and enough others in the legislature who are so wrapped up in their own opinions that, notwithstanding the fact that there is an overwhelming demand for legislation of this kind, it can easily be killed if it is not centered in one measure, practical, efficient and that can command the support of all the different organizations.

This paper has advocated a state law that will raise a fund each year for expenditure on good roads in the state; a fraction of a mill levy established by law will do this. Then, if the bill provides for a competent state engineer with authority to enforce uniform road construction, such a law ought not to have any difficulty in passing.

The state aid for bridges law that was passed two years ago has proven that a law in which the state joins with localities in giving aid, works out satisfactorily. The state aid for bridges law requires the local town or county where the bridge is established, to bear a certain part of the expense. If a permanent levy is made for good roads, it will give the state a fund that can be distributed in proportion to the amount of money that different counties will put into the same work. Such state aid would have an incentive to all the different counties to be liberal in their expenditures because in proportion to their expenditures, they would receive aid from the state and in ten years' time a law of this kind would work a revolution in the highways of Nebraska that would not be accomplished in fifty years under the hit and miss methods of road construction now in vogue.—Lincoln Trade Review.

Christmas is only a few days ahead and there will be many stockings that may not be filled unless some charitable person in the community fills them. There are many other ways to show your Christmas spirit. Share it with the unfortunate poor people of the city. Those who have means owe it to themselves and to those less fortunate to share it. Those who have comfortable homes and filled larders owe an equity to those who have not. Those who have the children of their love, for whom they are planning their little or big surprises, to please whom they are perhaps making sacrifices, in making whom happy, they find their own highest happiness, owe to the wearers of the "raggedy" stockings at least a thank-offering in the name of their own little ones.

The Nebraska legislature will be asked to appropriate nearly \$7,000,000 for expenses of the various state institutions and salaries for the next two years. This is a great big sum of money, and it may be needed, but before these appropriations receive the signature of Governor Morehead you can bet your bottom dollar they will have to be right.

There will be no election next fall, according to the supplemental report of the codification committee, and members thereof are "it" on this decision. This will certainly be gratifying news to county officials who will hold over one year longer than they were elected for.

Many people have gotten rich by attending strictly to their own business. But did you ever know of one getting rich by attending to everybody else's business?



**It's a joy to give and a pleasure to receive—but one must use judgment in the selection of gifts. Choose gifts for men in a man's store—here.**

**PRACTICAL THINGS**

- Silk Handkerchiefs, initial or plain, 50c
- Dress Gloves \$1.00 to \$2.50
- Fur Lined Gloves and Mittens \$1.50 to \$4
- Sweater Coats \$1.50 to \$6.50
- Silk Neckwear at 35c to \$1.00
- Silk Mufflers 50c to \$2.50
- Knitted Mufflers 50c to \$1.50
- Box Hosiery, 4 pairs \$1.00
- Interwoven Silk Sox 50c
- Suspender and Garter Set 75c, \$1, \$1.50
- Interwoven Sox, 4 pairs \$1.00
- Initial Linen Handkerchiefs 25c
- Garter and Armband Sets 50c
- Silk Garters 50c
- Combination Sets (ties, silk sox and handkerchiefs) \$1.50 and \$2.00
- Combination Sets (ties and silk sox) \$1.00 and \$1.25
- Jewelry in sets and single pieces 25c to \$2.00
- Plain Linen Handkerchiefs 25c, 40c, 50c
- Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$3.50
- Traveling Sets \$6 and \$8
- Tie Ring \$1.00
- Fur Caps \$3.50 to \$5.00



**Falter & Thierolf**  
 MANUFACTURING GIVING CLOTHIERS

Manhattan Shirts

Stetson Hats

Open Evenings from December 12th to December 24th

**Attention, Farmers!**

My Dear Farmer—Have you your own farm or are you renting? I have land in Minnesota, cut over timber, from \$10 to \$15 per acre. One-third cash, balance at 6 per cent. I have good, smooth land in Stevens county, Minnesota, from \$15 to \$65 per acre. This land is sold direct from the owner of the land. No land company in this deal. I also handle the best land in eastern Oklahoma. Corn runs from sixty to seventy bushels to the acre. Now if you want land try me and see. I deal with no agent. If you come with an agent you must pay him yourself. Write or call.

Henry Hummels,  
 1421 North 26th St.,  
 Lincoln, Neb.

**Farm for Sale.**

135-acre farm, four miles from town, between 50 and 60 acres under plow, 7 acres hay land, balance pasture. Running water. Seven-room house and other improvements.

Inquire at the office of Rawls & Robertson, 10-10-11-wkly

We wish to call your attention to the fact that most infectious diseases, such as whooping cough, diphtheria and scarlet fever, are contracted when the child has a cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will quickly cure a cold and greatly lessen the danger of contracting these diseases. This remedy is famous for its cures of colds. It contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given to a child with implicit confidence. Sold by F. G. Bricke & Co.

**Fine Stationery.**

In making your holiday gift selections did it ever occur to you that a nice box of stationery is one of the most handsome and pleasing presents that you can find? One that pleases all the time until the last sheet of paper and envelope has been used. The Journal carries one of the most complete lines to be found in the city. Call and let us show them to you.

**COAL and FEED**

We are now handling a complete line of coal. Call and let us quote you prices for your fall and winter coal. We handle wheat, oats, corn and chop of all kinds.

Ind. Telephone 297  
**Nelson Jean & Co.**

**Fill "his stocking"**

with these---

An elegant silk tie in a telescope box. You could not please him better. All brand new goods and the very latest  
**50c to \$1.50**

Blanket Bath Robes and House-coats from **\$3.50 to \$7.50**—nothing better.

Those guaranteed sox—6 pair for **60c** in neat boxes are winners.

Suspender Sets from **75c up to \$1.50**—a very presentable gift. Packed in neat Christmas boxes.

**Handkerchiefs--** Don't forget these. Silk or linen initial at **15c, 25c AND 50c**

We are selling a great many Sweaters because we have the **right kind.**

SILK LINED GLOVES IN XMAS BOXES \$1.25

**C. E. Wescott's Sons**

Always the Home of Satisfaction  
 OUR STORE OPEN EVENINGS DURING DECEMBER

GET HIM A FUR CAP

