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Five and six below zero is pretty cold, thank you.

Now is the time to think of what you done with your last summer's wages.

Plattsmouth merchants are showing symptoms of rising to the parcels post occasion.

Woodrow Wilson is not at all superstitious. He believes '13 will prove a lucky number for him. We hope so.

Stories of how hard the winters used to be remind us that furnaces and steam heat were not in use in those days. That makes a big difference in these days.

A Kansas town has appointed three women to censor picture shows. Speedier matrimony for the galloping cowboys in films would lighten the monotony.

Uncle Sam owns the Panama railroad and operated it last year with a net profit of \$1,762,09. There is no competing line, but no attempt is made to charge all that the traffic will bear.

Fred Hellier of Nebraska City is the third or fourth candidate to come out for the postoffice in that city, and wants the people to decide the matter. Fred is a good man for the place and very popular with the masses of the people.

The members of the legislature will receive \$10 per diem, but the chief clerk and other assistants will receive only the same old pay, and some of them don't earn that. They are simply hangers-on and wall flowers most of the time.

One of our exchanges has a long article advising against the employment of "special sales experts." The advice is good; they do nothing more than the merchant can do himself, if he just has the nerve.—Omaha Trade Exhibit.

Some merchants have a queer idea of retaining trade. They claim it is too dull to advertise, when that is the very time they should advertise. Advertising, and keeping constantly at it at all seasons is what counts, and the successful merchant does it.

There does not appear to be many of the old, experienced members in the new legislature. There are enough, however, to "pull the wool over the eyes" of the inexperienced members, if they don't keep both eyes in the right direction.

The Journal is for any and everything that is calculated to benefit Plattsmouth, and every man who owns property and lives here should feel the same way. A citizen is either for his town or he is against it. There can be no sidestepping when the interests of the whole community is at stake.

The name of former Governor David R. Francis has been suggested for ambassador to England. Mr. Francis possesses an international reputation and is one of the ablest men in the west and possesses every essential to make a worthy successor of the late Whitelaw Reid at the court of St. James.

It is said Kearney actually saved \$70,000 by going without lights seven nights. We are from Missouri and demand to be shown.

The man who went away from Plattsmouth a few weeks ago, declaring that he was done with the town and didn't want to hear another word about Plattsmouth, has returned to Plattsmouth to look for a job. He is now ready to declare: "There are many worse towns than Plattsmouth." They soon learn this fact.

The remodeling of the Burlington depot is one of the big improvements for Plattsmouth in 1913. It will virtually be a new building, with all modern improvements. The Commercial club is responsible for this enterprise. Then say that a good working body of business men does not accomplish much to benefit the city. Why, it is simply preposterous.

We have started on a new year, but "where we are" nobody knows. The astronomers with their instruments have ascertained by the observation of other heavenly bodies that we are at least 300,000,000 miles from where we were when the past year began, and say that we will be 300,000,000 miles further on when the year ends, but where we are going or when we will get there they do not pretend to know.

The government has recently brought suit to determine if a wholesale grocer, after having sold wares to a retail grocer, can dictate to the retailer at what price such retailer must sell upon pain of boycotting the retailer should the latter not maintain the price. The practice of doing so has been common. The case in point has been brought against a manufacturer of a certain breakfast food. If the company is found to have been violating the law of interstate commerce, and such a law will stick, state laws to the same effect will follow, if indeed the practice is not already forbidden under the Junkin anti-trust law.

Did you make a New Year's resolution? Yes, several of them. And have broken them all already? Well, you have only had six days so far. Take another week and then report. Maybe the inventory we take of ourselves on New Year's day is a good thing. It probably is. We look ourselves over, see how badly worn our bad habits are and how much dust has accumulated on our good habits from lack of use, and then resolve to turn over a new leaf. We do so—and then proceed to soil the new, white year-page with just the same sort of rubbish or worse, that was marked all over the one we turned down. But, honestly, we don't think much of New Year's resolutions. If any man knows he ought to brace up and do something he is neglecting, or quit doing something he is letting do him harm and waits along until New Year's day to decide to make the change he is very probably planning all the time not to keep his resolution. There may be some New Year resolutions kept now and then, but give us the resolutions that are made along through the year, when it is not popular or fashionable or "the thing" to "resolve" and you can keep all your New Year's resolutions and we'll ask no odds or favors.

It cannot be denied that there are some business men in Plattsmouth who will insist on having nothing to do with the Commercial club under existing circumstances. But those circumstances the Journal is not familiar with. But if there is any illfeeling engendered by some maneuvers of the club, this paper desires to see such feelings pacified. We need the Commercial club, and every business man in Plattsmouth should be one of the spokes in the wheel that makes things go. Let us start the new year with a strong Commercial club. Give every business man a voice in its deliberations and let everyone do his duty to make "harmony" the battle cry for 1913.

We are getting a fair taste of winter now.

A girl in the home is worth two dozen on the street.

This sort of weather will put a quietus on outdoor work for a time.

The legislature meets tomorrow, and the question is, who will be speaker?

This is the sort of weather that makes the coal man look wise, and the ice man smile.

Congressman Maguire wants \$275,000 for the construction of a four-story addition to the federal building at Lincoln.

An ex-president with the average grit has no fear that American opportunity will fail to open a way by which he can make a suitable living.

Governor Morehead will be inaugurated on Thursday next, when Chester Aldrich will retire to private life, but will make his home in the capital city.

Parcels post appears to be the subject of the hour over the country. Everywhere there was intense interest as to who would send out and receive the first parcel.

Seventy-five Omaha bull moosers met the other night in banquet and resolved that they never would fuse with the republicans again. Would it not have been a good idea for them to have waited until they were asked?

Those who have stuck it out this long and are still able to walk past a thirst parlor with a firm step, and not even look in the windows, are to be commended, and at the same time reminded that it is only 360 days till another New Year comes along!

It behooves each and every member of the legislature to keep their eyes open when the appropriation bills are presented. Nebraska is a great state, and the taxpayers are perfectly willing that the state institutions should be well cared for, but they have no money to throw away on grafters.

Game Warden Miller will recommend that the law which grants to any person the right, upon the payment of a fee \$4 and a deposit certified check for \$100 to go to any part or tract of water taking fish therefrom with seines be repealed. He claims that it is useless to try to protect fish in the waters of the state while the use of seines are permitted.

Express company officials declare they will keep the rates up and wait for Uncle Sam to make the rate failure of parcels post that is surely due bad Uncle Samuel. Too bad Uncle Sam didn't go to the express companies for a little advice before he tried such an expensive experiment. But the old man never has failed in anything that he has undertaken yet.

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Entire Stock of Men's and Boys' SUITS and OVERCOATS in Our Semi-Annual Clearance Sale at Big Price Reductions!

Bear in mind the reliability of the clothing we sell and the reasonableness of our regular prices. Read over the price reductions for this sale—then stay away if you can. You certainly can't afford to. Men who are buying their clothes at this sale are saving good money and are mighty well pleased.

Our Entire Stock Divided into 4 Lots

Lot No. 1	Lot No. 2	Lot No. 3	Lot No. 4
10% OFF	20% OFF	30% OFF	40% OFF
Boys' Suits worth \$10 now \$7.50	Boys' Suits worth \$7.00 now \$4.75	Boys' Suits worth \$4.00 now \$2.85	Boys' Suits worth \$3.50 now \$2.35

Men's Fur Coats at 10 to 20 per cent reduction. Men's new Aviation Caps 95c. Men's and Boys' Sweaters 39 and 59c.

Delays are dangerous. The sooner you investigate this opportunity for substantial money saving the better for you.

C. E. Wescott's Sons

Always the Home of Satisfaction

One of the first bills to be presented in the new legislature will provide for public ownership of telephone exchanges and long distance toll lines in Nebraska. We do not believe such a bill can get through, although there could not possibly be any serious objection to such a measure.

The head officers of the Modern Woodmen of America continue to advise the local camp organizations of that society to advertise in the local newspapers. Many of them are following this suggestion, not only in the states recently entered by the society, but also in others in which it is well established. Where the field will warrant, the officers recommend the display advertisement as the thing. Such camps have used whole pages of local newspapers within the last month or two. Others have found it possible to set forth within twenty lines the claims of the society respecting sound insurance at the lowest rates. A snappy paragraph once a week will get results, in the opinion of Head Counsel A. R. Talbot, though the display ad will attract greater attention.

Everybody's doin' it. Doin' what? Smoking ACORNS, 5c cigar. Made by Ptak & Rajek.

A perusal of the report of the warden of the penitentiary for the year is instructive. It discloses the interesting fact that of the 545 prisoners who left the institution in the year, only 294, or only a trifle over 50 per cent, were released because their terms had expired. More than 250 who had been convicted of crimes by the juries who had heard their cases and sentenced by the courts that were familiar with the facts surrounding such crimes, were released before they had expiated such crimes. Of this number 2 were killed while escaping, 3 died, 1 was executed, 4 was murdered by a fellow prisoner, 22 escaped, 12 were remanded by courts, 15 transferred to asylums, 5 were furloughed, 138 were paroled, 9 commuted and 29 pardoned. There were received at the prison 450 prisoners during the year. The number pardoned commuted and paroled was 40 per cent of the number received at the prison.—Lincoln Star.

COUGHING AT NIGHT.

One bad cough can keep the whole family awake at night. Phil. Disorneau, Schaffer, Mich., says: "I could not sleep on account of a bad cough, and I was very weak. I used Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, and soon the cough left and I slept soundly all night." For sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

GROUPY COUGHS AND WHEEZY COLDS.

The quickest, simplest way to rid the children of dangerous, groupy coughs and wheezy, stuffy colds is to give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It gives almost instant relief and stops a cough promptly. It soothes and heals. Contains no opiates. For sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

Masked Ball January 18.

The Katolicky Sokol society of this city have made arrangements to hold their second annual grand mask ball at their hall on West Locust street on the evening of Saturday, January 18, 1913. Several excellent prizes will be given for the different costumes, which will be announced later. The best of music has been secured and a royal good time is assured to all those attending this enjoyable event.

The Modern Woodmen of America will give their first annual mask ball on the evening of January 25, 1913. Good prizes will be given and a royal good time is assured to all. Music by the M. W. A. orchestra.

We have a few boxes of excellent stationery which we are selling at 22 cents a box, and the following letters in the initial paper: 2 I, 4 P, 2 E, 1 G, 4 O, 2 J, 2 C, which we are selling at 30c each.

YOU never had a better chance to increase the value of your clothes money than we're giving you now—we've put a clearance price on every suit and overcoat in the house.

It is an opportunity you men ought not to pass up; a chance to get the best suits made at the price of the ordinary kind.

The following reductions from regular prices will be made:—

All \$15.00 suits and overcoats	\$11.25
" 18.00 " " "	13.50
" 20.00 " " "	15.00
" 22.50 " " "	16.25
" 25.00 " " "	18.75
" 27.50 " " "	20.00
" 30.00 " " "	22.50

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