

The Plattsmouth Journal

PUBLISHED SEMI-WEEKLY AT PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA
Entered at Postoffice, Plattsmouth, Neb., as second-class mail matter

R. A. BATES, Publisher

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE: \$1.50 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE

SINCE 1915.

In the spring of 1915 a New York banker and a London banker met and talked about the war, and in the course of their conversation they discussed matter of what questions were up for settlement in the titanic struggle. At first of the opinion that there were no more than five or six problems presented, before they concluded their conversation they decided there were not less than thirty-six. Here are some of the questions they decided were up for settlement:

Whether a government belongs to a people or the people belong to the government. Whether small individual states have any right to exist. Whether the French nation will continue to exist. Whether the republican form of government shall continue in France, it being deemed that the people were waiting to see whether a republican form of government can defend the country in time of war. Whether Belgium shall continue to exist. Whether treaties shall be considered sacred or mere scraps of paper.

Since these bankers talked the United States has entered the war, which apparently is no nearer an end than it was in 1915. In the meantime, however, the numerous problems involved have resolved themselves into one big, all-comprehensive problem: Shall democracy or autocracy rule the world?

And in the meantime, too, one of the minor questions considered by these bankers seems to have solved itself. Under fearful stress, such as France as a monarchy would not have survived, the republic of France has stood firm and is still ready to withstand the continued assaults of her assailants. France as a republic has made good with the world and made good with herself.—Joplin Globe.

CLEANUP TODAY.

Cleanup days have but one enemy; it is carelessness. Everything else is in their favor. The daylight saving system provides the required time to get rid of the winter's gathering of rubbish and an appreciation of beauty and a sensible step to safeguard property and life should provide the incentive.

An hour or two in the late afternoon devoted to a determined war on rubbish and dirt will make Lincoln look like a new city. Alleys, cellars and backyards are the greatest catch-alls of trash and special attention should be given to cleaning them. An energetic campaign by Lincoln people will produce tangible results which may be proved if a year hence the books of the fire department chief are consulted and the number of fires noted. There is no one thing which causes so many fires as piles of rubbish. A stray match and a pile of trash will nine times out of ten mean a blaze.

Piles of dirt left in the corners and by places will mean filth as soon as the heavy spring rains come. And filth means germs and germs mean sickness and death. If for no other reason, clean up days should be stringently enforced as a measure to safeguard human life.

The most direct result of a general cleanup is the increased beauty of the property. A city which has no unsightly homes and business places is actually a richer city than metropolises in which the houses are ill-kept and the alleys filled with refuse. Any real estate dealer knows that he can sell a property quicker if it is clean and tidy. A well kept home, and likewise, a well kept city, means prosperity.—Lincoln Star.

TO THE KAISER.

These six things doth the Lord hate; yea, seven are an abomination unto him:
A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood.
An heart that deviseth wicked imagination, feet that be swift in running to mischief.
A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.—Prov. 6:19-19.
And still the bootlegging goes on.

TO THE JUNK HEAP.

At last the obnoxious statue of Frederick the Great has been removed from the grounds of the War college in Washington and appropriately consigned to a junk heap in the cellar of that institution. This is such a disposal as present conditions call for and as is merited by the effigy of an autocratic, conquering Hohenzollern of another age. Though not an ancestor of Kaiser Wilhelm, the author of the first dismemberment of Poland has long been the inspiration and model of the present would-be world-conqueror, the two possessing many evil traits in common, and the statue of the earlier German autocrat standing in our capital has been scarcely less an offensive to our ideals and patriotic feeling than would have been an effigy of Germany's present arch-enemy of the world himself.

The statue should not have been accepted when it was offered by the kaiser fourteen years ago, and acceptance was very properly opposed in congress at the time on the ground that Frederick the so-called Great, represented ideals of military autocracy in conflict with all that Americans have held dear. But that time nobody realized that the gift was a part of a far-reaching propaganda following the visit of Prince Henry of Prussia, who came to rally to the flag of the fatherland the German blood of this country in preparation for the coming world-war. Peing a polite and unsuspecting nation, we accepted the gift in the same spirit in which we gave Prince Henry a good time and innocently helped him to forward his schemes. Now, in the awakening, we are wiser, and in consequence the monument to Hohenzollern aggression goes to the junk heap.—Fremont Tribune.

"THE LAST QUARTER OF AN HOUR"

After all speculation is done with one fairly sure thing remains about the long hammering battle in France and that is that the usual result will depend upon the disposition of the opposing armies when the "last quarter of an hour" arrives.

The Germans are striking at widely separated points in the allied line and these tactics have a tendency to upset all theories of their objective. It will be less confusing if we keep in mind that it is all one battle and that the German command is fighting it like a game of chess. As a French officer has expressed it they are now "swapping pieces" to break up the formation in the hope that when the swapping process is over they will be in superior strength and position for the final phase of the struggle.

These are the tactics Grant used in the successful campaign against Richmond, or rather against Lee's army, for Grant rightly regarded the Confederate forces in the field as his real objective. He had the numbers and could afford to swap pieces with Lee, and by continually forcing him to swap—although Grant lost battles in the process—Lee was so reduced in strength that he could not meet the "last quarter of an hour" when it came.

Hindenburg is trying desperately to outlast the Allies in this game, confident that he has them outnumbered but perfectly aware, we may be sure, that the game will lose unless he can force a decision before the allies reserves come up. He knows that when America brings up the reserves "swapping pieces" is at an end for him. The present phase of the battle will be protracted. The enemy must continue to hammer and will strike whenever he thinks he can at least make the allied losses equal his own. If he is to succeed he must do to Foch what Grant did to Lee, but with this difference—he must do it without hope of making good his own losses and in the knowledge that the Allies can make their if they can withstand his blows this summer, and if America can bring up its reserves in time.—K. C. Star.

The Germans ingenious as they are have not invented a satisfactory substitute for victory. And they never will.

UNCLE SAM KEEPING SCHOOL.

The National Bureau of Education has for some time been issuing small pamphlets entitled "Lessons in Community and National Life." These lessons should become a part of the regular course in every high school in the United States. The student can get from one of these lessons, such as that on money standards, more scientific political economy than by reading an immense volume by some standard writer on the subject. There are lessons on other subjects just as valuable. They are completely void of intellectual gymnastics and state the truth laid down by writers of authority in such a simple way that any ordinary student can comprehend.

The lesson on standards is especially valuable. The student is informed how such terms as "foot" and "yard" came into the use and how they have been reduced to a standard so that every foot and yard is exactly the same. The money standards is treated in the same intelligent and scientific manner, as the following extract shows:

"First, our government cannot control the real value of gold, that is, its power to buy other things. If the amount of gold is increased, the power of any single dollar of it to purchase other commodities becomes less than it was before. All the government can do is to guarantee that a coin is of a certain definite weight and a certain degree of purity. It provides that 25.8 grains of gold shall be a dollar and that this gold shall be nine-tenths pure. The government no more regulates the value of gold when it prescribes the number of grains that shall constitute a dollar than it fixes the value of wheat when it says that there shall be 60 pounds in a bushel."

The treatment of the question of corporations, the reasons for their formation and the benefits they confer on society, is just as lucid as the lesson on standards. The imparting of such knowledge has heretofore been largely confined to the finishing course in colleges and universities. In these lessons it is made accessible to the common people. Uncle Sam has gone to "keeping school."—World-Herald

A HINT TO JESS WILLARD.

Nobody is getting up any great enthusiasm over the ambition of Mr. Jess Willard to clean up some money at this time by fighting Mr. Fulton. What is going on in France is rather absorbing attention in the fighting line. But if Mr. Willard really wishes to stir up some enthusiasm he could do it quite handsly. All he need to do would be to offer his services as boxing instructor at one of the training camps.—K. C. Star.

The weather man does the best he can.

The man who makes no mistakes is a scarcity.

Potsdam lies no different from other dam lies.

We hope the nation will not get over-excited about the change in the foot ball rules this fall.

Not until the day victory or death overtakes us shall we have the right to say we have done our share.

The number of states already bone dry probably will keep the proposed boycott on Milwaukee from being the howling success its perpetrators expected it to be.

RED CROSS HOGS AND RED CROSS FLOWERS
Leave your flowers with Mrs. W. E. Rosencrans, and the hogs with W. E. Rosencrans, who will have his garage at the rear of the Elks Club rooms ready to receive and take care of them. Mrs. Rosencrans will see to it that the hogs do not eat the flowers. Do not be afraid that we will have too many hogs, and bring them in early.

Is there a speed limit?
Some autoists don't seem to think so.
They will know it some of these days.
And they should know pedestrians have rights, also.

What the Summer girls will be soon praying for is a moonlight evening bill.
Some fellows come through Main street at the rate of more than 30 miles an hour.
Each individual is a military unit in an unbroken chain, and a single weak link may cause disaster.

It is untrue to say that everybody in Germany is hungry. The Kaiser and his family, of course, are exceptions.
Attacks of Spring fever will be much lighter this year. There will be no railroad folders to make them vibrate.

The postmen are talking of changing the name of the Guinea hen, but the restaurants have beaten them to it.

Yes, we bought a bond—a little one but we went our limit. If you haven't gone your limit you haven't gone far enough.

Mr. Creel is not alone in his thankfulness that we were unprepared for this war. No doubt the Kaiser is just as thankful as Mr. Creel.

In case the war continues until all the major league ball players have gone to war, why not have a National League of Fats and an American League of Leans?

There is a rumor that many of the high school graduates conserved on commencement dress this year in order to have more money to blow in on engraved announcements.

The best insurance for your property and your liberty is a Liberty Bond. Either we win this war or your dollars are not worth a tinker's dam. Loan to Uncle Sam or give to Bill the Hun!

Uncle Sam, railroad magnate, has placed an order for 30,000 coal and box cars. If the railway companies had shown this foresight a year or so ago, it is not likely that government control would have been necessary.

Little Chase county, away out in western Nebraska, has set a record that other Nebraska counties will have to shoot at for a long time. It has subscribed 175 per cent on Liberty Bonds and 170 per cent on Thrift stamps.

Will Maupin, in consequence of his connection with the Nebraska Bureau of Publicity, which demands his entire attention has quit as editor of the York Democrat. Will Maupin is one of the best newspaper men in the state, and we hate to lose him from the fold. He is one of our staunch friends.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured
by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the organs.
We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists.
J. C. HALL & CO., Toledo, O.

Buy a Liberty bond—\$50; and Thrift Stamps 25 cents and up.

If rich men can't violate the election laws and get away with it, nobody can.

"Americanize America" should be the slogan of every lover of the Stars and Stripes.

Again it looks like a careless distribution when California gets the earthquakes and Germany doesn't.

It is now a crime punishable by \$10,000 fine and thirty years in prison to blow up a war industry and get caught at it.

There seems to be no great effort in this town to sell women's overalls. They are not needed in working in the Red Cross rooms.

Beef being up again in price, we can go back to the meatless day and fool the smarties who seem to imagine we have forgotten that training.

The Allies have decided to give General Foch dictatorial powers, which is taken to mean all the men and guns he needs to dictate terms to the enemy.

Economy in men's clothes will meet with no complaint so long as no curtailment is made which would expose their scrawny calves to the pitiless public.

Fritz Kreisler has declined to write a comic opera for Mr. Dillingham, "because" he doesn't feel "comic." Since when was feeling comic a requisite for comic opera composing?

The young man who says when he proposes to a young lady that he knows that he can make her happy is as self-conceited as the politician who says he is well qualified to make laws to suit the people.

Except for a few members of the American Bolsheviks, everybody agrees that the New York street car conductor who "knocked down" twenty-two fares out of twenty-three was Too Ambitious.

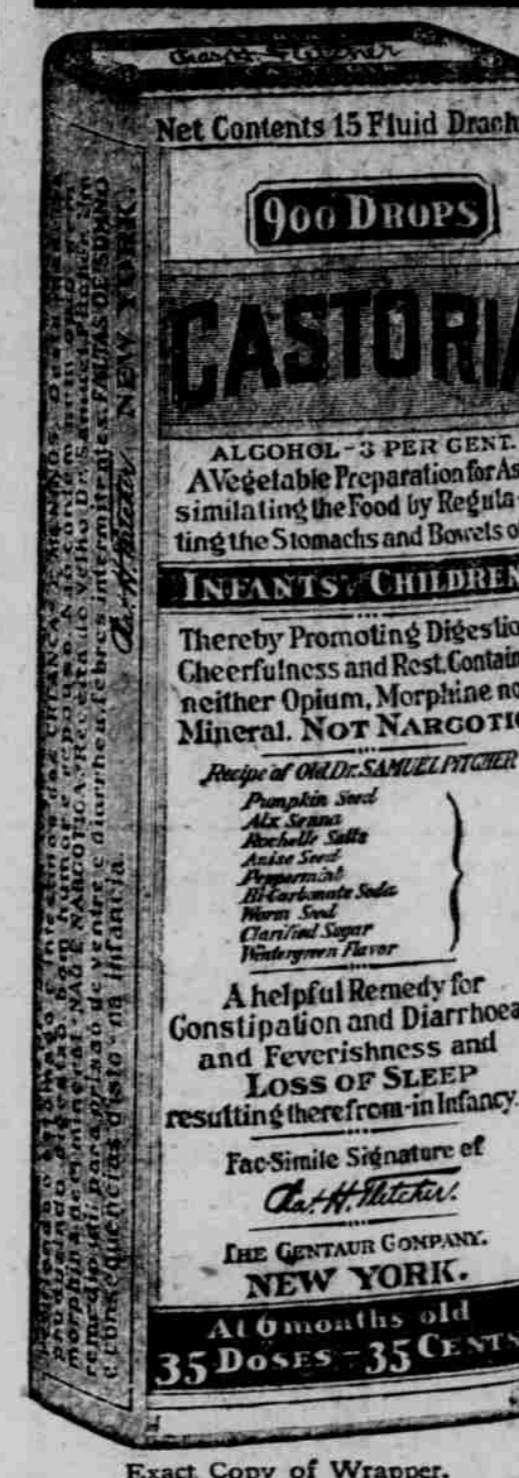
"Every girl should sing as naturally and joyously as a bird," says Mme. Galli-Curci. Many do, but pick out the wrong birds. Why do so many seem to have selected the turkey hen as an example?

They were Hindenburg's picked troops, those who made the 5-day attack on the Americans at Toul. For the next assault on the American line Hindenburg had better pick troops he doesn't ever expect to need again.

Regarding the case of the Kansan whose home was raided for booze and seven hundred pounds of hoarded flour was found instead, a thirsty reader from Oklahoma inquires to know whether the flour has been thoroughly sifted.

Max Eastman denies responsibility for what appeared in the Masses, although he admits he was its editor-in-chief. But when you remember that the Masses had more contributors than it had readers, you probably can get Mr. Eastman's viewpoint.

Uncle Sam begged the farmers to raise more and fatter hogs because he needed the pork and the extra fat. The farmers patriotically responded, only to discover that they were being penalized from 60 to 85 cents a hundred pounds for doing so, the lean, scrubby hogs bringing a better price than the fat ones. If the farmer registers a "kick" now and then at the way things are going, we can not find it in our heart to blame him very much.



CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.
Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Hutchins* In Use For Over Thirty Years **CASTORIA**

Miss Spring is not happy.
She don't like a fellow that lingers.
Cowardice has created more menials than any other thing in the world.
It is well and good to be faithful to your task, but never let the task worry you.
No matter how eager a woman was to break into a hospital, she always is glad to get out.
In this country we do not put the dollar above the man; we put it behind him. Buy a Liberty Bond.
The American soldiers are fighting and dying in France that the world may be free. What are you doing at home?
EGGS FOR SALE.
Single Comb White Leghorn eggs for hatching. \$5.00 per 100. Call Phone No. 2205, Mrs. A. E. Satchell, Plattsmouth, Neb. 4-1-Imowkly
FOR SALE
Five good, large work horses.—Mark White, Plattsmouth, Neb.

TWO-THIRDS MILLION GERMANS ARE MISSING
Amsterdam, April 28.—Speaking before the main committee of the German reichstag on Friday, according to Vorwarts, General von Rosenberg stated that on March 31, last, the number of Germans missing had reached a total of 664,104. Of this number, he said, 236,676 were prisoners in France; 119,000 in England, 157,000 in Russia and Rumania and the remainder could be regarded as dead.
SEED CORN.
The County Defense Committee have taken charge of the Lawrence Stull old corn crop for seed, and commencing Monday, April 29, all those wanting good seed may get the same by calling at the Stull farm, north of Plattsmouth, where there will be a man in charge of the same. For particulars call Sheriff Quinton at Plattsmouth, or County Agent, L. P. Snipes, at Weeping Water. There will be in the neighborhood of 3000 bushels in the lot. w&d
SEED CORN FOR SALE
White Seed Corn. Call Phone No. 253-W. R. C. Cook. 4-22-2wkskwy
The finest line of Box Papers at the Journal office.



Don't let them get it; Keep it safe in Our Bank.
IF YOU HAVE MONEY, MUCH OR LITTLE, YOU'VE FOUND OUT THAT EVERY TIME YOU TURN AROUND THERE'S SOME HAND OUT.
OH, IT DOESN'T SEEM MUCH HERE OR THERE, BUT IF THOSE LITTLE SUMS WERE ALL IN THE BANK THEY WOULD MAKE A BIG SUM IN A YEAR.
NOT ONE OF THOSE HANDS WOULD SERVE YOU IN DISTRESS—DUT YOUR MONEY WOULD. START A SAVINGS ACCOUNT NOW.
WE PAY 4 PER CENT ON TIME DEPOSITS, AND 3 PER CENT ON XMAS SAVINGS CLUB.
COME TO OUR BANK.
Farmers' State Bank
THE NEW BANK!
SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES 50 CENTS PER YEAR