

# 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 \$2.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE

More rain, more grass.  
This country is not suffering for moisture.  
Railroad washout will now come.  
Blizzards in the west.  
President Wilson sends for the George Washington.  
April showers will certainly bring forth early May flowers.  
The grass looks pretty on a clean lawn. Now is the time to clean up.  
This is dress-up week, but most people in this burg seem to be wearing their work duds.  
Gents who have nothing to say worth anybody's hearing are always frenziedly in favor of free speech.  
No man ever got nervous prostration pushing his business; you only get it when the business pushes you.  
Well, it looks as if some Germans are going to reach Paris in another week, after a period of desperate attempts extending over four years.  
Every fellow appears to be waiting for the other fellow to make a break in war time prices for common grub.  
The annual selective draft again is in operation. The husband army is mobilizing to carry out the mandates of the League to Enforce Sweet Peas.  
The fear now is that the next thing the peace conference is called upon to do may be to appoint a committee to fix the responsibility for re-starting the war.  
Now that the administration is talking about freeing the Philippines, we are in hopes the United States will be next in freeing itself from a German propaganda.  
It is possible, that Gene Mayfield will resign from the board of control in a few days. Gene Mayfield is a valuable man anywhere you put him, and he can command a bigger salary than as member of the board of control.  
According to the Wichita Eagle, an editor in a nearby town has moved his press over against the door and is having his meals sent in at the window since he let this get by in a society item: "Mrs. Catt's popularity is evidenced by her mangy friends in this vicinity."  
It is also reasonable to hope that as soon as we are reformed from smoking cigarettes and from drinking injurious coffees and teas, the cultivation of green apples also will be prohibited, thus removing another dangerous temptation from small boys.  
You can sort of understand why so many German statesmen are inclined to dodge the appointment to go to the peace conference and sign on the dotted line. They know they will not be popular in Paris, and will not be any more popular in Germany when they get back with a certified copy of what they signed.  
It is easy to get signers for a petition for clemency for Mr. Debs. Mr. Debs is an aged man who has seen much trouble and has a prospect for more. Hence many would sign out of pity. What is a much harder task is to make Mr. Debs keep his mouth closed and refrain from further seditious conversation until the President has time to look into the case.

Beware of something that is easy.  
Will we have spring by the first of May? Don't all speak at once.  
The people will rest easy when the legislature adjourns sine die. While it has done some good work, it has adopted many foolish things.  
We are certain that if some of our women with one of those new narrow skirts knew how big her feet looked, she would go home in-stanter and put on a hoop skirt.  
It is said the relatively low loss of life in the Omaha tornado Sunday night was due to the fact that in previous tornadoes the people had learned just where to run for protection.  
Plattsmouth has been pretty lucky with storms. No serious storms have visited here in years. The latest snow storm in the west was pretty general and came as far east as Ashland, and stopped, for all of which we feel thankful.  
Those whose religion is that big concerns like the Standard Oil Company need no management, but will run of their own momentum, are advised to watch the Standard Oil interests in Hungary, which have recently been taken over by a soviet.  
Premier Clemenceau says while clothes are so high he is "not going to indulge in the luxury of a new coat just because some fool shot holes in his old one." Clemenceau never rises to such heights of statesmanship as to make him forget that he is an editor.  
Nobody wants to hurry the Peace Conference of course, but when it does get through, would the American delegates be interested in a little conference with some of the profiteers here at home, with a view to making peace with them, or getting up a league or something?  
It is hard to please everybody in running a newspaper, no matter how hard we try. Where parties are interested in an item of news, they will often drop in and plead to not publish the item, because it refers to them, and almost nine times out of ten we favor their request in sympathy for them. Then comes a patron and reader and asks why we did not publish the item. And that's the way it goes in the newspaper business. Try as we may, but you can't please everybody.  
The Truth About Russia Committee, knowing exactly what it wants to find the truth to be, is the most reliable source of information the American public could have. Not having been in Russia the committee's mind is unconfused. It is not swayed by events or checked by obtrusive facts. The public is requested not to accept anything as the truth about Russia until the committee has ascertained whether it conforms to what the committee has previously determined the truth must be.  
While Prohibition will take from the workman and all others beer as a beverage in the United States, the workmen of England are demanding more beer, of a better quality and at a lower price, and they will probably get it. It is not possible to lobby Prohibition through Parliament after the fashion it was lobbied through State Legislatures in the United States. If England ever goes dry, of which there is no sign as yet, it will do so as the result of national sentiment, not of paid lobbying in Parliament.

### FOREIGN-BORN PATRIOTS.

George Creel, writing from the results of his observations as chairman of the committee on public information, says in Everybody's: "As long as history is read it will stand as a monument to the democratic experiment that in an hour of confusion and hysteria the American theory of unity stood the iron test of practice. For the most part, those of foreign birth or descent kept the faith in spite of every bitterness—the great mass of the native population held to justice in spite of every incitement to hatred and persecution. And out of the best emerged an American triumphant, strengthened and unstained!"

"After all the hubbub about 'rebellion,' 'armed uprising,' 'monster interment camps,' etc., the showing was, to put it plainly, rather disappointing. In all of us there is a certain savage something that thrills to the man hunt. People generally and the press particularly, were keyed up to a 'spy' pitch, an excited distrust of our foreign population, and a percentage of editors and politicians were eager for a campaign of 'hate' at home.

"There is a simplicity about hate that makes it peculiarly attractive to a certain type of mind. It makes no demand on the mental processes, it does not require reading or thinking, estimate or analysis, and by reason of its instant removal of every doubt, it gives an effect of decision; a sense of well-being. When the facts developed by the investigatory branches of government failed to provide sound foundation for a 'hate campaign,' these editors, politicians and whatnot commenced to build a little foundation of their own. Officials were arraigned for inefficiency and spinelessness, 'firing squads were demanded with frequency and passion, and fake after fake was sprung, many of them laughable but for their appeals to prejudice and hysteria."

Cyclones are numerous.  
Old Winter tries to linger.  
This may be his last stand. We hope so.  
The sleeping sickness must be awful with snorers.  
The latest market report: Eggs unsteady; onions strong.  
The map says Chicago is in Illinois, but practically located, it seems to be in Bill Thompson's vest pocket.  
A Boston man says prohibition will not save much ice. Does the Boston man think that's what the prohibition amendment was passed for?  
About the only difference between the red flag and the old-fashioned black flag with a skull and cross bones is that the red flag hasn't the courage of its convictions.  
"Still speaking of foods, it has been declared that corn is an excellent substitute for meat. If that is the case, then why isn't corn juice—but here we must halt ere we get into the barred zones.  
What is to be done with the Kaiser, seems to be the next question. The Belgians demand that he be hung. And from the manner in which he made them suffer, no one can hardly blame them.  
We will not know until the end of the fiscal year whether importations and exportations are in proper proportion to suit the statistical experts, but deportations are growing more and more satisfactory.  
Now comes the story about the man who lost a diamond in his backyard and later found it in the gizzard of his Sunday chicken. We don't think the story refers to anyone around here, because there are not many who can afford a diamond and a chicken both at the same time.

### HOW TO DEAL WITH BOLSHEVISM

There is only one way to deal with bolshevism, except when it becomes violent and law-defying, and that is to meet propaganda with propaganda. Denouncing the bolsheviks as a "wild, crazy people" gets us nowhere. That is merely a substitute for thought.

Bolshevism must be recognized for what it is—a very definite, well-worked-out system of class government. It has nothing in common with democracy. In fact, it is at war with democracy. All its roots lie in autocracy and despotism, and the bolshevik leaders make no attempt at concealment. The fundamental principal of bolshevism is a dictatorship of the proletariat, the proletariat being nominally the people who work with their hands. They are regarded as the producers of all the wealth and hence the rightful owners of all wealth. The doctrine is wholly false, but it appeals powerfully to the impoverished, the discontented and the unsuccessful of every country. To them there is no more alluring theory of government than that which provides for the despoiling of one class of people by another class of people under forms of law. It is as old as tyranny, but continues to re-appear and doubtless will always re-appear from time to time.

Neither suppression nor force is a satisfactory method of overcoming propaganda of that kind. The true method is to meet argument with argument. Bolshevism can never make much progress among a people who have been taught its true meaning, for the system it seeks to erect has been too often discredited by human experience.

There is a great deal of discontent everywhere with governments, and bolshevists has shrewdly capitalized that discontent, but there can be no more disastrous blunder than to identify every form of public dissatisfaction and every kind of radicalism with bolshevism. Bolshevism differs from other forms of autocracy which have come down to ruin only in having a larger governing class and in refusing all respect to personal rights and private property, but it is quite as much an autocracy as any system ever erected and is as fatal to liberty and human advancement.

The sooner the American people begin to understand it for what it is the better it will be for the country.—New York World.

The cold weather lingers.  
And the coal men smile.  
The profiteers are still advancing.  
Yes, America is too free in everything.  
The legislature will not adjourn sine die until next week.  
Ain't it curious that the Loan should start just after it's Lent?  
The saddest reading these days is the household expense account.  
It is still hard to imagine Germany and Austria and Lenin being in on any civilized "gentleman's agreement."  
Our soldier boys are not all fools. The most of them left "a girl behind them," and will wait till they get home to marry.  
"A man has just paid back some money he borrowed 40 years ago," says an exchange. But this is not printed to hurry anybody.  
Gene Mayfield has resigned, as a member of the board of control, and is probably glad to cut loose from the gang who are endeavoring to control the politics of Nebraska. Gene Mayfield is a good, competent man anywhere you put him. He is a Cass county boy, and anything derogatory to his excellent character and business qualities that may have been proffered, will not receive any sanction by Gene's friends in old Cass, and they are legion.

### THE PROFITEER STILL GETS IN HIS WORK.

There is a wide variety of talk about what will be the substitute for saloons, but in a good many instances we imagine it will be the locker.

The legislature is still grinding away without any pay. It will be hard to hold some of the members when their pay stops. We know from experience.

Versailles is being put in shape to receive the Germans. This time, however, it is the German envoys who are coming to be told the peace terms they must sign.

One Great Bend woman, according to the Tribune, protests against setting the clocks forward because she thinks no one should interfere with what the Lord has done.

In these plans for reconstruction in Germany, is there provision for a sufficient number of substantial jails for the militarists and junkers who tried to wreck civilization?

Samuel Gompers, the great labor leader, who has just returned from over seas, says he is glad to get back to America, the greatest country on earth. He simply reiterates the sentiment of all our soldier boys.

The head of that marriage proposal school in San Francisco is also a teacher of expression, and it is believed that one may, by private arrangement, obtain lessons in the art of proposing without meaning it.

The man who wrote the bill authorizing the government control of telephone and telegraph lines during the war says he now sees his mistake and apologizes to Congress and the people for his part in that action. Which is very nice, and Mr. Burleson might gracefully do the same. But it doesn't give us back the service or the reasonable rates we sacrificed to win the war after it already was won.

### NOW FOR THE VICTORY LOAN!

There are two aspects to the Victory Loan. One is the practical, the other the patriotic. Both deserve consideration.

The practical aspect is that the war must be paid for. If there were to be no loan there would have to be increased taxes. The practical question put to every family is whether it would rather make an investment to be repaid by the government, or pay heavy taxes, which would be simply an expense.

A loan means that the next generation is to help out on the expenses of the war, from whose benefits that generation will profit. The Victory Loan will simply put up to the country to decide whether it prefers to pay 5 billion dollars now, in taxes, or to let the people who are to come after pay their share of it.

From a purely practical, or selfish, standpoint, the loan is the one best bet of the present generation of American taxpayers, who include most American citizens.

But of course the practical aspect is really the minor one. We fought this war as Americans. We risked our lives and endured hardships in defense of the country and of the things it stands for in the world. A year ago at this time, when Haig sent out his famous order of the day, calling on every British soldier to stand with his back to the wall and die if need be, no sacrifice would have seemed too great to save the cause. We would cheerfully have given everything we had to be sure of the outcome which was realized last November.

Now that the victory is won, now that men no longer have to die on the battle front, are we to lose the spirit that inspired us in those weary months last year? Are we to begrudge the final bill for the triumph that saved the world?  
Americans, real Americans, will not fail.—K. S. Star.

## Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over thirty years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

### What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic and Diarrhoea; allaying Feverishness arising therefrom, and by regulating the Stomach and Bowels, aids the assimilation of Food; giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

**GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS**  
Bears the Signature of  
*Chas. H. Fletcher*  
**In Use For Over 30 Years**  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY

### WILL OPERATE UPON SON TODAY

From Thursday's Daily.  
Mrs. B. J. Reynolds returned home last evening after having taken her little son, Orville Denson, to Omaha, where he is to be operated upon today at one of the hospitals in the metropolis. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds went up this morning to be present when the operation is performed. At a former operation a portion of the bone of the skull was removed and in the place where it was taken out pus had recently formed and the operation today is for the removal of the pus and to establish a drainage system that will guard against further pus forming until the wound is entirely healed.

### DES DUNES' ORCHESTRA COMING

The Murray Dancing club will give the first of a series of dances they propose to foster during the coming months, at the Puls hall on next Thursday night, April 17th, when the celebrated Dan Des Dunes' colored orchestra of Omaha will furnish the music. This will be the first appearance of Des Dunes in Murray for a long time and will be welcomed by the dancers of the community. a12-31d

### SOCIAL DANCE

At Conter hall Wednesday night, April 23rd, Music by Dan Des Dunes' jazz orchestra—the band with a rag time soul. A good time for all. Admission: Gents \$1.00; spectators, 25 cents. Plus the war tax. Ladies free.

### FOR SALE—2 HERFORD BULLS

I have for sale, two young high bred registered Herford bulls, fourteen and fifteen months of age respectively. Inquire of Fred T. Ramge, Phones 102 and 522, Plattsmouth, Neb. 5-ftw

### FOR SALE.

We are offering for sale, two good milk cows with young calves by Jersey sire, also a new unused No. 15 DeLaval Separator, at farm two miles east of Murray, J. H. and F. J. Hall. a14-1wkd&w

### ORDER OF HEARING

and Notice of Probate of Will  
In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.  
To all persons interested in the estate of Harriet A. Sharpe Deceased.  
On reading the petition of Lee C. Sharp praying that the instrument filed in this court on the 5th day of April, 1919, and purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased, may be proved and allowed, and recorded as the last will and testament of Harriet A. Sharp, deceased, that said instrument be admitted to probate and the administration of said estate be granted to Lee C. Sharp as executor; it is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter, may, and do appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county, on the 29th day of April, A. D. 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m. to show cause if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper, printed in said county for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.  
ALLEN J. BESSON,  
Clerk.  
(Seal) a7-5w

### NOTICE OF REFEREE'S SALE

In the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska.  
Edward Midkiff et al, Plaintiffs vs. Laura Irwin et al, Defendants.  
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order entered in the above entitled cause on March 28, 1919, by the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, I, J. E. Douglass, sole referee appointed by said court, will on the 19th day of May, 1919, at 11:00 o'clock a. m. lay out and sell at public auction, at the time of said day, at the front door of the Bank of Union, in the village of Union, Cass county, Nebraska, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit:  
The E 1/4 of the S 2 1/4 of Section 7, Twp. 16, N. R. 10, E. 12, and Lots 1, 2 and 3 of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 6, Twp. 16, N. R. 10, E. 12, and Lot 12 in the SW 1/4 of Sec. 6, Twp. 16, N. R. 10, E. 12, all in Cass county, Nebraska.  
Said sale will be open for bids for one hour.  
J. E. DOUGLASS,  
Referee.  
CHAS. L. GRAYSON,  
and A. L. TIDD,  
Attorneys.  
a7-5w

## Piles—Fistula—Pay When Cured

A mild system of treatment that cures Piles, Fistula and other Rectal Diseases in a short time, without a severe surgical operation. No Chloroform, Ether or other general anesthetic used. A cure guaranteed in every case, no matter how long standing. Write for book on Rectal Diseases, with names and testimonials of more than 1000 prominent people who have been permanently cured.  
DR. E. R. TARRY  
240 Bee Building  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

## DRS. MACH & MACH, THE DENTISTS

The largest and best equipped dental offices in Omaha. Experts in charge of all work. Lady attendant. MODERATE PRICES. Porcelain fillings just like tooth. Instruments carefully sterilized after using.  
THIRD FLOOR, PAXTON BLOCK, OMAHA