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THE NATION'S PERIL.

The stability of American institutions is in greater danger at this time than at any period since the Declaration of Independence was signed, and every citizen should be aroused to a realization of this danger, and should use every means within his power to combat it.

The spirit of imperialism and the lust for conquest and territorial aggrandizement and expansion, unless subdued now, in their incipency, are destined at some future day, to cause the overthrow of the grandest scheme of government ever formed upon earth. There is no truer saying than that "history repeats itself," and the history of imperialism, colonization and aggrandizement is the story of effete empires and ruined republics. No more forcible illustration of this fact can be found than the history of the monarchy with which we are now at war.

Spain has, during her existence, controlled vast possessions on the continent of Europe; she owned and drew tribute from all of Mexico, Central and South America; of the West Indies, the Philippines, Canaries, and other islands in every part of the world. Today she holds by a thread, which is liable to break at any minute, the smallest fraction of her former territory. She has lost every foot of the land she owned on the American continent, and in the West Indies she retains only Cuba and Porto Rico. The former of these will soon be an independent republic, and the latter will before long be in possession of the United States. The Philippines are doubtless under the control of Admiral Dewey by this time, and it is altogether likely that a republic will be established there. In fact, everything seems to indicate that Spain will soon be stripped of every inch of her territory except that of her peninsular home, and even there the government is tottering and is liable to be overthrown at any time. The people are driven to desperation by the awful taxes laid upon them for the purpose of keeping large armies in the field in order to hold the colonies in subjection and to suppress insurrections of subjects on distant islands, and their patience is well-nigh exhausted.

Ancient Rome furnishes another apt illustration—"Home, who sat proudly on her seven hills, and from her throne of beauty ruled the world"—is now but a subject of history. She subdued the world, and was crushed by her own weight. May the divine Ruler of Nations preserve the great republic from such a fate! Every tradition of the nation and every precept of Americanism are opposed to the idea of imperialism. Washington cautioned against it in his farewell address, and every one of the founders of the republic opposed it. Are we of this latter day, when wrought up to a high tension by the excitement of war and the success of American arms, to set at naught the cherished ideas and advice of the framers of our constitution, the most perfect political document ever written by human hands? To do so would be suicidal. We have maintained our supremacy on this continent by a strict enforcement of the Monroe doctrine, which means that we have said to the nations of Europe, "You let us alone in America, and we will let you alone in the rest of the world." To depart from this rule now would be to involve ourselves in every international dispute that might arise. The moment that we step off

the American continent the nations of Europe will consider themselves justified in meddling with affairs in this hemisphere, and the consequence will be that we will not only have to maintain large armies in the different possessions which we may acquire, but our home army must be largely increased. This means increased taxation, with no resulting benefit except the glory of having "an empire upon which the sun never sets."

This is the beginning of the end. Increased revenues and increased expenditures open the way for official corruption and the plunder of the public. This means still higher taxation, and finally revolution and ruin.

This is a gloomy picture, but it is merely a reflection of history. Let every patriot take warning.

It would seem that the contemplated sending of a fleet to bombard the coast cities of Spain would be the wisest move that could be made and will no doubt cause the war to be ended in short order. The great majority of the Spanish people are kept in complete ignorance of the true situation, and are led to believe that the Spanish armies are everywhere victorious and that the American army and navy are almost annihilated. To bombard Cadiz and Barcelona would be to demonstrate to these people that we are not only able to take care of our own country, but to carry the war into that of the enemy. This would certainly cause Spain to sue for peace at once, and would almost as certainly result in the overthrow of that government, for the revolutionists are only held in check by their leaders in order to allow a successful prosecution of the war. When it is shown to them that the government has been deceiving them, and that the war is a failure, the end of the Spanish dynasty has come. Let the fleet go to Europe.

The people who are taking small portions of the government loan are not doing it as an investment, but in order to lend their aid in prosecuting the war. They would just as soon have non-interest bearing bonds as those bearing three per cent interest. But then the Shylocks of Wall street wouldn't, and they are the ones whose interests are to be consulted.

"The Cass county fair has been a farce for several years," says the Nebraska City News, "and everybody (except those who are getting a pull at the appropriation) is aware of the fact that it is a waste of money to hold a fair this year. But the funds can be reached, and must be spent in some way."

If you are opposed to allowing the Cass county agriculture society to rob the tax-payers of this county of \$700 or \$800, make a protest. Write your opinion on the matter to THE JOURNAL and it will be handled to the best advantage.

The decision of the supreme court on the Omaha police commission law renders the election of an anti-republican to the supreme bench this fall an absolute certainty. But, then, there never was any doubt on that matter.

Estimated Expenses

At the meeting of the city council last Monday evening, the following estimate of expenses for the fiscal year, ending in August, 1899, was made:

For salaries of Mayor, councilmen, clerk, treasurer and city attorney, the sum of	\$1500 00
For printing	200 00
Boarding prisoners	300 00
Streets and grading	250 00
Hydrant rental	4000 00
Gas and electric light	2800 00
Incidental expenses	700 00
Expense of park	225 00
Interest on B. & M. bonds	220 50
Interest on Keokuk bonds	1546 47
High school bond interest	4445 00
Storm water sewer bonds, interest	3250 00
Intersecting paving bonds, interest	600 00
U. S. B. R. bonds, interest	240 00
Total	\$23077 97

T. F. Sheldon.

AVOCA, June 29.—A very elaborate wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Amsdell Sheldon, one mile north of town, at high noon today. The bride is Mr. Sheldon's eldest daughter, and the groom, Clarence E. Tefft, the son of ex-Senator Orlando Tefft. Rev. C. J. Sage officiated. Many valuable presents were given the couple. About forty guests were present. The happy couple departed this evening for Denver, Colo., for a short honeymoon.

Death of Mrs. Holmes.

Word has been received in this city announcing the death at Bonston, Texas, of Mrs. J. W. Holmes. The deceased left her husband in this city several months ago, and with her three youngest children, went to Houston to reside with her eldest daughter, Mrs. Fred Woodson. Her death resulted from an operation which she was unable to withstand.

Burlington Route, Holiday Rates, July 2, 3 and 4.
One fare for round trip—between stations not more than 200 miles apart—good to return until July 5. See ticket agent for particulars.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Dr. Marshall, Graduate DENTIST, Fitzgerald block.

Chas. Jordan of Alca was a Plattsmouth visitor, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ester Vade of Cedar Creek visited in town Wednesday.

R. T. Bechford, the Louisville hardware merchant, was in town Wednesday.

The many friends of Conrad Schlater will be sorry to learn of his serious illness with an attack of eczema.

Misses Edna and May Petersen went up to Haystack Thursday afternoon, where they took part in a concert.

John Parkhill of Houston, Texas, is visiting in the city with his cousins, Messdames W. K. Fox and H. N. Davoy.

D. M. Jones is enjoying a visit from his brother, T. C. Jones, of New Mexico, and his sister, Mrs. Evans, of Franklyn, Ind.

Will Archer, who has been working in the shops at Haystack, has accepted a position in the round house at Gibson, and went to that place Thursday.

James R. Johnson, J. H. Hall, Frank White and Rush Fellows drove over to Weeping Water Thursday to attend a meeting of the county central committee.

Write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha, for handsome 32 page pamphlet descriptive of the trans-Mississippi Exposition FREE.

John Archer, of Wallbach, Neb., who has been visiting at the exposition and with his father, Judge Archer, in this city for the past ten days, departed Thursday for home.

I have for sale several Atom Sprayers—best thing out for destroying bugs or insects on fruit trees, shrubs, vines and plants. A perfect potato-bug killer. Only \$1.25. C. W. SHERMAN.

Ray Dungan and wife are attending a state meeting of Christian church ministers at Beatrice this week. Rev. Davis Errett of Canton, Mo., will occupy the pulpit at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening.

Joe Carrigan, a young man employed in the Burlington blacksmith shop, was prostrated with the heat last Wednesday afternoon, and for a time his condition was serious. He is now getting along nicely, and will recover.

Councilman John P. Satter departed Wednesday for San Francisco, Cal., where he will attend the national convention of the Turnverein. Mr. Satter is a delegate representing Nebraska, eastern Kansas and northwestern Missouri. He expects to be absent about three weeks.

W. T. Smith of Mt. Pleasant on Thursday sold to Ben Beckman of Rock Bluff precinct, a Huber engine, and Lincoln cornsheller, costing \$2,000. Mr. Beckman is a hard working farmer, and will now be prepared to accommodate his neighbors in shelling their corn and thrashing small grain.

Smoke the Best.

Ward Bros famous "Gut Heil" is the best Seegar in the market.

Premature Celebration.

WEeping WATER, Neb., June 30.—A piece of gas pipe, some powder and a match comprised the materials which, after the explosion yesterday, disfigured the face of Ned, son of R. S. Wilkinson. The cheek bone was exposed and the cut extended down through the upper lip.

Cheap Rate To Omaha.

On account of the Trans-Mississippi Turnfest, the B. & M. will sell round trip tickets for 60 cents for trains arriving in Omaha on the morning of June 30th. W. L. PICKETT.

Burlington Route.

Low rates, east west and south. San Francisco and return, June 28 and 29; Hot Springs, S. D., and return, June 30 and July 5; Portland, Ore., and return, June 30 and July 1; Nashville, Tenn., and return, July 1, 2, 3; Salt Lake City and return, July 3, 4; Washington, D. C. and return, July 3, 4, 5; Buffalo and return, July 11, 12.

Ask the local ticket agent for particulars.

J. FRANCIS,

General Passenger Agent, Omaha.

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE, issued by George F. Homser, clerk of the district court within and for Cass county, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will on the 30th day of July, A. D. 1898, at two o'clock p. m. of said day, at the south door of the court house in the city of Plattsmouth, in said county, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate, to-wit: Lot four (4) and lots five (5) and six (6), all in block thirteen (13) in the city of Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska, together with the premises and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appurtenant; the same being levied upon and taken as the property of Amanda Hermann and Clara Hermann, as heirs of Fred Hermann, deceased, defendant, to satisfy a judgment of said court recovered by The Livingston Loan and Building Association, plaintiff, against said defendant.

Plattsmouth, Neb., June 28, A. D. 1898.
W. D. WHEELER,
Sheriff, Cass county, Neb.
By J. D. McBRIDE, Deputy.
MATTHEW GERSON, Atty for Plaintiff.

Legal Notice.

In the matter of the Estate of William Ossenkov, deceased.
This cause came on for hearing upon the petition of Margaret Ostratrix of the estate of William Ossenkov, deceased, praying for license to sell the east half of the northwest quarter of section twenty three, township twelve, range eleven, east 6th p. m., Cass county, Nebraska, of a sufficient amount of the same to bring the sum of \$1,000 for the payment of the debts allowed against the said estate and the costs of administration, there not being sufficient personal property to pay debts and expenses.

It is, therefore, ordered that all persons interested in the said estate appear before me at the court house in the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on the 23rd day of July, 1898, at 1 o'clock p. m., to show cause why a license should not be granted to said administratrix to sell so much of the above described real estate of said deceased as shall be necessary to pay said debts and expenses.

Dated this 10th day of June, A. D. 1898.
B. S. RAMSEY,
Judge of the District Court.

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Bucket Jelly	40	Best Crackers, per pound	64
2 lb packages oat meal	65	1 dozen clothes pins	61
Price's baking powder, 1 lb can	38	California prunes	65
Price's baking powder, 4 lb can	25	Elegant raisins	65
Bon-Bon baking powder, 1 lb can	10	3 packages prior matches	24
Calumet baking powder, 1 lb can	10	Dewitt's Cow Brand soda, per lb	67
1 lb paper	18	Soap, 15 bars	25
10c sack salt	65	Buttermilk soap, 3 bars	68
15c sack salt	10	Special Brand coffee, per lb	10
Best Salt, 250 pounds	1.00	Special Brand tea, per lb	25
Lemon extract, bottle	65	Biggen's mustard, per lb	68
Vanilla extract	65	2 lb can nutmeats	67
Coal Oil, per gallon	10	2 lb can nutmeats	15
New York Cream Cheese, per pound	12	1 lb can nutmeats	68
Good butter	13	1 lb can nutmeats	10
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