

# BUY, Don't Rent

Editor Northwestern Agriculturist:

I have been much interested in the articles published in the Northwestern Agriculturist giving advice to the Nebraska farmer who has \$1500 in the bank, drawing four per cent interest and himself renting land.

Why is it that so many follow the same old plan? If one looks back fifteen or twenty years he will see how the country has developed, both in the value of the land and the condition of the country.

What was Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, the Dakotas, in fact, our entire north and the west twenty years ago? Compare it with the present time and see the advancement that has been made. Those old opportunities have passed away, yet there are new opportunities coming forward all the time.

Why should the man rent when he has money in the bank? Why should he not be a borrower instead of a lender and own his own land? The improvements on the farm would then be his own. The rise in the value of the land would be his, too. He could farm for the future benefit of his farm; always making his land more productive.

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## FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT

### Car Plunges Into River and Four Persons Drown.

Brake Fails to Work and Car Bounds from Open Pier Into North River, Turning Turtle and Holding Victims Fast in Their Seats.

New York, June 16.—Four persons were drowned last night when an automobile, carrying a pleasure party of six, became unmanageable, shot at wild speed down West Fifty-sixth street and bounded from an open pier into the North river. The machine turned over in its plunge from the pier, holding the four victims fast in their seats.

The dead are: Adeline Berdon, aged nineteen years; Mrs. Rose Coleman, aged twenty-three years; John Coleman, aged eight years; Virginia Knight, aged eight years.

John Bauer, the chauffeur, was carried into the river with the machine, but managed to free himself and swim to safety. John Nolan, one of the party, jumped from the runaway machine as it neared the end of the dock. Bauer was taken into custody by the police.

After taking his employer home, Bauer invited his friends for a pleasure ride. With the party he ran the machine down Fifty-sixth street at fair speed, intending to go out on the dock. In some manner the brake failed to work and the machine began to skid. Down the dock it flew and Nolan leaped just in time. The four victims were carried down into the water and, though two young men who were standing on the dock at the time made repeated efforts to rescue the drowning persons by diving for them, they were unable to do so. The body of Mrs. Coleman was recovered this morning.

After swimming to the pier, Bauer went to the relatives of the four drowned persons and notified them of the accident.

### FLOOD IS A THING OF THE PAST Kaw and Missouri Rivers Are Falling at Kansas City.

Kansas City, June 16.—The Missouri river has begun to fall and the end of the great flood is in sight. The Kaw is also falling and in its upper courses is rapidly reaching a normal stage. The crest in the Missouri was reached at 30.3 feet. The river has fallen half an inch. The river is falling at St. Joseph and the slight rise reported at Omaha will be lost long

of Arkansas City, Kan., the latter a university student, were killed by a live electric wire at the university. Both were at work on the new engineering building. Hall was superintendent of construction on the building.

**Major George Exonerated.**  
Des Moines, June 17.—Major Charles George has been exonerated of the charge made against him by Major Galbraith, accusing him of irregularities in his by-monthly reports. He was freed by the court which tried him last week. The court's verdict was sent to the Department of Missouri, at Omaha, and word was received that the accused had been freed. It was alleged that Major George charged the government for a good deal of mileage he never used, but the defense showed that the officer was merely obeying orders in making out his reports.

**Suspect Arrested at Sturgis.**  
Sturgis, S. D., June 17.—The authorities here have in jail a negro giving his name as George Young, who is thought to be the Kansas City mail pouch thief. A description and picture of the guilty party are expected to arrive from Denver by mail.

### CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS Features of the Day's Trading and Closing Quotations.

Chicago, June 16.—Additional rain in the winter wheat section caused strength today in the local wheat market, the July delivery closing 1/4¢ higher. Corn was up 1/4¢. Oats were also 1/4¢ higher. Provisions were 2 1/2¢ lower to 7 1/2¢ higher. Closing prices:

Wheat—July, 88 1/4¢@89¢; Sept., 87 1/4¢@87 3/4¢.  
Corn—July, 67 1/2¢@67 3/4¢; Sept., 67 1/2¢@67 3/4¢.  
Oats—July, 44 1/2¢; Sept., 36 1/2¢.  
Pork—July, \$14.20; Sept., \$14.45.  
Lard—July, \$8.75; Sept., \$8.95.  
Ribs—July, \$7.82 1/2; Sept., \$8.05.  
Chicago Cash Prices—No. 3 hard wheat, 89¢@92¢; No. 3 white corn, 71¢@71 1/2¢; No. 3 white oats, 50¢@52¢.

### HUGHES SIGNS RACING BILLS Agnew-Hart Anti-Setting Measures Are Now Law.

Albany, N. Y., June 12.—After a great struggle, the Agnew-Hart anti-race-track gambling bills are now laws of the state of New York. Governor Hughes, by his signature affixed to each of the bills, crowned a legislative victory, the brilliancy of which, equalled only by its unexpectedness, is conceded even by those who fought him in the matter to the last ditch and beyond. The extraordinary session of the legislature of 1908 adjourned without day. The decisive votes which passed the bills were cast by Senator Otto G. Foelker of Brooklyn, who crawled from a sickbed and made a sixty-mile railroad journey to do it, so weak and distressed in mind and body that he seemed on the verge of utter collapse, and by a new senator, William C. Wallace of Niagara Falls, who was elected at a special election in the campaign, preceding which the governor himself toured the district speaking in behalf of his election. There was no surprise in the vote of Senator Wallace, who from the outset had been definitely pledged to the support of the governor's recommendation in this matter. Every other senator, including Foelker, voted as he did when the bills were before the regular session in April, and they passed by the precise constitutional majority of 26 to 25, not one vote too many or too few.

### FARMER SLAIN BY HIS WIFE Woman Fires Fatal Shot from Second Story Window of Their Home.

Jasper, Mo., June 16.—Charles Ray, a farmer living near Jasper, was shot and killed by his wife, Fanny Ray, shortly after noon. The fatal shot was fired from the second story window of the Ray home, a shotgun heavily loaded with buckshot being used. Ray was carrying a shotgun himself at the time of the shooting.

Ray had left the field and was going into the house yard, carrying a double barreled shotgun. Upon seeing his wife at a downstairs window, he is alleged to have said: "Now, I have got you."

Mrs. Ray rushed to a second story window and fired the fatal shot. A divorce suit has been pending in the circuit court for months.

### MIMIC WAR IN NEW YORK. Regulars and Guardsmen Ready to Repel Naval Attack.

New York, June 16.—Six thousand regulars and National Guardsmen are on duty in the forts of New York harbor preparing for a naval attack from either the sea or the sound approaches to New York. The forts are closed to visitors and the men are being drilled in handling the guns and in tactics for coast defense work, which are kept as secret as possible.

The more important work is being done in Forts Hamilton and Wadsworth and the Narrows, for it is believed that the fleet of mine layers' tugs, representing a hostile naval

force, will endeavor to force their way up to the city from the sea.

### THAWS WILL NOT BE DIVIDED Statement Given Out that Evelyn Will Retain Her Place as Wife.

New York, June 16.—Evelyn Thaw and her husband have become reconciled and will not be separated, according to a statement made by Daniel O'Reilly, Evelyn's counsel. He added that "despite the attitude of Mrs. William Thaw and other members of the Thaw family, who have been opposed to Mrs. Evelyn Thaw, she will retain her position as the wife of Harry Thaw." Mr. O'Reilly said Evelyn Thaw will remain in New York so as to be in communication with her husband.

**Gentry Asked to Resign.**  
Jefferson City, Mo., June 16.—Attorney General Hadley notified Assistant Attorney General M. T. Gentry of Columbia, Mo., to resign from office, saying if he failed to do so promptly proceedings would be instituted at once by Hadley to remove Gentry from office. No formal charges were preferred. It is understood that Attorney General Hadley's action is the result of internal dissensions in the department.

**W. A. DeBord Elected Grand Master.**  
Omaha, June 12.—These were elected the officers of the Masonic grand lodge of Nebraska: Grand master, W. A. DeBord of Omaha; deputy grand master, M. Dowling of Omaha; grand senior warden, Harry A. Cheney of Creighton; grand junior warden, Harry Gibbons of Kearney; grand treasurer, John B. Dismore of Sutton; grand secretary, Francis E. White of Omaha.

**Lingenfelter and Hodgins Named.**  
Washington, June 16.—The president has appointed C. H. Lingenfelter to be United States attorney and Shadrock L. Hodgins to be United States marshal for the district of Idaho in place of Norman W. Rulick and Ruel Rounds, removed.

**Heavy Hail at Denver.**  
Denver, June 16.—A severe electrical rain and hail storm prevailed here at noon. Hailstones covered the sidewalks to a depth of several inches and the streets were flooded in some sections.

**Urlick Re-Elected President.**  
Clinton, Ia., June 12.—The Iowa State Federation of Labor re-elected A. L. Urlick of Des Moines president and decided to hold the 1909 convention in Dubuque.

**Receiver Wakely Makes His Report.**  
Omaha, June 16.—Arthur C. Wakely, receiver for the National Mutual Fire Insurance company, filed a report of his receivership in district court. It contains both specific and general charges of dishonesty and incompetency on the part of officers (not personally mentioned) connected with the company, and criticism of the state auditor for letting the affairs of the company get into such a tangle.

**Long Distance 'Phone Company.**  
Omaha, June 13.—With a capital stock of \$1,000,000 the Long Distance Independent Telephone company has incorporated to build and hold the toll lines of the Independent Telephone company. The incorporators and officers are: T. C. Williams of Farlin, Ia., president; C. C. Lundy of Cooper, Ia., vice president; D. W. Study of Jefferson, Ia., secretary and treasurer.

**Report Kay Was Pushed Against Saw.**  
Beatrice, Neb., June 13.—William Kay, the young man who was nearly cut in two on a circular saw, is still alive. While the attending physicians have little hope of his recovery, Kay says that he is going to get well. It is reported here that Kay alleges somebody pushed him against the saw and the coroner has been asked to investigate in case he dies.

**Run Car Into Line of Students.**  
Lincoln, June 12.—A street car plunged into the state university commencement procession and two students narrowly escaped death. T. F. Mueller, a graduate of the school of science, was caught on the fender and painfully bruised. F. N. Menefee had a narrow escape. Conductor Humphrey and Motorman Tout were arrested.

**O'Connor Guilty of Manslaughter.**  
South Omaha, Neb., June 12.—The jury in the case against John O'Connor, charged with shooting Frank Carraher on the night of July 1, returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter. Carraher was drinking with some friends in a yard under O'Connor's window, and it is charged, O'Connor shot him from the window.

**Towne Addresses Graduates.**  
Lincoln, June 12.—Charles A. Towne of New York delivered the commencement day oration before the graduating class of the state university. His theme was "Government by Parties," and was a plea for non-partisanship. Among those who heard Mr. Towne's address were W. J. Bryan and Henry Watterson.

### Thinks Keeping Five Men Together Better for All Concerned.

Lincoln, June 15.—Warden Beemer has a plan for the construction of cells at the state penitentiary which he believes will be better than the present cells, in which two prisoners are kept. The warden would have cells in which five prisoners could be housed comfortably. In the opinion of the warden it will not be long before additional cells will have to be constructed and he will recommend that larger cells be installed. His argument is that it will not only be to the best interest of the prisoners, but it will save money for the state.

### BRYAN TAKES A HARD RIDE Delivers Lecture at Malcom to Keep Promise Made Friend Now Dead.

Lincoln, June 16.—In order to redeem a promise made to a friend who recently died, William J. Bryan drove to Malcom. He made a long detour to get across a swollen stream. The roads were choked with mud and a furious rainstorm began soon after they left Fairview. Mrs. Bryan accompanied him. He arrived at Malcom at 7 o'clock, after being four hours on the road. "The Prince of Peace" was his subject.

**Postal Clerk Goes Insane.**  
Hastings, Neb., June 13.—George Allen, railway mail clerk of Concordia, was taken from a Missouri Pacific northbound passenger train here a raving maniac. He was taken in charge and brought to Dr. Straight's office, where he fought four men and destroyed fixtures till overpowered and given a morphine injection. The doctor says it is probably a cerebral hemorrhage and his recovery is doubtful. Allen's wife died a few weeks ago and this, together with heavy mental work, probably is the cause.

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