

## Homes For 60 Families

**A Rare Opportunity in Missouri—Sunny South—50 Miles from St. Louis—Best Markets in the World—Vegetables, Fruit, Dairy and Stock Farms—Rail and River Transportation, Fish, Mild Climate, Tame Grasses—A Home for Everyone Willing to Work**

We have in view a tract of 2,900 acres of land in a body, on the bank of the Mississippi river, less than 50 miles south of St. Louis. A new railroad is being built through the property; depot, coal sheds, etc., are now in course of construction on this land, where a town will be platted; by January 1 trains will be running on this road, in a direct route from St. Louis to Memphis. At present there is on this land an important boat landing, where all boats plying on the Mississippi river stop, also a large mill and elevator.

2,700 acres of this land is covered with very choice hardwood timber; the timber can be marketed for more than sufficient to pay for clearing the land and preparing it for cultivation. When cleared it is worth more than any Nebraska land.

The close proximity of this land to the city of St. Louis, the World's fair city, and its accessibility both by rail and water, makes it a desirable property to cut up into small farms—truck farms, poultry farms, fruit farms, dairy farms, etc. Under our option we can sell this land for about \$12 per acre, with easy terms to purchaser.

To those who desire to make good, cheap homes for themselves and families, surrounded by all the advantages and comforts of schools, churches, railroads, steam boats, social and other privileges of an old, well-established community, where good lands can be obtained really below their actual value, this proposition will be interesting.

Missouri is the best located of all the states. It lies midway between the north and south, the east and the west. It has none of the extreme cold of the northern states, nor the tropical heat of the southern states—no terrible blizzards such as we suffer from in the north and no malaria fever such as the people suffer from in the south. Its soil is productive and the climate ideal. Nowhere can be found a greater variety of avenues to remunerative industry, competency and wealth. We invite the honest, the industrious and the persevering to investigate this land.

Missouri fruit crops surpass those of Florida. South Missouri is the land of the big red apple. Missouri mules and horses are finer than those of Kentucky. In the production of poultry she leads the world. It is the land of wild grasses and the adopted home of the blue grass.

In agriculture, Missouri is the garden spot of the universe.

The rich valley of the Mississippi river is only surpassed by that of the Nile, where the land has been farmed since several thousand years before Christ; the Mississippi river land grows richer every year it is farmed and will never wear out.

### BUY HOMES.

We want to buy this land and cut it up into small farms—truck gardens, fruit farms, grain farms, etc., and sell it out at very low prices. We want to colonize this land with the very best citizens of Nebraska; make a town that will be owned and supported by the people who buy these farms. We expect to sell the land in tracts from 1 to 40 acres and larger as the purchaser desires. The day the land is settled it will be worth double the price paid for it if you want to put it on the market. As the soil never loses its productiveness it will continue to rise in value every year.

We want some of this land for ourselves, but in order to get it we must buy the whole tract. We have an option on the land good till December 15. We would like to hear from every reader of The Independent who would like to buy land in Missouri. If enough people are interested we will exercise our option and close the contract for the purchase of the land. This is a rare opportunity for home-seekers.

Write promptly. Your letter will not obligate you to buy land, but we want to know how many people are interested, provided the land is thoroughly satisfactory, when we have given you a thorough description and an opportunity to see it.

WEBER & FARRIS,  
Lincoln, Neb.

## ..MENTAL INERTIA..

Captain Billingsley Has a Word to Say Regarding Mental Indolence.

Man's greatest indolence is in not thinking. Ninety-nine per cent of mankind, even among adults, shirk from brain work.

It is a rare exception for anyone not to pursue a thought channel of least resistance. We envelope ourselves with wrappings of notions, traditions and hearsays. Majestic ideas are only born after long, continuous, persistent work and endeavor.

Most people form opinions and judgments from one-sided suggestions, from one point of view. This is done in the most important affairs of life. They don't stop to hear, weigh, investigate, consider, measure—they make no effort to sift the chaff of error from grains of truth.

This mental inertness is what makes most opinions of little value. The silly vaporings and witless nothings we daily hear would almost warrant the conclusion that many people look upon life as a big joke, instead of a stern reality.

Most of us thrash out the same errors over and over again, before we can get a little common sense jarred into our anatomy. If we daily would stop and weigh and consider what we are about to do, many things would be left undone and a different course would be pursued. At the bottom mental laziness is the great fault.

The world all about us and within us is full of mysteries, challenging our investigation. We rest complacently on a little surface observation. A man down at Atchison, Kas., says that "life is a plain proposition with only a few simple things to know to get along all right." What does he know about Force? Yes, and thousandfold complexity of Forces. Everywhere force. Force in the sun, force in the icicle, force in the lightning, force in the rotting blade of grass. From whence comes it? How was it created and whither does it go? It must be as limitless as eternity. We stand

dumb at the contemplation of its vastness and complexities.

Time and many other things all about us are just as full of mysteries as Force. However, we are quite content with a few scientific hearsay terms, and shield our ignorance with formulas and words. The man who has an intense love of the beautiful in things about us, and can frame that love into a manifestation—we call poet, painter, orator—genius.

Man himself is a miracle of miracles. The patient tests of the members of "The Society of Psychic Research" have scientifically demonstrated and proved in late years that man has great psychic powers which if conceded to be in existence years ago—was stamped as the vagaries of a lunatic. Ernest, persistent thinking will redeem man from much of his ignorance. Look at this—after spending millions and devising thousands of mechanical devices, man cannot make a machine to fly like a bird—but he will and then what? Battleships and forts will go out of business, commerce and trade be revolutionized; tariff walls cannot be built high enough to bar out the world's precious merchandise, and many other strange things then will come to pass.

In these United States are certain incorrigibly religious people, with well meaning zeal, working from a narrow point of view, who are striving to remove a senator, not because he has more than one wife, but that he believes in the principle of polygamy. These over-zealous folks invade the domain of thought in their motte-hunting industry, but manifestly are blind to the concrete faults of some senators, who in "the primrose path of dalliance treads" in their liaisons bordering on nery notoriety—with government employes. The Great Master on a certain occasion said, "He that is without sin let him cast the first stone;" it is not recorded that a rock was thrown on that occasion. He rendered a great service to humanity in repeatedly unmasking hypocrisy. L. W. BILLINGSLEY.

**SAM'L B. IAMS, ATTORNEY.**  
Articles of incorporation of the Pythian Sunbeam Publishing Company.

Be it remembered that the undersigned, Jacob H. North, Samuel B. Iams, Kent D. Cunningham and Frank J. Kelley of the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, do hereby in pursuance of the statutes of said state of Nebraska in such cases made and provided associate ourselves together in business as a body corporate in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, do hereby adopt the following articles of incorporation:

Art. 1. The said corporation shall be named and known as The Pythian Sunbeam Publishing Company.

Art. 2. The principal place of transacting the business of said corporation shall be in the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska.

Art. 3. The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be the owning, maintaining, conducting, publishing and editing a fraternal newspaper devoted to the interests of the order of Knights of Pythias and for such purpose may purchase, own, lease, sell and convey such property, personal and real, as may be necessary or incident to the main powers of the corporation.

Art. 4. The amount of the capital stock of this corporation authorized is the sum of One Thousand dollars, to be divided into two hundred shares of the par value of five dollars each. At least sixty per cent of said stock shall be subscribed and shall be fully paid up at par upon the organization of this corporation and fully paid up shares of said stock shall be issued to the stockholders thereto and not otherwise.

Art. 5. The highest amount of indebtedness to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars.

Art. 6. The date of the commencement of this corporation shall be the 13th day of August, 1903, and shall continue for the period of thirty years.

Art. 7. The affairs and business of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of at least four and not over nine directors, one of whom shall be president, one the secretary, one the treasurer, and one the manager. The board of directors shall be elected by the stockholders from among their own number.

Art. 8. The first meeting of the stockholders shall be upon the day of the organization of the corporation, and thereafter the regular meetings shall be held at the office of the corporation in the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, on the first Monday in each and every month.

Art. 9. The officers of said corporation for the first year are Jacob H. North, president; Samuel B. Iams, secretary; Kent D. Cunningham, treasurer, and Samuel B. Iams, manager, and any two of said offices can be held by one and the same person. They shall hold their offices for the period of one year and until their successors are elected and qualified. Should a vacancy occur in any of said offices or on the said board of directors, the same may be filled by the remaining members of the board of directors, such appointee to hold until his successor is elected and qualified.

Art. 10. At all stockholders' meetings each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote and a vote of a majority of the shares shall in all cases control. Stockholders may vote their share in person or by proxy duly authorized in writing.

Art. 11. The board of directors shall have full power and authority to make all rules and by-laws for the purpose of conducting the business affairs of the corporation and may alter and amend the same at pleasure.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our signatures this 13th day of August, 1903.

KENT D. CUNNINGHAM,  
FRANK J. KELLEY,  
SAMUEL B. IAMS,  
JACOB H. NORTH.

In the presence of P. Jas. Cosgrave, State of Nebraska, Lancaster County—ss.

Be it remembered that on this 13th day of August, 1903, before me, a notary public in and for Lancaster county, Nebraska, came Jacob H. North, Samuel B. Iams, Kent D. Cunningham and Frank J. Kelley, to me known to be the identical persons whose names are affixed to the foregoing articles of incorporation and they severally acknowledged the execution of the same to be their voluntary act and deed for the purposes in said articles expressed.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my official seal the day and year last above written.

P. JAS. COSGRAVE,  
(Seal.) Notary Public.

Mention The Independent.

### CUT OFF THEIR LIQUOR

The United States is placed in the most ridiculous position that ever a great nation found itself. Here are the two houses of congress, called in extra session to transact business that in the opinion of the chief executive could not be delayed until the regular session met, and both of them meeting from day to day and refusing to transact any business at all. On the 7th the two houses will meet in regular session, appoint the committees, a few thousand bills will be introduced and then they will adjourn for the holidays. Every appropriation bill will be delayed to the very last of the session and then all sorts of steals will be rushed through, disposing of more than half a billion of money that has been taxed out of the people. A red-nosed gentleman, standing in front of a Lincoln saloon, heard two men discussing the situation, and he broke into the conversation with the remark: "That's all right. The women took the liquor away, and they jes' can't stay long 'nough on the hill to do anything." "Are you referring to the closing of the capitol saloons?" asked one of the men. "Sure," the red-nosed gentleman replied, "and you'll never get any laws passed 'till they get their liquor back. Hadn't any business to cut off their liquor."

A. D. KITCHEN, Real Estate and Rental Agency, 1222 O St., Lincoln, Neb.

### FARMS WANTED.

If you want to buy a farm, or if you want to sell a farm, see me. I have several buyers who want to buy. List your farms with me.

### All Purchasers Pleased.

If you are looking for a chance to better your condition—to buy a farm home for yourself and family, or make a good, paying investment, write to the Woods Investment Co. of this city. The lands are splendidly located, crops are sure and the price is within the reach of everyone. All who have purchased are fully satisfied. For list of names and addresses of those who have visited the lands and made purchases see the ad. in this issue or write the Woods Investment Co., Lincoln, Neb.

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### SPECIAL MARKET LETTER

FROM NYE & BUCHANAN CO., LIVE STOCK COMMISSION MERCHANTS, SO. OMAHA, NEB.

Cattle: Good cattle generally steady. There are very few good corn-fed cattle coming now, but a good proportion of short-fed steers, which are fetching unsatisfactory prices as neither packers nor speculators want them, and a fair run of cows and heifers which sell better proportionately than the warmed up steers. Stockers and feeders are a little stronger.

We quote choice corn-fed steers \$4.75 to \$5.00, fair to good \$4.15 to \$4.65. Short-fed down to \$3. Choice heavy feeders \$3.40 to \$3.60, medium \$2.90 to \$3.30, common grades down to \$2.30. Yearling steers, choice, \$3.15 to \$3.60, others \$2.80 to \$3.15. Good fat corn cows and heifers \$3.00 to \$3.50. Stock heifers \$1.80 to \$2.40. Canners \$1.25 to \$2. Milkers and springers \$20 to \$35. Steer calves \$2.90 to \$3.90. Veal \$4.50 to \$5.50. Bulls \$2.00 to \$2.50.

Receipts of sheep liberal. Market lower.

	Killers.	Feeders.
Lambs .....	\$4.50-5.25	\$3.50-4.25
Yearlings .....	3.80-4.00	3.35-3.50
Wethers .....	3.45-3.70	3.00-3.50
Ewes .....	2.50-2.85	2.00-2.40

Hog receipts fair. Market steady, but a little lower. Range \$4.20 to \$4.40.