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Ghost Towns Prominent In County, History Shows

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Cass County, bounded on the east by the Missouri River and on the north by the Platte, was of the territorial boom period. one of the eight original coun-ties established in Nebraska Territory, 1854. Its name honors Lewis Cass, famed soldier and statesman from Michigan. At the time the county was named in his honor, Cass had served as governor of Michigan terri-tory congressman and senator

tory, congressman and senator Rock Bluff is perhaps the best from Michigan, and Democratic candidate for the presidency (1848). Later he would serve as steamboat trade, and even sup-President Buchanan's Secretary ported a race track, a coal mine and an "Institute." of State. It also

From the time of the earliest played an important part in the exploration, the region around controversial election of 1866 the mouth of the Platte was when the voters of Nebraska looked upon as one of great were deciding the issue of whe-strategic importance. As early ther or not the territory should strategic importance. As early as 1848, Libeas T. Coon was become a state. operating a hand-propelled From the beginning, Platts-

operating a hand-propelled From the beginning, Platts-ferry across the Missouri two mouth was the dominant commiles south of the Platte. In munity in the county. Though its early hopes of serving as the jumping-off place for the trans-1853, Samuel Martin established a trading post on the west side continental railroad were dashof the river, and with the organization of the territory in ed when the Union Pacific built 1854 the Plattsmouth Town west from Omaha, the Burlington built into Plattsmouth in Company was formed. 1869 and the town shared in Nebraska's early railroad de-The middle and late fifties

were boom years for the counties of eastern Nebraska. Prosvelopment.

pects were bright, enthusiasm The rich agricultural lands of ran high, and new towns were Cass County were soon taken up projected by the score---each sure that it would become the gateway to the West and the great emporium of the trans-Viscouri verte score spilling across the Missouri River into Nebras-the Missouri 1856 was 712; in 1856, 1,251; in 1860, 3,369; Missouri region. Most of these and in 1870, 8,151. The period town-building ventures were of greatest growth was the decshort lived --- some hardly got ade of the 1870's when the beyond the paper stage --- and population jumped from 8,151 to 16,683. High point in the

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Q .- Dear Penny: I adore perfume, but for some reason or other its fragrance just does not tain.

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HUMILITY FOR MAHATMA

-British Socialist Leader Clem-

ent Attlee removes his hat and

shoes in reverent respect be-

fore laying a wreath on the tomb of Mahatma Gandhi in

New Delhi. Attlee was en route

to the Asian Socialist Confer-

ence at Rangoon.

artistically designed.

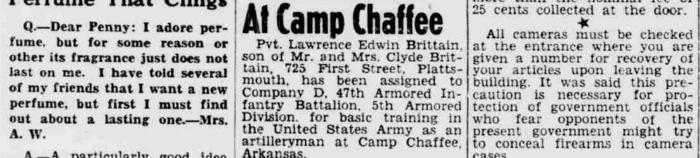
Interesting was "The Dianond" mounted in a gold ring and set in a pure black onyx base of octagonal shape located in the center of the great hall and directly under the gold leaf dome. This diamond is 24 carats and came from the Kimberly Mines of South Africa and has a perfect carving of 32 facets. This precious stone serves as the mileage stone of Cuba and sets the starting point of the Central Highway marking the "Zero Kilometer". From this point to Santiago de Cuba on the eastern end of the island is a distance of 600 miles, and from this point to Pinar del Rio, on the western end, is a distance of 113 miles. Through this total of 713 miles stretches a super highway of concrete and asphalt. All mileage in Cuba is measured from The Diamond".

tue of the Republic, the official name "The Goddess of the Re-Cuba in three pieces, it is finished in 22 carat gold leaf. Standing 58 feet in heighth and weighing 49 tons, the second largest statue in the world. it depicts the richness and splendor of this massive building rich velvet and fine French and English damask drapes, rooms with an inspiration of Italian Renaissance, Louis XIV and Louis XV and French Imperial, resembling the famous office of Napoleon at Versailles,

SCOOTER TRIP

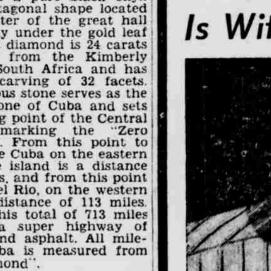
Burkeville, Va. — Larry and Betty Mertsching, a young Bur-

verging on Cuba's beautiful California, hoping to make the capitol building with its massive trip in thirty days. The scooters gold dome glittering in the will be equipped with sidecars, morning sun. This, to our which, among other things, will knowledge, is the only capitol carry a gasoline stove, a por-building in the world where an table icebox, lanterns, sleeping admission charge is made to bags, portable radio and camera. tourists for a tour through the "Baby," their pet cat, will also building, but it is worth much more than the nominal fee of 25 cents collected at the door.



cases. Private Brittain's first eight weeks will be spent in infantry That is one interesting featraining where he will be taught | ture of the Cuban visit

During the final eight weeks by police, soldiers and secret



At the center of the official reception hall stands the "Stapublic" and was modeled by Signore Angelo Zanelli, world renowned Italian artist. Cast in bronze in Rome and shipped to with its muraled walls, gold leaf trimmings, solid mahogany, should give our readers some idea of the beauty of Cuba's famous capitol. — RRF

- Larry and

keville couple, recently took off It is an impressive sight comng up palm lined avenues con- by motor scooter for Oakland.



Hunters Return;

Bag Two Wolves

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hewitt

Sixty-three men were so en-

thused over Saturday's wolf

hunt that they went again on Sunday afternoon in the vicinity of Fort George. They bagged

two wolves, making five alto-

gether. Freddie Graves is to be

commended in that he shot one

on Saturday and one on Sunday.

Elmwood

Fentiman are both at their

homes after their hospital ex-

Charles Marshall and Ray

of Diller were Monday overnight visitors with her mother, Mrs. Nettie Mendenhall.

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Give Him

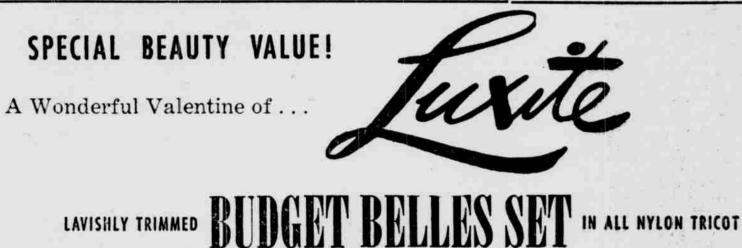
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PENNY PENGUIN

Bargain Days SALE

pleting his basic training he will be reassigned for duty with an Army artillery unit. HUMAN EXISTENCE Dr. George F. Carter of Johns Hopkins University, who declared in 1949 that man had lived on this continent 40,000 years ago. now holds that artifacts estabish human existence here anywhere from 100,000 to 400,000

county's population history was

1890 when the census returns

showed 24,080 inhabitants. Since

that time there has been a grad-

ual decline with each census re-turn. In 1950 the figure stood at 16,355.

Private Brittain

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like to answer a question that

sun.

alarmed, we found them to be pleasant, most courteous and helpful at all times. They are stationed there just in case

some of former President Carlos

friends decide it is an opportune

time to regain their place in the

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shreve had both of their daughters and Before we go further we would the three grandchildren at home has been put to us several times this week. Jane, Mrs. Reynolds, since we've returned. A number of people have inquired as to the feeling Cubans have for Pres-of Valley, Kenneth Cottingham dent Batista, who as most of you remember, was a candidate last Good used clothing is now be-

spring along with the then President Carlos, seeking elec-tion. Batista, then General of Armias didn't wait for the dist ladies but others are kindthe Armies, didn't wait for the ly helping too. elections. A well planned "Coup

elections. A well planned "Coup de Grace" placed him at the head of the government with little or no blood shed last March. We took particular pains to We took particular pains to

talk to numerous Cuban citizens of most all classes, from taxi Twenty-One at

periences.

drivers, bus drivers, waiters, P. N. G. Meeting

business men and women, and others on several levels and came up with the conclusion Daisy Moore on Wednesday afcame up with the conclusion that Batista holds a warm spot in the hearts of the peoples of the Island. Most, to a man, were not in sympathy with the man-ner in which he came into power. These people cherish their freedom and independence and never let you forget they are grateful to the United States for assisting them in 1898 in

for assisting them in 1898 in getting it. With a shrug of, his John Wilhelm has recovered getting it. With a shrug of, his shoulders, one driver told me, Elmer Shere had it too, for a 'You just elect president in your

shorter time, however. Wm. Atchison is welcomed home again after his extended voyage to Europe and the Holy Land. We expect to hear later about many interesting places and antedotes, such as he is adept in telling. — Einwood —

Cooking School

Held Recently Thursday afternoon was an

Cuba's capitol building locat-ed on the great mall in Habana was erected in 1925-29 and important day for a large group covers two city blocks. Designed of interested ladies who were at and constructed by Cubans, with and constructed by Cubans, with 6.000 men working around the clock, it cost nearly 17 million dollars. The official reception hall is magnificent, its unsur-passed beauty and grandeur is passed beauty and grandeur is considered unique in the world. young lady and a district manconsidered unique in the world. young lady and a district man-sance with pilasters of the richest Italian marble from the richest Italian from the and 45 Alps. Its 400 foot length and 45 foot width makes it one of the Weeping Water.

Each lady was present with a largest halls in the world. At the center of the hall are three gift of a nite-lite when she the center of the hall are three massive bronze doors with panels representing the outstanding episodes of the history of Cuba. Hung from the beautiful 22 carat gold leaf ceiling are 32 massive bronze candelabras, all



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