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THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

Senator W. A. Harris Tells What He Thinks It Should Contain. If the Rep licans do not revise the

tariff, the De ocrats should, and tariff revision sho. I be one of the chief planks of the platform for 1904.

The Republicans, many of them, said to me in the last campaign, "If we do not revise the tariff, you will have a chance to do so and will undoubtedly." From present indications it does not seem probable that the Republicans will do anything before the next campaigu.

Tariff revision should be directed especially against the trusts. The apex of the angle of attack should be the trusts. The Republican platform of 1896 said that the tariff is to "increase our facilities, diversify our industries and promote competition."

In the case of these great trusts the tariff certainly has done exactly the opposite. It has reduced facilities, stunted our industries and utterly destroyed competition.

Undoubtedly there should be a carefully considered antitrust plank in the platform. A change in the constitution is not necessary in order to control and supervise and curb the trusts. The Republicans themselves now say this, although they talked of the necessity of an amendment to the constitution two years ago.

The attorney general in his speech in Pittsburg acknowledged that no amendment is necessary, and Senator Hoar in his trust speech the other day said the same thing.

As for the publicity that the president advocates, the Democrats gave the Republicans a chance to secure that at the last session in the amendment to the census bill, but the Republicans did not take it up. I am not sure that the trusts could not be curbed under existing law. The platform should demand that they be carbed either under existing law or by amendment of the laws.

As to government ownership. I be-Here that the Democratic party should advocate the principle. I believe that there should be municipal ownership of all public utilities. And there should unquestionably be government ownership of the telegraphs.

In the case of the railways there should be governme: ownership of at least part of the existing systems or of new systems. The government should own lines that would offer competition with the great merged systems that have grown up within the last few

This would be an absolute bar to the complete consolidation of the transportation facilities of the country at least. A government system could not combine with a privately owned system. Such a plan would be vastly beneficial for all concerned. The private systems would still force the government lines to furnish good service, and the government lines would prevent private lines from charging exorbitant rates.-Schator William A. Harris in

FREE TRADE ALMANAC

The 1903 Edition Contains Good Matter on the Tariff Question.

New York American.

The 1903 almanae of the American Free Trade league contains much excellent material on the tariff question. It should be in the hands of all good Democrats. The secretary of the league, General Hazard Stevens, thus accurately and truthfully characterizes our so called system of "protection:"

"No longer needed as a defense against the foreigner, protection has now become the thumbserew of extertion upon the American people. It is the dam holding back foreign competition-and behind which the great trusts levy high prices upon their countrymen upon the same class of goods which they are exporting in great quantities. and selling alread at 20 to 50 per cent less than at home; hence their stubborn resistance to any reduction of duties which protect them in their monopo-His and entortions

"This whole doctrine of protection is a birmder that rises to the level of a crime. Incufeated by selfish and correat interests until it has become a per y felica, protection has at last r neb d its neme, done its perfect work, by demonstrating that it is a system of manapely and extertion. It fosters preed, begets fear of the foreigner and paral, zes self reliance. It is the champloy of special privileges, the offspring of injustice and inequality, the corrapler of legislation and politics. Evcry true interest of America cries aloud for its overthrow."

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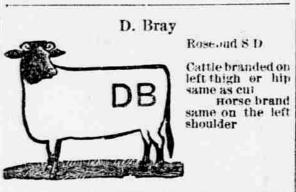
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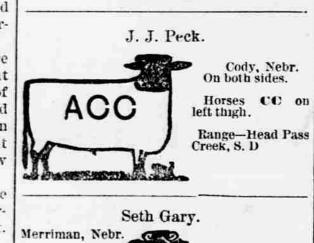


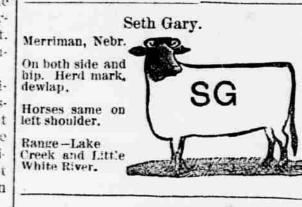




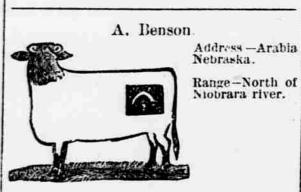














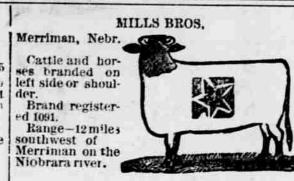


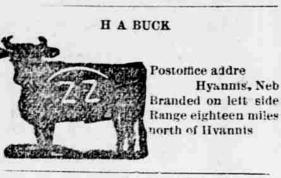
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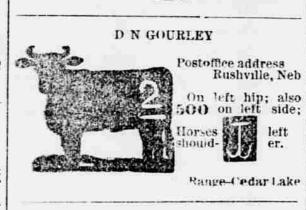
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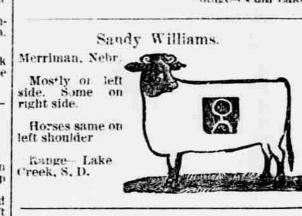
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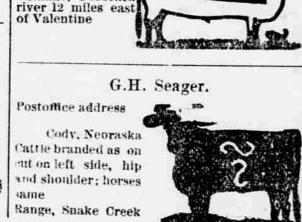








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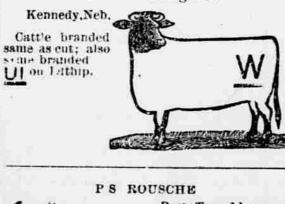


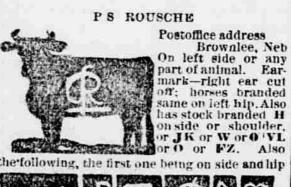






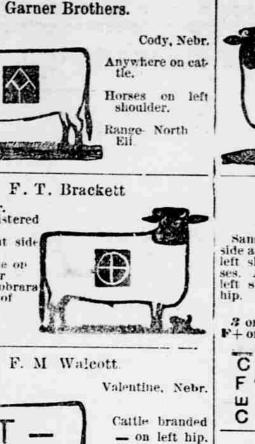


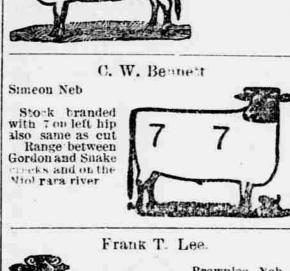












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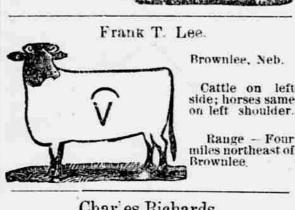
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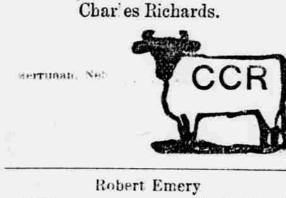
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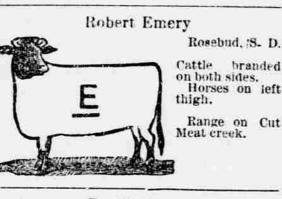
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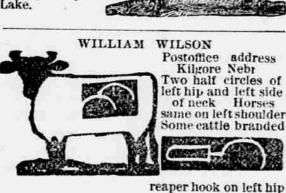
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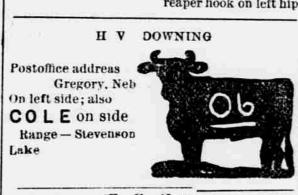






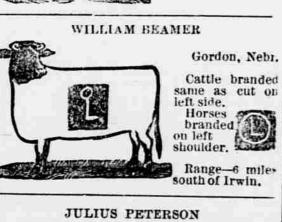


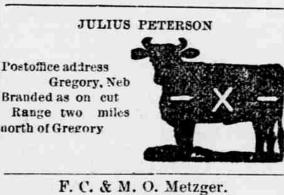




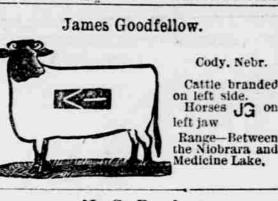


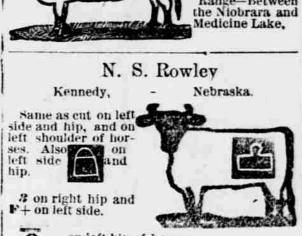


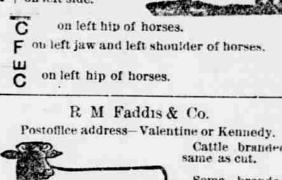




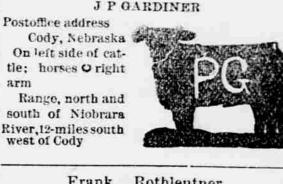


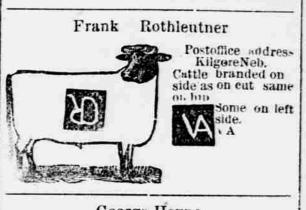


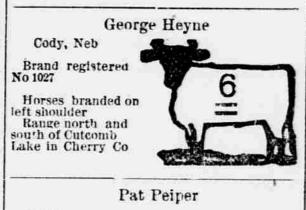


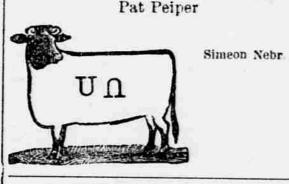






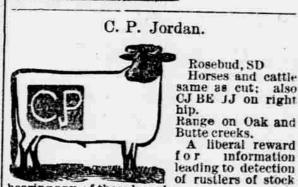




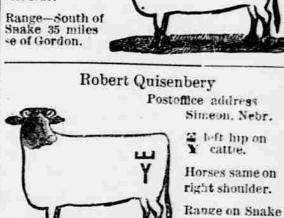


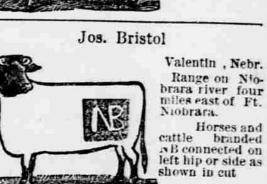






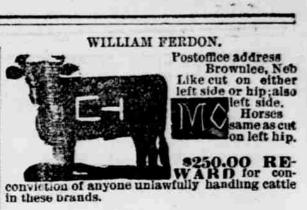


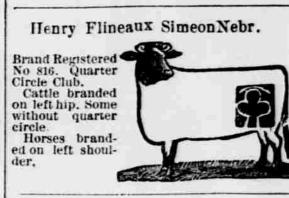


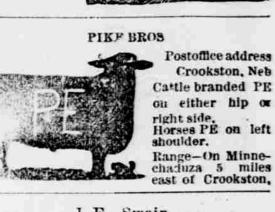


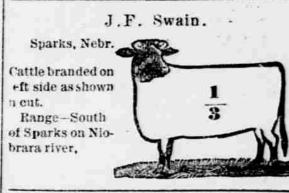
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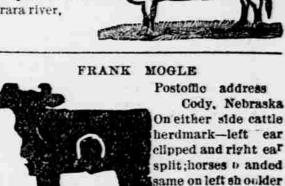










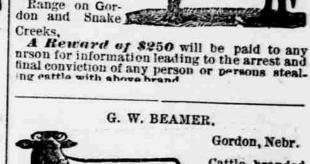




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