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News item: Flares and organs at John Heitkamp's. Report on a public event.

News item: Subscription can begin at any time for the Journal and Nebraska Family Journal.

News item: The Nebraska Farmer has come to be a good solid paper, worthy the patronage of every wide-awake farmer in the state.

News item: For Harrison wagons and Courtland spring wagons and buggies, call on J. A. Gutzmer, opposite Dowry's drug store.

News item: Heavy snow at Omaha Thursday night. Report on weather conditions.

News item: Lute Cushing has a position at Friedhof's store. Report on employment.

News item: Heirich is making low rates on choice farm loans. Report on financial services.

News item: Take a peep at the big pumpkin in Fitzpatrick's window. Report on a local event.

News item: Old newspapers by the hundred, 25 cents at the Journal office. Report on a sale.

News item: Make the tramps work their way, and they will avoid the town. Report on a social issue.

News item: Children's bonnets and toboggans cheap at Mrs. J. C. Fillman's. Report on a sale.

News item: Five hundred and twenty-eight voters registered in Columbus. Report on local statistics.

News item: Mrs. M. C. Blodorn spent last week in Humphrey. Report on a visit.

News item: E. D. Fitzpatrick was quite sick Sunday and Monday. Report on a person's health.

News item: Theo. Helms of Humphrey was in the city over Sunday. Report on a visit.

News item: C. J. Garlow, Esq., attended court at Madison last week. Report on a court session.

News item: Ah. Turner left Thursday for his annual winter visit east. Report on a departure.

News item: C. H. Davis returned home last Thursday on an eastern trip. Report on a return.

News item: Mrs. E. H. Chambers went to Lincoln Saturday to visit friends. Report on a visit.

News item: Mrs. Green was at Lincoln last week, returning home Saturday. Report on a visit.

News item: Mrs. Anna Turner visited friends in Cedar Rapids several days last week. Report on a visit.

News item: Mr. and Mrs. Bobt. Dunlap of Lindsay were in the city the first of the week. Report on a visit.

News item: Mrs. Joseph Krause spent the last week with friends near Platte Center. Report on a visit.

News item: Collector Peters went through the city Monday to his home at Albion, to vote. Report on an election.

News item: Miss Lizzie Davis went to David City Saturday to visit her brother's family. Report on a visit.

News item: Ed. Hoare, farmer at the Genoa Industrial school, was in the city Saturday. Report on a visit.

News item: Mrs. D. P. Davis and children returned home Wednesday from Topeka, Kan. Report on a return.

News item: J. N. Hester spent Sunday at home. He is refurnishing the mill at Fullerton. Report on a project.

News item: Mr. Anderson, late of Chicago, partner of J. A. Barber, is in the city to remain. Report on a person's arrival.

News item: Rev. Hayes of Fullerton preached at the Baptist church in this city last Sunday. Report on a church service.

News item: Mrs. O. D. Butler was called to Topeka, Kansas, Friday, by the death of her mother. Report on a death.

News item: Miss Mary Cooney came down from Fullerton, Monday, to attend the Sisters' school in this city. Report on a school event.

News item: Miss Lillie Kennedy is home from Columbus for a week's visit with her folks in Madison. Report on a visit.

News item: Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Phinney, J. S. Murdoch and Wm. Munroe started for San Diego, Calif., yesterday. Report on a departure.

News item: Mrs. Gna. G. Becker returned Thursday from Tyndall, Dakota, where she had been visiting her aged parents. Report on a return.

News item: Mrs. J. W. Early and family, excepting Ed. (who stays here), left last week for a winter's sojourn at National City, southern California. Report on a departure.

News item: Josiah McFarland and wife were welcomed home again Friday evening by their numerous old friends and acquaintances. Report on a homecoming.

News item: Dr. C. D. Evans and family returned Friday from their visit east. He says that manufacturing towns there are all right, but agricultural lands have decreased in price wonderfully. Report on a return.

News item: Mrs. Morrison and Miss Mabel started for Illinois Friday, where the family will make their future home. Miss Blanche will remain here this winter. Report on a departure.

News item: Corn in the great farm product of this section of the United States—great in many respects; we nearly always raise a good crop of good corn; anything in the way of live-stock can be kept upon it; it will furnish, on a pinch, a goodly portion of the living of human beings. This it happens that the corn belt in this country is the best for general farming and stock-raising. The Nebraska state board of agriculture have done a good deal to call attention to the value of corn, as a farm product, and its purpose continuing in the same line. The Nebraska Winter Corn Exhibit, which takes place at Lincoln January 21st, 1909, promises to be more than usually interesting. Those of our readers who wish to compete for any of the premiums (about \$400 are offered) should at once procure a circular of the secretary, Robt. W. Furnas, or of R. E. Henry of this city. The circular before us states that "announcement and appeal is made early that great care may be exercised in gathering, preparing and presenting in best possible shape, with the best possible specimens. Ear exhibits should be carefully wrapped in paper, each ear separate, that they may be shown in perfect condition." Boys of Nebraska, if any of you should get one of these \$10 prizes for 30 ears of corn, it would be gratifying to you, but more so the money consideration would be the incentive it would give you to study the corn crop, the points of excellence in different varieties, and how to select the best ears of any given variety. We know a man who for twenty years marked the earliest ears of his corn and selected the best of them for seed until he had a fixed variety that came early and was a very large, long ear, of deep grains on a very small-sized cob compared with the amount of grain, and his "bread" of corn, so to speak, became famous all through his section of country, friends carrying it west with them for reproduction. The farmer who does such things is not only making money for himself, but he is likewise a public benefactor. Boys, get a circular from R. E. Henry and see what you can do.

News item: Charlie McKenzie writes a very interesting letter to the Madison Chronicle from Spokane Falls, Wash. That city is something of a wonder. Spokane river runs through the center of the town and in flowing 1600 feet falls 89 1/2 feet, and in half a mile 150 feet. The utilized power is estimated at 1,000,000. The city has a population of 25,000 and Mr. McKenzie thinks it safe to say that within four years it will be 100,000. Though only four years old, the city has all the modern conveniences of which Chicago can boast. Since the recent great loss by fire six handsome granite and brick blocks, are under construction. Farming districts of large acreage and four mining districts are tributary to Spokane. Charlie says in his letter, "I am frankly convinced now, from what I have seen, that Nebraska, as a purely agricultural state, cannot be beaten west of the Mississippi."

News item: Our wheat grew on twenty acres and yielded out 320 bushels. What gets me is that 200 bushels of it grew on about nine acres, and the balance on eleven, all in the same field, ground the same. The only difference the nine acres were broken last year, this the first crop, while the eleven acres were broken the year before, and last year raised a crop of wheat and corn, mostly the same.

News item: The S. S. institute at St. Edward's Sunday was well attended and very interesting to teachers and scholars who attended from this vicinity. Mrs. Abrahamson has gone to Omaha to the medical institute again, on account of her throat. John Abrahamson has built a cow house and the Hanchett firm are preparing to do the same. It seems silly to write about a cattle shed, but those who survived the old age when a piece of board was a relic, can appreciate the prosperity that enables us to use timbers and boards for such buildings. The friends of Carrie Hanchett and Ella Hurd made them a party Wednesday. The birthdays were but two days apart. The evening was spent in games, charades, songs, music, etc., and all seemed to enjoy themselves. Miss Hurd expects to visit at home in Columbus over Sunday. M. C. Hanchett has a new Harrison wagon. The neighborhood is over run with a new kind of bug which chills and heat does not seem to affect. It is black and yellow, and makes its abode out of doors or in. What are they and where do they come from and how long will they stay and what will be the prospects of our crops next year are questions which we ask ourselves with a good deal of anxiety. We had all we could use of such pests already without a new variety coming in. Mr. Stevens of the summit is fencing another eighty acres of his land. Quite a number from this neighborhood attended the funeral of Mrs. John Clark at Fairview. This is every crushing blow to the family. They have the sincere sympathy of all their acquaintances. Albert Stevens has two organs on trial. We had the first snow of the season Friday morning. Grand Prairie. Corn hanking is in full blast now, and the crop turns out better than first expectations. Politics are at the boiling point. Mud slinging among our township candidates is getting quite common. D. L. Brunen is the only candidate in our township that has an opponent; his name is D. Becker and the soup is ready for him to fall into. P. Snyder has just completed a very handsome dwelling house. The free exhibition of candidates for county offices at the Spoorly school house was well attended by our community. A singing school has been organized at the Baptist church, with Henry Miller as teacher. The German school at the Lutheran church is largely attended. Our young friends Nathan Graves is a regular every-other-Sunday pilgrim to the "old maid's hall" at Neborville, and judging from his continuous smiling he must have struck it rich; but we presume his upper lip being "held," accounts for it. [The above was received, of course, before the election.—Ed.]

News item: We wish to thank our friends and acquaintances for the kindness shown to us when during our late bereavement. Mrs. and Mrs. W. L. SHEPARD and FAMILY.

News item: Catching J. H. Reed in town the other day and knowing that with so extensive a farming business as he has, he always has something of interest, we give the result of our interview: We threshed last week. Got tired, dirty and a nice lot of grain. Our fax run out about ten bushels to the acre. Will bring a fair price if Taylor don't squeeze us too hard. Fax pretty well. But don't sell your fax now for ninety cents and pay \$1.90 for your seed next spring. It's one of those things that makes a fellow feel foolish or mad, afterward. We propose to bring our own seed and run it through a hand sieve if there is no better way. Surely if we get half the per cent of dirt from it that Taylor does from his test samples when he buys, it will be clean enough for us.

News item: We had a big pile of oats, but it was because of a large acreage of them that was large yield. I'm tired of going over so much ground for our oats—believes they can be raised on less space, at least we'll try for it. As to price, we have been figuring a little. It will cost us about twelve and a half cents to haul them to market as we are needed in the corn field now. Even at the meager sum of thirteen cents a bushel, which I understand is offered by your Columbus dealers, now, the margin seems rather slight. We may be mistaken in this, but have concluded on the whole we will not market them till they can be either walk in themselves or be smalled up so that they can be got into creamery cans or butter tubs. There must be some thing in it. Advertisements under this head five cents a line.

News item: Wm. Schell's makes boots and shoes in the best style and at very low prices. Stock that can be procured in the market. 52-11

News item: FOR SALE—50 acres on 21 in Croton township, 40 acres under cultivation. Part of the same can be used on more than 100 acres. Wm. Anderson, Croton, Platte county, Nebraska.

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W. T. RICKLY Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Fresh Salt Meats, Game, Poultry, and Fresh Fish. All Kinds of Sausage a Specialty. Olive Street, two Doors North of the First National Bank.

COLUMBUS MARKETS. Table listing prices for various commodities including wheat, corn, pork, and other goods.

LEGAL NOTICE. In the district court of Platte county, Nebraska. Julia A. Reed, Plaintiff, vs. James Watkins, Nancy Watkins, George H. Hart, Elizabeth A. Hart, Albert E. Neville, Lizzie Neville and Farmers Loan and Trust Company, Defendants.

NOTICE TO REDEEM. To J. S. Griffin: You are hereby notified that on the 21st day of March, 1908, the following described real estate was sold at private sale by the treasurer of Platte county, in the state of Nebraska, to wit: The northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section thirteen, town seventh north, range fourth east, in Platte county, Nebraska, for the delinquent taxes thereon of 1907, to wit: Taxes levied by the Farmers Loan and Trust Co., which were in default of tax and interest, and which is the present owner and holder thereof. Said real estate is subject to a tax sale and will be sold at public sale on the 21st day of March, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time any person interested may appear and contest the same; and notice of this proceeding is ordered published in this county newspaper, published in this county, to wit: The Columbus Journal, a weekly newspaper, published in this county, on the 21st day of October, A. D. 1908.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Last Office at Grand Island, Neb. Notice is hereby given that the following named parties have filed notice of their intention to make final proof in support of their claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Grand Island, Neb., on December 15th, 1908, viz: George Dieffenbach, homestead claimant of the E. E. section 24-2-3-3, and the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Carson, Simon P. Howe, and Perry J. Platt, all of Silver Creek, Neb. J. G. HANCOCK, Register.

LAND FOR SALE. A FINE IMPROVED FARM. For sale in the S.W. corner of section 20, town 27, range 4, in Platte county, Nebraska, containing 250 acres of land, about 120 acres heavily timbered, remainder mostly in clover and blue grass pasture and hay land; 150 fruit trees, including peaches, cherries, plums, etc.; some bearing; all kinds of ornamental trees and shrubs; 150 full-bearing grape vines. The farm is well fenced and divided into small fields by fence. Dwelling house with all modern conveniences, large barn, large horse stable with hay-mow, cattle barn which holds 500 head of hay, log house, 2 wells, running water in pasture. For further particulars inquire at REGISTER'S office, or address, H. B. CURTIS, of Journal, Columbus, Neb. 22my17

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