

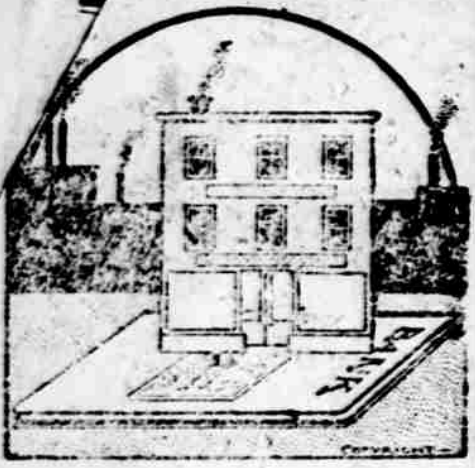
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COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1906.

WHOLE NUMBER 1,831.



**A GOOD FOUNDATION**  
in business requires some cash and the prudent expenditure of the time and talent.

**YOU ADD MORE MONEY**  
to what you have, through good banking connections. Accommodations are required and we grant them. Advice is necessary and we give it. For getting on in the world our bank is a big help. We'd like your account. Give it to us.

**The First National Bank**

## Many Years Ago.

Files of The Journal Feb. 24, 1874.

Tuesday noon a severe snow storm is prevailing here. It is not very cold but the snow is falling rapidly, some four or five inches having fallen since early this morning. A friend at our side thinks it is the clearing up shower of all preceding weather.

We are indebted to a very small boy for this item. A young lad of Mr. J. J. Bump, who lives near Monroe, was riding his pony the other morning taking care of some cattle, and when making some quick movements the pony slipped on the ice and fell on the boy's leg, breaking it.

It is reported that the Pawnee Indians who left their reservation in this county last fall, to select a new home in the Indian Territory have failed to make a choice, and are now on their return home laden with Buffalo meat and hides. If their movement south was a ruse to obtain a grand Buffalo hunt, then Mr. Leo played a sharp game on the pale faces.

The Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company held their second annual ball at the engine house hall on Monday evening last. The excellent music discoursed on the occasion was furnished by the Columbus Cotillion band. Seventy-two persons in attendance partook of a sumptuous supper prepared for the occasion at the Clothier House. Everything passed off pleasantly and everyone present had a real good time.

We were shown one day last week a three spring patent wheel express wagon made by Charles Schroeder of this city for Mr. John Smith. It is certainly an excellent job of work, combining neatness, strength and convenience. This wagon should be examined by our citizens and if in need of such an article they will find it to their interest to leave their orders with Mr. Schroeder instead of sending them abroad. Everything connected with this wagon was made in Columbus, excepting the patent wheels and even the nice touches of tinted paint were brushed up by Collins & Martin of this city.

Our young friend, Eas Freston, while hunting ducks last Friday at Barnum's, across the Loup river, saw a large wild cat crouching in the path just in front of him. He drew up his gun and discharged a load of duck shot into the cat's head. As soon as the gun was discharged the cat sprang up and leaped across the creek at one bound. The young hunter followed his game and found it in some grass. He discharged another load of shot at it, which ended the existence of this wild feline. The animal's skin was measured in the Journal office and found it to be three feet and six inches in length. Ras, while on the same hunt between the Loup and Platte rivers, saw a group of five wolves.

Smoke the Lumo 5 cent cigar.

Dr. W. H. Slater, veterinarian, phone 95.

You want to read Journal ads to find bargains.

Dr. C. A. Allenburger, office in new State Bank building.

Write Vincent & Landon Real Estate Agents, Washington, Kan., for their revised list of Kansas, Neb., and western lands. Get our list before you buy.

Wm. McCord and Jas. Haire, of Albion, were in Columbus yesterday and in the evening left with a number of home seekers for western Nebraska to look over the land situation.

## Coal

We have the following Coals now on hand: Rock Spring Lump and Nut and Slack, Colorado Lump and Nut, Kearney Lump, Trenton Lump, Weir Nut, Semi Anthracite Furnace Coal, Hard Coal both sizes, Best Pennsylvania.

NEWMAN & WELCH

## Herriek for furniture.

Dr. Neumann, Dentist 13 St.

Herriek for baby go-carts.

Dr. Mark T. McMahon, dentist

Osania's market for fresh meats.

Girl wanted for general housework.

Mrs. E. H. Chambers

Wedding rings and high class jewelry at Carl Fromel's, Eleventh street.

Dr. D. T. Marlyn, Jr., office new Columbus State Bank building.

E. H. Chambers and C. E. Adams left for Denver Tuesday on a business trip.

Dr. Vallier, Osteopath, Barber block.

Dan Mahaffey and sister Miss Edith in the city this week.

Tender cuts and prompt delivery at Osania's market.

C. L. Gerrard returned from Chicago last Friday where he had been in the interest of the firm of Naylor & Gerrard.

Plenty of dressed turkeys, chickens, ducks and geese for Christmas dinner.

S. E. Martin & Co.

Rev. Dr. Westcott, of Grace church, returned from Norfolk Monday where he has been assisting in conducting a ten days mission.

We have a good heating stove and furnace lump coal at \$5.50 per ton, and all other good coals.

L. W. Weaver & Son.

R. S. Palmer the tailor, cleans, dyes and repairs Ladies' and Gents' clothing, hats cleaned and reblocked. Buttons made to order. Agent Germania Dye Works. Nebraska phone 194.

I. G. Person has torn down his blacksmith and wagon shop, which was located just east of the Commercial National bank, and is rebuilding it on the lot he recently purchased in the next block, east of the Schultz saloon.

Two Christmas sermons in the Baptist church next Sunday, December 23. Sermon at 11:00 on "The Birth of Christ in This Generation," and the one at 7:30 on "The Jesus." The evening sermon especially adapted to children. All are welcome. Corner "N" and 16th.

**HARD AND SOFT COAL—ORDERS FILLED PROMPTLY. P. D. SMITH LUMBER CO.**

From January 1, 1907 the rental of all postoffice boxes will be uniform.

An order just issued by the postoffice department classifies these according to the receipts of the office, instead of the old haphazard way. Under the new ruling there will be an increase in the rents at the Columbus office, as it comes under the higher class.

Miss Marie C. Brehm will deliver an address on temperance in the Presbyterian church, Friday, January 4, 1907, at 8 p. m. Miss Brehm is president of the Illinois Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She is also working under the temperance committee of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church.

Madison is getting as bad a reputation as a hold-up town as Omaha. There have been three highway robberies there in about a month's period, the last two taking place within the last week. Gustav Dittburner, uncle of Albert Dittburner, was held up and robbed of \$41 last Saturday night and August Leu, a farmer was relieved of 15c last night by robbers who overlooked \$60 in Leu's boot.—Newman Grove Reporter.

Ed. Tschudy and Frank Taylor were creating a disturbance in an Eleventh street saloon Saturday night and Policeman Burke attempted to quiet them. It became necessary for him to take them to jail and while on their way Tschudy made his escape. Officers Burke and Nelson then captured Tschudy and Monday morning filed a complaint against him for resisting an officer. Judge O'Brien sentenced him to thirty days in the county jail.

W. E. Webb filed a complaint in police court Monday charging Harry Kaufman and W. E. Ritzel with assault and battery. These two men have been employed on the bridge gang under Webb and as a result of some trouble a fight occurred in which Kaufman was the aggressor, Webb getting the worst of it in the mixup. Another chapter of the affair was the filing of a complaint by Kaufman asking that Webb be placed under bonds to keep the peace.

Myron L. Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gray, returned last Saturday from the Morgan Park academy, where he has been attending school. The senior class at the academy, of which Myron is not a member, felt aggrieved at one of the professors for refusing them some privileges the class had asked for, and they "rough housed" the professor's room. Myron, with twenty-two others, refused to tattle on his school-mates, and the whole class was sent home. The superintendent and principal of the academy have assured Mr. Gray that Myron can go back to school after January 1 without a single demerit made by reason of this occurrence and that Myron's application to study, and his general department is of the very best.

## A LAST WORD!

**We** Have been living in an atmosphere of Christmas for some weeks. The interest in our display has been unusual, because we have an unusual display. Our before-Xmas business has been even larger than we looked for, so we are hoping for lively times during the final scramble. We expect it for two reasons:

First—Because as an ideal present Jeweler stands supreme, especially at Christmas time, which is set apart the world over for an exchange of affections.

Second—The store is fixed better than most to please all sorts of people.

**Come expecting to find ample selections**

**Come expecting to get generous values**

The watch selection will be found very attractive.....\$1 to \$100.00  
For men women and children the ring display will appeal to hundred of shoppers.....\$1 to \$300.00  
Our silverware stock will delight you .....\$1 to \$100.00  
And so will our Cut Glass.....50c to \$10.00

**Then there is an almost endless variety ..of small articles..**

Brooches.....\$1 to \$100.00  
Chains.....50c to \$35.00  
Leather goods.....50c to \$10.00  
Clocks.....\$1 to \$500.00  
Imported China.....50c up  
Pickard hand painted china.....\$2.50 to \$37.50  
Kodaks.....\$1 to \$20.00

**In fact variety makes selections ..easy here..**

We wish you all a merry Christmas  
And a happy New Year.

**..Ed. J. NIEWOHNER..**

**JEWELER**

**— AND —**

**OPTICIAN**

**COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA.**

## School Notes.

The holiday vacation begins Friday of this week for two weeks. School will commence again Monday, January 7.

The sixth grade, Miss Riekeley's room, will give a Christmas cantata in the gymnasium Friday evening of this week. A small admission will be charged.

All the teachers, except those whose homes are in the city, will spend the holidays with friends out of town. Miss Bednar goes to Sprague for the holidays, Mr. Hunterman will spend Christmas at Dell Rapids, S. D. and Miss Aston will go to Sloan, Iowa.

A good many of the rooms will have Christmas exercises Friday afternoon, something for every building. As a suggestion, parents ought to attend these for the encouragement of the children and also to bring themselves in touch with the schools.

The science department is installing a wind velocity machine on the roof of the school building, it being put in with electrical connections so it can be used in the lower hall. This instrument

is to measure the velocity of the wind, and practically completes a full equipment for weather observation.

The debate last Friday evening between Columbus and Central City was attended by a fair audience. The Columbus debaters acquitted themselves with credit, using less time in anecdotes and handling their answers to better advantage than Central City. There were no judges used, but the opinion of those present was that Columbus had the best of it.

The following news item taken from the "Press," published at Riverside, Cal., gives account of the death of Mrs. Lavinia Pickett at that place, December 9, 1906. Mrs. Pickett was a resident of Columbus about fifteen years ago and will be remembered by a number of friends here: Died, at Riverside, Cal., December 9, 1906, after an illness of thirteen months, Lavinia Campbell Pickett, widow of the late Daniel D. Pickett, in the 76th year of her age. Funeral services will be held at her late residence, 471 Chicago Avenue, on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment at Olivewood Cemetery.

## MEN'S HIGH CUT SHOES

**Better Than Ever**

Men's 16 inch, Black Elks kin, double Viscolized welt soles.....\$6.00  
Men's 16 inch Dark Tan Elkskin double Viscolized welt soles.....\$6.00  
Men's 16 inch, Black calf skin, double Viscolized welt soles.....\$5.50  
Men's 16 inch, Tan calf skin double, Viscolized welt soles.....\$5.50  
Men's 12 inch Black calf 1-2 double welt soles.....\$5.50

These are a few styles only of Complete line of high cut waterproof shoes for hunters or anyone where a high boot is required.

**GRAY'S**

**COLUMBUS, Nebraska**

## Two Serious Accidents.

Distressingly sad was the death of J. Blackerter Monday forenoon. The large gasoline engine had just been started at the H. E. Fonda & Bros. elevator and Mr. Blackerter, who has been working there this winter, noticed that the main drive belt was slipping. He took a piece of soap and, contrary to the rules in any machine shop, but assured by the fact that he had done it before, walked to the front of the engine and held the soap on the pulley, being so situated himself that the wheel was turning toward him. His hand was drawn under the belt and he was violently pulled into the machinery, receiving injuries that resulted fatally in less than an hour. His right arm was broken in several places but the fatal injury was a crushing blow the right eye. Wm. Fonda, who manages the St. Edward branch of the business, had entered the engine room just before the accident happened. The engine was stopped and Mr. Blackerter was carried to the office where physicians were summoned. The unfortunate man was not conscious after the accident and by advice of the physicians, Mr. Blackerter was taken to her home before the end came. While this accident is one of the most regrettable to happen in this neighborhood for many years, it is perhaps chargeable to no particular person or persons. It is simply the result of over confidence that comes to people long associated with machinery.

Almost simultaneous with the above accident, occurred another on the farm of George Koop, east of St. Edward. Within a minute after the accident at the Fonda elevator had been phoned to the physicians, word came that Wm. Koop had been injured. In stepping across a tumbling rod, his trousers were caught and he was thrown violently to the ground and whipped around the rod several times. He was saved, however, by his clothes tearing from him. His attending physician reports that he will recover his injuries, which are of a serious nature, two ribs being fractured over the heart, besides internal injuries of a more or less dangerous condition.—St. Edward Advance.

## Grace Church.

Sunday services December 23, third Sunday in Advent services will be as follows: Holy communion 8 a. m. Morning prayer, Litany and sermon, 11 a. m., preacher Rev. Dr. Westcott, subject: "Christmas." Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30, preacher Ernest F. Oxley, assistant minister. Sunday School and Bible Class, 10 a. m. Strangers especially welcome to these services.

Christmas services at Grace church conducted by Dr. Westcott and his assistant Ernest F. Oxley, as follows: 7 a. m. First celebration of the Holy Eucharist. 8 a. m. Second celebration of the Holy Eucharist. 10 a. m. Choral celebration of the Holy Communion with procession. "O come all ye Faithful." Anthem, "Calm on the Listening ear of Night."

The Christmas services will be repeated on the Sunday following. A musical service will be rendered by the choir at the evening service. The Sunday school will hold their annual Christmas tree on Holy Innocents Day, Friday, Dec. 23rd.

ARTHUR J. WESTCOTT, Ph. D., Rector.  
ERNEST F. OXLEY, Assistant.

## Farms for Sale.

Improved farms for sale, Platte and Boone counties.—First National Bank

## Office of Platte County Ind. Telephone Company

In compliance with the compiled statutes of Nebraska for 1905, and especially section 136 of chapter 16, thereof entitled "corporations," we, the undersigned officers and a majority of the board of directors, hereby give public notice that all the existing debts of said Telephone company, exclusive of cash on hand and cash accounts payable to said Company is as follows:

Promissory notes outstanding.....	\$285 15
Accounts.....	393 37
Bonded indebtedness less cash in sinking fund.....	\$160 00
C. J. GARLOW, President.	

## The Platte Center Signal says:

"Mrs. Alice Sullivan, the widow of Dennis Sullivan, who was killed in a runaway some five weeks ago, has started a suit in the district court to recover damages in the sum of \$5000, against August J. Radzwejt, Louis Stone and their sureties, the Metropolitan Mutual Bonding Company. Mr. Stone is running the saloon for Radzwejt, and both are made parties to the suit. None of the other saloon keepers in Columbus or Platte Center were included in the suit."

Lincoln papers of last Friday contained the following concerning a former Platte county citizen and who lived in Platte Center:

"N. J. Gentleman will make a formal application to Governor Mickey for a pardon from the penitentiary. Gentleman shot and killed Soren Olson in Platte Center six years ago the fifth of this month. He was convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to the penitentiary for nineteen years. The matter will come before the governor Dec. 24."

## CORRESPONDENCE

### Route No. 3.

Santa Claus goes to town every day now.

Wm. M. Mason is confined to the house with the grippe.

Mrs. Henry Reider is recovering from a very severe seizure of pneumonia.

The quarantine was raised from the home of Fred Mindrup on last Friday.

The Shell Creek Baptist church have just completed a very neat and much needed coal house.

Delivering grain, shelling corn and fixing things up for the winter is the order of the day out on the farm these days.

H. P. Mohrman and son, Herman, were delivering some of the products of their farm in Columbus on Monday of this week.

Mrs. D. D. Pickett, of Riverside, Cal., well known to many people in and near Columbus, died on December 9th, after an illness of thirteen months. Mrs. Pickett was in her seventy-sixth year. Mrs. A. C. Pickett, her son's wife, is a sister of H. E. Reed, mail carrier on this route.

### Monroe.

Monroe merchants are enjoying an extra good holiday trade this year.

A. E. Priest is attending a meeting of the board of supervisors in Columbus this week.

Lin Riley, the new blacksmith, expects to move his family into town between now and March 1.

R. J. Coulter is making arrangements to close out his stock of goods by March 1st and move onto the farm he purchased, near Corning, Ia.

The Woodmen are planning for an enjoyable time on January 1, when they will hold a public installation and serve supper to which the members and their families are invited.

### In County Court.

August Wagner sues Peter Kozlowski and Leo M. Borowiak for \$75, due for attorney's fees.

P. J. Hart secured a judgment against Richard Adams and Louise Adams for \$87.35 and accrued interest.

The State of Nebraska vs. Lawrence Weber and Frank Willis, in which A. J. Beckwith was plaintiff, was dismissed and the defendants being discharged, there being no cause for action. The case was about some cattle being taken up for trespass and the owners got possession of them without permission.

Friday, January 4, P. L. Benthack will sell at public auction at his farm, 4 miles southwest of Platte Center, 31 head of short horn cattle, 3 horses and farm machinery. This is an excellent opportunity to secure some thoroughbred stock. The sale will begin at 10 a. m. and free lunch at noon. Remember the date, January 4.

During the last two weeks M. H. Ish, district manager of the American DeForest Wireless Telegraph Co., has been in the city in the interest of the company, as on account of its favorable geographical location, Columbus can secure a subsidiary tower, one of the first ten to be located in the state, around which adjoining towns will be circled later on, this being a central receiving tower. The Commercial club has taken the matter up and at their request Mr. Ish addressed a special meeting Tuesday evening, called for the purpose of considering the proposition. Quite a number of the representative business men and capitalists were present and much interest was shown in the remarks on the subject. After an explanation of the objects of the company and what the establishment of a station would mean to Columbus, those present were invited to ask whatever questions they desired. The informal talk brought out that rates on messages for 500 miles would be one cent per word, and a slight increase for greater distances. The origin, growth and present development of wireless was fully explained, together with the business methods and manner of locating towers. In this connection Mr. Ish stated that a wireless telephone system would accompany the introduction of the wireless telegraph in this city the same saving in rates being made as in telegraph. The automatic receiving device was also fully explained, showing that it is impossible for an error to occur, except in the original copy of the message, and the system is not subject to disarrangement by storms and inclement weather. The company purchases property and becomes taxpayers in every community which they enter, and in consequence of this do not require a franchise and are free from embarrassment from large corporations who have previously entered the field with similar public utilities. The future of wireless is unlimited, as it takes the place of telephone, telegraph and cable. As a result of the meeting Mr. Ish opened subscription books this morning and will give Columbus citizens an opportunity to show their desire for the tower by subscription for stock of the parent company.



**A MISTAKE**  
In placing your funds in this bank which is managed by men of experience, whose business is to daily carry out your wishes. The officers of this bank will be pleased to advise, without charge, persons desiring services along this line.  
**Columbus State Bank.**

### Inquire of Herriek.

Dr. Campbell, Dentist.

Dr. Paul and Matzen, Dentists.

Holiday goods at Owsen & Walker's. Owsen solicits your meat trade.

Christmas toys—SEE the display in our west window.—Poesch's candy factory and bakery.

Kodaks and supplies at Newsham's.

Mrs. F. K. Strother returned Wednesday from her trip to Lead City, S. D. where she has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stillman.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, of Chicago, spoke to a crowded house in the First Methodist Episcopal church Sunday night. She is an attractive speaker in the interest of temperance.—Whitcomb Reville, Washington. Miss Brehm will speak in the Presbyterian Friday evening, Jan. 4, 1907.

The Ministerial Association of Columbus met last Monday with Mr. Ulmer in Mr. Brugger's library. The paper of the day was read by Rev. Hayes on "John Knox, the Reformer and Revolutionist." An extra meeting of the Association has been called for next Monday to arrange for the meetings in the week of prayer which begins January 7.

## Greatest Sale of High Grade Pianos ever known in the History of Columbus

It has been almost impossible to secure enough dray wagons to deliver pianos.

Since the opening of Bennett Company's store, they have sold more pianos in Columbus than ever sold previous in the same time. No one can help to see the reason of that as the many lines of high grade standard pianos could never be duplicated any place in America. They handle the world's best makes including the Chickering & Sons, Ivers & Pond, Starr, Everett, Kohler & Campbell, Richmond, Harvard, Mendelssohn and many other makes favorably known to music artists and critics the world over. And this company sells is backed up by the strongest possible guarantee. The people of Columbus may well be proud of such an establishment.

A child can buy a piano as safe as a critic and reliable pianos are sold from \$125 up. The Bennett Company now operates 10 big stores and buy pianos in such large quantities with ample capital to discount all their bills. They can sell to the customers for less than the small dealers can buy them for at the factory.

A visit of inspection to their store is not only interesting but also profitable and in all cases they give courteous treatment and any information that may be asked. They also take orders for sheet music and hereafter it will be kept in stock. All sheet music is sold at one-half publishers price with the usual discount to teachers and professionals. Their store is located in the German National Bank Building, and visitors are always welcome.

THE BENNETT COMPANY  
German National Bank Bldg.

## Becher, Hockenberger & Chambers

### REAL ESTATE AND LOANS.

Whenever desiring investment in real estate, either farm lands or town lots, it will be to your interest to consult our lists. We also have several good dwellings for rent in Columbus, and it will pay you to come and see us before completing your arrangements.

Money to loan in any amount on short notice.  
Fire, Tornado and Accident Insurance.

**Becher, Hockenberger & Chambers**