

**Nebraska**  
**MANY AUTOS IN NEBRASKA**  
 Over Twelve Thousand Licenses Now Operating in the State.  
**TRADE GROWS BY LONG STRIDES**  
 Frank S. Perdue, Deputy State Superintendent, Narrowly Escapes Injury When Thrown from Car Near Wayne.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
 LINCOLN, Neb., July 2.—(Special)—Based on the purchase and registration of automobiles the wave of prosperity still flows over Nebraska, and as the years go on it grows in the number of automobiles. During the last six months there has been a total registration of 4,492; for the first six months in 1909 the registration totaled 1,947; for the same period in 1908, 1,023; for the first six months of 1907, when the new law first became operative, the registrations numbered 438.

During the entire year of 1907 the registrations numbered 2,140; in 1908 the total number was 4,262, and for the year 1909 the total registrations numbered 8,527.  
 Two automobile dealers in Lincoln estimated that the average price paid for machines in Nebraska was \$1,600. At this rate there has been spent in this state for automobiles during the last six months a total of \$7,393,000. Based on the same average at the amount of money invested, according to the total registrations of machines to \$1,600,000.  
 The assessment rolls of 1909 show that the assessors returned a total of \$311 machines at a valuation of \$1,971,896, or an assessed valuation of \$39,573. The average assessed value was \$19.22, which is one-fifth of the actual value. On April 1 of that year the total number registered was 4,388.

**Guard Loses Expert Rifleman.**  
 Earl J. Meixel of Company H, Second Regiment, Aurora, who has for several years been a member of the Nebraska rifle team in the national competitions at Camp Perry, Ohio, has been honorably discharged and will make his home in Chicago, where he has a position as inspector of meats for the United States.  
 When at the competition last year in Ohio Meixel made the record of fifty-one bulls-eyes at 500 yards.

**State Officers to Speak.**  
 Governor Shallenbarger will speak at Exeter July 4, and State Auditor Barton will speak at Aurora. Both places intend to have big celebrations.  
**Narrow Escape for Perdue.**  
 Frank S. Perdue, deputy state superintendent and candidate for the republican nomination for state superintendent, came very near being put out of the race early in the game by an automobile accident yesterday. Perdue was driving west out in the country near Wayne going at a lively clip in order to catch a train. Turning a corner the car ran over an obstruction and both men were thrown out in the road. Though badly shaken up neither man was seriously injured and the machine was not damaged.

**Board Rejects Claims.**  
 The State Board of Public Lands and Buildings has turned down claims amounting to \$47,075 filed by Tucker & Farnsworth, druggists of Grand Island. This amount of drugs was bought by Commander Barnes of the Grand Island Soldiers' Home without a permit from the board during the last six months.  
 The total claims filed amounted to \$1,123,211 and of this amount the board allowed \$65,244 for that which had been bought under contract entered into by the board after a competitive bidding.

In buying of permits it is not necessary for the superintendent to get competitive bids, but Commander Barnes did not even have permits. The board secured prices on the goods enumerated in the vouchers and satisfied itself that the charges were too high. More medicines has been bought at the Grand Island Soldiers' Home without permits than has been bought in years at any state institution.  
**Mullen Costly Orchestration.**  
 Governor Shallenbarger's lawyer-ol' inspector, Arthur Mullen, is proving himself a rather costly ornament to the state. Some weeks ago State Auditor Barton held up the claim of Luther P. Ludden, secretary to the State Normal board, for salary for doing the work of that office. He asked the opinion of the attorney general on the question and was informed that the claim was legal and should be paid. Then the governor and his ol' inspector got into the case and instructed the attorney general to fight the payment of the claim.

In the meantime a mandamus was asked at the hands of the Lancaster district court to compel the auditor to pay that claim. The district court ordered the claim paid. Now the governor has asked the attorney general to contest the payment of the claim.  
**Sham Battle at Beatrice.**  
 Beatrice is preparing its greatest battle for the members of the National Guard capable of putting up July 4, when the blue army and the brown army strive for position near that city.  
 Adjutant General Hartigan expects to be on hand and personally look over the work of the guard.

**Fix Convention Date.**  
 The democratic committee met this afternoon and fixed the date of the county convention for July 5.  
 The convention will consist of 215 delegates. Resolutions were passed in memory of Charles Jones, who recently died, and adjournment was taken in order that the committee could attend his funeral.

**Rain Had Hall at Gordon.**  
 GORDON, Neb., July 2.—(Special)—About the heaviest rain of the season fell here Friday afternoon. The rain started at 4:30 and for nearly an hour fell heavily. The rain was accompanied by a brisk wind and hail. Most of the hailstones were small, although many fell that measured three-fourths of an inch in diameter. During the storm a tree that belonged to Mr. Newcomer, maddened by the falling hail, bolted and ran for home. No one was injured. It is estimated that over an inch of rain fell.

**Big Time at Stensburg.**  
 STENSBURG, Neb., July 2.—(Special)—This city will celebrate its big day Monday. There is more money subscribed for tree attractions than ever before in the history of the town, and from the number of concessions that have come in from all over town there will be the largest crowd

**North Platte Presbyterians Dedicate Their New Church**



**NEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA.**  
 The First Presbyterian church, just recently completed at North Platte, Neb., was dedicated by appropriate services last Sunday morning, the services being conducted by the pastor, Rev. George F. Williams, assisted by Rev. Thomas B. Greenlee of the Chilton Hill Presbyterian church of Omaha, Dr. A. E. Turner of Hastings and Rev. Karnes. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Rev. Greenlee, who served this church as pastor for seven years and who left in September, 1908. It was during his pastorate that subscriptions for the new church were taken and one of his last acts at North Platte was the signing of the contract for the new building. The entire auditorium of the church and the Sunday school annex were completely filled at the dedicatory services. The church building is probably as beautiful and as modern and complete as any church building in the state. The entire exterior is pressed brick. The main rooms are furnished in oak and a splendid pipe organ has been installed. The building is steam heated and electric lighted. Its large windows are works of art. A magnificent pipe organ furnishes the music. The entire cost of the building and real estate was \$28,000. All but \$5,000 of this was raised by subscriptions almost entirely within the church congregation. No effort was made to raise any money at the dedication. During the afternoon services were held in which all the ministers of the city and others participated and in the evening services were held, conducted by President A. E. Turner of the Hastings college.

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here that has ever been at any celebration in the county.  
 Mayor Hiebloom and Chief of Police Peterson have decided to have as sane a Fourth as possible, and a copy of the new law on firecrackers, blank cartridges and dynamite caps, has been printed, with other regulations that will be enforced.

**Sutton Files for Congress**

**Omaha Judge Notifies Secretary of State He Would Like Republican Nomination.**  
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**BEATRICE GIRL IS POISONED**

**Death of Miss Marie Johnson Due to Eating Tainted Strawberries.**  
 BEATRICE, Neb., July 2.—(Special)—Word was received here yesterday announcing the sudden death of Miss Marie Johnson, a former Beatrice girl, which occurred yesterday at Anderson, Ind. Tainted strawberries are supposed to have caused her death. Soon after eating the berries the young woman became violently ill and died almost before medical aid could reach her. The patch from which the strawberries were picked was close to a potato patch, and as paris green had been sprinkled on the vines it is thought some of the poison had reached the berries and tainted them. The deceased was 17 years of age and left Beatrice about a year ago. At the time of her death she was attending the Gospel Trumpet Home at Anderson. The body will be brought to Beatrice for interment by the dead girl's father, who reached the bedside a short time before her death.

**TWO WOMEN HOLD UP MAN**

**Beatrice Engineer Robbed of Small Sum at Door of His Plant.**  
 BEATRICE, Neb., July 2.—(Special)—For the first time in the history of Beatrice women are playing the game of the holdup, and in their first attempt Friday night succeeded in robbing Night Engineer Sherer at the gas plant of about \$10 in cash.  
 Two women accosted the engineer just outside of the door at the plant where he was standing in order to get a bit of fresh air, and without saying a word one of them grabbed him around the neck while the other rifled his pockets and secured between \$5 and \$10 in cash. They did not attempt to conceal their identity by wearing masks and disappeared in the darkness as quickly as they came. The robbery was reported to the police, who believe they have a clue to the guilty parties.

**District Court at Aberdeen.**

**CHADRON, Neb., July 2.—(Special)—**Judge Wooten today sentenced Jerry Hank, convicted of assault, to seven years in the penitentiary.  
 After two days of taking testimony in the case of the estate of F. E. Bauman, charged with embezzlement, the court directed the jury to bring in a verdict of "not guilty."  
 The grand jury reported some repairs needed on jail, and a recommendation to the county commissioners to see that in future the police judges and justices of the peace keep proper records.  
 This, with the indictments of the Crawford saloon men, who pleaded guilty and were fined \$100 each, ended the work of the grand jury for the June 1910 term of the Dawes county district court.

**Nebraska News Notes.**

**ARLINGTON**—Winter wheat in this locality is turning pretty fast and the farmers will start cutting about July 5.  
**SUTTON**—Mrs. John Rath, ar. died at noon today after a long illness of typhoid fever. She is survived by husband and several grown children. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.  
**BEATRICE**—D. D. McGuire, who has been acting as cashier of the State bank of Oshes the last few years, has severed his connection with that institution. He is succeeded by H. B. Gibson of Auburn.  
**CHADRON**—At the installation of officers of the new year of Masonic lodge No. 18, Hiramson McFadyen was made W. M., Ernest Traeger 2. W., E. D. Crites J. W., John Morgan secretary, Ralph Myers S. D., Frank Eganer S. D., M. L. Novell treasurer.

**RISING CITY**—William Jancke in trying to jump out of his buggy after his team became unmanageable because of an auto-bomb, caught one of his feet in the wheel and his leg was broken twice below the knee.

**RED CLOUD**—Plans are being discussed for the formation of a local co-operative

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Besides the above there will be many separate and odd pieces of good, desirable furniture greatly reduced.  
 See Monday papers for full particulars. Sale begins Tuesday. We close at 5 o'clock during July and August, except Saturdays, at 9.

**HOW DOG DOCTORS THRIVE**

**Ailing Fidos Keep Veterinarians on the Run.**  
**GOLD LEAF SIGNS AND MANSIONS**  
 Once a Side Issue to Livery Stables, the Animal Healer is Now a Very Dignified Professional Man.

"Hello, hello, is this Dr. Binks? Yes, doctor, our dog is sick—somebody has fever—will you'd come over right away. All right, good-bye."  
 This alleged fragment from telephone conversation is a myth. That is, no such conversation actually occurred in so many words. Yet, for the purpose of illustrating the growing fad for giving medical attention to dogs, it is herein set forth—and, after all, there isn't so very much exaggeration about it.  
 The rapid increase of veterinary practice in this country within the last dozen years is well worth a passing thought. Not so very long ago, when the family dog fell ill, he was left to get well as best he could. Of course, everybody was sorry if Bowser had distemper—that's the only name dog disease used to have—but there was never a thought of calling a doctor. Now-a-days, dogs have long latrine names for their ailments, much after the fashion of men and women, and the moment Fido shows symptoms of uneasy feeling, straightway gets a telephone call to the doctor.

**Current Literature**

**OUT OF THE NIGHT.** By Mrs. Baille Reynolds. 390 pp.; \$1.50; Hodder & Stoughton.  
 The title of this book takes its significance from the opening scene, wherein a young woman, who has traveled from Vancouver to England to find her relatives, staggers exhausted at midnight out of the darkness and storm into a farm house, and because she is who she is, changes the fates of the two people whom she finds there. Its love story is entangled with serious and tragic complications, and many of its incidents, although they are of the typical English village, go down to the raw of human emotion.  
**DR. THORNE'S IDEA.** By John Ames Mitchell. 244 pp.; \$1. Life Publishing Company.  
 This book has an underlying vein of humor which crops out at unexpected moments giving relief to the serious and sentimental passages in which the story abounds. It's a curious chap who is the hero of the tale—a psychological study of a real boy and a real man with traits which are wonderfully true to nature and yet transcend it.  
**WHEN LOVE CALLS MEN TO ARMS.** By Stephen Chalmers. 322 pp.; \$1.50; Small, Maynard & Co.  
 From the time when Don John escapes from the Spanish galleon in Killisnoy bay until Rorie comes to the end of his story of Don John's daughter, the winsome, but wilful Marjorie, there is breathless action in this Scotch romance. The book is full of big scenes and alluring characters, not the least of whom is Bordeaux, as he calls himself, the friend of "Will Shaxper."

**THE CAVE WOMAN.** By Viola Burnham. 222 pp.; \$1.25; H. Holt & Co.  
 This romance begins and ends literally in a cave—and in one so dark that the hero cannot distinguish the woman who is his companion, and who refuses to disclose her identity. He is given permission, however, to search for her at her stopping place, a fashionable mountain hotel. A scenario of holding interest from the start, it is made absorbingly so by the entrance of a second woman who was concealed in the cave—and heard their conversation.

**FRUIT GROWING IN ARID REGIONS.** By Wendell Faddock. 260 pp.; \$1.50; The Macmillan Company.  
 This volume is the outgrowth of over eight years' experience in inter-mountain horticulture. The peculiar fitness of many arid lands for fruit growing was long in becoming apparent, but their orchards have within comparatively recent years become a most important source of supply.

**THE RURAL LIFE PROBLEM OF THE UNITED STATES.** By Sir Horace Plun-Plun. 174 pp.; \$1.25; The Macmillan Company.  
 The substance of this book appeared in five articles contributed to the Outlook under the title, "Conservation and Rural Life." The author has spent ten years in ranching and farming in this country and has been throughout his life a close student of rural life.

**THE GOOD OF LIFE AND OTHER LITTLE ESSAYS.** By Prof. William Cleaver Wilkinson. 260 pp.; \$1.25; Funk & Wagnall Company.  
 There are fifty-four essays in this volume. The title describes the book's very well, especially if you take in the quoted Latin humor. "De Omnibus Rebus, et Quibusdam Aliis." "Concerning Everything and Certain Things Besides." It is a good companion book for travel, and for vacation leisure wherever spent.

**THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S SPEECHES IN EUROPE.** 128 pp.; C. S. Hammond & Co.  
 This little volume contains five speeches: "Duties of the Citizen," delivered before the French Academy; "International Peace," delivered before the Nobel Prize committee; "The Uplift of Nations," delivered before the University of Berlin; "England's Policy in Egypt," delivered at the Guildhall, London; "The World's Development," delivered before Oxford University.

**THE HUMMING BIRD.** By Owen Johnson. 128 pp.; 50 cents; The Baker & Taylor Company.  
 A "prep" school story, with many of his former characters reappearing, and tells how Dennis de Brian de Boru Finnegan appeared at the school, the sort of welcome he received, how he established himself as an authority on base ball, and quotes in full his report of a base ball game. This report is the heart of the little story, and as an example of base ball English it is inventive, imaginative and figurative enough to puzzle even a base ball reporter.

**WORK-ACCIDENTS AND THE LAW.** By Crystal Eastman. 332 pp.; \$1.50; The Plimburgh Survey.  
 Another volume dealing with the findings of a close range investigation of the ranks of the wage earners in the American steel district. Here the master and servant law, court interpretations, employers' liability companies, relief associations and charitable societies enter into the problem.  
**OUR SLAVIC FELLOW CITIZENS.** By Emily Greene Balch. 479 pp.; \$2.50; Charities Publication Committee.  
 A study of the social character and conditions of immigrants from Slavic countries. The matter for this book was originally prepared as a series of magazine articles, which appeared in Charities and the Commonweal.  
**HIGHWAYS OF PROGRESS.** By James F. Hill. 325 pp.; \$1.50; Doubleday, Page & Co.  
 A collection of studies in the applied economics on the great problem of our progress, upon which the future of our country depends. Many of the addresses and articles which go to make up the volume have appeared in the public prints.

**THE FUTURE OF TRADE UNIONISM AND CAPITALISM IN DEMOCRACY.** By Charles W. Eliot. 128 pp.; \$1; G. P. Putnam & Sons.  
 An analysis of the paramount industrial question of the present, a question which is complicated as well as momentous, and regarding the solution of which there is, necessarily, a great diversity of opinion.  
**THE HEALTH OF THE CITY.** By Hollis Godfrey. 234 pp.; \$1.25; Houghton, Mifflin Company.  
 An interesting book on all vital problems of city sanitation. Water and waste, milk supply, air, food, ice, noise, plumbing and housing are all treated.

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