

"Cow Country" Is Optimistic Over Spring Outlook

Falling Prices Cause Heavy Losses, But Improved Conditions Are Expected Soon.

March 1, "settlement day," is a critical time in an agricultural state like Nebraska. With the unsettled financial conditions...

Alliance, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The present business depression has affected the cattle industry of western Nebraska perhaps more than any other line of business.

Ranges Are Depleted. The high prices during the war period had a tendency to bring forward the market, depleting the ranges of hundreds of thousands of cattle...

"Real estate conditions in Alliance and Box Butte counties are looking better during the last few weeks."

"The heavy snows of January have given a great impetus to the fall wheat crop, which is in excellent condition and there is sufficient moisture now to start the spring crops off in good shape."

"Jesse James a Piker," Commercial Travelers Say in "Strike" Order

Letters have been sent to 600,000 commercial travelers urging them to institute a 30-day strike against hotels that charge what the organization terms exorbitant prices for room and food.

Financial Conditions Improve. S. B. Wright, cashier of the Guardian State bank of Alliance, who is in close touch with financial conditions in this part of the state, says that business is improving...

Chamber of Commerce at Beatrice Names Officers. Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday the following officers were elected: President, Dr. H. M. Heppner; vice president, J. C. Wheaton; treasurer, J. R. Spicer.

Accessory Thieves and "Fence" Fined in Beatrice. Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—Gaylord Marsh pleaded guilty to receiving a stolen auto tire and was fined \$50 in district court.

Man Shoots Wife and Cuts Own Throat; No-Work Cause. Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 17.—After having shot and seriously wounded his wife, Charles Saunders, 55, cut his own throat in their room early today.

Better Times for Farmers. George Neuswanger, until recently manager of the Farmers' Union Co-operative Union association, who is considered one of the best authorities on farming in the county, sees better times ahead for the farmer and gives his reasons in the following words:

"Practically all of the farmers have an ample supply of good seed for their spring planting and also

Shady Circumstances

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"Yes, it cost me \$10,000 to have my family tree looked up and \$5,000 more to have it hushed up."

plenty of feed, which is cheaper now, especially hay, than it has been since before the war.

"The fall crops, wheat and rye, are in exceptionally fine condition, due to the mild winter and ample moisture from the heavy snows."

"The prospect is for a large amount of raw land being brought into production, although the extremely low prices of wheat and potatoes are somewhat discouraging to farmers."

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"Duke's" Partner Goes to Prison

Craig Chesterfield Denies Guilt, Denounces Jail Fare And Awaits Aid From East

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