

A STEADY STEER DEAL

SUPPLY RATHER LIGHT AND CLEARANCE FOUND AT UN-CHANGED PRICES.

TOP BEEVES BRING \$7.50

Cow Trade Slow—Mean Lower Session in Heifers, Except Choice Grades—Stockers Tended to Weak Side.

Packers, having forced a sharp decline in prices on the previous day, did not make serious efforts to further depress trade today and absorbed the rather light run of steers offered at prices about steady with the low point yesterday.

Estimates called for 1,800 cattle at this point today, while the five points reported a total of 19,000, or 4,000 more than a week ago.

There was nothing here very attractive in the fat steer line with the exception of one or two lurchers among these grades only fairly good.

The following prices on steers are quotable on the St. Joseph market: Choice to prime, \$8.00 to \$9.00; good to choice, \$7.50 to \$8.00; fair to good, \$7.00 to \$7.50; common to fair, \$6.50 to \$7.00.

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Cattle Receipts. The following table shows the local receipts from January 1, 1911, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1910.

Receipts by Cars. The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the local yards today.

Receipts by Cattle. The following shows the estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal western markets today and comparisons:

ST. JOSEPH HAY MARKET. Local Quotations Corrected to Date by Local Dealers.

The following quotations are furnished daily by the St. Joseph Hay Receivers and Shippers' association for the benefit of Stock Yards Daily Journal readers:

SLIGHT EASING IN HOGS

BEST KINDS GENERALLY STEADY, OTHERS WEAK TO 5c LOWER.

TOP OF \$6.25 IS ESTABLISHED

Big Share of Offerings Clear at \$5.80 to 6.10—Quality Good—Local Run Estimated at 14,000 Head.

Hog prices ranged steady to 5c lower than yesterday with a fairly active market after a belated start. Local receipts were liberal, 14,000 head being estimated, a run 3,000 greater than a week ago.

General quality of the offerings today was good, with a larger percentage of the offerings being of the better grades.

Prices ranged from \$5.40 to \$6.25, with the bulk selling at \$5.90 to \$6.15. The bulk yesterday sold at \$5.60 to \$6.05, a week ago at \$5.50 to \$6.20, a month ago at \$6.10 to \$6.50, a year ago at \$7.00 to \$7.70.

Representative Hog Sales. 60-328, 40-625, 72-210, 40-605, 60-285, 40-625, 72-210, 40-605.

Yearlings and Calves. 17-698, 5-853, 3-602, 4-775, 17-674, 4-900, 5-425, 4-550.

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS. Today's Receipts. Cattle 2,131, Hogs 1,872, Sheep 1,372.

Receipts from Jan. 1 to Date. The following table shows the local receipts from January 1, 1911, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1910.

Range of Hog Prices. This week Last Week. Monday \$5.40 to \$6.25, Tuesday 5.80 to 6.25.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET. Today's cash values: Receipts: wheat, 2 cars; corn, 44 cars; oats, 1 car.

Wheat. No. 2 red 94 @ 94 1/2, No. 3 red 92 @ 92 1/2, No. 2 hard 97 1/2 @ 1 03.

Corn. No. 2 white, new 62 @ 63, No. 3 white, new 60 @ 61.

HAS IRRIGATION SCHEME.

Lawton, Okla., Plans to Store 35,000,000 Gallons of Water.

Lawton, Okla., Dec. 14.—With Lawton's new city dam in the Wichita Mountains, containing 3,000,000,000 gallons of water, just completed, and the city boasting of the largest body of water in Oklahoma, either artificial or natural, plans are under way to increase the height of the dam 40 feet.

Watered Behind It. The Lawton city dam, originally built to a height of 15 feet, and recently increased to 25 feet, is built in a natural pass in the Wichita Mountains at Medicine Park.

Irrigation Project. The irrigation project comes at a particularly opportune time in Southwestern Oklahoma, the present year has been one of decided crop failures, due to a long drought and hot wave.

Fulton, Mo., Makes Major Improvements in Two Years. Fulton, Mo., Dec. 14.—Fulton invites the United States to put forward a town of its size that has made greater strides in commercial and civic development in the last two years.

Other Live Stock Markets. CHICAGO. Chicago Union Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 14.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 7000.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1025-1028 New Corby-Forsce Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

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MUTTON VALUES SLUMP

BUYERS EFFECT REDUCTIONS ON PRACTICALLY ALL CLASSES

—RUN HEAVY.

LACK OF QUALITY IS NOTED

The country disregarded the warnings sent out by practically every buyer market yesterday, when the general price list announced the influence of a slight increase in receipts, and instead of marketing the usual light Thursday supply, they played right into the packers' hands with a supply of 4,300 native and fed western mixed sheep and lambs with the latter forming the bulk of the day's receipts.

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Lamb Prices. 10-15c White, 25c Discounts Are Required to Move Fat Sheep—Top Lambs \$6.75.

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TO RESCIND TREATY

ABROGATION OF RUSSIAN AGREEMENT PASSES HOUSE BY VOTE OF 300 TO 1

NOW UP TO THE SENATE

Washington, Dec. 13.—The Sulzer joint resolution for the termination of the treaty with Russia, because of the latter's discrimination against Jewish-American citizens, passed the House tonight by 300 to 1.

There is a profit in feeding Exello Feed. It is made at St. Joseph, Mo. J. W. Hamm, of Forest City, Mo., disposed of one car of cattle on the local market today.

Champlin Molasses Feed shortens feeding period, increases gain, reduces cost per pound of gain, equally good with ensilage.

G. W. Holt & Co., regular patrons of the local market, were represented here today with a one-car shipment of cattle from Cumberland, Ia.

Jno. Webb, an extensive cattle dealer of Bedford, Ia., had a three-car shipment of cattle here today.

Excello Feed has proven a great success. Plant not quite a year old—running day and night.

Best beds in the city, 50 cents per night. Transit House.

S. L. Thompson, a well-known Plattsburg, Mo., farmer, was on the market today with one car of cattle of his own feeding.

Read Self & Binwanger's special offer on another page.

Wm. Halsley, a prominent shipper to this market from Lebanon, Neb., had two cars of steers on sale today.

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CURE FOR TUBERCULOSIS.

J. L. Dickson Working on a Plan to Inoculate Humans Against Plague.

J. L. Dickson, past president of the Buchanan County Dairymen's association, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and a man of wide experience in connection with tuberculosis in cattle, is working on a proposed cure for consumption in human beings.

"The idea is based upon the tried plan of inoculation with serum for the cure of diseases, which has proved so successful in many cases.

"There is not much danger from smallpox now," said Mr. Dickson, "on account of the application of vaccines, which is obtained from cows which have been inoculated with the vaccine virus. In the same way anti-toxins is taken from a horse, which has been inoculated, and is used for curing diphtheria.

"My proposal is along the same line. It is to inoculate a cow with tuberculin bacilli, and from the serum, and use this serum upon persons who have consumption.

"In a recent article in the Gazette Dr. W. S. Gregory advanced the theory that consumption in human beings may be cured by drinking the milk of cows which have tuberculosis. This theory is not without merit, but I believe that mine is more practicable."

Mr. Dickson came to St. Joseph from Pennsylvania, where he was in the dairy business. He had thirteen cows condemned there by the state veterinarian, because they showed symptoms of tuberculosis, but eleven of them, upon examination after they were killed, were found to be not affected so little that they could be used for meat. He received \$375 for cows valued at more than \$3,000, he said.

Since that time Mr. Dickson has given a great deal of attention to cases of tuberculosis in dairy cattle and has dissected hundreds of animals which had been tested and slaughtered. He believes that the tests given are far from infallible.

"I know that in some cases where cows are so far advanced in the disease that consumption in human beings which have been applied have failed to show any reaction," said Mr. Dickson, "this is because they were so filled with tubercular bacilli that they failed to respond to the injections made."

Complaint has been made by several milkmen, whose cattle have been condemned, that the fat healthy looking ones were condemned and the thin ones left.

Mr. Dickson will leave the latter part of this week for California, where he has been making his studies in a quest for a cure for the white plague.

Full value for every dollar! That's what we all want and what we get, too, if we do our Christmas shopping at Hirsch Bros. big department store, Eighth and Felix streets, St. Joseph.

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

P. R. Growney, a large shipper of Concord, Mo., had a consignment of stock on yesterday's market, also one car today.

Flink & Son, well-known patrons of the local market, were represented today with a three-car shipment of cattle from Bethany, Mo.

Chas. White, a farmer and stockman of Vesta, Neb., was here today with a one-car shipment of cattle.

H. E. Warren, a prominent man of Superior, Neb., had two cars of steers on sale at the local market today.

G. Dilut, a well-known farmer and feeder of Henley, Neb., had two cars of cattle on this market today.

E. C. Christy, of Guide Rock, Neb., contributed one car of cattle to the receipts today.

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ALL TALKING HIGH PRICED CORN

Chicago Drivers Journal: Everybody is talking a high price for corn before the next crop is harvested. Among the thousands of cattle feeders who visited the International last week the price of corn was a general topic.

Loss of a big percentage of fall pigs by cholera is another factor in checking cattle feeding enthusiasm, and the combination of short pig crop and high-priced corn is likely to work serious shortage in beef supplies.

LESSON FOR AMERICA

The financial crisis which Germany went through six weeks ago without turning a hair would have precipitated a panic as bad as that of 1871 in the United States had it not been that that country has the advantage of a reserve system which relieves any severe tension due to momentary and unusual causes.

TRUCK GROWERS PREPARE SUIT

Crystal Springs, Miss., Dec. 12.—Truck growers of this community and of other parts of Copiah county, are preparing a suit against the Illinois Central Railroad for alleged overcharges on freight.

prostrated all business in the United States for a time, created a tremor in the business circles of the empire.

Remember that \$39,000,000 is a greater sum than was lost by withdrawal by the associated banks' reserve of New York City alone during one week in October, four years ago.

The German central bank actually increased its domestic loans by \$145,000,000, besides taking care of the French inroads upon its capital and the withdrawals by German citizens.

The principles of the proposed reserve association are recognized and applied by the three greatest financial powers of Europe.

DRAIN ARKANSAS LANDS.

Owners Tackle Reclamation Work at Own Expense.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 12.—The progressive property owners of the Stuttgart and Almyra section of Arkansas are preparing to expend at least \$275,000 during the next year for drainage.

Many immense projects, aggregating millions of dollars, are under way in Clay, Green, Craighead, Peainsett, Mississippi, Crittendon, Phillips, Lee, Desha, Chicot, Arkansas, St. Francis and other counties.

Projects in Rice Belt. Everywhere canals and laterals are being excavated to carry off the surplus water and provide irrigation and drainage at the same time.

Grand Prairie, the great rice belt of Eastern Arkansas, has several projects. A main ditch and several laterals are under construction.

King's Bayou Ditch. The survey for the Lost Island Drainage District are nearly complete.

Surveyors for the King's Bayou Drainage Ditch are being completed and the contract will be let a few days for work amounting to about \$75,000.

The J. R. Wulf Drainage District includes about 45 miles of ditches and laterals, starting at a point six miles south of Almyra.

Diversion of Crops Urged. Mississippi Governor Talks of Appointing Commission to This End.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 12.—Gov. Noel has appointed a commission to review agricultural conditions in the state and make recommendations of diversity of crops and stock raising.

It is proposed to appoint on this commission men now engaged in conducting state and federal experiment farms and some of the northern men who have recently moved to Mississippi are making a success of general crops and ignoring cotton.

In connection with this movement for the betterment of agriculture, interests, Gov. Noel says he has been requested by Gov. Colquitt of Texas to call a meeting of cotton planters and suggest a reduced acreage for next year to increase prices.

Berlin never even broke into a sweat when the Moroccan crisis took \$150,000,000 from its government banks to Paris in the shape of called loans.

Two hundred new applicants in penny toys are brought out each week in White chapel, London.

Christmas Shopping News Condensed for Busy Readers

Brief mention of important lines of gift merchandise attractively priced for the Christmas selling. Commencing Saturday the Store Will Be Open Evenings Until Christmas.

Handkerchiefs

Ladies' Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, each, 5c to 50c. All Linen Madeira Hand-Embroidered Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, each, 12 1/2c to \$2.00.



Important Footwear News

Just Received, a Full Line of Ladies' Velvet 16-Button Boots, welt soles, new Hi-Toe and short vamp effects. Price, per pair, \$4.00. We have about 200 pairs left of the recent purchase of 1,000 pairs of Ladies' Tan Russia Calf, Gunmetal and Patent Colt Button Boots.

Novelties and Fancy Goods

Jewel Cases, gold, silver, 25c to \$4.00. Fancy Gold Mirrors, 50c to \$2.00. Triple Mirrors, \$1.00 to \$3.00. Shaving Mirrors, \$1.00 to \$3.50. Fancy Vases, 50c to \$1.50.

Christmas Gloves

A large direct importation, just received, in "Monarch," "Johvin," "Derby" and other exclusive makes, make the Townsend & Wyatt Glove Section pre-eminently the Christmas glove store of St. Joseph.

Warm Blankets

Make an ideal gift. These are very warm, dainty in appearance and special values, owing to their late arrival.

Xmas Underwear

Ladies' Silk Vests, \$1.00 to \$2.50. Ladies' Silk Tights, \$2.00 to \$3.00. Ladies' Silk Unions, \$3.00. Ladies' Embroidered Vests, \$2.00 to \$3.75.

Remember, only 8 More Days in Which to Finish Your Christmas Shopping. Townsend & Wyatt Dry Goods Co. Commencing Saturday the Store Will Be Open Evenings Until Christmas.

ROOSTER A MOUSE CATCHER

Kansas Owner Issues Challenge for Race With Any Cat.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 12.—Has any one a cat that is a real "mouser"—a cat that can smell a mouse a block away and can run 100 feet and make the kill in twenty seconds or better?

Harry Maddux, assistant city engineer at Wichita, is the owner of the rooster and he has sent a challenge to the state of Kansas.

Issues "National Challenge." He is willing to bet his rooster will catch a mouse and kill it in quicker time than any other rooster or cat in the state of Kansas.

Tells of Rooster's Record. "He delights in the chase of little rodents. He seems to smell mice around and will watch for hours for mouse to come out of a hole.

Rich Picking for Him. Assistant Game Warden Get Half of Fines Resulting From Arrests.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 12.—There is a provision in the law of Oklahoma regulating the killing of game that permits an assistant to the state fish and game warden to make arrests and upon the conviction of those charged with violating the hunting law, the assistant gets half of the fine, the minimum of which is \$50.

SPECIAL XMAS OFFER UNTIL JANUARY 1. We will send you express prepaid 4 full quarts of our famous Clover Lawn 100 per cent Proof Straight Kentucky Whiskey for \$2.95. This is the biggest value ever offered by any mail order house. Don't fail to take advantage of it. FREE with each order, bottle of wine, patent cork screw and whiskey glass. SELF & BINSWANGER THE FINE WHISKEY FOLK 427 Edmond Street St. Joseph, Mo.

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS RECEIVED BY DR. M. L. KULLMAN

1107 Frederick Ave., St. Joseph, Mo. Guaranteed Cure—Piles, Nervous and Chronic Diseases

St. Joseph, Mo., March 19, 1910. Dr. M. L. Kullman, St. Joseph, Mo. My Dear Doctor:

After having suffered severely for some 15 years with protruding piles, and having tried many treatments which gave little or no relief, I was entreated by a friend to give your treatment a trial.

You are at liberty to use my name, or refer any one to me at any time, and I will be only too glad to write or tell them of my cure.

Yours gratefully, J. C. Bailey, Pres. Sterling Pickling Works.

Gravois Mills, Mo., Jan. 20, 1910. To whom it may concern: I have suffered with piles and fistula for ten year and have used all kinds of medicine without being cured.

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"STILL" IN TAILOR SHOP.

Officers Raid Illicit Distillery in Chicago; Seize Whiskey. Chicago, Dec. 14.—An illicit distillery in full operation was raided here by federal revenue officers.

They were J. Levinsky and T. Shaffer, formerly of Philadelphia. Several hundred gallons of freshly distilled whiskey was seized. A wagon load of sugar, unloading at the time of the raid, also was taken.

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FIFTY YEARS ON ONE FARM

Colorado Man 92, Still Hale and Hearty.

Longmont, Colo., Dec. 13.—C. L. Smead, who resides west of Longmont, enjoys the distinction of being the oldest man in Boulder county. He is hale and hearty, and past 92 years of age.

The aged man is the owner of a large farm. On the place he has two houses. In one of them his son-in-law, Charles Bird, and his daughter live, but farming the place. In the other house lives the old gentleman, and his youngest son. The son is in poor health, and the father looks after his wants as he did when the son was only a boy. The old gentleman does most of his own housework and keeps himself employed with other chores and light work around the place.

Smead is an exceptionally active man for his age. He waits on himself and asks no odds of anyone. He does not consider himself old and can see no reason why he should not go on past the hundred-year mark.

Every fall when the pioneers hold their annual reunion in this city Smead is always one of the first to be on hand. At the reunion, this year he walked a mile to the nearest railroad station. He went from the depot to the hall on foot, refusing the offer of a cab with a shrug of the shoulders. At the reunion he spent the entire day shaking hands and going over old times with neighbors and friends he had not met for years. In the evening he hustled down to the depot and boarded the train for home.

One time during the fall the old gentleman went into his orchard to gather a sack of apples for his own use. He filled his sack and was anxious to get it to the house. No one happened around to carry it for him and he raised the sack to his shoulder and carried the seventy-five pounds unaided.

Not only is Mr. Smead active in body, but in mind. He spends a good deal of time with papers and books and keeps himself well posted on the events of the day. He is ever ready for conversation and posted on any of the questions of the present time.

The old gentleman is a pioneer of this section. He settled in this part of the country in 1859 and is now living on the farm he has called home for nearly fifty years.

His wife died several years ago at an advanced age.

Mr. Smead has four living children, Mrs. Charles Bird and Marion Smead, both of Longmont; W. Smead and a son living in the west.

DIRTY EGGS ON THE FARM

Few Farmers Take Good Care of Their Poultry Product.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—While there are a few egg producers who take the best care of their product, the average farmer considers the eggs produced on the farm a by-product and makes very little provision for their care, aside from gathering them. A large loss is caused by dirty eggs, the number being enormous, and according to the estimate of Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture this money loss to the farmers in the United States amounting to about \$5,000,000 annually.

This loss is very largely brought about by not gathering the eggs often enough. In wet weather more dirty eggs are found than at any other time. This is caused by the fact that the nests are not cleaned and bedded, or other filthy, and in going on the nest to lay she soils the eggs already in the nest.

An insufficient number of nests is often the cause of many of the dirty eggs found. Eggs are laid on the ground and around the hay and straw stacks, and becoming stained, are classed as "dirty." Again, when too many eggs are allowed to remain in a nest some are broken and many of the others become smeared with broken yolks. This condition is often brought about by allowing the broody hens to use the same nests with the layers. On a farm where one nest to every four hens is provided and the nests are kept clean and well bedded, it is found that very few dirty eggs are produced.

After gathering the eggs, care should be taken not to put them where they will become heated, or near oil, onions, or other vegetables, as they readily absorb odors.

Although dirty eggs may be perfectly fresh, they invariably sell as "seconds," and when but a few dirty eggs are mixed with an otherwise fresh, clean lot, they materially decrease the price of the clean eggs.

HIGHER PAPER POSTAGE.

Hitchcock's Personal Representative Advocates Double Rate.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 12.—Speaking directly for the postoffice department and as the personal representative of Postmaster General Hitchcock, James J. Britt, assistant postmaster general tonight before the Cleveland Association of Credit Men, declared that the department, through the special postal commission, intended to recommend to Congress within a few days that the rate on all newspapers and periodicals be increased from one to two cents a pound and increased by a cent later on until they paid a rate nearing the cost to the government of handling them.

The government is now making a surplus of \$2,031,990 a year from first class matter, including letters, while at the same time the sum of \$66,225,552 is being lost each year on the carrying of second class matter, said Mr. Britt.

"It is as soon as the rates on second class matter are readjusted we will ask Congress to grant a one-cent rate on letters."

NEW POULTRY INSTRUCTOR

R. C. Lawry Joins Poultry Department of Iowa Agricultural College.

Ames, Ia., Dec. 13.—R. C. Lawry, manager of one of the greatest poultry establishments in the United States, will join the instruction force of the Iowa State college short course in January and assist in the direction of the work in poultry husbandry. Mr. Lawry was formerly connected with the poultry department at Cornell University, New York, but for several years he has managed the Yesterday Eggs Farms Co. at Pacific, Mo., where thousands of birds are kept. He will lecture especially on "Selection and Feeding for Egg Production," in which he has had unusually successful experience. Mr. Lawry's lectures will be but one feature of an unusually practical short course for poultry

STAY ON THE FARM.

Graduates of Iowa Agricultural College Go Into Business.

Ames, Ia., Dec. 13.—Wondering why his house, one of the largest business establishments in the United States, never gets letters of application from Iowa state college graduates, President A. C. Bartlett of the Hibbard, Spencer Bartlett & Co., has written to know why.

"While we receive numerous applications from the Universities of Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, etc.," he writes, "we have never had one from your institution. The writer wonders if all your people go into agricultural pursuits."

"They do," said Dean Chas. F. Curtis, speaking for the agricultural division. "Our graduates are rarely inclined to go into business," he wrote. In the agricultural division, from three-fourths to four-fifths of the graduates return directly to the farm and those who do not take up farm work take up some phase of agricultural work, such as teaching, experimental work, agricultural journalism or other employment closely related to agriculture.

President Bartlett of Chicago asked for names of Ames men who might want to go into business. Dean Curtis could furnish him none, none at least from the agricultural division. Agricultural students are going back to the farms in Iowa.

3,000 TO RUN BIG FARM.

California Land Bought for Community of Russians.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 12.—Morris Brook of this city has secured an option on a tract of 22,999 acres of foothill land in Glenn and Colusa counties for a colony of Russians that will include 3,000 persons.

The land will be farmed as a whole if the deal is completed, and there will be no individual holdings. The colony will farm it on a community plan all living in a town that will be established.

THAT GUINEA CRY.

City folks visiting country neighbors where guinea fowls are kept have often wondered at the cry of those pretentious creatures. Probably no other member of the feathered tribes emit a cry as evanescent to human listeners as that of the guinea fowl. The average man rarely hears it without secretly longing to throttle the throat from which it came. Yet it has its uses. Guinea fowls are the policemen of the poultry yard. They serve as guards to give other fowls warning of the approach of danger, whether it be in the form of thieves, dogs, hawks or crows. The cry of the guinea is said to be terrifying to hawks and other predatory birds, and it has prevented many a raid upon tempting flocks of poultry. But the fact remains that it is an affront to the human ear.

WHITWASH.

The highest form of intellectualism is not fostered as it should be, and there is too much outside show. Too many people are whitewashed, and too few washed white.—Rev. Thomas McClary, Baptist, St. Paul, Minn.

Christmas in France is not a special day for family meetings and merry-making. It is essentially a religious festival.

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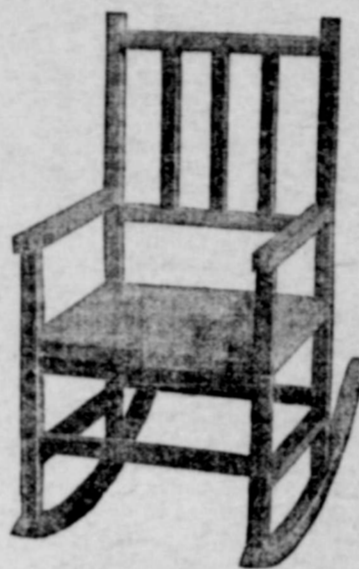
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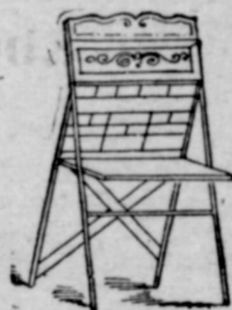
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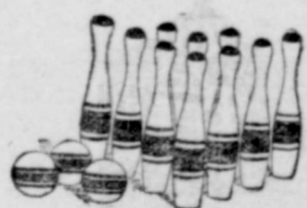
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