

GOVERNMENT SAYS CITY MUST PAVE STREETS AROUND NEW POSTOFFICE

Supervising Architect Decides That No Work Will Be Done On New Government Building Until Paving is Done.

Will Plattsmouth have a public building or will it not?

That is the question which is now agitating the minds of the officials of the commercial club. The prize for which the city struggled so long and which has seemed within reach threatens to take wings and fly away. The building on which so much has been banked seems to be hung up for an indefinite time pending the settlement of certain questions which will be submitted to the people.

It had been generally supposed that the passage of a bill authorizing the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building meant that it would be done. This is generally the case when congress appropriates the money to build with.

In the case of Plattsmouth the bill for the purchase of a site and the erection of a building and appropriating \$50,000 for that purpose passed congress and was signed by the president. It was supposed that that ended the matter but it seems not.

It would appear that the supervising architect is a larger and more powerful force than congress or the president. What the supervising architect says goes according to information which has percolated out from Washington. And the supervising architect through his inspector mentions of whose visit to this city was made several days since, has decided that no work on the building will commence until the city paves Fifth and Vine street in the vicinity of the site of the proposed building. This, at least, is the recommendation of the inspector who examined the premises and looked over the streets which bound the site.

The commercial club received this information yesterday directly from sources, the genuineness of which cannot be doubted. The report which went forward includes a statement of the conditions surrounding the premises and the character of the land on which the building is to be built. According to the report it is necessary that the streets be paved for the protection of the building and the recommendation is that no work be started upon the structure of its foundation until the paving is done.

As soon as this information was received the commercial club directors had a special session at which the facts were laid before the board.

The members were stirred at once into speedy action by the report and determined to get busy at once and secure the paving of the street if it were possible. With this end in view a committee was appointed who are to interview a committee the several property owners who will be affected by the paving and secure their consent to the creation of a new paving district and call an election to ratify the same. This committee will consist of Messrs. Charles C. Parmele, William Schmidtman and D. O. Dwyer. It will visit each property owner who will be affected by the erection of the proposed paving district and endeavor to show them wherein it is necessary to lay this pavement. Immediate action is necessary and the committee will proceed to its work without delay.

From what can be gleaned this morning, the inspector stated that the work on the building should be started by April and if that is the case the delay cannot be long if the property owners want to secure the building. It is to be hoped that no opposition to the paving develops and that the work can be started at once.

It seems passing strange that this startling discovery of the supervising architect's office should be made here practically at the time when construction is to start. Why this matter was not called to the attention of the people of the city in time to prevent any delay to the building is curious and indicates that the supervising architect's office at Washington is like many other departments of the government—sadly in need of overhauling. There are those who are inclined to think that this discovery at this late hour is something of a subterfuge on the part of that worthy official's office to cover up the delay in preparing the plans for the building which they have steadily claimed would be available by the 1st of February. Anyway, the case is a curious one and one calculated to provoke considerable criticism of the Washington authorities.

No matter who is to blame for the mess, it exists and the people of the vicinity of the proposed building must get busy and indicate whether they want it builded or not. The committee deserves every possible encouragement and it is to be hoped they succeed in getting the required consent without any trouble.

FINDS LOVER IS ALREADY MARRIED

Mrs. Margaret Maloney then Attempts Suicide.

Her expressed determination to die since learning that an engagement made before marriage ten years ago had been broken by a lover of her youth, has caused Mrs. Margaret Maloney, who attempted suicide last Thursday night by poison, to become a permanent charge of the Denver police. She was returned to the county hospital yesterday from the city jail after she had refused food for two days.

Although but a few days had passed since she learned that the man whom she came to Denver to marry following the death of her husband in Elmwood, Neb., was already married and is the father of seven children. Mrs. Maloney, who is 32 years old, is a wreck of her former self. She has taken little nourishment since last Thursday, when she was told by her former sweetheart that their agreement could never be fulfilled.

Since her attempt to end her life, the woman has not been able to talk coherently and it is feared that she has become mentally unbalanced. When found after she had swallowed a quantity of laudanum she was hysterical, but was able to tell the reason for her attempt at self-destruction.

More than two years ago when she promised to marry Patrick Maloney in Elmwood, Neb., she had difficulty in choosing between two suitors. To the rejected lover she promised that in the event of her marriage to Maloney proving a failure, or the death of the husband, she would then marry the other, whose name she gave as Samuel Freeman. Six months ago her husband died. She came to Denver two months ago to join her old love and last Thursday she learned from him that he had broken his promise.

She was taken to the city jail from the county hospital after she had become unmanageable. Her weakened condition necessitated her return to the hospital yesterday. — Denver News.

Kicked by Mule.

John A. Whiteman, one of the best citizens of the vicinity of Nehawka, and a man with a large number of friends in this city, came in last evening from Omaha where he had been with his son Johnnie who was severely injured last Thursday by being kicked by a mule. The young man who is seventeen years of age was working for his father on his farm near Nehawka and had entered the barn to harness a team of mules. He had no sooner gotten within reach of one of the animals when it suddenly kicked him, striking him on the left jaw and shattering it. The animal also kicked the young man a second time before assistance reached him, striking him this time on the left shoulder. The force of the kicks felled him to the floor where he was lying when assistance came. Dr. Walker was immediately summoned and an examination disclosed that the blow on the jaw had broken that member very badly but the shoulder was not injured aside from being very badly bruised. The condition of the young man was so bad that Dr. Walker and Mr. Whiteman concluded to take him to Immanuel hospital for treatment which was done Thursday night. Mr. Whiteman had been with him ever since and when he left him last evening he was resting quite well. Mr. Whiteman's many friends as well as the friends of the young man trust that he will speedily recover from his injuries and soon be able to be at home. Mr. Whiteman left for his home in Nehawka this morning.

Mrs. E. J. Coleman.

Glenwood Tribune: Mrs. Eugene J. Coleman died rather unexpectedly on Sunday morning at 2 o'clock at her home four miles north of Glenwood. Death resulted from a stroke of apoplexy which she had sustained 12 hours before. She had been rather poorly for a week previous, but her condition had not been regarded as serious.

The funeral was held Sunday morning at 10 o'clock from the West Oak Friend church.

Mrs. Coleman's maiden name was Indiana Hardy, and she was born January 20, 1857, in Monroe county, Iowa. She came with her parents to Mills county in 1869, and lived for many years near Hillsdale. She was married February 20, 1876.

She is survived by three sons, C. A., of Henderson, Rollie E., of Plattsmouth, and Sherman C., at home, also a mother, three brothers and one sister.

Mont Robb of Mynard was a visitor in the city Saturday night, stopping at the Riley.

Square Deals.

Rosenbran's handle good real estate. Our list has investments, strictly first rate. Snaps that are snaps in Nebraska land Excellent chances at your command. Nice farms we sell in locations O. K.. Cheap as you find on the market today. Ranches and farms in South Dakota as well.

At moderate prices these farms will sell. No places are better, they cannot be beat. Soil to raise corn, alfalfa or wheat. & here we are selling city property too. Splendid investments, sure to please you. Our inducements are many, our prices are fair. Now give us a call—we deal on the square.

MISSOURI PACIFIC FILES MORTGAGE

Document Which is for \$175,000 Filed With County Register of Deeds.

Register of Deeds Snyder today commenced the task of recording the largest mortgage ever filed in the county. It is the blanket mortgage of the Missouri Pacific railroad company for \$175,000,000 and covers all the property of that corporation wherever situated. It provides for the issuance of new bonds to take up the outstanding indebtedness of the Missouri Pacific and its subsidiary corporations including the Omaha & Southern which is the line through this city. The plan provides for the complete reorganization of the finances of the road and the absorption of all the separate and independent companies operated by the Missouri Pacific into one vast corporation. The money which the mortgage is given to secure is to be used in discharging all the obligations of the minor companies and renewing the bonded indebtedness of the parent corporation and also provide a surplus which can be used to get the road into some kind of shape for travel. The mortgage has already been recorded in Douglas and Sarpy counties in this state and will pass on down the line from this county. The document is a very voluminous one comprising 175 closely typewritten pages. The issuance of the bonds and the making of the mortgage was authorized at a meeting of the Missouri Pacific stockholders held about one month ago.

A "Thangy" Job.

Miss Gertrude Beeson, marriage license clerk in the county judge's office, is today engaged in compiling reports of the marriages performed in the county during the past year. There is an immense number of questions to be answered in each case and it makes a formidable job. There were some two hundred ceremonies performed in the county during the past year. Owing to an oversight, the law providing for compiling this information did not make any provision for paying for same consequently the work is done free gratis. It must be done because the law provides a penalty for failure to do it.

640 Acres.

If you are a renter, stop and read this. 640 acres for sale. If sold in 30 days, I will take \$10.00 per acre. Plenty of good grass in the summer. I just sold \$550 worth of hay out of part of it. All fenced and crossed fenced. Fine well, plenty of water, one wind mill, 15 feet cement tank. Four miles from U. P. main line 4 miles to good town. Near two churches and fine school. School has twelve grades and six teachers. Do not miss this. Will give time on part of it. Write at once or come and see. C. B. Schleicher, 1-24-2w, d. w. Brady, Neb.


Dance at Murray.

There is another good time in store for those who love dancing. The Murray dancing club will give another dance at Jenkins' hall on Thursday evening, February 3rd. As usual the music will be furnished by a first class orchestra and you know this means a fine time. These dances have become very popular and are very largely attended. Don't fail to attend.

Lee Fickler, Henry Kemp and Louis Streltweiser came up yesterday afternoon from their homes south of the city and were passengers for Omaha, where they attended the wrestling match last evening. The boys report it a rattling good match and that they enjoyed the trip hugely. They returned this morning.

George Peters, one of the good citizens of Avoca, came in last evening to attend to business matters, returning to his home by way of Omaha.

Guess or Count the Number of Overalls in Our Corner Window



To the man who first hands in the correct or nearest to the correct number, we will give free one pair of our best dollar overalls. To the boy who first hands in the correct or nearest to the correct number we will give free one pair of our best boy's overalls. Only one chance to each person. Contest closes Saturday night.

C. E. WESCOTT'S SONS

The Largest Stock of Overalls in Cass County.

Public Auction.

I, the undersigned, have disposed of my real estate and expect to leave Nebraska in the near future, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at my residence one mile west and five miles south of Plattsmouth, and one mile east and one and one-half miles north of Murray, on

THURSDAY, FEB. 17, 1910.

the following described property:

—LIVE STOCK—

One span of geldings, weight 2500, age twelve years, one span of bay mares, weight 2000, age eight years, one span of brown mares, weight 2500, age fourteen years, one bay mare with foal, one gray mare, weight 1100, eleven years old, one gray horse, weight 1100, five years old, one span bay mules, weight 2000 coming 3-years old, one span dark mules, weight 1800, five years old, one mare mule, two milk cows, five brood sows.

—IMPLEMENTS—

Four farm wagons, one hay rake, one riding cultivator, one set farm harness, one Smith stump puller, new; 25 rods woven wire, five feet high, one movable chicken coop, shingle roof; two hundred fence posts, six cords of dry woods, one top buggy, one 1-horse wheat drill, one hay rack, one sledge, one mowing machine, two riding lists, one disc, one single buggy harness, four dozen white Plymouth Rock hens, one dozen white Plymouth Rock roosters, twenty bushels good variety potatoes, some household goods and numerous other articles.

The Ladies Aid Society of Murray Will Serve Lunch at Noon.

—TERMS OF SALE—

All sums of \$10 and under, cash in hand; all sums of \$10 and more six to twelve months time will be given on bankable notes bearing 8 per cent interest. No property to leave premises until settled for. Sale begins at 10 o'clock a. m., sharp.

F. M. YOUNG, JR., Owner.

Robert Wilkinson, Auctioneer, W. G. Boedeker, Clerk.

A Snappy Game.

The girls basket ball team of the high school covered itself with glory last Friday night when it went to Elmwood and downed the Elmwood girls by a score of 30 to 23. The result was somewhat of a surprise to the Plattsmouth girls who expected to win by a wider margin than they did. The Elmwood girls put up a real snappy game and held the visitors in good shape but the generally superior team work of the Plattsmouth girls was too much for them. The entire Plattsmouth team played fast ball and won on their merits. The work of Leota Barton at center and Rachel Livingston as forward were deemed especially worthy of mention by those who witnessed the game. The lineup of the local team was as follows:

Leota Barton, c; Nettie Larson, g; Fern Long, g; Helen Trilley, f; Rachel Livingston, f; Bess Edwards, s. c; Ina Hatt, sub.

Those accompanying the team included Miss Johnston, Wayne Dickson, Robt. Newell, Leland Briggs and Matthew Herold.

Julius Neilson was a visitor at Havelock last Saturday, returning to the city that evening.

Public Sale.

The undersigned will sell at public auction, at his home two miles east and one mile south of Cedar Creek, and nine miles west of Plattsmouth, on

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the following property, to-wit:

—HORSES and MULES—

One black mare, ten years old, weight 1300, one gray mare, eleven years old, weight 1350, one black horse, nine years old, weight 1400, one bay horse, thirteen years old, weight 1300, one bay mule, four years old, one black mule, three years old, one bay mare, one year old, six head of shoats, 10 cows, one heifer.

—FARM IMPLEMENTS—

One 12-inch brush plow, one 14-inch stirring plow, one Solid Comfort riding plow, one Hummer riding plow, two Avery cultivators, one John Deere two-row machine, one McCormick binder, one Deering mower, one McCormick mower, one Sterling hay rake, one Farmer Friend corn planter, one Western Belle lister, one Sattley lister, one Sterling force feed seeder, three good farm wagons, one wagon and hay rake, two spring wagons, 28 foot corn elevator, one top buggy, one carriage, nearly new, one bob sled, one 3-section harrow, one 2-row Pekin curler, one Center Belle disc, one Superior Press drill, one roller, one Dain feed grinder, one Advance fanning mill, one lard press, one meat grinder, three sets 1 1/4 inch work harness, one set 1 1/4 inch work harness, one set 1 1/4 inch harness, one set buggy harness, and many other articles too numerous to mention. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock a. m., sharp.

Free Lunch at Noon.

—TERMS OF SALE—

All sums of \$10 and under, cash in hand, and all over \$10, a credit of twelve months will be given, purchaser giving good bankable paper, bearing eight per cent from date. All property must be settled for before being removed.

G. P. MEISINGER, William Dunn, Auctioneer.

Wreck at La Platte.

A freight derailment about eight o'clock Saturday night on the Missouri Pacific at La Platte played havoc with the train schedules on that road and, incidentally, resulted in making a number of Plattsmouth people spend the night in Omaha. The south bound fast freight due here about eight o'clock in the evening was derailed just above the switches at La Platte and several cars were scattered over the adjacent landscape. The wreck was of such a disastrous nature that the track could not be cleared in time to let the south bound midnight train through and this was detoured via Louisville and Weeping Water. Several cars of grain were piled up on the right of way and an extra gang of Greeks worked yesterday sacking the grain and loading it in empty cars. Plattsmouth people who went to Omaha to see the show were forced to remain in the city all night. The track was not cleared in time for the morning north bound train to go up and it, too, was detoured via Weeping Water and Louisville. Spreading rails is supposed to have caused the wreck.

NOTICE TO RURAL ROUTE PATRONS

The Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Gives Instructions.

Postmaster Henry A. Schneider has received from the fourth assistant postmaster general at Washington the instructions covering the placing of loose coins in mail boxes on the rural delivery routes as spoken of in the Journal several days ago. The instructions are printed below so that all may know what they are. It will be observed that coins can be placed in the boxes but they must be enclosed in an envelope. This modifies the general understanding of the matter. The instruction are as follows:

Washington, Jan. 25, 1910.

To the Postmaster:—
Sir:—In view of the extent to which the practice of placing loose coins in boxes by rural patrons has grown, and the delay in the delivery and collection of mails and the hardship imposed on rural carriers incident thereto, you are informed that commencing February 1st, proximo, rural letter carriers will not be required to collect loose coins from rural mail boxes.

Patrons should enclose coins in an envelope, wrap them securely in a piece of paper, or deposit them in a coin holding receptacle so they can be easily and quickly taken from boxes, and carriers will be required to lift such coins, and where accompanied by mail for dispatch, attach the required stamps.

This should be promptly announced to the rural patrons through whatever means you may employ, without expense to the department, and you are at liberty to give the information herein to your local paper for publication, if they so desire.

Respectfully,
P. V. McGraw,
Fourth Assistant Postmaster Gen.

It is reported today that Mrs. Fred Gorder is very seriously ill at her home in this city. Her many friends will regret very much to hear this intelligence and trust that she may experience a change and soon recover.

Another Nebraska City Boy.

This afternoon Attorney John C. Watson received word from his nephew John Dixon, that he had been promoted to the position of general counsel for all of the Frisco lines, which includes the St. Louis and San Francisco, Chicago, & Eastern, Evansville & Terre Haute lines. This is indeed a big promotion. He has been with the Erie railroad for several years and has gradually climbed up until he is nearing the top of the ladder. He has his headquarters at No. 71 Broadway, New York City, and is looked upon as one of the brightest attorneys in the east and has gradually been pushed forward by the railway officials with whom he has been associated. The News is pleased to learn of his promotion and Mrs. Watson is to be congratulated because John was schooled and graduated in law under the title age of Mr. Watson, who is acknowledged by all of the brightest attorneys in Nebraska. The News is always pleased to learn of the success of any Nebraska City boy, because they all make good when they get out in the world and get a chance.—Nebraska City News.

Mr. Dixon is well known in this city having been a frequent visitor in times past when he was connected with the law office of Mr. Watson. He is a young man of exceptional ability and during the time he lived in Nebraska he gave frequent evidences of this ability which is now receiving the recognition it deserves. His many friends here are pleased with his deserved promotion and trust he is not yet through climbing.

Fred Hill, one of the good farmers from the neighborhood of Mynard, is in the city today looking after business matters. While here Mr. Hill called at the Journal office and renewed his subscription to the Journal for the coming year. Mr. Hill is one of the young and progressive farmers of his neighborhood and one of the kind of men whom the Journal is always pleased to have on its list. His visits are always appreciated.