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## FINE SHOWING OF LOAN AND BUILD- ING ASSOCIATION

Stockholders of Plattsmouth Loan and Building Association Hold Annual Meeting Last Evening.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Plattsmouth Loan and Building association was held last evening at the M. W. A. hall and a large number of the stockholders of this splendid company were in attendance to learn how the affairs of the company had been conducted during the past year.

The year just closed has been one of the most successful in the history of the association, and under the careful management of the officials of the company the loans have been increased some \$40,000 in the past year, and this is certainly a figure that gives the stockholders a feeling of satisfaction and of gratification. The stockholders were so well pleased with the manner in which the affairs had been managed that they were unanimous in re-electing the three retiring directors, Messrs. T. M. Patterson, J. M. Leyda and Tone J. Janda. Since the meeting in March, 1912, to the meeting last evening the business of the Plattsmouth Loan and Building association has more than doubled in this space of time, and the careful manner in which the association has been guided has made it one of the safest and strongest financial associations in this part of the state and its shares of stock find a ready sale when they are opened for subscription. To the secretary of the association, T. M. Patterson, may be ascribed a great deal of the success of the association, and in his efforts in its strengthening and upbuilding he has been assisted by the officers and directors of the company.

The Plattsmouth association is constantly growing and each year brings greater prospects for its continued advancement and success as one of the safe investments of the savings of the man of small means. As an indication of the growth that has been enjoyed a few figures taken from the reports of the secretary, given to the stockholders, will open the eyes of those not familiar with the amount of business carried on by this association: In 1912 there was in force loans to the amount of \$76,626.52, and at this year's meeting the loans amounted to the sum of \$168,421.60, which more than doubles the loans made, that insures to the investors a handsome return on their money.

There are few towns that can boast of as safe and sound a financial institution as the Plattsmouth Building and Loan association, and its success is a matter of great pride to those interested in the advancement of the city. The officers of the association will be selected by the board of directors from among their number.

## A REMINDER OF STEAM- BOAT TIMES ON THE OLD MISSISSIPPI RIVER

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The late George Edgerton, who passed away last Saturday, was at one time, just prior to the outbreak of the civil war, an employe on the lines of steamboats plying on the Mississippi river, and acted as pilot, as well as mate, on a number of them. He left among his effects at the time of his death a very striking oil painting of the now famous race of the "Robert E. Lee" and the "Natchez," and Mr. Edgerton had the distinction of serving as a mate on the "Robert E. Lee" at the time of the race, and related many interesting incidents in regard to the great event that was a record-breaker in the annals of the river. To the older residents of the community the story of the race between the two boats is very familiar.

Hugh Cecil and bride departed this morning on No. 15 for a short honeymoon trip to the west.

## Sells Residence Property.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The residence property of the late Mrs. Virginia McVickers on North Sixth street has just been sold, through the medium of the Windham Investment Co., to H. H. Cotton, the consideration being some \$1,500. This property is located in a very desirable residence section of the city and the new owner expects to make a number of improvements on it that will make it a most modern and up-to-date cottage in every respect.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### RE-ELECT W. G. BROOKS FOR ANOTHER YEAR

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The board of education last evening met in session and took up the different matters that were demanding their attention, and chief among these was the filling in of the office of superintendent for the ensuing year. Superintendent W. G. Brooks, who for the past two years has filled the office, was the only person considered for the position and was re-elected without opposition, which is a very much deserved tribute to the valuable services he has rendered to the city in the conduct of the schools. Mr. Brooks has made a careful study of the duties of the office of superintendent and has filled with the utmost satisfaction the office in the Plattsmouth schools, and although handicapped greatly in the way of equipment and modern conditions in the schools, has succeeded in maintaining the school at a high standard and his election for another term will be very satisfactory to the patrons of the school in general. The board also elected Oliver C. Hudson as janitor for the Central and High school buildings for the ensuing year. The election of the regular teaching force of the city will not be held until the meeting in April, when all who are to teach here during the coming term, will be picked.

## JUDGE BIGLEY'S TALK TO THE YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS MUCH ENJOYED

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Last evening District Judge James T. Begley addressed the members of the Young Men's Bible class of the Methodist church at the rooms in the church and his short talk to the boys was one thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed by the large crowd that filled the room to its capacity. Judge Begley, in his remarks, dwelt on the need of proper character building in early life as a foundation for good citizenship and pointed out the essentials that must enter into the life of the young man who is to become a good and useful citizen of the community where he makes his home. The address of the speaker was greatly enjoyed and the young men were delighted with the fact that they had with them the genial judge, who feels the needs and wants of the young men of the present day. Floyd Stone, vice president of the class, introduced the speaker in a very pleasing manner. After the conclusion of the lecture of Judge Begley he answered a number of questions from those who were interested in problems on which he had touched, and a short musical program was enjoyed in a number of selections from the different members of the class who were musically inclined, and this brought to a close a most delightful evening and one filled with much profit to the young men present.

## Now Able to Be Up.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Mrs. Conrad Meisinger, who was taken quite sick at her home in this city Friday, has now improved so much that she is able to be up and around and her family and friends are greatly pleased that she has escaped serious illness, as she was feeling quite badly for several days.

Fred Waugh, a former Plattsmouth young man, came in last evening on No. 2 for a short visit with old friends in this city. He is at present located at Lincoln.

## INVESTIGATORS STUDYING THE MISSOURI RIVER

Water Resources of the Entire River and Tributary Streams to Be Thoroughly Investigated.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
A systematic study of the Missouri river and its tributaries is being carried on by the United States geological survey. Considering the varied character of the streams of the Missouri river basin and their great economic value for irrigation, power and other purposes, the investigation is one of the highest importance.

The water supply of this great drainage area is the subject of a publication recently issued by the geological survey, entitled "Surface Water Supply of the Missouri River Basin, 1912" (Water-Supply Paper 326), by W. A. Lamb, Robert Follansbee, and H. D. Padgett. This report contains the records of flow at 139 permanent stations of the survey during the year 1912, data which are necessary to every form of water development, whether it be water power, navigation, irrigation, or domestic water supply. Some of the tributary streams are exceedingly variable in flow, others, like the Niobrara in Nebraska, are remarkably uniform.

The Missouri proper is formed in southwestern Montana by the junction of three streams which were discovered by Lewis and Clark in 1806 and were named by them Jefferson, Madison, and Gallatin rivers. Of these three Jefferson river drains the largest area and is considered the continuation of the main stream. This part of Montana is mountainous and affords many excellent water-power sites. Among the principal tributaries of the Missouri are the Marias, Musselshell, Yellowstone, Cheyenne, Platte and Kansas. The western part of the basin is in the arid belt and the eastern part is in the semi-arid and humid regions.

Ten states of the union are drained in part by the Missouri river. Rising at the Red Rock lakes, at an elevation of 6,700 feet above sea level, this stream descends through the Rocky mountains and emerges on the broad prairie land a few miles below the city of Great Falls, Montana. From that point it is accounted a navigable stream with an easy grade, and in passing through the Dakotas and along the borders of Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa, it receives the flow of great tributaries, so that as it crosses the state of Missouri and joins the Mississippi a short distance above St. Louis it becomes one of the large rivers of the world. Its total drainage area is about 492,000 square miles in extent and comprises, in addition to the states above mentioned, large areas in Wyoming and Colorado and a small area in the southwestern part of Minnesota.

## LINCOLN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COM- PANY CUTS OUT UNION

The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company, which has been operating in the village of Union and from that place to various lines out in the country, yesterday closed their connection with the lines in that place by disposing of their interest there to the Union Mutual Telephone company, which is owned and managed by the residents of that place. This sale means that the line in Union and on the farm lines will be consolidated and operated by the Mutual company, which had the greater number of the subscribers there before the sale was made. The service from Union to outside points will be handled over the lines of the Lincoln company and connections given at the Mutual central office with the telephones in Union. The service over the Mutual lines out of Union into the country has always proven very satisfactory and the taking over of the Lincoln company will give a universal service among the people of that community.

## Mr. and Mrs. Albin in Town.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Albin arrived in this city yesterday for a short visit with relatives and friends and to attend to some business matters in connection with some land which he is the owner of in this vicinity. Mr. Albin was a pleasant caller at this office. Mr. and Mrs. Albin were passengers to Union this morning. They have been residing on a farm in the vicinity of Red Bird and have just recently removed to the vicinity of Creighton, Neb., where they will reside in the future.

## PETITION OF WIDOW ASK- ING FOR PROBATE OF WILL OF THE LATE PETER KEIL

From Tuesday's Daily.  
This morning in the county court a petition was filed by the widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Katherine Keil, asking for the probate of the last will and testament of her husband, the late John Peter Keil, who passed away at his home in this city on Monday, February 15th. The petition stated that the deceased possessed at the time of his death real estate in Nebraska of the value of \$40,000, and foreign real estate valued at \$12,800, with some \$2,000 in personal property. The heirs of the estate are the widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Katherine Keil, and the children, Philip Keil of Murray, Mrs. Katie Tritsch and Mrs. Elizabeth Seybert of Plattsmouth, William K. Keil of Cedar Creek, Henry Keil of Plattsmouth, August Keil of Cedar Creek, Mrs. Olga Schroeder and Charles Keil of Plattsmouth.

A petition was also presented asking for a settlement of the estate of Zura S. Vosburg, deceased, the widow being the petitioner. The estate consists of \$1,000 in personal property in this city. The deceased leaves the widow and two sons as the heirs of the estate.

## PLATTSMOUTH COUPLE GO TO NEBRASKA CITY TO GET MARRIED

This morning when the 8:49 Missouri Pacific train departed for the south it carried as passengers two Plattsmouth young people bound for Nebraska City, where, in the capital of Otoe county, they will realize their life's happiness in being united as man and wife. The bride and groom-to-be were Miss Josie Lahoda and Edward McCulley, and their friends will be awaiting their return to give them a rousing reception and shower them with their wishes for a long and happy married life. The nuptials have been looked forward to for some time by the friends of the contracting parties, as the groom has been busy in preparing a cozy home for his bride in the south part of the city, and here they will start housekeeping at once. Both Mr. McCulley and his bride were born and reared in this city and are very popular among a large circle of friends who have known them best. The groom is at present employed by the Adams Express company as their driver in this city and is a young man possessed of a most pleasing personality and one who is faithful in every task assigned him. The bride has for the past several months been engaged in assisting at the Plattsmouth Laundry company's office and is a young lady most highly esteemed by all who have the pleasure of her acquaintance.

## Asks to Have Title Quieted.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Yesterday a suit to quiet title was filed in the office of Clerk of the District Court James Robertson, entitled Will Jean and Edward H. Spangler vs. Francis Savocool, et al. In the petition the plaintiff, Edward H. Spangler, states that he has been in possession of the northwest quarter, section 1, township 11, range 13, for the past ten years. That he acquired title from the plaintiff, Will Jean, and he asks that the defendants be enjoined from any claim in the future on the land and that the title be quieted. Rawls & Robertson appear as the attorneys for the plaintiffs.

## THE LIBRARY QUES- TION A MATTER OF MUCH INTEREST

While We Possess One of the Best Libraries in the State, Yet It Should Be Considerably Enlarged.

From Wednesday's Daily.  
How many citizens realize what value the Plattsmouth city library is to this community? Very many towns of the state boast of their Carnegie buildings. We have here in Plattsmouth a very modest little brick structure, but it serves a place in this community that is second to only that of the church and school. How much more good could be done if there were more room and more money for the purchase of books and the repair of those that are constantly wearing out.

An effort has been started here to try and secure from the Carnegie foundation a help for the betterment of the library here and the securing of a new building that will be a credit to the city and afford to the many hundreds of patrons of the library a place where they can be accommodated a great deal better than under the present conditions. The librarian has handled the work of the library in splendid shape, handicapped as it is for room, and if the appropriation can be secured from the Carnegie foundation there certainly should be some appropriation made for the securing of books needed very badly at the present time in the library. The city each year contributes some \$1,200 for the library, but this barely pays the salary of the librarian, the coal and janitor service, as well as such repairs as may be necessary during the year, and as a result the library is not able to secure the books that are so badly needed.

There is no habit so beneficial and lasting in its effects upon our boys and girls, young men and women, as the library habit. The report of the city librarian to the library board at its last meeting proves that many of our young people are regular and faithful patrons of the library. They are constantly asking for books that should be on the shelves, but are not because of the lack of funds to purchase the same. For the month of November last the following loans of books were made: Children, 572; adults, 805; making a total of 1,377 volumes issued from the library. In the month of December there was issued from the library to the children 291 volumes, while 829 were issued to the adults, making a total of 1,120. The librarian states that three-fourths of those classed as adults are High school students, and this shows plainly the helpfulness of the library in educating the young people.

There is another feature of work that the library is doing which is of worth to the community—the story hour—for all the children of the first three grades of school. This is held on Saturday mornings from 10 to 11 o'clock at the library. It has become so popular with the smaller children that it is a problem where to seat them. The attendance at these Saturday meetings has reached 225.

The library each year always receives the Thanksgiving offering from the public schools and this sum, small as it is, is always found most acceptable in being applied toward the purchase of books needed badly. The library has been greatly aided in this manner, as the following letter received by Superintendent Brooks will show:

Plattsmouth, Neb.

Dear Mr. Brooks:—The library board wishes to express to the teachers and pupils their sincere thanks and appreciation for the generous Thanksgiving donation, thereby supplying a goodly number of books to our much-needed demand. Respectfully,  
Barbara Gering, Secretary.

Lahoda-McCulley.

Edward E. McCulley and Miss Josie Mary Lahoda, of Plattsmouth, came to the city this morning and were married by Judge Bischof, in the presence of Oliver Stevenson and Joy N. Tait. They returned home this afternoon.—Nebraska City News.

## To Give a Demonstration.

There will be a demonstration given here on Friday and Saturday of this week of the Hoover suction sweeper, and the district manager of the company, Mr. H. W. E. MacDaniel, is here making arrangements for the demonstration, which will be held at the store of Warga & Schudice. This sweeper is manufactured at New Berlin, Ohio, and highly spoken of by those who have used them, and the demonstration of them here will be very interesting to the people of this city and they should take advantage of the occasion to attend.

## FIRST OF A SERIES OF LECTURES TO BE HELD AT ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

From Wednesday's Daily.  
The first of the special series of lectures that will be given at the St. Luke's Episcopal church during the Lenten season was delivered last evening at the church, when Dean J. A. Tancock of the Trinity Cathedral of Omaha delivered a very strong and forceful sermon on the subject of forgiveness. Dean Tancock is one of the strong men of the church in the state and his clear-cut and forceful address last evening made a lasting impression upon all who were present and was an inspiration to the members of the church. The Rev. W. S. Leete, rector of the church, has arranged for the appearance here of a number of the ministers from the Omaha churches during Lent, who will give instruction and sermons on Tuesday evenings appropriate to the season of penitence.

## CASES DISPOSED OF IN DISTRICT COURT THIS WEEK

From Wednesday's Daily.  
The district court, at its session here this week, took up a number of matters that had been demanding the attention of the court, and among them was the following cases:

In the case of Frank Bergman vs. Charles Gerlach, in which the jury had brought in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,700, the court overruled the motion of the defendant for a new trial, to which they except.

In the matter of the estate of Jane Ann Dovey, deceased, the motion of the contestants for a new trial was overruled, to which they except and were given forty days to prepare bill of exceptions. The supersedeas bond was fixed at the sum of \$500.

In the case of McCarthy & Sturm vs. the Missouri Pacific Railway company, the court finds for the plaintiffs in the sum of \$122, together with interest at the rate of 7 per cent from the first day of September, 1911, together with the costs of the suit.

In the matter of the estate of George W. Garrison, deceased, the court finds that the jury has decided that the giving of the notes in the sum of \$16,000 by the deceased to his wife, Nancy J. Garrison, was a voluntary gift and said Nancy J. Garrison is awarded same. The defendants except and are given forty days to prepare bill of exception and the supersedeas bond fixed in the sum of \$16,000.

The case of Clavin Chapman, administrator, vs. the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company, which was filed in the district court here from Jefferson county, where the cause of action occurred, on motion of the defendant, was transferred to the United States court for trial.

## Mrs. J. H. Thrasher Indisposed.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Advice from Lincoln state that Mrs. J. H. Thrasher has, since her stay in the capital city, been in very poor health and most of the time has been ill and unable to be up and around. Mr. Thrasher, however, is one of the employes of the senate and Mrs. Thrasher prefers to remain there until the legislature adjourns. She has not been in the best of health for some months and her friends in this city are very sorry indeed to learn that she is feeling indisposed and trust that she will recover completely.

## VERY IMPRESSIVE AND BEAUTIFUL HOME WEDDING

Miss Mildred Balsler and Mr. Hugh Cecil Married Last Evening at the Home of the Bride's Parents.

Last evening at 8 o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Balsler, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mildred, to Mr. Hugh I. Cecil, son of Mrs. Stephen Cecil. The parlors of the pleasant home were very tastefully decorated with ferns, pink and white carnations and candelabra. The guests as they assembled for the happy occasion were received by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith, nephew and niece, and Mrs. F. E. Hawkenberry, a sister of the bride. Preceding the ceremony Mr. Don C. York sang "At Dawning," by Cadman. As the strains of "Lohengrin's" wedding march were played by Mr. E. H. Wescott the bridal party appeared and took their places before a green bank of smilax and ferns. The ring service was used and most pleasingly pronounced by Rev. F. M. Druliner. The sacred vows, always sweet and solemn, seemed never more so than at this time, when the holy hush of love and reverence was broken only by the answers of heart to heart and soul to soul.

The bride, dressed in white lace over crepe de chine with pearl trimmings and carrying a bouquet of bride's roses, was attended by her sister, Miss Florence, dressed in blue and carrying lilies of the valley. The groom was attended by a cousin, Mr. Joe Creamer, of David City.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Cecil were at once "at home" to their friends, who showered them with congratulations and good wishes. "Hugh" and "Mildred," as they are familiarly known, are rich in the possession of a host of friends, who delight in this happy consummation of their courtship. Hugh has been employed for many years by the Nebraska Lighting company, in which service he has won the highest respect and esteem of the community. His bride, a young lady of many graces and virtues, will be a most suitable and gracious helpmate, and they have as one of their priceless gifts, the devotion and best wishes of their many friends.

Many handsome and useful presents were received by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil, among them being a chest of sterling silver from the Nebraska Lighting company, a token of the high regard in which the groom is held by his employers.

The hours following the ceremony were pleasantly spent in conversation and music. Refreshments were served to the guests by Misses Esther Hawkenberry and Clara Mae Morgan. The out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Pierce of Lodge Pole, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Balsler of Omaha, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Creamer and family of Murray, Neb.

## LEADER OF SOCIETY ON THE PACIFIC COAST FOR- MERLY OF PLATTSMOUTH

From Wednesday's Daily.  
The Journal has just received a copy of the Los Angeles Express, which contains a large and handsome picture of Mrs. Ben F. Elson, formerly of this city. The portrait is an excellent one of this lady, who since her removal to the Pacific coast has become very prominent in the social life of Los Angeles and is one of the leading hostesses of that city. The portrait is run in connection with the luncheon given by Mrs. Elson to the members of Wade Hampton chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, of which she is a member, in honor of Mrs. H. J. Stewart, state president of the U. D. C. society. Mrs. Elson, while a resident of this city, was a great favorite socially and a most charming hostess, and her friends will be pleased to learn of her popularity in the social life of the coast city.

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