

## PLAN WATERWAY OF 3,000 MILES

To Follow Channel of the Hudson, Great Lakes and the Mississippi River.

### LONGEST CANAL IN THE WORLD

Washington, Feb. 7.—The greatest inland waterway in the world, extending 3,000 miles from New York by way of Buffalo, Chicago and St. Louis to the Gulf of Mexico, is planned in legislation just submitted to congress by Senator Gore, of Oklahoma. The waterway would connect also with all the great tributaries of the Mississippi river and the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Of the total route, the Hudson river would constitute 212 miles with a depth of 12 feet. This length can be finished and ready for use in 1917 at a cost of less than \$2,000,000, according to Senator Gore. The Erie canal would constitute 365 miles of the route, not including the Lake Champlain and Lake Ontario branches. This can be completed and ready for use in 1918, Senator Gore says.

The Great Lakes would add 890 miles to the route with a minimum depth of 20 feet. The Chicago river and Chicago drainage canal are already available for use from Chicago to Lockport with a depth of 21 feet. The state of Illinois has authorized a bond issue of \$5,000,000 to connect the Chicago drainage canal with the Illinois river at Utica, a distance of about 60 miles, with an eight-foot channel.

Much Already Done. Government engineers have favorably reported on the improvement of the Illinois river from Utica to its mouth, a distance of some 230 miles, with an eight-foot channel, and on the improvement of the Mississippi river from the mouth of the Illinois river to St. Louis, a distance of forty miles, with a like channel. An eight-foot channel is already available from St. Louis to the mouth of the Ohio river, a nine-foot channel from the Ohio for a distance of 833 miles, and a channel of more than thirty feet in depth the rest of the way to the Gulf of Mexico, a distance of 240 miles. The link between Utica and St. Louis can be constructed at an estimated cost of \$4,700,000, so that in order to render the entire way ready for service it would require an expenditure of less than \$7,000,000 on the part of the federal government. Connecting with this also is the Hennepin canal from Hennepin on the Illinois river to Rock Island on the Mississippi, and also the Mississippi from St. Louis to St. Paul and Minneapolis.

The war department has made a careful survey and estimate for the entire waterway as an important step in connection with the preparedness program. It is pointed out by the preparedness advocates that if an enemy did gain control of the eastern coast temporarily, the waterway would still facilitate military movements throughout the middle west.

Greatest in the World. "When finished this will be the greatest inland waterway in the world. It would exceed the Rhine in length several times over and under proper safeguards would exceed it in navigation and traffic," said Senator Gore.

"In addition to the waterway itself there are two indispensable conditions to inland navigation: First, terminal facilities, and second, security against destructive railway discriminations. Legislation looking to the latter has already been enacted and could be perfected.

"To render this waterway usable would require an outlay of less than half the total cost of a single battleship, and it would be a permanent contribution to our navigation, prosperity and civilization. We ought not to neglect entirely to prepare for peace amid the rush to arms."

William Ballance Better.

William Ballance, foreman of the Burlington tin shop, is back on the job after an encounter with the gripe and is feeling quite poorly as yet, although greatly improved over the last few days, and his friends will be pleased to learn that he is feeling better.

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## FAREWELL PARTY TO MR. AND MRS. STENNER BY CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

From Wednesday's Daily.

Last Monday evening the members of the Christian Endeavor society of the Christian church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stenner, in the west part of the city to discuss the business matters of the society for the month and enjoy a good time in general. Mr. and Mrs. Stenner intend to leave for their new home in South Dakota in about two weeks and the members of the Christian Endeavor society seized this opportunity of holding their last social meeting with Mr. and Mrs. Stenner before they leave for their new home. Several games were played after the business matters had been attended to, and at an appropriate time a dainty three-course luncheon was served, to which all did ample justice. At a late hour, and after thanking Mr. and Mrs. Stenner for their splendid hospitality and wishing them much happiness and prosperity in their new home, the Endeavorers departed for their homes, expressing much regret at having to lose Mr. and Mrs. Stenner from their midst.

## KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF SECURITY ENJOY A PLEASANT EVENING

From Wednesday's Daily.

The members of the Knights and Ladies of Security lodge last evening held a very pleasant meeting at their rooms in the Woodman building and a most interesting session of the lodge held prior to the public entertainment, in which Miss M. C. Hutchinson of Kirksville, Missouri, gave one of her delightful readings, selecting for the occasion the novel, "Rebecca of Sunny Brook Farm," and the beautiful story was given added charm by the artistic manner in which it was portrayed by this gifted lady, whose pleasing voice and splendid dramatic power gave it more than usual impressiveness. The audience was very appreciative of the work of Miss Hutchinson and her rendition of the story was received with marked approval by everyone present. The Knights and Ladies of Security have had quite a revival in the last week through the work of District Deputy Patton and the grand conductress of the order, Mrs. Clark, who have been here promoting the lodge interests, and as a result several new members have been added to the lodge roll.

## BIRTHDAY CLUB CHARMINGLY ENTERTAINED AT THE GERING HOME

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Birthday club last evening were entertained in a most charming manner at the Gering home on North Sixth street to celebrate the natal day of two of their members, Miss Barbara Gering and Mrs. J. A. Donelan. The event was in the nature of a 7 o'clock tea and an event which was enjoyed to the utmost by the members of the party in visiting and partaking of a general good time. The table in the beautiful dining room of the Gering home was very artistically arranged with flowers and candles, which made a scene of rare beauty and a very tempting luncheon was served by the two hostesses. During the evening a number of selections on the Victrola added to the pleasures of the ladies and was enjoyed very much. Those who participated in the pleasant gathering were: Mrs. R. W. Clement, Mrs. Henry Herold, Mrs. Annie Britt, Mrs. J. A. Donelan, Mrs. C. G. Fricke, Mrs. J. H. Donnelly, Misses Dora Fricke, Verna Leonard, Julia Hermann, Mia and Barbara Gering.

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## QUITE A LIVELY BUSINESS IN THE MARRIAGE LICENSE DEPARTMENT

From Wednesday's Daily.

Yesterday was quite a lively time in the office of County Judge Allen J. Beeson, when the judge was called upon to issue a number of marriage licenses to non-residents who hastened here to find their happiness complete.

Thomas A. Wyman and Miss Ella Cole of Griswold, Iowa, were the first to call at the office, and securing a license to wed, repaired to the home of Father W. S. Leete at the Episcopal rectory, where they were united in marriage and were able to depart for their home in Iowa as one.

Chris P. Showgaard and Miss Anna Rasmussen, both of Omaha, were also callers at the office of the judge and were fixed out with the necessary document that would allow them to be united in wedlock, and wending their way to the home of Rev. J. H. Steger, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical church, where there united in marriage and returned on the afternoon Missouri Pacific to their home in the metropolis, rejoicing in their wedded bliss.

## "UNKLE BRASIG" GERMAN PLAY AT THE PARMELE MONDAY NIGHT

From Wednesday's Daily.

On next Monday evening at the Parmele theater will be presented one of the most pleasing German plays that has ever been given in the city, and this will be under the auspices of the Irving Place Theater company of New York, one of the leading German dramatic companies in the United States. The title of the play will be, "Unkle Brasig," and is a most pleasing comedy which the talented members of the company will present in a most finished manner. The company is headed by Gustave Olmar, one of the foremost German actors in the country. This play will be an unusual treat to the residents of this city and county and everyone should attend and enjoy the presentation of this classical German comedy given by a most capable company. The prices at which the show is given will permit all to attend and enjoy the treat to the utmost. Remember the date—Monday, February 14th, and be present at the Parmele.

## COLONIAL PARTY, BY THE D. A. R. AT THE HOME OF C. C. PARMELE

From Wednesday's Daily.

The members of the Daughters of the American Revolution held a most delightful Colonial party at the beautiful home of Mr. C. C. Parmele Monday evening. Each year the members of this organization are required to hold a Guest day, at which time some social affair is given, and to which invitations are extended to various parties who are eligible for membership, and who might become interested. The pretty rooms of the Parmele home had been appropriately decorated with flags and the flag which the Plattsmouth organization secured from the state organization for having secured the largest percentage in gain of membership during the year, was displayed at this meeting for the first time. A very pleasing program was rendered during the evening, which consisted of a vocal solo by Miss Matilde Vallery, reading by Mrs. William Baird, song by Misses Clara Mae Morgan and Alice Pollock, and a recitation entitled "The Ride of Paul Revere," by Miss Ellen Windham, which was very much enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be present. In deference to the occasion a number of guests were dressed in colonial costumes. A delicious colonial luncheon was served, which consisted of brown bread, sandwiches, beans, pickles, cheese and tea. An hour or so devoted to a very pleasant social time and then the guests dispersed, declaring their Colonial party to be most delightful.

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## A NEW FEATURE OF WORK FOR OUR SCHOOLS THIS CITY

A new feature of school work in this city, but one which has been found very successful elsewhere, is proposed for the coming spring term, and this is a practical demonstration of the work in agriculture which is under the instruction of Miss Giberson of the High school. One of the means of demonstrating the knowledge gained in school is to have the vacant tracts of land in the city and near the school turned over to the members of the class, where by planting and cultivating of different crops can be secured real practical results in their lines of study and lend a renewed interest to the work of the class. The Commercial club is expecting to take this up in connection with the school board and the teachers to try and arrange to secure as much land as possible to give practical demonstrations of farming on. The project seems a good one and should be pushed to a successful conclusion.

## WHAT CASS COUNTY CONTRIBUTES TO PAYING EXPENSE OF STATE

County Treasurer W. K. Fox has just received from the office of State Auditor W. H. Smith a receipt of the funds which Cass county has contributed toward the expenses of running the state, and the amounts have been divided among the different funds as follows:

General fund	\$39,485.80
School fund	16.29
University fund	8,472.14
State Aid Bridge fund	1,410.42
Special university fund	6,318.08
Normal school fund	7,160.48
Redemption fund	11.00

The large amount devoted to school purposes makes the levies quite high and Cass county will contribute close to \$22,000 for the university and state normal school.

## BUY YOUR SEED CORN NEAR HOME, AND YOU GET BETTER RESULTS

Do not get excited when you see a catalogue from a distant seed house advertising seed corn that has produced marvelous yields. Perhaps the seed offered for sale would not produce the same results when planted under Nebraska conditions. The University College of Agriculture has found that in most cases the best native corn gives a fourth larger yield than the prize-winning variety from another state. The Nebraska agricultural college has also found that it is even safer for western growers to use their native seed than to try that from another section of the same state. Corn grown near home produced 4.5 bushels more than that imported from another part of Nebraska. In any case, however, it should always be tested. The results of native grown seed compared with imported seed may be obtained from bulletin No. 126 of the Bulletin Department, University Farm, Lincoln.

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## THE MATTER OF SCHOOLS AND SUPPORT BY TAXATION

Editor Plattsmouth Journal:

We all believe in free schools and are proud of them. That being true, we should all be willing to pay our share for their support. Why do we not? The fault is in our laws. We have about 100 school districts, and our levies run all the way from nothing to the highest that the law allows. Our levy should be the same all over the county. Yes, but says one, it does not cost as much to run our country schools as it does the town schools. No, but is that any reason that you should not pay the same levy. Are you just for yourself, your wife and son, John and his wife—us four and no more? We here in the cities pay the same road levy that you do and we do not use the roads. There is not one of us in 100 that has a horse, buggy, wagon or automobile. We say, why should we pay on the roads? The same is true of the state university—we pay our levy and get no benefits. It is all the majority of us can do to get our children through the common schools. Think of us here in Plattsmouth (and I do not doubt but it is the same in the other cities of the county), three-fourths are day laborers walking a mile in the morning to work and back at night, eating a cold dinner and burdened with taxes, paying the highest levy the law allows. Even then the children are crowded like sardines in a box, while in the country they have plenty of room and pay the least tax. Is it fair? We will have to have more room for our children. The right way to have it is to do away with these 100 levies and make one levy all over the county, then there would be no tuition to pay, the schools would be free to all in the county. It would save much office work and would do away with making mistakes, getting men in the wrong school districts. Then it would be a burden to none and it would take part of the burden off of our day laborers that are trying so hard to school their children. If our lawmakers cannot see their duty in this, then we had better send someone to the legislature that can.

This suggestion ought to appeal to one's sense of fairness—as a matter of principle. Personally to me the change would increase my own taxes, for the reason that my farm is in South Bend precinct in school district No. 56, where the annual levy averages only about 3 mills, whereas if the principal of making the county the unit for supporting the common schools should be inaugurated my school taxes would be raised to an average of from 5 to 6 mills. But is it right? Should not the county be the unit? If not, why not? The fact that it never has been the unit for school levies for all the common schools of the county is no reason why a change for the better should not be made. Will not our candidates for the legislature on both sides discuss this before the voters? May we hear from you? W. R. Bryan.

## DR. E. D. CUMMINS AND FAMILY DEPART FOR FUTURE HOME

Dr. E. D. Cummins and family today departed for Lincoln, where they expect to make their home in the future, and will at once arrange their new home in the capital city. Dr. Cummins will return, however, in a few days and remain here to look after the practice until his successor, Dr. Flynn, arrives from O'Neill to take up the work here, and on his arrival Dr. Cummins will join his family in Lincoln and take up the practice of his profession there. The Cummins family have been very prominent here in the social and church life of the community and their removal will be very much regretted by their friends, who will find their place hard to fill, but trust that in their new home they may meet with the best of success and happiness. That they will be only a short distance from the old home will be a cause of pleasure, as it will permit them to visit the old town occasionally and renew old friendships.

For any itching of the skin, for skin rashes, chaps, pimples, etc., try Doan's Ointment. 50c at all drug stores.

Mrs. Clara Holman, who is here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Cummins for a short time, departed this afternoon for Omaha to visit for a few hours.

## In the face of a rising market—

we are trying to keep the prices down. We don't like to see you pay more for goods, but that you will is inevitable. We cannot stem the tide indefinitely. Up to the present time we have not advanced a single item in our store. We doubt if many stores can say this. There is only one reason why we can and that is because "we have been on the job." We began last summer to prepare for this. We placed large advance orders at the old price—larger than we ever thought of buying before. We have had these goods shipped and they are here ready for you at the old prices. Take overalls for instance; there are very few stores selling genuine indigo overalls for \$1.00, cotton flannel gauntlet gloves for \$1.00 a dozen or genuine corduroy gloves with knit wrist for 10c, 3 for 25c or 6 pair of socks for 60c and guarantee them six months? We are doing it. Everything else in proportion. Just a few reasons why this is "Everybody's Store." Come in and see.

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## PLEASANT BIRTHDAY SURPRISE TO MRS. J. E. M'DANIEL

Last evening Mrs. J. E. McDaniel was made the "victim" of a very pleasant birthday surprise, and one that was a complete surprise in every way, and the guest of honor was taken completely unaware by the large crowd of friends. The members of the party had assembled at the home of Mrs. F. R. Guthmann, and from there they moved onto the McDaniel home and carried out most successfully their plans for a surprise, and it was several minutes before Mrs. McDaniel was able to appreciate the meaning of the advent of the jolly party, but soon made everyone at home and a most delightful time was enjoyed. The evening was spent in games, as well as dancing, while the guests were called upon for special features in the entertainment line, which proved most enjoyable. During the evening a number of very pleasing vocal and instrumental numbers were given, which proved to be most delightful and were appreciated by every member of the party. At a suitable hour the well-laden baskets which the "invaders" had brought with them, were unpacked and a very dainty and tempting luncheon served, which added to the general good feeling prevailing among the members of the party. The evening was one that will long be most pleasantly remembered as one of rarest enjoyment, and the members of the party, in departing, expressed the wish that the guest of honor might be with them to enjoy a great many other happy events of this kind. In remembrance of the evening Mrs. McDaniel was presented with a large number of very pretty and useful gifts to remind her of the kindly feeling in which she is held by her many friends.

## ROYAL NEIGHBORS INSTALL OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

The Royal Neighbors of America, one of the leading fraternal orders in the city, have just installed their officers for the ensuing year and the following were chosen to guide the destinies of the lodge:

Past Oracle—Mrs. Margaret Tulene. Oracle—Mrs. Frances Schultz. Vice Oracle—Mrs. Bessie Gravitt. Chancellor—Mrs. Katherina Hill. Recorder—Miss Garnet Cory. Receiver—Mrs. Jennie Tulene. Marshal—Mrs. Tryie Wampler. Inner Guard—Mrs. Jennie Hobson.

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Walter Tower was a business visitor in Omaha today for a few hours, going to that city on the early Burlington train this morning.

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Mrs. C. J. Kunsman was a passenger this afternoon for Omaha, where she will visit her brother, Asa Frakes, at the Clarkson hospital, where he is recovering from an operation.



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