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ASKS PERMIT FOR HIGHER VOLTAGE IN HIGH LINE

Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. Wants Leave to Carry More Current On Plattsmouth Line.

Another hearing was held Friday by the state railway commission on the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co.'s application for authority to operate a 66,000-volt electric transmission line between Lincoln and Plattsmouth. The line has already been constructed suitable for that voltage, but on a permit allowing only 22,000 volts, which is sufficient to handle all the business of the company at the present time.

In its former order, the railway commission took the stand that if at any future time the company desires to increase the voltage to 66,000 it can do so with another application, which will be determined on its merits whenever presented.

The company, however, wants the permit now, in order to establish its rights for the future and to prevent any other concern from getting ahead of itself. It has secured agreements from telephone, telegraph and other wire operating companies whose lines will be crossed or paralleled by its own in which they waive objections to the high power transmission.—Lincoln Star.

FORMER GRADUATES ENJOY ALUMNI DAY AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

Large Number of Those Who at One Time Attended School Here Meet with Classes

From Saturday's Daily—Yesterday afternoon was set aside as Alumni day at the High school and the largest number of the former graduates that has yet been present at an occasion of this kind, despite the fact that the weather was decidedly frigid and not calculated to lure the former grads from their home firesides.

The High school had arranged a fitting reception to the associates of the school in the past years and the boys and girls of the school were delighted that fifty of the former students were in attendance.

There were four of the ex-grads invited to the platform and gave a few remarks of their experiences in school and also gave many words of wisdom to the members of the present school. Miss Pearl Staats, normal training teacher of the High school and a former graduate, gave a few remarks as did Mrs. Clarence L. Beal, Gerald Fleming and A. H. Duxbury, county judge-elect, and all were loud in their praise of the school and its work.

The High school orchestra gave two selections that were very much enjoyed by all of the school and the visitors and was a showing of the advances that the schools have had in the past few years as this line of work was not in the training course of the earlier graduates of the school.

Irving Whitse, one of the members of the faculty, gave two vocal numbers that were very much enjoyed by all of the audience and added very much to the enjoyableness of the occasion.

Miss Helen Westcott also favored the audience with a marimba solo that was very skillfully given and showed much beauty and charm. The Girls' Glee club, under the direction of Miss Frances Field, supervisor of music, also gave a number that was very much enjoyed and her work with the department was reflected in the very delightful program given.

At the close of the exercises, the members of the school were dismissed for the Christmas vacation that will last over the New Year.

DUDLEY WHITE

Dudley White, who previous to a short time ago resided for a short time in Glenwood, died at the home of a niece in Oklahoma, whence he had gone from Glenwood to make his home. The body will be brought to Glenwood Tuesday for burial.

Mr. White was unmarried. When in Glenwood he made his home with his sister, Mrs. Julia Mershon. As known by Glenwood people, the deceased was a brother of ex-Postmaster Curt White, now living in San Diego. He is also an uncle of Guy Morgan of Plattsmouth.—Glenwood Tribune.

SUFFERING FROM RHEUMATISM

From Friday's Daily—The many friends of John Kaffenberger, one of the well known and prominent retired farmers of this community, will regret to learn that Mr. Kaffenberger is suffering from a very severe attack of rheumatism that has confined him to his home for the past several days and in view of the cold weather he has to keep in very closely.

CHICKENS ARE MISSING

From Friday's Daily—Clem Merritt, who lives at the cottage near the pumping station of the Plattsmouth Water Co., has suffered the loss of a large number of fowls that have been supplying the family with eggs and providing the means of many a toothsome meal. The fowls were kept in a chicken coop not a great way from the house and several nights ago they disappeared without any sign or noise to allow the family to retrieve them from the hands of the night raiders that had evidently made away with them. The family feel very much the effects of the loss of the chickens and the party that took the fowls picked on a family that could ill afford to lose the chickens.

HOLIDAYS BRING STUDENTS HOME FOR A VACATION

Plattsmouth Young Men and Women From Many Educational Institutions Coming Home.

From Friday's Daily—The coming of the holiday season is bringing back to the home fireside the young men and women who are attending schools in many different sections of the country and which promises to liven up the social activities of the coming week with the home gatherings and social festivities that are held in honor of the young people.

One of those coming from probably the greatest distance is Miss Ursula Herold who is a student at the Cathedral school at Washington, D. C., and who will be accompanied by her brother, Matthew Herold of New York City and Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Herold of Oklahoma City, who have been visiting at the national capital.

Miss Marguerite Wiles will be here from the Lindwood college at St. Charles, Missouri, for the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wiles, and Miss Ruth Shannon, who is spending her first year at Cotter college in Nevada, Missouri, arrives this afternoon for the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Edna Shannon.

The University of Nebraska has a number of the young people of the city attending school there who will be coming home for the holiday season and among these will be Miss Vera Becker, Stuart Chase, Harry and Howard Dwyer, Otto Trilley, Melvin Johnson and Frank Gradovick.

From Doane college at Crete there will be the Misses Edith and Helen Farley and Mary Tibball to enjoy the holidays with the home folks and the old time friends in this city.

Mason and Miss Alice Louise Westcott who are attending Northwestern University, and Miss Helen Ploutz, who is attending the Jennings seminary at Aurora, Illinois, are among the homeward bound guests of the holidays and expected in the next few days to join the merry gathering of young people here.

The Wesleyan students who are coming home for the holidays will comprise Miss Murna Wolberg, Miss Helen Wiles who will enjoy the vacation period in the pleasures of home.

Raymond Bookmeyer, who is attending Carnegie Tech at Pittsburgh, is also expected here the first of the week.

SNOW IN THE WEST

From Friday's Daily—William Starkjohn, who has extensive land interests near Gothenberg, Nebraska, has just received word from his tenant on the farm in which he states that that section received a very severe snow storm at the time the eastern part of the state was being visited by a rain and sleet storm, and he states that there is a large amount of snow over the country near Gothenberg and some of the drifts range from twelve to fifteen feet in depth and generally speaking the country is in the grip of real winter weather with much cold prevailing.

BACK ON THE JOB

From Thursday's Daily—This morning Deputy County Clerk Will T. Adams was back on duty at the office in the court house after an illness of the past week, when he was laid up suffering from a very severe sick spell. Mr. Adams is feeling that he is getting back to normal again and hopes in the next few days to be able to hit the ball with his accustomed vigor.

BUYS DODGE CAR

From Thursday's Daily—Despite the cold and blustery weather the sale of autos goes on and E. H. Meisinger, the local representative of the Dodge Brothers Auto Co., has just disposed of one of the newest and most attractive lines of the popular Dodge Brothers car, a roadster model that is a beauty. The purchaser of the car was Fred Matschullat, of Omaha, who appreciates a good car and will enjoy the use of the roadster in the coming season.

JUDGE BEESON TO ENTER LAW PRACTICE IN THIS CITY

Retiring County Judge Will Open Law Offices in the First National Bank Building.

From Thursday's Daily—After retirement from the office of county judge which position he has filled for the past eighteen years, Judge Allen J. Beeson will resume the practice of law in this city.

Judge Beeson will occupy the suite of offices on the second floor of the First National Bank building that will be vacated by his successor, County Judge-elect A. H. Duxbury on the first of the year. As soon as the duties of his office are over January 8th, Mr. Beeson will be ready to enter at once into the active practice of law and to serve the public that seeks justice in the courts.

Mr. Beeson was formerly engaged in practice here when he was called to preside over the county court and as the law does not permit the judge to practice in other courts he has found that the position was one of the most profitable from the standpoint of an attorney as a private practice would net him a much larger sum and realizing this fact he decided this year that he would leave the office to take up his private work at the bar in the future.

The large acquaintance of the retiring judge over the county and his well known ability as an attorney should be a great aid in rebuilding his law interests when he again embarks in active practice.

SAYS NEBRASKANS MAY EAT CHICKENS FREELY CHRISTMAS

Dr. Van Es Says no Reason Now for People to Curtail the Use of Poultry.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 17.—Nebraska need have no fear of disease in chickens or other poultry and can use it freely during the holidays as usual, Dr. Van Es, pathologist and expert at the college of agriculture, said here today in discussing the embargo placed on live chickens by New York City and California. Dr. Van Es believes that there is no reason at this time for people to curtail the use of poultry.

Dr. Van Es enlarged upon his statement, made yesterday, that the disease reported can be likened to European fowl plague, hitherto unknown in this country. This disease is like fowl cholera, he said, and can only be differentiated from it by a laboratory test. Pathology received for testing at the college gives no indication of such a disease. Dr. Van Es says there is no reason to believe that European fowl plague exists in Nebraska until definite proof has been established.

The agricultural college wants poultry owners in the state to co-operate with it by sending chickens with a cholera-like disease to the college for laboratory testing.

POPULAR WINTER QUARTERS

From Thursday's Daily—The city jail, last night, was filled to overflowing by the unfortunates, had been caught in the wintry weather, while they were engaged in making their way southward, and who secured from the local police the place to "flop" for the night. The extreme cold that is prevailing has made traveling via the box car route a most trying one and the tourists try to reach some larger town at night where they can secure shelter at the police stations from the rigors of the wintry blasts and snows. The men are given shelter for the night and turned out each morning to resume their battle with the cold and hardships of the life of the road and its accompaniment of hunger and want. There were some fifteen in last night, the police report.

STEADY COLD WEATHER

From Thursday's Daily—This morning the community was still gripped in the zero weather that has prevailed since the first of the week and while the mercury showed only one below zero this morning the cold was quite intense and the damp and bitter breezes induced the pedestrians to hurry along from one shelter to another and not to tarry on the way. The cold weather and bad roads have knocked out the auto travel to a greater or less extent and interfered with the Christmas trade to a marked degree as few residents of the outside districts have been able to get in and will mean that the last few days before Christmas will probably be very busy ones as the belated shoppers complete their Christmas shopping. The weather man says little hope of a reprieve of the cold weather for several days.

HAS NARROW ESCAPE

From Friday's Daily—Kenneth Vandervoort, who is employed on one of the line crews of the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. out of this city, on the new Lincoln line, had a very close call from serious injury today and one that he will not soon forget. Kenneth was up on a pole working when he slipped on the icy surface of the pole and slid down a distance of over thirty feet and alighted on his feet. It was very fortunate for the young man that he did not injure his feet in the fall as he hit on them with his full weight after sliding the distance of the pole.

POLICE NAB BAD CHECK ARTIST AT M. P. STATION

OFFICER JACKSON APPREHENDS MARVIN RICE ON CHARGE OF CHECK FORGING.

LADIES TOGGERY IS THE VICTIM

Prompt Work of Night Police Force Leads to Arrest of Man as He Was Making Getaway.

From Friday's Daily—Last evening at 6 o'clock a stranger visited the Ladies Toggery and commenced an inspection of the ladies garments, stating that he was a resident of Nebraska and was engaged in the hog raising business in that place, and after some little conversation the man purchased a number of garments that amounted to \$41.80 and for which he tendered a check, affixing the name of John Knabe, well known Nebraska farmer, to the paper. The man had gone from the store some little time when Mr. Busch decided to call up the bank of Nebraska and learn whether that party was all that he claimed to be and learned then that the check had not been given by Mr. Knabe, who was at home and it then dawned on the Ladies Toggery manager that he had been stung by a forger.

The matter was reported to Officer Joe Libershal who at once started out on a search of the various stores and business places to see if the stranger could be located and as Officer Clyde Jackson arrived on duty at 6 o'clock he was informed of the forger and was able to give some very material aid in the matter as it happened that he had been in the Toggery at the time the stranger had been and had a very good description of the man. While Officer Libershal continued the search of the business section Officer Jackson motored out to the Missouri Pacific passenger station and located the man who was being sought sitting in the waiting room of the depot. The man was ordered to come on back to town and at first objected to going but decided that he would do so rather than be "stung".

When asked by the police as to where he had left the goods, the man stated that he had left them down in the main portion of the city but later acknowledged that he had ditched them near the depot and Mr. Jackson returned and discovered the goods in a suitcase just north of the depot. They were brought on with the prisoner and at the Toggery identified by Mrs. Busch as the goods that had been sold to the man and for which he had presented the phony check.

The prisoner was turned over by Officer Libershal and Jackson to Sheriff E. P. Stewart to be lodged in the county jail until a complaint could be filed against him by the county attorney. The man gave his name as Marvin Rice and could give no reason why he had committed the forgery, stating at one time that he had intended the garments for his mother, but when he was taken in custody he had been awaiting the northbound train to get on into Omaha and where he had intended endeavoring to try and dispose of the garments.

This morning, M. D. Brown, the jeweler, identified the young man as a party making the purchase of a ring valued at \$25 at his store yesterday afternoon and for which he tendered a check for the amount of the ring and signed by the name of "Goldie Snodgrass." The man was inspected by Mr. Brown and pronounced the same as the one making the purchase of the ring and which will add to his punishment.

The prompt and effective work of the night police resulted in the apprehension of the man ere he could make his getaway and is very much appreciated by Mr. Busch and all other business men who in the past have been stung by the bad check artists.

Mrs. Morris McHugh of Falls City, who has been visiting with relatives and friends in Omaha for a short time, came in last evening and will spend a short time here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walling.

PREPARING FOR NEW MASONIC INFIRMARY HERE

Furnishings of the New Building Will Be Submitted to Approval of oBard at Meeting.

From Thursday's Daily—The work on the new infirmary building at the Nebraska Masonic Home in this city is now progressing to such an extent that the plans for the equipment of the building are being formulated and the furnishings of the various departments of the building will be outlined by the staff of physicians and surgeons and placed before the board of control of the Masonic Home association at their next regular meeting in Omaha on January 5th.

One of the departments at the infirmary that is planned is a complete and modern operating room where it will be possible to care for emergency cases that may arise that require operations to be performed at once and this will be arranged along the most approved modern lines so that every convenience and aid in the treatment of cases requiring surgical operations may be had.

The furnishings of the rooms will be along the lines that will make the infirmary a strictly up to date place for the care of the sick and ailing and will give the Home association an ample and well arranged place for the care of many cases that have in the past been forced to be handled at hospitals over the state owing to lack of the proper facilities at the Home.

FIRE DEPARTMENT TO GIVE A BALL ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

Will Be Staged at the Eagles Hall On the Night of Wednesday, December 31st.

From Thursday's Daily—The Plattsmouth fire department will give a New Year's eve ball at the Eagles hall in this city, is the announcement made by John V. Hatt, president of the department and the presiding genius in the glad New Year's entertainment the fire boys are planning.

The firemen are planning to give the ball which is an annual event for a great many years, to assist in the securing of funds to support their various social and benevolent activities during the coming season and for this time they will ask the cordial support of the general public in making the event a great and glorious success in every way. Mr. Hatt states that a special orchestra will be arranged for the occasion that will provide good music for the dancers and add to the pleasure of those who gather to look on at the ball.

DOING HITCH IN CHINA

From Friday's Daily—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Galloway have received a very interesting letter from their son, Ermin Galloway, who is now serving an enlistment in the United States navy and is attached to the Pacific coast fleet on duty in Asiatic waters in looking after the American interests there. Mr. Galloway is a member of a squad of "gobs" sent up the Yangtze Kian river with a dispatch boat to reach one of the American missionary posts in the interior and after reaching there they were confronted with a very difficult problem as the river has dried up during the winter season and making navigation impossible and as a result the sailors will have to remain there until the rains give the river water enough to float their boat on the return trip. The party is kept in touch with the world by means of dispatch bearers who make the journey from the seacoast via the army mule route and expect to spend some time at the advance post as the Chinese bandits are numerous and a constant guard is maintained to see that they do not get away with the U. S. boat. Mr. Galloway has some two years of his enlistment yet to serve and has since joining the navy at Seattle seen a great deal of the country in the Orient.

COLDEST DAY THIS WINTER

From Friday's Daily—This morning was the record breaker as far as the cold was concerned as the mercury at the Burlington station, the official register, indicated ten degrees below zero, although the conditions were apparently not as severe as yesterday owing to the fact that the wind had died down and brought relief to a great extent. The cold wave has reached its peak, the weather bureau states, and the indications are for fair and warmer weather for the rest of the week. The official opening of winter and also the shortest day of the year will fall on Sunday, December 21st, and from that time on a colder stretch of weather may be looked for over the west.

HERE FROM ENGLAND

From Friday's Daily—Louis Kirschenblatt and bride, who just recently arrived here from London, England, are enjoying a visit here at the home of Mr. Kirschenblatt's father, H. Waintroub, and family. This is the first visit of the bride to the new world and the many new scenes are very strange to her, coming from the midst of the great English city, and particularly the winter weather that is just now gripping the west and which is a winters that are found in old England. Mr. Kirschenblatt has been located in England for the past few years and expects now to return to the United States to locate in the future.

TWO VERY PLEASANT BRIDGE LUNCHEONS ARE HELD

Mrs. James T. Begley and Mrs. Leslie L. Turpin Are Hostesses at Social Events.

From Friday's Daily—Two of the pleasant social events preceding the Christmas season were given on Wednesday and Thursday at the pleasant home of Judge and Mrs. James T. Begley when Mrs. Begley and Mrs. Leslie L. Turpin were joint hostesses at bridge luncheons on the two days.

The home was arranged in Christmas colors, the bright green and red of the holiday season making a very colorful scheme for the settings and in the table decorations these were carried out in the candles and the red roses that lent a most charming touch to the scene.

At the luncheon on Wednesday, Mrs. G. E. DeWolf was awarded the first prize, Mrs. George O. Doves, second prize and Mrs. John F. Gorder the consolation prize.

The prize winners in the contests yesterday were Mrs. F. R. Gobelman, first; Mrs. E. J. Richey, second, and Mrs. R. A. Bates, consolation prize. The Christmas spirit was carried out in the luncheon and the favors were appropriate to the holiday season. In serving the hostesses were assisted by the Misses Ruth and Jean Tibball, Violette Begley and Ella Margaret Wiles.

GIVES PRIVATE DANCE

From Thursday's Daily—Last evening the members of Cass Chapter Order of DeMolay gave a very pleasant dancing party at the M. W. A. hall to the members of the order and their ladies and which was enjoyed by some thirty of the young people. The music for the occasion was furnished by the orchestra under the direction of Myles Altman and the dancing continued until a late hour and gave the members of the party ample opportunity to enjoy themselves to the utmost.

NEW HARNESS SHOP

We have opened a harness and repair shop in the frame building opposite the Journal office. Harness repaired, oiled, shoes half-soled and repaired. Give us a trial.—Bates Bros. d16-d&w

FOUR MEN MAKE GETAWAY FROM PERKINS HOTEL

Sheriff Stewart Locates Men at Pacific Junction But They Refuse to Return to Nebraska.

From Friday's Daily—Yesterday afternoon four men, C. E. Jenkins, Ed Wilson, John Wickstrom and James Johnson, who have been residing at the Perkins Hotel decided to tear themselves away from that hospitable hostelry and also forgetting the quarter and as the owner, Mr. Landford John Cory, after the departure of the men another of the boarders reported that his overcoat was missing from its accustomed place and was suspected to be adorning the form of one of the escaping quartet and as the owner needed the garment to protect himself from the gentle Nebraska zephyrs, blowing at 10 below zero, he put a roar that could be heard for many miles.

Sheriff E. P. Stewart was called upon the scene of action and hastened to Pacific Junction, where the men were reported to be heading for and there located them and placed them under arrest. The men declined to return to the Nebraska side of the river and rested on their arms until papers could be secured from Des Moines to return them to the custody of the Cass county sheriff. Sheriff Stewart being unable to secure the return of the men at once had them placed in the custody of Sheriff DeMoss of Mills county and they were removed to Glenwood to remain until the outcome of these matters.

The facts in the case are that the men cannot be extradited on the sum that they are alleged to have cheated the hotel out of, or on the value of the overcoat taken. This morning Mrs. Cory departed for Pacific Junction to try and reach some compromise with the men as to the settlement of their bill and which would bring a peaceful solution of the matter.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

From Thursday's Daily—The Nebraska City Press states that Lloyd Gilmore, who has been at that city for some time past, is to be taken to the hospital at Knoxville, Iowa, for treatment, as he has been suffering from a very severe nervous disorder for some time and his condition was such that the officers of the American Legion post at Nebraska City were called upon to assist in looking after the patient and deciding to have him given hospital treatment. Mr. Gilmore was a volunteer in the world war from Cass county, as he was at that time a resident of near Murray and departed from here with other Cass county members of the 6th Nebraska, and spent some time at Camp Cody, New Mexico and, later, in France, where he was a member of the Fourth division and returned to the United States in the latter part of 1919. He later re-enlisted in the army and spent three years in the Hawaiian islands as a member of the army. His many friends in Cass county will regret to learn of his condition.

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