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## Heavy Rains Menace Flooded Areas in State

Storms of Sunday in Southeastern Nebraska Cause Fear of More High Waters.

From Monday's Daily—  
Heavy rains that swept over the entire southeastern part of Nebraska Sunday have added to the danger that is threatening the sections of Nemaha and Richardson counties and parts of northern Kansas and western Iowa. The small creeks and rivers that have been flooding since Friday, receded some by Saturday night but were again at flood stage late Sunday.

The rain, while heavy in this part of Cass county did not materially damage beyond the fact that the extreme wet weather has checked the farm work a great deal.

Meanwhile damage estimates began to be made. From Falls City came a report that Richardson county's loss was around one hundred thousand dollars, in crops, bridges and highways.

Crop and road damage was similar in Nemaha county. Losses of similar kind occurred in spots in Kansas and in a half dozen in Missouri, indicating that total loss might run close to a half million dollars.

**Making Rail Repairs.**  
The highway west of the river was impassable Sunday night between Falls City, Neb., and Leavenworth, Kan., though travel was possible elsewhere. Trains on the Missouri Pacific were proceeding slowly on their own rails, after temporary repairs at Auburn, where washouts had occurred Saturday, a passenger locomotive plunging into a creek.

The Burlington expected to have temporary repairs made by early Monday on its Omaha-Kansas City line, washed out in places near Napier, Mo., opposite Falls City, and further down.

The Sunday storm covered once more the areas already besieged by the waters of the Missouri river tributaries.  
Water ran curb deep in Falls City from the rain Sunday evening, which began about 6 p. m. The Nemaha river nearby was three-fourths of a mile wide and out of its banks for eight miles, though it had dropped two feet. Other streams were still out of their banks.

**Fear Further Inundations.**  
Crop loss in Richardson county was set at 25 thousand dollars in an unofficial estimate Sunday, with bridge loss 60 thousand and highway damage 15 thousand.  
Much corn in the flood area is to be abandoned, nearly half of the acreage being reported lost in Nemaha county.

Streams near Maryville, Mo., were still rising slowly Sunday, it was reported, when the new storm broke. Fear for further inundations of farm lands was felt in Missouri and elsewhere in northwest Missouri.  
The body of Cecil Vader, 16, drowned at Falls City Saturday, has not been recovered, and is believed to have been swept into the Missouri river.

## MANY ATTEND THE PARMELE

From Monday's Daily—  
Last evening the Parmele theatre presented the first of their sound pictures, "Weary River" being the Vitaphone offering and was a very beautiful picture in which Richard Barthelmess and charming Betty Compson were starred. The picture is featured by the theme song, "Weary River," now one of the most popular of the musical offerings of the present year.

The Parmele had an almost perfect presentation of the picture, the presentation was one that held the closest attention of the audience and was received with applause by the delighted auditors in the climax of the picture.

The voices as well as the musical selections by the orchestra were very clear.

## MOVE TO NEW LOCATION

From Monday's Daily—  
The Economy cleaning plant which has been located on South 8th street for the past several months, was yesterday removed to the room in the Bekins building formerly occupied by the Coffee Shoppe. James Doyle, the head of the Economy Cleaners, has had the room fitted up very nicely and making a neat and attractive place of business and one that will be very convenient to the public.

The room formerly occupied by the cleaning plant will be occupied in the future by O. F. Smalley with his barber shop and he will at once move to the new location and be ready to serve his patrons in the new place. This gives Mr. Smalley a much larger place for his shop and where he can better look after the needs of his customers.

Phone your news to No. 6.

## MAY GO TO HAWAII

From Monday's Daily—  
Joe A. Krejci, one of the graduates of the class of 1929 at the Peru state teachers college, and one of the outstanding athletes of the state, is preparing to take up his chosen work as a teacher and coach of athletic sports and has had a number of calls for his services. Mr. Krejci has just received an offer from Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, where his reputation as an athlete has attracted the attention of the schools and his skill in all lines of sport activities makes him a very valuable asset to any school and which the Hawaiian city desires to bring to their school system. Mr. Krejci has also had an offer from the schools at Ord, Nebraska, who have wished him to serve as their athletic director.

## Davis Says Alumni Must Help Educate

Declares Graduates Charged With Aiding Students—Urges Keep Abreast of the Times.

"Responsibility of the Alumnus" was the theme stressed by Searl S. Davis, '09, Plattsmouth, speaker of the day at the annual alumni luncheon at the agricultural college Saturday afternoon.

"The alumnus are charged," said the speaker, "with the education of the students of the future. In order to best discharge this responsibility they must keep abreast of the times. They should not consider wealth or recognition by the public as the mark of success but rather the consciousness of having done their best."

"It is not the students but the faculty who make the college," continued Mr. Davis. "The college is made by those particular members of the faculty who inspire the students to become courageous, law abiding and upright."

Mr. Davis went on to say that it should not be necessary for students to be compelled to obey laws since they ought to be of the type to obey them voluntarily, otherwise they will have no chance for success in life.

Prefacing his speech, the alumnus recalled a few of the activities of the class of '09 and read a list of the members who had attained prominent positions in life. He told how the fountain presented by the class to its alma mater was constructed of stones brought back by participants in a senior skip day picnic at Millford. Mr. Davis praised the work of many of the faculty mentioning among others, Dr. F. M. Pling, Chancellor Burnett, then a dean, Professor Fossler, and the late Mrs. Raymond, who though not a member of the faculty, was prominent in university work.

The gathering, limited to 350 by inclement weather, responded very readily to the Nebraska songs that were suggested. The tables in the luncheon room were enhanced by bouquets of mingled iris and peonies. A maroon strip lettered in gold stretched the length of the table reserved for the honor class of '09 whose members had favors in the same color combination.

## EIGHTH BIRTHDAY

Corine Hallstrom celebrated her eighth birthday on May 31st, at her home in Avoca, Nebraska. During the afternoon games were played, after which all gathered around the decorated table for lunch. Miss Corine received many lovely gifts from her little guests, being Jimmie Mauzy, Marilyn Wilcox, Kathryn Mae Sindelar, Clara Lynn, Kathleen, Richard and Spencer Propst, Robert, Tom and Jack Hallstrom, also Mrs. James Mauzy, Mrs. C. E. Wilcox, Mrs. John Hallstrom of Plattsmouth; Mrs. A. W. Propst of Tecumseh; Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Greene, Mrs. J. F. Sindelar, of Omaha; Mrs. Clarence Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hall-Hallstrom of Avoca.

## ENJOYS VISIT HERE

From Monday's Daily—  
Mr. and Mrs. Emmons Plak had the pleasure of having as guests at their home on west Pearl street a number of friends as well as their daughter and son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sharpnack of Lincoln here over the week end. The guests comprised Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harris and daughter, Marian, Mrs. Bert Sharpnack and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sharpnack, the guests motoring down from the capital city. Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Sharpnack remained over Sunday and were accompanied home by Miss Alyce Johnson who is here from California, who will visit in Lincoln for a few days.

## HOLDING COURT AT OMAHA

From Monday's Daily—  
District Judge James T. Begley departed this morning for Omaha where he will be engaged for the week in holding court there for Judge Foster, one of the members of the fourth district bench and who is unable to care for his docket during the coming week.

## Branch of Auto Owners' Club is Assured Here

Sufficient Signers to Form Unit of Nebraska Motor Club Has Been Secured

For some time Mrs. L. M. Pollard of Omaha has been in the city visiting the auto owners of this community in the interests of the Nebraska Motor club, an organization that is affiliated with the American Automobile Association and is carrying on the work of aid to the auto owners in this state.

The work of Mrs. Pollard has been successful. The organizer announced Saturday and the Plattsmouth unit will soon be ready to be fully organized and the work of the organization in this community will be taken up.

Each unit of the club has a right to name a director for each of the fifty members and who has the task of looking after the general cause of better roads and conditions for the auto traveler in their own localities.

The Nebraska Auto club provides a great many features that will be of the utmost advantage to the membership and one that will more than repay the cost of the membership to the individual members. In the many features that are provided for are free emergency road services, according to service contracts—day or night, starting cold and frozen motors, changing tires, delivery of gas, towing out of mud, towing to town of wrecked cars, starting dead cars caused by ignition, gas line, battery, starter, binding brakes or motor troubles, with the limit of \$5 at any one time or a yearly limit of \$25 to each member. There are also in the membership the supplying of free legal advice, road information, assistance in locating stolen cars, \$25 reward for the recovery of stolen car and \$50 for the recovery, the arrest and conviction of the auto thief, legislative protection and the general protection of a large and well organized national association can offer.

The arrangements have been completed to have the John Bauer Co. garage handle the towing and auto work for the local unit, the Oil City supply the road information daily to the traveling public and the Plattsmouth Tire Co., to handle all tire work and repairs.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

From Monday's Daily—  
This morning the vacation bible school organized under the supervision of Mrs. H. E. Sortor, opened in the city with the registration of 1-8 children of all ages. The kindergarten and primary departments of the Sunday school are held at the First Presbyterian church while the intermediate and junior departments were held at the First Methodist church.

The school has fifteen teachers ready for the opening day of the school and effort is being made to provide additional teachers for the various classes as there will be large enrollment before the week is over and the school under way.

There is still opportunity for the children to register and Mrs. Sortor, the very efficient superintendent of the school, is desirous that all parents who are planning to send their children, have them registered as soon as possible.

The school is one that is a great benefit to the child in the bible instruction, the handwork and supervised play that the smaller children enjoy. The enrollment this year promises a much larger field of activity and the addition of the Presbyterian church gives needed room for additional pupils.

For the protection of the younger children who attend the school at the Presbyterian church, a special watchman will be stationed on Chicago avenue to help the children across the thoroughfare.

## ADDS NEW EQUIPMENT

Fred P. Bush of the Ladies Toggery has just added to the cleaning and pressing department of this popular place of business, one of the newest type Pan-Tex pressers and which was in operation today. The machine is one of the latest type and is equipped with steam that is supplied by a large Kisco boiler. The new machine will make it possible to handle the work a great deal faster. The former pressing machine was operated by gas and the new machine will be a great deal more convenient in every way.

## OPENS NEW BUS DEPOS

The DeLuxe bus line, operating between this city and Omaha and which is operated by Ike Gilinsky of Omaha, will in the future have their own bus depot and not using the Union station as formerly. Mr. Gilinsky has secured a depot at 1704 Howard street and where he will handle all of his bus business in the future, both the Plattsmouth and Weeping Water buses operating in and out of this station.

## WILLIAMS-SCHNEIDER

Miss Helen Williams, of Elmwood, will become the bride of Karl Schneider, of Indianola, June 5th. Miss Williams has been employed as a high school teacher in the Wilber schools for the past four years. Miss Williams has been honored with a number of showers the past few weeks. Mrs. L. D. Montgomery, wife of Superintendent Montgomery of Wilber entertained for her, as did also Mrs. L. F. Langhorst and Mrs. Sid More, of Plattsmouth. Mrs. Denis Cole, Miss Mrs. R. Schlichter and Miss Opal Turner and the Rebekahs are also entertaining for her. Only immediate relatives will attend the wedding, which will be a home wedding at 3 o'clock. The officiating clergyman will be Rev. Frank Lenz, brother-in-law of the groom. Miss Cora Williams will be bridesmaid.

Mr. Schneider is well known in this city, where he was for several months employed at the Plattsmouth State Bank and is a former Elmwood young man.

## Junior C. D. of A. Gives Banquet to Mothers

Event Follows Initiation of Eight Young Girls Into Junior Branch of Catholic Order

From Monday's Daily—  
Yesterday afternoon the Junior C. D. of A., Lady of Loretta Club 709, held their second annual initiation at the E. G. Hall. A class of eight were initiated. After the initiation a short business meeting was held to elect officers for the coming year. Those elected were:

President, Agnes Brink; vice-president, Mary Ann Hadraba, secretary, Lucille Case; treasurer, Theresia Bierl, librarian, Ingaburg Reichstadt.

In the evening the Juniors held a mother-daughter banquet, covers were laid for thirty-six. The following menu was served:

Fruit Cocktail  
Rose Salad Escalloped Potatoes  
Chicken Loaf Pickled Beets  
Parker House Rolls  
Strawberry Food Cake  
Coffee

Anna May Sandin presided as toastmaster which she filled in her usual charming manner. Agnes Brink gave a toast from the daughters to the mothers which Mrs. F. I. Rea answered in her pleasing manner with a toast to the Juniors. Then two musical numbers were given, the first by Ingaburg Reichstadt and the second by Mary Ann Hadraba. Mrs. Woolcott as counselor to complete the program, presented the first honor pins to Theresia Bierl, Constance Rea, Mary Ann Hadraba and Helen Woolcott, these four girls being the only Juniors to complete the first test.

## RETURNS FROM CONVENTION

From Tuesday's Daily—  
Dr. J. S. Livingston, of this city, who has been attending the convention of the International Rotary at Dallas, Texas, has returned home after a most delightful time in the southland and in meeting the many representatives from all parts of the world that gathered for the Rotary meeting. While in the south Dr. Livingston had the pleasure of visiting with two former residents who are living there, Charles A. Richey, who is engaged in the conduct of a construction company at Dallas, and Charles D. Grimes, former newspaper man and attorney of this city, who has been for the past twenty years engaged with the Chicago, Rock Island and Gulf railroad at Fort Worth, the company headquarters.

Dr. Livingston at the noon luncheon of the local Rotary today gave his observations of the great international meeting and the various sidelights on the great meeting.

## DEATH OF JOSEPH PRINCE

The death of Joseph Prince, 80, a former resident of this city, occurred Sunday at Omaha where he has made his home for the past few years. The deceased has been failing health for some time and in the last few weeks his condition has been such as to give but little hope of his recovery. He is survived by the widow and four children by a former marriage, two of whom, Frank Prince and Mrs. Chocolec resides near this city, one son living at Crete and a daughter in Texas.

## IMPROVING GROUNDS

The Burlington is having some improvements made on the driveway leading to the passenger station at the lower part of Main street that will make this a much more sightly part of the city and eliminates the worn out condition of the driveway. Crushed rock and gravel are being placed in the driveway between the station and the small park on the west and when completed will give a good hard surfaced roadway to and from the station.

## High Water in Missouri Checks Work on Bridge

Two Bents of False Work Used in Construction of Last Pier Is Swept Away

From Tuesday's Daily—  
The raise in the Missouri river at this place which was 1.8 yesterday over that of Sunday, caused the washing out of two bents of the false work that was constructed by the Union Bridge & Construction Co., to lead to the pier that is being constructed in the river channel.

The raise in the river was such, however, that the construction company were able to get their material away from the point of danger before the waters of the river flooded off the two bents. This false work was used for the laying of the roadway the conveyed the material out to the pier engaged in the construction of this large pier which sets in the waters of the river.

The high water coming two days later would have done little to check the bridge work as the last pier would have been ready to seal in another day and the raise would have made no difference but it will now cause some delay until the water comes down again and it is possible to finish up the work of sealing the pier.

The Union Bridge & Construction company that has had the contract for the sinking of the piers has made very good progress with their work all winter with the exception of a few days of the most bitterly cold weather and had planned in being all cleaned up on their contract here within three or four weeks and giving way for the steel gangs that will place the superstructure of the bridge. A number of the pier construction men have already left here for Oklahoma City near where the Union Construction Co. has another piece of bridge work to look after.

The progress on the bridge here has been very pleasing in every way and should allow the bridge to be opened as originally planned sometime this fall, the opening being set for sometime in October.

The last pier that is now under construction will be fifty-five feet above the water level and is now within a few inches of bed rock on which it will rest.

## W. C. T. U. MEETS

From Tuesday's Daily—  
Yesterday afternoon the W. C. T. U. held their annual flower day at the home of Mrs. J. E. Willes on Chicago avenue with a very large number of the members in attendance and the occasion being a most pleasing event for all, the beautiful flowers lending their part in making the event of more than usual charm.

Mrs. Charles A. Troop was in charge of the devotions of the meeting and which was in the nature of scripture quotations.

Mrs. Fred G. Morgan was in charge of the meeting and had arranged a very fine program as a feature of the day.

Miss Anna Heisel gave a very fine talk in a tribute to the wild rose, one of the most beautiful of the native flowers.

Miss Catherine McClusky was heard in a very beautiful solo which was presented in her usual artistic manner.

Little Miss Mary Katherine Wiles presented one of her fine piano numbers during the course of the program.

Vocal numbers were added to the interest of the musical offerings by Miss Jean Hayes while the accompaniment was given by Miss Majorie Arn.

Another of the younger artists heard on the program was little Miss Jane Rebal in a very delightfully given piano number.

Miss Martha Gorder, one of the accomplished musicians of the city was heard in a very beautiful cello solo, the accompaniment being played by her mother, Mrs. John F. Gorder.

The Benak trio, composed of Mary, Frances and Joe Benak gave three numbers on the piano that were received with the greatest of delight by the members of the party.

Mrs. Robert B. Hayes presented the report of the S. T. I. contest in the schools and the prizes that had been awarded to the young people in this phase of the temperance work.

At the close of the afternoon dainty and delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

## ENJOYS VISIT HERE

Francis Neitzel, of Boise, Idaho, who has been at South Bend, Indiana, attending the annual reunion of the former students of Notre Dame university, of which he is a graduate, is here for a visit at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. F. R. Guthmann, while enroute home. Mr. Neitzel had a very fine time in renewing the pleasant school day associations and meeting the former classmates at Notre Dame during the reunion. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Neitzel for many years prominent residents at Murdock.

## RECEIVES ATHLETIC HONOR

From Tuesday's Daily—  
In the list of awards and recognition to high school athletes made by the University of Nebraska to 111 of the 1928 members of football, basketball and track teams of the schools over the state, the Plattsmouth school has one of their members designated for the awards, this being Homer Spangler, who was winner of the mile event at the field day and track meet staged by the state university in the early part of May. Homer is the only one from this city to be given the recognition as one of the outstanding high school sport leaders.

## Local Masons Receive Praise for Their Work

Confer the Master Mason Degree Upon Fred G. Nolting Before the Grand Lodge

From Tuesday's Daily—  
The Plattsmouth lodge of the Masons, selected for the honor of conferring the ritualistic work of the order and the Master Mason degree before the grand lodge of the Nebraska Masonry, was a high praise from the grand lodge officers and the grand custodians for the splendid manner in which the degree was conferred yesterday afternoon at the Masonic temple in Omaha.

One of the pleasant features of the occasion for Henry Nolting, the retiring worshipful master, was the fact that he was able to confer the degree before the grand lodge on his brother, Fred G. Nolting.

The officers of the lodge conferred the degree in a most impressive manner the following being the participants in the initiation: Henry Nolting, worshipful master; A. H. Duxbury, senior warden; H. L. Gayer, senior deacon; Robert Painter, junior deacon; Leonard Born, senior steward; August Kestner, secretary; Dr. P. T. Heineman, senior steward, was unable to attend the initiation. Rev. H. E. Sortor chaplain assisted in the initiation while the lectures for the work was given by Raymond C. Cook and Luke L. West, past masters of the Plattsmouth lodge.

The Masonic quartet composed of Frank A. Clodt, Raymond C. Cook, H. G. McClusky and L. O. Minor gave the musical numbers for the initiation.

At the close of the work the members of the grand lodge enjoyed a social period and in which the local lodge received many words of praise from the officials and members of the grand lodge. In speaking of the initiation one of the leading members of the grand lodge called attention to the fact that the ceremony was unusual in that a brother as master was conferring the degree work on his brother before a grand lodge and also that the Plattsmouth lodge had a farmer who could sing, Raymond C. Cook, who was as far as known the only farmer that has sang since 1919.

## SHOWS FINE INCREASE

From Tuesday's Daily—  
The second day of the vacation bible school today showed a registration of 135 children as against 125 yesterday and by the end of the week it is hoped to have the total of children enrolled reach 150. The increase today was largely in the kindergarten and primary departments which are being held at the Presbyterian church and by the end of the older children enrolled in the more advanced grades at the Methodist church. Mrs. H. E. Sortor is the superintendent of the Sunday school while Miss Helen Farley is head of the teaching force at the Presbyterian church.

## ATTENDS 4-H CLUBS

From Tuesday's Daily—  
Among the local young people to be in attendance at the meetings of the 4-H clubs that are being held in Lincoln this week, is Miss Florence Schütz, who left yesterday afternoon for the capital city and will enjoy the gathering of several hundred young people interested in the extension work of the state university. Miss Schütz represents one of the sewing clubs of this community and is anticipating a very fine time in the associations of the other young people who are interested in this line of work.

## WILL CONDUCT PROGRAM

From Tuesday's Daily—  
The state convention of the P. E. O. society will open at Peru, Nebraska, today and will continue over Thursday, bringing together the representatives for the sisterhood from all parts of the state. The musical portion of the four day program will be under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Wescott of this city who has planned the various features that will aid in the entertainment and pleasure of the convention.

Phone your news to the Journal.

## High Water to Halt Pier Work on New Bridge

Completion of Last Pier Will Be Held Up Until the Missouri Is Over June Rise

From Wednesday's Daily—  
The annual June rise of the Missouri river at this place which has been on for the past few days, is causing a delay in the work of the completion of their final pier on the new Missouri river traffic bridge.

The water that took out several bents of the false work used to carry the track for the handling of supplies out to the workers on the pier, is still on the rampage and the result has been that the work on the piers located in the waters of the river have been temporarily checked. The high water which is sweeping down the river will make any work on the last pier impossible at this time and further progress will wait on the falling of the flood stage of the river.

The sudden raise in the river caught the construction company in charge of the pier work rather unexpectedly but they were able to get their equipment out of the danger zone as the waters of the river steadily came up and while losing the false work that had been built were able to save the other equipment from the reach of the waters of the river.

The delay now will cause a longer period necessary for the completion of the bridge and will make the opening date a little later than was at first anticipated, but it is hoped to still be able to have the bridge open for travel before the coming of the winter season.

## FUNERAL OF JOSEPH PRINCE

From Wednesday's Daily—  
The funeral services of Joseph Prince, 81, former resident of this city, which occurred on Sunday evening at his home in Omaha, occurred this morning at 9:30 at the St. Mary's Catholic church at 22 and U. streets. The funeral party came by auto to this city where the interment was made in the Catholic cemetery in tele family lot. Mr. Prince is survived by the widow and two sons and two daughters, Mrs. John Chovance of this city, Mrs. Frank Chovance of Caldwell, Nebraska, Frank Prince of this city and R. F. Prince of Wilbur, Nebraska.

Other members of the family here were Arnold A. Prince and Miss Emily Prince, grandchildren, of Wilbur, and James Pink and son, Louis and Frank, of Crete.

## ANNOUNCES AWARDS

Some time ago the local American Legion post announced the giving of \$3 for prizes for posters to be submitted by the pupils in all grades of the city school and which were to be submitted to the school authorities for their judgment. The prizes were awarded as follows: First prize, Marie Nelson, fifth grade; second prize, Donald Bushnell, eighth grade; third prize, James Rosdell, third grade; fourth prize, Richard Yink, fourth grade.

The prizes are at the home of Miss Marie E. Kaufmann, art supervisor, at Seventh and Locust streets where the young people can secure them by calling.

## VISITS DOWN TOWN

From Wednesday's Daily—  
This morning Waldemar Soennichen was able to be out for the first time since he was taken sick several weeks ago with a very severe attack of pneumonia and was allowed the privilege today of enjoying a short auto ride down into the main part of the city. Mr. Soennichen has been through a very severe ordeal and his many friends were more than delighted to see him able to be around again and at his having stood so well the attack of the racking malady. It will be some time before he is able however, to resume his business activities.

## CARD OF THANKS

We take pleasure in returning thanks to those kind friends who braved the storm on Sunday to pay their respects to the Editor of the Journal on his 87th birthday, and for the many congratulatory letters received. The bouquets received were simply immense. Oh boy, but they were beautiful. It makes one feel good to be thus remembered in his dotting years. Again, friends, many thanks.

## ARRESTED AT OMAHA

The Omaha Bee-News of this morning states that D. C. Reed, giving his address as Plattsmouth, was arrested on Monday afternoon at Sixth and Pierce streets and charged with possession and transportation of intoxicating liquor. He was later released on bond pending his hearing on the charge.

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