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Front of His Car

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Ask Removal of Wm. Bowen

Sheriff Reed Notified That Prisoner-Patient Has Become Hard to Care For and Removal Asked

From Monday's Dally-

day by the staff of the University ing only Miss Lillian White, register Bowen, who is there recovering from Alpha Peterson and County Clerk proving a very difficult patient to house with the assistance of the depdeal with and requesting that the uties and clerks. authorities take some steps to have their prisoner removed.

Bowen is suffering from injuries to his back and spine received in an auto wreck near Ellenberg, Washington, which led to his capture and arrest on a charge of forgery which he is wanted for in this city. The prisoner was brought back to Nebraska by Pat Reed and as his condition was still serious at that time he was lodged in the University hospital for treatment pending his being arraigned on the charges preferred against him in this city.

The prisoner is still far from well but has developed into a patient that has caused much trouble for the officers and nurses at the hospital.

It will probably be necessary to remain until his arraignment and trial in the court here.

Bowen' won considerable fame in criminal circles by his widespread passing of fraudulent traveler checks which were circulated from Davenport, Iowa, to the west coast and which amounted to a great many couple, hundred dollars, purchasing a car at Davenport with the bum traveler checks.

When being transported from the west to Omaha the prisoner gave Mr. | future. Reed, his guard, a great deal of trouble and has apparently gone the



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to his possibilities.

Wedding of Well Known Local Man in Omaha

Clifford Forbes of This City Weds depend. The farmer alone must de-Mrs. Anna Carey at Trinity Baptist Church, Omaha.

not in a position to set his own price. Therefore, with this in mind he must The wedding of one of the popt- sell when the market is at its best. lar and well known young men of Just as the plow and the binder are this community occurred on Friday keynotes in agricultural production: evening at the parsonage of the Trin- so the telephone is the keynole of From Wednesday's Dativ-

bring the prisoner here and lodge ity Baptist church, South Side, Om- agricultural distribution. More farm The American Legion Auxiliary at him in the local jail where he will aha, when Mrs. Anna Carey of that products are bought and sold over their state convention at Fremont city was united in marriage to Clif- the telephone than any other agency. today named as the president of the ford Forbes of this city.

program.

The wedding was very quiet, the greater degree than in some other crans of this city, who has for the marriage lines being read by the states. Nebraska's agriculture is so past two years served as the chair-Rev. Allen, pastor of the Trinity widely diversified that the farmer man of the rehabilitation departchurch and the ceremony witnessed does not depend upon one single crop ment of the state organization. The by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burkamp, for his source of income but has di- choice came as a very strong moveclose friends of the contracting vided interests,

The newlyweds came to this city Nebraska, which comprise the Lin- been mentioned in this connection at Baturday evening and are now set- coln Telephone & Telegraph com- the convention last year. tled at their home here and where pany's territory there are a total of Mrs. Rosencrans has been a very

of business are combined, the tele-

phone has become a daily necessity.

second as compared with other states

they are expecting to reside in the 42,477 farms. Of this number, less active figure in the Auxiliary of the

than 40,000 are occupied either by state since its organization, being The bride has made her home in owners or tenants. In other words one of the early members of the Omaha for the greater part of her more than 2,000 farms in this area Plattsmouth unit. While serving as

Richard Herold, manager of the Plattsmouth Merchants, has secured L. R. Sprecher for the baseball game here on Sunday, the South Side Merchants, one Part on Farms of the fast organizations of that city. The Merchants have had a good seaof the fast organizations of that city. son and with the shifts that have been made in the local team there should be a fast game and one that

money.

PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA. THURSDAY, AUG. 27, 1931.

GOOD GAME SUNDAY

The locals played a fast game at Papillion Sunday to lose by the score of 5 to 0 but the game was one that

was filled with some real ball play- From Wednesday's Dailyunlike the same industry 50 or even ing, although the local players state

Walt Connors did the hurling Sunroom in the agricultural program to- old team, the South Side Merchants munity, had passed away at a hosday for the farmer who is not alive here on the coming Sunday. With pital in that city at an early hour Walt at his best he can make any of today.

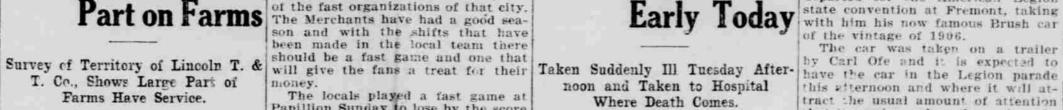
the opponents set up and take no-In this age of improved farming methods when the farmer puts a tice as the fans here well recall from the past.

Legion Auxiliary

Plattsmouth Lady Selected at Fremont Meeting Today-Long Been Active in Society.

Here in Nebraska this is true in a organization, Mrs. Clayton Rosenment in the organization for this

In the 22 counties in Southeastern very talented lady, her name having



Death of Mrs.

The community was profoundly shocked this morning by the message parade from Omaha that Mrs. L. R. Sprecher,

Mrs. Sprecher was taken ill very Mrs. Sprecher was taken ill very suddenly yesterday afternoon and the seriousness of her condition was apparent at that time and she was nurried to the hospital at Omaha in lopes that her life might be spared but without avail, through the afternoon and night specialists laboring on the case to save if possbile the life of Mrs. Sprecher and the little one but the patient failed to rally and blood transfusions failed to re-|Stacey C. Niday of Union, Discovered as it appears from day to day in the vive the sinking condition of the

Man Lying in the Street in patient The child following the operation seemed to be doing very nicely and

was expected to live. The deceased was formerly Miss dents at Omaha occurred Sunday Freda Sattler, daughter pf Mayor and Mrs. John P. Sattler, her pass-ing being being

ing being the first in the large fam- pital, was fatally injured at Twenty- earlier, ity. ily circle, bringing to the bereaved fourth and Pierce streets and died a family the deepest sorrow. Born short time afterwards at the Lord August 15, 1898 she was reared Lister hospital.

in this city she had made a The unfortunate man was lying host of friends, her unfailing pleas- in the roadway, states Stacey C. Ni-The unfortunate man was lying antness and charm of personality dayl of Union, when he came along drawing to her a wide circle of warm in his car and he was not able to early history of the old river towns friends who had known and loved see the man until too late to pre- of Nebraska that challenges invesher for the years of her lifetime. She vent running over the aged man as tigation. Some of these towns like was married in this city nine years he lay in the street. While Niday Kanosha and Rock Bluffs flourished ago to Lawrence R. Sprecher, they was held technically on a charge of for a brief period and then vanished making this city their home since reckless driving, he was released on from the map. Others like Nebraska that time. In her life Mrs. Sprecher a bond of \$2,500.

was active in the social life of the Vic Johnson, investigator for the great aspirations to be large cities community and a very efficient work- Douglas county coroner. is working but failing to realize that ambition. er in the Methodist church of this on a theory Desanti may have been have survived to the present time, city, serving as a worker in the Sun-day school and church. She was also run over by Niday, because of Des- efforts to become the "metropolis of limit with the hospital authorities at Omaha, who are more than anx-esteem by a very large circle of a house on the farm it is not oc-the larding branches in the

INJURED IN ACCIDENT

History of Plattsmouth This morning at an early hour M. D. Brown, local world war veteran departed for the American Legion from Early Day

R. Foster Patterson, Principal of the High School Gives Thorough Review of History

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that it receives when shown in public. "the car will be used as a rep-1 As was promised several days ago resentation of the local post in the the Journal is commencing the publication of the history of Platts-There are a large number of the mouth, taken from the thesis of local service men at Fremont today Robert Foster Patterson, prepared to enjoy what is expected to be the for his work in a master's degree at high spot of the convention program. the University of Nebraska in the department of history.

This history is very carefully prepared by Mr. Patterson from the state and city records, references from the archives of the state historical society and in the submission of the history each fact given is verified by Man at Omaha the references to which it is based. the references to the authority ou

This very complete and reliable history is one that should be preserved by the residents of the city Journal. The third chapter of the history is now being prepared by Mr. Patterson and will be ready in a short time, covering the period The thirtieth death in auto accidown to 1895.

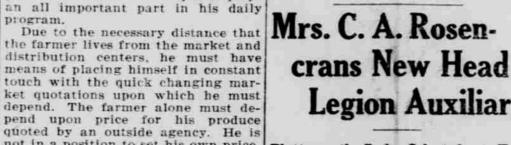
The opening chapters which appears today, deals with the very earliest settlements of the commun-

CHAPTER I.

Early Exploration. Settle-

ment and Problems.

There is a romance about the City, Bellevue and Plattsmouth had



necessary to bring the prisoner here has lived for so many years.

he will be forced to take treatment The groom is one of the local which show a development of 81/2 nition for her work in this activity. and care from the other prisoners world war veterans, born and reared telephones for every 10 farms in the at the jail as he has already cost in this community and has been en- territory served by the Lincoln Telethat further outlay on his care at the present time in the employe of in this territory have telephones. would be justified outside of the the Plattsmouth Water Co., in their medical attention that the county plumbing department. He is a young

GUESS ON SAND WEIGHT

For the past week a large sack one of the Oshkosh overalls, has in the years to come, been on display in the men's furnishing department of the H. M. Soennichsen Co., has attracted a great deal of attention.

The weight of the sand was to be to receive a pair of the overalls. That there was much interest, was shown by the fact that there were 444 guesses received and six were successful.

four pounds and this was guessed by George Mayabb, Fred Buechler, Oliver Baker, Allan Clark, H. A. Hart. Herman Tiekotter. The winners will each receive a pair of these murderer or murderers. celebrated overalls and which will come in very handy to them as a working garment.

TO ATTEND FUNERAL

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sonic order.

This afternoon James M. Robert- ness. son, past grand high priest of the

PROVES FINE ENTERTAINER

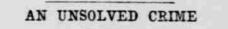
Miss Janet Westover of this city, who has so often pleased Plattsmouth with her some of her cherished audiences with her clever readings. jewelry and which with the satchel is fast becoming a favorite over the had been taken. county, as was shown by her appear-Untiring search was made by the ance at the Old Settler's reunion sheriff and officers over many months last week. Miss Westover was on the but aside from a few tracks around high school boys from this city jourprogram Friday for two of her pleas- a lilac bush in the grounds where neved down to Murray to engage a ing offerings and so delighted was the killer had evidently laid in wait youthful team of that place and as the employes at hte Black & White. fixtures and the shelving will be usual talent of the little lady. MINISTERS MEET HERE

MARRIED AT OMAHA

From Wednesday's Dallywho form a monthly bible study cir-A marriage of interest to many cle. met here Tuesday afternoon at Plattsmouth people was that of Miss the St. Paul's Evangelical church, Nelle Munsigh to Cecil Leonard Bul- Rev. O. G. Wichmann being the hosger, both of Omaha, which occurred tess to the members of the party. Wednesday morning in the Episcopal There were ministers present from church. Mr. Bulger is a grandson Nebraska City, Talmage, McWilliams, of Mrs. V. V. Leonard of this city. Omaha, Council Bluffs and Syracuse. for that's the way to get results.

circle of friends. couple are joining in their well nificant for it indicates clearly that

wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Forbes for on the farm where home and place abled Nebraska veterans in the hos-Sattler, Jr., of this city. of sand, suspended from the leg of many years of happiness and success



From Tuesday's Datty-

of the union in rural telephone de-While Judge C. L. Graves was envelopment and the number of tele- the community here where her activguessed and the successful ones were gaged in looking over some of his phones on farms. This is significant ities have been numerous, she being old time papers today he discovered showing that in Nebraska telephone the secretary of the local Red Cross companies are furnishing the very and as county probation agent, servamong others a copy of a reward nohighest type of rural telephone sertice that had been issued by the then vice at the least possible cost. sheriff, C. D. Quinton, for the capture of the murderer of Mrs. Joseph Shera, A study of the survey shows that The correct weight was eighty- a pioneer of Cass county. This crime in practically all the rural areas two years in seeing that they were

served by this company the telephone clothed and fed and making personal has been one of the unsolved mysteries of Cass county, the crime bein place of one. This type of con- the line of relief work. ing committed twenty-one years ago today, August 25, 1910, and to this struction eliminates all noise and day there has been no trace of the

Mrs. Shera lived in the old frame store building that was the last sur- telephon srvic for both local and long a recognition that is well bestowed supported in every way. distanc as the subscriber in town reviving building of the once thriving town of Rock Bluffs, the ceives. husband having operated a store Metallic service in rural areas is

there for many years and at his a recent development which has come death the wife continuing the busi-ness. as the result of a demand for better crans in her office and wish success the development of the 4-H work. Miss Helen Perry, one of the tal

She had slept at the home of her because metallic lines afford protec- idency of this service organization. R. A. M. of Nebraska and past grand son, some distance away and on the tion against inductives interference commander of the Knights Templar morning of the 25th of August had from electric light and power lines COMPLETING PAINTING WORK of Nebraska, with his son, Attorney William A. Robertson and William carrying with her a satchel contain-the telephone lines. Without having William A. Robertson and William Carrying with her a satcher contain-F. Evers, superintendent of the Ne- ing some money, estimated at \$50 or them metallicized they would be strong, who have had charge of the braska Masonic Home, were in Oma- \$75 and with the intention of going noisy and it would be impossible for painting work at the school build-

grand master of the A. F. & A. M. Friday that the relatives found that tion. of Nebraska. Mr. James M. Robert- she was not at Omaha, and a search of Nebraska. Mr. James M. Robert-son is one of the honorary pall bear-was started, the party visiting the phone on the farm is shown in this day, September 8th. The work has son is one of the honorary pall bear-ers at the funeral, they comprising store and finding Mrs. Shera on the bousewives farm life is many rural taken some time as the redecorating apparently been shot as she opened attractive, and the work so much auditorium which has not been re-

the door in the rear of the building. more pleasant with a telephone. It decorated since the completion of There were three bullet wounds in not only is a means of vanishing the building in 1918. th back of the head and from the in- lonesomeness but is a means of prodications the aged woman had been tection when the hsuband is away, for the telephone will summon help dead for many hours. Mrs. Shera had in any emergency.

WIN BALL GAME

Tuesday afternoon a group of the

over throws on the part of the Plattsmouth aggregation, but in the last innings the locals forged ahead to win the battle. Among those who

A group of some twelve ministers of the German Evangelical church participated were Clarence Forbes. Kenneth Armstrong, Henry Donat, Stuart Porter, Maynard McCleary, Perry Ronne, William Jensen, William Wetenkamp, Robert and Richard Hirz.

Advertise-regularly-persistently,

Of special interest are the figures state and won a great deal of recog- Lincoln and where she was numbered The new state president was se-

pitals in all parts of the country,

seeing that they were remembered

brings a great deal of pleasure to

ing as the head of relief work here

hundreds in this capacity in the past

on one of the untiring workers in

The Journal joins in the commun-

the state Auxiliary.

Another important phase of this through the Auxiliary on Christmas

survey indicates that Nebraska ranks and during the year.

ful workers. lected as president of the first disthe county a great deal and the of- gaged in the plumbing and tinning phone & Telegraph company. In oth- trict organization and served in this fice of the sheriff does not believe work for a great many years, being er words \$5% of the occupied farms capacity for two years and was then John P. Sattler, six sisters and three husband, the parents, Mayor and Mrs. tendered the important position of brothers, Mrs. W. H. Mason and Mrs. chairman of the state rehabilitation Jess F. Warga of this city, Mrs. According to this survey the Lin-

coln company operates 23,300 rural committee, one of the most active Charles Lohmann, of Omaha. Mrs. physician can give him at the local man of the highest standing in the telephones while 50 other telephone departments of the Auxiliary, in Roy Burdick and Mrs. Fred Herbcommunity and who has a very large companies located in this same terri- which office she has been untiring ster of Tuscon, Arizona, Mrs. Ber-

Mrs. George Conis of this city was that they reached the mouth of a tory operate a total of 10,714 rural in her work and has been in touch nard Meisinger of Mynard, Albert njured very painfully on Sunday at river which they called the "Plate" The friends of this estimable telephones. This development is sig- with every unit in the state and had Sattler of Omaha, Carl Sattler of Omaha when the car in which she on June 2, 1739, and that they folcontacts with the hundreds of dis- Los Angeles, California, and John was riding in company with Harry lowed it up stream for a distance of Mears and others, was almost seventy miles.

demolished in a collision with an-1 The region where Plattsmouth is other car as they were passing an located is also mentioned in the intersection and the car turned over Journals of Lewis and Clarke when several times. Mrs. Conis suffered a they made their expedition up the had cut on the right elbow and also Missouri River in 1804. Their party had one of her lower limbs cut and consisted of twenty-eight men, makbruised to a greater or less extent, ing the trip in three open boats. while Mr. Mears had his back cut On July 21, 1804, they reached the their luncheon of hearing the 4-H and injured. They were both severely mouth of the "Great River Platt" club work taken up in detail by bruised up and shocked by the exper- and commented in their records upon County Agent D. D. Wainscott of jence. Mrs. Conis was given medical the hilly, rolling land which is charand caring for the needs of many weeping Water, explaining the sev- aid at Omaha and the injuries dress- acteristic of the territory adjacent to eral clubs and their methods, the ed and she was able to come on the river and in particular, the west actual demonstration of farm and effects of the injuries for several the Lewis-Clarke company made an Mrs. Theodore, who with her children were in the auto party met Mrs.

T. H. Pollock, chairman of the when the accident occurred.

agricultural committee of the Chamber of Commerce was a guest of the ity congratulations to Mrs. Rosen- luncheon, being one of the leaders in home

> car was not seriously injured. He was made an exploration trip to the Miss Helen Perry, one of the talented ladies of the community, was

presented in two very delightful dramatic readings and which reflected the artistic touch that Miss Perry

Ralph Wever and Fred Arm- gives to her work in this line.

shape for the opening of the regular pared. A wide variety of uses of the tele- term of school which opens on Tues-Among the guests present at the Athletic park where Captain Donat as Fremont's Point. distinguished members of the Ma- floor of one of the rooms, she having housewives, farm life is much more program included the high school Parks of Omaha and Mr. Redfern of prior to the opening of the season.

ARRANGING NEW STORE

the tropics, were captured at the Black & White grocery store here on Saturday. These large specimens in the Golding building which is to were captured after a very interest- be occupied by the new variety store. ing battle by Ernest Zitka, one of is being decorated this week and the From Tuesday's Dally-

the audience that she was asked to for the victim. There were no clues. the result of the struggle, the locals They make a fine showing of the arranged preparatory to the openagain appear on the Saturday pro- On this twenty-first anniversary the carried off the honors by the score of very dangerous member of the spider ing of the store in the near future. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles event which foreshadowed the foundgram and repeated her success of the crime is still as deep a mystery as 24 to 10. In the opening of the game family which is a terror in the tropic The interior is being painted a light Fulton in the west part of the city ing of Plattsmouth occurred in Jan-

DRAWS SMALL FINE

CAPTURES TARANTULAS

Two very large tarantulas, which

From Tuesday's Daily-

Last evening in the police court store can be completed. The new with renewed enthusiasm. Mirs. Ful-William Newman entered a plea of establishment will be operated by ton was formerly Miss Mary Sedlak, guilty to the charge of being intox- Byron Golding and Dr. Joe Stibal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sedicated, the alleged offense having oc- Mrs. Stibal being engaged in assist- lak. curred on Sunday. After hearing the ing in looking after the active work

plea and statements of the police of- of the store. The store will handle Fulton join in their congratulations Libeas T. Coon but there was no ficers, Judge C. L. Graves assessed a all articles from one cent up to \$1. to the happy parents and trust that settlement made at the present site fine of \$10 and costs and which was The decorating is being done by the young son may have many years settled by the defendant. Earl Brittain.

HEAR OF 4-H WORK

The election of Mrs. Rosencrans From Tuesday's Dahy-The members of the local Rotary club had the privilege this noon at boys and girls lines of activities in home to this city, but will feel the lines are metallic; that is two wires investigation of cases that came in domestic lines of work. The clubs ter in the struggle,

of Cass county have ranked high in The local American Legion as well the state and the talk of Mr. Waincross-talk and makes available to as the Plattsmouth unit of the Aux- scott was very inspirational and led Conis and her children at a church the telephone user on the farm the iliary is especially proud of the honor the members to feel that this line at Sixteenth and Castellar streets that this expedition found the resame clear, speedy and dependable that has come to our townswoman, of work should be encouraged and and was taking them to visit friends mains of an old trading post a ilttle

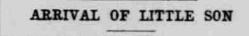
Harry Lund, driver of the other River prior to 1804. Manuel Lisa

FOOTBALL GRILL ON

That there will be some real foot-The meeting was in charge of E. ball spirit shown at the Plattsmouth H. Spangler, master farmer of My- high school this year, is indicated ha to attend the funeral services of the late J. Dean Ringer, deputy to visit a daughter. It was not until out for the daily gatherings at the

luncheon was an old familiar figure and the veteran members of the team here in the old shop days, Dr. A. L. are instilling the football spirit the Relief Pension department of the The active practice will not be taken Burlington. Mr. Redfern made a up until the arrival of Coach Fred short talk on the work of the pension | A. Rothert and the opening of school department of the railroad that was on September 8th. The newer memfollowed with a great deal of inter- bers of the football squad who are ginnings of settlement at Plattsturning out are showing real spirit and should help in giving this city

a high school football team that will be equal to that of last year.



This morning a fine seven and a

buff and with the new fixtures and and brought with it a great deal of uary, 1852, when Samuel Martin decorations will make a very neat rejoicing among the members of the filed application with the county and attractive store. The stock for family circle. The mother and little court at Coonville for a license to the new store is being purchased now one are doing nicely and it is need- operate a ferry on the Missouri River and will be arranged as soon as the less to say that Charles is painting from the Iowa side across to the town

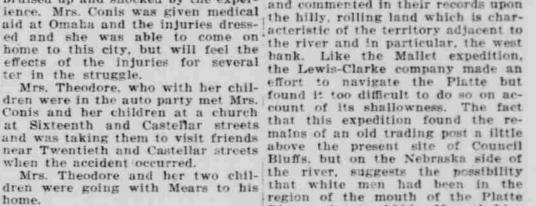
The many friends of Mr. and Mrs.

of success.

ton store department here and at He also was internally injured. river towns, should become a city of Desanti is survived by seven chil- any great size and activity.

as one of the most efficient and faith- dren, Mrs. Bruno, Mike, Frank, Joe, .The earliest authenticated explor-Tony, Paul and Angelina. Coroner ation by white men on Nehraska Mrs. Sprecher is survived by the Paul Steinwender said an inquest soil, was that of two brothers, Pierre would probably be held. and Paul Mallet, who in command of a small company of explorers, made

a trip up the Missouri River in June. 1739. Their report to the French authorities at New Orleans shows



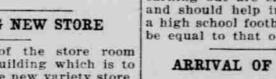
held charged with reckless driving. Platte River country as early as 1807 in the interests of the American Fur Company. In 1819, Long's Expedition on the "Western Engineer." the first steamboat to navigate the upper Missouri, reached the mouth of the

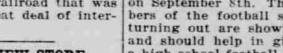
Platte September 17. Fremont's Expedition in 1842 camped for one night on the bluffs immediately below Plattsmouth which is still known

While these explorations aid in identifying the region around the present site of Plattsmouth, four miles below the mouth of the Platte River, the investigator must cross the Missouri River into Mills County, Iowa, to trace the actual bemouth. The Mormons, who were moving westward toward Utah in the late forties, founded the town of Coonville in 1848. The name was subsequently changed to Glenwood when the latter became the county seat in 1853. Samuel Martin, the first settler and founder of Platts-

mouth, was a resident of Glenwood of "Plattsville" for a period of ten years. The petition was granted. Prior to this time, the Mormon's crossed the river at this same place on a flatboat ferry operated by

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The interior of the store room

had come in shipments of fruit from

