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## Mills County Force Prepares to Resist Pickets

Farmer Groups and Members of the National Guard Will Resist Attempt to Stop Trucks.

More than 300 anti-strike farmers in Mills county were held in readiness at Glenwood, Ia., Sunday night to disperse Farm Holiday pickets reported ready to make a final attempt to halt shipments of produce into the Omaha market.

It was reported also that Mills county national guardsmen had been instructed to be ready to respond within 15 minutes in case pickets appeared on the Glenwood-Plattsmouth highway to Omaha, where anti-strikers have clashed twice recently with pickets. This was denied at Des Moines headquarters of the militia.

Trucks traveling to Omaha via Plattsmouth were massing in groups at Glenwood for protection, but no pickets were encountered.

Sheriff DeMoss said he expected pickets from other counties to assemble at the Plattsmouth Missouri river bridge.

Asked if he believed the situation to be as critical as he intimated, he replied:

"I certainly do. The governor has failed us. We asked for help but he won't give it to us." It was reported that several hundred pickets were coming from Shelby county to augment the forces of holiday adherents in Pottawattamie and Mills counties.

The sheriff last week had asked that the National Guard be called out in his area, where a Mills county organization of anti-strikers escorted truckers through picket lines.

"Ninety-eight per cent of the farmers in this county are against the strike," the sheriff asserted. "They're all ready to go down to that bridge."

"As deputy sheriffs?" DeMoss was asked.

"They're ready to go," he replied. "And I'm willing to deputize them."

From South Dakota, came another prediction of revolt. John Elde, chairman of a 12-County Holiday organization, asserted that President Roosevelt's rejection of a proposed rate fixing and marketing plan, drafted by five midwestern governors, left the farmers but one course: "To strike and strike militantly."

## SAVE OUR BEAUTIFUL TREES

"Only God can make a tree," sang Joyce Kilmer, and his poem caused thousands of people to appreciate tree more than ever before.

Plattsmouth is blessed with unusually fine trees, a great many of them being here when the white man first arrived.

Visitors to Plattsmouth invariably comment on the natural beauty of our trees and cause us to realize our good fortune in having this heritage.

There have been a few instances lately where beautiful trees have been cut down; trees perhaps seventy-five or one hundred years old taken away from us and the coming generations and the characteristic beauty of Plattsmouth marred to a certain degree.

Let us really appreciate the natural advantage of our trees; let us see them with the appraising eyes of our visitors; let us realize that trees cut down will probably never be replaced; and then we will want to conserve every good healthy tree for the enjoyment of our own generation and the generations to come.—Civic Improvement Committee, Chamber of Commerce.

## HAVE A FINE MEETING

From Monday's Daily

Last evening at the Methodist church the members of the church attending the friendly service held at the Y. M. B. C. rooms, had the pleasure of hearing a very able address by Mrs. William Baird. The subject was "The Book," and covered the story of the Bible, being presented in the usual able manner of Mrs. Baird and was a real treat to all who were fortunate enough to be in attendance. These meetings are growing in interest and each Sunday evening some lay member of the church is heard in a short talk that is filled with much interest.

## PILLAGE GAS TANKS

The tanks of the Continental Oil Co., located on the Missouri Pacific right of way in the west part of the city were broken into sometime Saturday night or early Sunday morning and considerable gasoline taken. The locks on the tanks were broken and which allowed the parties to secure the gas and to make their getaway before discovery. The loss of the gasoline was discovered this morning by L. L. McCarty, manager of the tank line when he arrived at the tanks to fill up his wagon. An estimate of the amount of gas taken could not be made until a closer check by Mr. McCarty is made.

## Prominent Young Farmer Weds Iowa Girl

Marriage of Maurice L. Stander of This City and Miss Gladys L. Travis of Glenwood.

On Saturday evening at the residence of County Judge and Mrs. A. H. Duxbury was held the marriage ceremony that joined the lives and hearts of Mr. Maurice L. Stander, prominent young farmer of near this city and Miss Gladys L. Travis of Glenwood, Iowa.

The wedding was very quiet and impressive, the marriage lines being read by Judge Duxbury and the ceremony witnessed by Mrs. Golda Travis, mother of the bride and Mrs. Duxbury.

The bride is one of the well known young ladies of the Glenwood community and has grown to womanhood in that portion of Mills county and is a young lady held in high esteem by a large circle of friends.

The groom is a son of George Stander, one of the prominent farmers of this section of Cass county, the groom also being one of the successful young farmers of near this city where he has grown to manhood.

In their new found happiness they will have the heartiest best wishes of a very large circle of friends and who are pleased to learn that they are to continue to make their home in this community on the farm west of the city.

## HOLD LIBRARY MEETING

From Tuesday's Daily

The Plattsmouth public library, one of the institutions of the city that has played a part in the life of the community second only to the churches and schools, was the subject of the Rotary club meeting today.

The meeting was under the leadership of G. L. Farley and was based solely on the public library and its services to the community.

Dr. H. G. McClusky talked briefly on "What I Can Find at the Library," showing the many inspirational opportunities for study that can be utilized in the local library.

Superintendent L. S. Devoe of the city schools, discussed the benefit of the library to the city schools, the opportunities that were afforded the students in the facilities of the library and which they would be unable to enjoy otherwise.

E. H. Wescott, member of the library board, discussed the general conduct of the library, its management, cost of operation and the methods used in maintaining the library at the present high standard of efficiency despite the fact of the depression period, when with expense cut to the limit the per capita circulation of books had grown to be the largest in the United States.

Miss Olive Jones, who has been librarian since in the late eighties when the library was first projected, gave a short talk on the work and the operation of the library and the need for special books to keep the library functioning.

Miss Verna Leonard, assistant librarian, who also has been connected with the library for many years, gave a fine talk on the library that was much appreciated and showed her keen understanding and appreciation of the library.

There were present the two high school students who will be members of the Rotary for the month, they being Tom Grosshans, senior and Donald Cotner, junior.

## Popular Young People Wedded at Glenwood

Miss Fern Stivers and Mr. Harold Tucker Married at Home of Bride's Parents Sunday.

The marriage of Miss Fern Stivers and Mr. Harold Tucker of this city, occurred Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stivers at Glenwood, Iowa.

The wedding was attended by immediate family of the bride and the marriage lines read by the Rev. Brown, pastor of the First Christian church of Glenwood.

The bride was charming in a gown of navy blue shirred crepe, trimmed with pink and carried an arm bouquet of the pink roses and baby breath.

Miss Stivers was attended by Miss Ruth Ferrie, who wore a costume of black satin with an arm bouquet of pink roses and baby breath.

Mr. Tucker wore a business suit of dark blue and was attended by Mr. Chris Bulin who wore a black business suit.

The bridal bouquet and that of the bridesmaid were gifts of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Pease, the bride having been connected with the sales department of the Pease Style shop in this city.

The members of the bridal party enjoyed a family dinner with the Stivers family, being joined later in the afternoon by more distant relatives and friends in a very pleasant and informal reception.

In the evening the bride and groom and attendants returned to this city and were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christwiser, the party of young people later motoring to Omaha where they enjoyed dancing at Peony Park and a wedding dinner at the King Pong restaurant later.

Mr. and Mrs. Tucker are to make their home in this city and start housekeeping at once in the Herold apartments where their home is awaiting their coming.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stivers and was born and grew to girlhood at Cedar Creek, later attending the Plattsmouth high school and graduating in the class of 1929. She has been engaged with the Pease Style shop in the last few years. A lady of pleasant personality and charm she has a very large circle of friends in this city.

The groom is connected with the Doid Packing Co., of Omaha at their offices there and is a young man of outstanding character and one that is held in the highest esteem by all who have the pleasure of knowing him.

Attending the wedding beside the members of the family at Glenwood were Mr. and Mrs. Simon Clark of this city, grandparents of the bride and Mrs. Mary Schneider of Cedar Creek.

## VISIT AT NEBRASKA CITY

From Monday's Daily

This morning Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reinackie of this city departed for Nebraska City, where they will spend a few days with relatives in that city. The trip was also a celebration for Mr. Reinackie, who is sixty-six years of age today. Mr. Reinackie was born in Plattsmouth, his parents having been pioneer residents of this locality and he has largely made his home in this community for his lifetime. He was a member of Co. B, Third Nebraska infantry in the Spanish-American war and served with this regiment for the duration of the war. Mr. and Mrs. Reinackie made their home for a number of years on the farm near Murray but in the last few years have resided in this city.

## HERE FROM GENEVA

Mr. Mrs. Guy Case of Geneva, Nebraska, in company with Mrs. Sarah Kropp of Nehawka, were in the city to visit and look after some business affairs. Mr. and Mrs. Case are employees of the Geneva Signal, one of the well known papers of that section of the state. They have been visiting at the Kropp home at Nehawka and while here today paid the Journal a very pleasant call.

## WILL MEET TECUMSEH

The Plattsmouth high school football team will play at Tecumseh on Friday afternoon, their last game away from home as they will entertain the Nebraska School for the Deaf and Nebraska City here in the two closing games. The Tecumseh team while not leading the Southeast conference has made a good record and will give the locals plenty of excitement.

The Platters showed power in the Wahoo game which if they are able to produce against Tecumseh will make the going hard for the Higgins' crew. The Tecumseh team will have the advantage of their own grounds which are a handicap to visiting teams.

## Robbers Visit Murdock Grain Elevator Office

Force Safe Open and Make Away with \$175 in Cash and Large Number of Checks.

The Farmers Union grain elevator at Murdock was visited by robbers sometime Monday night or early today and the safe in the office of the elevator looted of \$175 in cash and a larger amount in checks.

The loss was discovered this morning when H. C. Carson, manager of the elevator, arrived to open up for the day's business and found the door to the office forced and the safe robbed of its contents. The robbers on securing entrance to the office proceeded to force open the safe and had then made their escape.

Sheriff Homer Sylvester was notified of the robbery and proceeded to the scene, but many hours had elapsed between the crime and the discovery by the manager of the plant.

Murdock has been the scene of a number of burglaries in the past, the bank being held up in daylight some three years ago and the mercantile establishments of that city having also suffered from the visitations of robbers.

## NARROWLY AVERTED FIRE

From Tuesday's Daily

A serious fire was narrowly averted at the Elmer Webb home on North Fifth street this morning. The fire was confined to the linen closet of a bedroom in the apartments occupied by the Lon Henry family and a bit of the porch roof which caught fire from the burning bed linens that were thrown out of the window.

The fire was started by Duane and Donnie, three year old sons of the two families, who had gained access to the match supply in the Henry apartments, while the mothers were busy with washing and other household duties down stairs and but for its timely discovery would have soon grown into large proportions. The baby daughter of the Henrys was asleep in the room a few feet away.

On discovery of the blaze, the ladies hastily removed the baby and began throwing the burning linens out of the window onto the porch roof. A little later, discovering the porch roof afire, Mrs. Henry climbed out of the window and down onto the porch to throw them to the ground, where they were largely consumed.

## TO SUPPLY BREAKFASTS

The police force of Nebraska City in an effort to check the early morning "panhandling" that is a common occurrence following release of transients from jail, will serve breakfasts at the jail. The police officers are arranging to see that the men are sheltered for the night, have a repast of beans, rolls and coffee, and are then sent on their way rejoicing.

It is hoped that this method of handling the case will relieve the residents of that city of the constant stream of men seeking breakfast or food. The funds for the food are supplied by the city and prepared and served at the jail prior to the release of the men and who are then sent on out of the city.

This city has much the same problem in the last few weeks as the men are increasing in number at the city shelter and are active in the business section for hours after they are released, seeking food or money.

## Boy Scout Work Featured at the Woman's Club

E. H. Wescott, of Executive Committee, Tells of Work of Scouting in the Community.

From Tuesday's Daily

Last evening at the meeting of the Plattsmouth Woman's club held at the home of Mrs. Louis Ward Egenberger, the ladies had the pleasure of a very fine discussion of the Boy Scout work, presented by E. H. Wescott, member of the local Scout committee, who has been an untiring worker in this movement for many years.

The meeting was under the leadership of Mrs. K. L. Thomas and the subject, "Boys of Our Community," which was well covered in the talk of Mr. Wescott. The speaker explained the various activities of the Scouts, the advantages that it gave to the boys through the courses of studies and work that made for better citizens and residents of the community. The speaker also urged the support of this movement by the women of the city as the Scouting movement here must have the aid of everyone if it is to continue to function as it should.

During the evening the members of the party heard two very pleasing readings by John Kenneth Bestor and selections by the high school boys' quartet, a very fine group of vocalists.

The reports of the recent state convention at Hastings were given by Mrs. James T. Begley, Mrs. E. H. Wescott, Mrs. Robert B. Hayes and Mrs. Robert Reed, the president of the local club. The ladies covered the various activities of the state meeting and was much enjoyed as it gave all of the membership the opportunity of hearing the highlights of the state convention.

The new year books were distributed to the members and will give them a guide to the various programs of the year.

At the close of the evening the hostesses, Mrs. Egenberger, Mrs. George Hetrick, Mrs. H. F. Goos, Mrs. H. L. Gayer, Mrs. Christine Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Robert Reed, served dainty and delicious refreshments.

## PICTURES OF THE PAST

In the show window at the Westcott's store there is being shown pictures of other days and the old time residents, taken from the collection of George B. Mann.

The current picture is that of the district Turn-Fest, held in 1895 and which attracted large groups of the German turners from Omaha, Council Bluffs and other nearby cities.

The large group was assembled at the present Central school grounds and the ancient building that at that time housed the high school as well as the grades, formed the background of the picture.

In the picture there appears W. H. Newell, then the mayor of the city, B. C. Kerr, city clerk, as well as Matthew Gering, the orator of the day.

In the group appears many of the well known residents of the city who were active in that time in the affairs of the Turners and in the children's group are many who are now mature men and women.

## HERE ON NIRA

James O. Hunt, consulting engineer of the NIRA with offices at Kansas City, Missouri, arrived here Monday afternoon to look over the local work and the matter of employment that has been under discussion for some time. Mr. Hunt came here at the request of the Iowa state re-employment department to investigate the matter of the employment of resident labor on the river job.

Mr. Hunt was at the scene of work today and checking over the various facts in connection with the job as applied to his functions as representative of the National Recovery program.

Mr. Hunt was received by the local Legion and civic committees that have had charge of the campaign to secure a larger percentage of Nebraska and Iowa unemployment on the work on the Missouri river.

## WILL UNDERGO TREATMENT

Mr. and Mrs. George Barr were at Omaha Monday where they were called by the illness of their daughter, Mrs. A. C. Schroeder. Mrs. Schroeder has been in poor health for some time and it was found necessary to have her placed in the Lutheran hospital where she will be treated for some time and later probably have to undergo an operation. During the illness of the mother, the little son is here at the home of the grandparents.

## Arrange Plans for Handling of Labor Disputes

Representative of the NIRA Here to Discuss and Arrange Details as to Employment.

The matter of the handling of the labor situation here on the Missouri river improvement work has apparently been arranged to the satisfaction of all parties following a meeting here Tuesday afternoon with J. O. Hunt, engineer representing the NIRA department at Kansas City.

It has been arranged as to the employment of the men on the several jobs, the number of those employed from the local labor as well as the key men and department heads that will be necessary in the handling of the work on the river.

In disputes covering the working forces or the men's individual qualifications for jobs that they may be assigned to, they are entitled to lay the matter before the government inspector, who in turn will take the matter up with the NIRA representative on the river job.

In the event that the ruling is against the worker they are given the privilege of taking the matter further to a committee composed of Mr. A. W. Farney, Judge A. H. Duxbury of the employment committee, as well as one representative each of the American Legion, Chamber of Commerce and Rotary club and who are empowered to review the cases.

## OBSERVES BIRTHDAY

From Wednesday's Daily

Mrs. C. P. Sydebotham of this city observed the passing of her seventy-ninth birthday anniversary at the home and in which a number of the relatives joined in the sumptuous dinner that was prepared in honor of the guest of honor. The dinner was featured by the two cakes baked by Miss Margaret Cheval and Mrs. John McHale. Several neighbors came in during the afternoon to spend a few hours and to shower the guest of honor with their best wishes for many more such happy birthdays.

In honor of the occasion Mrs. Sydebotham received a large number of remembrances and including a bouquet of chrysanthemums, a gift of the Christian church of which she has long been a member.

Those who enjoyed the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. John McHale, of Omaha, brother-in-law and sister of Mrs. Sydebotham, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson of Omaha, R. A. Johnson of Yutan, grandchildren of the guest of honor, Miss Weidemann of Yutan, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stine, Maynard McCleary, Mr. and Mrs. Sydebotham.

## URGES NEBRASKA EMBARGO

Belief that Governor Bryan has not yet made up his mind on the question of a state embargo to stop movement of farm products was expressed Monday afternoon by H. C. Parmenter, state farm holiday association president, after a conference with Bryan. "I think he ought to stretch his constitutionality a bit in order to avoid bloodshed," Parmenter said, expressing fear trouble may follow soon from farm strike activities. "We have counseled patience so long, that the farmers are beginning to doubt it. It was hard to hold them in check last spring. It was harder to hold them in check just before the governors went back to Washington. But after the president flatly rejected the governors' proposals, the farmers lost all hope."

Parmenter said holiday leaders would continue to use every effort to avoid picketing but said he believed a state embargo was the only sure means of curbing violence.

## W. C. T. U. Holds Meeting Honoring Early Leaders

Meeting Dedicated to Lives of Service in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The W. C. T. U. held their first regular meeting of November at the home of Mrs. J. E. Wiles on Monday afternoon. The meeting opened with singing of "For All the Saints," from the W. C. T. U. song book. Mrs. O. C. Hudson read the scripture lesson from Proverbs 31,—the prophecy that King Samuel's mother taught him. Even in those days of Old Testament history, women admonished their sons against the use of wine and strong drink, especially kings and princes should not drink lest they forget the law and pervert the nation. Have we traveled far today? Where are the strong and righteous?

The business meeting followed in which plans for the year book were carried and those for membership and dry registration discussed preparatory to action. Plans are being furthered for greater publicity and education. The members were pleased to receive two new members.

The program opened with a piano solo by Jean Knorr, Kammeni Ostron by Rubenstein, and very well played and appreciated. The subject of the program was "Lives of Service in W. C. T. U." Mrs. Adelaide Boynton gave a leaflet on the organization and first work of that determined and brave body of women "The Crusaders of 1874." Mrs. Kerr, one of the great members, followed this with the coming of Frances Willard into the work of W. C. T. U. She chose between the presidency of a prominent eastern school for girls at a very good salary in those days, to become a field worker in the W. C. T. U. with nothing certain about any regular payment. But there were other results: Instead of being the beloved teacher of a few girls she became the outstanding world-known woman, for in 1883 she organized the World's Christian Temperance Union and the sun never sets on its membership.

Then Miss Lois Giles gave a sweet clarinet solo "Mighty Like a Rose" and was accompanied at the piano by her mother, Mrs. E. C. Giles.

Miss Nicholson gave a few items about Jennie Cassady, who as an invalid was sending cheer and happiness to afflicted people by her gifts of flowers and encouraging messages. Miss Willard visited her and invited her to make her work a department of the W. C. T. U. and today it is one of the twenty activities carried on by W. C. T. U. members.

Miss Olive Gass, another of the aged members was able to be a guest of the day and gave excerpts from her history of Plattsmouth W. C. T. U., especially of those members of early days. Of the charter members only two are living, Miss Flora Wise of Kansas City and Mrs. Alpha Conn Mitchell of Omaha. Miss Gass herself is the oldest member of the local union and her presence was greatly appreciated as well as her words of interest.

Mrs. Troop was called to give some items of interest during her fifteen years of presidency, for which the members in appreciation of her comradeship as well as leadership presented to her a silver sandwich plate engraved with W. C. T. U. 1918-1933. Mrs. Troop responded with words of heartfelt love for the privilege of being able to give her services in the work so vital to her.

The shades of evening drawing on, the members arose and joining hands sang one verse of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and Mrs. Troop led in the closing benediction, written and given for use in the local union by Mrs. C. E. Wescott when she was living and active in W. C. T. U. work.

## CHICKENS STOLEN

From Wednesday's Daily

The farm of Herman Hennings, some eight miles west of this city, was robbed last night of some sixty Plymouth Rock chickens as well as the spare wheel and tire which was attached to the family car in the garage. The loss was discovered this morning and Sheriff Homer Sylvester notified and traced the farm, but there was no trace found of the missing chickens.