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MANLEY NEWS

Last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rauth were guests for the day and a very fine Sunday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson, of Weeping Water.

Miss Carrie Schaeffer, who has been kept to her home and bed by reason of a severe case of the flu, is reported as being much better now and able to be out some of the time.

The members of the St. Patrick Catholic church went to the home of their pastor, Rev. Patrick Harte and gave this excellent gentleman a very pleasant evening, with games, music and refreshments.

Frank Stander was a visitor in Manley on last Tuesday and was looking after some business matters. He remained for the meeting of the board of directors of the Manley State bank which was held that date.

Miss Anna Earhart, who is making her home in Omaha was a visitor over the week end at the home of her mother, where they both enjoyed a very fine visit, and on the following day returned to her work at Omaha.

Henry Osborne, agent for the Missouri Pacific at Manley, who has been taking a layoff for some time, was back on the job last week, but is again taking a vacation of ninety days and the place is being filled by an extra agent.

T. M. Patterson, Plattsmouth insurance agent, was in Manley looking after the sale of insurance, but as he was not feeling very well, he hastened home, fearing he might be coming down with an attack of the prevailing malady, flu.

Jacob Ockerson, representing the Nebraska Farmer, was making a very thorough canvass of the village of Manley in the interests of the farmer, and after having given the entire town the once over, thought it better to try Louisville.

The Rev. Patrick Harte, pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic church, accompanied by Joseph Wolpert, were in David City the fore part of last week, where they were visiting with friend and Father Harte was looking after some church business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rauth were in Lincoln one day last week, where Mrs. Rauth was a delegate to the meeting of the N. C. C. W., being the delegate from the church at Manley. Miss Sue Muckenaupt accompanied them and visited with relatives during their stay there.

On last Monday the annual meeting of the Manley Grain company was held, at which time reports on the past year's business were rendered and officers elected for the ensuing year. Notwithstanding the very dry season, and shortage of crops of all kind, the concern did a satisfactory business.

It Locks Like Spring
At the blacksmith shop of Anton Auerwald, the village blacksmith, there has been plenty of work to do during the past week. In fact, Anton says that if work would only continue like this he would not only conclude that prosperity is just around the corner, but actually here. Well, it's a good idea to be prepared when spring comes, and we believe many of the farmers are following that advice by having their plows and other equipment put in shape.

Lost Two Fingers in Wood Saw
While R. D. O'Brien, who makes his home at that of his son, Walter, was assisting in buzzing up some wood on Tuesday of last week, his fingers got in front of the rapidly revolving saw blade and in the twinkling of an eye he was minus the two front fingers on his right hand. The doctor dressed the hand and Uncle Robert is getting along as well as could be expected, but regretting very much the loss of his two index fingers. His many friends will sympathize with him and hope that the injury may soon heal without complications.

TEXAS BANK IS HELD UP
Buffalo, Tex.—The Citizens State bank here was robbed of between \$3,000 and \$4,000 by a gang of four men, two of whom held bank officials and customers captive for an hour and a half while waiting for the time lock to open the vault. The others waited outside in a car.

Demand for Cheaper Dollars Gains Strength

Inflationists in Congress Are to Press Program to Create a Larger Volume of Money.

The bloc at Washington which has urged the expansion of the currency as one of the means of relief are preparing to urge this legislation on congress and will present for the consideration of the congress a bill that carries out the ideas of the various members.

Adopted Thursday at a conference called by Senator Thomas (dem. Okl.) the demands included payment of the bonus with new currency and a central bank to control money, trim its value at least to the 1926 level and hold it there.

Meanwhile the capital, noting that world markets were less nervous yesterday over the forthcoming gold clause decision, continued to speculate as to whether the administration was considering a plan of action in case the supreme court's verdict goes against the government.

Secretary Morgenthau and the treasury's counsel, Herman Oliphant, consulted Thursday with Attorney General Cummings, but the subject of the talk was not disclosed. Observers recalled that it was Oliphant who drew the resolution abrogating the gold clause.

Thomas had declared Thursday's meeting of monetary reformers, most of them advocates of inflation, was to prove that expansionists could agree on a program.

Delegates packed the senate agriculture committee room at the meeting of monetary reformers. The eight-point program included: 1. Conversion of the Federal Reserve bank into a new government-owned bank in control of currency, credits and demand deposits, with a first duty of paying off depositors of banks closed since January 1, 1930.

2. Creation of a sound and adequate currency immediately by devaluing the dollar from gold and by monetization of silver.

3. Issuance of currency solely by the central bank.

4. Payment of the bonus by legal tender notes.

5. Termination of public borrowing by the government and adoption of a policy of issuing non-interest bearing notes refundable when necessary, by taxation.

6. Retirement of present government obligations when due by new currency.

7. Return of the purchasing value of the dollar to a level at least as low as in 1926.

8. A congressional investigation to find the holders of all government obligations with the object of determining and disclosing potential enemies of this nation here and abroad.

BEER DUTY CUT IN HALF
Washington.—A fifty percent reduction in the import duty on beer was decreed by President Roosevelt. The tariff commission announced he had cut the duty from \$1 a gallon to fifty cents in accordance with a suggestion made by the commission. It was expected in business circles here, meanwhile, that the reduction probably will be followed by an increase of lard exports to Germany and Czechoslovakia, countries destined to benefit from the slash on beer, ale and porter duties here. Presumably these countries will reduce their tariffs on lard. The reciprocal tariff law was not involved, however.

ACTOR ARRESTED FOR ASSAULTING WITNESS
Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 18.—Seymour Shindell, 27, movie actor, was arrested today on charges of assault with a deadly weapon on B. H. "Pat" Harmon, another actor, who is a prosecution witness in the "Hollywood moral" case against Dave Allen, former head of the Central Casting corporation, and Gloria March, actress.

Court Decrees State Must be Party in Case

Also Holds That Bonding Company Must Be Heard Before Judgment Is Entered.

In an unanimous decision handed down Thursday morning the supreme court held that it must sustain the demurrers of the Omaha banks, defendants in the action brought by George Hall to determine whether he is state treasurer, for the reason that the state and the bonding company are necessary parties since no order could otherwise be made that would be binding upon them. Whether this means that the court is inclined to the opinion that he is treasurer is only an inference sustained by nothing that is said in that issue.

Permission is given the plaintiff, Mr. Hall, to amend his petition so as to make the state and his surety, the National Surety corporation of New York, parties to the action, and this will undoubtedly be done. State representatives of the company declined without authority from the home office to waive the usual procedure which would take five weeks to bring the case again before the court, but no one in final authority has yet indicated whether it will waive summons and time to answer so that another hearing may be held shortly. The legislature will give the necessary consent for the state to be sued, since the members can draw no pay until Hall's status is ascertained or, if necessary, he be reappointed.

The court ruling follows: In obedience to a motion or resolution, adopted by the house of representatives on Jan. 11, 1935, the plaintiff, claiming to be state treasurer, bring this action to obtain a declaratory judgment, to determine his rights, status and other legal relations under the official bond as treasurer for the term which expired Jan. 2, 1935.

Plaintiff was elected, qualified and served as state treasurer during 1933 and 1934 and was re-elected in 1934 for a second term, but has failed, thru no fault of his, to give an official bond for his second term. Defendants are depository banks for the state's public funds, and, pursuant to an opinion of the attorney general, have refused to pay checks drawn on them respectively, by the state treasurer, upon the ground that doubt exists as to his official status and whether he is either a de facto or de jure officer at this time, since he has not given a bond for his second term. Each of the defendants demurred generally and specially to the plaintiff's petition, the special demurrer challenging the sufficiency of the petition on the ground of defects of parties defendant, and claiming that the state of Nebraska and the surety on plaintiff's official bond are necessary parties to the proper determination of the questions presented.

It is the unanimous opinion of the court that, so far as the rights of the state to enforce any obligation of the surety on the official bond are concerned, it would not be bound by any judgment entered in this cause, since it is not a party to the action. Likewise, the party on plaintiff's official bond would not be bound by anything this court might hold affecting the liability of the surety on plaintiff's bond, since such surety is not a party to the action.

We are of the opinion that the state and the surety on plaintiff's official bond should be made parties to this action to give this court jurisdiction to determine the questions presented. The demurrers of the several defendants are each sustained, with leave to plaintiff, if he so elects, to file an amended petition making the state and surety on plaintiff's official bond parties to this proceeding. It may be necessary for the legislature, or one branch thereof, to give its consent that the state be sued before it can be made a party.

Governor Takes a Hand.
A special gubernatorial message, transmitting to both houses of the Nebraska legislature four bills designed to meet demands of underwriters for the official bond of State Treasurer George Hall will be presented to the house and senate Friday afternoon.

Cechran was preparing his message Thursday morning. The message will ask that the measures be introduced by members of both houses and that action on them be expedited to clear the way for breaking the state treasury deadlock.

Approval of the terms included in the bills, drafted by Attorney General William Wright at the request of the governor, was received from bonding companies Thursday. The terms provided include:

1. Increase by 100 percent in the premium paid by the state on the treasurer's \$1,000,000 bond. (Previously \$5,000 per annum; would be \$10,000 per annum under proposed bills.)

2. Audit of treasurer's office at state expense.

3. Burglary insurance on all cash and negotiable securities.

4. Bonding of all employees of the treasurer's office.

Passage of the bills, state officials have been assured, would enable the surety companies to write the bond, efficiently.

Only Woman Clown



Dulu, performer in a British circus, is believed to be the world's only woman clown. Dulu, shown above with her grease paint and her clown costume, is the daughter of Joe Carston, a retired clown, who taught her all the tricks of the trade.

which would qualify Hall to issue state warrants, releasing state funds to pay numerous anxious state employees and other creditors. Included are members of the legislature, "holding the sack" to the tune of the first \$300 installment of their \$800 salaries for legislative services.

FUNERAL OF C. H. WARNER

The funeral of the late Charles H. Warner was held on Thursday afternoon at the Sattler funeral home where a very large number of the old friends and neighbors gathered to pay their last tribute to his memory.

Rev. W. A. Taylor, of Union, a friend of many years standing, gave words of comfort and hope to the members of the bereaved family in his sermon. The minister paid tribute to the departed friend and neighbor in the long years of his life here. Rev. E. E. McKelvey of the United Brethren church of Mynard, of which Mr. Warner had been a member, gave the prayer and scripture lesson.

The Masonic quartet, composed of Frank A. Clark, Raymond C. Cook, H. G. McClusky and R. W. Knorr, gave two of the old hymns during the service, "Rock of Ages" and "Jesus Savior Pilot Me."

The body was laid to rest at Hornum cemetery, the pall bearers being Henry Born, John Bauer, J. G. Maury, Andrew Kroeher, E. H. Westcott and Luke Willes, members of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M., of which Mr. Warner was a member.

The services at the cemetery were in charge of the local lodge of the Masons, Carl J. Schneider, master, having charge of the service with W. F. Evers, past master, giving the eulogy at the grave.

Those from out of the city here for the service were Mrs. Edward Northway, Burlington, Iowa; Frank Warner, a brother, Harry Warner and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Warner, Lincoln; Wilhelm Warner, a brother, of Alvo; Mrs. Sherman Wolfe, Charles Rosenow and son and daughter of Alvo; Stanley Caster of Centerville, Iowa.

HUGH STICKS BY PRESIDENT
New York.—Hugh S. Johnson declared he intends to "put everything I have on the ball for what Franklin D. Roosevelt stands for."

The former NRA executive said all the "talk" that he is going to work for "big business" gives him "a pain," adding: "I'm not going to take any job. I'm going to set aside another year to do just what I have been doing steadily for the last two and one half years—put everything I have on the ball for what Franklin D. Roosevelt stands for."

"I can do it better out of government than in, because I don't have to walk any official tight-rope. I couldn't do it at all on any industrial pay-roll."

HONOR LOCAL RECTOR
During the closing hours of the Diocesan council of the Episcopal church in Nebraska Rev. Wm. J. H. Pettey, rector of St. Luke's church, was appointed by Bishop Shaylor to be rural dean of the southeastern deanery. This title means that the holder is the representative of the bishop in this section of the diocese and acts as a liaison officer in his territory. He presides at meetings of the district clergy and endeavors to maintain the standard of action in his district at a high pitch of efficiency.

Senator Johnson Flays Entry of U. S. in World Court

Long Time Foe of League of Nations Makes Plea Against the Plan of Court Entry.

Adherence to the League of Nations court was denounced in the United States senate Wednesday as a betrayal of American interests which will embroil the United States in all the wars and quarrels of the world.

Taking the floor after President Roosevelt, in a special message, urged ratification of the court pro tools to promote international peace, Senator Hiram W. Johnson, fiery Californian, declared:

"To say that our entry into this court will bring peace to the world is to me the most silly thing ever advanced by sensible human beings.

"There is no peace. War is in the air everywhere. Why do we enter it? Not for America, not for our beloved republic. We enter it to meddle and muddle under a hysterical internationalism in those controversies that Europe has and that Europe will never get rid of."

Galleries Are Packed.
The senate and the packed galleries sat in eager attention as Johnson, leader of the forces fighting against the abandonment of traditional American policies, turned with ridicule, scorn, contempt and sarcasm on advocates of "this nefarious contraption abroad."

Although he broke with his own party to support Roosevelt for president, Johnson said: "I must stand with anybody that stands right, stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong."

In his brief message, sent to the senate as the court opponents were making substantial gains, the president declared: "The movement to make international justice practicable and serviceable is not subject to partisan consideration."

Others Join Johnson.
Senator Borah of Idaho, Long of Louisiana, and others, joined Johnson in pointing out the protocols of accession do not safeguard American rights, fall short even of the old original five senate reservations.

Johnson said the court is part and parcel of the League and adherence is but the first step toward joining the League itself.

Back of the court, Johnson declared, are the war sanctions of the League, which he called the "cruelest of all things" as they mean the starvation of helpless, defenseless populations.

MINING IN 1935
Spokesmen for the mining industry forecast that 1935 will witness a substantial upturn in the production of all metals, base and precious. If that happens, it will be a "Happy New Year" indeed for the people of half a dozen states and, indirectly, for the entire country. The jobs, payrolls and purchasing power that mining provides in normal times, are vitally needed—revival of the industry would take up much of the slack that has resulted from depression.

Furthermore, the maintenance of a progressive, prosperous mining industry is essential to any great power, both in times of peace and times of war. New life in the mines would be one of the best auguries for the future we could have.

HARTZELL REACHES PRISON
Leavenworth, Kas.—Federal prison doors closed behind Oscar M. Hartzell, former Iowa farmer convicted of swindling Americans out of more than \$700,000 in promoting a claim to the fictitious estate of Sir Francis Drake.

Silent and disdaintful of six other prisoners with whom he was brought from Chicago, Hartzell was dressed in to serve a ten-year term. "I won't be in there long," he advised Deputy Marshal Steve Cusack, a guard. "I've got lots of friends working for me to get a presidential pardon."

Once a victim himself of Drake estate racketeers, Hartzell went to London and, government prosecutors charged, duped American investors out of between \$700,000 and \$1,300,000 in thirteen years with the name of the British naval hero.

LUMBER TRADE GAINS
Seattle.—Holding out a promise of excellent spring demand for lumber, Col. W. B. Grooley, secretary-manager of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, released figures showing "the west coast lumber industry closed 1934 in a stronger statistical position than it has held for a number of months."

Wabash News

Ira Helms was having his automobile overhauled by John Woods during the past week.

Ralph Richards was in Syracuse on Tuesday of this week, where he was delivering a load of sweet clover that he had sold recently.

In order to be ready for spring work, Will Reuter is having the motor in his truck overhauled and put in the best of condition.

August Wendt was butchering his winter and summer meat on last Tuesday, and was being assisted by John Schoeman, of Louisville.

At the home of Eugene Colbert on last Tuesday, they were shredding fodder, thus making a much better grade of feed for the livestock on the farm.

John Geddes, the truckman, was in Omaha on Tuesday of this week, at which place he was delivering a half dozen very fine porkers for Milton Woods.

L. R. Standley, who was so poorly with an abscess on his leg, is now getting along very well, so much so in fact that he is able to take the ax and go to the timber for a day's work cutting wood.

Mrs. Clifford Basely and little son of Lincoln were visiting over the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gerbelling. They enjoyed a very fine visit and returned to their home early Monday.

Myrell Boll, of Indianola, Iowa, who is a member of the C. C. C. camp at that place, was a visitor in Elmwood for a short time last Tuesday, calling on friends here. He continued on to College View, where he is visiting with some cousins during the balance of the week.

YOUNG PEOPLE ARE WEDDED
After a slump of some weeks the marriage market at the court house Thursday took a spurt and two couples appeared before Judge Duxbury to have their life's happiness consummated.

Miss Stella Biga and John Hasiak, both of Omaha, were joined in wedlock and the ceremony witnessed by Miss Hedwig Antozak and George Meyers, also of Omaha.

Miss Ramona Galloway and Mr. Aloysius Correll, of Council Bluffs were also married, Thursday afternoon, with Miss Ruth Correll, sister of the groom and Mr. Hayden Carter as witnesses of the ceremony.

FILES REPORT
County Clerk George R. Sayles has made his report of the number of instruments filed in his office for the past year, to State Auditor W. B. Price.

In the chattel mortgage record there were 3,037 mortgages filed, amounting to \$1,212,619.08. There were 2,360 mortgages released of the value of \$1,246,407.79.

Conditional sales certificates filed 398.

The total number of instruments filed in the office of the county clerk was 5,736.

John H. Husche and son, Clarence, of Louisville, were here Thursday afternoon to visit with their friends and looking after some business matters.

HAVE PLEASANT EVENING
From Friday's Daily
Last evening Mrs. Milford B. Bates entertained at bridge at her home on high school hill, the guests being members of the bridge club of which she is a member. In the playing Mrs. Louis Ward Egenberger was the winner of high score, Mrs. R. W. Knorr, second honors and Miss Amelia Martens, consolation.

Dainty refreshments were served at a suitable hour to add to the pleasures of the evening. Mrs. Bates being assisted in the serving by her daughter, Miss Texanna.

Sharp Reduction in Cattle Now on Feed

Less Than Half as Many in Nebraska as a Year Ago Because of Shortage of Feed.

The number of cattle on feed for market in Nebraska on Jan. 1 was 60 percent smaller than the number a year ago. The number of cattle on feed for market in the cornbelt states was 46 percent smaller than the number a year earlier, according to the state and federal division of agricultural statistics.

Feeding operations have been greatly curtailed compared with the season last year because of the shortage of feed grains and hay and forage. The continued increase in prices of feeds has been a discouraging factor, and the spread between the price of feeder cattle and fat cattle has been unsatisfactory. The increase in the price of corn has caused a larger than usual amount of short feeding and an earlier movement of fat cattle to market.

The carryover of the 1933 corn crop has aided some feeders in maintaining operations during the season, but attractive corn prices tended to restrict feeding operations. Recent reports indicate that the operations of large feeders have been heavily curtailed and the small feeder has abandoned feeding operations entirely.

While shipments of cattle into the state thru inspected markets would indicate a slightly higher percentage of cattle available for feeding, it is known that many of the cattle shipped in were not put on feed, but were to be roughed thru the winter.

Reports from cornbelt feeders as to the average weight of cattle put on feed this year indicated a decrease from last year in the proportion of heavy weights (1,000 pounds and up) and an increase in the medium weights (750 to 1,000). This difference would seem to indicate that a much larger proportion of light weight cattle were not put on feed, but are being roughed thru the winter. The number of stocker and feeder inspected thru stockyards markets into the cornbelt from July 1 to Dec. 1 as reported, was about 5 percent smaller this year than the number of a year earlier. The number this year, however, includes an unknown number of cattle purchased by the government in drought areas and shipped into these states for pasture and local relief slaughter. There was a marked decrease this year in intrastate movement of feeder cattle not going thru stockyards in the cornbelt states west of the Missouri river.

HEIR ACCUSED OF SCALDING GIRL
George Eastman Dryden, camera millionaire, has been served with warrants in Chicago charging (Billy) Reed, left, pictured in bed at her apartment, charged Dryden with pitching her into a tub of boiling water at his apartment. Her sister, Helen, accused the society scion of striking her when she went to Vera's aid.

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