

The Plattsmouth Journal.

Nebraska City Welcomes New Mo. Pac. Agent

Herman L. Thomas, Popular Railroad Official, Now Busy on His Tasks at the New Station.

Herman L. Thomas was checked in as Missouri Pacific agent in Nebraska City Wednesday, replacing John Clinkenbeard, retired, states the Nebraska City News-Press in the following:

"Mr. Thomas comes here from Plattsmouth, where he served for 11 years as agent. Previously he served for the same length of time at Nehawka and, as a relief man, served at Dunbar, Talmage, Fort Crook, Howe, and at other points on the Missouri Pacific railroad during his 30 years with the company.

"A native of the Union community, Mr. Thomas is no stranger in Nebraska City. When he lived at Nehawka he frequently came here. His mother, Mrs. Isabel Thomas, now lives at Palmyra. His father, the late M. L. Thomas, was a Palmyra doctor and druggist.

"I intend to mix right in with the people of Nebraska City and become a good citizen of the town," Mr. Thomas said Wednesday, his first day as local agent.

"While he was agent at Plattsmouth Mr. Thomas was city clerk for several terms, was a member of the volunteer fire department, of which he was president for a term and still is its treasurer. He is a member of the Masonic lodge.

"Mrs. Thomas and the two children who live at home will arrive in Nebraska City within a few days. The two children at home are Miss Almee Jane and Miss Betty, the former a senior in high school next year, and the latter a 10-year-old school girl. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas' other children are Roland L. Thomas, of Plattsmouth, and Mrs. William Mrasek. Almee Jane probably will live with her older sister in Plattsmouth for the coming year so that she can finish out her senior year with her class in Plattsmouth High school."

NEBRASKA FLOOD RELIEF

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Lists contributions from various locations like Alvo, Avoca, Cedar Creek, etc., totaling \$741.50.

RETURN FROM OUTING

Misses Eva Wichmann and Margaret Albert have returned home from a month vacation at Delavan Lake, Wisconsin. They were accompanied home by Miss Emma Albert, who is spending her vacation here with her mother and friends.

VISITING IN EAST

Charles G. Nowacek, who has just graduated from the college of Business Administration at the University of Nebraska, is enjoying a visit in the east with a party of Lincoln friends. Mr. Nowacek with the Thurtle family of Lincoln will visit a large number of the eastern cities. They are visiting at Washington where Mr. Nowacek had a fine visit with his old class mate in the P. H. S., Warren Farmer, who is now engaged in governmental work at Washington.

HOMEWARD BOUND

Dr. and Mrs. H. G. McClusky, who have been vacationing in New York for the past several weeks are now headed homeward and after a short visit at Lodi, Wisconsin, with Miss Ruth Lindsay, former music supervisor here, will be home Friday. The trip has been most delightful to them and Doctor McClusky returns filled with new vigor for his church work and will be ready for the usual services Sunday at the First Presbyterian church.

School Census Promises Larger Enrollment Here

Indications That Larger Number Than Usual Will Be Found in Plattsmouth Schools This Year.

According to the census record completed during the summer the attendance of the Plattsmouth schools should be considerably larger than in previous years.

The 1935 record showed that there are 633 boys and 613 girls making a total of 1,246 within the Plattsmouth School District No. 1. This number includes the children residing within the district between the ages of 5 and 21. A year ago the school census for the same age limit was 1,148. With the indication that the rural school enrollment will also increase, the Plattsmouth schools will have one of the largest enrollments that they have had in some time.

The board of education are making preparations to take care of this enrollment by a revision of school rooms and re-arranging the seats.

The following is the census comparison for the last 10 years of children between the ages of 5 and 21:

Table with columns: Year, Boys, Girls, Total. Shows increasing enrollment from 1926 to 1935.

RETURN FROM WORLD VOYAGE

William C. Ramsey, 23 and Daniel Ramsey, 21, sons of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Ramsey, 5203 Burt street, Omaha, have just completed a round the world voyage that has taken them into many of the nations and covered some eight months.

The young men are sons of a former Plattsmouth resident and now grand master of the Nebraska Masons and they are also grandsons of Mrs. B. S. Ramsey of this city.

Dan, a student at Stanford university, returned home Tuesday. His brother a Dartmouth graduate, is in Boston making arrangements to enter Harvard law school this fall.

In Manchuria they found Japanese guards on the trains, along the rail lines and about the railway depots, which were protected with barb wire entanglements against bandits. At each of the stops along the route the brothers jumped off of the train, went nosing about and hoped something exciting would happen. But nothing did, probably because it wasn't the bandit season. There was snow on the ground and it would have been easy for soldiers to track bandits.

"Peking was one of the grandest scenes we visited," Dan said. "It seemed so solid and substantial and ageless."

WRITER VISITS CITY

Wednesday afternoon Edson R. Waite, noted newspaper writer of Shawnee, Oklahoma, was a visitor in Plattsmouth for a short time, with his wife and daughter, Doris, being enroute from their home in the south to St. Paul, Minnesota, where they will enjoy a short outing. Mr. Waite is the author of "Did You Ever Stop to Think" articles which appear in the Journal and other of the papers in the west and south. Mr. Waite made a pleasant call at the Journal and was much impressed with the excellent appearance of eastern Nebraska which is some of the finest territory that he has visited on a very extensive auto trip.

Sewerage Extension Should be Urged as WPA

Opportunity Afforded for City to Secure the Needed Aid to Extend Sewers of City.

The WPA funds that are being made available in Nebraska offers the opportunity to many of the cities, counties and school districts to secure public improvements that they may never again have the opportunity of enjoying.

Among the many suggestions that have been made in Plattsmouth relative to the public works program of the WPA is that of the extension of the storm sewer system of the city at the present inlets of the sewers. It has been desired for many years that the sewers both on Washington and Chicago avenues might be extended to care for surface water more adequately by pushing the inlets of the sewer nearer the source of the flood waters.

The Washington avenue sewer receives the flood waters from the creek that twists around over a large section of country until reaching the sewer mouth at 10th and Locust streets. This sewer extension could straighten out the course of the waterways and by means of the new sewers eliminate the present creek for drainage purposes where the sewer would be extended.

On Chicago avenue the sewer extension would not find the winding creek as the water course there is comparatively straight to the end of the city paving at the junction of the Louisville road. On this avenue the creek runs close to the paving and in several places is threatening the existence of the brick pavement on the east side of the avenue. This will have to be eventually repaired and now is a good time to take action in the matter when the city can secure aid from the WPA for the project, furnish employment and make a lasting improvement.

The extension of the sewer will permit fills being made on both the north and south side sewers that will add greatly to the properties along the line of the present creeks and make for a much better appearing city as well as being a great advantage as a city wide improvement. The extension would also lessen the flood dangers by catching the water much farther out and checking it.

Now that this opportunity is at hand, plans should be drawn and presented to the district WPA for their consideration and the city realize what has often been discussed for many years but which the depression years has never allowed the city to complete.

RETURN FROM OUTING

Mr. and Mrs. Searl S. Davis and children, Stephen, Corbin and Elizabeth, who have been enjoying a vacation trip in Minnesota returned home Thursday evening after a pleasant two weeks spent at the lakes. They enjoyed the time at Alexandria, where Corbin proved his skill as a fisherman and had many fine catches. They also visited with the Henry Stark-John family at Battle Lake, where the Charles Petersen family are also on a vacation trip. Just before the departure of the Davis family for home, James Begley with a friend from Lincoln, arrived at the lakes for a short outing and they had a most pleasant visit.

VISITS PARENTS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hartford and daughter, Janet, of Kansas City, Missouri, are in the city for a visit at the home of Mr. Hartford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hartford, the former having been quite poorly for some time. They expect to drive on to Minnesota for a short visit at the lakes before returning home.

RETURNING HOME

Mr. and Mrs. August Knoefke of Chicago, who have been here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Knoefke, parents of August, are to leave Saturday for their home. They have had a very pleasant time visiting here and at Omaha with the relatives and old time friends.

BIRTHDAY CLUB MEETS

From Friday's Daily Last evening the members of the Birthday club, an organization of local ladies who have in the years past joined in the observance of their anniversaries together, met at the home of Mrs. Henry Herold. It was the natal day of Mrs. Herold and the old friends gathered to remind her of the pleasant event and to partake of the delicious 7 o'clock dinner that had been arranged for them. The remainder of the evening was spent in visiting and a general good time. Those attending were Mrs. J. A. Douelan, Misses Dora Fricke, Mia and Barbara Gering.

Death of Mrs. Alvina Meisinger, a Pioneer Lady

Funeral Last Sunday at Lutheran Church at Papillion—Burial in Family Lot There.

The death of Mrs. Alvina Meisinger, a highly esteemed pioneer resident of Papillion occurred in Council Bluffs last Friday after a period of ill health for about a year, followed by a stroke a week before her death. She was almost 84 years old.

Mrs. Meisinger was born in Germany. She was married in her young womanhood to Henry Meisinger, of Cass county. She was a faithful wife, a devoted mother and was loved and respected by all who knew her for her kind and neighborly acts. To know her was to love her.

She is survived by two step-daughters, Mrs. Andrew A. Schoeman, of Louisville, and Mrs. Louisa Lenard, of near Ashland. Also by the following children: Fred Meisinger, of South Omaha; Albert Meisinger, of Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Goldie Latham, of Springfield; Mrs. Charles E. Helm, of Louisville; Mrs. Mammie Smith, of Council Bluffs; Mrs. Wendell Heil, of Louisville, was a sister-in-law of the deceased.—Louisville Courier.

SIGNATURE DOESN'T HELP

Signing of the old age pension or social security bill by the president in no way clears up the difficulty Nebraska will likely have in meeting any federal funds allotted to the state. Whether enough funds may come from the federal government to pay half the proposed state old age pension of \$30 a month is unknown, said State Pension Commissioner Perry. If 30,000 people are eligible in Nebraska the state would have to raise \$5,400,000 a year to meet half the total amount required. The state one cent gas tax, some or all of which may eventually come thru the state assistance committee to pay state pension, is tied up in a test suit in the state courts.

State officials are uncertain to what extent Nebraska can participate in two other parts of the bill—unemployment insurance and aid to needy mothers, children, blind persons and sick persons. That cannot be determined until federal rules are promulgated by administrators of the act, Perry said.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

From Friday's Daily Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hiltner, of Los Angeles, arrived here last evening for a visit with the Searl Davis and W. A. Robertson families for a short time. Mr. and Mrs. Hiltner are former Lincoln residents and Mrs. Hiltner was at one time dean of women at the University of Nebraska. They were all associates together at the University and the visit of the old friends was one that all enjoyed to the utmost.

SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

Dick Hatt, popular high school student, is reported as showing a nice improvement from his recent attack of pneumonia. Dick is up a part of the time now but is still under medical care and it will be some time before he is restored to his old time vigor and able to resume his usual activities. He hopes, however, to be back in good shape for the start of the school year.

Plattsmouth Ladies Return from Auto Trip

Miss Mathilde Soennichsen and Mrs. F. R. Gobelman Have Extensive Tour of Eastern States.

Miss Mathilde Soennichsen and Mrs. F. R. Gobelman returned Thursday night from an extensive auto trip through the east that took them through a large number of states as well as the eastern section of Canada.

The ladies in leaving here made a short stop in South Dakota with relatives and then turned their way to the east to visit at St. Paul and Minneapolis and then to Decorah, Ia., to visit with relatives of Mrs. Gobelman. Later they drove to Chicago where several days were spent and Miss Soennichsen visited the wholesale houses to purchase stock for the fall and winter season for the H. M. Soennichsen Co., dry goods department.

The ladies then continued their trip into the southern portion of Canada and arrived at old Bennington, Vermont, one of the historic spots of that part of New England. In Boston the time was spent for several days in visiting the historic spots that have been noted in the colonial history and in the literature of the early days of the republic from Plymouth Rock to the noted spots of the Revolutionary period and where Hawthorne, Longfellow and other of the authors of New England have laid the scenes of their stories.

The party visited at Washington where the ladies enjoyed a trip through the White House, visiting the capitol where the senate and house were in session and to enjoy listening to the proceedings of the national congress. Later they drove to Mt. Vernon, the Washington home and to Arlington where the nation's honored dead are resting.

They visited the Gettysburg battlefield and where under a guide they saw the scenes of the high tide of the Confederacy and where the troops of the north and south fought one of the decisive battles of the world. From Gettysburg they turned their way homeward to arrive here delighted with a splendid outing.

Propose Whisker Club for King Korn Carnival

Group Urges That Men of Community Wear Sideburns, Mustache and Goatee Until Start of Show.

It's come at last—the whisker club—which a group of local enthusiasts would have made a part of the pre-fall festival exercises. The proponents of the plans are urging that of men of the community wear mustaches, goatees and sideburns from now until September 18th.

Starting now it is figured that the whiskers will be in full bloom by the time Henry Soennichsen has his big show ready to go and the visitors here will find a real '49'er welcome in the bewhiskered residents of the city.

How the wives and sweethearts of the community will welcome the great big bearded beauties is a matter that the proponents of the club have yet to discover and which also may have an important part on the club plans.

One of the leaders in the club is Sheriff Homer Sylvester and if you see a well bearded man speeding out into the country do not be alarmed, it is merely the sheriff.

It is hoped to have at least 100 pledges to wear these beards until fall festival time and they will be of practical use as well as ornamental as a well trained mustache is a fine beer suds strainer.

HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for high school will be held at the high school building in Plattsmouth, Thursday, August 22nd and Friday, August 23rd. Rural students are requested to bring free tuition slips.

SUES FOR \$5,000

From Friday's Daily An action was filed in the office of the clerk of the district court today in which Mrs. Mildred Gaddis is the plaintiff and I. G. Hornbeck, well known resident of the west portion of the county is the defendant. The action is for \$5,000 damages for personal injuries received in an auto wreck which occurred on August 3rd on the highway north of Murdock. The petition alleges that the defendant was driving his car in a manner contrary to the law as to speed and safety and that the car of the defendant struck that of Evan R. Gaddis, husband of the plaintiff with whom she was riding.

Prepare Plans for the Annual Fall Festival

Members of Various Sub-Committees Will Be Named Coming Week—Dates Sept. 18th-21st.

The general committee for the King Korn fall festival are now commencing the start of the several weeks of hard work in preparation of plans for the successful observance of the four day fall festival.

One of the new features of the festival will be the construction of a new band stand that can be moved from one location to another as desired during the festival and which will be found much more convenient for the general public.

The planning of the parades for the four days will now be taken up actively as Superintendent L. S. Devoe, chairman of this portion of the festival, is back home and ready to get in touch with others of his committee in getting out some new and novel ideas as to this entertainment feature.

The concessions committee have received the requests for permission to operate rides and several concessions on the midway that will be operated on Fifth street for a half block each way from Main street.

General Chairman H. G. Soennichsen has announced that the names of the various committees would be announced the coming week and all get organized for the big push preparatory to the start of the fall festival.

RETURN FROM OUTING

From Saturday's Daily: Dr. and Mrs. H. G. McClusky returned last evening from an outing of several weeks in the east and both have had a most delightful visit in the cool atmosphere of Northern New York where they spent the greater part of the time. Dr. McClusky was a guest at the Montreal Rotary club while in the east and was able to make his attendance at other clubs in that section. They report the night have been very cool and pleasant. On the way home they had the opportunity of viewing the crops and corn and all crops are fine, the best in years and in Ohio especially the corn is the best in many years and promises a great crop.

POLITICAL POT BOILS

The political pot for 1936 appears to have started boiling in this section of the state among members of the democratic or new deal party. A meeting which was held among a group of the leaders here this week, had as its purpose as indicated by the sponsors, the selecting of a slate of delegates that would be unfavorable to the ambitions of our former national committeeman, Arthur Mullen. The sponsors were secretive as to the results or the names that had been decided upon to have sprung as delegates of the group. It was intimated that meetings of this nature were being held in many of the counties of the state and especially in the eastern portion.

RETURNS HOME

Miss Rachel Robertson, who has been visiting at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, at the home of her uncle, E. O. Jones, returned home Thursday evening. She had a most pleasant stay and enjoyed visiting the many places of interest in that section of the state.

Teachers are Preparing for School to Open

Teachers on Vacations and Summer School Work Prepare to Start School September 3rd.

The Plattsmouth public schools will open Tuesday, September 3, with the first teachers' meeting Monday morning, September 2. The teachers have all been elected and notified and preparations are in progress to handle a large enrollment. There will be several new teachers with assignments coming out at a later date.

J. R. Roeder will take Mr. Patterson's place as high school principal. He has been taking work at the University of Nebraska leading toward his Master of Arts degree. Wayne Alvord has also been at the University of Nebraska taking advanced work in the field of social science, working toward a Doctor's degree. Estelle Baird spent a part of the vacation period in Colorado. Florence Beighley attended the University of Nebraska and took special training in the teaching of mathematics and dramatics. Selma Diehm was at her home in Sterling, Nebraska. Helen Farley attended the University of Nebraska summer session as was Lillian Garrett, Agnes Muenster and Dorothy Downey. Amana Hiatt made an extensive trip through the west visiting points in California and along the Pacific coast. Marie Hourng was at her home in Roca, Nebraska. Margaret Iverson visited her brother in Washington, D. C. Yvonne King and Evelyn Lee were at their homes in Lincoln, Nebraska. Amelia Martens, principal of the Central building, completed her work for her A. B. degree at the University of Omaha. Following the end of the summer school she made a trip into Colorado. Marie Nolting took work at Peru Normal, following which she and Wilhelmina Heinrichsen made an extensive trip into California and along the Pacific coast. Helene Perry has been at her home at Mynard, Nebraska. Rose Prohaska took work at Creighton University. Fred Rothert took advanced work at the University of Nebraska, following which he visited in Colorado and western points. L. L. Starrett has been in Wyoming. Ruth Tidball has been at her home in Plattsmouth. Miriam Tritsch attended the University of Omaha for the first part of the summer. Clara Weyrich visited in Colorado and western Nebraska. Jessie Whelan has been taking advanced work at the University of Nebraska, working toward an advanced degree in geography. Berniece Welland was at home at Sutton, Nebraska. Lorena Sutherland was at the University of Nebraska as was Lee Knolle. Helen Hall was at her home at Reynolds, Nebraska. Pearl Staats was teaching and attending the Municipal University at Omaha. Hoyt Griffin was at his home in Omaha. Supt. Devoe attended the University of Nebraska working toward his Doctor's degree. Following the close of the summer session he spent a week in Colorado.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

The many friends of the J. H. Donnelly family in this city will be delighted to learn of the promotion that has been given to their son-in-law, Captain George Fingarson, who was stationed for some time at Fort Crook. Captain Fingarson has been raised under the recent congressional act to the rank of major regular army, a very fine promotion. Major Fingarson is now stationed at Manila, Philippine Islands, where he and the family have made their home for some time.

SOUTHERN VISITOR HERE

Mrs. Ruby Chadwick, of Gadsden, Alabama, is enjoying a visit here with her old time friends, Mrs. A. D. Asch, at her country home "Villa Asch" near Murray. Mrs. Chadwick has been enjoying her first visit to the western country and is much impressed with the great agricultural empire of this part of the nation. Mrs. Chadwick with Mrs. Asch were pleasant callers at the Journal today to spend a short time.