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Fay McClintock Severely Injured in Auto Wreck

Taken to Clarkson Hospital While Less Seriously Injured are Treated Here.

From Thursday's Daily—
Fay McClintock, auto mechanic at the Ruse Motor Co., is at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha suffering a possible skull fracture, fractured leg and bad cuts on the wrist and face, and his right ear severed, as the result of an auto smashup on highway No. 75, south of this city at 10 o'clock this morning.

Others injured in the wreck are Michael Hausladen, well known farmer of south of this city and Oscar Weber and Ernest Zohn, of Nebraska City.

Mr. Hausladen suffered a bad scalp wound, an injured knee and cuts on the wrist and face, but his condition is not thought serious.

Oscar Weber suffered cuts on the face and a badly injured knee as the result of the accident.

Ernest Zohn suffered the fracture of the thumb of the left hand and his face was badly cut by glass as he was hurled into the windshield of the car in which he was riding.

The car of Mr. Hausladen, a model A Ford, was going south on the highway, following a truck, the car being tested out by Mr. McClintock, repairman, while Mr. Hausladen was driving.

Their car followed the truck up the McConkey hill until near the Pittman place when Mr. Hausladen turned to his left to drive into the driveway to turn around. The car from Nebraska city, a V-8 Ford was coming north and the truck obscured the view of the driver, Mr. Weber, as well as Hausladen and it was not until the Hausladen car turned out that the occupants of the Nebraska City car saw it, then too late to avoid the impact.

The Hausladen car was struck on the right side near the front seat where McClintock was sitting and who received the full shock of the crash.

A passing auto party from Table Rock brought Hausladen, Weber and Zohn on into this city and where their injuries were dressed at the office of Dr. O. C. Hudson.

McClintock, badly injured was carried into the Pittman home and Dr. R. P. Westover called to the scene and responded at once, giving what aid was possible and the injured man was taken by the Horton ambulance on into Omaha and the hospital.

Both cars were badly wrecked and hauled in to the Ford garage to clear the highway.

PLATTERS AT FREMONT

The Plattsmouth high school basketball team will compete in the Fremont regional meet this year where winners of the state tournament will be determined. The entries at Fremont will include the strong Fremont and Columbus teams, Blair and Wahoo, both of whom Plattsmouth has yet to play, in the season games, as well as Oakland, Schuyler and David City are in the tourney.

The greater part of the south-eastern Nebraska teams will appear at the Beatrice tourney where some stiff competition will be offered by Beatrice, Crete, Falls City, Hebron, Pawnee City and Fairbury. Nebraska City, Tecumseh and Wymore are others competing in the meet.

The Omaha regional will be strictly a family affair between South, North, Central, Creighton Prep, Benson and Technical.

LEAVES FOR HONOLULU

From Thursday's Daily—
Mrs. E. G. Ofe left last evening for Vancouver, Canada, from which place she will board "The Empress of Canada" for Honolulu. She will visit her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Berggren, there. On her way she plans to visit friends at Denver and Tacoma. The return trip will be made on the "Malola" of the Matson line. She plans to come back to San Francisco and spend some time on the coast.

RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Carneal and son Thomas William have returned from California. During their stay in the west, they visited relatives and friends at Long Beach and Camarillo, California. They spent most of their time with Mrs. Carneal's great-uncle, Will Baker, who is a brother of Mrs. Carneal's grandmother, Mrs. Wetenkamp. They also visited with a sister of Mr. Carneal.

On their return trip, they stopped in Missouri to visit with Mr. Carneal's parents for three days.

They found it quite cold in "sun-bly" California and say it seems nice to be back in good old Nebraska, with their family and friends. Mrs. Carneal was formerly Miss Frances Wetenkamp.

Representatives Announced for Music Contests

J. H. Rennick Names Winners After Local Competition in Public Program Last Night.

From Thursday's Daily—
J. H. Rennick, supervisor of music in the Wahoo high school, acted as judge at the local music contest last evening in the high school auditorium. Maymie Schwenneker won first place in high voice. Betty Voorhis was second and Mildred Knofliek, third.

Shirley Seiver was named first in medium voice and Eleanor Minor, second. Low voice placings for girls were, Beatrice Arn, first, and Flora Belle Meade, second.

First place in boys' high voice was won by Theodore Libershal. Richard Cole won second. Robert Vallery won first in medium voice and Junior Devore, second. Dick Hall was first in low voice and Joe York, second.

Allan White won first in trumpet and Burton Rishel, second. Sextette number 2 won first place in the contest. Members of the sextette are Wilma Swatek, Mildred Knofliek, Eleanor Minor, Helen Hiatt, Flora Belle Meade, and Margaret Vallery.

Criticism for each contestant were made by Mr. Rennick and will be given to them in order that they may improve their work. 200 attended the contest.

Winners of first place in each of the divisions will represent the school in the MINK contest which is to be held in Peru February 19 and 20. Other soloists who will appear in the contest will be Jean Knorr, piano; Rachel Robertson, viola; and Mildred Knofliek, violin.

A boy's quartet will also go to Peru. John Tidball will sing first tenor; John Jacobs, second tenor; Robert Vallery, baritone; and Dick Hall, bass.

The school also hopes to enter girls', boys' and mixed chorus groups in the Peru contest.

Lee Knolle, director of music in the Plattsmouth schools, has brought out a good deal of talent this year. High hopes are held for the Peru contest.

FALLS ON ICE

From Thursday's Daily—
This morning County Commissioner George L. Farley suffered a cut on the back of his head as the result of a fall on the icy walk on the south side of the court house.

Water from the melting snow had spread over the walk and formed a small coating of ice that was not noticed by Mr. Farley and as he stepped on the ice he fell, striking the back of his head.

The injury caused a cut that required two stitches to close.

INSPECTOR VISITS CITY

From Friday's Daily—
Miss Bonnie Evans, of Lincoln, state inspector of the beauty shops was in the city today to check over the local shops and their operators. She found the conditions here excellent and all of the shops operating in strict compliance of law.

One of the shops in the extreme western part of the county was checked over and the owner will be given a hearing later on the discrepancies that were found.

Hallas and Kressel Address the Ad Club

South Omaha Banker and Omaha City Commissioner Guests of Luncheon Here Yesterday.

From Thursday's Daily—
Plattsmouth Business Men's Ad club meeting yesterday drew a larger attendance than usual and proved interesting to those attending.

Guests at the meeting were Adolph J. Hallas, former Plattsmouth boy, now a leading South Omaha banker and head of the South Omaha Merchants and Business Men's association, and John Kressel, South Omaha hardware dealer and member of the Omaha city commission.

The meeting opened with a discussion of business problems generally. The committee on planning and trade relations was empowered to have a new lot of "Peddler stay away from My Door" cards printed, with wording similar to the last group, which were put out several years ago. Residents of the city will be urged to display these cards at the entrance to their homes or apartments.

This brought on some discussion of the so-called Green River ordinance which declares a nuisance the ringing of one's doorbell on other than purely social calls. This is not a licensing measure in any way, as it prohibits outright canvassing of any kind in homes where the agent has not been invited to demonstrate his wares, and declares failure to observe the ordinance a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment. This law has been upheld in the United States Supreme Court on test cases brought from a number of states. A case at Aurora, where the officers arrested the canvassers of an out-of-the-state concern has already progressed to the federal circuit court of appeals, where decision has been favorable to the ordinance. This is the first Nebraska case appealed, the enabling statutes of different states being the governing features upon which prior appeal decisions have been rendered.

A bill in the legislature to limit working hours of all feminine labor to 48 hours per week came in for a good bit of discussion. The body voted to oppose the bill, submitting a petition to that effect to the legislature, and also that individual members and other merchants and business men of the city arrange to write personal letters expressing their opposition. No action was taken to send a representative before the committee when the bill is called for hearing.

Hallas and Kressel Speak

Following an expression of pleasure at meeting old friends in his home town and a remark that looking into many of their faces reminded him that "Time Marches On," Mr. Hallas devoted most of his fifteen minute talk to paying tribute to the stamina of American businessmen, farmers and laborers, who have taken it on the "chin" repeatedly during the recent years of depression and yet have not remained down for the count. He pointed to foreign nations where the people could not stand it like Americans have, causing chaos and a breaking down of government functions. As one concrete example of how values have sunk, he cited a farm near Onawa, Iowa, that sold in the early twenties for \$25,000, was later sold for \$18,000, came back to the mortgage for around \$10,000 and was sold a third time for that amount, carrying back \$6,000 on mortgage while now it is back in their hands for the \$6,000—one-sixth of what it was worth before depression. Hallas said the same devaluation had come in stocks and bonds, city real estate and all sorts of business enterprise.

He paid the Plattsmouth city government a fine compliment on bond indebtedness reductions made during the past six to eight depression years when, he said, many towns have not been holding their own, to say nothing of paying off back debts.

Mr. Kressel discussed business and civic problems, pointing out that the town that keeps its streets and surroundings neat and up-to-date will attract trade, but pointed out that many towns, large and small, are hampered from lack of funds to do this work and an already overbur-

dened taxpaying public cannot pay the increased taxes necessary to do it. This led to his espousal of the bill introduced in the legislature at the request of Omaha, which would provide division of gas tax money between the county and towns located therein, in the ratio of 70-30 instead of the present ratio of 90-10.

If this bill is passed, it will give towns three times their present revenue from gas tax collections for the purpose of maintaining streets and avenues. Mr. Kressel urged support of the bill by all cities and villages in the state.

He made one pertinent statement, giving his reason for holding to such opinion, namely, that we will have WPA in principle if not in name for all time to come, and that towns must find such increased revenue as greater share of gas tax affords to meet federal sponsorship demands so they can repair and improve streets.

The reason he gave was that our social security setup makes no provision for men between 45 and 65 out of work, who are not wanted in industry today, and who must therefore be given work under government supervision. He said every man at the luncheon was of an age where if he lost his own business, he would find it impossible to secure employment that is reserved to younger heads in this machine age that has cut the number of jobs to about half the number clamoring for work.

Emil Wurl enlightened Mr. Kressel on the fact that it was Plattsmouth and former Mayor Sattler who had led the fight to get any of the gas tax money allotted to counties for cities within their borders, and that previous to the passage of the present law a few years ago, cities and towns got none of the money.

On motion, President Busch named a committee to investigate the proposed new law and bring in a report at next meeting, composed of E. J. Kitchey, W. H. Puls and Elmer Webb.

PONY CREEK MAKES TROUBLE

Pony Creek, one of the small troublesome streams of Mills county, is causing considerable work to the Burlington maintenance of way forces in the past few days.

The section force under the direction of William Dasher of this city, has been working to try and keep the creek from overflowing the tracks of the main line of the Burlington. The creek bed having filled up a great deal in the long dry summer and gives but small clearance at the railroad bridge.

Mr. Dasher says they have talked of keeping the creek in its basin but he has had a hard time keeping it out of the tracks.

METHODIST CHURCH NIGHT

From Friday's Daily—
Members of the Methodist church met last evening at the church parlor for a covered dish supper. Mrs. E. H. Westcott led the group in familiar songs after the meal. Mr. Westcott accompanied. Milo Price acted as master of ceremonies during the impromptu program. E. H. Westcott read a poem which he composed for the occasion. The entertainment was closed with recitations of first gems memorized in school. A few of the recitations came from McGuffey readers.

ENROLLS FOR JOURNAL

F. A. Stohlman, member of one of the prominent families of the Louisville community, was in the city Thursday for a few hours attending to some matters of business. While in Plattsmouth he was a caller at the Journal and enrolled as a reader of the semi-weekly edition of the paper.

DEATH OF MRS. SPANGLER

From Thursday's Daily—
Mrs. William Spangler, 60, who has been ill for the past two weeks as the result of an attack of flu and complications, died this morning at an early hour at the family home.

The family have made their home here for the past year, coming from Ralston.

Improving our farm-to-market roads will be of direct benefit to everyone in Cass county.

Natural Gas Main Break Cripplens Local Places

Many of the Homes and Business Houses Hit as Heat Fails—Restaurants Suffer.

From Friday's Daily—
A break in the two foot main of the Northern Natural Gas company's pipe line two miles south of this city, last night, caused great inconvenience to the residents of Plattsmouth, who awoke to find that their heating and cooking facilities were out as a result of the break.

The break occurred shortly before 7 o'clock in the section of the pipe line on the Horning farm south of this city, the flame from the ignited gas roaring hundreds of feet in the air as fed by the 400 pound pressure on the line and it was not until 3:30 this morning that the flames died down and the long and hard job of repairing the line started.

The break is thought to have been caused in thawing out a section of the pipe by alcohol.

To get the flames extinguished as quickly as possible, the control valve at Mynard and another at the Missouri river bridge were both shut off, and the line "bled" or drained at both these points. In spite of this the pressure in the five mile stretch of pipe held up until the early hour this morning.

The supply of gas in the pipe line from the city "gate" or shutoff into town coupled with a reserve supply on one of the old artificial gas plant tanks proved sufficient to provide heat until 5:30 this morning to the one hundred fifty homes in the city that depend on gas for fuel.

Householders faced a real problem when their gas stoves were without fuel and many families had difficulty in getting their morning meal prepared, cold breakfasts being the order of the day.

The restaurants and eating houses of the city are practically all users of gas for their stoves and the demand for kerosene or gasoline cook stoves was brisk in order that they might supply their patrons with food for breakfast. Despite the handicap, improvised cooking appliances generally were able to supply the need of the hour, one plumber using his blow torch to brew his morning coffee.

The Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power company supplied electric plates for all they could reach and helped to relieve the situation.

Several of the stores that are heated with gas found that attempting to keep their places functioning was a matter of difficulty and the owners and employes hovered over oil stoves or any other heating apparatus that they might find and the demand for electric heaters was at a premium.

The Coronado and Herold apartments where a large number of families reside, were without heat a good part of the night.

The Journal was one of the most seriously affected by the break as gas is used both for heating the building and to supply heat for the metal pots on the linotype machines, making it impossible to function at all during the morning hours, and which accounts for the late hour at which it reaches subscribers this afternoon.

The residents of the city affected, however took the matter in a cheerful manner and while without hot coffee or the morning ham and eggs, bore their inconvenience hoping that the break might soon be repaired and service resumed.

The situation was a great deal less serious than it might have been by the fact that the weather had moderated greatly and thus eliminated much of the suffering to say nothing of frozen plumbing that would have occurred had the temperature been down around the mark it has held pretty close to the last few weeks.

The break caused unceasing toil for Manager Rea and the workmen of the local plant of the Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power company, who were on the job all night and thru-out the forenoon striving to get the service resumed, as well as seeing that all furnaces over the city were shut off to prevent accidents when the gas was again flowing through the mains, and again going out to re-light furnaces and water heaters.

after service was resumed shortly before the noon hour.

Workmen were also sent here from Omaha and Lincoln to do work on the pipeline in order to get service resumed at the earliest possible moment.

In addition to Plattsmouth, the line that was crippled served Glenwood and Council Bluffs and several smaller towns in western Iowa, but the twenty-five mile line carried an enormous supply of gas, making it possible to continue service to these cities without interruption after the local section of the main line had been cut off.

Even had the supply run low in that line, a tie-in service is maintained east of the river by which it would have been possible to receive gas from the Continental lines to keep up the service to points east.

Cass County Young Man Dies in Colorado

Charles Stander, Member of Pioneer Family, Passes Away After Long Illness in West.

Charles R. Stander, 27, died at Colorado Springs, Friday, February 5, following an illness of two years in which every effort was made to rebuild his health.

Mr. Stander was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stander of near South Bend. Born March 18, 1909, Charles grew to manhood in Cass county. February 9, 1932, he was married to Miss Selma Rohrdantz. To this union were born three children, Dorothy May, Willis Herbert and Leland Charles. Mr. Stander farmed for some time until his health broke and he had to give up that occupation. He went to Colorado Springs several months ago in an effort to regain his health, but even there he could not halt the disease and he passed away last Friday.

The remains were brought back to South Bend and funeral services were conducted by Rev. Krey at the Trinity Lutheran church two miles north of Murdock at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, February 9.

Burial was in the Trinity Lutheran cemetery. Pall bearers were Conrad Reinke, Paul Reinke, John Jones, Marvin Sutton, Louis Wendt and Paul Kupke.

Surviving relatives include his widow, Selma Stander; three children; his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stander; two sisters, Mrs. Eva Roebber and Mrs. Helen Mooney; and two brothers, Cecil and Herbert Stander, all of Cass county.

WOULD MAKE BRIDGE FREE

Senator Fred L. Carsten, of Avoca, the representative of Cass and Sarpy counties in the legislature, has opened the fight to make the Louisville bridge free and to retire the debt that still stands on the bridge as the share of Sarpy and Cass counties.

The bill introduced by Senator Carsten, No. 249, provides for the appropriation of \$68,000 from the gasoline tax fund to retire the debt on the Louisville bridge and make it toll free.

The residents of Louisville have been conducting a very vigorous campaign to interest the state in the plan to remove the bars to make the bridge free after its several years of operation as a toll structure.

The Louisville bridge, which is the only toll bridge in the boundary of Nebraska, was also discussed in connection with a general bridge bill that included toll bridges at Blair, Omaha, Plattsmouth and Nebraska City, to be purchased and made free bridges.

VISITS AT LINCOLN

The Very Rev. Adolph M. Mosler, vicar general of the Lincoln diocese of the Catholic church, was at Lincoln this week to confer with Bishop L. B. Kucera and also will be at Lincoln on next Monday for a conference.

Father Mosler is delivering a series of lectures in English each Wednesday and Friday at the Holy Rosary church on "The Prodigal Son" or "The Sinner's Return to God."

Phone news items to No. 6.

Frank Harmer is Found Guilty by Jury Friday

Verdict Returned Last Night Finding Him Guilty of Breaking and Entering, Habitual Criminal.

From Saturday's Daily—
The jury that heard the case of the State of Nebraska vs. Frank Harmer, last night returned a verdict that found the defendant guilty of the two counts of the indictment, breaking and entering and that of a habitual criminal under the Nebraska statute.

The case has occupied the past two days of the district court and the defense had sought to prove that the defendant had been mentally deranged for a great many years. Dr. George Neuhaus, of Omaha, was here to testify as to his examinations and mental tests.

The state had introduced evidence as to the ability of Mr. Harmer to transact business and also the files in other criminal actions to support their second count.

The state's case was very ably presented by County Attorney J. A. Capwell, while C. A. Walsh, of Omaha, made a very strong defense for his client.

The members of the jury that heard the case comprised John L. Hild, C. W. Stoehr, A. P. Hell, Rudolph Skalak, R. L. Keckler, Marion Stone, Earl Wolfe, J. F. Gustin, W. H. Puls, W. C. Farmer, Adam Schafer.

The verdict was received by District Judge W. G. Kleck, as Judge J. W. Yeager, the trial judge, had returned to Omaha after the submission of the case to the jury.

TELEPHONE COMPANY AIDS IN EMERGENCY

From Friday's Daily—
In the emergency that was faced by the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power company this morning in reaching their patrons, they had a fine co-operation from the local exchange of the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co., and Manager Ray Misner.

The light and power company faced the necessity of reaching all of their gas consumers with warnings of the gas line being out and steps were taken at once to reach all those who had telephone service or might be reached through this medium.

The telephone company arranged some ten special phones at the light company office and the task that had been expected to take several hours to reach all of the patrons, was completed in a half hour.

The operators at the local exchange also were on the job Thursday night when the roaring blaze from the pipeline could be seen for miles, call after call being handled not only from this city but from the nearby towns from which the blaze could be seen. The operator did a fine job and deserve a great deal of credit.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

From Friday's Daily—
Mrs. V. C. Wright led the devotionals at the meeting of the Missionary society at her home yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Pete Carr presented the lesson on the Cross and the Heart taken from the book, Congo Crosses. Mrs. R. B. Hayes and Miss Lois Brandhorst sang two negro spirituals, "Steal Away" and "Nobody Knows the Trouble I Have." They were accompanied by Miss Dorothy Glock. During the business meeting plans were made for a thank offering, a young people's social, and for Founders' Day. Mrs. Pete Carr was assistant hostess. A number of visitors were present.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Christina Ellithorpe, of Council Bluffs, who has been ill here at the home of her brother, W. F. Evers, was taken to Omaha Wednesday where she has been placed in the Methodist hospital. The patient had suffered an attack of pneumonia and after a relapse it was decided to have her taken to the hospital. She was taken to the hospital where a slight operation was performed to drain the affected lung.