

Some Facts of Interest on City of Fremont

Tax Rate Higher than Ours—Vote Bonds for Overheads, Auditorium and Other Projects

The city of Fremont with a bonded debt of \$400,000 (about twice that of Plattsmouth) has an assessed valuation of \$8,000,000 (eight times that here).

Fremont taxpayers pay a gross tax of \$44.20, compared to \$44.00 here last year and a possible \$43.00 the coming year.

The city affairs and its municipal utility are run entirely separate as two distinct businesses.

The city receives its street light service free, but must pay for fire hydrants.

Incurring New Debts Fremont has not been backward about increasing its bonded debt.

At the present time one of the main streets through town, the one carrying U. S. 77, is being widened.

Fremont's school system has also been enlarged under PWA sponsorship.

ARMOUR'S SIT-DOWN STRIKE

OMAHA, Aug. 6 (UP)—The Armour packing plant was tied up for two hours here yesterday afternoon when workmen on the beef and sheep hill gangs staged a sit-down strike.

SAYS JACK QUARRELSOME

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 6 (UP)—Venita Varden Offeld Oakie today filed suit for divorce from Jack Oakie, radio and motion picture comedian.

Your courtesy in phoning news to No. 6 is appreciated.

MANLEY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Murphy visited at the home of friends in Nebraska City last Sunday.

John A. Stander and Michael Sheehan were called to Omaha Monday to look after business matters.

Walter O'Brien has a horse with the sleeping sickness, but hopes are held that the animal will recover.

Herman Rauth was out with his trusty old John Deere tractor starting his summer plowing to get the ground in proper shape for next year's crops.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gady and family and Harold Cockran and family, all of Ashland, were guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fleischman.

Twin girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. O'Brien, former Manley residents, at their home in Omaha last Sunday.

Dale Stander, who was at the hospital for treatment, then returned home and was compelled to go back again, has returned home for the second time and is now reported doing very well.

Last Friday, Henry Taylor, age 83, of Louisville, walked to Manley for a visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Fleischman.

Theo Harms was taken sick rather suddenly while at a ball game, and on examination by a physician, was informed he had a severe case of hives, probably caused from something he had eaten.

Mrs. Baltz Meisinger, of Plattsmouth visited a short time the fore part of the week at the home of her brother, Walter O'Brien and family.

Mr. J. R. Kelley, mother of Mrs. O. E. McDonald, came to Manley from her home in Plattsmouth last Friday and remained for the lawn fête which was held at St. Patrick's church Sunday afternoon.

Entertained on Birthday

Miss Irene Reister, who was teaching near Omaha the past year and has been engaged to teach the same school the coming year, was passing her birthday anniversary and was honored at a party given last Sunday by her parents.

Mecca for the Candidates

At last Monday evening's picture show, which is a regular weekly feature on the streets of Manley, there were present a large number of the candidates for office were on hand to meet the voters and further the interest of their respective candidacies.

Spent Sunday at Rau Home

Mr. and Mrs. Max Buslin of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, cousins of W. J. Rau, who have been on a tour of the west, arrived in Manley the last of the week and spent Sunday at the Rau home.

Visiting Here for Awhile

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hill, of Chicago, arrived in Manley recently and visited for a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haws, after which Mr. Hill left for California.

Honored by Son and Friends

Mrs. Alice Jenkins, a well loved resident of Manley, was passing her birthday one day last week and was honored by a gathering of her friends as well as a visit from her son, Clyde Jenkins and family.

Visited Relatives in West

Henry Snell, wife and daughter, Jeanette, spent a few days during the

Order Roads to Show Cause on Rock Rates

Missouri Pacific and Union Pacific Cited as to Why Rate of \$1.80 a Ton Should Not Be Made.

LINCOLN, Aug. 5 (UP)—The state railway commission today ordered the Union Pacific and Missouri Pacific railroads to show cause at a hearing August 19 why they should not establish an emergency rate of \$1.80 per ton on riprap stone from Nebraska to the Kingsley dam.

The commission said that unless an emergency joint line rate is prescribed the stone will be shipped in from Guernsey and Glendo, Wyoming at freight rates of \$1.80 and \$1.90 per ton respectively.

The present rate from the Nebraska quarry to Haythorne siding at the dam site near Keystone is \$2.30 a ton.

"It would seem that since this is a project financed by government money that a rate should be prescribed which will enlarge the number of possible bidders and allow greater competition on the material required," the commission said.

Approximately 10,000 carloads of riprap stone will be required to construct Kingsley dam on the North Platte river.

NEBRASKA CITY TAXES HIGHER COMING YEAR

Nebraska City residents, who paid a slightly higher gross tax on the \$1,000 assessed valuation than did Plattsmouth taxpayers last year, are due for a raise again this year.

The combined state, county, city and school levy in our neighboring town down the river for 1938 is to be \$44.82 on the \$1,000 valuation, as compared to \$44.04 last year.

The last year tax levy in Plattsmouth for all subdivisions amounted to \$44.00 on the \$1,000 valuation.

Although school and county levies are not complete today, it seems that the Plattsmouth tax this year will go under last year's \$44.00, since the city reduced one mill (equivalent of \$1.00 on the thousand assessed valuation).

So again, for the second time in cent years, Plattsmouth taxpayers are due to pay a lower tax this year than do Nebraska City folks.

VOTE BOND ISSUE

NORFOLK, Neb., Aug. 6 (UP)—By a six to one majority, Norfolk residents last night voted a \$95,000 bond issue to be used with a PWA grant for construction of a combined municipal auditorium and city hall.

The PWA grant is for \$77,430, bringing the total cost of the structure to \$172,430.

Mr. Hnizda is a very capable instructor and the children have all been working hard to master the art of swimming and life saving.

The awards include Beginner, full fledged swimmer, Junior Lifesaver and Senior Lifesaver.

Mr. Hnizda put in a full week at Lake Park, starting Monday with 125 pupils registered to take the Red Cross swimming instruction.

Deaths of Ben Dinsmore The community was shocked Friday morning to hear of the sudden death of Ben Dinsmore.

MOSQUITO PLAGUE PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 6 (UP)—A mosquito plague accompanied the heat wave here.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 6 (UP)—Stores reported a boom in screens, netting, ointments and spray.

POPE RECEIVES JAP MISSION CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy, Aug. 6 (UP)—Pope Plus, receiving a Japanese mission today expressed hope that Japanese, with their civilization would strive "for true peace and prosperity."

Used cars, livestock, household goods—all can be sold through inexpensive Journal Want Ads.

SOUTH BEND

Mrs. Paul Reinke was a business visitor in Lincoln Wednesday.

Jerry Straight spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Davis of Hallam.

Mrs. Fred Backmeier, of Muldock, spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Jess Fiddler.

Ben Saunders and Bill Armstrong of Plattsmouth visited Billy Rosencrans Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Davis were supper guests at the Jason Straight home Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boyles, of Pacific Junction, visited the Andy Peterson family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Mooney and sons spent Sunday afternoon at the Earl Iske home near Plattsmouth.

Mrs. George Braun and Mrs. F. J. Knecht went to Alvø Thursday evening to visit relatives and friends.

Clyde Critchfield, of Omaha, was a dinner guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. George Vogel and family Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Kitrell, of Lincoln were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kitrell Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Belke of Ashland called at the George Vogel home last Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Copsy visited relatives in Omaha Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Blum visited the Carl Hoffman family in Lincoln Sunday.

Fred Weaver and son Glen drove to Hastings Saturday evening to visit Mr. Weaver's sister, Mrs. Eliza McBride, who has been very ill.

Mrs. V. D. Livers and family, Mrs. Bernard Dill and Jimmie and Miss Grace Christensen motored to Nebraska City Sunday, visiting Arbor Lodge and other places of interest.

Mrs. Ida Thielemann and Elda, Mrs. Paul Reinke and son and Marvin Sutton called on Margaret Thiemman in Omaha Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dill and Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boyles of Pacific Junction, and Bob Gans of Lincoln enjoyed a fish dinner at the A. Peterson home Sunday evening.

J. H. Fiddler has purchased a sand pit near McCook.

Miss Norma Bushnell of Omaha is spending her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bushnell and with other relatives in South Bend and Ashland.

Successful Swim Week Loren Hnizda put in a full week at Lake Park, starting Monday with 125 pupils registered to take the Red Cross swimming instruction.

RESCUED FROM BOG BELLEVILLE, Ont., Aug. 6 (UP)—Hugh Jones, 44-year-old farmer to-day was rescued from a bog in which he had been mired to the neck for six days.

SET MEDIATION DATE WASHINGTON, Aug. 5 (UP)—The national mediation board today set August 11 as the date it will begin conferences looking toward mediation of the railway labor dispute over a proposed 15 per cent wage cut.

RECORDS GIVEN O. K. LINCOLN, Aug. 6 (UP)—State Treasurer Walter H. Jensen's accounts and records were given a clean bill of health today in an order conducted by Omaha accountants for the six-month period ended June 30.

Republicans Charge New Deal Uncertainty

Statement Follows Observations of "Summer School" to Discuss National Problems.

CHICAGO, Aug. 6 (UP)—The republican program committee charged today in a preliminary report that a new deal administration had "plunged the nation into uncertainties and confusion which will continue until there is complete assurance of balanced representative government."

The statement summed up findings of an unique "summer school" at which national problems ranging from labor and agriculture to relief and finance, had been studied by committee members under guidance of experts.

The findings will be used in formulating a new statement of G.O.P. policy and principles from which the national committee will draft a platform for the 1940 election.

The "summer school" recessed last night.

"The committee has conviction that," the statement said, "under present trends in legislation and administration, the United States may suffer the two-fold disaster which has overtaken peoples quite as sure of their destiny as we have been—the breakdown of an elaborate economic system and the disintegration of responsible and effective government."

The committee is not trying to draft a program for short range political expediences. Its concern is with a program that will best serve the long-range interests of the people as a whole.

The committee warned that a politically controlled system of government could not put its plans into effect unless it ultimately controlled the opinion-making forces of press and school, and religious forces which deal intimately with the spirit of man.

The committee's summary was issued after William Hard, committee secretary, had told members that the "republican party must revive itself on positive issues of moral problems if it is to wrest America away from the domination of one man."

GRAMLICH TO LEAVE NEBRASKA

LINCOLN, Aug. 5 (UP)—Professor Howard J. Gramlich, 49, chairman of the Nebraska college of agriculture husbandry department and prominent midwest livestock authority today announced he would accept the position of secretary of the American Shorthorn Breeders association.

Gramlich, who will succeed F. S. Harding is in Minnesota on vacation.

Gramlich came to the University of Nebraska in 1911 in the agricultural extension department. He joined the animal husbandry department in 1913 and was made department chairman in September 1919. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska.

LIEU. BEAVER KILLS HIMSELF

OMAHA, Aug. 5 (UP)—First Lieutenant George M. Beaver, 35, of Tulsa, Oklahoma attached to the 17th infantry at Fort Crook, died at the post hospital today a short time after he had been found, a bullet wound in the head, in his quarters by other officers.

Beaver was transferred here two years ago from Fort Benning, Georgia where his former wife, now married to another officer, resides with their two children.

Nolan Sailors Driver of Car Apparently Saw Train Too Late to Prevent Accident.

BLAIR, Neb., Aug. 6 (UP)—Nolan Sailors, 22, who was injured in a collision between an automobile and a freight train here last night which caused the death of Fritz Genke, 28, Fort Calhoun, died of his injuries at Blair hospital this morning.

Albert J. Matya of Genoa, Neb., who was returning to a CCC camp saw the accident and said Sailors apparently saw the train too late and attempting to swerve to the left crashed into the side of a box car.

Matya and others were unable to remove Genke from the wreckage before he died. There were no warning lights at the crossing.

"CHARLIE CHAN" DIES

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., Aug. 6 (UP)—Warner Oland, movie actor who won world fame in portrayal of "Charlie Chan" roles is dead in Sweden, according to a cablegram received here today.

Announcement of the news of Oland's death was made by Harrison Ryon, attorney for the star's estranged wife.

Oland's death, according to information received by Mrs. Oland resulted from bronchial pneumonia which affected his heart.

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UNEMPLOYMENT INCREASE WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (UP)—The American Federation of Labor today estimated unemployment in June at 11,445,134, the highest since January 1935, but added that trade union reports since that time indicate an employment increase.

Although it is still too early to say that business had definitely turned upward the increasing reports of growing business confidence, larger sales and price improvement all add to the evidence shown by rising trade union employment, the Federationist, official A. F. of L. publication, said.

"Barring some unexpected reversal, business should be better by fall. Employment gains are awaited by industrial buyers who will not place advance orders until they are sure consumers income is high enough to buy the goods."

The June estimate was approximately 41,000 higher than the May figure and 375,000 more than in April.

KULLUM KLOTHING KLUB

On July 28 we held the meeting at the home of Bessie Svoboda.

We answered the roll call by telling certain things we learned about patterns. One of our members was absent.

Two demonstrations were given. They were the overcoat button hole by Betty and Bernice Halmes and how to set in a sleeve by Bessie Svoboda and Hertha Potschies.

Our motto for these demonstrations was "Better Sew Once Than Hear Hundred Times."

After the meeting, we adjourned and sang songs. Delicious refreshments were served by our hostess.

Our next meeting will be at the home of Wilma Tritsch.

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Racketeering in Rural Nebraska in Early Days

WPA Writers Dig Up Interesting Information About Audacious Practices of Eighties

Racketeers came early to Nebraska, say research workers of the Federal Writers' Project, WPA.

Some of the racketeers were minor, some of them serious. Audacious but rather inoffensive was the "lamp inspector" racket, coming into prominence in the year 1885, or thereabouts.

A herd law in effect about the same time provided another opportunity for a minor racket. Under this law, cattle going onto cultivated land were trespassers.

A somewhat more serious racket, but one with a touch of poetic justice about it, was the racehorse racket.

In the days of unregistered racehorses, and of racetrack sports at county fairs, there would appear a boy, his "paw" and a hard looking horse to take all bets.

In spite of knotty knees, a shaggy coat, and a generally broken down appearance, the horse was a genuine "wind splitter."

Still another was the note signing racket. This was usually worked by a "chopper" in clerical broadcloth and white.

The most serious racket, however, was that pulled by confidence men pretending to buy a farm.

One of the pair bought a farm at the farmer's price, paying from fifty to one hundred dollars down to bind the bargain.

CHANGE TO STOP WRANGLING LINCOLN, Aug. 6 (UP)—Irl D. Tolen, democratic candidate for state railway commissioner, in a campaign statement today, asserted that Chairman Floyd L. Bollen, who is seeking renomination on the same ticket should be replaced in the interests of harmony.

Tolen said the commission has been engaged in "constant quarreling and wrangling with Bollen always involved."

"A continuation of Bollen on the commission means one of two things," Tolen continued. "Either the people will demand that the body be abolished or it will be turned back to control of republicans."

Democrats should nominate a candidate who is above the caliber of moody personal quarrels.

NO RIGHT SIDE

NEW YORK, Aug. 6 (UP)—"Wrong Way" Corrigan does not believe there is a "right" side to the civil war in Spain.

Asked today if reports that he had shaken hands with returning loyalist fliers aboard the vessel Manhattan indicated he favored that cause, as interpreted by the communist press:

"If communists are fighting fascists, there is no right side."