

HUGE BANKING PLAN PROPOSED

Would Take over All Nebraska State Banks and Pay Guaranty Deficit

LINCOLN, NEB.—(UP)—Representatives of New York banking interests, whose identity is guarded, have been in Lincoln and Omaha for several days sounding out financial and political sentiment with respect to a proposal for a giant state bank.

The proposal is lacking in details but in brief it is that the state will be asked to grant an exclusive franchise for a state bank to be located in either Lincoln or Omaha, or possibly in both, and as a consideration therefore, the corporation will pay off in full all of the guaranty fund deficit, amounting possibly to \$25,000,000, and agree to operate thereafter under that law. The plan is expected to be submitted to the next legislature.

The plan is for a giant state bank with a capital of \$20,000,000 or more with which will be merged all of the existing state banks, whose charters apparently are to be cancelled or surrendered. Each of the state banks in the other cities and towns of the state is to be a branch of the central institution. These banks will be purchased through an interchange of stock, and the proposal is to allow these, where they are now in capable hands, to be operated as at present, but strictly on the branch bank plan.

The model proposed to be followed is that in effect in Canada, where there is one provincial bank in each province, with branches elsewhere. The argument advanced for it is that it will completely stabilize the state banking situation by assuring that the system will be operated on a profit making business through the weeding out of unnecessary duplications.

JUDGE ROSS CANDIDATE FOR HIGH COURT AGAIN

LINCOLN—(UP)—A petition entering Justice William B. Rose of the supreme court in the non-political primary for justice from the first judicial district, including the counties of Lancaster, Cass, Otoe, Johnson, Pawnee, Nemaha and Richardson, was filed Thursday with the secretary of state.

Justice Rose was appointed in 1907 by Governor Sheldon when another judge was added to the supreme court. He was thrice re-elected by the people of the state and six years ago when the state had been redistricted, was elected from the First district.

GAS TAX COLLECTIONS SHOW MARKED INCREASE

LINCOLN—(UP)—The gasoline tax collections during October, on September sales, totalled \$725,985, State Treasurer William M. Stebbins reported Thursday. This is a decrease from the high mark of \$947,608 which was collected for the preceding month. Last year October collections, under the old 2-cent tax, totalled \$355,536.

BAD LUCK APPEARS TO FOLLOW THIS FAMILY

CROFTON—(Special)—Among the diversities suffered by the Mrs. George Reunnikens family in recent months are: home destroyed by fire, granary destroyed in same manner in another fire, two horses killed by lightning, two cows died from strange disease, visited by chicken thieves twice, more than 200 young chickens being taken at one time.

GATHER WEATHER DATA FOR THE MAIL PLANES

OMAHA—Two movable weather bureaus will chug out of Omaha in a day or two for the great open spaces of western Nebraska and Wyoming.

There, in the vicinities of Alliance, Neb., and Casper, Wyo., four men, who are outfitted to meet "40 below" weather, blizzard or starvation, will watch clouds and meteorological conditions in general. For 24 hours a day they will gather and flash out by radio the data that is to make the world safe for airplanes.

These Byrdlike expeditions have been fitted up by the Boeing company to co-operate with the government service in providing latest news for mail pilots. When suitable sites are located, permanent stations will replace trucks to be used this winter.

Their reports will include such items as height of clouds, wind velocity and direction, temperature and barometer readings, and snowfall.

HE MUST ANSWER FOR ROBBERY FIVE YEARS AGO

M'COOK—(UP)—Red Willow county may yet exact a penalty for a robbery which took place here nearly five years ago. Hallie Burplow was recently convicted of burglary at Phoenix, Ariz., and will be returned here when his term expires to face charges of looting the Temple theater safe, Sheriff George McClain states. Burplow and a companion were arrested by McClain five years ago on charges of looting the theater. The money was recovered but the pair escaped from the old county jail and had been at large until the arrest of Burplow at Phoenix.

YOUTH PLEADS GUILTY BUT IS GIVEN FREEDOM

FALLS CITY—(UP)—Although he pleaded guilty to a grand larceny charge in justice court in connection with the theft of 45,000 cigars from the Missouri Pacific railroad, Harry Stover, 21 years old, was freed of the charge in district court upon a showing by the county attorney that the evidence was insufficient for prosecution.

In two other cases growing out of the same theft, George Clark and Walter Gunn, restaurant proprietors, were sentenced to 30 days each on misdemeanor charges.

MULES BOUGHT FOR FAR EAST

Nebraska Animals Soon to Be Sent British Government in India

OMAHA, NEB.—(UP)—One of the biggest peace time shipment of mules in history of this section is planned shortly by Frank Simpson, of Florence, Neb., who has gained the title of "Mule King" of Nebraska.

Simpson is to load at Florence and Fremont 20 carloads of Nebraska, Kansas and South Dakota mules for shipment to the British government in India. He plans to take along 13 carloads of Nebraska feed on which the animals will subsist until they become acclimated to Indian feeds.

There will be 520 animals in the shipment which will leave the two Nebraska points, November 1. They are to embark from New York, November 6.

In India the mules will be used for army and road building purposes.

"The British government has come to realize that Nebraska and the Dakotas raise the best mules in the world, far surpassing their Missouri brothers," Simpson declared.

Each animal is thoroughly inspected by British agents before it is accepted, Simpson said. The animals must pass certain rigid requirements as to height, weight and pulling ability.

FORMER NEBRASKA MAN KILLED BY OWN GUN

LINCOLN—(UP)—Joseph M. Swensen, city attorney of Burlington, Colo., and former mayor of that city, was found dead near Burlington yesterday afternoon, according to word reaching here.

Swensen, a graduate of the University of Nebraska in 1908, was found hanging on a fence and a charge from a gun had pierced his heart. Death was held to be due to accidental discharge of the weapon.

Coming to the United States from Sweden when 13 years of age, he lived near Oakland, Neb., and worked his way through high school in Omaha and at the University of Nebraska. He practiced law in Sidney, Neb., until 1916 when he went to Burlington, Colo., as a real estate agent. He is said to have owned between 8,000 and 10,000 acres of land near Burlington.

NEBRASKA RANGE CATTLE IN BETTER CONDITION

LINCOLN—(UP)—Cattlemen have fared better than sheep raisers in the western range country, according to the state and federal departments of agriculture statistics. Feed costs and losses have been lighter for the cattlemen and prices, while lower than those of the past year, are favorable, compared to recent years. The western Nebraska range country is particularly favorable.

The western Nebraska range is said to be one of the few areas in the western range section having a favorable outlook, marred only by low cattle prices. Western Nebraska's hay and forage supplies are declared sufficient for intended needs, while in most other sections of the range district, the feed situation is less favorable than for last year.

ATTORNEY GENERAL TO DEFENSE GUARANTY LAW

LINCOLN—(UP)—Claims that the state banks seeking to have declared void the special assessments of the bank guaranty fund act, have failed to do equity to depositors were made in the reply brief filed Thursday by Attorney General C. A. Sorensen before the supreme court in the state's appeal from the decision in the Abie bank case.

Sorensen also claimed that the banks have failed to establish any basis in fact for the law to be declared invalid and that the supreme court of the United States has adjudicated every question raised in the Abie bank case, which was decided in favor of the bankers by Judge Lincoln Frost of the Lancaster county district court.

The case will be argued before the supreme court Friday.

ANOTHER BRIDGE NEBRASKA CITY—(UP)—

Work on the construction of the Wau-bonsie bridge across the Missouri river here is soon to be under way, according to announcement made by officers of the Wau-bonsie Bridge company.

Assurance of the completion of the project was given Wednesday when it was announced that Nebraska City's pledge to subscribe \$300,000 worth of stock in the bridge had been filled.

Settlement of a right-of-way across the Iowa bottoms is now in process and is expected soon to result in an agreement that will remove the last obstacle in the way of the new bridge. It is expected a hard surfaced highway will have been completed to the east approach of the bridge by the time the bridge is ready for traffic.

CORN STALK PAPER PLANT TALK REVIVED

OMAHA—(UP)—Plans for starting a cornstalk pulp plant here were revived following return from Chicago of Commissioner Glen Eastburn of Omaha, Chamber of Commerce. Eastburn conferred with Earl Harding, executive of Corn Stalk Products company of New York. Eastburn said eastern capitalists realize that Omaha, located in the middle of the corn belt, is logical place for such a factory. A movement to start a plant began about a year ago but promoters decided the time was not ripe.

CHOSE ELOPEMENT TO BRILLIANT WEDDING

OMAHA—(UP)—Younger members of the Italian colony breathed sighs of relief with announcement that Josephine Beninato, 19 years old, and Julius Digillo, 21, had eloped to Logan, Ia., Tuesday. The wedding followed a series of jiltings on the part of Josephine, who explained on her return that she loved no one but Julius but had to carry on a series of intrigues to land him.

Josephine was to have married Tony Ciancio in a brilliant church wedding here Wednesday. The elopement of course cancelled that event.

But Tony isn't the only one Josephine has left "waiting at the church." There was Julius himself, who was jilted on two occasions, and a handsome visitor from New York, to whom she had given her promises only to break them at the last moment.

CAR ACCIDENT CAUSES DEATH

Wakefield, Neb., Young Woman Loses Her Life at Los Angeles

WAKEFIELD, NEB.—(Special)—Edith Johnson, 26 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Alfred Johnson, was killed in an automobile accident at Los Angeles, Cal., last Saturday. The body will be brought to Wakefield where funeral services are planned for the last of the week.

No details of the accident are obtainable, except that she was riding with two other young women, and that one of the others was seriously injured.

Miss Johnson was a graduate of Iowa State college at Ames and had held the position of dietitian in a Los Angeles hospital for three years.

BELIEVE FOSSILIZED BONES ARE OF WOMAN AND BABE

NORFOLK—Fossilized bones believed by some who have seen them, to be the bones of a woman holding a child, were unearthed by a road grading crew near Naper, and now are on display here.

The bones are imbedded in limestone and the belief is expressed that they are of prehistoric origin, some asserting that they were deposited during the pre-glacial period. The imprint suggests that the woman was of immense stature, estimates being that she was 10 feet tall.

The stone and fossils are about four feet long and a foot and a half wide. The form is said to be very plain. One ear can be seen on the left side of the head. The shoulders are large and the arms appear to be holding a baby, the fingers showing very little. Some who viewed the bones believe they are those of a very low order of the human or of a huge gorilla.

MINNESOTA YOUTH IS SENTENCED IN NEBRASKA

AUBURN—(UP)—Adrian Stearns, 15 years old, of St. Cloud, Minn., on pleading guilty to a charge of robbing an oil station here on the night of October 14, was sentenced to serve in the state industrial school at Kearney until he is 21 years old. The sentence was passed by District Judge Raper, Tuesday.

Stearns and Robert Prettyman, 17, also of St. Cloud, were arrested after a running gun battle on the highway near Falls City during which both youths were slightly injured by buckshot.

Perryman is held in jail pending trial in the term of court opening November 15.

OLD BUSINESS HOUSE CLOSED BY CREDITORS

WAKEFIELD—(Special)—The Theo. Carlson company closed its doors the first of the week, the stock having been taken over by creditors. The company has been in business 39 years and for years was the largest business place here. It conducted a general mercantile business the entire time.

MAKE PLANS FOR STATE MUSIC CONTEST

LINCOLN—The annual state music contest will be held at Hastings May 2 and 3, according to announcement by Carol M. Pitts, chairman of the Nebraska High School Music association.

District contests will be held the latter part of March at six different places in the state. High schools will be permitted to enter the contest at the nearest place, regardless of whether or not the town is in their district.

District chairmen who are arranging these contests are: No. 1, Mrs. Beulah Ochsner, supervisor of music at Sutton; No. 2, Price Doyle, Teachers college at Peru; No. 3, E. P. Sedapp, superintendent at Emerson; No. 4, Fred Schneider, superintendent of schools at Loup City; No. 5, Miss Gladys Tipton, supervisor of music at McCook; No. 6, Miss Elmira Seovel, State Teachers college at Chadron.

The state committee is composed of Mrs. Pitts, J. H. Rennick, supervisor of music at Fairfield; Mathew Shoemaker, supervisor of music at York; Miss Vera Robertson, superintendent of music at Wahoo.

WANTS O'CONNOR ESTATE TURNED OVER TO STATE

LINCOLN—(UP)—Hoping to bring to a close the long years of litigation over the estate of John O'Connor, Attorney General C. A. Sorensen was to go to Hastings Wednesday to appear in county court to ask that the \$100,000 estate be turned over to the state under the escheat law.

Alleged heirs have sought for the last 15 years to prove their claims to this property but courts have all disallowed their claims.

The 15-year-old cobbler died in state.

BUSINESS HAS GOOD INCREASE

Federal Reserve Report Gives Nebraska Much Better Showing

KANSAS CITY, MO.—(UP)—With the volume of business showing a seasonal gain in September over August, the Tenth Federal Reserve district, of which Nebraska is a part, showed a larger volume of business last month than in September of 1928, the Federal Reserve bank of Kansas City reported Tuesday.

"Improvement in conditions for agriculture throughout this regional district in the early fall reflected by late reports of the department of agriculture, was a favorable factor affecting the general situation," the report stated. "The forecast as of October 1, showed a gain of 3.6 per cent during the month in the composite yields of all crops, with an increase of 36,238,000 bushels in the corn estimate over the September 1 figure and larger yields of other important fall crops."

The composite of yields of 1929 crops in Nebraska is rated at 101.2 per cent as compared with 93.3 per cent for the seven states of the district and 95.9 per cent for the United States. Nebraska crop condition showed an improvement of 5.6 per cent for the month of September. Indications were for higher yields of corn, spring wheat, oats, barley grain sorghums, potatoes and sugar beets than were forecast for one month earlier. Nebraska's corn crop is estimated at 221,137,000 bushels and the total estimated crop of the seven states is 412,395,000 bushels.

PART OF ESTATE LAND SOLD AT AUCTION

BLOOMFIELD, NEB.—(Special)—A part of the Mary Sullivan estate, the E. M. Jones farm of 160 acres five miles northeast of Bloomfield was sold at auction to A. N. Swanson for \$90 an acre. The farm is one of the best in this section. At the same auction the John Grohman farm was offered but did not sell.

BELIEVE GRAND ISLAND MAN JUMPED INTO RIVER

GRAND ISLAND—(UP)—The possibility that Paul J. Hartsough, Grand Island automobile man, may have committed suicide at East St. Louis, Ill., is being investigated by local officers.

A telegram from the chief of police of East St. Louis was received here late Monday and read: "Coat and papers, signed Paul J. Hartsough, also note threatening suicide, found on bridge spanning Mississippi river. Notify wife and send description."

Local officers are investigating the suicide threat on the possibility that it may be a ruse on the part of Hartsough.

For more than a week Hartsough has been gone from here and his relatives disclaim any knowledge of where he may be. Sheriff C. J. Palmer holds a warrant for his arrest in connection with automobile transactions.

Hartsough broke the news about a year ago that he had submitted a bid for the purchase of the Velle plant at Moline, Ill., under terms involving the payment of about \$500,000 in cash. Although his offer was accepted, he found himself unable to finance the transaction.

Sheriff Palmer said Hartsough has on several occasions threatened to commit suicide. Mrs. Hartsough said he had been worrying over financial matters.

BAND OF INDIANS AT ALLIANCE CELEBRATION

ALLIANCE—Several thousand people, many coming from as far as 50 miles away crowded Alliance streets Saturday for the annual fall festival, an event held annually in celebration of the potato harvest.

Band concerts, acrobatic and clown stunts, sports and games on a roped off section of the business section all took up the day. A large band of Sioux Indians from the Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota swung their tomahawks, and pranced about to the beat of tom toms. A professional tight wire walker performed on a single strand 70 feet above the street.

remain mules, and subject to sudden fits of temperament. When her two "aged and gentle" mules heard a Chicago and Alton train whistle at a crossing, Mrs. E. Tighe said in a petition, they ran away, permanently injuring her. She is suing the railroad for \$35,000.

MEDICAL SOCIETY TO MEET AT WAYNE OCT. 31

WAYNE—(Special)—Wayne will be host to the Fourth Council district of the Nebraska State Medical association, October 31. About 50 doctors from 11 counties will meet at Hotel Stratton for the convention. The five-county medical meeting will be in session on that date also. Speakers will be Dr. John Prentiss Lord, of Omaha; Dr. John Buis, of Pender; Dr. Walter Bentback, of Pierre, and Dr. A. F. O'Donoghue, of Sioux City. Dr. A. E. Cook, of Randolph, is counselor of the fourth district. Officers of the five-county organization are: president, Dr. Gramlich, of Walthill, and secretary, Dr. Phillips, of Dixon.

CHILD FATALLY HURT WHEN STOVE EXPLODES

LINCOLN—(UP)—Her skull fractured by pieces of metal hurled when a stove exploded, Rose Mary Tibbets, 6 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Tibbets, living near Lincoln, is in a critical condition and little hope is held for her recovery.

The blast occurred early Sunday after Tibbets had closed the lower draft in a kitchen range. Pieces of the stove were hurled in all directions and two heavy pieces struck the child.

WINSIDE PEOPLE HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

WINSIDE—(Special)—Frank Kurlmeyer drove into the ditch demolishing his car, injuring two of its four occupants, two of them seriously when he attempted to avoid a collision with two cars racing abreast around a blind curve on the Grainland Highway, six miles west of here at 12:30 o'clock Saturday night. Joe Cadwallader was cut about the face and had several cuts on the head so that it was necessary to take more than 50 stitches and send him to a hospital at Norfolk. Earl Carr was knocked unconscious and badly bruised. Frank Kurlmeyer was cut about the face. John Evers the other occupant was uninjured.

NEBRASKA HAS MORE TURKEYS

The State's 25 Commercial Raisers Responsible for the Increase

LINCOLN, NEB.—(UP)—There are 5 per cent more turkeys being fattened on Nebraska farms this year than last year, the federal and state agricultural statistics department reports.

Of the Nebraska turkey crop, 58 per cent will be ready for the Thanksgiving tables, 32 per cent will be ready for Christmas feasting and 10 per cent will be ready for later holidays.

Nebraska now has 25 larger commercial growers who are responsible for the increase in production of turkeys. Since most of the increase production in western states will be sold and shipped in carload lots, they will probably have a relatively greater effort on the turkey market situation than increases in other areas.

BURGLAR INSURANCE CASE INTO HIGH COURT

LINCOLN—(Special)—The supreme court has set November 6 as the date for hearing arguments on the appeal from a decision of the district court of Holt county in the case of Mike S. Abdalla against the Merchants Mutual Burglary Insurance company of Omaha. Abdalla was issued a burglary insurance policy in the amount of \$2,000 upon his stock of merchandise at O'Neill, April 1, 1927, and on December 29, 1927, at the time of the alleged burglary, a fire broke out in the store, and the loss of goods is alleged to have been discovered by Abdalla after the city fire department had extinguished the flames. Abdalla claims his loss was \$2,018, and asked the court for a judgment of \$2,000 plus 7 per cent interest and \$500 attorney fees. A jury rendered a verdict for \$1,000 and interest.

The insurance company claims that Abdalla misrepresented his stock of merchandise when he made application for the insurance and that had it known his statements were untrue it would not have issued the policy. The company offered Abdalla the \$40 premium he had paid on the policy and asked the court to cancel the policy.

Abdalla declares that the insurance company knew all the facts concerning his stock of merchandise, that it filled out the application for his policy and that he did not know its contents until action was started in court.

STANTON COUNTY CASE IN SUPREME COURT

LINCOLN, NEB.—Arguments will be heard in the supreme court, November 5, in the appeal from Stanton county in the case of John Hilliard Peters against the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company and William F. and Emma Schulz. Peters claims that he is owner of a farm in Stanton county which was left him by his father's will. He asked the court to give him \$1200 per year for the use of the land by Schulz since March 1, 1925.

Schulz also claims title to the land by right of purchase from the Stanton National bank for a consideration of \$40,000. He says that there was a mortgage of \$12,500 on the land and that he assumed this and paid the bank \$27,500, in return for which he received a warranty deed from the bank. He disclaims knowledge of any claim to the land by Peters at the time of the transaction and asserts that he has spent huge sums in improving the premises.

As president of the bank, Andrew Spence had produced a warranty deed from Peters to the land in payment of a \$36,000 mortgage. He borrowed money for the bank from the Northwestern Mutual Insurance company and gave a mortgage on the land for \$12,500. He later deeded the property to the bank.

The district court found in favor of Schulz and the insurance company.

ENDANGERS HEALTH SPIRIT LAKE

COMMUNICATION from the Spirit Lake town council, declaring that millions of fish killed in Iowa great lakes have become a menace to the health of the entire community, the state board of health, represented by M. J. Lonergan and P. H. Houser, has made a thorough investigation of the condition of the water of upper Gar lake.

They found the water to contain no oxygen, due to decaying algae in the lake. Oldest inhabitants declare the unbearable stench is far worse this year than at any other time in their memory.

WINNEBAGO YOUTH IS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

WINNEBAGO—Marvin Hubert, 15 years old, was seriously injured here late Saturday afternoon when a .22-caliber bullet, said to have been fired accidentally from a rifle, struck him in the right side.

The bullet emerged from the boy's left side, Dr. R. A. Newton, of Walthill, who is attending the youth, said that Marvin rested well following an operation. His condition is serious but he has a fair chance to recover, the physician said.

SEEK RELEASE CONVICTED MAN

Nine of Jurors Who Found Him Guilty Sign His Petition

LINCOLN, NEB.—(UP)—With nine of the jurors who convicted him being listed among the petitioners who are seeking commutation of his sentence, Victor E. Broquet, former village marshal of Wilsonville, will appear before the board of pardons November 12, it is announced.

Broquet was convicted of manslaughter in connection with the death of Bert Wagner. The shooting occurred when Broquet was called to a Wilsonville home because Wagner, said to have been in an intoxicated condition, was annoying some women. After Wagner is said to have refused to obey Broquet and after the latter telephoned to Beaver City for the Furnas county sheriff, Broquet shot Wagner with a sawed off shotgun. The former village marshal now is seeking commutation of his sentence of one year. He was committed to the penitentiary April 17, 1929. Sentenced to three years originally, the supreme court reduced the sentence to one year.

In affidavits that several of the jurors signed, it is claimed that Broquet is of an excitable nature and they said the homicide was done while the city marshal was performing his duties. The first vote showed a majority of the jurors were for acquittal but their intention was called to the instructions of the court which ruled if it was found the defendant used more force than a prudent man would use, a guilty verdict must be returned.

GIVEN PERMISSION TO ISSUE NEW BONDS

LINCOLN—(Special)—Authority was given by the state railway commission to the Northwestern Public Service company, of Huron, S. D., to issue 14,500 shares of no par common stock to sell at not less than \$70 a share and 3,000 shares of 6 per cent preferred stock which is to be sold at not less than \$73. The latter stock may be used to retire outstanding 7 per cent preferred stock, either by purchase or exchange.

The company has spent \$1,318,545 during the 15-month period ending July 31, 1929, for new construction. Some of this money was borrowed and some drawn from the reserves and surplus. The concern now wishes to increase its liquid reserves.

Gross revenues for the last 12 months were \$1,182,545. Its expenses, taxes, depreciation, etc., totalled \$720,064. This leaves a net income of \$462,859. Dividends to the amount of \$363,824 were expended and the remainder was placed in the surplus. Dividends of \$18,000 will be called for by the new stock, but interest charges will be decreased \$55,000. The company operates plants in Columbus and North Platte, Neb.

DEPOSITORS OF 13 CLOSED BANKS GET DIVIDENDS

LINCOLN—(UP)—Depositors of 13 failed state banks have been paid \$205,055.77 in dividends since October 6. Secretary Clarence Bliss, of the department of trade and commerce, announces.

Those banks paying dividends, the per cent of the dividends and the amount are: State bank of Champion, 30 per cent, \$7,465.23; Citizens State bank of Martinsburg, 25 per cent, \$5,812.20; Lincoln State bank, 15 per cent, \$10,754.66; Nebraska State bank of Bridgeport, 20 per cent, \$28,694.92; Farmers and Merchants bank of Sterling, 18 per cent, \$12,753.95; Nebraska State bank of Republican City, 10 per cent, \$3,999.71; Farmers State bank of Bloomington, 10 per cent, \$7,015.63; Maxwell State bank, 10 per cent, \$10,467.12; Lamar State bank, 12 per cent, \$7,778.64; Farmers State bank of Stella, 25 per cent, \$18,130.01; American State bank, Big Springs, 100 per cent, \$61,860.63; State bank of Havens, 25 per cent, \$6,766.54; State bank of Humboldt, 15 per cent, \$23,556.23.

PLAN NEW BRIDGE ACROSS PLATE RIVER

OMAHA—(UP)—A new bridge across the Platte at Louisville was assured when Omaha business men subscribed \$40,000 at a meeting here Wednesday night. Total cost of the structure is \$175,000. The bridge will be paid for by tolls and is expected to be free from incumbrance within six years.

NO BLAME ATTACHED FOR DEATH OF OMAHA JUDGE

OMAHA—(UP)—Mrs. E. R. Porter, wife of a physician, was exonerated by a coroner's jury here of blame in connection with death of District Judge A. C. Troup who died from injuries sustained when struck by a car driven by Mrs. Porter.

THREE YOUTHS CHARGED WITH ASSAULTING GIRL

AUBURN—(UP)—Clark Foyt, Verne Leichter, and Ross Jennings, Auburn high school youths, will be given a preliminary hearing in court here Friday morning on charges of assault, filed by the parents of Mildred Carsh, high school girl. The alleged assault is said to have occurred after the youths offered to take the girl and a girl friend home following a school function a week ago. The youths were released under \$1,000 bond each.