

Weaver will Name Committee for Aid

Group to Co-operate With Other States and Government; Action on Return.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Governor A. J. Weaver will take steps to appoint a general committee to co-operate with other states and the federal government in co-ordinated drought relief as soon as he returns to Lincoln, he said here tonight just before leaving for Nebraska.

Carrying out the president's program, Weaver said he would name representatives of the state on a drought relief committee comprising a leading citizen as chairman and a state agricultural official, a leading banker, a farm spokesman and probably a railroad official. The committee's duty will be, he said, a national program of furnishing forage and food to the worst-affected areas. Weaver has informed the White House that Nebraska stands ready to cut and transport wild hay into needy regions.

Discusses Waterways.

The Nebraska governor wound up his two-day visit today with a short interview with the president, a discussion of upper Missouri river development and the reservoir system of flood control with General Lytle Brown, chief of army engineers and an hour's conference with Chairman Alexander Legge of the federal farm board.

Governor Weaver received a telegram while here from the Omaha Chamber of Commerce requesting him to attend a meeting in Omaha later this month when General Brown visits the city on an inspection tour of the Missouri.

His talk with General Brown followed a visit to the secretary of war Thursday to urge that navigation development of the upper Missouri be expedited. Besides discussing the same topic today with General Brown, Weaver also urged that the army engineers give full consideration to the plan for reservoir flood control of tributary waters.

"Very Responsive."

Weaver said following his conference that General Brown is "very responsive" to the plea of mid-western states for development of the inland waterways. The governor especially cited the recent demand for water from Dawson county growers as proof of the economic advantage of water storage for irrigation as well as for flood control.

Weaver's conference with Chairman Legge was at the request of the farm board head, who desired further information in the possibility of utilizing Nebraska forage surplus if it is needed. Legge expects to give further attention to this problem, Weaver said.—World-Herald.

NORRIS WINS IN OWN PARTY

Lincoln, Aug. 15.—Analyzing last Tuesday's senatorial primary election in Nebraska, the Lincoln Star said Friday that no more than 7,500 Democratic votes were cast for Senator George W. Norris and had these votes been cast for candidates within that party the senator would have had a margin of 24,000 over W. M. Stebbins.

The Star figures are based upon a compromise vote cast for this office in 1930 and in 1928 when Senator R. B. Howell was up for re-nomination and many Democrats aided him.

On this basis the newspaper figured that 3.5 per cent more of the state's entire vote went into the Republican primary in 1930 than two years ago, assuming, in that manner, that the fraction of the G. O. P. vote was for Democrats who left their own ranks to support Senator Norris.

John Curtis Quits Railway Commission

He Joins Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power Co.; Denies 'Reward' To Live in Lincoln.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 15.—John E. Curtis, chairman of the Nebraska railway commission, today announced his resignation from that body effective September 1, to accept a position with the Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power company with headquarters in Lincoln.

Chairman Curtis has been a member of the commission for nearly three years. By appointment he filled the unexpired term of H. G. Taylor and was elected for the remaining two years of Curtis's tenure.

Prior to his appointment, Curtis had been secretary to the commission for seven years. His position with the power company, he stated, will be as industrial director and general manager for the Lincoln district which embraces Lancaster county. In the latter capacity he succeeds Charles C. Helmers who becomes assistant to the president.

To Study Natural Gas.

Adoption by the city of Lincoln of a natural gas franchise, Curtis explained, prompted him to resign prior to the expiration of his term in January. He had previously withdrawn as candidate for re-election when he first considered acceptance of the new position.

By joining the utility company in

September, Curtis said, he will have ample time to familiarize himself with the industry and with the development of the local plant with the advent of natural gas.

"In accepting the appointment I have no hesitancy for it nowise savors of political reward," he said. "It may not be generally understood but it is true that the railway commission has limited jurisdiction over electric utility companies and during the years I have served upon the commission this company has not appeared with any important matters which I have been called upon to decide."

Weaver May Appoint.

The commission, he added, has a penitentiary duty to perform in the matter of construction of rural lines and in these matters only has the commission considered problems from time to time, having no jurisdiction in fixing rates.

His resignation will leave a vacancy until January though it may be filled by Governor Weaver by appointment until that time, when the candidate elected in November takes office.—World-Herald.

Iowa Paves 238 Miles During Past Month

State Spends \$10,000,000 to Improve Highways, Auditor Asserts—Cloths Classified

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 14.—Expenditure of nearly 10 million dollars on Iowa's primary roads in July brought the completion of 238.45 miles of paving, a record for the state. In addition, a large amount of grading and graveling was finished.

This was disclosed Thursday in the monthly highway audit submitted to J. W. Long, state auditor. It showed that \$9,678,111.68 was spent for construction and maintenance of the primary road system during July.

Expenditures were classified as follows: Excavation, \$1,278,877.12; graveling, \$69,184.48; paving, \$7,097,429; tiling, \$310.41; railroad crossings, \$51,440.98; right of way, \$256,612.76; bridges, \$490,967.35; engineering, \$151,629.42; materials, \$61.23, and maintenance, \$281,593.92.

Of this amount, Long reported, \$4,274,772.14 was paid from the primary road fund and \$5,403,339.54 from the road bond fund. Receipts in the primary road fund were obtained from the following sources: Balance July 1, \$3,355,199.95; gas tax, \$175,000; motor vehicle licenses, \$259,043.35; federal aid receipts, \$128,498.21; refunds, \$1,497,355.60.

The report showed that \$80,940,575.83 had been received from county road bonds sold to July 31. The bond fund had a balance of \$4,377,829.63 at the end of July. The bridge and culvert refund account was increased to \$2,365,910.72 during the month by the collection of \$320,751.06 gasoline tax. No expenditures were made.—World-Herald.

UNIFORM CHILD LABOR LAW BENIG DRAFTED

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 12.—A uniform child labor law is being formulated here today but it holds no threat for the little chap who carries your golf clubs, the lad who shines your shoes, or the one from whom you buy your newspaper.

So-called street trades were exempted from the suggested statute being considered by the national conference of commissioners on uniform state laws, holding its fortieth annual session. There were too many pleas from the "boys who made good" business professional men who "remembered when."

The statute would, however, remove another familiar figure from the streets at night. It would prohibit persons under 21 from being messengers between 8 p. m. and 6 a. m. Moreover, it would put a taboo on the performances of child prodigies who flash before the public as violinists, actors and whatnots.

Only the street trades would be open to boys and girls. Motor vehicle operators are urged by the governor to put their vehicles in safe running order and to obey all traffic laws. All organized groups meeting in the week are advised to devote a part of their programs to safety and accident prevention.

In 28 days of July, Governor Weaver pointed out, 1,257 severe accident casualties occurred in Nebraska. One hundred and seven persons were killed, 1,150 were seriously injured, perhaps permanently disabled. In the first six months of 1930, he declared, 408 persons were killed, and 4,933 were injured.

Mrs. Harry Beller of Aurora, Illinois, is in the city to enjoy a visit with the old time friends for a short time as well as to look after some matters of business. A few of the large Cass county maps left at the Journal office.

INDUSTRIAL NOTES

The following record of industrial activity lists items showing investment of capital, employment of labor and business activities and opportunities. Information from which the paragraphs are prepared is from local papers, usually of towns mentioned, and may be considered generally correct.

Scottsbluff—Building on corner of Sixteenth Street and Broadway, formerly occupied by Irrigators bank, will be remodeled.

Bids opened for fencing State Game reserve, recently purchased by Nebraska Game and Park Commission in Stage hill vicinity.—Scotts Bluff Republican.

Scottsbluff—Contract let to Ernest Leafgreen for construction of four-story office building for Western Public Service Company.

Bladen—Franchise granted to Western Public Service Company to extend their power lines into this city.

Paxton—Bids opened for painting schoolhouse in District No. 29.

Wausa—Chemical fire truck arrived here.

Bladen—Graveling one and one-half mile north of here to county line will start soon.

Trenton—Miniature golf course opened to public here.

Clarks—Miniature golf course being erected on lot east of power house.

Wisner—Plans being made for Cuming County Fair.

Daykin—Grading started on third mile of Grain Growers highway westward from brick church.

Ullysses—Byron Morey rented George Dobson building on west side of town and will open furniture store and mortuary equipment.

Campbell—Platte Valley Development Co. received contract to drill well for local waterworks.

Adams—Village board let contract for new waterworks system to cost \$25,500.

Creighton—Cooling system installed at Lyric Theatre.

Humboldt—Work started on Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power Company's electrical transmission line from Davis corner four miles south of town to Table Rock.

Niobrara—Actual construction work started on bridge site here.

Lyons—Plans discussed by Board of Education for new school building to be erected adjoining present structure, to cost approximately \$55,000.

Tekamah—Tekamah Cooperative Creamery business doubled over first week of operation.

Lyons—Lyons Cooperation Creamery purchased 187,418 pounds butter fat during year and paid producer \$66,679,860.

Tekamah—Tom Thumb Golf Course being constructed across street from Elm Park.

Red Cloud—Oil well being drilled by Mid-States Exploration company.

Lincoln—State Highway Department will let contracts valued at approximately \$750,000 during August.

Walthill—Board granted franchise to Central States Electric Company to lay mains and supply this village with natural gas.

Plattsmouth—Contract will be let soon for overhead crossings on Highway No. 75 passing through this city at La Platte and Fort Crook railroad crossings.

Springfield—Bids opened for painting water tower and tank.

Paving first five miles of Highway No. 75 south of Nebraska City, completed.

Peru—Miniature golf course being constructed on south side of Loyal Pharmacy.

Plattsmouth—Hotel Riley being improved.

Beatrice—Company formed with capital of \$100,000, to lease land near town for development of airport.

Crawford—Crawford Cooperative Grain company completed organization and now ready to receive wheat.

Merriman—"Monitor" is name of new paper being published in this community.

Clarkson—Work completed on extensions to local water mains.

Nebraska City—Steel work on Wabouner bridge across Missouri river here, completed.

Imperial—Bids opened for general heating, plumbing and electrical fixtures at Imperial Community Hospital.

Stamford—Test oil well to be drilled on Perly Newton pasture by Sappo Creek Oil and Gas Corporation.

Scribner—Murphy Gravel company graveling streets here.

Elm Creek—Platte Service station opened across river.

North Platte—KGNF, new radio station, started broadcasting.

Kearney—Work started on paving Lincoln Highway west of here.

Bridgeport—Electric oven installed in Bridgeport Bakery.

Kearney—State Normal Board purchased furniture at cost of more than \$10,000 for new dormitory here.

Upwards of \$550,000 in cash was distributed recently among beet field laborers in Great Western Sugar company territory in Nebraska.—Bridgeport, News-Blade.

Curtis—Tipton Cafe taken over by C. L. Covey.

Madison—City Bakery installed new fixtures.

1930 FRUIT YIELD IS 18 PER CENT LARGER THAN 1929

Washington, D. C., Aug. 14.—The 1930 yield of all fruits was estimated today by the department of agriculture on the basis of August 1 reports to be 18 per cent above the 1929 crop but 10 per cent less than the 10-year average.

"The increase over last year is noticeable in all crops," the department said. "The greatest percentage increase is in prunes and plums, largely grown in California. The grape and citrus crops are considerably above last year's production. The California fruit crops in 1929 were reduced sharply by frozes; and, with the favorable conditions prevailing in that state during the present season, the increase above 1929 has been most marked.

"The largest portion of the country's fruit supply is grown outside the areas of greatest drought damage and these crops for the country as a whole have not been affected as seriously as some of the grains."

Gretna Bank Robbers are Still at Large

Trace of Trio of Robbers Lost After They Leave Gretna Headed North on DLD

The three bandits who robbed the Bank of Gretna of \$7,000 in gold and currency shortly before noon Thursday had apparently dodged or "run" the tight cordon Omaha police and county officers had drawn over every road. The trio was not seen again after darting from Gretna by a side road in an automobile.

Boldly but cleverly two of the trio staged the holdup at 11:45 a. m., picking up all available money and then locking two officers and a patron of the bank in the vault. Then the gunmen walked half a block from the rear entrance of the bank, down an alley to their waiting car, and were whisked away by a chauffeur.

Woman Sees Flight. Miss Adia Baker of 3339 Ames avenue, Omaha, was the only person who saw the bandits leave. She was not aware that they had held up the bank.

Miss Baker and several others saw the robbers drive out of town by a side road which connects with the DLD highway. They are believed to have driven north either to Omaha or Fremont, and it is asserted, may be hidden in Omaha.

Threaten Girl. A. R. Stelling, assistant cashier, and Grana Hughes, daughter of the cashier, were in front cages when the two bandits entered.

The bandits covered Miss Hughes and Stelling, and told them to lie down quietly. They complied. The bandits waited until P. J. Langdon, assistant cashier who was in charge, came from the back room, and they commanded him to lie down beside the other two.

The bandits went through the cages and safe, gathering currency and some cash. Then they ordered the trio to go into the vault, not to turn on the alarm, or try to get out for 5 minutes.

Wait for Customer. Just as one of the bandits was about to close the door of the vault, the other called to him to wait a minute.

M. H. Peters, farmer, was just walking into the bank. At the point of a gun he was forced to join the others in the vault. He accepted with alacrity.

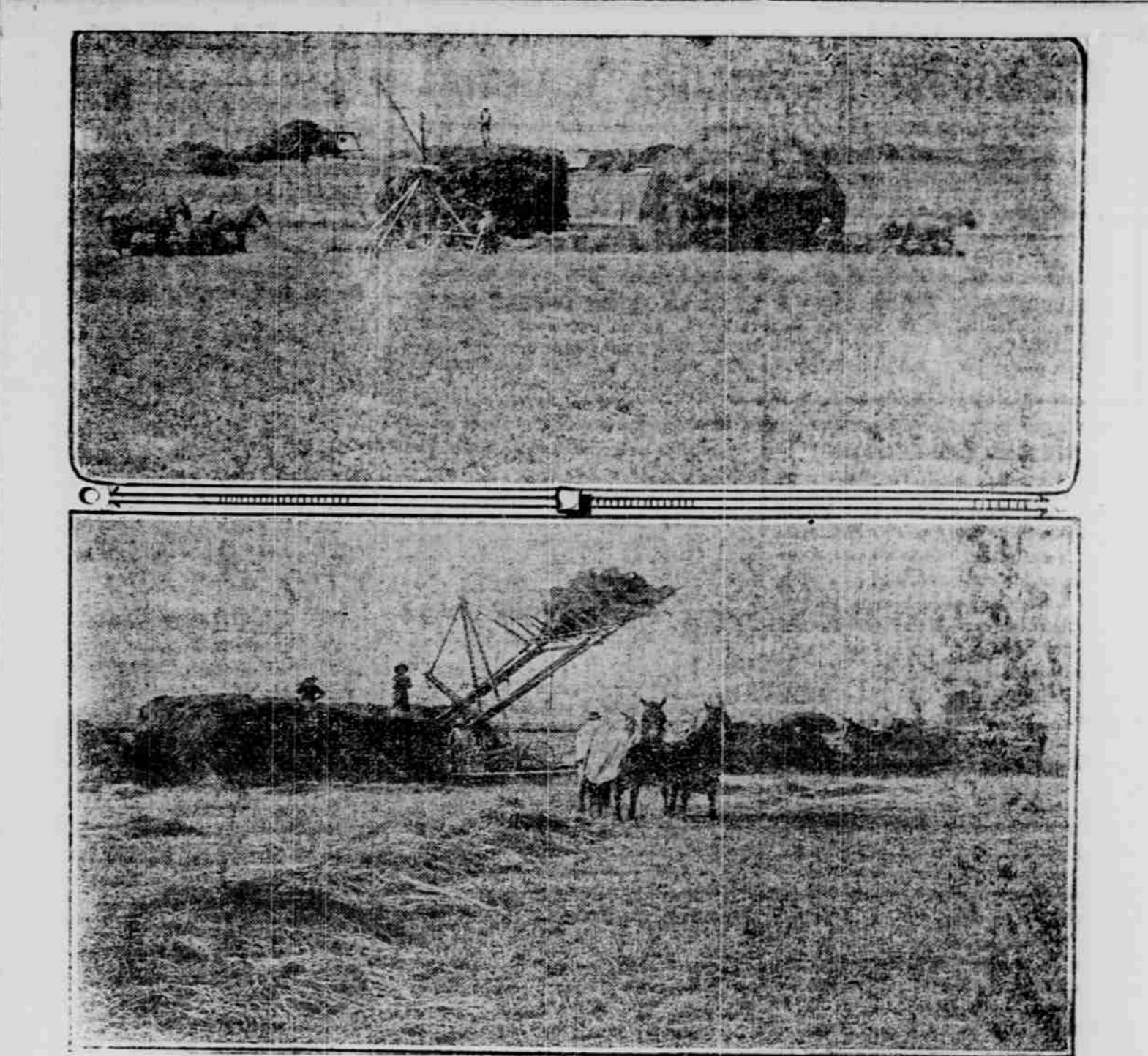
One of the bandits suggested to the other they take one of the bank cashiers with them for protection in case they were pursued by police.

Begs to Stay. The other selected Stelling. Stelling begged to be left behind with the others in the vault. The bandits decided to leave him.

After the bandits locked the vault, they walked for a half block to their auto, where a third man waited.

As they passed a soft drink parlor Ed Goertz, the proprietor, asked them what they had in their satchel, thinking it was liquor.

"One of the bandits grinned and replied, "Oh, nothing." Miss Baker declared the license number of the automobile was black and white and began with the numerals "29." Illinois, Kansas, Arizona and Oregon have licenses that are black and white.



1. A familiar haying scene in Nebraska. 2. Picture taken on Circle Arrow ranch, six miles east of Kimball.

NEBRASKA A WORLD LEADER IN PRODUCTION OF HAY

Little did the first farmers encountering the buffalo and bunch grass of the prairies for the first time, vision the truth that within a few decades Nebraska would live down her wide-scattered reputation as a "treeless plain" and "the great American desert" to become a great hay producing state with both wild and tame hay striving for commercial supremacy.

The hay crops of 1929, for which figures are now available, through the state and federal division of crop statistics, were immense. On 3,048,000 acres of land 2,652,000 tons of wild hay were produced valued at \$19,025,000. The acre yield was .87 of a ton. The tame hay average was 1,522,000, producing 3,572,000 tons valued at \$37,506,000. The acre yield was 2.33 tons. The total value of all hay crops reached the magnificent sum of \$57,131,000.

Some sections of the state where wild hay is produced in abundance are highly favored by nature. Late in the fall in meadows and valleys water from underground springs rise and make large shallow lakes. In the spring the water disappears to allow a hay crop to grow to maturity. This hay is high in nutritive value and furnishes the basis for great cattle herds in that section which later reach the feed lots of the grain sections to be finished.

Cherry county is the largest producer of wild hay, with a production last year of 415,202 tons valued at \$3,072,495. Holt county, ran a close second with a production of 287,282 tons worth \$2,125,887. A by-product of no small importance, especially in Holt county, is the gathering of blus grass seed which is in demand the country over.

Dawson county led in the production of alfalfa and all tame hay, with 46,656 acres planted to alfalfa and 4,995 acres planted to other hay. The revenue from tame hay received by Dawson county farmers was \$1,652,640. Scottsbluff county ran Dawson a good second in alfalfa with a crop valued at \$1,070,810. Custer ran a close third with a total of \$1,098,121.

Nebraska holds the rank of first in alfalfa acreage and second in alfalfa production. Newport, in Rock County, bears the distinction of being the largest wild hay shipping point in the world.

If Nebraska ever tires of being the Cornhusker state it can switch to Hayseed state and keep right at the top of the procession.

Students of Training Camp Shoot on Range

Six Hundred Members of Fort Crook Camp Start Back This Afternoon to Post

From Friday's Duty.—The group of some six hundred members of the Citizens Military Training Camp from Fort Crook were here yesterday and today to complete their work on the government rifle range, a part of their training work for the thirty days that they are under the control of the officers of the camp.

The members of the camp were brought here Thursday by truck and at once proceeded to start in on the shooting, the first tests being the rifle shooting and followed by the machine gun work.

This year the camp has a machine gun company of some ninety members who are organized along the regular lines of the army in the work of a company of this kind. The range work with the machine guns was most interesting and the opportunity of a real test of their skill with the formidable weapon.

A number from here motored out last evening to the range to enjoy the view of the army camp.

CASE IS DISMISSED

The case in which C. Lawrence Stull was charged with having assaulted Valeria Stull with intent to injure and kill, was heard in the county court, the testimony of Valeria and Julia Stull Bethel being taken. After the evidence of the two witnesses the court dismissed the action on lack of evidence to sustain the charge.

SOUTH BEND

Church Opinion is Split

London.—A sharp division of Anglican church opinion has been caused by the Lambeth conference sanction of birth control in certain circumstances. The Anglo-Catholic organ, the Church Times, described the permissive resolution adopted by the bishops as "a positive resolution in Christian morality and a great departure from the position adopted at the last Lambeth conference in 1929."

Dr. Walter Carey, the high church bishop of Bloemfontein, who was one of the sixty-seven bishops who opposed the birth control resolution, writes in the Church Times: "In order to clear my soul I wish to say that there are statements in the report from which I conscientiously and vehemently disassociate myself."

The resolution to which Dr. Carey referred agreed that birth control might be practiced "where there is such a clearly felt moral obligation to limit or avoid procreation." Provided this was done in the light of Christian principles. It condemned birth control from motives of selfishness, luxury, or mere convenience.

ORIGINAL McOWEN STOCK CO. HERE ALL NEXT WEEK

The original McOwen Stock Co., with the McOwen Kids, the Pied Piper Band and twenty-five others are coming to Plattsmouth for all next week. The big tent, a brand new outfit and one of the finest on the road on the Tourist Park. The opening bill is one of New York's very latest successes entitled Tommy. This is a wonderful comedy drama and one of the very best plays ever brought to Plattsmouth. Other plays presented are, Alias the Deacon; The Meanest Man in Town; So This is Arizona; The Bachelor's Baby; Tildy Ann; Little Orphan Annie; The Man of Mystery; and All is Well That Ends Well. An excellent program of feature vaudeville and late musical hits at each change of play. The McOwen company will show here all next week, opening Monday night, August 18th, and ladies will be admitted free on the opening night when accompanied by a person with a paid auto ticket.