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Squatter Rights on Land South of Union are Aired

G. S. Upton, Pioneer of Union Finds "Squatter" on Land Formed by Changing of Missouri

The changing course of the Missouri river, which has formed land along the original boundary, washed out the land and again restored it, has started a "squatter" claim to some land southeast of Union which was purchased some years ago by G. S. Upton, a pioneer resident of Liberty precinct, later washed away by the river and which has now formed another large accretion.

The land in question is located in Otoe county just south of the George Everett farm and G. S. Upton, the original owner of the land, was at Nebraska City Tuesday to take up with the board of commissioners there, the matter of his right to the land.

About forty years ago Mr. Upton purchased 168 acres of land near the Everett farm and was engaged in farming this until thirty-seven years ago the old Missouri river concluded to change its course, swung over to the Nebraska side of the stream and gradually washed away forty acres of the Upton land. A few years ago the river again changed its channel and swung east toward the Iowa side and gradually a large bar was formed between the main channel and the remainder of the Upton land, only a small amount of water remaining in the channel on the Nebraska side of the stream.

Last spring, a man named James, appeared on the island and planted some twenty acres of corn and wood of his farming finally reached Mr. Upton and who made a trip to the island which he had considered his land as restored by the river. Mr. James informed Upton that he had "squatted" on the island and proposed to homestead the same, if it was possible.

Mr. Upton gathering up his original deeds and papers that gave him the right to the land purchased forty years ago, went to Nebraska City to lay the matter before the board of commissioners, who stated that they would have to consult the county attorney as to the rights of the original owner and the "squatter" to the land.

This case is somewhat similar to one that for several years was in court here when title to the land east of the Burlington right of way was in dispute between the railroad and the city which claimed the accretion land and those who had farmed the land over a period of several years. After the legal battle in the court the title to the land here was vested in the persons that had preempted the land, the city being given title to the old baseball park that had been held as a public park through fencing and right of settlement, the farming land being vested in the settlers.

HIGH COST OF JAIL FEEDING

The cost of the cities of having to feed prisoners who are held for minor offenses is a large one in the course of a year and many of the city executives take the view that if a prisoner will get out that it is better than to force the city to go to the cost of food. This city has been saved a great deal in the past in the cost of jail upkeep by allowing the wanderers to "escape" or by permitting prisoners to make partial payments of fines rather than have to board them.

The following from the Nebraska City News-Press tells of the problems that is found there:

"Mayor Miles M. Vaughn, when asked what he thought of the two escapes from the street crew of prisoners who had been fined in police court and were without money to square accounts, said it was better to get rid of them than to feed them."

"The mayor said it costs 75 cents a day to feed a prisoner in the city jail and he thought if they were taken out to work and then escaped it would result in their staying away from the city in the future."

"He also said that the chief of police had been given instructions to give every man a 'chance.'"

PREPARE NEW DIRECTORY

The Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co., are preparing to issue a new directory for the fall season and copy is now being placed in the hands of the Journal for the printing of the directory. Those who may desire to be listed in the telephone book are urged to get their names into the office of the company as soon as possible in order that the list may be as complete as possible when the directory is printed.

IOWA PEOPLE WED

License was issued on Wednesday afternoon at the office of County Judge A. H. Duxbury to L. Morgan Pauley and Rose M. Walling, both of Hamburg, Iowa. The young people are to be married at Union by the Rev. W. A. Taylor, pastor of the Baptist church of that city.

APPOINT ROAD OVERSEER

The board of county commissioners at their session Wednesday made the appointment of the road overseer in West Rock Bluffs precinct, the position having been made vacant by the death of Green Piggott, who had held the position for a number of years.

The board had a very large number of applicants for the office and after some deliberation voted to appoint Herman Wohlfarth, one of the well known residents of that locality as the new overseer. Mr. Wohlfarth was a candidate for this position at the last election but was defeated by Mr. Piggott.

As soon as Mr. Wohlfarth qualifies for the office he will take over the work of caring for the road system in the precinct and which includes the town of Murray.

Nehawka Youths Draw Suspended Sentence and Fine

Three Young Men Charged with Maliciously Destroying Property Under Parole

From Thursday's Daily—
This morning in the county court the cases of the three Nehawka young men, Bennett Rose, Charles Rose and Niel Pierce, came up for hearing before Judge A. H. Duxbury on the question of the sentence of the trio, they having made a plea of guilty last week to the charges filed against them by the officers in three school districts where the damage was claimed to have been done.

Each of the young men was charged in three separate counts, the damage to the buildings having been perpetrated in three separate districts of the county, the offenses being alleged to be breaking windows out of the school buildings as well as overturning out buildings.

On the first count of each case there was a fine of \$25 charged against each of the boys, on the second and third counts a jail sentence of thirty days was given by the court. The court agreed to suspend the jail part of the sentence providing the three young men would comply with the terms set by the court and which it was agreed upon. The three are to be paroled to Deputy Sheriff Rex Young and given well behaved at Nehawka. The boys are not to remain out after 10 p. m. unless in company with their parents and also they must not associate with each other for the one year period of the parole.

AN OCTOBER RALLY

On Wednesday afternoon, the Women's Foreign Missionary Society were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. Harry White, the president of the organization.

Mrs. Harry Lightbody was the devotional leader, her topic being "With God" and as a part of the devotions Mrs. Hayes sang a very appropriate hymn.

Mrs. E. G. Shellenbarger gave the lesson which was a brief preview of the coming year's work.

Miss Ella Kennedy then, with the assistance of several other members reviewed the W. F. M. S. magazine for the month.

Mrs. Hayes read a very interesting letter from Suzana, Kahn of Ajmer, India. She is the student whose tuition the local society pays each year, and she told of her appreciation of the kindness shown her.

In concluding the meeting Mrs. Frank Barkus gave as the stewardship lesson a brief excerpt from Gordon's "Quiet Talks on Prayer," which left the thought that in the Bible study, it was well to read prayerfully and thoughtfully.

This was followed by an interesting discussion of the same. Plans were then laid for a Calico Party which is to be the first event of the year's program. Simplicity and sacrifice are to be the keynotes of everything done.

Following this delightful refreshments were served by Mrs. White, assisted by Mrs. Pickrel.

VISIT AT NEBRASKA CITY

From Saturday's Daily—
Mrs. Frank Mullen and daughter, Mrs. Lon Henry, were at Nebraska City last evening where they were guests at a bridge given by Mrs. Arthur Holcomb, well known in this city as the former Miss Stillwell. The event was in honor of Mrs. Reeves Burksby of LeMar, Colorado, who is visiting the old friends at Nebraska City. In the playing Mrs. Henry was awarded the first prize and the second honors given to Mrs. Wright Davis and the guest prize to Mrs. Burksby.

HOLD FOOTBALL RALLY

From Friday's Daily—
The students of the high school last evening staged a rally for the Falls City-Plattsmouth football game this afternoon. The students enlisted the business section of the city with their yells and enthusiasm for the football team of the blue and white as they contest against the warriors from down the river.

High School Band Popular Organization

Organization Has Occupied a Large Place in the Affairs of the School

The high school band, one of the important units in the school organizations, has proven one of the most pleasing features of the school life, furnishing music for the various events and at the football and basketball games, making for enthusiasm and school feeling.

The band also develops the musical training of the boys of the school and few schools have a large and snappy band, composed of boys. The band was first organized by B. E. Woodward several years ago and this year as Mr. Woodward was retiring from the school work, the band was very fortunate in securing L. D. Hiatt, well known local musician to devote two mornings a week to the band and assisting them in carrying on their work.

There are twenty-nine members of the band and the membership of the band is composed of the following: Trumpets—James Comstock, Marvin Tritsch, Francis Libershal, William Henrichsen, Vernon Taplett, John Kelly, Donald Streart, Vernille Pullen.

Clarinets—Selby Lightbody, James Robertson, Lawrence Rhodes, Otto Stodola, Billy Jensen, H. Guy McMaken.

Oboe—Aulton Rolland.

Saxophone—Ed Egenberger, Herbert Minor, Dale Hennings, Joe Benak, Donald Cotner.

Alto—Geo. Luchinsky, Stephen Davis, Joe Hendricks.

Baritone—Stewart Porter.

Bass—Arthur Kopp, Robert Hall.

Drums—Kenneth Armstrong, Cecil Comstock.

Cymbal—George Adam.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEET

From Thursday's Daily—
The members of the local court of the Catholic Daughters of America held a very interesting meeting last evening at the St. John's school building with a very large attendance of the members. The chief business of the evening was the election of the officers and the following were selected:

Regent—Mrs. Fred I. Rea.

Vice-Regent—Mrs. William Woolcott.

Prophetess—Mrs. W. A. Swatek.

Historian—Miss May Murphy.

Financial Secretary—Miss Theresa Rauth.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. F. G. Egenberger.

Monitor—Mrs. John L. Hadraba.

Sentinel—Miss Betty Bergman.

Lecturer—Mrs. E. O. Bennett.

Organist—Mrs. Charles Peterson, Jr.

Trustees—Mrs. Frank Mullen, Mrs. F. M. Bestor.

After the election of the officers the members had a very impressive talk given by Mrs. W. A. Swatek, program leader, who gave the history of the rosary and as a fitting close Mrs. William Woolcott and Mrs. Rea gave as a duet "The Rosary," making a most impressive close of the program.

At the close of the evening dainty refreshments were served as a treat of the new regent of the court.

SELECT PLATTER STAFF

The staff that will have charge of "The Platter," official high school monthly publication, has been named and the new organization will in a short time have the preparation of the first issue of the present term started. The editor of the Platter this year is Miss Helen Varga, while the assistant editor will be Louis Knoflicke. The business manager this year will be Edward Wehrlein with Marvin Tritsch as the assistant. The circulation manager will be James Nowack.

The departmental editors will include, Keith Snyder, joke editor; Helen Schulz, alumnae editor; George Adam, athletic editor.

The typists who assist in the preparation of the copy for the paper will be Anna Kniecke, Mildred Carlberg, Estella Parkening.

The reporters, representing the classes are as follows: Irene Simons, senior; Gertrude Valley, junior; Earl Lamberson, sophomore, and Carl Hula, freshman.

A PLEASANT OCCASION

The friends here and at Murray of Mr. and Mrs. Clell Gansemer, will be pleased to learn that they are the happy parents of a fine little daughter, born on Monday at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Gansemer having made their home in that city for the past several months. The occasion has brought a great deal of pleasure to all members of the two families, especially the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sedlak of this city and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gansemer of Murray, this being the first grandchild in the Sedlak family. The little lady has been christened Joan. The friends will join in their well wishes for the future happiness of the little one.

DRAWS DOWN FINE

From Saturday's Daily—
Late last night the night police received a message from Patrol Officer Gates of Sarpy county that a car bearing an Otoe county license number was headed this way and with the driver of the car apparently intoxicated. The car was pursued to the Platte river by the Sarpy county officer. The police officers, forming a reception committee, drove out to the vicinity of the Heisel mill on Washington avenue where they were awaiting when the Otoe car arrived.

The driver of the car was brought on down to the city hall and where he gave his name as Paul Winton and Nebraska City as his home. Judge Charles L. Graves was aroused at his home and came on down to hear the case and after the facts were presented a fine of \$20 and costs was assessed against Mr. Winton and which was paid and the defendant released.

Creamery is Being Given a Renovating

Plattsmouth Produce Which Now Operates Creamery Plant Having Improvements Made.

The creamery plant of the Farmers Co-Operative Creamery which has been for the past few months under the direction of G. T. Hetrick, veteran creamery man, is being given a thorough cleaning and repainting to place it in the most approved condition for the work of butter making.

The plant is now operated as the Plattsmouth Produce and handles a great deal of business, the volume having shown a pleasing increase in the last months and under the capable management of Mr. Hetrick is developing into one of the best plants in this section.

The present manager was one of those first engaged in the creamery plant at Plattsmouth, one of the largest co-operative plants in the west and which has proven very successful. The local creamery was built by a group of the Cass county farmers and gives a long felt want in making a market for the products of the farm and the production of butter the equal of any made in the country and which has found a ready sale in the markets of the east.

Jury in Patterson Inquest Fails to Name Slayer

Find That Surveyor Came to Death by Being Shot by Party Unknown—No New Clues

The coroner's jury which was impaneled on September 14th to hear the evidence as to the death of Fred Patterson, aged county surveyor, who was shot to death at his store in Rock Bluffs on the night of September 12th, today re-convened to hear what might be offered in the nature of testimony.

The jury held one hearing and adjourned after being unable to reach a decision that would permit the naming of any person responsible for the death.

While the office of the county sheriff has been working hard on the case since the murder, there was nothing in the way of concrete evidence that could be offered to the jury aside from that which had been adduced at the previous inquiry.

The jury finding that there were no new facts to be heard by them as to who might have committed the crime, after a deliberation returned their verdict "That Fred Patterson came to his death by being shot by some party unknown."

A large number from the vicinity of Rock Bluffs and also from this city filled the court room to hear what might be developed but were doomed to disappointment.

WILL RECUPERATE HERE

From Saturday's Daily—
Mrs. J. H. Carter, who was operated on a short time ago in Omaha, has so far recovered that she was able to be brought here yesterday afternoon to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Egenberger and where she will recuperate among the surroundings of her childhood home and with the care of the mother to assist in her recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Carter have made their home in Omaha since their marriage.

COUNTY OFFICERS REPORT

The various county officers made their report for the third quarter of the year to the board of county commissioners at the session Thursday. The amounts reported were as follows: Clerk of the district court, \$731.45; register of deeds, \$491.75; county judge, \$1,243.50; sheriff, \$190.60; county clerk, \$175.18.

Journal Want Ads got results.

Lewiston Band Represents Community Pride

Organization of Youngsters Formed Last February Offer Very Fine Musical Features

The Lewiston band, composed of the young people of that community located southeast of Murray, have made a fine reputation for themselves in the nine months that they have been grouped as a musical organization.

The band has been under the direction of James Smith since organization and was for the greater part of the time operated in connection with the Nehawka band but is now conducted as a distinct unit by Mr. Smith.

This organization has appeared at a number of the places over the county in the past summer, their last appearance being in the concert here on Wednesday evening at the court house lawn and where their concert was enjoyed to the utmost by the music lovers of the community.

The band was featured at the Nebraska State fair this year and received a wonderful praise for their fine work from the directors of the musical work of the fair. They also appeared at the county fair and at various community gatherings over the county.

The band is now playing in the fourth grade music and under the skillful direction of Mr. Smith has won a real place for themselves in the musical organizations of the county.

The members of the band are as follows: Mary and John Gayer, Gwendolyn Hansen, James Hemenflow, Fern Frans, Robert Wolfe, Vernille Pullen, Louis Pell, Howard Porter, Joe Shrader, Ruth Chapman, James Christwiser, Ethan Allen, Alex Campbell, Otto, James, Florine, and Kathleen Schaefer, James and Robert Jay, Grant Howard, Marion, Stephen and Grace Wiles, Ora Clark, John Wiles.

The organization is one in which their own community as well as the entire county can feel very proud of, and one that will be heard of a great deal in the future years if the young people are continued at their work.

RETURNS FROM VIRGINIA

From Saturday's Daily—
C. F. Harris of Union, former county commissioner, was in the city today for a short time looking after some matters of business. Mr. Harris has just returned home from a month spent in his old home in Virginia and at Washington, D. C. Mr. Harris spent the greater part of the time in and near Marion, Virginia, his birthplace, located in the southwest part of the Old Dominion, from which place he left forty-seven years ago for the west. There the crops are fine, Mr. Harris reports, and the apple crop there is the largest in a great many years. Since leaving the old home he has had some twelve trips back but this is the first time in nineteen years that he has been back to the old home.

Mr. Harris found much change at Washington where he had not been for the past twenty-five years, the many new buildings and beautifying of the city making it one of the most attractive capital cities in the world. However, Mr. Harris is well pleased to be back in old Cass county and among the old time friends here of his home mature years.

HAS A CLOSE CALL

Friday afternoon while Dr. O. C. Hudson was returning home to this city from Kirksville, Missouri, he was the victim of a painful altho fortunately not a dangerous accident. He traveling along one of the gravelled highways in northern Missouri, where the gravel is very large and while a large Buick car was passing that of Dr. Hudson, one of the large pieces of gravel was thrown up from the tires of the other car and striking the windshield of the Hudson car, a small part of the windshield was broken and the particles of the glass showered over Dr. Hudson. He was wearing a pair of colored glasses over his regular spectacles at the time and the colored glasses were broken but the others were not touched. Two pieces of the windshield glass struck him in the face and a laceration made on the left cheek. With his face showered with glass Dr. Hudson momentarily lost control of the car and it ran into a small ditch but without any serious damage.

SHOWER FOR BRIDE

The members of the Queen Esther class of the Methodist church, following their regular business session at the home of Mrs. C. C. Westcott, their teacher, on Thursday evening, gave a very delightful shower for Mrs. Gilbert Hinz, one of the members of the class. The bride was presented with a most attractive bride's book from the members of the class and many individual presents that were most beautiful. At a suitable hour very dainty and delicious refreshments were served.

MOVING TO NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hinz, who have been making their home in the residence property at Ninth and Gold streets, are removing to the D. C. Morgan property on North Sixth street where they are to reside in the future. The new location will make it much closer for Mr. Hinz in his work at the Red & White meat department.

RECEIVES \$100 FINE

From Thursday's Daily—
This morning in the county court the case of the State of Nebraska vs. Mrs. Clara Novak, came on for hearing after having been postponed over a period of several weeks. The complaint was for the possession of liquor and after hearing the statements of the witness and the defendant the court assessed a fine of \$100 and costs, the total amount being \$142.

The defendant is a resident of near Louisville and at whose place of residence a quantity of beer was taken in a raid some time ago by the county officers.

HAS TONSILS REMOVED

From Saturday's Daily—
Little Miss Dorothea Mae Duxbury underwent an operation for the removal of her tonsils this morning at the Methodist hospital at Omaha. The operation was very successful and the little patient stood the ordeal in fine shape and was resting easy at the last reports.

DEATH COMES TO PROMINENT MUSICIAN

At an early hour this morning occurred the death of Agnes Knoflickeva, as she was best known in her musical work, the death occurring at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Knoflicke.

AGNES KNOFKOVKA, NOTED VIOLINIST, IS DEAD

Death Comes to Prominent Musician at Home of Parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Knoflicke.

A REAL STEEPLE JACK

John C. Brittain, one of the well known painters of the city, has a task on his hands that requires real nerves and a capacity for working at a height. Mr. Brittain has been assigned the task of painting the flag pole on top of the court house tower, and also the face of the clock on the tower. It was possible to lower the pole for painting, but the painting of the face of the clock is a real job and one that there is no one in this community would care to undertake the job unless it was Jack who has done a number of these daredevil painting jobs in the past. In painting the clock face it was necessary to crawl out of the small door in the face of the clock and then stand on the narrow ledge around the clock to do the painting.

Death of Fred H. Jess Occurs at Omaha Home

Funeral Services Held This Afternoon for Former Resident of This City—Burial at Oak Hill

From Saturday's Daily—
Fred H. Jess, 43, former resident of Plattsmouth, died late Thursday night at the family home, 406 South Forty-eighth avenue, Omaha, his death coming after a period of failing health for the past few years.

The news of the death came as a great shock to the friends of the Jess family in this city where Fred was well known and where he had so many of the old time acquaintances remain to share the sorrow of the brothers and sisters at his passing. After his schooling here the deceased was engaged in work in the local Burlington shop for several years, later removing to Omaha where he was engaged in carpenter work for the past sixteen years. He was engaged with his brother-in-law, C. J. Balsler in the carpenter contracting business for some years and later was engaged in this line of work for himself.

The father died while the family were still residing in Plattsmouth and they passed away last year at Omaha. There are surviving, three brothers, John and Claus of Omaha, and Henry of Diller, six sisters, Mrs. B. B. Gilbert, Miss Irene Jess, Mrs. C. J. Balsler, Omaha, Miss Margaret Jess, of Morris, Mrs. Catherine Hayes of Fremont and Mrs. E. H. Hahne of Chicago.

The funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family home and the body brought to this city where it was laid to rest in the Oak Hill cemetery beside that of the parents.

ENJOY GOLF DINNER

From Friday's Daily—
Last evening a group of the members of the golf club with their ladies gathered at the Elks county club to enjoy the feast that had been arranged for them by Mrs. L. L. McCarty and her assistants.

The dinner was one that was to mark the junior golf tournament and which had been played Thursday afternoon with the result that the side headed by Dr. R. P. Westover was decisively defeated by the group of Frank Horsack.

One of the most interesting matches was that of Clate Rosenkrans and Leslie Niel and in which Niel was the victor altho his side was defeated by the Horsack followers.

The event was one that everybody enjoyed to the utmost and which fittingly started the ball rolling for the annual city championship tournament which it is expected to have on by the first part of next week, the qualifying rounds being played today, Saturday and Sunday. A. W. Cleid and L. L. McCarty are taking the entries for the annual city classic and those who wish to get into the big event should do so at once.

SUFFERS BROKEN WRIST

The friends here of the Jay Johnson family will regret to learn of a very serious accident that was sustained by Mrs. Johnson on Thursday. In a letter to his aunt, Mrs. J. H. Adams, Mr. Johnson states that Mrs. Johnson was standing talking with a friend on the sidewalk near their home and later starting to walk across the street, fell and fractured both bones of the right wrist. She is resting as easy as possible, the letter stated. Mrs. Johnson just a year ago suffered the fracture of her right shoulder blade in an auto accident near Auburn.

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If you want the best in school supplies for the least money, buy at the Bates Book and Stationery Store in Plattsmouth.