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Flood Danger Seems Cleared as Ice Moving Out

Platte and Missouri Here Are Clearing and Carry Off Floating Ice Without Trouble.

The danger of dangerous overflows from ice gorges in this section of the Platte and Missouri rivers seems to be well past, both streams being cleared and amply able to carry safely the floating ice that is coming down the two rivers.

While it was feared Friday that the heavy ice runs that had done much damage in the vicinity of Venice and Valley might cause blockades of the Platte in this section of the river, the ice passed very easily.

Great chunks of the heavy thick ice, the heaviest in many years, filled the main current of the Platte all day Friday, reaching the crest at 4 o'clock when the run was heavy, carrying with it much driftwood that had been dislodged when the stream broke up.

The greatest sufferers of the Platte rampage have been in the vicinity of Ashland, where smaller streams that empty into the Platte have caused more or less damage and at Venice where the heavy gorge on the Platte caused much flooding. In the Venice community much highway damage has been done as the flood waters have torn out pavement on highway 16 and undermined other sections of the highway, making it dangerous and necessary to replace.

The passing of the ice in the Platte drew large numbers Friday both in the morning and afternoon and the vicinity of the highway bridge was blocked with cars from all sections that had been parked while the occupants watched the huge cakes of ice pass under the bridges on their way to the mouth of the Missouri, a short distance down the stream. The Platte, bank full, was running at the rate of twenty to twenty-five miles per hour as the stream neared the junction with the Missouri, which had fallen Friday and aided in the carrying quickly of the waters of the state stream.

During the high waters of the state streams, highway No. 75 through this city has served as the main highway for eastern Nebraska, carrying the north and south travel and as well practically all of the Omaha-Lincoln traffic. The highway has offered the spectacle of an almost unbroken line of cars and trucks all of the day and into the night. A large part of these travelers were stopping Friday at the Platte bridge to enjoy the majestic flow of the great volume of water.

DIES IN OMAHA

From Thursday's Daily
The announcement was received here early today of the death at Omaha of John Fitzpatrick, Jr., 54. The deceased was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Fitzpatrick, the father for many years being engaged as a member of the police force of the city and from 1896 to 1898, chief of police of the city. Mr. Fitzpatrick was born and reared here in Plattsmouth and made his home here until some twenty-five years ago when he removed to Omaha and has since made his home there.

He was unmarried and has been preceded in death by the parents and one sister, who are buried here. He was a nephew of Miss Josephine Clifford of this city.

The funeral services will be held in Omaha and the body brought to this city for interment Friday afternoon.

DIES AT WEST POINT

Miss Helen Smetana of this city has received the sad news of the passing of her friend, Miss Ella Gerken, who died at West Point, Nebraska, on February 23rd. Miss Gerken is well known here as she was operator for several months in the beauty shop operated by Madge Keck. She later returned to her home at West Point and where she has been residing since. She has been ill for some time, suffering from a throat infection that later developed into pneumonia that caused her death.

Phone news items to No. 6.

ENTER HOSPITAL

From Thursday's Daily
This morning Charles Herren departed for Omaha where he will enter the Nicholas Senn hospital there for a minor operation. It is expected that he will be able to return home in the next few days.

Raymond, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart, was taken to Omaha today where he will undergo a tonsilectomy at the Nicholas Senn hospital. He was accompanied to Omaha by his parents for the operation.

Leak in Natural Gas Line Causes Much Excitement

Leak in Valve North of Platte River Bridge, Makes Colorful Blaze This Morning.

From Thursday's Daily
A leak in a valve in the natural gas line just north of the Platte river bridge early this morning made a very colorful fire for some time until the line was cut off for repair.

The leak was first discovered when the exhaust of a passing car caused the gas to break into flames and gave the driver of the car a thrill that he will long remember. The car was passing when a sudden explosion rocked the car and it was with difficulty that the car was driven out of the danger zone as the gas roared skyward.

When the gas was first ignited the flames leaped 100 feet or more in the air as the pressure in the line forced the gas out and this continued until the section of the line feeding the broken part was cut off to await the repair of the line.

The accident occurred on the line that branches off from near Mynard to Omaha and did not interfere with the natural gas service in this city or the territory south of the river.

CLUB HOLDS SECOND ELECTION

King Richard (or was it Darius) lost his kingdom for want of a horse; Julian McNatt was unable to qualify as the second president-elect of the Community Building club after the voters had singled him out for that position last night, because his current weekly dues of 10 cents had not been paid. Result, next week's president-elect will receive double the usual weekly salary, or \$50. The one and only requirement for a person elected to this office to receive the salary is that he or she be in good standing by having their dues paid for that week. It is not necessary to be present at the election. Persons who skip a week or two can restate without having to pay any of the back weeks simply by renewing their 10 cent weekly payments.

The election last night was held at the corner of Fifth and Main streets and was attended by quite a few of the club members. With the coming of warm weather it is planned to hold these weekly elections on the street. The next election will take place Wednesday night, March 11, at 8:30 o'clock and all members of the club and others are invited to attend.

CANDIDATE VISITS CITY

Thomas E. Dunbar, of Nebraska City, candidate for the district judgeship, was in the city Wednesday to attend court, looking up the old acquaintances here where he was formerly located. Mr. Dunbar is former city attorney of Nebraska City, 1929-32, first secretary and treasurer of the 2nd district bar association and now vice-president of the Otoe county bar association. Mr. Dunbar is a graduate of Bellevue college high school and of Creighton university, receiving his L.L.B. degree in 1917. He has been very active as a trial lawyer for the past fifteen years.

LEAVES ON SAD MISSION

From Friday's Daily
Everett Pickens, who for several days has been ill, threatened with pneumonia, received the message Thursday night of the death of his mother at Kansas City. Mr. Pickens while ill himself insisted on going to the home of his parents and was taken by auto to Kansas City today.

Jos. H. McMaken Files for Office of Commission'r

First Republican Filing for This Office This Morning on Last Day for Entry.

From Thursday's Daily
This morning Joseph H. McMaken, lifetime resident of this community, made his filing as a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county commissioner from the first district.

Mr. McMaken is well known over this section of the county where he has been engaged in the contracting and transfer business since his youth, almost every man, woman and child in the community being acquainted with "Joe" as he is familiarly known.

This is the first time that Mr. McMaken has aspired to office aside from several terms on the city council from the second ward of Plattsmouth.

Mr. McMaken has long been familiar with road work and in this line is ably qualified to serve on the county board should he be named to the post and his long business career also is an asset to him in the race.

ELECT OFFICERS

From Thursday's Daily
The Woman's Federation of the Presbyterian church met yesterday afternoon in the Fellowship room of the church with a very large attendance. Mrs. H. G. McClusky had charge of the devotional hour and for the missionary lesson she presented in a very interesting manner a sketch of the life and work of Dr. Kagawa, the outstanding Christian and civic leader of the Orient.

Many items of business were transacted and much interest centered in the reading of the newly drawn circles for the coming church year. These circles will organize for work later in the month.

The new officers elected at the February meeting will take their places at the April meeting. These officers are: Mrs. Sterling Ingwersen, president; Mrs. Karl Kell, first vice-president; Mrs. L. L. McCarty, second vice-president; Mrs. L. O. Minor, missionary chairman; Mrs. John Sattler, Jr., secretary; Mrs. Geo. Lushinsky, treasurer; Miss Caroline Baird, White Cross secretary.

Mrs. Monte Straight of San Francisco, California, formerly a very active member in the church was present and when introduced responded very pleasingly with words of memory and encouragement.

The business over, a fine program was presented under the direction of Miss Hiatt and Miss Lee and delicious refreshments were served by circle 5 who were the hostesses of the day.

DOINGS IN DISTRICT COURT

In a record-breaking volume of business Wednesday, Judge D. W. Livingston passed on a large number of motions and orders in cases in the district court here.

In the case of the City of Plattsmouth vs. John E. Hazzard, et al, confirmation of sale was made by the court for the disposal of the various properties involved in the sale.

In the case of Mary R. Griffin vs. John A. Griffin, after hearing some testimony, Judge Livingston sustained the motion of the defendant for modification of a previous court order. Custody of the minor child was awarded to the defendant, John A. Griffin.

In the case of Maxine C. Rainey vs. Donald Rainey, decree of divorce was granted plaintiff, the defendant not contesting the case.

DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

Word received here from John Potter, of Ashland, who has been at the Veterans' hospital in Lincoln for several weeks undergoing treatment, states that he was discharged Tuesday and is feeling a lot better, although it will be necessary that he continue medicinal treatment for some time. He reports "Bunk" Gedwin still there, waiting for a special brace to be fitted, after which he will be able to return to his home south of this city.

THE SOCIAL CIRCLE CLUB

The Social Circle club met with Mrs. Joe Martis February 25 with Mrs. John Hobscheidt assistant hostess. The leaders being unable to get the February lesson, this was a continuation of the January lesson, also a social meeting. Just a few members were present, but everyone enjoyed the day greatly, visiting and learning the new waffle stitch in crocheting. The most enjoyable part was the wonderful dinner the hostesses prepared, with the covered dishes each member brought. There was plenty for a much larger crowd. All present had a wonderful time. CLUB REPORTER.

New Firm to Locate in This City Very Soon

Shamblen & Helm Milling Co., of Omaha, Secures Lease on Alfa-Maize Mill Building.

From Thursday's Daily
The final details of a long time lease was closed yesterday whereby the Alfa-Maize building at Third and Pearl streets was secured by the milling firm of Shamblen & Helm Co., of Omaha.

This company as soon as the building can be arranged, expects to start the installation of a full and complete line of all kinds of stock feeds, chicken feeds and anything in this line that may be wanted. They maintain a factory on the south side at Omaha and will be in a position to put in a very large line of products for the use of the farms.

The representatives of the company were here today to look over the situation and to get ready as soon as possible to have the place open and ready for business.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

In honor of the eighth birthday of Miss Betty Mae Barkus, her mother entertained a number of her little friends Wednesday after school. Games and contests were entered into very heartily by the little ones, joined by Misses Dorothy Turner and Helen Barkus.

Prizes for the best performance in the Major Bowes program were won by Elizabeth Davis and Marjorie Devoe, who gave a very pleasing piano duet. Billy Rose Canterbury made the most interesting doll out of gum drops and toothpicks, so she was also awarded a prize.

Betty Mae received many lovely gifts which she will enjoy a long time. Miss Kathryn Barkus assisted her mother in serving a dainty birthday lunch.

Present were: Richard Soennichsen, Sharon Hill, Anna Martin, Dorothy Jean Cappell, Elizabeth Davis, Ruthie Woest, Marilyn Kieck, Leon McCarty, Ray Larson, Jr., Marcella Swanda, Leslie Niel, Jr., Marjorie Devoe, Robert Marshall, Kenneth Walters, Billy Rose Canterbury, Milly Kozacek, Betty Mae Barkus.

VISITS IN CITY

Mrs. Mary Sydebotham, who is now making her home at Cortland, Nebraska, was here Wednesday for a day, visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Stine, as well as meeting a number of the old friends. Mrs. Sydebotham has been spending the winter with a daughter at Cortland.

STATE APPEALS

The state of Nebraska filed an appeal with the supreme court Friday from a judgment for \$433 obtained by the Fairway Oil company of Blair which pleaded that a change in grade of a paved highway forced it to expend \$2,900 to make its filling station workable.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

George B. Mann, who has been at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha for the past ten days, undergoing examination and treatment, returned home Friday. Mr. Mann has been ill for some time and the cause of his illness has proven quite baffling.

Phone the news to No. 6.

Civic Body is Opposed to ICC Rate Control

Chamber of Commerce Directorate Passes Resolution Against the Giving of Such Rights

From Thursday's Daily
By unanimous vote at its bi-weekly noon-day luncheon today, the Chamber of Commerce directorate passed a resolution against vesting the Interstate Commerce commission with rate making rights governing the new river transportation soon to become available to the middle west as a result of the extensive river development program now under way on the Missouri river, calculated to make it navigable beyond Plattsmouth within the coming year, and as far as Yankton by 1938.

Several members of the local civic luncheon group spoke for the resolution which was introduced by T. H. Pollock, chairman of the Rivers and Harbors committee of the Chamber, all voicing the opinion that it would be well high ruinous to the new water transportation system to place rate-making prerogatives in the hands of the railroad minded Interstate Commerce commission, as is proposed in the Eastland bill now before congress, a bill sponsored by Railroad Co-ordinator Eastland.

The vote in favor of the resolution was unanimous and the secretary was directed to have copies of same sent at once to Nebraska's two senators and five congressmen in Washington.

As the matter now stands, rate-making rights are vested in the River Navigation association.

It was also voted that the Plattsmouth C. O. invite Lincoln to consider "making Plattsmouth their logical 'port' when river transportation arrives, as well as call attention of the rail accessibility of this point to other outstate towns, especially south of the Platte river, that will eventually make use of the waterway for their long-distance grain hauls to the east and west coasts.

Various plans for increasing the Plattsmouth trade territory, improving home surroundings, etc., were discussed at the meeting.

Supt. Devoe of the Entertainment committee announced that Governor Cochran will be here the latter part of March or early in April for another of the famous Happy Hundred dinners.

Mr. Tidd announced that a Better Yards and Gardens contest was being considered and full details would be announced soon.

Announcement was also made of the location of a new industry in the alfalfa mill building.

There were thirty-one present at the luncheon, including Peter Carr, the new baker, and D. M. Babbitt of the Cass County Implement company, another concern that recently located here.

GIVEN A SURPRISE

A surprise party was given Glen Carlborg, March 4, in honor of his sixteenth birthday. He received many useful gifts. The evening was spent in playing games. At a late hour a dainty and delicious lunch was served by Mrs. C. O. Carlborg, assisted by Evelyn Lee-Gooding.

Those present were Marie Allen, Francis Minniear, Mildred Eledge, Katherine Hiner, Thelma Capper, Evelyn Lee Gooding, Ray Alan Edmundson, Tom Phillips, Donald Wall, Harley Minniear, Leonard Welland, Clifton Gooding, Glen Carlborg and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Carlborg.

TWO SMALL FIRES

The fire department was called Thursday evening to the Kraeger home on Oak street where sparks from a chimney burning out caused a great deal of apprehension. The chimney was cleared and without loss to the roof.

This morning the department was called to the home of Miss Elizabeth Spangler at 10th and Rock streets. Sparks from the chimney falling on the large shingle roof of the house caused a small blaze. A burned area of some four feet on the roof was suffered. The blaze was extinguished with chemicals with very little loss.

GOES TO HOSPITAL

Thursday afternoon John M. Rishel, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Rishel, was taken to Omaha where he will be placed in the Methodist hospital for care and treatment. John has been ill for the past several months and his condition has not shown the improvement that was hoped for and he will be placed under the care of specialists. His case started with a severe attack of rheumatism and with complications adding to the severity of the case.

School Hears Talk on Civil Government

Hon. George E. Nickles of Murray, Discusses Functions of State and Local Governments.

Friday afternoon the civic class of Wayne Alvord of the high school, had the pleasure of a very interesting and instructive address by Hon. George E. Nickles, of Murray, representative from Cass county in the last two sessions of the legislature.

Mr. Nickles from his study of government subdivisions and functions was able to give a very clear and interesting recital of the functions that were a part of the state, the county and city or township government and how all had their parts to perform in the conduct of the affairs of their subdivisions.

Mr. Nickles took up at length the work of the legislature and the procedure that is followed when bills and measures are introduced, referred to committees and finally the action when the bill is reported out for consideration of the members of the legislature.

The address was much appreciated by the students and was a great feature of the study of Civil government.

VIEW FLOODED AREA

Carl Ofe of the Ofe Oil Co., was in Omaha Wednesday in company with Howard Fullerton and had the opportunity of seeing a large area of flooded country in the Missouri valley. The Plattsmouth men were invited by G. E. Malarky of the Alemito company, for a trip in his private plane over the flooded area. They flew over the vicinity of Missouri Valley and Mondamin, Iowa, where the waters of the Boyer river as well as Willow creek and the Soldier river cutoff have poured over the countryside.

Mr. Ofe reports the condition in the vicinity of Missouri Valley especially is very bad and the small rivers have spread all over the country and into sections of Missouri Valley, where houses stand as dark spots in the sea of water as viewed from the plane.

The plane trip enabled the party to cover a large area of territory and to more fully appreciate the plight of the Iowa residents in the flood area.

FUNERAL OF MRS. HOBSON

The funeral of the late Mrs. Jennie Hobson was held on Friday afternoon at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets. There was a large number of the old friends and neighbors present to share the sorrow of her passing with the members of the family.

The services were in charge of Rev. V. C. Wright of the First Methodist church who brought words of comfort to the members of the funeral party.

The interment was at Oak Hill cemetery in the west part of the city.

PATIENTS DOING WELL

Plattsmouth patients at the Nicholas Senn hospital at Omaha are all reported as doing very nicely. W. A. Wheeler, who has been gravely ill from pneumonia, is now definitely showing marked improvement and it is hoped that he may soon be out of danger. R. H. Chriswiser, who has been there taking treatment, is expected to be able to leave the hospital today and return home. Mrs. Louis Sykora and Mrs. Mathilde Rammel, are also reported as doing nicely and it is hoped will soon be able to leave the hospital.

Plattsmouth Rotarians are to Entertain Clubs

Intercity Meet Here Monday Evening to Greet District President and Director E. H. McFaddin.

The Plattsmouth Rotary club on Monday evening will be host to an intercity meeting at which there will be present representatives of seven visiting clubs.

The meeting will be held to honor Edward F. McFaddin, of Hope, Arkansas, director of International Rotary, as well as Robert Hastings, of Crete, the president of the nineteenth district.

The members will enjoy a dinner party at the American Legion auditorium at 6:30.

The towns that will be represented will be Glenwood, Council Bluffs,



Edward F. McFaddin

Red Oak, and Shenandoah, Iowa, Falls City, Nebraska City, Ashland and Plattsmouth.

Edward F. McFaddin is an attorney at Hope, Arkansas, and was formerly assistant attorney of Arkansas. He was born in Hope in 1894. He attended Hendrix College at Conway, Arkansas, and Simmons College at Abilene, Texas, receiving his B.A. degree from the latter institution. In 1916 he received his L.L.B. degree from the University of Texas, and in 1917 he was graduated from Columbia University in New York City with the degree of LL.M. He attended the first U. S. Army Officers' Training Camp in 1917, and was commissioned a captain of infantry and served overseas in the World war. He is now a member of the Arkansas Crippled Children's Commission.

Mr. McFaddin has been a member of the Rotary club of Hope, Arkansas, since 1920 and was president of that club in 1929-30. In 1932-33 he was governor of the 62nd district of Rotary International. He was chairman of the club service committee and extension committee of Rotary International and a member of the aims and objects committee of Rotary International in 1932-34, and was appointed a member of the club service committee and chairman of the extension committee for 1934-35. He was elected to the board of directors of Rotary International for 1935-36 at the Mexico City convention.

NEBRASKA CITY PEOPLE WED

This morning at the residence of Rev. G. A. Pahl of the St. Paul's Evangelical church, occurred the marriage of Miss Irene M. Reese and Mr. Olin J. Herzog, both of Nebraska City. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reese, and the groom of Mr. and Mrs. August Herzog, prominent residents of near Nebraska City. The young people will reside in the vicinity of Nebraska City.

GOES TO COLUMBUS

Clarence Forbes, well known Plattsmouth young man, departed today for Columbus where he is to be employed in the future. The many friends of "Clarey" will regret to see him leave the city as he has been one of the leaders in the athletic sports of the city and popular with a very large circle of friends.