

Rural Electric Lines Interfere with Phones

Extension of High Power Lines to Doom Old "Grounded Line" System of Telephones.

The building of rural electric transmission lines, stimulated by the passage of "The Rural Electrification Act of 1936," has gone forward during the past year.

The telephone industry generally shares the joy of its rural subscribers in this modernization of their daily living. It stands ready to do its part in this improvement program. It is very doubtful, however, if many people realize the fact that the old one wire or "grounded line" system of transmission, which has rendered splendid and inexpensive telephone service for nearly three generations, has been wholly doomed!

The one-wire or "grounded line" system of transmission has had great advantages in rural telephone construction. Not only was the original cost low but maintenance and depreciation costs were kept down. This redounded to the subscriber in lower cost of service.

In cities there is an abnormal amount of electrical interference and here it long ago became necessary to render service over what is known as a "metallic line." This consists of two wires and does not operate through the ground. When properly constructed and maintained it is free of noise and cross-talk. To furnish such service rates were, of necessity, much higher in cities than in rural areas. Such a line costs more to construct and maintain. Depreciation is heavier and from every angle the service is more costly to the subscriber.

Because "grounded line" service was good in rural areas and because it was relatively inexpensive, rural subscribers have been very content with it. Telephone companies have been happy to furnish it to them at the existing rates.

Electric service and telephone service are needed in the modern farm home. Both add greatly to the convenience and efficiency of farm life. When both services parallel each other on a public highway, however, the power line causes sufficient noise on a one-wire or "grounded line" system to render it practically useless for the purpose of carrying on a conversation. This is because electric transmission lines, which carry sufficient current to light buildings and drive machinery, set up electrical waves that travel for a considerable distance in the surrounding air and through the ground. "Grounded line" telephone wires collect enough of this electrical force to produce noise in the telephone receivers.

There is only one answer to this problem from the angle of the telephone companies. The answer is the reconstruction of existing rural circuits to the end that the service may be satisfactory with a two-wire "metallic line." This reconstruction program is already under way in many parts of the state. It will be continued as fast as new electric transmission lines parallel telephone lines.

There can be no doubt that the two-wire or "metallic line" telephone service is well worth its additional cost. It eliminates power line interference, cross-talk and gives rural subscribers the same high-grade service enjoyed in cities and towns.

It is essential that rural telephone subscribers now using "grounded line" service should be fully informed as to just what the building of power lines into their locality means to their telephone service. They should know just why the one-wire or "grounded line" has had its day and why it must now move on to take its place in history.

IMPROVES BUILDING

The upper floor of the building on South Sixth street, owned by Fred H. Sharpnack, has been undergoing an extensive job of remodeling and improving in the past few weeks and which is now being completed. The last of the improvements is the dressing down and improving of the hall floor and the renovation and redecorating of the rear apartment of the building. This has been made into a very attractive furnished apartment.

SNOW IS GENERAL

While the snow of the early part of the week was largely confined to Plattsmouth and its immediate vicinity, the storm today is reported as general over the east part of the state. The snow starting shortly after 9 o'clock Wednesday night fell very gently through the night and into today.

While the snow is making it very uncomfortable for the pedestrians and motorists, it is certainly something that the farmers and landowners of the county can appreciate. With the dryness of the fall the snow is a real blessing and plenty more is needed to supply moisture.

Garden Club Holds Interesting Meeting

Plans Are Made for a Winter Flower Show to Be Held Sometime in January.

From Thursday's Daily—

The Garden club had a very interesting meeting last night. They made plans for a winter flower show to be held some time in January. There is to be an exhibit of chrysanthemums at Forest Lawn in Omaha next Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. On December 7 there is to be a farmers' agriculture meeting in Lincoln. Three delegates were elected to attend this meeting, Mrs. Emma Egenberger, Julius Pitz, and Mrs. Wiles.

There was a round table discussion on perennials, led by Mrs. Elmer Sundstrom. Mrs. L. O. Minor gave a talk on the wild flowers of Colorado that she had enjoyed on her trip to Colorado and compared them to the Nebraska wild flowers.

The December meeting was planned as a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. E. H. Wescott. At that meeting plans for the next year's program will be made. Each member is to bring some suggestion of what he would like to have on the next year's program.

RETURN FROM CHICAGO

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Soennichsen and Miss Mathilde Soennichsen, who have been at Chicago since Monday, returned home Wednesday. They found a wide and attractive line of the Christmas stockings ready in the wholesale houses and made their selections for the store here. The Soennichsen store expects to have one of the largest and most attractive lines in this section of the state.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Will be served at Murray Christian church. Menu: Roast Pork, Chicken, Noodles, Oyster Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Candied Sweet Potatoes, String Beans, Cinnamon Apples, Fruit Salad, Cranberries, Celery, Rolls, Butter, Jam, Pie, Coffee. Adults 40c, children 25c. n18-22w-n19-23d

BOX SOCIAL AND PLATE SUPPER

To be given by Kenosha school at Lewiston, on Wednesday night, Nov. 24, at 8:00 p. m. Everyone cordially invited. Ladies please bring boxes. MILDRED WILSON, Teacher. n4-11-18-22

PROGRAM AND PLATE SUPPER

Program and plate supper at the Cullom school, Dist. 30, on Friday, Nov. 26 at 8 o'clock. Everyone invited.

DOROTHEA SIEMONEIT, n19-24d-n22w Teacher.

PLATE SUPPER AND PROGRAM

To be given at Taylor school house in district No. 12, Wednesday, November 24. The public invited. Louise Rishel, teacher.

DOUGHNUT SALE

At Christian church, Wednesday, 15c a dozen. Orders of 2 doz. or more delivered. Phone 487-J. 1tw-2td

The Ladies' Aid of Mynard will hold a market on Wednesday, Nov. 24 at Gobelman's. d&w

Sojourners of Omaha Pay Visit to City

Masonic Group Have Old Fashioned Home Cooked Supper at the Masonic Home.

Friday evening the members of the Sojourners of Omaha, comprising Masonic officers of the U. S. army, navy or reserve, stationed in or near Omaha, were guests here.

The members had been invited by William F. Evers, superintendent of the Nebraska Masonic Home, to be here and as guests at an old fashioned home cooked supper, served in the spacious dining room of the Home. Here they found that a real treat had been arranged in home made sausages, hot biscuits, vegetables, pumpkin pie, and all of the good things that can be found in a hospitable Nebraska home.

The program that followed the supper was very much enjoyed by all of the members of the group.

Dr. Luther M. Kuhns, well known Masonic figure, presided over the program and introduced the various numbers.

E. H. Wescott opened the program with his very artistic rendition of "Under the Double Eagle."

Judge A. H. Duxbury, past master, extended to the visitors the welcome of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M. and assuring the guests that their coming has always been much appreciated by the local Masons.

The response to the address of welcome was made by Captain Edmund A. Fitzpatrick, quartermaster reserve, on behalf of Omaha chapter No. 19 of the Sojourners, and presenting on the part of the chapter, a fine electric clock for the dining room of the Masonic Home. Mr. Fitzpatrick is a former Cass county man as his family lived in the vicinity of Murray.

Mr. Evers on behalf of the residents of the Home and the association made a very clever response in accepting the clock.

The Masonic quartet, composed of Frank A. Clويد, Raymond C. Cook, H. G. McCluskey, R. W. Knorr, gave two pleasing numbers, "The Bells of St. Mary's" and "Out of the Dusk to You." E. H. Wescott was the accompanist.

Captain Seth O. Kraft, U. S. A., secretary of the Omaha chapter, talked on the aims and purposes of the Sojourners.

The Masonic quartet gave a very fine rendition of "Home on the Range."

Major William I. Jones, president of the "Heroes of '76" gave a clever talk that was filled with many entertaining features.

Colonel Stanley L. James, responded for the army officers who are members of the Sojourners while Lieutenant Commander Lincoln Humphrey responded on the part of the navy. Their addresses were very clever.

Grand Master William A. Robertson of the Nebraska A. F. & A. M. gave a short talk on behalf of the grand lodge of the state and on the many pleasant gatherings that the Sojourners have made possible in Masonry.

INSTALLS NEW PRIEST

Monsignor George Agius of the St. John's church of this city, was at Nebraska City Thursday where he served as the installing priest at the installation of Father Charles Bauer as priest of the St. Benedict's church.

During the services Monsignor Agius read a letter from Gov. William Langer of North Dakota, a close friend of Father Bauer and in which he expressed the regret at the priest leaving his parish at Hazen, North Dakota, where he has served for the past ten years.

SECURES ACQUITTAL

The case in which Robert W. Harris was charged with non-payment of alimony, was on trial in the district court for a short time Wednesday afternoon but after hearing the evidence in the case Judge W. W. Wilson withdrew the case from the jury and dismissed the defendant.

Mr. Harris, the defendant, who was cleared of the charges, is one of the local railroad veterans and a former member of the city council from the fifth ward.

POSTMASTER CUMMINS URGES REGISTRATION

All persons who are unemployed and able to work.

All persons who are partly unemployed and able to do more work.

All persons who are now working full or part time on WPA, N.Y.A., or CCC projects, should register.

Saturday, Nov. 20th is the last day to mail your cards.

The post office department is trying to help the unemployed labor by getting a complete registration and it is your duty to fill out your card and return it at once.

Those who did not have cards delivered to them and are unemployed, and want work, can have cards by calling at the post office, or Recreation Center, or asking any of the mail carriers.

Eastern Star Enjoys a Very Fine Meeting

Large Number Are in Attendance at the Session of Home Chapter—Several Initiated.

Wednesday evening Home chapter No. 189 of the Order of the Eastern Star held a very largely attended meeting at their lodge rooms in the Masonic temple.

There were a number of visitors from chapters at Omaha as well as Sidney, Iowa, to enjoy the evening and the initiation of members into the chapter.

The initiatory work was conferred by the local chapter officers in a very impressive manner.

Following the initiation a fine musical program was afforded the chapter and which included a group of piano numbers by Miss Dorothy Glock and vocal offerings by Miss Maud Branhorst, who was accompanied by Miss Catherine Kimsey. This contribution to the evening entertainment by the teachers was very much appreciated.

The dining room was very attractively arranged, with star points forming the table decorations, candles and crepe paper carrying out the colors of the Star.

The decorative theme was carried out in the ice cream which bore tiny golden stars.

This is the last initiation of the year in the chapter.

WINNERS IN TOURNAMENT

The following were winners in the Wednesday night play at the Recreation Center in the pinocchio games:

Eugene Vroman	5140
Mrs. Fay McClintock	4020
Mrs. Frank Rebal	4530
C. O. Cariburg	4970
Mrs. I. Mays	4310
Frank Kvipal	3670
Mrs. O. Sandin	3970
Mrs. C. O. Cariburg	4710
Esther Whitley	4380
Mrs. W. H. Puls	4220
Helen Vroman	4250
Madge Keck	4890
Edna Cariburg	4020
W. H. Puls	3930
A. J. Koubek	4190
Mary Jane Kvipal	3650
Joseph Kvipal	3650
Mrs. W. O'Donnell	4460

MOVE INTO NEW HOME

From Saturday's Daily—

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Ptak are engaged today in moving their household effects into the new home on North Sixth street. This summer they have erected a fine new modern home that is a pleasing addition to that attractive residential section.

The home has every modern convenience and will make a most attractive home for the young people.

They expect to be all arranged and to enjoy the Thanksgiving day in their own home.

RECEIVES \$25 FINE

From Saturday's Daily—

This morning in the county court C. C. Osborn, of Ashland, was arraigned on a charge of reckless driving, it being charged that the oil truck that he was driving had struck a horse of Paul Flamig, a farmer near Manley. To the charge Osborn made a plea of guilty and was assessed a fine of \$25 and costs. The amount was paid and the defendant sent on his way rejoicing.

'Pigs' Presented ac Class Play by H. S. Juniors

High School Auditorium is Filled With Pleased Audience to See Offering of Class.

From Saturday's Daily—

The junior class of the Plattsmouth high school presented "Pigs" as their class play last evening at the high school auditorium and before an audience that filled it to capacity.

The clever comedy of Anne Morrison and Patterson McNutt was well chosen and provided two hours of pleasant entertainment at the hands of a very capable cast of the young people under the direction of Lumir A. Gerner.

Preceding the curtain and in the intermissions, the high school orchestra under the direction of Lee Myers, gave an excellent musical program that held the closest attention.

The play carried the various ups and downs of the Atkins family life with a thread of romance woven through the story and with "Pigs" as the climax of the rollicking comedy.

The Cast

Jack Barton appeared as "Thomas H. Atkins, Sr.," whose law business was not too good to care for his family finances. Warren Reed took a good part as "Junior Atkins," the younger son of athletic proportions and with ideas of his future in medicine. Stuart Sedlak enacted the role of "Hector Spenser," a brother-in-law of Atkins, a useless addition to the family burden and whose welfare was the chief interest of "Grandma Spenser," most cleverly presented by Harriett Case, whose characterization of the role was well finished. Maxine Nielsen made a very charming "Mrs. Atkins," a wife and mother. John Tidball gave a fine rendition of the part of "Spenser Atkins," the eldest son of the family and who wished to abandon study of law for poetry, while Janet Westover as "Lenora Hastings," was the object of the affection of "Spenser," they carrying the romance of the play most effectively. Gloria Johnson as "Mildred Cushing," full of affection for "Junior," as well as unrelenting in search of \$250 for her unrecognized fiancé, her endeavors to aid causing many laughable situations. Ronald Rebal appeared as "Smith Hastings," a staid business man and father of the romantic "Lenora." John Jacobs took the role of "Dr. Springer," veterinarian, who aided in the success of the plans of "Junior."

The young people had arranged very attractive settings for the play and even to a pen with real pigs as the climax of the play.

Those who assisted in the direction and arrangements were presented with remembrances, Warren Reed making curtain presentation to Mr. Gerner and Miss Florence Beighley, co-sponsors of the class. Mr. Gerner presented a bouquet to Miss Vallery.

Shows Fine Co-operation

Mr. Gerner, the director of the play was assisted by Miss Margaret Ann Vallery as the student director, their splendid efforts being reflected in the fine presentation by the fine group of young people.

The entire class has given fine co-operation in the success of the play and while many were not on the stage they had prepared and looked after the inside work of the presentation.

On the stage committee were Frances Hadraba, Hazel Kelley, Clarence Mayabb, Donald Burcham and Elmore Brink.

Arts committee that prepared the settings, Lois Brandonthor, as the art director, Dorothea Fulton, Robert Yelick, Nioma Wood, Winifred Kaffenberger, John Palmer.

JOE SHOWS HIS STUFF

The Nebraska Wesleyan and Tarkio colleges played a scoreless tie Friday afternoon at Lincoln, both teams lacking the scoring punch when needed. In the opening of the third quarter of the game, Joe Case, of this city, playing half for Tarkio, intercepted a Wesleyan pass and carried the ball to the Plainsmen 38 yard line. Wesleyan recovered on intercepting a Tarkio pass.

Kenneth Armstrong attempted two field goals in the latter part of the game for Tarkio, but which failed.

ATTEND LINCOLN MEETING

From Thursday's Daily—

This morning a group of the local officials who are conducting relief, old age, dependent children and blind assistance, were at Lincoln where they attended a meeting of the Southeast Nebraska Relief Workers association.

Those who attended the meeting were Paul Vandervoort, Mrs. Elmer Sundstrom, Leland Lasse, Greth Garnett.

The association will discuss the problems of their offices and which promise to be more exacting with the approach of winter and the added relief burdens.

Peter F. Goos, Old Resident, Passes Away

Long Time Resident Here Drops Dead While Cleaning Snow from Walk Near Home.

From Thursday's Daily—

Peter F. Goos, 77, a resident of Plattsmouth for a long period of years, dropped dead this afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock near the Weidman home on North Seventh street.

Mr. Goos had apparently been in his usual health and yesterday was down in the business section of the city visiting the old friends as was his custom.

This afternoon Mr. Goos had gone out to clean off the sidewalk and while at work was stricken and fell, rolling down a small bank where he was noticed by neighbors and assistance called.

Mr. Goos was for many years the owner and manager of the Goos hotel in this city and was a man whose friends were legion in the community and to whom his death comes as a great shock as well as to the members of the family.

Mr. Goos is survived by the widow, four daughters, Mrs. Helen Bruhl of Lincoln; Mrs. Edward Barker, Louisville; Mrs. John A. Libershal, Mrs. George E. Weidman of this city; three step-children, Mrs. August Mumm of Missoula, Montana; Henry Timm and Mrs. Gilbert Storn of this city.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Thursday was the seventy-third birthday anniversary of former Mayor John P. Sattler and in honor of the occasion he was a guest of honor at a birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Sattler, Jr.

The event was attended by members of the family circle and a very fine time participated in by all of the group with cards as the chief diversion of the evening.

Mr. Sattler has been a resident here since the very early eighties and has for the past fifty-one years been engaged in the conducting of his funeral home and has also served as mayor over a long series of terms that covered from 1909 down to recent years.

Mr. Sattler was the originator of the sinking fund that has enabled the city to retire a great deal of its bonded debt down through the years as prior to his opening administration there had been no provision made to care for the accumulating bonded debt.

The pleasant birthday party was closed by the serving of a much enjoyed luncheon.

Mrs. Charles C. Lohmann of Omaha, a daughter, was an out of town guest.

RECEIVES PLEASANT NEWS

Relatives here have received the word that Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper at Colusa, California, are the parents of a seven and a half pound son, born November 13th. The little one has been named Garry Lee.

Mrs. Cooper was formerly Miss Eleanor Haffke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haffke and granddaughter of Mrs. Henrietta Ofe of this city.

WINS BY A KNOCKOUT

From Saturday's Daily—

Bob Richardson of this city was the winner of his bout at the Eagles hall at South Omaha last night. Bob dipped his opponent after a little over a minute.

New Dock and Warehouse are Nearly Complete

But Few Details and Plant Ready for River Navigation—Begin Work on Road Next.

A couple of days pouring of concrete and the hanging of doors are all that remain to complete the new Plattsmouth dock and warehouse on the Missouri river front. Had the freezing weather held off just a little longer the concrete work would have been completed early this week.

With the completion of the dock, WPA workers on that project will be transferred to the road project, which provides for the construction of a rock surfaced road from town to the dock site. This project will involve no small amount of labor or material, since adequate drainage must be provided to handle overflow water from the river along the course of the old slough. At this point a long arched concrete bridge is to be built. The roadbed will be several feet above the present level, the grade being protected from wash-outs by numerous smaller waterway bridges along the fractional part of a mile involved.

Indications point to the operation of barge lines at least this far up the river this coming summer, and with its dock and road completed, Plattsmouth will be in fine position to handle a large volume of river shipments. Numerous other towns are planning docks, but so far construction of none has been started, and Plattsmouth is away out ahead of the procession with its mile of rock paved river front, dockage facilities and a warehouse of adequate size to handle the large volume of business, coupled with the rock surfaced road leading from town directly to the waterfront.

There are still some who scoff at the possibilities of river transportation, but in the light of proven experience among towns down the river that have reaped the benefit of being ready for it when it came, as it will here in the very near future, it would seem that Plattsmouth will likewise stand in a most enviable position among all the waterfront towns in the state when the barge lines begin coming on up the Missouri.

In addition to a loading wharf and freight storage room, elevator facilities for loading grain will also become necessary. At Kansas City, Kansas, a great outlet has been provided for Sunflower state wheat, and beyond doubt a similar outlet will become necessary at some point in Nebraska to handle the wheat and corn produced in this state. Plattsmouth could easily become that point, furnishing an outlet for the crops of the entire southeastern part of the state and extending possibly as far west as Hastings and Grand Island.

River transportation on the Missouri is an accepted reality as far north as St. Joe, although it was discredited and scoffed at as impractical down that way when the U. S. army engineers first set about to harness the turbulent stream a dozen or more years ago.

HAVE FEEDING PLANT

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Taylor and son Robert are now located on the place formerly occupied by the Robert Wills family in the west part of the city, where they will feed cattle for the winter.

The family has just recently moved here from North Platte and are now getting nicely settled in the new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are parents of Mrs. Herbert W. Johnson.

POOL HALL ROBBED

From Friday's Daily—

Sheriff Homer Sylvester was notified this morning that the pool hall of George Parker, at Union, had been robbed. The information did not state just what had been taken from the place of business. The sheriff departed for Union this afternoon to investigate the matter, he being detained here during the forenoon by the district court session.