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Automobiles Collide on Bridge South of Town

The Pielsticker and Halligan automobiles collided on the bridge over the irrigation ditch south of town Tuesday evening. The drivers of the cars coming on opposite directions misjudged the distance to the bridge, each thinking they could cross before the other reached it. As a consequence both increased the speed and the crash resulted. Fortunately the occupants of the cars were not injured.

The force of the meeting bent the frame of the Pielsticker car and broke off the front wheels. The tires, frames and axles of the other car will necessitate extensive repairs.

The damaged cars were brought in by autos from town who were notified of the accident and went out for those who were in the party.

Meter vs Flat Rate.

The people of North Platte are to be congratulated on the efficiency of the municipal water plant.

With its 41 deep wells in commission, its battery of three 50 horse power boilers and its magnificent pump of capacity of three million gallons in 24 hours, the city has a plant that is capable of giving efficient service to a much larger city.

Any plan that will cut off the waste and confine the consumers to a reasonable use of the water will insure efficient service to all consumers at all times.

There are about 1200 water consumers being served by the water plant. What could be fairer than to require each consumer to pay in proportion to the amount of water that he permitted to run through his service pipe. The installation of a meter is the only way that could be determined. With the meter plan every consumer can be sure of good service and plenty of pressure at all times and can by the practice of economy have the assurance that he will only be called to pay for what he has beneficially used and will not be called to pay for the water that his neighbor is wasting.

With an optional flat rate in operation a small minority of the consumers can by unnecessary waste destroy the efficiency of the plant and make it impossible to give good service and pressure to all the consumers.

Some of the ways in which this waste is carried out is by using the water for refrigerating purpose. Instead of buying ice many people are running water constantly to cool milk and butter. Others permit the water in the house to run all the time so that it will be cooler to drink. A great deal of water is permitted to run into the sewers on account of leaky plumbing. Every time

the thermometer run any where near zero the plant was required to pump a greatly increased quantity of water because many of the consumers permitted the water to run from their faucets all night to keep from freezing instead of having an anti freezer cut off. Others make a practice of permitting the water to run all night from the hose without nozzle.

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North Platte Again Wins From Gibbon.

A large crowd attended the second game of ball this week between the local and Gibbon teams on the home grounds Tuesday afternoon. The Gibbon team made one score in the first inning but were outclassed from the beginning and made a number of wild plays, allowing the home team to get in several runs. Attorney James Keefe gave the decisions of the game. Following is the report of the plays.

Batteries—Gibbon, Huff and Johnson; North Platte, McClure and Danze.

R H E
No Platte 3 0 3 2 0 2 4 5 x 19 18 3
Gibbon 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 3 7

Three base hit, Bright; Two base hits, Dygert, Bright, Miller (2), Melker, Fritts, E. Miller; Earned runs, North Platte 5, Gibbon 1; Base on balls, off Huff 2; Struck out, by McClure 8, by Huff 6; Passed balls, Johnson 5; Stolen bases, North Platte 13, Gibbon 0.

Time 1:42. Umpire, Keefe.

Gets Thirty Days for Passing Bad Check

A complaint was made Wednesday by S. D. DePew against Sol Rishor, late of Lincoln county for unlawfully and fraudulently cheating and defrauding him and pretending that he had on deposit in the Platte Valley state bank, of Lincoln county, subject to his check, a sufficient amount of money to cash a check in the sum of \$11.50. He wrote out and delivered to the said S. L. DePew a bank check for that amount. The latter, relying on the representations of the said Sol Rishor did accept said bank check and paid the defendant the amount stated, but was unable to cash same as the representations of the defendant were wholly false and the said Sol Rishor did not have on deposit any sum of money at all. He was found guilty in the county court as alleged and was sentenced to all the criminal law would permit, with remarks from the judge that he regretted the sentence was not a heavier one. He will be kept in the county jail for thirty days.

Washing is hard work in hot weather, See the Electric Washer at Hershey's, Phone 15.

A Word of Warning.
This is the time of the tornado, cyclone, wind and hail storms. You can't be wiped out financially if you let Bratt & Coodman write you one of their protective policies. The cost is small, payment easy.

\$10
\$10

SATURDAY SPECIAL

Men's Suits that formerly sold for

\$18.00, \$20.00 and \$22.50

will go at

\$10.00

Saturday Only

H. Scoonover & Co.

The Home of Chesterfield Clothes

\$10
\$10

THE 1914 BUICK

No line of Motor Cars at any price can show more value than will be found in the Buick for 1914. Every time tried feature is retained and such new ones that have demonstrated their worth have been added. The Famous Overhead Valve Motor will continue to demonstrate itself as the greatest power producer ever used in an automobile. The same economy of fuel consumption, same durability and consistent service coupled with the old recognized go-ability insures the same reliable Buicks. The Delco system for starting, lighting and ignition is recognized as the very best apparatus of its kind and its installation in every model proves our contention that nothing is too good for the Buick. All equipment will be in keeping with that standard and permits the assertion that more than ever will the past leadership of Buick cars be maintained and strengthened for 1914.

The Buick family for 1914 will consist of the following models

B24 two passenger roadster, 28 H P, F. O. B. factory.	\$ 950.00
B24 five passenger touring car 28 H P, F. O. B. Factory.	1050.00
B-36 two passenger roadster 37 H P, F. O. B. Factory...	1235.00
B-37 five passenger touring 37 H P, F. O. B. Factory	1335.00
B-54 two passenger 6 cylinder roadster 55 H P, F. O. B. Factory	1885.00
B-55 five passenger 6 cylinder touring 55 H P, F. O. B. Factory	1985.00

All models left hand drive, center control. Both doors open to drivers position. 20 inch steering wheel on the Six, 130 inch wheel base.

WE ARE TAKING ORDERS NOW

J. S. DAVIS AUTO CO.

Chamber of Commerce.

In the lecture room of the Library building Wednesday evening the board of directors met in special called session the call also having been extended to all those who had subscribed to the Publicity Fund. M. J. Forbes, acted as chairman in the absence of President Seeberger.

M. J. Forbes as chairman, stated briefly the object of the called meeting, that being to ascertain the attitude of the subscribers to the Publicity Fund toward appropriating from that fund for the purpose of holding a Fall Festival. After a thorough discussion of the matter it was moved by Harry Dixon, seconded by Mr. Patterson and carried that an appropriation of \$400.00 be made to the Agricultural Society for the use as premiums. In connection with the above motion it was the understanding of those present that the Chamber of Commerce in the addition to the above support, were also to take care of some special features for entertainment at the Fair and attend to the advertising.

The report from the 4th of July committee was submitted and upon motion by W. V. Hoagland, seconded by T. C. Patterson, the report was received and approved and the congratulations of the Chamber of Commerce extended to the committee for their work in this connection.

Manager Cummings of the ball team together with O. E. Elder, Perry Carson and E. H. Evans as a committee appeared before the board and asked the assistance of the Chamber of Commerce in keeping the ball team in North Platte the remainder of the season. After a thorough discussion of the matter and the assurance to the manager and committee from the ball team that games could be secured for a three days tournament during the Fall Festival, it was moved by T. C. Patterson, seconded by R. F. Stuart that the committee of three consisting of E. F. Seeberger, Harry Dixon and J. Q. Wilcox be appointed to arrange for the base ball tournament, flying machine or other entertainment features and to attend to the advertising of the same, that said committee be appointed with the power to act.

D. A. Russell and York Hinman spent the early part of this week in the southeast part of the county on business.

The committee for the local base ball team have received the advertising buttons for Booster Day which will be next Friday August 1st. On that day the Kearney League will play with the home nine at the new athletic park. This game was arranged with great difficulty and promises to be a close one. A number of young ladies have been selected to dispose of the tickets and already a large number have been sold.

Baptist Association Holds Convention.

The Baptists of the North Platte district convened at North Platte in their tenth annual session Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Several of the prominent state workers were with them, Mrs. R. G. Davidson, Mrs. Kerr, Rev. Fred Berry and Rev. J. D. Collins, of Lincoln, besides many of the best workers in the district. The different phases of church work were ably discussed and many helpful suggestions were given by these men and women who are in touch with the work that is being done in all parts of the land.

Mrs. Davidson addressed the convention on Women's Work in Home Missions, Mrs. Kerr treated of the foreign work and Miss Maude London gave a talk on the work of the Baptist Missionary School at Chicago, which she attended recently.

Tuesday night Rev. J. S. Barton was duly installed as pastor of the North Platte church, Rev. Berry conducting the services, Rev. A. M. Horan, of Wellfleet made the address of welcome, Rev. Mills of Omaha, spoke on The Duty of the Church to the pastor, and Rev. Collins spoke on the Duty of the Community to the pastor. The charge to the pastor was made by Rev. Berry, to which Rev. Barton responded in a very fitting manner. Rev. J. D. Collins was in charge of the meeting Wednesday afternoon. The Motive of the Teacher, by Mrs. J. E. Griffith of Maxwell, the Study Side of the Teacher's Work, by H. C. Mooney of Wellfleet, and Personal Qualifications of the teacher by Mrs. R. G. Davidson.

Wednesday night Rev. F. W. Benjamin of Polk, Nebr., gave a stirring address on the work of Grand Island Baptist College.

Thursday afternoon, the work of the young people's society was considered, Rev. Collins again being in charge. Rev. Berry, Rev. Mills and others made very helpful talks on how the young people could increase their efficiency.

Thursday night, Rev. Bukhouthz of Farnam, gave a very interesting talk on some of his life experiences. Rev. Mills preached an evangelistic sermon and Rev. Berry closed the meeting with a very deep consecration service.

On Wednesday night, Mrs. Davidson organized the young ladies of the church into a missionary society.

Special music was furnished during the programs by Mr. and Mrs. Bukhouthz, Miss Miles of Paxton and Mrs. Fred Louden and Miss Mildred Sturgner of North Platte.

For Sale—Hoosier Cabinet and other articles of furniture, 523 W. 6th St. Call Saturday and Monday. 53-1

Local and Personal.

Rev. and Mrs. Cram are at Colorado Springs for three weeks' vacation.

Nellie Seeley went to Tryon yesterday to spend a couple of weeks visiting relatives.

Clarence Seeley, wife and child, of Tryon, passed through town Wednesday on their way to Maywood.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mathers, of Beloit, Kans., are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Con Waker.

A baby girl was born the latter part of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Thrown. The new daughter will be called Vivian Doris.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Witty left at noon yesterday for Rochester, Minn., Chicago and other eastern points to spend several weeks.

Mrs. D. E. Kepler and daughters, of Broadwater, who visited this week with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Giddeon left at noon yesterday for Grand Island to visit for several days.

The dedication of the new agricultural school at Curtis will take place August 15th. A large number from different parts of the county are expected to attend the opening.

Arrangements have been made to have No. 18 stop at Willow Island Sunday afternoon in order that those wishing to attend the ball game may do so without being obliged to take an earlier train.

CRYSTAL THEATRE

Friday Night

We are offering the two-part Bison, "At Shiloh." This is said to be far ahead of the most pictures of this kind. Lieut. Carney has some exciting experience when he escapes imprisonment by the aid of his southern sweetheart, Virginia Carleton. Released July 5.

The Wop an Imp drama was released July 10.

Saturday Night

He and Himself, A Nestor comedy, released July 4th.

The Badge of Policeman O'Room is the story of the police who's legs were not steady so his friend substitutes for him. The friend stops a runaway and saves the life of a pretty girl. When asked his name he does not give his for fear of exposing his friend so he gives his badge number. The usual complication arise. Released June 25.

Monday Night

"He Was Not Ill," Eclair.

"Battle of Manila," two reel Bison.