

# INTERURBAN TO PUT ON BUSESSES

### Will Divide Patronage Enjoyed by Competitor Out Of Omaha

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—The interurban railway that runs between Omaha and Ralston has been troubled by what it claims to be unfair competition in the form of buses run by two Omahans who operate them only at those times of the day when they get full loads. The company appealed to the state railway commission for protection, but that body said that it had no power to control competition, and that anybody could run buses in opposition to interurbans who cared to make the investment and experiment.

Today the interurban company notified the commission that it had bought two buses and would operate them as its own competitor, presumably with the intention of so dividing the traffic with the interurbans as to make their business unprofitable. The best the commission was able to do was to require the bus men to operate regular and on full time.

## TO ATTEND INSTALLATION OF NEW PASTOR

Hartington, Neb., July (Special)—Pastors and members of the Lutheran churches from various places in Nebraska and South Dakota will assemble here for the ordination and installation of Rev. Austin M. Peterson, who was graduated from the Lutheran Theological seminary at St. Paul, Minn., in June, and has been called to the pastorate of the Trinity Lutheran church of Hartington. The ceremonies will take place Sunday, July 27.

Rev. N. Boe of Sioux Falls, S. D., bishop of this district, will have charge of the ordination ceremonies, and Rev. Ulviden of Omaha and Rev. R. Aga of Wynot, are to have important parts in the installation. A choir of 60 voices composed of musicians from Maskell, Wynot, Obert and Hartington, under the direction of P. A. Sullivan of Wynot, will furnish music for the occasion.

## HOLDS CONVICTION OF BANKER WAS REGULAR

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—Attorney General Spillman filed a brief in supreme court today suggesting that in his opinion the conviction of C. C. Parmale, at one time a wealthy banker at Plattsmouth, but now broke, be affirmed. Parmale was convicted of getting a man named Wiley to execute a note to him for \$1,500, promising to credit that amount on a note he held for a Mrs. Douglas, but that instead he used it as collateral for a personal loan at an Omaha bank. Wiley had to pay the note later and claims that he never got credit on the Douglas note.

# WILL SUPPORT STATE TICKET

### United States Senator Howell Has Long Conference With President

Washington, July (Special)—United States Senator R. B. Howell of Nebraska, a member of the progressive-republican group made announcement Friday, after he had conferred with President Coolidge that he would support the republican national ticket in Nebraska.

The Nebraska senator, returning from a short stay in his home state, discussed political and agricultural conditions in the central trans-Mississippi state with the president.

## LOST FOUND A DAY WHILE IN JAIL

Fremont, Neb., July (Special)—"Bob" High, former well known real estate man who has been serving 60 days in jail here lost 60 pounds during his confinement and was finally moved to a hospital for the last few days. His term ended Thursday and he was taken to Omaha for attention of specialists.

Local officers induced the district attorney of Cheyenne county to withdraw charges against High, and the plan of arresting him at the hospital door was abandoned. High was sent up for transportation of liquor. He was caught in a thrilling cross country chase in which the police punctured his car with bullets.

## EMIGRANTS MAY TAKE ONE USED AUTOMOBILE

Pierre, S. D., July (Special)—The South Dakota railroad commission has announced that at its request, certain South Dakota railroads, including the Milwaukee, Great Northern and the Soo, are publishing tariffs providing that shippers of the so-called "emigrant movables" in carload lots may include in the shipment, without extra charge, one used automobile.

## PAYING DEPOSITORS IN FAILED BANK

Neligh, Neb., July (Special)—The long anticipated payment of depositors of the failed Atlas bank of this city is now being made. The checks were made out some time ago but a hitch in the proceedings made it impossible to cash them at that time. The money is now on hand to meet the demands and the checks are now being paid on presentation.

# COURT DENIES RELEASE WRIT

### Claim Blind Woman, Who Is Heiress, Is Held As Prisoner

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—After a personal investigation Judge Broady denied a writ of habeas corpus asked for by Donald W. McNeill, who swore that Helen Kerns, a blind heiress whose former home was in Omaha, is a virtual prisoner at the home of Miss Lydia McMahon in Lincoln. Miss McMahon was formerly superintendent of the state home for girls at Geneva. Judge Broady talked with the girl, who said she was well treated and satisfied and asked that the action be dismissed.

McNeill claimed that no one was allowed to see the girl unless Miss McMahon's consent was first obtained, and that it was impossible for her friends to talk with her and ascertain her exact situation. He claimed she was not receiving proper medical attention.

## MUST KEEP DEPOT OPEN TO 6 O'CLOCK

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—An order has been issued by the state railway commission directing the Northwestern railroad to keep its depot at Merriman, Cherry county, open until 6 o'clock each evening. Ranchers in that section desired it be kept open until midnight as had been the custom for years, but the commission says they failed to prove any necessity for so long a period and so much added expense. The railroad now closes it at 5 o'clock. The company was directed to hereafter provide adequate lighting and heating facilities at the station, another matter of which complaint was made.

## ONE TWIN IS SAVED BY OTHER'S APPEARANCE

Omaha, Neb., July (Special)—One twin brother saved another, Lawrence Keener, of Omaha, and his pal, William Reimers, from facing a murder charge, in connection with the death of Lloyd Henry, shot by bandits in a hold up a week ago. Hazel Lewis, the state's star witness, repudiated her "positive" identification of Keener and Reimers as two of the murder bandit trio. Then Deputy County Attorney Gross recommended dismissal of the murder charge against the pair. Judge Crawford assented, but ordered them held for further investigation in connection with hold-ups.

"Do these men look alike?" the attorney for the accused asked. Miss Lewis after Keener's twin brother had been called forward and stood beside the two defendants. "As much as if they were twins," she replied.

# DAWES COUNTY APPEALS CASE

### Reduction of Assessments In Town of Chadron Cause of Trouble

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—The county of Dawes, appealing to the supreme court from a decision that it must reduce property valuations in the city of Chadron to conform to the 68 per cent. valuation put on farm lands, insists that Allen G. Fisher, the complainant, has organized a taxpayer's lodge of sorrow, and adopted as its ritual a pledge made by candidates for office that they would cut expenditures to the limit. Fisher made complaint for all taxpayers in town, and the principal complaint of the county board is that the law requires each property owner who objects, to make his own protest, and that a mass protest cannot stand.

## ASSESSMENT CONTROVERSY BECOMES VERY WARM

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—The railroads of the state have presented to the state board of equalization a mass of testimony in support of their contention that they are being called upon to pay taxes on a full valuation of their property, while farmers are favored by paying on only little more than half value basis. Tax Commissioner Pollard submitted data secured from a large number of county officers which showed that farm lands are assessed at 59.5 per cent. of the actual value as shown by sales during the past year and 53.5 per cent. of the value placed upon them by loan companies that have mortgages upon the farm lands.

## GORED BY BULL AGED FARMER DIES

West Point, Neb., July (Special)—Herman Koemann, 74 years old, was fatally gored by a bull at his farm, near here, yesterday. He attempted to separate two bulls, fighting in the yard. One of them rushed at the old man, pitching him into the air. He died several hours later.

## LET PEOPLE DECIDE ON BUS QUESTION

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—The state railroad commission went on record today as being of the opinion that if the people of Nebraska want bus lines barred from using the highways it must be done by action of the legislature. The application of 100 residents of Ralston, Neb., asking the commission to deny Nick Sallatean and R. Turturan the right to operate a bus line between Ralston and Omaha was rejected by that body.

# GUARDIANSHIP MATTER SETTLED

### Squabble Over Care of Children and Their Property Ends in Court

Columbus, Neb., July (Special)—A tilt over the appointment of guardians for the persons of Marlon Miller, 13, and his sister, Irene, 9, children of Marcellus Miller, formerly of Columbus but who is now working at Ulysses, Neb., was adjusted by agreement. In recent months the boy has been at the home of his father's sister, Mrs. Jesse Horn, at David City, while her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Angle, of Columbus, has been taking care of the little girl. The children's mother died several years ago, and her half-sister, Mrs. M. A. Tate, formerly of Columbus, now conducting a rooming house in Omaha, has been guardian under court appointment, of the children's property, each of them having near to \$500. The children's father and Mrs. Tate sought her appointment also as guardian of their persons, as well as their property, while Mrs. Angle and Mrs. Horn sought a court order giving them the custody of the children. Whether the best interests of the children would be served by being reared in Omaha or in Columbus and David City was the chief point on which the argument between City Attorney C. N. McElfresh, representing Mrs. Tate, and Acting County Attorney George S. Reeder, representing Mrs. Horn and Mrs. Angle, hinged at the hearing. The arrangement as announced by Mr. McElfresh, and concurred in by Mr. Reeder, was that Mrs. Horn should be appointed guardian of the persons of both the children and that W. A. Boettcher, should be appointed guardian of their property. Mrs. Tate resigning the latter position. On the other hand, Mrs. Tate was to be reimbursed to the extent of \$160 out of the children's funds for certain expenses she had been put to in their behalf. This sum did not include any fee for her services as guardian of their property through a period since 1918, and she further stated that she hoped to be able to devote the amount to the children's welfare at some future date. The arrangement being satisfactory to both factions, Judge Gilbon gave it his stamp of approval.

# OLD COINS ARE HELD BY MANY

### Hartington, Neb., Man Has Piece Bearing Date Of 1705

Randolph, Neb., July (Special)—Following the publication about an old American dollar owned by Carl Lange of Hartington, various people in northeast Nebraska have become intensely interested in old coins and have brought to light many curious pieces of money. Z. L. Boughn of Randolph owns a rare and valuable American half-dollar, dated 1808 and apparently made by fusing two thin pieces of metal. Mr. Boughn also has an American quarter coin in 1831, an American 20-cent piece, a half-cent piece and other coins which have been out of circulation for many years.

But just when the oldest coin is thought to have been produced elsewhere F. H. Wachtler of Hartington produces an old German coin with an interesting history. This coin, which bears the date 1705, was found by Mr. Wachtler's father when the former's grandfather was digging a cellar at his home in Saxony. His father, then a mere youngster, uncovered the coin while playing in the dirt. It is a silver piece and shows its age in that it is worn thin and much of the lettering has been obliterated, yet the date is easily told. On one side of the coin appears a coat-of-arms. Mr. Wachtler refused \$25 for the piece.

# OMAHA'S PLEA AGAIN DENIED

### Nebraska Rail Commission Refuses Cut in Rates On Livestock

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—The state railway commission today denied the request of the Omaha Live Stock Exchange and Chamber of Commerce to reduce livestock rates west and northwest of Norfolk on the Northwestern lines to the same basis as to Sioux City from the same points.

The commission says that the new schedule was made in co-operation with the Interstate Commerce Commission, and that the latter having turned down the request it must follow suit.

## Creek in Nebraska Is Out of Banks; Small Loss

Fremont, Neb., July (Special)—Maple creek, usually a sluggish stream, part of time dry, has been out of its banks in the vicinity of Hooper, north of here, flooding farms in the vicinity.

Farmers from that neighborhood Tuesday reported that the water was receding and that the damage, at first thought to be heavy, will be only nominal.

# LIVELY FIGHT IN DEMO MEET

### Many Candidates in Scramble for Nomination for Governor of Nebraska

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—The meeting here next Thursday of the democratic state central committee to select a candidate for governor to fill the vacancy on the ticket caused by the coming retirement of Governor Bryan, is taking on the importance of a state convention, and with interest as keen as was shown at the primary election which renominated the governor for his second term.

A few of the wheel horses of the party are already in the city and more are expected to follow daily until the meeting is held and the selection made. Governor Bryan is believed to have a first, second and third choice among the dozen or more active and tentative candidates who hope to succeed him, but he has declined, at least publicly, to indicate his preference. He has let it be known, however, that he leans to a candidate who will be willing to partially carry out his own program.

National Committeeman Arthur Mullen, who is not a member of the state committee, but who will be present, says he intends to use his influence in the selection of some one among the list of aspirants who is an out and out supporter of John W. Davis as the presidential nominee, and not some one whose allegiance may be half and half for Davis and La Follette. Most of the party leaders from Omaha are said to be of the same opinion as the national committeeman.

Among the more prominent candidates for the nomination who have agents actively at work in their behalf are Frank J. Taylor, of St. Paul, at present one of the regents of the University of Nebraska; Judge Harry S. Dungan, of Hastings; Mayor James C. Dahlman, of Omaha; State Senator Charles J. Thelen, of Humphrey; John N. Norton, of Osceola; Kenneth W. McDonald, of Bridgeport; C. O. Knudson, of Albion, present secretary of the state banking board; C. M. Skiles, of Lincoln, attorney by appointment of Governor Bryan of the state bank guarantee commission; State Tax Commissioner W. H. Smith, also an appointee of the governor; City Commissioner John Hopkins, of Omaha, and District Judge Jefferson H. Broady, of Lincoln. Congressman John H. Morehead, of Falls City, and former Congressman Dan V. Stephens, of Fremont, frequently mentioned at the time it was known Governor Bryan would retire, have eliminated themselves.

Among the committeemen and committeewomen from northeast Nebraska who are expected to attend are J. F. Rohm, of Fremont, and Mrs. C. L. Kelly, North Bend; C. J. Blanchard, of Walthill and Mrs. Harry Safford, of Lyons; Charles Fleener, of Coleridge, and Mrs. King Clark, of Niobrara; Douglas Cones, of Pierce, and Mrs. Rollie Leigh, of Wayne; Rudolph Brazda, of West Point, and Mrs. E. McNamara, of Beemer; J. F. O'Donnell, of O'Neill, and Mrs. H. A. Oelrichs, of O'Neill.

## MUST SHOW CAUSE FOR ASSESSMENT DECREASES.

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—The state board of assessment will meet next Wednesday in representative hall as a board of equalization to take up tax assessment reports. Thirty-four counties of the state which show a decrease in the assessed value of lands have been notified to show cause why such decrease should not be denied. Only nine counties thus far have shown increases, among them Pierce and Thurston. Some of the counties reporting decreases are Boyd, 5 per cent.; Burt, 1 per cent.; Cedar, 1 per cent.; Cumming, 3 per cent.; Dixon and Dodge, 3 per cent.; Holt, 3 per cent.; Washington, 4 per cent., and Wayne, 2 per cent.

## CONSCIENTIOUS LECTURER REFUSES SUNDAY TALKS.

Fremont, Neb., July (Special)—Alleging that the Chautauqua has become a "highly commercialized show business" and that the Redpath-Hornum bureau endeavored to compel him to lecture when admission is charged on Sunday, William T. Ellis notified the local Chautauqua committee by letter that he will not appear here August 4.

"I have notified the management," wrote Ellis, "that they cannot compel me to violate the laws of God and man. I refuse to hedge. I am willing to participate in Chautauqua services on Sunday where no admission is charged. At Frederick, Okla., I was summarily ordered to go on with the regular week night program for an admission fee."

## FARMER IS DROWNED IN ELKHORN RIVER.

Fremont, Neb., July (Special)—David T. Blyvius, 30 years old, a farmer living near Arlington was drowned Sunday, when he attempted to swim across the Elkhorn river near here. The stream was swollen nearly bank full and a swift current was running. He is survived by a widow and two children.

## START WORK ON BIG DANCE PAVILION

Bloomfield, Neb., July (Special)—Active work on the new pavilion to be erected by the Ray Lamb Post of the American Legion has started, the excavators now being at work. The building will be on the grounds of the Knox County Fair association and will be 70x100 feet. It will be just west of the grandstand. Heating facilities will be provided by two furnaces of the hot air type, one on each end of the building.

## Related Revenge.

Miss Jennie Owen, in Eldorado, (Kan.) Times. Imagine sweeter revenge than this if you can. We know of a man who, when he was a small boy, carried water to the elephants all forenoon for a ticket to the circus and when he had finished his task the manager boxed his ears and chased him off the grounds. Many years afterward the same show came to the town where the small boy, then a man grown, was city water commissioner and the manager went to him for water rights. Then the boy who had watered the elephants without recompense had his inning. Complimentary tickets for every small boy in town was his price and they were ferried over before the circus men were allowed to pitch their tents.

## Settled Bryan's Place Early.

Frank Parker Stockbridge, in Current History Magazine. In the intimacy of traveling together during the western campaign tour in May, 1911, Woodrow Wilson talked more and more freely to those of us in his party. Between Denver and Los Angeles, crossing the New Mexico desert, he sat silently gazing out of the window for an hour.

"I have been thinking," he said at last, "of the responsibilities the next president of the United States will have thrust upon him, if he should be a democrat; and the more I think about it the more I am inclined to hope he will not be I. E. H. with that administration with an extremely difficult and delicate problem—what to do with Mr. Bryan."

"Make him ambassador to Great Britain," I suggested.

"If he were the man for that post, I don't believe he would accept it," Mr. Wilson answered. "He will not be content to be so far away from the center of activity; yet, if he is in Washington he will want to meddle."

"And what use would he be in a cabinet?"

"The secretary of the Interior should come from the West," I suggested.

"But that is an administrative post, and I cannot conceive of Mr. Bryan as an administrator of anything," Mr. Wilson objected. Then he added:

"The place where Bryan can make the least trouble and get the greatest personal glory is as secretary of state. Of course, his friends will claim that he is the power behind the throne and represent the president as a puppet, with Bryan pulling the strings, and the opposition will make the most of that assumption. Any president might well pray to be spared that, but he will have to choose between that and making an enemy of Bryan and facing a divided and recalcitrant congress."

This was thirteen months before the Baltimore convention, when Bryan reluctantly withdrew his support from Champ Clark and threw it to Wilson, giving him the nomination, but Bryan's position in the Wilson administration was settled that day on the Sainte Fe train.

## Linking Radio Antenna To Balloons.

Francis A. Collins, in St. Nicholas. A new use has been found for toy balloons. By making them large enough to raise a trifling weight, they prove very valuable in radio work. The balloons can carry aloft an antenna to great heights and pick up or transmit several feet in the actual tests made, the messages received were remarkably clear and free from any metallic quality.

The miniature balloon used in the tests measures fourteen feet in length by four feet in diameter and holds, when inflated, 150 cubic feet of hydrogen. The antenna was carried aloft 2,000 feet. It is of course impossible for the average radio amateur to find a building convenient to his home which will give him an elevation of a twentieth of this height. It will be noticed that the balloon is constructed with rudders, which enable it to point into the wind and hold a relatively steady position.

By making the balloon slightly larger, an elevation of a mile may be attained. The balloon must, of course, have lifting power sufficient to raise a wire one mile in length which is considerable. The end of the wire is attached to the balloon by a series of strings passed about it, which distribute strain. It is held captive by the antenna, which serves the same purpose as the string of a kite. In high winds the balloon pulls hard upon its string and must be securely anchored.

## A. A. Adeo Passes On.

From the New York Times. The death of Mr. Alvey A. Adeo, assistant secretary of state, removes one of those permanent officials without whom the public business cannot be conducted. Presidents might come and go, and secretaries of state disappear like transient phantoms, but for fifty-four years Mr. Adeo was at the state department, kept there because he more and more made himself indispensable. He is said to have been the greatest master of diplomatic technique that ever lived in Washington. It was not for him to tell presidents and secretaries of state what to do, but if they wanted to know how to do it Mr. Adeo was the mentor to whom they turned.

Of every phase and shade of international communications he was a master. It has been stated that when Secretary Hay was writing his protest against the dismemberment of China, and was casting about for a term to describe the shifting and precarious Chinese government, it was furnished to him by Mr. Adeo, who suggested "administrative entity." This at first puzzled and even staggered the European foreign ministers, but, after all, they knew what it meant and acted accordingly.

Mr. Adeo's genial if somewhat eccentric personality will be missed in Washington, and his official place will be hard to fill. He was of the type of old public servants, unostentatious, but eminently useful, whose departure leads those deeply interested in the ongoing of government to exclaim that we might better have spared "more famous men."

## No Row; Just a Settlement.

Letter to the Smith County Pioneer. I deny the charge. I never had a row with a Downs garage man. He presented me a bill of \$1.55, and I presented him one of \$3.60 which he had owed me three and a half years. He claimed my bill was outlawed and refused to pay it and I refused to pay his. Then he said, "I will put your car back in the garage and hold it till you do pay." I cautioned him not to lay hands on the car, but he proceeded to do so. About that time something was said and when he got himself together he made a hasty getaway and I drove off.—Al Collier.

# WOMAN ADMITS IN ON HOLDUP

### Dressed As a Man She Helped Pull Job at Fremont, Neb.

Fremont, Neb., July (Special)—Sheriff W. C. Condit announced on his return from Des Moines, Ia., that Helen Roy, 24, garbed as a man, and George Case, 33, held at Des Moines for robbing a jewelry store, are the bandits who robbed the Standard Oil station here, obtaining \$400 in cash six weeks ago.

Condit says that the girl confessed the Fremont robbery. Since the charge at Des Moines is more serious than the one the couple would face here they will not be brought to Fremont. The landits locked John Carmody, Midland football player, who was at the oil station, as salesman, in the toilet after forcing him to open the safe.

## FIND RELICS OF A PREHISTORIC RACE

Columbus, Neb., July (Special)—The Loup river valley has again begun to yield relic after relic buried generations ago by the decadent race of red men who once roamed the Nebraska prairies in the bison hunt, making their homes in the glades near the water's banks.

E. E. Blackman, curator for the Nebraska State Historical society and a Lincoln man, conducting a research expedition near Genoa, began excavations last week. More than 50 people from Genoa and the surrounding country came to aid in opening what Mr. Blackman thought might have been an Indian mound where he would find buried skulls and other remains.

After the crowd had eaten a picnic dinner digging was begun. At a depth of six feet a "cache" or cellar was touched. Shaped like a jug, this "cache" has a mouth two feet in diameter. The cover made once upon a time in the long ago, had been built of eight-inch logs. These turned to dust as Mr. Blackman and the searchers struck them. The entire "cache" was filled with dry dust that had been untouched for years by moisture. The skin of an animal, also turned to dust, was found.

Mr. Blackman declares he expects to make some interesting discoveries before he cleans out the cache, a work which will occupy some time. Meanwhile, at a point not far distant, some human bones were found in a grave but no skulls.

## NEW WHEAT GRADES WELL, MILLS OFFER \$1.06

Grand Island, Neb., July (Special)—New wheat brought to the mills and elevators Thursday, tested No. 1. It is averaging from 20 to 25 bushels per acre. Local mills were offering \$1.06, Thursday.

## ROBBERS GET MANY SUITS OF CLOTHES

Lincoln, Neb., July (Special)—Sheriff Tom Carroll received word of a \$7,000 merchandise robbery at Syracuse, Nebraska Friday morning. According to the report 300 men's suits of clothing were taken from the store of Lambeth and Son by thieves who gained entrance through the sky light.

## CLAIM IOWA LANDS NOT HEAVILY ENCUMBERED

Omaha, Neb., July (Special)—Farm lands of the middle west are not heavily encumbered with debt, a survey of 80 sections of land in a typical midwestern farming district just completed by the Federal Land bank of Omaha proves. For the purpose of getting at the facts as to the average mortgaged indebtedness of farms in the district served by the Federal Land bank of Omaha, its investigators chose 80 sections of land surrounding Palmer, in Pocahontas county, Iowa. The reason for picking this particular district is that it is typical in value and farm operations to the middle western farming section in which the bank transacts most of its business. This land is valued at \$200 an acre.

As a result of the survey the bank reports that 53.3 per cent. of this 80 sections of land is free from debt. Of the remaining 46.7 per cent. of the 51,200 acres, but 5.7 per cent. are encumbered more than \$100 an acre; 10.5 per cent. carry a debt of \$100 or less an acre; 13 per cent. are encumbered for \$75 an acre, or less, and 12.6 per cent. for \$50 an acre or less.

## Prodigy Will Enter Oxford in the Fall

Wapwollopen, Pa.—Frederick L. Santee, who attracted attention in educational circles by entering Harvard at the age of 13 and graduating at 17, will enter Oxford university in England next fall.

He is the son of Dr. Charles Santee, of this town, and won the Sheldon scholarship for one year's study abroad at Harvard. In addition to the scholarship he also landed the Parmenter, Price-Greenleaf, Greek Bowdoin and Greek-Latin Bowdoin prizes.

The leased telegraph wire system of the United States department of agriculture for the prompt handling of market news now runs from coast to coast. Branch lines extend into the southeast and southwest.

## THREE BANDS MADE INTO A BIG ONE

Madison, Neb., July (Special)—The combined bands of Madison, Newman Grove, Battelcreek and Norfolk will give a concert at Newman Grove on Thursday night of this week and one in Norfolk the week following. The band was organized by directors of the various organizations and it is now known as the Madison County band. The director say it is to be a permanent organization and may play at various public celebrations. The band may be heard at the state fair this year.