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SWITZER VOTES NO

Does Not See His Way Clear to Make the Necessary Improvements.

JORDAN AND FREDERICK FAVOR THE PROJECT

The Cost Will Be Comparatively Small Considering the Nature of the Work.

Two for and one against was the way the vote stood on paving the east half of Fourth street when it was called up before the county commissioners for decision yesterday. L. D. Switzer casting his vote against the proposition. Just why a commissioner, residing in the center of the county should oppose a needed improvement in any particular part of the county, and particularly in the county seat is hard for the ordinary mind to grasp. For the past fifteen or twenty years the board has been building expensive iron bridges over the creeks in the west end of the county, and this city has paid thousands of dollars into the general fund and into the road fund to be used by the commissioners, where ever in their judgment it would be most needed. The commissioner from the first district has been broad enough to vote for these improvements, although in a half century, probably not one of Platts-mouth's citizens will ever cross many of those bridges. The paving of the east half of Fourth street will probably cost the county \$1000, but it is an improvement and a protection to the county's property.

If the pavement is not put in, the way the gutter is washing should it keep it up for a few years an expensive culvert will be needed to cross from the street to the court house. And more than that the walk on the west side of the court house grounds will be undermined and washed away, and an other expensive walk will have to be built, besides making a fill to place the walk on.

H. Fransen went to Omaha this morning to remove his wife from the hospital to their home at Avoca. Mr. Fransen has been employed in the shops here and will return to Platts-mouth next week.

Mrs. Hall of South Omaha, and Mrs. M. H. Cleaver members of the Finance committee of the Degree of Honor, were in the city today looking after the interests of the order.

Mrs. H. Gartleman was a passenger to the metropolis this morning.

PLATTSMOUTH BOY MAKES HIGH DIVE

Son of John Boyd Takes a Shoot Over Embankment with Coaster.

Last Thursday a ten year old boy, son of John Boyd, residing on South Fifth street between Pearl and Granite was coasting in the yard adjacent to his fathers home. The yard slopes to the north gently for a considerable distance, and then the descent is almost perpendicular for about seventy-five feet before a gentle slope is again found. Large trees are growing on the embankment, though the foliage on them is not very dense at the present time. Master Boyd did not expect to make the leap that he did, but the sled was going at a greater speed than he thought and over the embankment he went, over tree tops and under brush, as if he were shot out of a gun. The descent did not happen to injure the lad, although the sudden alighting jared his nerves somewhat. No bones were broken luckily. When Mr. Boyd arrived from his work in the evening and was informed of the feat performed by the boy, he very quickly issued an order, that there should be no more coasting at that place on pain of having the sleds reduced to the scrap pile.

Pair Overalls Free.

There is a novel contest on at C.E. Wescott's Son's store. The east window has been filled with a part of their surplus stock of overalls.

These goods are of the \$1.00 per pair goods. This enterprising firm offer to give to the man first bringing the guess of the number of pair, or nearest the number of pairs in the window between now and Saturday evening next, one pair of overalls. The boy bringing the nearest guess will have an equal show with the man. Each man or boy has one guess.

The goods in the window are all surplus stock and the firm have on their shelves sufficient overalls to last the trade for a year, before drawing on the supply in the window. This is the same quality and make that the firm sold a year ago for the same money. Call and register your guess and get a new pair of overalls free, if you guess the number nearest correct.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks to our friends and neighbors who so kindly ministered to our needs in our time of great sorrow. May the choicest blessings of heaven rest upon them.

Mrs. C. Cowles
 Mrs. F. A. Hodgkin
 Mr. Wm. Cowles
 Mrs. J. F. Stenner
 And Families

L. D. Switzer, county commissioner of Avoca precinct and C. R. Jordan of Greenwood precinct arrived in the city last evening and will meet with the board today.

NEWS MAN AT EAGLE

Visits That Little Berg and Finds her Booming in Good Shape.

EAGLE BEACON MAN A BUSY EDITOR.

Has Lots to Do and Keeps Him Busy Doing It All the Time.

When the Missouri Pacific train rolled into the lively little city of Eagle, the News man, who stepped off the car at that point was somewhat hungry, as it was quite a little after the noon hour, but we were not long finding the restaurant of D. Wilson, who recently came from Palmyra and reports a good business in his new location. We know why for the place which Mr. Wilson conducts is a good place to feed, for we tried it.

Here we broke bread with John McKay of Weeping Water, who was looking after some business matters in the city. Mr. McKay tells us he expects soon to move to Kansas where he had some lands which he thinks the best ever.

After dinner we visited Max Spanleigh the hard workman who was busy as a bee, and had a number waiting for his attention. He said he was enjoying a good business, and no proof additional besides what we saw was necessary.

At the Postoffice which is conducted by Geo. W. Petersen, and who conducts it in a fitting style, we met Rev. J. W. Davis, minister of the Methodist church and formerly of Nehawka. Rev. Davis told us he had just returned from Burlington Iowa, where he lived when a boy, and that he had had a good time while gone. He also said that Eagle was a good little city, and he liked to make his home there.

J. H. Latrom general merchandise, said business was good and that he was enjoying his share of the general prosperity.

T. R. Adams, said business was not very brisk, but he could not complain. Here met Miss Carrie Adams well known here, who inquired as to how Platts-mouth, and her many friends were getting along.

John Adams & Son, who have the Lumber and Coal yards were enjoying a good business and said everything was all right. This we were glad to hear.

Little grain is or has been moving on account of much of the corn not having as yet been gathered. Better & Vincent conduct one elevator, while George Trunkenzbalz has charge of the other. We heard the whistle blow, announcing the coming of our train, and in an effort to save some time, we were speeding down the street, though not exceeding the speed limit, when a loose board in the walk tripped us, scattering our paper over the west end of Cass county and causing a rent in our left trouser leg near the knee which required a half hour of our time that evening when retiring, to heal.

Eagle is a very lively little city and one which helps in the totaling of the financial and commercial interests of one of the best counties in the best state, in the best Nation on earth.

ANOTHER HORRIBLE COAL MINE DISASTER.

One hundred and Fifty Buried in Mine Explosion in Colorado.

At midnight last night, seventy nine bodies of the Primero mine explosion had been brought to the surface. There were in all 149 men at the mine at the time the explosion took place, and as the main shaft is completely filled up with the dirt and rock, it is not expected that anyone can be rescued.

Walt Thacker of Union transacted business in Platts-mouth last evening.

PIONEER PAS- TOR DIES

Rev. Dr. J. T. Baird Passed to His Reward After a Very Brief Illness.

WAS PASTOR HERE FOR THIRTY YEARS

Funeral Services Will Be Held Friday Afternoon at 2 O'clock.

Yesterday afternoon, the community was shocked when the news was heard upon the street that Rev. Dr. John T. Baird had died. Dr. Baird had been ill scarcely a week, and not many knew of the dangerous nature of his illness. He was taken sick one week ago yesterday, and while being confined to his bed, his illness was not by the members of his family thought to be critical, although the doctor had not been quite as vigorous this winter as formerly.

Rev. John T. Baird, D. D. was born in Cincinnati, O., Dec. 3, 1834, and at the time of his death was seventy-five years, one month and twenty-seven days old. He graduated from Yale college at the age of twenty-four, and entered the Princeton Theological seminary from which he graduated in 1861 and received a license from the Presbytery of Cincinnati the same year.

Rev. Dr. Baird remained in Ohio some three years and preached for Presbyterian churches at Cincinnati, coming to Nebraska in 1864, he first took up his residence at Brownville, Neb., where he was pastor for ten years. In 1875, at Brownville, Dr. Baird was married to Miss Maria G. Wood, who with one son and four daughters survive him.

He was installed pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city about thirty-five years ago, and was pastor for thirty years. During the time he was pastor of this church he was the Stated Clerk of the Nebraska City Presbytery and also one of the trustees of Bellvue College. He was the oldest Presbyterian minister and held a pastorate longer than any Presbyterian minister in the state.

The immediate relatives who survive to mourn his loss, Mrs. Baird, Mrs. G. L. Earley, Misses Estelle, Carrie, and Florence of this city and Will Baird of Colorado.

The funeral service will be conducted by Dr. Sexton, of Lincoln, who has been so long associated with Dr. Baird in church work in Nebraska, and will take place from the First Presbyterian church, at 2 o'clock, Friday afternoon. Dr. Baird was loved and respected by every one who knew him, and he will be sincerely mourned by everyone in the city. His life was an open book and he had the confidence of men in all walks of life.

UNION'S NEW HOTEL NEARLY COMPLETED.

Modern Building of Eighteen Rooms will be a credit to the Town.

The new eighteen room hotel which is being put up at Union is rapidly nearing completion and a representative of the Daily News says that it is a credit to the town, and would be a valuable addition to a much larger place. The building is of red pressed brick and will be heated by steam and modern throughout, including gas plant.

Mr. Leach the proprietor has offered one week's board to the person suggesting the best name for the new hotel, and the contest is open to the world.

Mrs. O. H. Bayless, and daughters Hildreth and Bulah, who have been visiting the home of Mrs. Bayless' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brady, returned to their home at Watson, Mo. this afternoon.

CASS COUNTY PIONEER COMES TO TOWN.

W. J. Laughlin of Greenwood Pays a Visit to the County Capital.

O. W. Laughlin and wife and his father W. J. Laughlin and daughter Miss Nellie all of Greenwood were in the city today. Mr. W. J. Laughlin, is one of the Cass county pioneers and resides on the homestead he entered in 1859. On Easter Sunday of that year Mr. Laughlin first crossed the Missouri river and drove up what is now Main street of our city and camped near the Valley mill, located somewhere on what is now Washington Avenue. Mr. Laughlin had a brother-in-law, Mr. Joseph Pierson residing in the county at that time. Mr. Pierson afterwards moved to Platts-mouth and died here. Mr. Laughlin took a claim close to what is now Greenwood, but owing to the difficulty is subsisting on the raw prairie, he left his wife to hold down the claim, while he came to Platts-mouth to get work. He found work in plenty here, and assisted mason Aughey in building the first brick building ever erected in Platts-mouth. Mr. Laughlin was anxious to see and shake hands with as many of the old timers as possible today.

Argo vs McQuinn Settled.

The litigation between, Matt McQuinn and Mrs. Argo, in which the plaintiff recovered a judgment for \$409.05 at a former term of the district court of this county terminated today, when on the expiration of a stay of execution, the defendant, Mr. McQuinn, paid up the judgment and all of the costs except \$30.00. The action was for damages resulting from an alleged assault and battery on the plaintiff by the defendant while trying to regain possession of a house and garden on his premises a few miles east of Murray.

A trial to a jury resulted in a judgment against McQuinn, in the amount above stated. The case was not appealed to the supreme court, but stayed for the period allowed by statute, by the defendant giving the necessary bond for the final adjustment at the end of the period.

Planted Cars of Acorns.

Ptak & Bajec shipped to Lincoln this morning a consignment of their fine brand Acorn Cigars. The order was billed to Ed. Young at base ball headquarters. When Platts-mouth citizens "visit their friends" in Lincoln they should give Ed a call, and boost for Platts-mouth.

Postponed.

The first appearance of the Grew Stock Company at the Parmele has been postponed to February 9th instead of February 4th as it has been advertised. They will play the "Invader" at the opening.

Mr. Vedder left Schenectady on the 12th inst, and Mr. Fort did not start with his engine until the following day, but in coming the distance Mr. Fort out traveled the other gentlemen and had placed in ahead in the making up of the train. It was expected to make a stop at Havelock and have some repairs put on the engine in the custody of Mr. Fort. They expected to reach Denver about Feb. first.

S. L. Furlong, the weather seer of Rock Bluffs was in the city today Mr. Furlong does not look for settled weather until after the 15th, of February, when Venus will be in perihelion. On that date that particular star begins to recede from the sun, and the storms will be less frequent.

Mrs. Louis Martin and Mrs. John Lutz, spent the day in Omaha going on the early train this morning.

M. C. Baker of Nottaway Mich. who has been the guest of his brother A. L. Baker, near Murray for some weeks, departed for Clay Center, Nebraska this morning where he will visit his daughter for a time.

Miss Lawrence arrived from Omaha to substitute as teacher at the High school.

Mrs. A. A. Randall, who has been the guest of Omaha friends for a few days returned to her home at Osceola, this morning.

Y. M. C. A. TO ORGANIZE

Petition to Organize Association has Long List of Signatures to it.

A GOOD MOVE FOR OUR BOYS.

Take Hold of It and Boost It to a Successful Termination At Once.

About one hundred young men of the town have already appended their names to a paper signifying their intentions to associate themselves into a branch of the Y. M. C. A. E. H. Wescott is the local correspondent for the Association in Platts-mouth, and the list can be signed at Wescott's store, or at Weyrich & Hadrabas's store. Any young man in the city who has not already had the opportunity to sign can do so by dropping in at either of these places and calling for the list. It is the intention to rent suitable rooms at once and put in a reading room and also a gymnasium. This can be done at a low cost when the number to be served is taken into consideration. There has been considerable enthusiasm over the proposed association, and if the matter is taken hold of with some energy it can be made a desirable feature for the young men of the city.

Dies Suddenly.

Miss Allison Johnson, teacher of German, in our High School, received a message last evening informing her of the sudden death of her sister at her home at Bloomfield, Neb. Miss Johnson departed for her sister's home this morning. Miss Schaffer, who has been substituting for Miss Anna Heisel will take Miss Johnson's place until her return. Miss Heisel will resume her former place at noon.

It's Your Own Fault

if you haven't taken advantage of our season end "Clean Up." Suits and overcoats left from our new fall stock, worth up to \$30 at just 3 prices.

All wool suits and overcoats worth up to \$15, now \$10.

H. S. & M suits and overcoats worth up to \$21, now \$14.

H. S. & M, suits and overcoats worth up to \$30, now \$18.

We have made it a rule of this store not to carry over stock from one season to another. That's why you can buy at such low prices.

Falter & Thierolf

Value Giving Clothiers.

IF Uncle Sam should march a full regiment of soldiers up to our front door today, we could fit every one of them with a uniform of blue denim, or if he should march 500 boys in here any time, we could fit them in overalls in 10 minutes.

We are the Largest Distributers of Overalls in Cass County.

Look at our corner window and guess how many overalls are in it. We will give a pair free to the first man and boy that guesses the nearest correct number.

C. E. Wescott's Sons

The Home of Satisfaction.