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THE BURLINGTON MAKES ADDITION TO THEIR SHOPS IN THIS CITY

Prospects Are Bright for Other Improvements Here as the Relations Between Company and Employees are Most Cordial

The Burlington shops in this city have received an addition to the plant in the shape of a flue welding outfit which was moved down to this city several days ago from Havelock. The outfit employs several men and will be an important addition to the work here. There is every reason to believe that there will be quite an increase in the work to be done in this city in the future at the shops, the company evidently finding that Plattsmouth is disposed to give the best of treatment to the company and its employes.

The work on engines has lately increased here to quite a degree and there is small doubt but it will be much greater in the near future. The flue welding plant was located in this city a number of years ago and was removed from here to Havelock when the engine work was so largely transferred there. Its return to this city is something which everyone will be glad to hear of and indicates that the company is favorable to moving a larger part of their work back here where they have never been disturbed by labor troubles and where the employes are satisfied and contented.

Boilermaking is one of the features of railroad work which the Burlington did in this city at one time and which it is now said to be figuring on doing again. The flue welding plant is part of the boiler plant and is usually carried on where the boilermaking is done. This being removed here, makes it pretty certain that some of the boiler making or all of it, will be done here in the future. Plattsmouth is highly gratified to learn that its many advantages are being seen by the Burlington and it hopes that only a very short time elapses until the company brings all its engine work to the city.

The progress of the boilermakers strike at Havelock has been watched with considerable interest in this city by the public. The workmen in the shops here have been well satisfied with things as they are and the local

management has had no complaints registered against the piece work system nor the scale of prices paid. Plattsmouth is one of the cities on the Burlington where contentment reigns and where the company is not bothered in carrying on its business. The men in the shops want more work, the business men of the city want more men employed and the public in general wants to see the black smoke roll up from the tall smoke stacks. At present the force in the shops is the largest in years and they are turning out more work than ever before. Under the supervision of Superintendent of Shops Baird, the shops have improved to a wonderful degree in efficiency.

The Journal can state on the authority of one of the best informed men in the city, that the Burlington is highly pleased with the work of Mr. Baird since he came to this city and that his authority will probably be widely extended in the future as there will likely be quite an increase in the shops here. The gentleman who quoted this is in a position to speak with authority and states that he is informed by a high official of the company that Mr. Baird has brought the local shops to a high state of efficiency since his arrival here.

This is cheering news and is stated with absolute confidence as the source of the information is unquestionable. With the return of the boiler shops to this city, an increase in the machinists force and a general rehabilitation of the shops, Plattsmouth ought to experience a mighty good year. And all this seems to be laid down in the books for the immediate future. The flue welding plant is a good beginning and the other things are in sight which makes the people of the city feel much better. The construction of the big Burlington sewer was assured by the action of the people in voting bonds for the paving so as to leave the council free to handle the funds in the city treasury for this work and this means another big step forward.

PLATTE RIVER ROAD CLOSED

Which Will Prove a Great Detriment to Travel.

From Monday's Daily. Travelers to the Platte river from this city have run up against a disagreeable proposition in the shape of finding the road to the river closed across the land of Peter Nord. Formerly there was a road across Nord's pasture from where the county road ended to the Platte, which was one the public used although the usage was by sufferance of Mr. Nord. He has now closed this road and will not permit the public to longer use it unless the county sees fit to buy the right of way and open the road. Formerly the county had a road running along the edge of Mr. Nord's land to the old ferry below the Burlington bridge but in the last three or four years the river has eaten away the bank until the road has disappeared in the river. That the county will buy the several acres needed for the road is deemed improbable and the prospects are that there will be no passage way to the river from a point some half mile south of the river where the present county road ends. The closing of the road through the pasture has resulted in a great deal of discommoding to a number of people in this city, especially physicians who have to visit La Platte and other places on the north side of the Platte. Mr. Nord undoubtedly has a legal right to close the road and the public will have to make the best of its way to the river until the commissioners can see their way clear to buy a road from him which will likely be in the far, dim, distant future.

Ex-mayor, Henry R. Gering, spent Sunday at his home in this city with his mother and sisters, returning to Omaha last evening.

Young-Colin Nuptials.

A news item which was overlooked in the press of business last week was the marriage of Dallas C. Young and Miss Margaret A. Colin, both of this city. The ceremony occurred Monday afternoon, April 11, at the Congregational parish in Dickson, the Rev. W. J. Brown officiating. These worthy young couple, who are among the best in the Golden Valley, and the salt of the earth, will reside on the groom's farm near this city. The Chronicle hasn't a word of criticism for this union; on the contrary, it offers its heartiest congratulations.—Golden Valley (Beach) Chronicle.

It gives the Journal great pleasure to republish the above, from the fact that the groom is a son of our old friend, D. A. Young, one of the early pioneers of Cass county, residing three miles northeast of Murray. He was born and reared on the old homestead, and was one of Cass county's most industrious young men. D. A. Young is one of the best citizens in Nebraska, and has lived in the state fifty-five years, and near where he lives now all that time. He and his good wife have set their children aright on the road to righteousness and industry, and if they follow in the good instructions given them, they will all prosper. Dallas has continued on this line, and now possesses a good farm in North Dakota, where, assisted by his helpmate, are in a fair way to great happiness and prosperity. The Journal joins the many friends of the groom in extending congratulations, with the hope that the future will always look bright to them, and happiness reign supreme.

To Distribute Fish.

This morning's papers states that Congressman Maguire has made arrangements with the government to send a fish car to this district this fall when ponds and lakes in this section will be given fish free of charge by the government. There are several small ponds in this locality where fine fish might be raised and it is possible they may be stocked from the car.

In District Court.

From Monday's Daily. A suit has been instituted in district court entitled the State of Nebraska vs. Wm. Noxon, Jr., and Geo. E. Dovey. The suit is one for judgment on a bond given on December 19, 1906, by the defendants to the state to insure the appearance of the defendant Noxon for preliminary hearing before Justice Archer where Amelia Heidemann had filed a complaint against Noxon alleging he was the father of her unborn child. The case was filed and Noxon arrested on December 19, 1906, and at that time he asked for a continuance until December 22nd. Justice Archer granted the continuance and fixed Noxon's bond at \$1,000 which he gave with Mr. Dovey as surety. Noxon failed to show up for trial and the court after hearing the evidence held the defendant Noxon for trial in the district court. He failed to make his appearance and the case was heard. Attorney D. O. Dwyer was appointed as guardian ad litem for Noxon who is a minor. Mr. Dwyer filed a lengthy motion to have the case dismissed against Noxon for some nine different reasons but his motion was overruled and the case heard. Noxon was found to be the father of the child and ordered to pay the mother \$750 in monthly installments of \$15 each which he has wholly failed to do. In order to get the money for the child's support this suit is commenced to secure judgment against Noxon and the bondsmen. Messrs. Clark & Robertson appear as attorneys for the plaintiff who really is Amelia Heidemann.

Former Resident in Trouble.

A preliminary hearing upon an information for lewdness sworn out by A. J. McKinney, against Nell Britton, Fred McKinney, Ed. McKinney and "Mary Doe" before Justice E. B. Gardiner, resulted in a dismissal of the case against the defendants upon the motion of Assistant County Attorney Ross. The prosecuting witness is the father of the two male defendants, who are boys aged 17 and 19. The offense was alleged to have been committed in a house at 1206 Eighth avenue. After hearing the evidence it appeared that there was not enough proof to make out a case. Mr. McKinney said that he had suspected there was something wrong going on and that he brought the criminal action in order to break it up.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

One of the defendants in the above case, Nellie Brittain, was formerly a resident of this city and now has a divorce suit pending here against her husband, Walter Brittain. The case is on the trial docket for this term of court. She has lately been making her residence in Council Bluffs and comes down to this city about once a week. The plaintiff, A. J. McKinney, also resided in this city at one time. All the parties to the case are well known here and the trouble has considerable interest for their acquaintances.

Pleased With Our City.

From Monday's Daily. Rev. B. Ogden of Cotner university, who occupied the pulpit at the Christian church Sunday, returned to Lincoln this morning on the early Burlington. Rev. Ogden preached to several good congregations while here and made an excellent impression on them. He was much pleased with the city and its people and especially delighted with the many scenic attractions which this place affords the traveller. He was much impressed with the majesty of the great Missouri river and this morning expressed his great pleasure at the magnificent views to be seen along its banks.

John Nemetz is spending the day in Omaha, having gone to that city on the morning train.

J. P. Falter is a visitor today in Omaha, having gone to that city on the early Burlington train this morning.

A. W. Atwood was to have made a trip to Omaha this morning but was feeling too indisposed when train time came to attempt the journey and postponed it until later.

A Brilliant Game.

From Monday's Daily. Thomas B. Bates and wife saw the ball game yesterday at Fort Crook between the Fort Crook team and Green's Nebraska Indians. The game resulted in a score of 4 to 3 in favor of the Indians. It is said to have been one of the most brilliant games ever played in this section and the Indians played mighty fine ball. They are a great ball team and demonstrated it throughout the game.

MOTHER'S DAY IS OBSERVED

In Plattsmouth as Well as Other Towns Throughout the Land

From Monday's Daily. Mother's Day was generally observed by the wearing of flowers by the general public and by special references to the occasion at the several churches of the city. The wearing of white flowers by the men of the city was quite universal and the proclamation of Mayor Sattler asking that the inmates of the Masonic home and other institutions be remembered was also observed. At that place there were many very handsome bouquets received by the inmates of the home and the day was made a very happy one for them. A great many people in the city remembered their sick ones in the hospitals at Omaha by the presentation of flowers and the orphaned children of the city were also made the recipients of many gifts. At the churches of the city the ministers at both their morning and evening sessions spoke upon the anniversary and used the sacred name of Mother as one from which to draw inspiration for their sermons. In general the day was more widely observed than ever before and the public evidently is taking good notice of the anniversary.

Reports in the morning papers from abroad are to the effect that the day was more generally observed than ever before and that the wearing of a flower on this occasion is rapidly becoming universal. The larger cities of the country report the observance of the day by everyone and that there was a great demand the country over for flowers for the occasion.

Horse Badly Cut.

W. D. Jones was called last evening to Bert Pollock's where he had to treat a two year old mare of his for some severe barb wire cuts. The animal is supposed to have been chased by dogs during Saturday night and caused to run into the wire fence. It suffered a long, ragged cut of the throat which was very deep, the barbs barely missing the jugular vein. There were sixteen stitches taken on the animals throat and its recovery, even at that, is problematical. Mr. Jones states that the escape of the animal from death is miraculous and also states that if he was the owner he would load a shotgun with slugs which would kill, and lay for the dogs. The ravages of the dogs in this section the past six or eight months have been alarming and the laxity the police have shown in shooting them has occasioned marked comment.

Whipped His Wife.

People living in the east part of town complain of a citizen whipping his wife Thursday evening. The only excuse was that he was drunk. There is a diversity of opinion of a man who will strike his wife—he be drunk or sober. Some say that a woman who will live with a drunken husband deserves whipping, while others are of the opinion that a man who has sworn to love and protect a defenseless woman, who is the mother of his children and then so far forget all common decency as to strike her should be given a sample of his own prescription. The Courier trusts that it will not be called upon again to refer to this matter, and if it does we want to say that a spade will be left in doubt as to whom we refer.—Louisville Courier.

Omaha Future Home.

Miss Ruth Johnson is spending several days in Omaha, having gone there for a visit with her brother, Frank H. Johnson and wife. Mr. Johnson has located permanently in that city, having recently purchased a part interest in the works of L. C. Sharpe of this city. It is understood that Mr. Sharpe will dispose of his entire interest in the plant at Omaha to Mr. Johnson and W. A. Sharpe and that Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Sharpe will depart for California for an extended visit. The many friends of Mr. Johnson and his estimable wife will be glad to welcome them back after their several years in Florida and are sure they will prefer Omaha and Nebraska to their former home.

Jos. Wiles and wife are visitors today in Omaha, going to that city this morning on the early train.

THE PROSPECTS FOR FREE MAIL DELIVERY IN THIS CITY GOOD

Senator Burkett Introduces Resolution to That Effect in Senate Yesterday—Another Boost For Plattsmouth.

Plattsmouth is now on the highway toward being a larger and better town. One of the new steps to be taken is to establish free mail delivery in the city. Senator Burkett has taken the initiative in the matter and has asked the government to send an inspector to this city and report on the advisability of the scheme. The city this year went over the \$10,000 mark in postoffice earnings and this one requisite has been passed.

Postmaster Schneider is largely to blame for making Plattsmouth a larger and better city. He has been assiduously building up the business of the local postoffice and now is able to see it over the required monetary limit. As soon as this became an accomplished fact, he took the matter up with Senator Burkett and the result was that steps have been taken for free delivery. This means the employing of several additional men by Uncle Sam in this city and the spending of more money here.

The inspector is liable to be here at any time now and he will find all he requires when he comes to look the city over. He will find the houses all numbered, the streets all lined with good, permanent walks, a general air of prosperity in sight and the building of the city going on in every direction. There can be no doubt of the necessity for free delivery in the city and the inspector cannot well help so reporting.

This step is one which the city should have taken years ago but it has remained for the steady rise of the town to bring it. Plattsmouth today is larger and better than ever before. It has more factories than at any time in the past and the big Burlington shops are now working more men than for years past. Conditions here are excellent, the people are happy and contented and prosperity reigns.

The only cause for a halt in free delivery is the condition of the appropriation for that feature. This is said to be exhausted and if that is the case it may result in tying the matter up for a short time until the new appropriation becomes available. However, it seems certain the grey coated servant of Uncle Sam will soon be seen on the streets and the necessity of having to hurry to the postoffice for mail will be done away with.

The people generally are quite jubilant over the outlook and have been enthusiastic over the establishing of free delivery here. It makes Plattsmouth have some of the airs of a metropolis and shows that the city is advancing. The Journal is especially pleased to note the change in conditions throughout this section and to know that Plattsmouth is climbing the ladder toward the top. It is building each day and the volume of business which is being done is much larger than at any time in the past. A larger and better Plattsmouth seems assured and one of the steps is free delivery.

Several months ago the Journal took up the matter of free delivery, and investigated the figures of Postmaster Schneider with the result that it was able to forecast the passing of the required sum easily and to predict what has come to pass—free delivery. The Journal then stated that the city was in better shape than for years before and time has proven its assertion. The passing of the \$10,000 mark is not the result of any boosting effort but the result of more business and a better period in the city. Today more mail is being dispatched from the Plattsmouth office than for many years past and the result shows plainly in the receipts of the office. A big help to a city is free delivery and Plattsmouth has taken a fine step forward when it has established here.

VISITS THE T. J. SOKOL SOCIETY

Their Hall One of Finest Turner Halls in Nebraska.

From Monday's Daily. Frank Slavitsky, an instructor in turning, visited several days in the city with the T. J. Sokol society, returning this morning to his home at Crete, Neb. Mr. Slavitsky is one of the most proficient men in his profession in the middle west and has stood well with the several Sokol classes in which he has taken part. His visit to this city was in the nature of an inspection trip of the Sokol equipment. He found the local Sokol to be in excellent shape. The apparatus for turning is of the best, the attendance at the classes is large and enthusiastic and the entire arrangement is of the highest class. The Sokols have just recently made a large amount of improvements at their hall on west Pearl street and now have the best of facilities for handling their classes. Among other improvements which have been put in is additional room in the basement of the building for a shower bath and rest room. These are modern and up to date and Mr. Slavitsky found no place in Nebraska that had superior facilities for the necessary work of making athletes. The Sokol hall has also recently been reshingled and rehabilitated and it shows up like a new building. The membership of this excellent organization has been constantly growing and is now quite large.

Edward Obernalte, one of Wabash's best citizens, came in today to look after business matters in the city and while here paid a very pleasant call to the Journal. Mr. Obernalte is one of the regular readers of the Journal and is always welcome at its sanctum. He is one of the good people of Cass county and the Journal is proud to acknowledge him as a mighty good friend.

In County Court.

In county court today two cases were filed for probate. In the matter of the estate of Edwin R. Todd, deceased, a petition was filed by T. E. Todd, asking that the widow, Mary E. Todd, be granted letters as executrix of the estate. D. O. Dwyer appears as counsel for the estate and will have charge of the legal matters of the estate.

In the matter of the estate of William Coatman, deceased, a short form of administration is asked for to clear the title to some realty left by deceased. The petition makes the usual allegations that the deceased left certain real estate near Avoca which is unincumbered and which has no claims standing against it. It also recites the several heirs of the estate and that more than two years has elapsed since the death of the testator and that no claims have been filed against the estate. Z. Asa Coatman who files the petition asks for his own appointment as administrator. J. M. Leyda appears as attorney for the estate.

To Vote on Prohibition.

The supreme court of Oklahoma yesterday ordered the secretary of the state to receive and file a petition signed by 50,000 voters asking that the state constitution be amended so as to permit saloons to run in the state. This means an early election to pass on prohibition. The voters of Nebraska who have been favoring the initiative and referendum as a means of ending the reign of the saloon in the state now have a chance to see how it works the other way. This is what the poet has well described as a flareback and if Oklahoma adopts the Slocum law and defeats prohibition it may make a change in the minds of many who favor the initiative and referendum.

Notice to County Teachers.

The regular teachers' examinations for May will be held on Friday and Saturday, the 20th and 21st, at Plattsmouth and Weeping Water.

H. J. Meisinger, the well known Cedar Creek citizen, is spending today in the city, having come down this morning from his home to look after business matters and visit with