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OWNER OF WATER PLANT SAYS COSTLY IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE MADE AT ONCE

George F. West of Portland, Me., Is Here With Two Expert Engineers, and Promises New Pumping Station, Pump and Boilers—Will Meet With Mayor, Councilmen, and Commercial Club.

From Wednesday's Daily.

George F. West of Portland, Maine, who purchased the Plattsmouth water plant about a month ago, arrived here this morning with James W. Burney, an erecting engineer of Chicago, and Paul Diserens, a consulting engineer for the city of Cincinnati, and they are making a thorough investigation of the needs of the water plant and system.

Mr. West, in a talk with a reporter of the Journal, said that he would be here several days and would find out by investigation and by consulting the city officials and business men what was needed to make the plant a first-class one in every respect.

Mr. West is a capitalist who

has owned water works for 25 years, and has a number of plants both in the east and the west. He knows the water business thoroughly. He said that as a result of his visit he would have a new pumping station built, and a new boiler and pump put in.

The local manager, he said, had told him of a number of extensions of the mains that were desired and he said that he would arrange for some new mains, but at this time did not know where they would be.

It is probable that the question of a new franchise will be discussed in the meetings of Mr. West with the city officials and the officers of the Commercial club.

THE NUPTIALS OF A CASS COUNTY COUPLE

Married in Lincoln and Then Visit Relatives in Central Nebraska.

Last Wednesday noon an auto party was formed at Plattsmouth, the participants being Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wolff and little daughter, Merna; Miss Tillie Dugan and Mr. Philip Hirz, who were billed for the state fair. The party was joined by Mr. and Mrs. John Given and daughter, Leona, at Louisville and proceeded on their journey to the capital city, arriving there at 3:15 p. m.

The fair had become an insignificant factor when the young folks in the party began searching the city for the court house, and upon their arrival there made application for a marriage license and proceeded to the hospitable home of Rev. I. S. Roach at 1204 D street. Promptly at 6 p. m. the pastor conducted one of the prettiest ceremonies that could be administered, which pronounced Miss Tillie Irene Dugan and Philip J. Hirz husband and wife.

Hearty congratulations were extended and the party felt themselves greatly indebted to the pastor and his wife for the hospitality shown in the short stay at their home.

The wedding dinner was taken at the Lindell hotel at 7 p. m., where a sumptuous repast was indulged in amid strains of beautiful music. The Oliver theater had a most enjoyable play on, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The party was joined by Willie Dugan, a brother of the bride, and the fair was taken in Thursday, after which the party motored out to Ulica, in Seward county, where lives the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Frazer. The trip was an enjoyable one over the best auto road in the state and was made in considerably less than two hours. The groom was pleased to meet his new relatives and expressed himself very favorably to the country.

The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. James Dugan of Louisville and a sister of Mrs. John Given and Mrs. J. F. Wolff of Cedar Creek. She was born in Waco, York county, Nebraska, and grew to womanhood in Louisville, where she has a host of friends to extend her the best wishes in her adventure. She has been the efficient clerk in the store of Osonkop Brothers at Louisville until recently, where she is greatly missed by both patrons and proprietors.

The groom is the only son of Henry Hirz, sr., of Plattsmouth, and is well and favorably known by a large circle of friends. He is a very conservative man and will, in all probability, be one of Cass county's shining stars for his new bride to follow through the remainder of her career.

They will stay at farming, which occupation the groom has followed in the past. The Journal wishes to extend them its hearty congratulations.

No Laying Off on Burlington.

The Burlington declares that there has been no laying off of employes for some time. "To be sure business is not very good, but we have no large construction work on hand and we are simply waiting to see how conditions adjust themselves and are hoping for an improvement," said Darius Miller, president of the Burlington. "Usually there is a slump in business around May 1 which continues through June, but this year, while this slump occurred in May, instead of an improvement in July there was a more appreciable slump, and August has been worse than July. Conditions undeniably are rather poor along our lines. Nevertheless we do not expect to reduce our force of labor. If we knew just what is responsible for present conditions we could figure as to the future, but there is the rub."

Case Set for September 18.

From Tuesday's Daily. Judge Travis this morning in district court set September 18 as the day for the trial of Margaret Seagrave vs. John Seagrave. This is a suit over alimony.

Start for Long Beach, Cal.

Mrs. Emma Wallace and daughter, Harriet, of 1320 South Sixteenth street, started last night for Long Beach, Cal., where they will spend the winter. Mrs. Wallace returned a week ago from Alaska, where she accompanied her father, Isaac Pollard, of Nehawka. Her mother will join her in California in October.—Lincoln State Journal.

ARRESTED FOR ROBBERY AT SOUTH BEND

Two Boys and a Negro Detained—Were There for Breaking Into a Bunk Car.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Sheriff Quinton went to South Bend yesterday and brought to Plattsmouth three men charged with breaking into a bunk car at South Bend. They are Joe Miller, Joe Novak and John Brown, the latter a negro. It developed later that the negro refused to go into the car and left them at the time.

They started across the river and waded the first channel, but section men following them began to shoot to scare them, so they came back and surrendered. They, with the negro, were detained at South Bend pending the arrival of the sheriff.

The two white men, or rather, boys, as Miller is 19 and Novak 20, were taken before Judge Beeson this afternoon, where they pleaded guilty. They were bound over to the district court and went to jail. The negro will be released. The boys are from the east and have been playing the role of tramps for some time. It is not thought that they are wanted anywhere, and this is probably their first serious offense.

THE "CHOPIE" GASOLINE ENGINE AT THE FAIR

Proves Quite a Favorite, Even With the Great Engine Manufacturers.

J. A. Chopieska and John Chutz returned home from the state fair Sunday afternoon, where they had been for the past week in the interests of the Chopie Gasoline Engine, demonstrating to the people attending the big fair the many good points in the engine and why they believe that it is the best one on the market. They succeeded in interesting a great many prospective purchasers of gasoline engines, and closed contracts for the sale of eight, to be delivered in the near future.

While Mr. Chopieska may not have had as large an exhibit at the fair as many of the larger and older factories, he was "there and over" when it came to showing quality and economy in the line of gasoline power. The guarantee that is being placed on the Chopie engine proves a winner wherever it meets the eye of a prospective buyer. The vast amount of advertising that Mr. Chopieska has done within the past few months will sure place many orders within his hands during the next few months.

One of the largest gasoline engine manufacturers in the land today paid Mr. Chopieska a visit and examined his engine thoroughly, and voluntarily told him that he believed that he had one of the best engines on the market today, and if he could make good his guarantee, he had a world-beater. As the guarantee is left entirely with the purchaser there can be no doubt as to his "making good" on this point. You are to be satisfied with the engine, not Mr. Chopieska. He knows what it is and he wants you to know by experience.

Strike Ended.

The strike among the shop forces of the Missouri Pacific at Falls City has been declared off by all hands returning to work. The strike has been on for nearly two weeks, which may have been partly the cause of the delay of trains from the south, which have been from one to two hours behind almost every day.

O. M. Straight of Omaha is in town today.

LAI'D TO REST AT HER OLD HOME

Funeral Services of the Late Mrs. Frances Baker Garwood Held at Bastrop, Texas.

Mrs. Frances Baker Garwood was born at Williamsport, Tenn., August 28, 1834, died at Plattsmouth, Neb., August 31, 1911, aged 77 years and 3 days.

The remains of Mrs. Garwood, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Moore, reached Bastrop on the early morning train Sunday last, a number of friends and citizens of the town were at the depot and conveyed the remains to the Christian church, where services were held at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, the pastor of the church, Rev. R. Jackson, conducting the services, after which a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends accompanied all that was mortal of her to Fairview cemetery, where they were tenderly laid to rest.

Mrs. Garwood had been a citizen of Bastrop for nearly half a century, leaving here only a short time since to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Moore, at Plattsmouth, Neb. She ever had the interest of her town and its people at heart, and was especially active in church work and that of the organization of the Daughters of the Confederacy, who paid beautiful tribute to her memory, both at the church and cemetery. She is sorely missed by relatives and friends, her kindly smile and friendly greeting is cherished in the memory of all who loved her. In her far-away home she had missed her daughter, Mrs. Paul D. Page, who preceded her in death only a few months.

Oh, that Great Weeper, who is just the one to silence all earthly troubles and wipe out all earthly griefs.

Mrs. Garwood is survived by three children—Dr. A. Garwood of New Braunfels, Judge H. M. Garwood of Houston, and Mrs. L. A. Moore of Plattsmouth, Neb. Her husband, Major C. B. Garwood, and a daughter, Mrs. Paul D. Page, preceded her in death. The Advertiser, with many friends in this city and throughout the county, extends sympathy to those bereaved in the passing of this noble Christian woman.—Bastrop (Texas) Advertiser.

GENTLEMAN TRIMMER ARRIVES IN THE CITY

M. Fanger and Mr. E. Krebs Arrived in the City Yesterday Afternoon.

From Tuesday's Daily.

M. Fanger came down from Missouri Valley yesterday afternoon, accompanied by Mr. E. Krebs, who met him in Omaha. Mr. Krebs is the new trimmer at the Department Store this season, which will no doubt prove something new to the people of this city, but has many seasons ago become a universal custom in all the larger cities.

Mr. Krebs is an eastern man, but was head trimmer for the Brandeis stores in Omaha for eight years, and has just returned from the eastern markets, where he secured all the new styles in ladies' headwear. He has proven by his many years' experience that he is an expert in the trimming and designing art. He has entered upon his duties of trimming the new line for the big fall opening that will be announced within a few days, at which time the ladies of Plattsmouth and Cass county will have an opportunity of seeing and selecting their new fall hats from one of the largest stocks and the greatest lines of new styles and variety of shape ever brought to Plattsmouth.

Commissioners Meet.

From Tuesday's Daily. The county commissioners met in regular session this morning and transacted only routine business.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Meisinger went to Omaha this morning to spend the day.

FORECLOSURE SUIT TO COLLECT \$3,000

Main Street Property Is Involved in a Suit Brought in District Court Today.

From Tuesday's Daily.

John N. Haskel and Walter Breen have brought a foreclosure suit against Elmira Davis, James E. Davis, Holly H. Ashton, Percy Bennett and A. R. Elliott, the suit being filed with District Clerk Robertson today.

The petition states that on July 29, 1908, Elmira Davis and James E. Davis executed a mortgage note to L. G. Nelson for \$3,000, due August 1, 1911, giving as security a mortgage on lot 5, block 33, in the city of Plattsmouth, being the property where the Rundle apple concern and the Ofe & Andrews garage are located. Haskel and Breen bought the mortgage on August 10 of the same year.

On November 11, 1908, the Davises sold the property to Holly H. Ashton, and on July 19, 1909, Ashton sold it to L. S. Lesley, and on December 1, 1910, Lesley conveyed it to Percy Bennett, who conveyed it on December 27, 1910, to A. R. Ellet, in whom the title of record now stands.

The plaintiffs state that the mortgage has been due and unpaid since August 1, 1911, and they asked that the court order the property sold to pay off the mortgage, interest and costs of the suit. A receiver is also asked for to take charge of the property pending the suit and the sale of the property.

Visit the Old Home.

C. C. and A. D. Despain returned last Saturday from a few days' visit to the home of their youth, near McComb, McDonough county, Illinois. At McComb they were joined by their oldest brother, A. Despain and his son, J. E., of Tacoma, Wash. They visited the scenes of the old stamping ground and even the old swimming hole, but things did not appear as they did fifty years ago, and the gentlemen returned home feeling that way. The meeting of the brothers was a great event at this time and they declare they had "the time of their lives" in visiting what old neighbors they could find, which was worth a great deal to them. On the return trip they stopped off at Albia, Iowa, a short time, the Despain family moving to that point from McDonough county and thence to Plattsmouth, where C. C. and A. D. have since made their homes.

Rip Van Winkles.

Many Rip Van Winkles are alive in the world today and are receiving much sentiment from foolish women and thoughtless men. The Rip Van Winkles are not alive to the needs of their immediate homes and families or the works they may have in hand, but they want to reach out and help somebody else when the weeds in their own back yard are knee deep and their own doorsteps need sweeping. One does not have to go far to find the obliging man who is always ready to help his neighbor but whose own fences are falling down. Then the woman who spends her time working for some charitable object, while her home is neglected and her children run wild in the streets, is another member of Rip Van Winkle's family.

Not What They Seem.

Did you see those two handsome west end young ladies dressed in boys' clothing and making visits upon their young lady friends a few nights ago? They did not venture very far down town, owing to the fear that Chief of Police Rainey might pick them up for suspicious characters, for truly they were not what they seemed, and it would have been an awful catastrophe for them to have been compelled to identify themselves at this time. They are both among the handsome young ladies of the city, and their appearance in boys' attire was by no means less stunning.

County Commissioner C. R. Jordan returned to Alvo this morning.

OVER \$800 DEPOSITS AT THE POSTAL BANK

Not a Great Demand for Postal Savings Banks in This State So Far, It Seems.

On September 1 the local postal savings bank had on deposit at its depository, the First National bank, a total of \$820.48. The local postoffice was made a postal savings bank on June 26. The postal banks have been much more popular in some places than in others. In some towns the size of Plattsmouth the deposits the first day amounted to \$1,000 or more. At other places the deposits have been light. In the big cities the postal banks are more popular. At the opening of the postal savings bank at Kansas City this week the deposits the first day amounted to about \$4,000, the average deposit being about \$15.

The postal banks will be most popular in panicky times when people become afraid of banks. During such times timid people draw their money out of banks and sew it up in mattresses, hide it in old socks or stockings or bury it. Even in the most prosperous times there is a class of people who will not trust even the strongest banks.

It is not likely that the postal savings banks will ever become much used in Nebraska for the reason that banks are very staple in this state and the history of banking shows few failures and little loss to depositors.

The deposits of the postal banks are deposited in banks in the same town. The banks bid for the deposits.

The postal savings banks will be useful in times of panics, for they will keep money in circulation. The people have the utmost confidence in the government, and the money that heretofore has been withdrawn from the banks will be placed in the postoffice banks, and will be deposited by the government back in the banks, so the money will be kept in circulation and one of the causes of panics will thus be removed.

Appointed a Delegate.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The National Conservation Congress meets in Kansas City, Mo., September 25, 26 and 27, and Nebraska is entitled to three delegates to represent the Nebraska Association of Commercial clubs in said congress. It is quite a compliment to the Plattsmouth Commercial club to have one of their members appointed to such a position, and this honor has been bestowed upon E. H. Wescott, secretary of the club, as one of the three delegates. The appointment of Mr. Wescott is in recognition of the fact that the Plattsmouth Commercial club is noted for its efficient work and that Mr. Wescott has proved one of its chief hustlers.

In Honor of Parents.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Stander gave their parents a surprise on Sunday, September 10, at their home two and a half miles northwest of Manly. Quite a number of neighbors and friends were present to do honor to the occasion. Those present were: Mrs. Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. John Rauth, Mr. and Mrs. August Stander, Mr. and Mrs. William Rauth, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Moeckenhaupt, Mrs. Rose Kelley, Mrs. William Erhart, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moeckenhaupt, Misses Barbara, Cecelia and Agnes Stander, Theresa and Anna Rauth, Addie and Susan Moeckenhaupt, Anna and Loretta Kelley, Grace, Hattie, Gertrude and Annie Erhart and Frances Kanka; Messrs. Herman and Aaron Rauth, Valentine and Johnnie Moeckenhaupt, Joseph Rauth, Clarence, Frank, Lawrence and Johnnie Erhart, Andrew and Johnnie Stander and Will Miles. After dinner was served the afternoon was spent in playing baseball, music and singing. At a late hour all departed for their homes, saying they spent a most enjoyable time.

Mont Robb Doing Well.

Robert Propst and son, Willie, daughter, Vera, and Mrs. T. H. Mahoney of Havelock were all in attendance at the state fair last week, and since returning home we had a pleasant chat with Mr. Propst, and he tells us that while in Lincoln he made a brief visit out at the state penitentiary with our old friend, Mont Robb, steward. Mr. Propst says that they were most royally entertained by Mr. Robb, who is most comfortably situated and well pleased with his position. He tells us that Mont will be down here for a short visit with his many Plattsmouth friends next Saturday. We know that Mont Robb has a world of friends in Cass county, who will be more than pleased to see him.

Traveling in State.

If anyone sees a man in the middle of the Missouri river sitting on a log, don't go out and try to "save" him. He's not in danger, but is traveling from Chamberlain, S. D., to Hamburg, Iowa, to visit friends there. He was "rescued" at Omaha, but allowed to go ahead. This method is cheaper than riding in a Pullman, faster than walking and not so dusty as riding the bumpers.

New Fire Signal.

There is a new fire signal for the east Fourth ward. Heretofore it has been the same for the east and west Fourth wards. The new signal will be six long blasts, followed by several short ones. The signal of the west Fourth ward will remain as heretofore, four long blasts, followed by several short ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dick returned to Glenwood this morning, after visiting the family of Harry Barthold.