

MANY IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN SHOPS SINCE MR. BAIRD CAME

Every Department Has Been Overhauled, Much New Machinery Has Been Placed, and an Entire Different Aspect Pervades the Entire Surroundings of the Shops.

A Journal reporter walked through the Burlington shop yards a few days ago and observed some of the many valuable improvements which have been made very recently. The turn-table at the coach shop has been enlarged and rebuilt, and the back shop turn-table is in process of rebuilding. At the boiler house the large brick smokestack has been replaced by one of steel; the draft of the new stack is augmented by a fanning mill apparatus, the fan being operated with a separate engine.

Within the boiler room a great change has been effected, the four 18-foot boilers having been taken out and replaced with three huge 24-foot boilers, the diameter of which is nine and one-half feet. The position of the boilers has been changed from fronting south to an east front, placing the firing box of each in easy access to the large new coal chute into which coal is dumped from above a carload at a time. Each of the great boilers have a double fire pot, and two men are kept busy shoveling coal into them, each man having three fires. Al Renner and H. T. Batten man the shovels for the day shift, while at night one man is all that is required to keep up the steam, John Cotner being the man doing the night job. One additional man is required to wheel the cinders from the room to a car on the track outside.

In addition to furnishing power for all the machinery of the shops, the entire system of buildings is heated with steam from the great boilers. The new arrangement for supplying coal to the boilers is very convenient and involved a great expenditure of money in grading. George Poissall, with his

five teams, were three weeks doing grading for the coal dump and large new scrap dock. On the east of the boiler room a coal bin with a capacity of several cars of steam coal, and so constructed as to run the coal toward the boiler, has been erected, over which a track is constructed and the coal cars, with apparatus for dumping from the bottom, are easily unloaded, thus saving a great deal of hard manual labor.

The new scrap dock between the boiler house and the office of the lumber yard is a valuable and convenient addition, the ground having been covered with two or three inches of crushed rock. In the lumber yard Superintendent Baird has recently caused thirteen cars of crushed rock to be spread upon the ground, covering the entire yard. This is not only a great fire protection, but furnishes a solid floor for the men to walk on and in rainy weather keeps the men out of the mud, which they very much appreciate.

In the kiln-dried lumber shed the reporter saw piles of mahogany lumber worth \$208 per 1,000 feet, cherry worth \$90 and poplar, fir, quarter-sawn woods of various kinds used in coach building.

There were various other improvements not mentioned above which have been made since Mr. Baird took charge of the shops a few years ago. The storm water sewers have been cleaned out, greatly increasing their capacity, and the entire area of the interior has greatly improved under his management. The old board fence from the first gate northward has been replaced with a neat woven wire fence of sufficient height to keep trespassers off the company's property.

Hearing Before Grand Jury.

From Friday's Daily.

W. J. Streight and C. S. Johnson went to Glenwood today to testify before the grand jury in a hearing in which Alex Hunter is charged with the murder of John Wagner. Wagner's dead body was found on the morning of October 15 under a trestle a mile or so this side of Pacific Junction. Mr. Johnson was among the first to view the remains after the discovery by the crew of No. 4, while Mr. Streight prepared the body for burial. The circumstances surrounding the death seemed to point to murder, and Hunter was the last person seen in Wagner's company before his dead body was discovered under the trestle.

The grand jury of Mills county has been in session for several days and Mr. Streight has received several phone messages requesting his presence before the jury, but could not spare the

time to go until this morning. Hunter will be defended by a strong firm of criminal lawyers, Messrs. Genung & Genung having taken his case. They will make a strong fight for their client, and the evidence being wholly circumstantial, there is abundant opportunity to create doubt in the minds of the jury. The fact that Hunter fled when some of the Mills' county officers were looking for him may be urged as the act of a guilty man and may be against him in the eyes of the jury.

Undergoes Operation.

Mrs. John Albert and her daughter, Emma, went to Omaha yesterday, where Miss Albert entered Immanuel hospital, expecting to undergo an operation today for some bone trouble of one of her legs. Mr. Albert, her father, went to Omaha this morning to be present when the operation was performed.

Annexed to Omaha.

Plattsmouth has annexed Omaha without the knowledge or consent of our people. The Pollock-Duff wagon bridge over the Platte river did it. It's a good thing for both cities, and as it is a toll bridge it will probably pay a handsome dividend to the owners, whose enterprise is to be commended. The bridge gives a through road to Kansas City on the west side of the Missouri river, and a good roads association has been organized to put it in good condition and keep it so. This road will be much traveled by automobiles.—Omaha Examiner.

FLED WITH OVERCOAT BE- LONGING TO ANOTHER

Thief Captured at Pacific Junction and Coat Recovered and He Is Given a Swift Kick.

Saturday night David King, who has been roustabout at the Perkins hotel for the past week, suddenly disappeared, taking with him a \$40 overcoat belonging to Orval Kintz, a boarder of the house. The thief took the coat from a rack hook in the office while Mr. Kintz sat reading a paper, not twenty feet away, and walked past him and boarded No. 14 for Pacific Junction.

A few minutes after he left the office Mr. Kintz went to take his coat to his room and discovered it was missing. He, with Ed Bratner, hastened to the Burlington station and phoned to Pacific Junction, giving a description of the man, as well as the coat, and Mr. Ream, a Burlington detective, began search for King at once and soon found him strutting through the waiting room of the station with the coat on his arm.

King was seized and the coat, which he claimed he had purchased in Omaha, was taken from him. In order to make sure of the man the detective phoned for a description of the property in the pockets, which Mr. Kintz furnished and the property was found in the pockets as described.

It has developed since that during the afternoon Saturday King took a good pair of shoes worth \$3.50 from the hotel and sold them to a second-hand dealer for \$1. King came to Plattsmouth about a week ago and never told where he was from, only saying that his home was where he took his hat off.

John Cory, proprietor of the Perkins, gave him a job and he was an excellent worker and got along fine until Friday, when he asked his employer for \$1 with which to get a shave and some things at the store, but he was noticed to be drinking shortly after. A few minutes before he left the office with the coat he sat in a chair and appeared to be asleep, but it seems he was only acting the possum until the proper moment to take the overcoat.

In District Court.

Orders and decrees were entered last week by Judge Travis in important litigation pending in the district court as follows:

In the case of Haskell vs. Davis, a suit to quiet title wherein the Watencamp block was involved. Decree was entered for plaintiff.

In the case of Parmele vs. Roedecker, to quiet title to real estate near Louisville, A. L. Tidd was appointed guardian ad litem for the minor heirs and J. M. Leyda was appointed referee to file a report within ten days.

In the case of Reynolds vs. Kohrell, a suit for rent, the default of defendant was entered and decree as prayed.

Forbes vs. Williams, a suit to quiet title, default of defendants were entered and decree for plaintiff.

53 Sundays This Year.

A man in this town who is up in mathematics, and who has a nose for the unusual, calls attention to the fact that there will be an extra Sunday, this year, making 53 in all for the first day in the year was on a Sunday and the last day of the year will be on a Sunday. This is the only year in which the people now living on earth will be able to go to church 53 Sundays in a year, for this freak of the calendar will not occur again short of 109 years.

Box Social and Program.

Reserve Saturday evening, December 2, for the box social and program at the Pleasant Ridge school, better known as the Becker school, District 44, eight miles west of Plattsmouth. Mattie Larson, Teacher. 21w-3td.

UNION THANKSGIVING MEET- ING AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

One of the Most Interesting Meetings Ever Held in the City.

Last evening at the Christian church the union meeting of the Christian Endeavor of the Christian church and the Endeavor of the Presbyterian church was a decided success, both in attendance and the interest manifested at the meeting. This being a Thanksgiving service, there was much interest on that account. The subject was, "Echo of Peace and Blessings." The addresses were in line of that theme. The meeting was opened by the singing of "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning," by the society; after which the invocation was pronounced by Thomas Wiles of the Christian church, followed by a duet by Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Livingston. The first speaker was Thomas Wiles, who spoke on the subject of the "Church Militant." In handling his subject Mr. Wiles took up the history of the church, beginning at the first of Genesis, and following the most important events down to the present time, showing the trials which the early church had to pass through and the strength which had been gathered by the opposition which had been encountered in the ages. He also showed the condition of the church in general for the continued fighting for the principal for which it stands.

C. A. Rawls followed with the subject, "Today's Optimism," and in the course of his talk said that it had always been his nature to look on the bright side of every subject; even when reverses came he had not spent his time grieving over spilled milk, but had gone on trying to make the best out of the opportunities as they were presented to him. He cited history to prove that the world was growing better and the conditions that existed during the times past, both as the history of the people and as compared with the conditions which obtain now, all conclusive that we live in a more enlightened age than at any time in the past.

County Attorney C. H. Taylor followed with the subject of "A Better Age," and said, as the speaker preceding him had pretty well proven the assertion of his proposition that he would take up the matter in the light of church history. He began at the time of Nero and, following the history of the church, showed its advancement and the power which it was wielding for good and its effect on the betterment of society and its influence upon the making of better laws.

Miss Mathilda Vallery then favored the meeting with one of her charming solos, which was a very pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment and was enjoyed by all present.

C. C. Hudson followed on the subject, "Fullness of Harvest," showing the results of the planting of the seeds of civilization in past ages to reap the present times; also the planting of the seeds of Christianity by the Master some nineteen hundred years ago, and the Christian church starting with but a handful of members and little influence at the end of the first century, resulting in the conditions of the church and its worldwide influence at this day, and the age in which we live, the harvest results of the seeds sown in the days when the Savior was on earth.

The last speaker was Phil Rhil, who talked to the subject of "Peace on Earth," and showed that while wars prevail that a better condition was obtaining as the years went by. He cited the intervention of the United States in the person of ex-President Roosevelt, when he offered the good services of this country to settle the difficulties at the time of the Russian-Japanese war, and the result of that offer as consummated in the treaty of peace which effected at Portsmouth, N. H., and the efforts of this country to keep on friendly terms with all nations.

Rosencrans & Sons Remove.

Rosencrans & Sons have removed their real estate office to the room the first door south of the new postoffice building in the Krug building. They will have fine quarters when they get matters thoroughly arranged, and invite their friends to drop in and see them. Their new offices are much more centrally located and convenient for their business.

"P. & B." the new 50 cigar, made in Plattsmouth. Try one.

THANKSGIVING DAY Thursday, November 30th

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Sweet Potatoes
Salad Olives
Pickles Cranberry Sauce
Oranges Grapes
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SURPRISED ON HER SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY

Miss Ola Kaffenberger Meets Many Friends on Her Return From School at Plattsmouth.

Last evening a very large crowd gathered at the Kaffenberger home to a surprise party for Miss Ola, it being her sixteenth birthday. Miss Ola, who attends the Plattsmouth High school, was not brought home until after the merry crowd had gathered; but you never can tell who might be on the line, for Miss Ola had heard what her mother said when talking to a neighbor over the telephone in regard to the coming social event, although she was at Plattsmouth and the party her mother was talking to was four miles west of there.

However, this did not dampen the evening's pleasure, for all was merry until a very late hour. Many enjoyable games were played and some splendid music furnished by Miss Mayme Heil. Miss Ola received many beautiful presents. At midnight a two-course luncheon was served by Mr. and Mrs. Wehrlein, Mr. and Mrs. Kaffenberger and daughters, Foldye and Gladys.

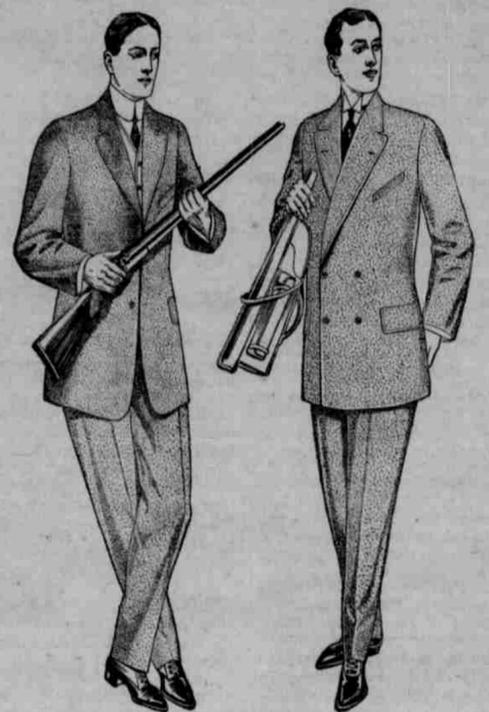
Those who participated in this enjoyable occasion were: Misses Mayme and Adelaide Heil, Helen and Emma Buechler, Vera Propst,

Pheme Richardson, Viola Becker, Mattie Larson, Lornie Meisinger, Lucella and Mabel Kaffenberger, Mildred Snyder, Clara Parkening, Edith Baumgart, Mina and Ola Kaffenberger; Messrs. Wayne and Dwight Propst, Louie Baumgart, Mike and August Kaffenberger, Rudolph Heil, Hugo Meisinger, Earl Becker, Emil and John Parkening, Fred and John Buechler, Bryan Snyder, Sam Rhoden and John Kaffenberger. All departed at a late hour, declaring they had had a very nice time and wishing Miss Ola many more such happy birthdays.

Has His Eye on Office.

H. G. Wellenseik of Syracuse has given up the banking business and gone on the farm, where he can recoup his health and have plenty of time, between crops, to look after his law practice and groom himself for county attorney next year. Mr. Wellenseik says that as long as the other Syracuse statesmen get into the political game he sees no reason why he should not shove his caster into the arena and get his feet damp with the political dew. He has no desire to go to the legislature, but simply to put his feet damp with the political dew, try court room and prosecute the criminal and law digressors. —Nebraska City News.

John Hennings of near Louisville visited his Plattsmouth friends for the day, having come down on No. 4 this morning.



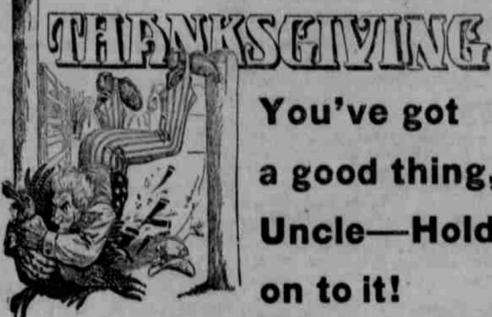
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