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UNEASINESS FELT ACROSS THE RIVER

The Old Missouri May Cut Away More Land Above Folsom Station.

From Friday's Daily.
The treacherous old Missouri river, which caused so much expense and trouble to the Burlington railroad and the residents near Folsom, just across the river in Iowa, is again creating some uneasiness among those residing there, as it is feared that the river is undermining the "made land" above Folsom, and that as a result it will slice away its eastern bank during the spring rise and cut in behind the two miles of riprapping done by the railroad and the government, which cost nearly \$300,000. The Glenwood Tribune has the following to say concerning the matter:

The riprapping, begun where the river made its savage attack on the Mills county bank, just below Folsom, last summer, has been extended down the bank of the river for one and three-fourths miles. The mats of willows and wire are eighty-seven feet wide and are sunk in the river along the bank with carloads of rock until the bank has almost the strength of a bank of rock. There are 796,880 square feet of the rock-paved riprapping now protecting the Mills county shore of the river immediately below Folsom. The protection has cost the railroad company and the government about \$280,000, \$12,000 of which has already been paid by the government. The greater part of that total was spent by the railroad company in May and June of last summer, when such a fight was made to keep the current from undermining the tracks. Since the river has fallen to a low water level the work has progressed rapidly and at a lower cost.

The danger of an attack from above Folsom was first noticed last week. Government engineers and engineers from the Burlington headquarters at St. Joseph were immediately summoned and came to look the situation over. It was found that the current had set in stronger against the western side just above Folsom and had already started cutting. The ice flow in the river had helped in the cutting, the large cakes bumping into the bank and carrying away huge pieces. During the last week the ice flow has been heavier and the damage to the bank has been more noticeable.

River men told the engineers that a gumbo point of land on the Nebraska side was veering the current toward this side and causing the trouble. The point caused trouble years ago, when the railroad company put in a line of riprapping to protect the land between their tracks and the river. The current, changed by the new riprapping, has whittled away the sandbar on the Nebraska side until it struck the gumbo point again. It did not strike as low down this time, but set in against the bank above the old riprapping and threatens to cut in behind that protection.

If the river got a start at that point it would come in behind the old riprapping and attack the railroad tracks just above Folsom. The danger that it would cut in toward Pacific Junction, destroying that town and thousands of dollars worth of trackage and leave the Plattsmouth bridge high and dry would be increased, as the river would have a start above the protected point.

Several of the engineers were inclined to scoff at danger from the river at the point indicated. Several more experienced men at the site also expressed their doubt as to danger from the river there. But others of the authorities, who had gained their knowledge of the treacherous stream by bitter experience, laid stress on the danger threatened and are doing everything to get the point protected. They say you can never be sure just what the stream will do next and are ready to cite a number of experiences as author-

Funeral of Frank Severin.
From Friday's Daily.
The funeral of the late Frank Severin will be held here Sunday afternoon, December 15. The body will arrive at 1:15 from Omaha over the Burlington and will be taken to the Holy Rosary church, where funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock and the interment made in Oak Hill cemetery.

LEGITIMACY OF MAIL ORDER HOUSES

Some Mail Order Houses Are Legitimate, While Others Are Biggest Frauds on Earth.

From Friday's Daily.
Some of the trade papers have been discussing the question as to whether mail order competition is legitimate.

That depends on the kind of mail order competition. Some kinds of mail order business is fraudulent. They depend on absolute swindling for success.

Other kinds of mail order business is absolutely legitimate. Just because goods are offered by mail does not brand the business as legitimate. It depends on how they are offered.

We venture to say there are some mail order houses which are doing about as honest a business as the average merchant. They are selling goods for what they really are, and are not making any false statements.

There are other mail order houses which by shrewd use of words and black type are able to mislead without making any statements which are positively false. They are able to induce the customer to take an inferior article under the impression that he is getting a superior article. That kind of competition is illegitimate, no matter how much the mail order concern may brag about its honesty and integrity.

The great trouble with the mail order business is that it has seemed to run to this excessively "clever" kind of advertising which misleads and deceives without making any statements which can be absolutely branded as false, or any claims which can be held up as fraudulent.—Merchants Journal.

A NUMBER POISONED FROM EATING BRICK CHEESE

From Friday's Daily.
The home of John Lohnes, near Cedar Creek, was the scene of what came near being a wholesale poisoning Wednesday afternoon, as a result of some brick cheese which had been eaten by the family and neighbors who had gathered to assist in butchering that day. There were about ten persons in the party, and all of them were affected by the poisoning and one of the party, a young son of Coon Meisinger, was in very bad shape for several hours as a result of the poisoning, and it required constant attention to bring him out of the sickness. As soon as the trouble was discovered medical attention was summoned and the victims were attended to. It is supposed that the cheese had become spoiled in some way, with very disastrous effects to those eating it.

Death at Manley.

From Friday's Daily.
The Journal is very sorry to chronicle the death yesterday at his home near Manley of Leo, the son of Robert O'Brien. The young lad had been suffering from diphtheria for some time and finally succumbed to the ravages of the disease. The funeral was held today at the Catholic cemetery, northeast of Manley. There is a great many cases of this disease in that locality and efforts to stamp it out are not proving very successful.

For Sale.
A number of thoroughbred white Wyndotte cockrels. Inquire of Julius Pitz, 12-9-81-weekly.

SHIPPING CHRISTMAS PRESENTS BY EXPRESS

Following Instructions, If Adhered to, Will Insure Safe Delivery of Christmas Presents.

From Friday's Daily.
Patrons of express companies, who contemplate sending presents for Christmas, should have them in the hands of the company not later than December 18. There is nothing quite so disappointing to the donor as the delay of a present after Christmas day. It takes away the sweet sentiment embodied in these gifts and very greatly disappoints the receiver. Express companies are furnishing patrons with labels reading "Do Not Open Until Christmas," which may be pasted upon your packages. Use wooden boxes for packing when possible. This reduces the risk of loss and prevents damage.

Write the address plainly with ink or crayon, giving street number and county. Write your name and address on the package following the prefix "From," giving your street and number, and also enclose in the package one of your cards.

Do not enclose money or jewelry in packages of merchandise. Such articles should be sent in a separate package through the money department.

Insist upon your receipt and have the value of your package placed thereon.

Mark the package paid, if so intended.

Write the word "Perishable" on your package, if it contains matters of a perishable nature.

PLATTSMOUTH MERCHANTS REPORT EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS TRADE

From Friday's Daily.
The business houses throughout the city report that they have done a most excellent Christmas business so far and that the shoppers are awakening to the fact that the early shopper gets the cream of the articles and is not compelled to take what has been sorted over and handled by those who preceded them. The early shopping also proves a boon to the clerks and employees of the stores, who are not compelled to rush through the last days before Christmas by those who put off buying their gifts until the last minute. Remember to do your shopping early and also remember the poor and needy of the city in making your purchase and try and slip in something that can be given to some deserving person in need.

Ten Thousand-Gallon Tank.

From Saturday's Daily.
Richey Bros. have fitted up an oil tank on runnings gears and will furnish the local merchants kerosene oil from their large ten-thousand-gallon tank, which they maintain at their sand pit works west of town. Louisville's oil has come from Weeping Water heretofore, being hauled by team, and it is but reasonable to believe that the local company can furnish oil at the same price and yet make a fair profit and not have to haul it so far.—Louisville Courier.

Motored to This City.

From Saturday's Daily.
Fred Schleifert of Louisville motored to this city yesterday, bringing with him Julius Possin, wife and little daughter, Viola, and Ernest Buss, all of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. These gentlemen are nephews of Ernest Pautsch of Louisville and have been visiting with him there, and Mr. Schleifert brought them to this city in order that they might take in the sights in the county seat.

Forest Rose Flour guaranteed to be as good as any flour on the market. Sold by all leading dealers. Try it.

Not for One Hundred Years.

From Friday's Daily.
Yesterday was the twelfth day of the twelfth month of the twelfth year of the century and the dates will never fall on the same day again until the year 2012, and there will probably not be many of us on hand to celebrate that event when it comes rolling around again in the course of Father Time's journey, but our descendants can point back to the great strides made by the world since that date.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD ELECT NEW OFFICERS

From Friday's Daily.
One of the most largely attended meetings that has been held in the local camp of the Woodmen of the World took place last evening at the G. A. R. hall. The session of the lodge was presided over by State Manager Edward Walsh of Omaha, and the meeting was one of the most enthusiastic that has been held in this city. The officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows: C. C. R. B. Moffet, A. L., Philip Rhin; clerk, W. B. Rishel; banker, H. L. Kruger; watchman, J. W. Hale; escort, George Sitzman; sentry, Emil Alford; physician, Dr. E. W. Cook and Dr. E. D. Cummins; manager for three years, H. M. Soennichsen. Two new candidates, Perry Coffman and J. W. Hale, were admitted into the order. The date for the installation of the new officers will be the second Thursday in January, 1913. Everygreen Camp No. 70 has been growing very rapidly in the last year and the members are expecting to break the record during the coming year in their increase of membership.

CASS CAMP NO. 332 M. W. A. HOLD ANNUAL ELECTION

Cass Camp No. 332, Modern Modern Woodmen of America, held their annual election of officers at their hall in the Woodman building Wednesday evening. The meeting was well attended by the members and a most profitable time was enjoyed. The following officers were elected: Consul, O. C. Hudson; advisor, F. J. Libershall; banker, William Hassler; clerk, H. F. Goos; escort, H. M. Wilcox; watchman, J. D. Parker; sentry, W. H. Mason. Following the regular business meeting the members enjoyed a smoker and a general good time among themselves for a few hours. Cass camp has been very fortunate in the last year in retaining their membership, as there has been a great deal of dissatisfaction throughout the camps of the state over the proposed increase in rates, but the membership here has taken a very wise view of the matter and recognizes the fact that the rates will aid in maintaining the stability of the order and place them in a position where they can pay all the death losses that may occur in the order.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF AMERICA ELECT OFFICERS

From Friday's Daily.
The Royal Neighbors of America met last evening at their hall in the Woodman building and elected their officers for the ensuing year. The meeting was not as well attended as it should have been, the fact that it was pay-day interfering with the attendance. The following officers were elected: Oracle, Mrs. Bessie Gravitt; vice oracle, Mrs. M. Hild; chancellor, Mrs. Frank Buttery; recorder, Garnett Cory; receiver, Miss Pearl Sivey; inner sentinel, Mrs. Fred Kunsman; outer sentinel, Mrs. Hobson; trustee, Mrs. Jennie Tulene; physician, Dr. E. W. Cook.

If you are troubled with chronic constipation, the mild and gentle effects of Chamberlain's Tablets makes them especially suited to your case. For sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

WEDDING DOWN IN SUNFLOWER STATE

Marriage of W. P. Hewitt, Known to a Number of Our People, and Grandson of Mrs. B. Hemple.

From Saturday's Daily.
The following account of the wedding of Mr. Will P. Hewitt, a grandson of Mrs. B. Hemple and a nephew of Miss Teresa Hemple of this city, is taken from the Greenleaf (Kansas) Journal. The groom is known to a number of our young people, as he has been a visitor here several times, and all who met him were deeply impressed by his genial and gentlemanly manner.

There was a nice quiet wedding in Greenleaf Tuesday, November 26, 1912, at 9 o'clock, at which Miss Louise L. Poutre was united in the holy bonds of wedlock to Will P. Hewitt, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Reidel at the Catholic church.

The wedding march was played by Mrs. Skovgaard. The bridesmaid was Miss Esther Mullery and the groomsmen were Glenn Hewitt. After the beautiful and impressive ceremony, the immediate relatives all went to the home of the bride, where the day was spent very pleasantly and where the wedding dinner was served.

The bride is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of D. Poutre of Greenleaf. She has grown to womanhood in this country, and it might be added that she has a large circle of friends who will regret to know that she is moving so far away. Will Hewitt is to be congratulated on his choice of a wife. Mr. Hewitt is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Hewitt of Greenleaf, our round-house foreman; he is a young man of good habits and sterling character. He is a machinist and has a good job with the Santa Fe at Albuquerque, New Mexico, at which place the couple will make their home and for which they left on the afternoon train. We wish them abundant happiness and prosperity.

The only out-of-town attendants at the wedding were Miss Esther Mullery of Omaha and Dr. Fred Poutre of Purcell, Kansas, and Dr. Ed Poutre of Cladin, Kansas.

PAST CHIEFS MOST HIGHLY ENTERTAINED

From Saturday's Daily.
The Past Chiefs of the Degree of Honor held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Fred Range yesterday afternoon and were entertained in a most delightful manner. The ladies held their regular business session, after which the hours were whiled away in social conversation, games and the like. As most of the ladies had brought their Kensington bags, some very pleasant moments were passed in stitching on dainty fancy work. At the proper time an elegant two-course luncheon was served by the hostess, which was most thoroughly appreciated by the guests. There were fourteen in attendance.

WILL ASSIST IN MANAGEMENT OF ENGER LAUNDRY

From Friday's Daily.
Henry Kauble, who for the past several years has been employed in the leading laundries of Des Moines and Omaha, has returned to this city and will assist Mr. Enger in the management of his laundry. The securing of Mr. Kauble for the laundry here will prove a most valuable addition, as he has had a long experience in this line of work and has universally proven a most valuable man wherever he has been employed. Mr. Enger will endeavor to place his laundry on a plane with the best in the state and the services of Mr. Kauble will help materially in attaining the desired end.

Funeral of Mrs. Sullivan.

From Saturday's Daily.
The funeral of Mrs. Charles N. Sullivan of Omaha was held yesterday afternoon at the Eickenberry cemetery, southwest of this city. The body arrived from Omaha on the 1:15 train and was met at the depot by an escort from the Eastern Star lodge, of which order the deceased lady was a member. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. W. L. Austin of the First Methodist church. A large number of relatives accompanied the remains to this city.

CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR

Let Love, Brotherly Love, We Mean, Go With Every Gift Sent or Given.

From Saturday's Daily.
"Christmas comes but once a year."

Therefore, let's be merry. Such is the sentiment of an old jingle, and such is supposed to be the sentiment of the American people today. If you don't spend a couple of month's salary buying Christmas presents of a more costly and less useful nature to distribute among your relatives, friends and near friends and then get up early, go about shouting "Merry Christmas" to everyone and wind up by eating so much hard and harmful candy and other indigestibles that you are sick for a week, you are branded as an "Old Grouch"—and probably you are.

We sincerely hope that every one of our readers will be remembered by a lot of relatives and friends this Christmas time, and that each one will have the inclination and the ability to return these remembrances. But we also hope that not one of them all will spend a lot of good money buying some costly affair to make someone else "feel cheap" at the less costly remembrance he has given.

The great gift from a Divine Father to this world which established Christmas day, was a free gift promoted alone by love. If every gift which will be received this Christmas could be given for that same reason, on that same basis—how much different some of those gifts would be. Let love, brotherly love, we mean, pick out your gifts and go with them all. And if the gifts you receive though they be few and poor, come to you in that same spirit, you will have reason to feel that it is a "Merry Christmas" indeed.

Entertains Social Workers.

From Saturday's Daily.
The Social Workers were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. C. S. Johnson on Thursday afternoon. Whenever invited to the Johnson home the ladies always expect a delightful time, as Mrs. Johnson is an excellent and most hospitable entertainer. The regular business session was held and the remainder of the afternoon was devoted to a most enjoyable social time and plying the busy needle. The hostess served a most delicious luncheon. There was a large number in attendance.

Nineteenth Annual Ball.

From Saturday's Daily.
The T. J. Sokol society of this city will give their nineteenth annual grand mask ball Saturday evening, January 18, 1913. These mask balls have grown to be looked forward to by the dancing public, as they always have a most enjoyable time at them. The music will be furnished by the M. W. A. orchestra and a number of very handsome prizes will be given.

Able to Be Up Again.

From Saturday's Daily.
John Nemetz, the popular candy man, who has been sick for several weeks with pneumonia, has recovered so that he is able to be around a little and hopes in a short time to be able to be down town to meet his friends, who will be delighted to see him, as Mr. Nemetz is one of the most genial and popular business men in the city and his sickness has been the cause of a great deal of regret among our citizens.