

# IN PLATTSMOUTH FORTY YEARS AGO

## Items of Interest to Old and New Residents of City Which Were New Forty Years Ago.

Superintendent Morse of the B. & M. has gone east on a short furlough, and Mr. Geo. Holdrege is cock of the walk in his absence.

Wash Smith of the B. & M. machine shops has invented a very neat and simple car coupler, which obviates all standing between cars and lessens the danger to life and limb in this business very much. Unless there is something about this that we can't see Smith has really struck "it" and got a good thing.

The base ball match that was advertised in the Herald last week came off according to program, and the ball and bat was won by the Rock Bluffs club, after a warm play of about four hours. The score was as follows:  
Rock Bluffs ..... 48  
Plattsmouth ..... 40  
Empire, J. Vivian.  
Scorer, D. H. Wheeler.

Dr. Butler of Weeping Water removed a tape-worm from a party near there that measures over 45 feet now as it lies in the alcohol, and large portions of it were lost, so that the original old fellow must have been nearly a hundred feet. Oh, my! We'd rather crusade than have that fellow about us.

The following officers were elected by the Plattsmouth fire department on last Saturday night:

- Chief Engineer—Wm. L. Wells.
- Ass't. Engineer—Jos. A. Connor.
- President—Jno. A. MacMurphy.
- Treasurer—J. Ph. Young.
- Secretary—Rush O. Fellows.
- Engine Company—
- Foreman—E. J. Metteer.
- 1st Ass't. Foreman—James Grace.
- 2nd Ass't. Foreman—F. Kroehler.
- Hook and Ladder Company—
- Foreman—L. F. Baehr.
- 1st Ass't. Foreman—William B. Shryock.
- 2nd Ass't. Foreman—Henry Bons.

Nebraska City polled 973 votes at the late city election, and claims that is four more than Lincoln polled.

Peter Goos, our old friend, who gave us milk so long, is now proprietor of the Valley House, Omaha, Neb. Long may he wave.

Geo. Balance, an engineer, slipped on the track Wednesday and severely injured his foot. No bones broken. Dr. John Black set up 'em up and Geo is doing well.

They need a blacksmith at Factoryville very badly, and can give him plenty of work. Hon. E. W. Barnum informs us that there is no question about successful results, if a steady, sober and industrious man takes hold, and the neighbors are ready and willing to aid such a man.

Dick Streight, the livery man, has been enlarging, beautifying, buying and hanging out signs around his place until it looks like a small caravan dwell there. It's getting to be quite a place on Dick's corner, and he has some very fine horses and carriages, but what a checker-board, six bottles, three brushes and two fish-hooks on the south side of the barn has to do with livery we can't see for the life of us.

A proposition is before our county commissioners to settle with the B. & M. R. R. on that old bond business—the R. R. arguing that one dollar is worth more now than three a few years in the future. The company offers to throw off \$150,000 or thereabouts, leaving \$110,000 to be paid by the county; that is one-half the original amount of \$200,000 and the interest to the amount of \$50,000. We have not time now to examine this matter fully nor lay before our readers the advantages or disadvantages of this plan, but it would seem to us that if the county runs a chance to pay these bonds in the end, after a long and vexatious lawsuit, they had better pay the \$110,000 now, and save time and money, besides we shall stand so much better

abroad when we come to offer any other county securities for sale, which is a great matter.

Mr. Thos. Evans, tann whom Plattsmouth has had no better citizen, nor gentleman, leaves us this week to assume the duties of cashier of the Bank of Crete. Mr. A. W. Laughlin takes his place as assistant cashier of the First National bank here.

Plattsmouth is getting to be quite a manufacturing center. We have a plow factory, machine shops, three cigar and tobacco factories in full blast, two wagon and carriage manufactories, washing machine factory, two bakeries, and lastly but not least, a musical instrument establishment in the near future.

Mrs. A. H. Kneel desires to inform her customers and those who may wish hair work done, that she has removed a short distance out of town; but orders for work may still be left at Mrs. Kennedy's and will be promptly executed by her. All kinds of switches, puffs, curls, braids, etc., woven in the best manner, and at low prices.

A. W. White, our well known young grocer, has "changed his spots," but not his obliging manners, nor the quantity of his goods. He now holds forth in the brick store formerly occupied by the Tutts, and still further back by Frank White, his father. At this place you will always find Mr. W. ready and willing to attend to your wants.

Mrs. Morgan Waybright was bitten by an adder on the arm on Monday last. Her arm commenced swelling and turned black, and nothing but the prompt application of remedies saved her life. She was hunting for eggs in the stable and had already killed two adders and a house snake, and was taking a box out of the manger when the snake, which was in the straw, bit her on the arm.

Hon. T. M. Marquette, long a resident of Plattsmouth, and as well known in the state as any public man of early days, left us for Lincoln last week. Mr. Marquette is the attorney for the B. & M. R. R., and his duties and engagements called him away so much that he finally was forced to make his residence in Lincoln. Identified with Plattsmouth for many years and with the state and territory almost from its inception, we feel as if Mr. Marquette was a part of ourselves, and it will be a long while before the town and county will replace his loss.

Dr. Latta, formerly of Rock Bluffs, is in town and reports his coal mines in Richardson county turning out tons of coal daily.

Some Plattsmouth parties have leased the Van Horn coal property 14 miles below here and next to the Jones place. They expect to open extensive coal mines this summer. Prof. Aughe makes a thorough examination of the ground this week.

Last week was a week of accidents and doctors were in great demand. Mr. James Bennett, at Mr. Adams, near Pleasant Ridge, was thrown from his wagon and his leg broken very badly; Billy Hassler got a foot shake from a mule which cut his head open, and a man near Rock Bluffs was kicked badly.

Cap. Palmer is building a new fence, and Mr. Babington has built a new house on the hill, over an old Indian mound; and Charlie McEntee has bought the d'Allemant property; and Frank Stadter has a new coat of paint; and Henry Boeck has a new sign; and the grass is coming, and spring opening, and some folks are moving out and other are moving in, and the world of Plattsmouth still moves and grows.

**Republican City Convention.**  
In the court house Friday evening, April 3, 1873. John A. MacMurphy in the chair and Wm. L. Wells, secretary. Balloting for candidates commenced at once and showed that the following named gentlemen were the choice of the convention as nominees:  
For Mayor—E. G. Doyey.  
For Clerk—C. F. Williams.  
For Treasurer—L. D. Bennett.  
For Marshal—J. J. Russell.  
For Police Judge—Perry Gass.  
For Sup't. Com. Sch'ls.—U. W. Wise.  
For City Engineer—Geo. Fairfield.  
A republican central committee of three from each ward was then

elected and empowered to act during the ensuing year, consisting of the following gentlemen:

- 1st Ward—Jno. A. MacMurphy, D. H. Wheeler, G. H. Black.
- 2nd Ward—G. W. Fairfield, John Waterman, M. McElwain.
- 3d Ward—H. E. Palmer, R. C. Cushing, B. J. Streight.
- 4th Ward—M. B. Cutler, Wash. Smith, C. P. Moore.

Mr. Wm. Winterstein, our well known city treasurer, has gone to Ohio on a visit to his many friends and will be absent about three weeks. Mr. P. B. Murphy, our efficient city collector, will attend to the duties of his office while he is gone. A pleasant trip, Doctor.

On last Tuesday afternoon Olney Graham, one of the hands on the Vice President, was turning the windlass raising the "apron" for letting the cars on the boat, the handle slipped and flying around struck him on the head, knocking him off the platform onto the rocks below. He was knocked senseless and injured very badly, but not seriously. Dr. John Black was called in and relieved the sufferer.

As Mr. Randall was passing up the street on Monday last, carrying a very heavy plank, he was struck on the back of the neck with a buck shot thrown from a rubber sling, which came very near felling him to the ground. This is not the first person who has been hurt by these slings in the hands of little boys, who should be provided with more suitable playthings when in the streets, or else be kept at home.

Willitt Pottenger, esq., left for Salt Lake on Tuesday with the view to a permanent residence there. He will engage in the practice of law; and as our Mormon friends are about to divide up their wives and property and make vast changes in their social organizations, we think there is a good opening for success. We sincerely hope that Pot will get his share of their property, whether he does of the wives or not.

Stadelman's new building, on the corner of Main and Sixth streets, is rapidly approaching completion. It is a very fine building, well made and finished throughout in the most workmanlike manner. In company with Mr. Frank Stadter, we examined the rooms on Saturday last. When it is ready for business we shall give a description of the various rooms and their uses.

## FRANK SLAVACEK INJURED AT THE BURLINGTON SHOPS

From Saturday's Daily.  
Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock, while engaged at his work at the shops, Frank Slavacek was called upon to do some adjusting on an air compressor, and not being used to this particular machine, pulled the wrong lever, with the result that he had the index finger of his left hand badly mashed and it was necessary to have several stitches taken in the injured member. At first it was thought it might be necessary to have to remove the finger, but unless complications arise it is hoped to bring it out all right. The injury was very painful and will keep Frank off duty for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Snell of Bridgeport, West Virginia, who have been here for a few days visiting with Henry Born and family, departed this afternoon for Benson, where they will spend Sunday with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Snell are on their honeymoon, having just been married at their home in West Virginia.

**Take Plenty of Time to Eat.**  
There is a saying that "rapid eating is slow suicide." If you have formed the habit of eating too rapidly you are most likely suffering from indigestion or constipation, which will result eventually in serious illness unless corrected. Digestion begins in the mouth. Food should be thoroughly masticated and insalivated. Then when you have a fullness of the stomach or feel dull and stupid after eating, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets. Many severe cases of stomach trouble and constipation have been cured by the use of these tablets. They are easy to take and most agreeable in effect. Sold by all dealers.

The Journal for Calling Cards.

## Local News

From Thursday's Daily.  
Adam Hild of Mynard came up yesterday and spent a few hours here with relatives and friends.

Dave West of Nehawka was in the city today for a few hours looking after some business matters.

Miss McGregor of Custer county, Nebraska, is in the city for a few days, visiting with her sister, Mrs. Majors.

P. H. Meisinger was in the city for a few hours yesterday looking after some trading with the different merchants.

Lig B. Brown drove up this morning from his home, south of this city, and spent a few hours doing some trading.

John Lewis and wife of Tekamah, Neb., returned this morning to their home, after a visit here of a few days.

S. A. Carey of Hastings, Neb., who was here attending the funeral of his sister, Miss Gladys Carey, departed this morning on No. 15 for his home.

Frank P. Sheldon of Nehawka was in the city yesterday for a few hours looking after some business matters and visiting with his many friends.

John M. Kaffenberger, wife and little son were passengers this morning for Omaha to visit for the day with friends and look after business matters.

L. D. Hiatt, the Murray, merchant, was in the city for a few hours today, en route from his home to Omaha, where he was called on business matters.

Bert Philpot and wife were in the city yesterday visiting for a few hours at the Ed Fitzgerald home, where they were the guests of Miss Marie Fitzgerald.

John Whiteman and Wm. Munn of Nehawka were in the city yesterday for a few hours looking after some matters of business at the court house.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mereness arrived from Guthrie, Oklahoma, yesterday afternoon for an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Platt and family.

Samuel Carey, who was here to attend the funeral of his sister, Miss Gladys Carey, returned to his home at Breckenridge, Missouri, this afternoon on No. 2.

James Holmes and W. S. Smith of Muray came up this morning from their home and were passengers on the early Burlington train for Omaha to spend the day.

Glen Boedeker and sister, Miss Ida Boedeker, motored up yesterday afternoon from their home at Murray and spent several hours here looking after some items of business.

P. A. Meisinger and wife were passengers this morning on the early Burlington train for Omaha, where they will spend the day with friends and look after some business matters.

Mrs. John Klein of Omaha is in the city visiting friends for a short time, and expects to depart shortly for Utica, New York, where she will visit her son, Milhard, who is teaching at the Cornell university summer school.

J. M. Dixon and family together with L. N. Porter, corresponding secretary for the Dixon Real Estate company of Blair, Neb., motored to this city Wednesday evening and were guests at the home of T. M. Carter and wife, his uncle and aunt. Mr. and Mrs. Carter were former residents of Blair. Mr. Dixon is vice president of the real estate company, well known in Washington county for a quarter of a century.

From Friday's Daily.  
E. O. Stehime of Lincoln came down last evening and visited here with friends, returning home this morning.

James Stander of Louisville came down this morning to look after some business matters at the court house.

County Surveyor Fred Patterson returned this afternoon from Avoca, where he had been making some surveys for the county.

Jennings Seifers departed this afternoon for Owatonna, Minnesota, where he will enjoy a vacation of a week or ten days.

Albert Burchell and wife, who have been here looking after some business matters for a few days, departed this afternoon for Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Mike Meisinger drove in yesterday from his farm, west of the city, and spent a few hours here looking after some business matters.

Mrs. William Hassler returned this afternoon from Lincoln, where she had been visiting her daughter, Miss Anna Hassler, and her son, Will Hassler, for a few days.

Mrs. C. M. Butler and daughter, Mrs. Lee, of Lincoln, who were here visiting friends, returned to their home this morning.

George H. Tams, superintendent of the county fair, and wife were in the city yesterday for a few hours looking after some trading with the merchants.

Miss Ruie Campbell and Leslie Neill of Waterloo, Neb., who have been here visiting at the Chris Wohlfarth home, returned to their homes this morning.

Miss Marie Bookmeyer returned last evening on No. 2 from Lincoln, where she had been attending the state university and was a member of the graduating class of 1913, being the only representative of Plattsmouth on the list.

Rev. John Williams of Omaha came down this morning and spent the day visiting with Rev. Allan G. Wilson, who is still quite weak from his recent nervous collapse.

Mrs. P. E. Ruffner, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. E. A. Kirkpatrick, of Nehawka, were passengers this morning for Omaha, where they spent the day with friends and relatives.

A. J. Anderson, wife and son and daughter arrived this afternoon on No. 24 from their home at Denver, Colorado, and will visit with the cousins of Mrs. Anderson, G. B. and W. H. Mann and Mrs. George Thomas and families.

### Charles Frans Taken Ill.

Charles Frans was taken sick quite suddenly last Saturday evening in the store of R. H. Frans & Son, suffering an attack of heart failure, and for a short time his condition caused much alarm. Dr. Huston was hastily summoned and immediate treatment revived the patient; then he was taken to the home of his brother, R. H. Frans. He continued to improve and was able to be taken to his own home southwest of town next morning.—Union Ledger.

### Edgar McGuire Very Sick.

From Thursday's Daily.  
Edgar McGuire, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGuire, who has been suffering from the measles for some time, is reported as being in a very dangerous condition, as the malady has settled on his lungs and grave fears are felt for his recovery, as during the last few days his condition has grown very serious, but it is hoped that he will be able to rally from the effects of the attack and be restored to his usual health.

### Best Laxative for the Aged.

Old men and women feel the need of a laxative more than young folks, but it must be safe and harmless and one which will not cause pain. Dr. King's New Life Pills are especially good for the aged, for they act promptly and easily. Price 25c. Recommended by F. G. Fricke & Co.

## BURLINGTON CARPENTERS DEPART FOR WYOMING

This morning W. G. McDonald, who has been in charge of the work of constructing the new Burlington depot, accompanied by Hans Tams and several carpenters, departed for Thermopolis, Wyoming, where they will be employed in the construction of new buildings along the Burlington's new line through the Big Horn basin. The line at present stops at Thermopolis, but the work of pushing the trackage is going on very rapidly and as the work advances along the track extension the carpenter force will follow up by the construction of the depots, freight houses, water tanks and other buildings necessary at the new stations to be opened along the extension. The departure of Mr. McDonald will be very much regretted, as during the time he has been here he has made many friends by his pleasant, genial way of dealing with those with whom he came in contact.

### Not Enough Applications.

Owing to the fact that an insufficient number of applications have been filed for the civil service examination auxiliary clerks in the postoffice here, which was to have been held today, the date has been changed to the 28th and the last date for receiving applications extended to the 24th. In view of the scarcity of applicants, applications will be accepted from any male applicant who will become 18 years of age within thirty days from the date of the examination. The department has also authorized the notice that the entrance salary will be increased from \$600 to \$800 after July 1st.

## ANOTHER MENACE TO WORRY THE FARMER

A new menace to the farmers has appeared in the alfalfa worm, which has begun its work in this locality and already the work of the worm is beginning to tell in the different fields of alfalfa in this section of the county and the farmers should begin to take steps to try and prevent the worm from destroying their stands of alfalfa. In the alfalfa field of Mike Lutz, in the southeast part of the city, several acres have already been cut down and the plants destroyed by the worm. It first appears with a spread of a light web somewhat similar to that of a spider, and in time the eggs of the worm are deposited and thousands of the little bugs produced, and in a short time a whole field can be destroyed in this way. The worm, it is reported, operates somewhat similar to the cut-worm and cuts down the plant and at the same time destroys the roots. This is a matter that should be brought to the attention of the state in order that steps can be taken to rid the community of the pest and an expert sent down from the State Agricultural school to look after the matter.

### Card of Thanks.

I am taking this means of returning my thanks to the mayor and city council and citizens of Plattsmouth for the honor conferred upon me by naming me for the office of street commissioner of the city of Plattsmouth, and I will do my utmost to fill the office with the best interests of the taxpayers of the city in view.  
Mike Lutz.

### Entertains St. Mary's Guild.

From Thursday's Daily.  
The pretty rooms of Mrs. V. Zucker on Main street was the scene of a delightful meeting of the St. Mary's Guild yesterday afternoon, this being their regular meeting. For the occasion the parlors of the Zucker home had been very tastefully decorated—the decorations consisting of roses and other garden flowers very artistically arranged. Whenever invited to the Zucker home the guests always anticipate a most enjoyable time, and their anticipations were fully realized in the entertainment of yesterday afternoon by those fortunate enough to be present. The usual business session was held, after which the guests indulged in stitching on dainty fancy work and conversation. At an appropriate hour the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Will Smith, served an elegant three-course luncheon, this luncheon being one which Mrs. Zucker knows best how to prepare and one which the guests could not help but do ample justice to.

## THE ELECTRIC SELF STARTER MICHIGAN MOTOR CAR CO.

From Thursday's Daily.  
For several days Mr. E. V. Abbott of Omaha, sales manager of the Michigan Motor Car company, has been here with one of that company's latest and most up-to-date cars. The machine is a "40" and is equipped with all the latest features that goes to make up an ideal machine for all purposes. The machine is equipped with electric self-starter, electric lights and also with the center control, which makes it easy to handle. This style of the Michigan is placed on the market at \$1,750 complete in every way. Mr. Lathrop of the company is also here for a short time with Mr. Abbott to look after the prospects for introducing this machine.

### Ulcers and Skin Troubles.

From Friday's Daily.  
If you are suffering with any old, running or fever sores, ulcers, boils, eczema or other skin troubles, get a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and you will get relief promptly. Mrs. Bruce Jones of Birmingham, Ala., suffered from an ugly ulcer for nine months and Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured her in two weeks. Will help you. Only 25c. Recommended by F. G. Fricke & Co.

### Shake Off Your Rheumatism.

Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. Try a twenty-five-cent bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment and see how quickly your rheumatic pains disappear. Sold by all dealers.