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HEARING OF THE DEMAND FOR BETTER TRAIN SERVICE

The Petition Filed in the Matter Before Railway Commission Give the Facts.

From Friday's Daily. The matter of the train service between this city and the rest of the towns in the county is to be given an airing before the state railway commission on Friday, September 19, and everyone interested in seeing that the Missouri Pacific supplies the residents of the county with proper train service should attend the meeting, if possible, and show the conditions under which we have been compelled to get along for the past few years.

There is no resident of this county that does not recognize the fact that it is impossible for a resident of the western or central part of the county to come here to attend to business affairs and return home the same day, and that such a condition of affairs is allowed is manifestly unjust to all the citizens of the county who are compelled to take a couple of days to attend to what should take only one. The request made to the state commission by President Schneider of the Commercial club is fair and asks nothing of the Missouri Pacific company that is not justly due the residents of Plattsmouth and the citizens of the county, and the matter should receive the earnest support of all who believe in seeing that fair play is given. The petition does not ask for the changing of present trains, but merely asks that the proper connections be made at Union by either a train or motor car in order that this city can be reached at a reasonable hour. The following from the Union Ledger gives the request for the train service and explains fully the needs of the traveling public in train service:

Notice of Hearing.

Lincoln, August 22, 1913. "The Ledger," Union, Nebraska.

Dear Sir: You are hereby advised that a formal complaint is now pending before this Commission, docketed as F. 202, H. A. Schneider vs. M. P. Railway company.

Said complaint involves the alleged inadequacy of passenger service between Plattsmouth and the various towns of Cass county. The more important allegations of the petition are as follows:

1. That said M. P. Railway is the only means of reaching the city of Plattsmouth from most of the towns of Cass county, save by circuitous routes over other lines.
2. That from Eagle, Elmwood, Wabash, Weeping Water, and Nehawka there is no train service by which persons living in the vicinity of said towns can reach Plattsmouth, the county seat, and return home the same day; that the first train upon which people from the aforesaid towns can reach Plattsmouth leaves Union at 4:25 o'clock p. m. and that from Union, Murray and Mynard there is a train leaving Union at 5:25 o'clock a. m. and no train south from Plattsmouth in the afternoon; and from Mynard to Plattsmouth there is no train except No. 103, which leaves Union at 4:25 p. m., by which a person living in the vicinity of Mynard can reach Plattsmouth without paying transportation to South Omaha.
3. It is further alleged that there are many people residing in the vicinity of Eagle, Elmwood, Wabash, Weeping Water, Nehawka and Avoca who have business to transact in Plattsmouth and are prevented from doing so by reason of insufficient and inadequate passenger service, which fact occasions loss and inconvenience to the merchants and citizens of Plattsmouth.
4. The petition further alleges that if a train or motor car were

put on which would leave Union about 9:20 o'clock a. m., connecting with train No. 634 of Lincoln branch, reaching Plattsmouth between 10:00 o'clock and 10:30 o'clock a. m. and leaving Plattsmouth, going south, about 2:45 o'clock p. m., it would make connections with the train of the Lincoln branch and accommodate all of the south and east portions of Cass county in reaching the county seat and returning home on the same day.

5. Complainants allege that they have asked the M. P. Railway company to furnish such service and the company has refused.

Said complaint has been brought to this Commission for consideration and such relief as may be granted.

The object of this letter is to call your attention to the pendency of said application and to further notify you that a public hearing on same has been fixed for Friday, September 19, 1913, at nine o'clock a. m., in the Commission's office at the State House, when and where all parties in interest may appear and show cause as to why the relief asked for should or should not be granted. If you are interested you will please be governed accordingly.

Very truly yours,
A. B. ALLEN, Secretary.

THE BAND CONCERT BEST OF THE SEASON

From Friday's Daily.

The soft, cool breeze last evening brought out an enormous crowd to attend the band concert on High School Hill, and they were treated to one of the best selected programs that has been given so far this season, and which made a big hit with everyone in attendance. The selection, "Evening Idylls," is one of the best that has been given as yet by the band and was well received by the large audience, as was also the Porto Rican dance "Rosita." One of the big hits of the evening was the popular selection, "Row, Row, Row," and to the prolonged applause the band was compelled to give an encore, which they did in a very pleasing manner, and the same was repeated when the stirring strains of the "American Patrol," a medley of the national airs, was played by the band, the audience getting very enthusiastic and cheering the martial music, to which Director Schulhof and the band boys responded by playing for the second time the pleasing medley. The waltz, "Our Wedding Day," was given in a very finished manner and the soft, sweet music greatly impressed everyone, especially the young people present. The pleasures of the evening were added to by the fact that the handsome school teachers from all over the county were present to assist in making the event a most glorious success.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM SERIOUS AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT LAST EVENING

From Saturday's Daily.

What might have been a serious accident occurred last evening at Sixth and Main streets, when as Jesse Pery was backing his automobile down Main street from his barber shop he came in collision with a traction engine and threshing outfit that was proceeding south on Sixth street. The automobile was coming down the incline toward the cross street just as the engine came down the street east of the Riley hotel, and before the driver of the car was aware of the fact he was almost on the traction engine, the engineer of which, by his prompt action averted a collision that might have resulted in the destruction of the automobile, but as it was the car was only slightly scratched up and not seriously damaged.

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THE PLATTSMOUTH WATER COMPANY HOLDS RECEPTION

Important Event in the History of the Plattsmouth Water Company.

From Saturday's Daily.

Today marked an important event in the history of the Plattsmouth Water company, as it was the opening to the public of the pumping station after being completely overhauled and rebuilt, and in fact the water plant is an entirely new one of the most modern type.

In honor of the finishing of the work on the plant the water company had extended an invitation to the mayor and city council of the city to inspect the plant, and they were conveyed from the city hall to the pumping station at 2:30 this afternoon in automobiles and all were greatly pleased with the wonderful change that had been made in the station since the present owners of the water works came into possession of the plant. The visitors to the plant were all presented with a handsome drinking cup with the motto of the company, "Pure Water for the People of Plattsmouth," on it, and the management of the water company expect to live up to this motto, regardless of the cost to them.

To really describe the wonderful change that has taken place at the pumping station is almost impossible, for a person to really appreciate it should pay a visit there and see what has really been done by the company in their endeavor to secure for the consumers the best water possible, and they have succeeded far better than it could have been thought, although the improvements have cost them a great deal of money.

The water offered to the consumers in Plattsmouth is secured from nine wells sunk seventy feet deep in the sand east of the pumping station, and pumped direct to the filtering plant, where the water is run through two aerators that removes all iron from the water by the action of the air blowing through the water which is falling into the filters in a spray, and this is where the name of the process is derived of aeration. After the water settles in the large tank below the aerators it is filtered through seventeen inches of graduated sand into the settling basins, from whence it is to be pumped into the standpipe for the use of the consumers by a Land-law-Dunn-Gordon cross compound steam pump. This pump has a capacity of 1,000,000 gallons of water in twenty-four hours and gives one an idea of the size of the plant here, which is very large for a town of this size.

The standpipe is situated some 250 feet above the pumping station, and through it is operated what might be called two separate systems—that of the pumping and gravity system. The pumps at the station are stopped at night, but before they close down the standpipe is filled and the safety of the city in case of fire assured, as whenever necessary during the night the pumps can be started, as the fires are kept in readiness at all hours to get up steam, but it would be an extraordinary case that it would be necessary to do this, as the standpipe will hold 295,000 gallons of water and sits on a high hill with its own height of 85 feet, making it a signal mark for miles around. During the past hot months the average consumption of water in the city has been 395,000 gallons every twenty-four hours.

While the reception today was largely for the city officials, the superintendent of the plant, Mr. Sinclair, extends to the general public a most cordial invitation to call at the plant and look it over, and where a large number desire to visit at once the management will cater to them.

Blank books of all kinds at the Journal office.

Which Daily Paper?

Readers of The Lincoln State Journal are getting some very important news nowadays about the tariff, the currency bill and the trouble in Mexico. This paper wants you to read it awhile just to see if it is not the paper you will want all the time. A cut-price offer is made of one dollar from now until January 1, 1914, for The Daily and Sunday Journal. The paper will be stopped at that time. This special rate is made only to induce you to try the paper and find out for yourself if it is not Nebraska's greatest newspaper. The sooner you send in your dollar the more papers you will get for your money. Address State Journal, Lincoln, Neb.

ST. LUKE'S SUNDAY SCHOOL ENJOYS PICNIC YESTERDAY

Occasion One of Great Pleasure to Teachers, as Well as the Scholars.

The Sunday school of St. Luke's church held a very enjoyable picnic yesterday afternoon at the Straight park, north of this city, and the event was filled with much delight to the young folks who had gathered for the occasion.

The crowd was taken to the picnic grounds in automobiles, and there were some one hundred assembled at the scene of the festivities when Superintendent W. R. Egenberger started the program of the afternoon, when games of all sorts were played by the young folks to their heart's content and several races were pulled off that were very exciting and spirited and served to greatly please the scholars. The main event of the afternoon occurred at 6 o'clock, however, when the picnic dinner was spread and the young people with their appetites whetted by the afternoon's sports, made a concerted attack upon the piles of delicacies provided and they disappeared very rapidly and everyone who attended felt that the feast had been a rare treat and that those who had prepared the repast had known just exactly what to provide for the joy of the inner man.

This picnic was one of the most successful that the church has held, and its success is largely due to the efforts of the superintendent and teachers, who worked hard to make it a pleasurable event.

MRS. J. W. GAMBLE IS INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

From Saturday's Daily.

The many friends of Mrs. J. W. Gamble in this city will be grieved to learn of her injury in an automobile accident that occurred in Omaha last evening. Mr. and Mrs. Gamble were driving in their car along Harney street, and when near the corner of Twenty-fourth street they were run into by another machine, the driver of which was on the wrong side of the street, and in trying to avoid running into a street car he veered his machine sharply and crashed into the Gamble car, with the result that Mrs. Gamble was thrown against the wind-shield of the machine and slightly cut, as well as being severely bruised, although it is thought not seriously. There has been a great deal of complaint about the careless driving on that thoroughfare and it finally resulted in the accident. Mr. Gamble is a very careful driver and made every effort to avoid a collision with the other machine, but could not get out of the way in time. The police are looking for the driver who caused the accident, but he has not been located as yet.

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GROWS VERY ENTHUSIASTIC OVER MONTANA

All Are Well Pleased With the Crops in the Famous Judith Basin.

From Saturday's Daily.

The party that departed a short time ago from this city for the Judith Basin of Montana has returned and all are very enthusiastic over the land in that section of the country. The wheat yield in that locality is running from 25 to 50 bushels per acre and the heads are of fine size and the members of the party were more than pleased with what they saw of the crop there and believe that in the basin, is located some of the best small grain land in the country. The land in the basin has only been put in cultivation during the last few years, and every day sees new crowds of home-seekers pouring in to take advantage of the low price of the land, as well as the splendid prospects for successful farming.

Prior to the last few years the land was used almost exclusively for grazing for cattle, but when the railroad penetrated into Lewiston, the metropolis of that part of the country, the tilling of the soil commenced and the crops that have been turned out have surprised even the most enthusiastic boomer, as it has shown the land capable of making as large a yield as any of the wheat growing states of the union, and now there are thirty elevators doing a land office business in the radius of a few miles, and they are almost inadequate to handle the large wheat crop. Large crops of alfalfa are also grown throughout the Judith Basin and the heavy crops provides ample feed for the stock of the farmers.

This part of the country is one of the finest examples of dry farming, and those who visited there from this county were much impressed with the possibilities in the future for the farmers of Montana. The basin is visited by rains about four months in the year, but the soil retains the moisture to a remarkable degree, and in the climate of that country the ground is capable of producing splendid results. One of the party who visited the wheat fields and made a personal examination of the wheat crop was delighted with the appearance of the crop and states that the ground less than half an inch below the surface is moist and wet and will continue in this shape until the coming of winter.

Among those going to the basin were W. E. Rosenerans, George W. Snyder, C. H. Vallery, Schuyler Hackenberg, Addison Kiser and Henry Kaufman, and all unite in declaring that the country looks mighty good to them.

The land in this section has been placed in the hands of Mr. Rosenerans and with his usual policy, he wants the purchasers to see what an exceptional good thing he has before they buy, and those who visited there with him are more than satisfied that he has the real article in fine, cheap farming land that will raise as good crops as can be found anywhere. In the vicinity where the Cass county boys visited is a large farm owned by Hon. T. J. Mahoney of Omaha, and while it is not all under cultivation, he will have a yield of 25,000 bushels of wheat. C. H. Vallery did not return with the rest of the party, as he stopped in Montana to visit with his daughter, Mrs. W. K. Shepherdson and family, for a short time on their farm in that state.

For Sale. A splendid 8-room house, with 3 lots of ground. Excellent location. For further particulars see Chas. E. Martin, 8-26-1wk-d&w

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A Successful Fair.

All arrangements have been made for one of the most successful state fairs in the history of Nebraska. It will be held at Lincoln September 1-5. All live stock, race and horse entries have been made. A large force of men is now at work preparing the grounds for the reception of the throngs of visitors.

Improved Machinery.

The machinery display at the Nebraska state fair, September 1-5, will be the best in the United States. The automobile, farm implements and tractor exhibits are without equal anywhere. Then, too, the best of amusements have been provided. Laborer's band, assisted by ten grand opera stars, will furnish free music. Five state bands will also give free concerts.

DEATH OF FATHER OF C. R. MORAN AT LINCOLN

From Saturday's Daily.

Thursday morning at Lincoln occurred the death of L. R. Moran, the father of Conductor C. R. Moran of the Burlington, who resides in this city. Mr. Moran had been sick for some time and on recommendation of Dr. E. D. Cummings of this city who visited him at his home near Yutan he was taken to the Lincoln sanitarium but his condition did not improve and he grew steadily weaker and Thursday morning the doctor received a message asking him to come to Lincoln but before leaving he received a message that Mr. Moran had passed away. The body was taken to the home near Yutan for interment. Mr. Moran was about fifty-eight years of age and leaves two sons and two daughters to mourn his death. The deepest sympathy of the many friends here will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Moran on the death of their father. They departed yesterday for Yutan to attend the funeral.

HANDSOME NEW MILLINERY AT MISS MYERS' STORE

From Saturday's Daily.

Miss Emma Myers the owner of the exclusive millinery store on North Sixth street has just returned from Chicago and the east where she has been looking over the season's offerings in the millinery line and has secured for her store here some of the most up-to-date patterns and models on the market and in a few days expects to have a large assortment of the dainty early fall hats on display for the benefit of the ladies of Plattsmouth. Miss Myers has spared no expense to secure for her customers the best that the market has in the line of artistic millinery and is offering them at prices within the reach of everyone and before the selection of the fall hats the ladies should call in and see the beautiful hats on exhibition at this store.

The Famous O. I. C. Swine.

Among the first of this popular rapid growth swine that has been brought to Nebraska can be found in the herd of Mr. Samuel Parker, south of this city. They grow very rapidly and will reach the market point sooner than any other breed of swine, consequently consuming less feed. Mr. Parker has the agency for this county, and will be pleased to have all breeders call at his place and inspect the animals he has.

Mr. George Sayles, sr., of Cedar Creek departed last evening on No. 2 for Covington, Virginia, where she will make a visit with her daughter Mrs. Andrew Fudge, who resides in that locality, for a short time. This is the first visit of Mrs. Sayles to the Old Dominion in a long time and will be greatly enjoyed.

Frank Lorenz of Sheldon, Iowa, came in last evening from Lincoln where he is employed by the Burlington for the present.

ALL SHOULD GET TOGETHER TO MAKE FESTIVAL SUCCESS

The Success of the Movement Depends Upon a United Effort.

From Friday's Daily.

All that is needed now in regard to producing a successful fall festival is a good strong pull altogether and the celebration can be pulled off, as the committee has succeeded in raising quite a sum of money, although a little more is needed, and all who possibly can should get behind the proposition and see that it is made a go. As soon as the soliciting committee sees its way clear to announce that the necessary amounts have been raised then the subscribers to the fund should get together and form an organization to take charge of the affairs, with a chairman, secretary and treasurer, and see that it is conducted in a manner that will reflect credit upon the city that is giving the festival and be satisfactory to all who have donated to make the celebration possible.

It is expected as a feature of the fall festival to hold a base ball tournament, in which several of the fast teams of the county will take part, and this alone will be well worth attending, as several of the neighboring towns have some mighty good ball teams, such as Louisville, Greenwood, Avoca and Nehawka, and they would make a fine attraction for the lovers of the great national game and add much toward making the two days' celebration a splendid success.

Several free attractions, such as balloon ascensions, mug diving or trapeze performances, could be secured for a nominal sum of money and serve to entertain, as well as an automobile parade and a number of races of different sorts, all of which could be interspersed with concerts by the Burlington band that would please those who are inclined more to the musical than the sensational features of the attractions. At the recent Havelock gala day celebration the balloon ascension was the principal feature of the occasion and everyone attending felt well repaid for their trouble and only words of praise were heard for it, and the residents of this city and vicinity would be pleased if a similar event can be secured for this city.

Let us all get our coats off and assist the committee in pulling off the fall festival and show the world that Plattsmouth is still on the map and has not retired from its old activity.

AVOCA YOUNG PEOPLE UNITED IN MARRIAGE

From Saturday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon Judge A. J. Beeson granted marriage license to William L. Gillin, age 26 and Miss Louise Ruhge, age 26 both of Avoca. The young people who are both members of some of the most prominent families of the southern part of the county were married today at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ruhge at Avoca. The young people are well known and very popular in their home and possess a host of friends who will learn with much pleasure of the marriage and trust that they may find much happiness in their future journey down life's rugged road and that their pathway be strewn with choicest blessings. They expect to reside in the vicinity of Avoca in the future.

Lost. A roll of auto tolls. Finder please leave same at the Journal office and receive suitable reward. 8-30-2td-ttwkly