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## RESIDENCES BADLY NEEDED IN PLATTSMOUTH

Matter That Needs the Attention  
of Those Having Interests of  
the City at Heart.

From Saturday's Daily.  
Several times in the past few months the Journal has called attention to the fact that there was a scarcity of dwelling houses in the city for rental purposes, and every day this demand is growing more and more painfully apparent to those whose business bring them in touch with the public who are searching for suitable residence properties.

In the last week two railroad men running on the Burlington, whose salaries run from \$125 to \$150 per month, have about given up hopes of finding a suitable place to move their families, and while desiring very much to live in this city, will, in all probability be compelled to remove to Lincoln because of the lack of residence property here that they could rent. These gentlemen are willing to pay from \$25 to \$30 a month for a modernly equipped house, but as it is impossible to find any such place here will probably have to move their home to some other town, losing us two very excellent citizens and their families, who have every desire to remain in our city.

Every day there are parties here seeking places for homes, but few are able to find locations, and several men employed at the Burlington shops have left here because of the scarcity of suitable homes for rental. This matter is fast becoming a serious problem and if the city is to develop and expand as it should there must be more modern residences erected or placed in proper shape for rental, as no one likes to come here to find that it will be impossible to find a home where his family can live. In the past few days one of our citizens went to one of the land owners of the city, who besides his home and one lot owns a lot adjoining and who paid only \$1,200 for the house and two lots, and the man offered the owner of the lot \$1,000 for the bare vacant lot, and was much surprised when he was told it would cost him \$1,500 to secure the lot, for which \$1,000 was a big price. Such actions as these retard the growth of the city, as here was a man who stood up and demanded \$300 more for one vacant lot than the two lots and the house cost him in the first place, and as a result of the outrageous price asked the would-be purchaser will be compelled to look elsewhere for a home.

There is another aspect of the case that should be heeded, and that is a number of men interested in the business life of the city who have rented property instead of putting up suitable residences that could be erected, and it would not cost them any more or as much as the rent does, as both of the local building and loan associations would advance the money if the builder did not feel able to stand the outlay of \$1,800 or \$2,000 for a home, and in a short time it would be the owner's without any more expense than if he had rented the place by the month.

This question is a vital one, and if we are to grow as we should in Plattsmouth there must be places provided that persons desiring can rent for homes, and the men interested in real estate in the city should get busy and see if several cottages cannot be erected.

M. B. Allen returned to his duties at Havelock this morning, after an over Sunday visit here with his family. Mr. Allen still feels very stiff and sore from the effects of the accident that befell him in Havelock a few weeks ago, but is able to attend to his work.

**Mrs. Herman Bestor Better.**  
From Saturday's Daily.  
The condition of Mrs. Herman Bestor, who is at one of the Omaha hospitals recovering from the effects of an operation, is reported as being much improved, and that this worthy lady is getting along nicely and far better than was expected so soon after the operation. This news will be most gratifying to the friends of Mrs. Bestor and her family in this city, who have been anxiously awaiting word from her bedside.

## DEATH OF OLD LADY RESIDENT

Worthy Plattsmouth Lady Passes  
Away At Her Home in South  
Part of City.

This morning at an early hour Mrs. Anna Riley, an aged resident of the city passed away at her home in the south part of town, at the advanced age of seventy-seven years. Mrs. Riley has been sick in bed only about a week, and her breakdown was quite sudden to her family and friends, but on account of her advanced years it was impossible for her to recover, and she gradually grew worse until the end. This highly esteemed lady was a native of County Cavan, Ireland, where she was born some seventy-seven years ago and she came to this country in later years with her husband to make their home in the land of promise and hope in the new world. The husband passed away a number of years ago and since that time the children have looked after the mother. The following children are left to mourn the death of this worthy lady: John Riley, Plattsmouth, Mrs. William Shea, Plattsmouth, Mrs. Susan Shields, Omaha, Mrs. Margaret McCall, Omaha, Hugh Riley, Plattsmouth, Ed. Riley, Omaha, Mrs. Ray Sawyer, Plattsmouth. In the death of the beloved mother the children will have the deepest sympathy of the entire community as her death will leave a place hard to fill in the large circles of friends. The funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 10:30 at St. John's Roman Catholic church and will be conducted by Rev. Father M. A. Shine and the body laid to rest in Oak Hill cemetery.

## THE NEHAWKA MILL CHANGES MANAGEMENT

From Saturday's Daily.  
The mill has been leased to Grothe Brothers of Ashland, who will take possession about the first of October. They are fine-looking young fellows, both practical millers, and have promised to give the people of Nehawka an up-to-date concern that will be a boost for the town. The mill company will install a new 60 horse power oil engine that will enable them to handle the work economically. The News welcomes them to the town and pledges them the cordial support of the business interests of the town.—Nehawka News.

## JUDGE DOUGLAS' RES- IDENCE IS RAPIDLY NEARING COMPLETION

The residence property of J. E. Douglass on High School Hill is rapidly nearing completion, and inside of a week or two the family will be able to move into the structure. It is a very large and commodious building of nine rooms and is equipped with the latest features in bath rooms, sinks and all the things that go to make a modern, up-to-date house. When the building is finally turned over to the owner it will be one of the most comfortable, as well as handsomest, in the city and will be a great improvement to the locality in which it is situated.

## TAXES FOR THE BUILDING OF THE NEW COUNTY JAIL

What It Will Cost Each Precinct  
and the Villages and Towns  
in the County.

In the past few months, or since the election last spring, there has been much talk of how the cost of the new jail would be apportioned among the different precincts of the county and just what sum the precincts would contribute when it was decided to put up the structure, and through the Journal can be found the amounts on the taxable property of the county that will be used for this purpose as follows:

Tipton Precinct—Land, \$493.62; personal, \$85.73; village real estate, \$33.69; total, \$613.04.  
Greenwood precinct—Land, \$541.42; personal, 93.32; village real estate, \$23.71; total, \$658.45.  
Salt Creek—Land, \$351.85; personal, \$58.85; village real estate, \$47.78; total, \$458.48.  
Stove Creek—Land, \$524.97; personal, \$193.08; village real estate, \$89.64; total, \$807.69.  
Elmwood—Land, \$594.87; personal, \$135.57; village real estate, \$28.83; total, \$759.27.  
South Bend—Land, \$364.97; personal, \$70.86; village real estate, \$6.80; total, \$438.93.  
Weeping Water—Land, \$527.97; personal, \$90.42; total, \$618.39.

Center—Land, \$549.32; personal, \$106.75; village real estate, \$9.43; total, \$665.50.  
Louisville—Land, \$264.23; personal, \$81.89; village real estate, \$63.61; total, \$409.74.  
Avoca—Land, \$357.88; personal, \$138.46; village real estate, \$34.77; total, \$531.11.  
Mt. Pleasant—Land, \$514.05; personal, \$103.81; total, \$617.86.  
Eight Mile Grove—Land, \$525.36; personal, \$71.03; village real estate, \$7.07; total, \$603.46.  
Nehawka—Land, \$312.84; personal, \$137.27; village real estate, \$20.74; total, \$470.85.  
Liberty—Land, \$433; personal, \$131.98; village tax, \$38.19; total, \$603.17.  
Rock Bluffs—Land, \$658.47; personal, \$121.97; village real estate, \$21.82; total, \$802.26.  
Plattsmouth Precinct—Land, \$557.93; personal, \$108.67; village real estate, \$2.74; total, \$669.34.  
Weeping Water City—Real estate, \$130.57; personal, \$109.26; total, \$239.83.  
Plattsmouth City—Real estate, \$464.40; personal, \$264.33; total, \$728.73.

The total of these figures on the real and personal property of the county make a total of \$10,693.22, and the balance of same \$1,400 will be made up by the railroads and other corporations in the county.

## YOUNG MEN EN ROUTE FOR THE PACIFIC COAST

Charles Peterson, jr., of Chicago, accompanied by his friend, Fred Wallace, also of Chicago, stopped off here yesterday to make a short visit with the parents of Mr. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Peterson, and the aunt of Mr. Wallace, Mrs. J. C. Linderman. The young men are en route to the Pacific coast, and decided to take advantage of the nearness of their route to visit their relatives. They will return to Chicago from the coast by the Southern Pacific route, traveling into Kansas City, and the northern route west afforded them the only chance to visit the old home. Mr. Peterson is now running two automobile garages in the Windy City and is quite successful in his business venture.

**Lost Will Is Probated.**  
From Saturday's Daily.  
This morning in the county court a hearing was had on the petition for the probate of the last will and testament of William Ost, deceased, of Liberty precinct, and the document admitted to probate, and Mrs. Albertina Ost, the widow appointed as executrix. The hearing was attended by Mrs. Ost and son, William, and two daughters, Misses Edith and Alma Ost, of Union.

## THE COAL SUPPLY SEEMS PLENTIFUL

The Price Is About the Same as  
Last Year, With Plenty  
in Sight.

Present indications are that there will be no shortage in the coal supply this winter, according to local dealers. At present the dealers are well stocked for the fall and early winter. Miners have been working pretty steadily during the summer and the stored up supply is reported to be large. Just at present there are some indications of a strike in western fields, and should this strike spread and continue, coal might be short before the close of a hard winter. But present indications are not for any widespread strike.

There is no shortage in hard coal this year. Unlike last year, there has been no strike. Last year there was a shortage at the opening of winter of some 9,000,000 tons of this kind of coal. There is no shortage this year. But the price this year may not be materially under that of last. The present price is between \$11 and \$12 a ton. Last year it was between \$13 and \$15 a ton. But before the winter was over the people had quit using it largely. Pennsylvania has levied a tax of a certain per cent on each ton at the mines, and this tax has aided in raising the price. Better wages are paid the miners today than ever before and this, too, has aided in raising the price per ton to the consumer.

Soft coal will not be much higher than formerly, although the price tends upward, along with the prices of all other things. Soft coals at present are quoted at from \$5.00 to \$9.00, with the exception of some of the Arkansas coal, which sells at \$8.00 to \$10.00 a ton.

But all in all the indications are that nothing but a long and cold winter can bring about a scarcity of coal or a much increased price. There is now an ample store, together with what will be mined to provide for an ordinary winter. Some persons are expecting a cold winter to follow a hot summer. If such be the case, then there is a possibility, but not a probability, of a shortage in the coal supply before the opening of spring.

## OMAHA FAMILY TO MAKE THIS PLACE THEIR HOME

From Wednesday's Daily.  
This city has received an addition to its population in the past few days, when E. A. Blue and family of Omaha arrived in this city and will make their future home here, as Mr. Blue has purchased the F. E. Phabus property in the south part of the city and will locate here permanently. This summer has seen many strangers come to this city to make their homes, and if it were possible to secure desirable properties for rental here the list of new-comers would be much larger, as the demand is growing constantly for places where families can reside, and at least ten or twelve cottages could be rented tomorrow if they were available.

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## GOV. MOREHEAD NAMES THE GOOD ROADS DAYS

Urges People to Turn Out Octo-  
ber 9 and 10 and Aid in  
the Good Work.

Governor Morehead has designated October 9 and 10 as days upon which every person in the state who is interested in good roads shall personally take part in making them good. He calls upon county and village boards, city councils and Commercial clubs to take such steps as will be necessary to give effectiveness to the idea advanced and the support sought. The proclamation is as follows:

"History shows us that advance in civilization, wealth and culture has kept pace with the means of travel and no country can continue to advance without taking heed of the means of communication and providing for the transportation of the public and of the public necessities.

"There is no more important factor in the upbuilding of a state than the development and maintenance of a suitable system of highways. Nebraska has done much during her short history, but there is much yet to be done. Congress very wisely provided that each section line may be set aside for public roads, and our legislature, from time to time, has made provision for the opening of other roads where necessary. Much money has been expended and much work done in making these thoroughfares suitable for travel; but in the rush incident to the opening and development of a new state, there has not been as much money expended and work done upon these highways as the welfare of the public demands. I am glad, however, to see an awakening of public interest in the betterment of our highways, and in this respect Nebraska ought not to be behind her sister states.

"Now, therefore, in order to further stimulate the interest in road building and to show by our acts that we are in earnest in our advocacy of improved highways, I recommend that October 9 and October 10, 1913, be set aside and dedicated to the work of road building, and I earnestly ask that the board of village trustees of each village, the city council of each city, the Commercial club of each municipality, and the board of county commissioners of each county in the state, take such steps as to them seem best fitted for their immediate locality, to promote the improvement and upbuilding of their roads and highways within their respective jurisdictions. And I earnestly urge that the business men, farmers, the automobile associations, and the people generally take an active interest in this good work, turn out upon the days mentioned and work the roads and streets, and let each community strive to show substantial improvement in this regard."

## MR. AND MRS. F. G. FRICKE RETURN FROM GERMANY

Yesterday F. G. Fricke and wife returned from an extended visit of several months in Europe where they were visiting with relatives in the different parts of the German empire and the visit back to the Fatherland was much enjoyed by both Mr. and Mrs. Fricke. Their son, Dr. Albert Fricke of South Omaha, who accompanied them decided to remain for a longer time to study at some of the leading German medical colleges before returning home to resume his practice.

Window Glass. Gering & Co.  
Phone 36.

**Buy Adamson Residence.**  
N. K. Peoples recently bought the Sol Adamson residence property on the corner of Seventh and Washington avenue, where he will move his family in the near future. Mr. Peoples will first make a great many changes in the place, such as remodeling, painting and papering. Since residence properties have become so scarce in this city it almost compels people to buy property in order to secure just what they want in the way of a place to live. When the contemplated changes are made Mr. Peoples and family will have a very desirable home.

## DEATH OF STEPHEN CECIL AN OLD RES- IDENT OF THIS CITY

A Good Citizen, Whose Friends  
Were Very Numerous and Who  
Bore the Respect of All.

Yesterday afternoon at 1:20 the spirit of Stephen Cecil, an old resident of this city, took its flight, and after a long suffering of eighteen months from spinal trouble, Mr. Cecil was finally relieved by death from the pain and anguish he has been compelled to undergo. Mr. Cecil was 59 years of age and had resided in this city for the past thirty-five years, and during that time he made a host of friends by his sterling, upright character and his pleasant manner of dealing with his fellowmen. He was taken sick about a year and a half ago, and the disease from which he was a sufferer gradually grew worse until he was finally compelled to take to his bed, and since that time has been bedfast most of the time, and the approaches of the disease made it apparent that his recovery was impossible, and he patiently awaited the release from his suffering. He leaves to mourn his loss his sorrowing wife and one son, Hugh Cecil, and a daughter, Miss Estelle, all of this city, and two brothers and one sister, Isaac Cecil of this city, Jasper Cecil of Hennipin, Illinois, and Mrs. V. M. Mullis of this city. Mr. Cecil was a member of the A. O. U. W. lodge No. 8 of this city, and during his lifetime was a most faithful member, and his death will be a great shock to his fellow members. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon from the late home at 2 o'clock and will be conducted by Rev. W. L. Austin, a warm friend of the family, and interment will be made in Oak Hill cemetery.

## MR. FRANK GOBLEMAN SECURES CONTRACT FOR REDECORATING POST OFFICE

The contract for the redecoration of the government building in this city has been let to Frank R. Gobleman, the artist and decorator in this city. The whole interior of the building will be redecorated as well as the roof of the building and the fact that Mr. Gobleman has received the contract is a guarantee that the work on the building will be strictly all right and the government will receive an artistic as well as a serviceable job of work from start to finish. The contract is for several hundred dollars and will take some time to complete. It will give the citizens here general satisfaction to know that the work will be done by a home man and the postoffice building authorities will find Mr. Gobleman, the right man for the job of redecorating the building. The work will be started shortly.

James Hunter, jr., and wife and little babe were over Sunday visitors in this city, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Hunter. They came down from their home at Gibson Saturday evening on No. 2.

## CELEBRATES 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Former Cass County Couple Cele-  
brate Their Golden Wedding  
In Lincoln, Saturday,  
September 27.

The following account of the golden wedding anniversary of a former Cass county couple appeared yesterday in the State Journal and it will be very interesting to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Root in this county where they resided near Murray from 1869 to 1907 when they removed to Lincoln to live: "Mr. and Mrs. James Root of 2910 Vine street, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary with a reception held at their home Saturday evening. An orchestra played during the evening and Mrs. J. W. Pugsley sang "The Rosary." The wedding march was played by the orchestra and the bride and groom of fifty years came down the stairs preceded by little Arden Faught, a great-grandson, Thelma and Archey Faught, great-granddaughters, as flower girls, lead them to one corner of the parlor decorated with golden rod and green foliage, where they stood under a high white wedding bell. Dr. J. W. Hilton spoke the words which reunited them for life, and an interpreter interpreted in the mute language. After the congratulations the guests were led to the dining room, which was decorated in gold and white. The wedding cake was cut by the bride and served with brick ice cream. Those assisting in the dining room were Mrs. B. A. Root of York; Mrs. E. E. Bushy, Mrs. Frank Herold, Miss Ruth Faught, of Lincoln; and Mrs. R. E. Murphy of Seward.

"During the evening some old songs were sung. G. H. Walters sang, "When You and I were Young Maggie." Carl Root and Leonard Wood sang "Silver Threads Among the Gold." Mrs. Belden Tinley sang "I Have Grown So Used to You." G. H. Walters and Mrs. J. W. Pugsley sang a duet, "Matrimonial Sweets."

"James Root was born in Kinsman, O., February 24, 1844. He was married to Harriet Anne Dickinson in Newaygo, Michigan, on September 27, 1863. Mrs. Root was born in St. Joe, Ind., October 13, 1840. The couple lived in Michigan till the year 1869 when they moved to Cass county, Nebraska, where they lived till they moved to Lincoln in March of 1907. Four children were born to them, all of whom are living except one daughter, Mrs. J. C. Faught. The others are Frank Root of Beaver City, Neb.; Mrs. W. H. McDaniel of Nebraska City, and Mrs. Minnie Wood of Lincoln, and were all present at the reception. There were sixteen grand-children, ten of whom were present, and five great grand-children, all present at the reception, besides a large number of relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Root received some beautiful gifts and a number of gold coins.

"The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Faught and daughter, Agnes of Cozad, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Murphy, of Seward; Dr. and Mrs. B. A. Root and son, Carl, of York; Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Faught and children of Scottsbluff; Claude Faught of Alliance, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thomason, B. A. Root and Mrs. A. L. Baker, of Murray, Neb.; Mrs. F. W. Gillett, Frank Moggie, Wright Gillett, Mr. and Mrs. C. Peck, Mrs. George Leach, and Mrs. Alton, of Elmwood; Frank Root, of Beaver City; Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel and children of Nebraska City."

Adolph Schilling and wife of Norfolk, Neb., who have been visiting at the home of C. W. Hafke and family for a few days, returned home this morning on the early Burlington train.

Spot cash special for this week