

The Plattsmouth Journal.

THE NEBRASKA ABORIGINES IN THE 18TH CENTURY

Paper Read by Father Shine at Twenty-third Annual Meeting of the Nebraska Academy of Science.

From Friday's Daily.

The Journal has just had the pleasure of receiving a most interesting booklet from the Nebraska Academy of Science, and which covers a most wonderfully interesting period of the section of the west of which Nebraska now forms a part. The pamphlet is the copy of the address made by Rev. Father M. A. Shine before the twenty-third annual meeting of the Nebraska Academy of Science at their session last May, and covers the history of the Missouri valley, and particularly Nebraska, during the period of time from 1700 to 1800. This period of the history of the Nebraska region has long been covered in obscurity and Father Shine has proven most tireless in his efforts to reveal for the use of the coming generations an insight into the manner of people who made their homes here in that remote time, when a white man on this side of the Mississippi was a rarity. Indeed Father Shine was the first to attempt to gather together reliable data on the facts relating to this region prior to 1804.

The paper is as complete as was possible to gather after years of research through documents covering the history of explorations through the upper Missouri valley, as well as the history of the Indians, which Father Shine was able to gather from the writings and statements of the Catholic missionary priests who were among the first to push forward into the western wilderness from the French settlements along the Mississippi river and from eastern Canada.

In speaking of the original settlers of Nebraska among the Indians the paper of Father Shine gives a very interesting insight into the lives of the Indians. "Previous to the eighteenth century Coronado's expedition undoubtedly met some of the ancestors of the Pawnees; also, later Spanish expedition to the land of Quivera came in contact with them, and as early as the middle of the seventeenth century French traders had penetrated as far as the "forked river," which had a branch from the south toward Mexico.

In speaking of the location of the different Indian tribes, Father Shine's paper gives a very good idea in stating that when the Pawnees came into the northern country they found it occupied by the Poncas, the Omahas and the Otoes, who, according to custom, they attacked the Pawnees, and after a resistance conquered them. In the pamphlet an account of the expedition of Pedro Villazur, consisting of forty soldiers from Santa Fe, reached the river of "Jesus and Mary" (Rio de Jesus Maria) or the Platte river, where his expedition, with the exception of five or six soldiers who escaped, were massacred. Banderier seems to think that this massacre was perpetrated by the Otoes near the mouth of the Platte river in Cass county.

The pamphlet is most complete in every way and covers what has long been a most obscure period in the history of the Missouri valley, and Father Shine, in his researches, has contributed a portion of history that will be of untold value to the future historians in their works on the early inhabitants of this section of the west.

To Make Location.

From Friday's Daily.
Mr. Sherwood of Plattsmouth was in the city yesterday making arrangements to open up a shoe repairing shop here. He will have a building on the north side of Central avenue, between Seventh and Eighth streets. He has been engaged in the same business at Plattsmouth for some time.—Nebraska City Press.

Office supplies at the Journal office.

Young People to Wed.

This morning a marriage license was issued to William Henry Wilkins, aged 23, and Miss Heartha Henrietta Bauers, aged 18. The groom resides at Murdock, while the bride lives near Greenwood. The marriage occurs at the home of the bride's parents, near Greenwood. Both of the contracting parties are well known throughout the section of the county where they make their home.

B. & M. SENDING TRAINS THROUGH HERE ON ACCOUNT OF DEFECTED U. P. BRIDGE

From Saturday's Daily.

The Burlington has in the past few days been sending a number of their trains through this city that formerly were sent by the way of Council Bluffs from Pacific Junction, due to the fact that the Union Pacific bridge was in such condition that only one train at a time could cross over, and which caused quite a tie-up on the different lines of railroads operating over that bridge. The heavy engines used on the Burlington makes it difficult for them to operate over this bridge under the single train schedule, as they have a large number of trains, as have also the other lines of railroads, and they find it necessary to use their own splendid bridge over the Missouri at this place, which is more modern and capable of carrying the large locomotives in use on the "Q." No. 3, the Chicago-Denver afternoon train, came through here yesterday on account of the trouble over the U. P. transfer bridge. It would be a much appreciated change if this train would be changed so as to make this city a regular point on its schedule, as it would make a very convenient train for parties desiring to go to Omaha, as it reaches that city about 4 o'clock.

VERY PLEASANT MEETING AT THE HOME OF THE STENNER BROTHERS

From Friday's Daily.

Last evening the Loyal Sons class of the Christian church enjoyed a very pleasant meeting at the home of Clarence and Leon Stenner, two of the members of the class, and the occasion was made the event of one of the pleasant and instructive debates between the different members, who were chosen on each side to argue the question, "Resolved, That the United States Should Make Greater Preparation for War."

Preceding the debate the members of the class were addressed by County Judge Allen J. Beeson on "Fiat Justitia," in which he pointed out the methods and workings of the law in different cases and how it was applied in the process of the administering of justice. The address of the judge gave the young men a very clear insight into the operation of the law, and in addition to this the judge gave a number of very pleasing stories which kept the audience in a constant laugh.

The debate was participated in by some ten or twelve members of the class, and both sides of the question was thoroughly argued and discussed by the different young men taking part in the debate. The judges of the event were Rev. J. H. Steger, Russell Stander and E. B. Sperry, and after hearing the arguments a decision was made in favor of the affirmative. The occasion was one filled with the greatest of interest and pleasure to the young men present and they received as a result of the argument much valuable information as to this grave question, which is being quite extensively agitated throughout the country at this time.

The expectation is of holding a number of these discussions during the winter months between the boys, as well as having lectures delivered by different prominent professional men of the city, and the next lecture will be on February 11th, when Superintendent W. G. Brooks will speak on "Modern Knighthood," but the place of meeting has not as yet been decided on. These meetings are very helpful to the young men of the community, who gather to take part in them, and should be encouraged.

A FORMER CASS COUNTY CITIZEN IN OKLAHOMA

George W. Young at the Head of the Good Roads Movement in Oklahoma.

From Saturday's Daily.

The following taken from the Daily Oklahoman of Oklahoma City, tells of the energetic efforts put forth in that state by George W. Young, a former resident of this county and ex-county commissioner, in the good roads propaganda. During his residence in this county Mr. Young was one of the live wires in his section of the county in looking after the interests of the roads, and has carried this idea with him to Oklahoma, and as a token of recognition of his efforts along this line he has been elected as president of the Oklahoma Good Roads association.

George W. Young of Alva, president of the state association of automobile owners, is in Oklahoma City for the purpose of keeping in touch with the legislation now pending before the legislature dealing with good roads and the proposed abolition of the office of state highway commissioner. He has been invited by the house and senate committee on good roads to appear before them the present week to discuss proposed road legislation from the standpoint of an automobile owner and enthusiast.

It will be his purpose, he says, to explain to the legislative committee that the 12,000 or more automobile owners in the state are entitled to better protection and more recognition in the economic and efficient expenditure of the thousands of dollars they are called upon annually to pay into the treasury of the state and to county and township treasurers in license fees. This money goes to the credit of the road and bridge fund in counties and toward the upkeep of the state highway department.

Mr. Young says he will discuss the problem both from the viewpoint of an automobile owner and a farmer. He owns a large farm in Woods county near Alva and asserts he is in position to discuss good roads from the viewpoint of the farmer as well as the city man or automobile owner.

Mr. Young is a native of Virginia, but lived in Nebraska several years, where he also enjoyed the reputation of being a good roads advocate. He has been a resident of Oklahoma for thirteen years and been prominently identified with the good roads movement.

Legislation for better roads has been recommended by the governor in his message to the legislature, and that subject is expected to receive considerable attention from the lawmakers.

ON ACCOUNT OF ILLNESS OF GEORGE REITTER, JR., COURT HAS ADJOURNED

From Saturday's Daily.

The district court took an adjournment yesterday, as the illness of George Reitter, jr., the defendant in the case of Anna Reitter vs. George Reitter, jr., which has been on trial for the past two days, made it necessary to adjourn the case until Thursday, February 4th, when it will be resumed.

In the William O'Brien estate matter the district court has affirmed the decision of the lower court that admitted the widow to a share of the estate, which had been will by Mr. O'Brien to his niece, who had the care of him during his last years.

In the case of Julia South vs. Thomas South, a suit for divorce, the court, on the evidence presented, granted the prayer of the plaintiff and issued a decree of divorce. The case was uncontested by the defendant, who is a non-resident of this county at present.

Walter Cummings and wife of South Omaha were in the city over Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Cory and family.

Joy at Parkening Home.

From Friday's Daily.
Frank Parkening and wife, residing northwest of this city, in the vicinity of Cullom, are rejoicing over the arrival at their home of a fine little daughter that made her appearance at an early hour Wednesday morning. The mother and little one are getting along nicely and the happy father feels there was never such a charming little girl in the world. Grandpa Parkening is also very well pleased over the new arrival at the home of his son.

ATTORNEY C. H. TAYLOR WILL MOVE TO OMAHA SOON

From Friday's Daily.

Ex-County Attorney Calvin H. Taylor, who since his resignation as the legal adviser of the county last September, has been looking after his private practice in this city, has decided that he will make his home in the future in Omaha, and will at once enter upon a partnership in the law firm of Harry O. Palmer and Arthur Palmer, also two former Cass county young men. The firm will occupy the offices in the Omaha National bank building at present occupied by the Messrs. Palmer. Mr. Taylor feels very grateful to the people of Cass county for the confidence they have shown in him and the honor of the election to several terms to the office of county attorney, but feels that he owes it to the further advancement in his chosen calling to remove to the metropolis. The departure of Mr. Taylor will be regretted by his host of friends throughout the county, but they will all join in wishing him all kinds of success in his new location. There are few gentlemen who have ever held the office of county attorney who possess more friends than this genial young attorney.

Mr. Taylor departed this morning for Omaha to take up his duties there, but expects to look after the interest he has in his office in this county and attend to their affairs from his Omaha office. Mr. Taylor, on leaving, gave out the statement as to his marriage some two years ago to Miss Stella McMaster of Lincoln, that occurred while he was on his vacation on the Pacific coast. Mrs. Taylor and their little son recently joined Mr. Taylor in Omaha, and they will make their home there. The announcement of the marriage comes as a surprise to many of the friends of Mr. Taylor, although the more intimate friends have been aware of this since his return from the coast after the marriage. The best wishes for his welfare and that of his family goes with them in their future in the metropolis.

MRS. GEORGE B. LEHNHOFF, OF OMAHA, TEN WEEKS IN THE HOSPITAL

From Friday's Daily.

This afternoon Mrs. F. D. Lehnhoff and daughter, Miss Tillie, returned home from Omaha, where they had been for the past ten weeks visiting at the home of their son and brother, George B. Lehnhoff, in that city. Mrs. George Lehnhoff has just returned home from being at the Clarkson hospital for several weeks taking a rest cure for a very severe nervous breakdown, but is now feeling greatly improved. The fact that she is showing such signs of improvement in health will be most pleasing to her friends in this city.

News of New Arrival Received.

From Friday's Daily.

The relatives here have received the information that a few days ago a fine little daughter made her appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baumgart at LaMar, Nebraska, where they are making their home on a farm near that place. The mother and little one are getting along in fine shape and the father is very happy over this first addition to the family. Mrs. Baumgart was formerly Miss Dora Kaffenberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kaffenberger of this city, and her friends here will be pleased to learn of the happiness that has fallen to her lot.

THE INITIATORY ADDRESS OF MR. JOY LAST NIGHT

Notwithstanding Inclemency of the Weather Methodist Church Was Crowded to Its Utmost Capacity.

The appearance of George Ellingwood Joy, the national lecturer on the "moral education of the youth," whose coming has been eagerly awaited in this city, was greeted last evening by an audience that filled every seat in the First Methodist church, where the public meetings are being held, and the result of the meeting was all that anyone could ask for, and the splendid address of the noted speaker on the questions affecting the morals of the youth of the country was one of the most pleasing that has ever been delivered in this city, and opened the way to the series of lectures that will be delivered here this week.

The meeting was opened by a short musical program by the choir of some forty voices selected from the different choirs of the city and was a most pleasing opening to the evening of pleasure and profit.

Attorney C. A. Rawls, chairman of the citizens' committee, under whose auspices Mr. Joy appears here, presided over the meeting and introduced the speaker of the evening. These meetings are not in any way sectarian and Mr. Joy does not come here as an evangelist teacher of any religious dogma, but comes simply to give to the parents and the boys and the young men of the community a clearer insight into a great vital truth that they have allowed themselves to be led away from and to place them on a plane of higher and better morals by showing to them the necessity of the right kind of thinking and living.

The subject of the lecture last evening was, "The Dawn of a Better Day," and in this the speaker laid the grounds for his series of lectures by pointing out the value and necessity of the proper kind of thinking to insure success, and the fact that only the truth and proper kind of ideals were destined to live for all time when fallacies and false teachings were banished into the darkness of the ages and forgotten. Mr. Joy stated he did not come to this city to open the question of social ethics through the doorway of sex hygiene or the cigarette habit or any of the personal failings of the average human, but by the doorway of the right and proper method of thinking by the young men and boys of a community which would replace the false standards of moral and living with one of the higher and proper kind. The speaker, in touching on the question of the false teaching offered to the world, cited several historical facts that showed the failings of the false and the triumph of the right and truth. He gave as an example the theory held for years as to the globe being square, when the voyage of Columbus destroyed that theory by his discovery of America and the trip across the Atlantic ocean, as well as the methods used in the dawning of Christianity to stamp out the teachings of Jesus Christ by the slaying of the adherents of that faith, but the faith founded on right had lasted through all the years and survived the persecutions of its members until it was recognized as the dogma of truth and righteousness in all lands. The failing of the false and wrong was shown by the failing of the theory that consumption could be cured by the turtle serum method, and as this was not found to be successful it was relegated to the past as a false teaching. The leaders of a new line of righteous thought are often ridiculed and persecuted for their teachings, declared Mr. Joy, but if their doctrines and teachings are founded on right and truth they are destined to triumph in the end, and so it is with the individual, who by pure thinking and high ideals lifts themselves above the common teachings of the lower theories and ideals founded on the wrong teachings or false prophets.

The audience throughout the entire lecture kept their attention on the speaker and followed his remarks

with the keenest interest. Mr. Joy is a very rapid speaker and in his hour's address gives some 25,000 words, and every one of them is filled with meaning and has the ring of the right kind of teaching and to hear him is not only a rare treat but it means the learning of many vital truths stated in a way that cannot fail to reach home to the man or woman hearing them in a manner that they will not soon forget. The meetings here are in the nature of a united effort on the part of the membership of all the evangelical churches of the city and purely in the interest of a spirit of the quickening of the spirit of higher thinking and ideals among the men of the community. The attendance last evening kept the committee of ushers consisting of the young men from the high school busy seating the audience and there was not a vacant seat in the church when the speaker began his address and this in spite of the wet and disagreeable weather. The meetings start at 7:30 each evening and the public is urged to be on hand as promptly as possible as Mr. Joy will start speaking at 8 o'clock sharp. Tonight will be really the keystone address of the series and everywhere he has been Mr. Joy has received requests to repeat this lecture, but this is impossible as he crowds a great deal of work into the week and will not be able to repeat any of the lectures and all desiring to hear it should be on hand this evening. The subject will be "The Human Plant in the Home," and in this Mr. Joy will take up the teaching of the vital truths to the growing plants in the home where the parents can show to the growing generation the importance of the right kind of living.

"PROGRESSIVE DINNER" GIVEN BY MEMBERS OF THE "HIKER'S CLUB"

From Saturday's Daily.

One of the most thoroughly enjoyed social events of the season was the "progressive dinner" given last evening by the members of the "Hikers' club" and the husbands of the married members of that organization of young ladies were invited to be present at this delightful occasion and participate in the delights of the evening.

The idea of the "progressive dinner" was a most clever one and the "Hikers" saw that it was carried out in a most charming manner which will cause the pleasant evening to be remembered by the jolly participants in the dinner. The first two courses of the dinner were served at the cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Dickson on North Sixth street, where the home had been very prettily decorated in pink carnations and ferns, making a very pleasing setting for the opening of an evening of the rarest enjoyment. Here oyster cocktails and a delicious salad was served in a very charming manner by Miss Vesta Douglass, Mrs. Wayne Dickson, Mrs. Lynn Minor and Mrs. George O. Dovey.

From the Dickson home the jolly party proceeded to the H. N. Dovey home on Fifth street, where the dinner course was served, consisting of cream peas, porkchops and gravy, potatoes in the jacket, hot biscuits, and peach preserves. This tempting repast was served by Misses Ione and Helen Dovey, Mrs. Jack Patterson of Union, and Miss Kathryn Windham. The handsome dining room of the Dovey home was decorated in a most artistic manner with pink carnations and ferns, lending a touch of great beauty to the happy occasion. As favors at the Dovey home cigarettes were presented to the gentlemen and cigarette whistles to the ladies.

The dessert of the dinner was served at the home of Miss Emma Falter, where the dining room had been arranged in a very tasteful manner with the decorative scheme of sweet peas and ferns. Here cherry pie a la mode, with coffee, was served most charmingly by Miss Falter, Mrs. J. W. Chapman and Mrs. Nelson Jean.

After the dinner the jolly crowd, numbering some nineteen, spent the evening in music, cards and dancing until a late hour, when all "hiked" homeward feeling that this event was one of the most delightful in the history of their club. Mr. Chauncey Smith of Lincoln was the guest of honor of the evening.

AN OLD CITIZEN OF LOUISVILLE KILLED BY TRAIN

Judge J. P. Woods Killed by M. P. Train Backing Down Upon Him About 11 O'clock Today.

This morning at about 11 o'clock one of the oldest and most highly respected residents of our neighboring city of Louisville, Judge J. P. Woods, met his death in a most tragic manner when he was struck by the passenger train on the Missouri Pacific near the depot; and instantly killed, as he was knocked down by the train, which ran over him before anyone could come to his assistance.

The passenger train was somewhat late and there was quite a number standing around the platform waiting for the train, and as the snow had fallen to quite a depth there was only a little space in which the passengers could move to the train. Mr. Woods started around the end of the train, when it was suddenly backed up, and the snow prevented his getting out of the way in time, with the result that he was killed.

Mr. Woods was one of the best known residents of Louisville precinct, where he had for years filled the position of justice of the peace, and a more highly esteemed gentleman could not be found in the county. He was some 80 years of age. Three sons and two daughters are left of the family to mourn the passing of this grand good man. A more complete biography of Judge Woods will appear later.

DENTAL WORK WITH PORCELAIN TEETH, A METHOD THAT IS BECOMING VERY POPULAR

Dr. G. W. Todd, the dentist, has a new method of forming bridge work with porcelain teeth. By his method the teeth are firmly anchored together and each porcelain tooth is a whole tooth. Dr. Todd declared the half tooth method to be entirely wrong. Should one of the porcelain become broken, it is only necessary for Dr. Todd to remove that particular tooth and replace it, where in other methods it is often necessary to rebuild the entire bridge. He has extended his laboratory until he is able to make upwards of 2,000 teeth, in all shapes and sizes, per day. Dr. Todd is a Nebraskan, having been raised on a farm near Plattsmouth.—Omaha News.

W. B. PORTER ATTENDS DUROC-JERSEY SALE

W. B. Porter of near Mynard has just returned home from Logan, Iowa, where he attended on January 28th the Duroc-Jersey breed show sale of Oscar Larson near that place. Mr. Larson is one of the most prominent breeders in the corn belt for this breed. He now owns the famous male hog, "King the Col." Mr. Porter secured one of his spring gilts bred to this famous sire and feels that he is to be congratulated on his purchase. Mr. Larson's sale netted him a little over \$11,000 each on an offering of 48 hogs. While at Logan Mr. Porter met O. L. Perdue, the Nebraska farmer, who is considered one of the best field men in the west.

Uncle Tom Kennish III.

The many friends here of Uncle Thomas Kennish, who has been spending the winter months with relatives and friends at Brooklyn, N. Y., will be sorry to learn that he has been seriously ill and that he has had to undergo an operation in a hospital at Brooklyn. For a time it seemed as though his recovery would be pleased to learn that his condition is very much improved and that he is now on the road to recovery.

Letter files at the Journal office.