

## RIVER WINS ON THE EAST SIDE

Doing an Immense Amount of Work on the Iowa Side to Save Trackage.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Reports from the east side of the old Missouri river seem to indicate that the river with its steady and unrelenting warfare with the Burlington railroad scored a partial victory with the cost to the railroad, the state of Iowa and the government of thousands of dollars spent in an effort to protect the railroad tracks from the encroachment of the river. The situation at Folsom, a few miles south of Council Bluffs, has for the past five or six years been giving the engineers of the railroad a great deal of trouble in trying to stop the river in its efforts to wash away the tracks. It was only a few years ago that many broad acres separated the railroad tracks from the river bank and it seemed that there would not be trouble with the washing of the bank, but the erratic river soon changed all this as it began a steady eating away of the land; it was only a short time until the nearness of the river brought the railroad company to a realization of the danger that was confronting their property from the effect of the river washing. Hundreds of cars of rock were sent to the scene of action and pushed into the river in an effort to hold the fast disappearing land, and much riprapping was placed there with thousands of feet of closely woven willow mats and rock ballast, but this too was ineffective to check the stream in its desire to break through at this point, and at last only a few feet separated the river from the tracks. The work of protection, however, appeared to have a good effect this season as the river did not make its usual raid on the land, but the constantly increasing danger of a wiping out of this line of the railroad has caused a change in the plans to be made and the railroad is getting ready, it is reported, to move its tracks farther back, where a ledge of rock under the solid formation will aid in the work of holding back the river from doing further damage to the company's property and guarantee a safe trackage from Council Bluffs to Pacific Junction. The work will take several months to complete and cost a large sum, but it is hoped will be permanent.

The work at Folsom, while not wholly effective, has had a decided effect on the Nebraska side of the river, where a great deal of land northeast of LaPlatte has been washed into the river, and this has led many to the opinion that the old Missouri was, after many years, seeking to shift its bed from the Iowa side to the Nebraska side, where it flowed many years ago, and it was thought not improbable that once more the main current might flow along at the foot of Main street in this city where it was for many years. This is still quite likely as the Missouri river is something that no one can tell anything about, and when it decides to go there is something doing.

## CASE TAKEN TO DISTRICT COURT TO GET DAMAGE

From Tuesday's Daily.

A suit has been filed in the district court entitled, John Duerr, by Philip F. Duerr, his father, against Andy Zoz, in which the plaintiff states that he is fourteen years of age and alleges that on July 31st, 1916, the defendant assaulted him with a pitchfork, causing great injury and keeping him from work for several weeks and causing him much trouble and financial loss. The plaintiff asks a judgment in the sum of \$2,000 against the defendant. The firm of Palmer, Taylor & Palmer of Omaha, appears in the action for the plaintiff. This case grows out of some trouble between the parties during threshing time near Murdock where they were both engaged in working. The matter will be threshed out later before Judge Begley in the district court.

Letter files at the Journal office.

## HAS BLOOD POISON IN ONE OF HIS HANDS

From Tuesday's Daily.

Street Commissioner Mike Lutz is suffering at present from a very annoying case of blood poison which has put his right hand out of commission and greatly interferes with his work in getting around over the city to inspect the different jobs of street work that need looking after. It seems that the infection was caused by a hair on the back of his hand that in some way became infected, and this has spread to the entire hand, making it very painful as well as inconvenient in getting around on duty. It is to be hoped that the hand will soon heal up and allow our efficient street commissioner an opportunity to enjoy a little rest from the painful annoyance.

## DRUNKEN MAN RAISES EXCITEMENT HERE

From Tuesday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon while peace and quiet reigned over the business section of the city, the shoppers and business men were startled by hearing loud and piercing cries coming from the direction of the court house, and rushing to the scene, discovered that a drunk was causing the disturbance and his cries for help as well as for the police soon attracted a large crowd. Street Commissioner Mike Lutz was endeavoring to take the man to jail, but as Mike had only one hand to use, the right hand being bandaged up, he was not making much progress, when several bystanders assisted and soon had the gentleman with the loud vocal organs on the way to jail, although it was necessary to drag and carry him a part of the way. The stranger was well loaded with a fine assortment of drinks, and claimed that he thought Mike was trying to rob him and hence the piercing cries. Chief of Police Barclay arrived on the scene and soon had the unruly prisoner en route to jail, with the assistance of Mr. Lutz. It seems the man was coming along Vine street and had several times pumped into a lady who was walking along, and this attracted the attention of Mr. Lutz, who followed him up and nailed him near the court house, when the stranger tried to break away and let out his frantic yells.

This morning the gentleman in question was hauled before the bar of justice in the court of Judge Archer and gave his name as George Brown and his residence as Shenandoah, Ia., and coming from the arid wastes of our neighboring state, he claimed he indulged too heavily in the flowing bowl that led to his downfall. The court gave him as a reward for his truthfulness in the matter a light fine of \$2 and costs, amounting to \$5, which he paid and was allowed to go on his way rejoicing at the escape.

## A PLEASANT VISIT OF STORK.

From Tuesday's Daily.

While rather late it is of much interest to the friends of the family to learn that on Wednesday, November 15th, there arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Group near Louisville, a fine little daughter, who will be the sunshine of their home hereafter. The occasion has been a very pleasant one to the members of the family and to Grandpa W. H. Heil the occasion has been most pleasing as it is the first grandchild in the family and the relatives feel very proud of the addition to the family. The many friends throughout the country will extend their hearty best wishes to the parents for the future welfare of the little lady.

J. R. C. Gregory of Eight Mile Grove was in the city for a shot time today looking after some trading and visiting with his friends. Mr. Gregory is just recovering from an injury sustained sometime ago but is feeling much better.

You know the line of Christmas Cards that the Journal sold to its patrons last season. You ought to see the assortment this year. Much nicer and many times larger. Call and make your selections early. We have a few for Thanksgiving. Remember your friends by dropping them a card.

## NEBRASKAN REFUSED TO SCARE

Lincoln and Omaha Families Now Profiting From Refusal to Hoist Feather—Received Some Setbacks.

Llano Grande, Tex., Nov. 20.—Two former Nebraska families—those of Sam Emerson and Thomas Plum—are among the few Rio Grande valley residents who remained in this country during the bandit raids last year and both families have profited.

When the Mexican trouble started it caused an exodus of families in this section. Property decreased in value. Many of the people who had their earnings invested, fled to the north rather than take the chance of being killed by the bandits.

Last Much Stock. Thomas Plum and wife, former residents of Lincoln, who now reside at La Feria, eight miles east of where the Nebraska troops are stationed, decided to remain. They live in a small house in the east part of LaFeria and their property borders on the mesquite and chaparral thickets. Every night at dark they turned out all lights. They were not molested although at various times they lost hogs and other stock. Once Mr. Plum's carpenter tools were taken.

The advent of the troops has eradicated all the trouble and once again Mr. and Mrs. Plum can light their lamps at night. This they did every night the Nebraska boys camped at La Feria during the fifteen day maneuvers. At that time their lawn was thronged with khaki-uniformed lads who listened to music from a victrola. Mrs. Plum served milk to the soldiers and it was not the kind that comes in sealed cans.

Emerson's Cafe Popular. The Emerson family, who formerly lived in Omaha, now reside in Mercedes. Mr. Emerson decided his nice ranch north of town was too valuable to leave, so he stayed. When the soldiers came to Llano Grande and complained because there were no restaurants or eating houses, Mr. Emerson started one. He has enjoyed a good trade especially from the Nebraska contingent. When the boys took their big hike, he bought an auto and moved his car along with the troops in a car attached behind.

Both of these former Nebraska families are enthusiastic about the Rio Grande valley which has been open for settlement for only ten years.

## THRILLING EXPERIENCE OF CASS BOYS IN CITY

From Tuesday's Daily.

It seems from reports from the metropolis that two young men residing out in the country near this city had a very thrilling experience in the big city yesterday in which they are short something like \$13 in good hard cash but are far wiser in experience than before their advent into the great city of Nebraska. From the story related at the police station in Omaha the boys were traveling over the city engaged in looking at the sights and having a good time when suddenly they were met by two ladies whose appearance betokened innocence and in fact that had all the appearance of having just ventured from some sequestered hamlet and were not wise to the lures of the great city. The girls asked the two Cass country young men the way to the postoffice in hopes that they might find a letter awaiting them from back home. The two young men very gallantly offered to lead them to the large and handsome building where Postmaster Fanning presides, but where they ventured after that no one knows as the next learned of the party was some two hours later when the police were informed that the ladies were not as unsophisticated as they had at first seemed and had gotten away with the \$13 belonging to the young men. The ladies in the case were later brought to the police court for trial and were remanded to jail for their offense. The lesson to the two young men, while costly, should be heeded and the wiles of strange women avoided in the future.

## SEVERAL FINED BY JUDGE ARCHER FOR BEING DRUNK

From Tuesday's Daily.

Judge M. Archer this morning enjoyed quite a busy day in police court as a number of persons were present to receive their reward for the infraction of the law in regard to being in a state of intoxication, and the court with fairness handed out justice to those who had violated the peace and dignity of the city. Lute Ranard, George Mason and John Zitka were all present, and a fine of \$2 and costs, amounting to \$5, was awarded each of the members of the party, and they were all settled up, and the offenders allowed to go on their way rejoicing.

## DEATH OF SAMUEL WARSTAT FROM HEART TROUBLE

From Wednesday's Daily.

Death again visited this community this morning and removed from the family circle Samuel Warstat, who had for a great many years been a resident of this city. Mr. Warstat had been a sufferer from heart trouble for some time, gradually growing weaker until death came to his relief at 8:30 this morning.

Mr. Warstat was born May 25, 1861, at Kirklaukenweid, province of East Prussia, where he spent his boyhood and youth and served three years in the Second Grenadier regiment, No. 3, at Gumbinnen, Prussia. He was married in the old country to Miss Augusta Matuschuleit at Siegers, Prussia, and for a number of years the family resided in that locality, until 1891, when the family came to America and located at Plattsmouth, where they have continued to make their home. To Mr. and Mrs. Warstat eight children were born, four of whom died, and four are left to mourn the death of the father, Henry Warstat, Mrs. Otto Pitz, Emma Warstat and Ida Warstat, all residing in this city with the exception of Henry, who is living in Salt Lake City, Utah, and the children will bear with the wife and mother the grief and sorrow that the passing of this good man has occasioned. The funeral services have not been definitely settled, awaiting the arrival of the absent son.

## SAM WINDHAM HAVING TROUBLE WITH HIS EYES

From Wednesday's Daily.

Hon. R. B. Windham has received a letter from his son, Samuel C. Windham, who is attending the United States Military Academy at West Point, in which Sam states that he has been having considerable trouble with his eyes and this affliction has kept him in the hospital for the last two weeks. The trouble was first noticed six weeks ago, when the young man was given attention at the hospital for a short time and his eyes seemed much improved, but they have in the last two weeks become more affected and made necessary his staying at the hospital. This is certainly unfortunate for Mr. Windham as he has been showing fine progress in his work at the academy, and the trouble with his eyes has helped him back somewhat the last month. It is certainly to be hoped that he will be able to secure relief, that will allow him to resume his studies in the academy, and his friends, who are legion here in Plattsmouth, certainly hope that he will regain the full use of his eyes and be allowed to continue on his promising career in Uncle Sam's great school for the military education of the future officers of the army.

Martin Lohnes and sister, Miss Louise of Cedar Creek, came down to this city on the morning train for a short visit with friends. They departed this afternoon on No. 2 over the Burlington for Pekin, Ill., where they will make an extended visit with relatives. They will also visit relatives at Peoria and Green Valley, Ill.

## J. W. THOMAS IN SERIOUS CONDITION AT SOLDIERS' HOME

From Wednesday's Daily.

The many friends of J. W. Thomas, one of the old residents of this city, will regret very much to learn that he is in a very serious condition at the Soldiers' Home at Grand Island, where he has been making his home for the past two years. Mr. Thomas has been stricken with paralysis and has suffered two strokes, which has rendered his condition most serious and with but little chance for recovery. The sad news was conveyed to the family in this city and they have departed to be at the side of the unfortunate gentleman. Mr. Thomas is a member of one of the pioneer families of Cass county, and a gentleman who has been very active in the life of the community, and especially in Grand Army circles, as he was one of the members of the local post of the G. A. R. for a great many years. His health has been failing for the past few years and he decided that he would go to the Home at Grand Island, where he could be cared for during the last days of his life. This unfortunate condition of Mr. Thomas certainly is deeply regretted by the many old friends throughout this section of Cass county, where he has for so many years made his home, and they are anxiously awaiting word from his bedside in hopes that he may be able to rally from the strokes he has been stricken with.

## SNOW AGAIN COVERED THE GROUND THIS MORNING

From Wednesday's Daily.

After several days of very pleasant weather, the conditions began to change yesterday into a semblance of real winter weather, although it was not cold, but a coating of snow made it look decidedly like the real old winter this morning. The general conditions all day yesterday pointed to the fact that there was going to be something doing in the weather line and it was no surprise to the residents to awaken this morning and find a blanket of fleecy white over the city, and it is still snowing. The mild temperature made things very pleasant and it was much warmer than yesterday, a great deal of the snow melting as it fell. The white fleecy covering to the ground looks as though we might after all have a real old-fashioned Thanksgiving with all the trimmings.

## Q. Z. SOCIETY ENTERTAINED AT THE NELSON JEAN HOME

The members of the Q. Z. society of the Presbyterian church and their friends were very pleasantly entertained by Mesdames Nelson Jean and R. P. Rawls at the cozy home of Mrs. Jean in the north part of the city, yesterday afternoon. This being their regular meeting a portion of the afternoon was devoted to a business session, at which time final arrangements were made for the Chrysanthemum Sale which they will hold November 29th, and various plans were made for the Doll Bazaar, which they will hold during December. After the business session the Q. Z.'s and their friends indulged in a most delightful social time, while they plied the busy needle. The hostesses served a dainty luncheon at a suitable time, which was very much appreciated by their guests. It was quite late when the Q. Z.'s and their friends wended their way home, declaring Mesdames Jean and Rawls splendid entertainers.

Roy V. Peppering of Lincoln was in the city today looking after the interests of his cigar business for a few hours, leaving this afternoon for the Iowa territory. Mr. Peppering reports that their business has been good and that it is impossible to secure enough workmen for the making of the cigars to fill their orders.

## THURSDAY'S WEEKLY TO BE PRINTED EARLIER IN THE DAY

The Semi-Weekly Journal, which is printed on Monday's and Thursday's, will in the future have the Thursday edition printed a little earlier and the edition will go to press shortly after noon in order to allow it to reach the subscribers on time. The Monday edition will be printed as usual, on Monday evening. All those having articles or advertising for the Thursday edition will kindly take notice of the change in the hour of going to press. This will be much more satisfactory and will insure the paper reaching all subscribers by Friday afternoon throughout the county.

## MR. GERING IS TO ADDRESS CLUB THURSDAY

From Wednesday's Daily.

It is hoped at the Commercial club meeting tomorrow evening at the rooms in the Hotel Riley block, to have Attorney Matthew Gering address the members of the club and the citizens upon the question of a constitutional convention. This is one of the leading questions that will come before the coming legislature and one in which every citizen is interested to a greater or less degree as it will cover one of the greatest needs of the state at the present time in a modern state constitution that will be suited to the great state that has developed. Mr. Gering, as one of the leading attorneys of the state, is in a position to give some very able suggestions in support of this proposition and should be greeted by a large number of the citizens who are interested in the future welfare of the state. There are several other matters of interest to the city that will be discussed by the club members with the idea of the interchange of ideas to promote the best interests of the city and its institutions. The meetings are open to the public and every citizen who can should attend and assist in the development of an active program for the coming year that will bring good results to the city.

## BELGIANS DEPORTED IN FACE OF PROTESTS

London, Nov. 21.—Notwithstanding protests from America, Holland and the duchy of Luxembourg who are Belgian workmen. She is now registering, presumably for future deportation, all citizens of Switzerland and the duchy of Luxembourg who are residing in Belgium.

A statement from the London office of the Belgian department of justice made these assertions today. "The deportations of Belgian subjects continue without respite. The council of aldermen at Brussels were arrested because they refused to communicate lists of unemployed to the German authorities. Deportations are proceeding in the province of Hainaut and in Wells and Flanders. Subjects of the duchy of Luxembourg and also of Switzerland residing in Belgium are compelled to register. A group of Luxemburgers has already been deported."

## FUNERAL OF J. H. KUHN.

The body of the late J. H. Kuhns will lay in state at the Elks' lodge room from 2:30 to 8 p. m. Friday. The friends may view the body at the lodge room during these hours. The body will be taken to Los Angeles, Cal., the old home, where the funeral services will be held, and there will be no service in this city.

Nothing in the printing line has grown like the Christmas Greeting card, and the Journal's line has grown accordingly, until this year when we have the largest assortment ever shown in the city. We know our old patrons will see them, but we have an assortment large enough for many new ones.

Buy your stationery at the Journal office, where the line is the best and largest in Cass county.

## MRS. J. W. JOHNSON CELEBRATES HER 70TH BIRTHDAY

From Wednesday's Daily.

Mrs. J. W. Johnson was given a most delightful surprise at her home this noon when a number of the old neighbors gathered with her to assist in the celebration of the seventieth birthday anniversary of this estimable lady and the day will be one long very pleasantly remembered by the guest of honor as one of great pleasure. The event was arranged by Mrs. J. W. Chapman, a daughter of Mrs. Johnson, and the guest of honor was not aware of the surprise until the neighbors began arriving to join her in the observance of the anniversary. A delicious old-fashioned dinner was served to the members of the party by Mrs. Chapman, assisted by Mrs. A. F. Johnson of Lincoln and to enjoy the splendid treat there were some ten of the neighbors present. The table was arranged in a most charming manner with decorations of red roses and red shaded candles that made a pleasing touch to the scene. Following the dinner the members of the party enjoyed some time in visiting and enjoying the day with their friends, and it is needless to say that the event was most pleasing to all who were present. In honor of the occasion Mrs. Johnson received a number of very handsome and choice gifts. Mrs. Agnes Chapman of Lincoln was present as one of the guests of the dinner.

## TO CELEBRATE 25TH ANNIVERSARY SOON

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Knights and Ladies of Security are now preparing to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the order and, according to plans, the first meeting of the boosting campaign of the local lodge was held last evening at the rooms in the M. W. A. building on Sixth street. The meeting was quite largely attended and a fine time was enjoyed by everyone present in the carrying out of the ritualistic work of the initiation of a small class of candidates and later, in the social features of the evening, which consisted of cards, games of all kinds and several pleasing literary numbers that added much interest to the meeting. At a suitable hour dainty and delicious refreshments were served by the committee in charge that added much to the pleasures of the occasion and was enjoyed heartily by everyone present. The occasion was made very pleasant by the fact that A. B. Patton, former deputy of this district, was able to be present and add to the interest of the meeting. It is hoped by the members of the Knights and Ladies of Security to make the twenty-fifth anniversary memorable by initiating a class of 25-000 members on a set date in the different lodges all over the United States and the members of Platte council expect to do their part.

## A FINE NEW SON.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Last night the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Highfield was made happier by the fact that a fine new son and heir made its appearance and will hereafter reside at their home. The little son is one of the regulation size and weight and is a fine little man in every way, and as the first child in the family is the object of a great deal of admiration from the happy parents. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Highfield will extend their heartiest congratulations on the happy event.

J. C. Meisinger, one of the enterprising farmers of Eight Mile Grove precinct, was in the city yesterday afternoon for a few hours looking after some trading with the merchants.

W. G. Boedecker, cashier of the Murray State bank, was in the city for a short time yesterday afternoon en route from his home to Omaha, where he spent a few hours attending to some business matters.

Have you examined our line of Christmas Cards? The largest and most complete assortment ever displayed in Plattsmouth.