

AN INSTITUTION TO BE PROUD OF

The Livingston Loan and Building Association Make an Excellent Showing and Are in Fine Shape.

From Friday's Daily.

One of the Plattsmouth institutions which makes an excellent showing for the financial strength of the city is that of the Livingston Loan and Building association, which has in years past been a great factor in contributing to this city a large number of happy homes and well satisfied investors, who have found through the investment of the building and loan association a route to comparative independence financially. The company this week has just closed another year of success and the showing made in the report of Secretary C. G. Fricke and the treasurer, Dr. C. A. Marshall, indicate that this institution has been progressing forward during the year in a most pleasing manner. In the year 1916 this company on the showing made by the treasurer did \$156,441.03 in business, which is a very neat sum to be handled by a purely local institution. The report of the secretary Mr. Fricke, who has been very active in looking after the interests of the association, shows that at the present time the company has loans amounting to \$212,639.74, and that the loans during the past year were larger than ever, increasing \$68,450. The company has a capital stock of \$120,533, and has maintained a reserve fund of \$10,694.54. This company has had careful management during the years of its existence and the confidence of the stockholders in the present officials was shown at the meeting this week when they were re-elected, as follows: President, D. B. Smith; vice president, F. G. Egenberger; treasurer, Dr. C. A. Marshall; secretary, C. G. Fricke; solicitor, A. L. Tidd. The stockholders of this loan and building association have received handsome dividends on their investments and this has earned for many of them comfortable homes that only an institution of this kind could make possible. The result of the year's work of this association should be gratifying to the citizens as indicating the excellent condition of the city in general, and Plattsmouth can well feel proud of their building and loan associations, and realize that they are doing a great part in helping the man of small means to attain success in life.

RECEIVES AN INHERITANCE AT TIME OF NEED

From Friday's Daily.

Waldemar Beck, for a great many years a resident of this city where he has been well known as a musical instructor and a talented violinist, was in his old age received an inheritance from relatives in Denmark that should enable him to spend his last few days in comfort and ease. Mr. Beck has for the past ten years been a resident at the county farm west of this city owing to his failing health and the fact that his failing mentality made it necessary to have him taken there to be cared for in a proper manner as he was no longer able to care for and support himself. A few days ago Mr. G. H. Tams, superintendent of the farm received a letter from Mr. Beck announcing that he was heir to \$1,297.75, and turning this amount over to Mr. Tams for safe keeping. This sum is sufficient to care for the aged man very nicely during his remaining years on earth and Mr. Tams is anxious that some steps be taken by the court to see that Mr. Beck is placed in some home where he can be cared for with the money left him by his relatives in the old country. Mr. Beck was for years one of the familiar figures in the city and his work as a musician was of an unusually high order and his acquaintances throughout the city will be pleased to learn of the good fortune that has befallen him.

JOHN H. PALACEK OF THE FIFTH NEBRASKA AT HOME

From Friday's Daily.

John H. Palacek, of this city and a member of Company E, Fifth Nebraska federal militia, came down last evening from Fort Crook to visit over night here with his father, sisters and brothers. John returned yesterday morning from the Mexican border with the regiment and as soon as getting settled in the barracks at the fort secured permission to visit the home folks and the meeting was a very happy one for every member of the family. Mr. Palacek is a corporal of Company E, of North Platte, and has been a member of the company since the call of President Wilson for the sending of the militia to the Mexican border. He is looking fine and his friends were well pleased to see him return from the front safe from the snipers bullets and hail and hearty. Mr. Palacek thinks the experience in the army a valuable lesson to everyone and helpful to the boys who were sent to the front as it gives them a taste of real army life, but he is not very enthusiastic over the portion of Texas in which he was located for the past eight months. He reports that Mike Pries, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pries of this city is also a member of the Fifth is with the boys at the fort and in the best of health. Mr. Palacek returned this morning to Fort Crook to join his regiment.

ENTERTAINMENT AT T. J. SOKOL HALL YESTERDAY

Yesterday afternoon the Bachelors' club of Omaha, accompanied by a large number of friends, arrived in the city on their special train over the Burlington to enjoy the day with the T. J. Sokol society of this city and to participate in the tug-of-war which was staged between the members of the two organizations. The visitors numbered in the neighborhood of 100 and added to the large crowd of Plattsmouth residents present at the hall, made a very imposing appearance in numbers, and for several hours in the afternoon it was with difficulty that anyone could gain entrance into the hall, so densely was the crowd packed into the main hall.

In the tug-of-war the result was awarded to Omaha on the ten minutes' pull, but the margin by which they won, a fraction over an inch, was so small as to make the event practically even, but the skillful Omaha team was able to bring down the \$100 side bet that had been arranged by the members of the Bachelors' club. The Plattsmouth team was considerably heavier than the Omaha team, but lacked the practice of their opponents and lost. Both during the afternoon and evening dancing was enjoyed by the large crowd and the music was furnished by the Holly orchestra.

BIG WRESTLING MATCH.

Another interesting wrestling match is scheduled for this city on Thursday, February 15th, when Barney Burnham, champion of Iowa, will engage in a match with Rudy Warner of Howells, Neb. The match will take place at Coates' hall and will be one of the best that has been staged in this city. Warner is well known in this city, where he has been engaged in several matches, and is a very clever wrestler, and Burnham has a reputation of being one of the comers in the game in his locality. M. L. Williams of this city will act as referee of the match.

YOUNG PEOPLE ARE WEDDED.

Saturday afternoon a marriage license was issued by Judge Beeson to Mr. David W. Dennis of Falls City and Miss Alma Barton of Union, who were united in wedlock yesterday at the home of the bride's parents in Union. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Barton, and is one of the popular young ladies of the southern Cass county town, where she has been reared to womanhood and where she possesses a host of warm friends.

A want ad in the Journal will bring results.

DEATH OF A PIONEER CITIZEN

Silas E. Greenslate, a Resident of Cass County for Many Years, Died at His Home in Omaha Wednesday Night, Feb 7.

From Friday's Daily.

At his home in Omaha Wednesday night, Silas E. Greenslate, a pioneer of Nebraska and a resident of Cass county for more than thirty-five years, passed away at the ripe old age of 81 years. Mr. Greenslate sustained a fracture of the hip in an accident in November 1915, and had never fully recovered from the effects of this misfortune, continuing to gradually grow worse until death came to his relief.

Mr. Greenslate during the years of his residence in Cass county, made his home near Elmwood, where he located on first coming to this locality, later leaving the farm to engage in the mercantile business in the town of Elmwood, and for twenty-five years was a prominent figure in the life of that community, until his health and approaching age made it necessary for him to retire from active pursuits of life. During his residence in Elmwood Mr. Greenslate was for eleven years postmaster, and there was no person in that community better known or more highly esteemed than this splendid old gentleman. To the old friends the message of the death of Silas Greenslate brought a keen sense of regret as he had during his life time made many warm friends, and the memory of his kindly deeds and friendship will long be held dear by those with whom he was associated during his residence in this county.

He is survived by the aged widow, two daughters, Mrs. Bertha Swearingen and Miss Fern Greenslate, two sons, Ellis and Dean Greenslate. The funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the late home, 522 South Forty-first street, Omaha, conducted by Rev. Charles E. Cobbey, pastor of the First Christian church. Interment was in West Lawn cemetery.

DR. G. H. GILMORE, OF MURRAY, APPOINTED PHYSICIAN

From Friday's Daily.

The board of county commissioners closed their regular monthly session yesterday afternoon at the court house, taking up a number of matters of importance and after the adjournment the members departed for their homes. The board selected as the official county physician for the year, Dr. G. H. Gilmore, of Murray, and in awarding the contract for physicians in the different districts who had placed their bids Dr. J. B. Martin was selected in the first district, Dr. J. F. Brendel, of Murray, in the second, Dr. J. W. Brandel, of Avoca, in the third, Dr. Morrow, of Louisville in the fourth and Dr. O. E. Liston, of Elmwood, in the sixth district. The fifth physician having no bids contract was not awarded. For the burial of the pauper dead, the contract was awarded to John P. Sattler as the lowest bidder. The board also opened the bids for the county printing and the contract was awarded the Plattsmouth Journal for the ensuing year and include the bar docket, legal notices and commissioner proceedings. For the positions on the soldier's relief commission Thomas Wiles was appointed for the first district for a term of three years and E. A. Kirkpatrick was appointed for the second district to fill the vacancy. A number of bills were also allowed by the board before their adjournment.

FILES CITIZENSHIP PETITION.

From Friday's Daily.

Yesterday Franz Joseph Knescht of South Bend made application in the office of the Clerk of the District Court Robinson for citizenship papers and renouncing all allegiance to William II, emperor of Germany. Mr. Knescht was born in the province of Alsace at Strasburg.

PASSES 81ST MILESTONE.

From Saturday's Daily.

Yesterday was the eighty-first anniversary of Mrs. Paul Gering of this city, and in honor of the occasion a very pleasant dinner party was enjoyed last evening at the home on North Sixth street by members of the family who gathered with the mother to assist her in the observance of the passing of another milestone on life's highway. Mrs. Gering received a large number of letters and telegrams from relatives and friends residing at a distance on the happy event, and the many friends of this most estimable lady in the city join in wishing her many more equally pleasant events in the future.

COMMUNITY CLUB MEETING AT TRITSCH SCHOOL HOUSE

Last evening the community center club of the Fairview school district held a most interesting meeting at the Tritsch school house at which they were given the privilege of hearing an address from D. R. Ellis, state secretary of the Farmer's Union of Nebraska, who in his remarks urged a closer unity of the residents of the country districts and told of a number of sections in the state where the community center plan had been helpful in promoting cordial understanding among the residents and had aided in the development of each section where it had been tried. Mr. Ellis is a pleasing speaker and his experience in this line of work certainly enable him to aid the Fairview community club in getting a clearer understanding of the advantage of an organization of this kind. In addition to the address of Mr. Ellis the members of the club had prepared a very interesting program which was enjoyed by everyone present. Mrs. J. W. Tritsch gave a very pleasing musical number while the school children of the district rendered a pleasing dialogue on the youth of Abraham Lincoln and in this the scholars displayed much ability. A number of songs were also given by the pupils of the school that added interest to the gathering and which were much appreciated.

A VERY VALUABLE FAMILY RETURNING FROM SOUTH

From Saturday's Daily.

This morning F. M. Walshmer, wife and son, arrived from their former home at Stratford, Texas, and come to this city to make their home in the future. Mr. Walshmer is known to a large number of our people, who had the pleasure of meeting him and his son during their visit to this city in 1915, when they spent some time here arranging their property interests. Mr. Walshmer is the owner of considerable real estate in this city and will prove a very valuable addition to the life of the community, as he is a man of energy and a keen business man, who will assist greatly in the upbuilding of the city. He has been engaged in the carpenter and concrete contracting business in the south, and has spent the time since he and his son left this city in closing up different contracts to clear the way for his removal to this city. Mr. Walshmer is the owner of several lots near the high school and on west Main street, as well as a number in South Park, and these property interests he proposes to improve and make valuable for home sites. Another of the plans of Mr. Walshmer is the erection of a thoroughly modern home in this city in the spring as soon as the location is fully determined upon. Mr. Walshmer and family will receive a hearty welcome from the citizens of Plattsmouth and the assurance that they have made no mistake in locating in this city for their future home as it is an ideal place for homes and home-loving people.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.

From S. C. Rhode Island Reds and S. C. White Orpingtons, \$1.00 per 15; \$5.00 per 100. Local delivery. A. O. Range, Plattsmouth. Phone 3513.

PROSPECTS FOR SECURING GROUND FOR A PARK

The prospect for securing the lots formerly occupied by the brick and terra cotta works on Washington avenue as an addition to the park purposes of the city, seem to be very bright and should be the source of gratification to the residents of the city in general at it will form the basis of a delightful park and playground. The situation of the tract of land along the newly paved avenue makes it of easy access from the different parts of the city and it is of sufficient size to allow of making it a spot of beauty. Here with a little time a beautiful pleasure grounds can be arranged that will be the source of much pleasure to the residents of that section of the city, that has had nothing of this kind in their locality. The location is on the level of the street and will require but little work to prepare it to be sown with grass and trees planted over the portion that has been of them and in a very short time will make a handsome appearance and remove a spot that has long been an eyesore to that section of the city. Here playgrounds can be prepared for the children, something that is badly needed, and with Garfield park should care nicely for the needs of the citizens in regard to the recreation spots and would give both the north and south portion of the city a park.

PAST CHIEFS MEET AT HOME OF MRS. WILLIAM HASSLER

From Saturday's Daily.

The Past Chiefs met last evening at the pleasant home of Mrs. William Hassler on North Fifth street in one of the most pleasant meetings of the present season. There were fourteen members of the organization present to enjoy the occasion. After the regular business session of the society the ladies spent some time in playing "Michigan," at which considerable pleasure was derived by the members of the party. At a suitable hour the hostess, who was assisted by Miss Anna Hassler and Mrs. Ruth Grybsky, served a very tempting two-course luncheon that was thoroughly enjoyed by the members of the party, and the home-going came all too soon for the ladies, who departed for their homes vowing that Mrs. Hassler was a royal entertainer and that the evening was one long to be pleasantly remembered. Mrs. Anna Svoboda and Mrs. Louis Egenberger were guests at the delightful event.

OPERATED UPON FOR INJURY RECEIVED A YEAR AGO

From Friday's Daily.

Barney Smith, a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Smith of near Murray, was operated on yesterday morning at the St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha for an injury he received to his arm a year ago. The operation was performed at 11 o'clock in the morning, and a message received in the city late last evening stated that the patient was resting easy and it was thought the operation would be successful in every way. Barney has been without the full use of his left arm for a year or more as the result of a very peculiar accident that befell him at his home near Murray. He was standing near a tree that was being chopped down, and as it fell he was knocked down by the fall of the tree, which however was only a small one, but his arm was pinned to the ground, and here he remained until help could reach him. The arm was seemingly paralyzed and for several months was absolutely useless, and it was feared might possibly have to be amputated, but treatment with a specialist was able to give him slight use of the member during the last few months, but it was far from being in proper shape, and it was decided to have the operation performed in hopes of giving him relief.

RETURNS FROM GRAND ISLAND.

From Saturday's Daily.

Mrs. J. A. Murray has just returned from a visit with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Karnes, who are spending the winter at the Soldiers' Home at Grand Island, and reports that both are enjoying life there very much although Mr. Karnes health is very feeble and he has not been feeling the best of late weeks. Mrs. Karnes is enjoying comparatively good health and is able to devote herself to the care of the aged husband.

RESIDENTS ON RIVER DREAD SEASON FOR ICE GOING OUT

From Saturday's Daily.

The resident along the Platte river from Fremont east have, in the past few weeks been agitated over the result of the breaking up of the ice in that usually placid stream in the spring. The ice in the river is more than a foot thick and just what this will develop when the river commences to break up is hard to surmise. The ice in the Platte north of this city is in places two feet thick and is the heaviest for a number of years, but those familiar with the situation do not fear that the bridges over the river will suffer greatly from the ice going out as they have in past. Both the Burlington and Missouri Pacific railway companies have adopted measures to see that all possible care is taken in breaking up the ice gorges and the heavy steel bridges are amply able to withstand any ordinary flow of ice. The auto and wagon bridge situated east of the two railroad structures has been protected by two large heavy ice breaks consisting of eight forty-eight foot heavy oak piling and each of these have been solidly fastened by oak timbers riveted together and enclosed with oak planking and to assist in the solidness of the breaks ten tons of rock have been placed in the breaks making a structure that it would require an immense force to affect.

These bridges being located near the mouth of the river are always in more or less danger from the gorges, but with these precautions and watchfulness it is hoped to avoid the trouble that was experienced in the spring of 1912 when the traffic on the railroads over the Platte was paralyzed by the ice carrying out bridges and flooding the lands on either side of the bridges to such an extent that the tracks were washed out. With a gradual breaking up of the ice there is very little danger, but a sudden movement might cause the overflow of water on the lowlands from the ice gorges, but every step possible to prevent this will be taken.

BASKET BALL GAME AT THE ROLLER RINK TONIGHT

The Hanscom Park Methodist basket ball team of Omaha play the Presbyterian team tonight at the roller rink. This team is from the same league as the M. E. Wops, who played a most interesting game here two weeks ago. Their latest victory was over the Creighton High school, whom they defeated by a score of 34 to 24. Therefore a fast game is looked for tonight. The local team has acquired a surplus of fast players, the latest acquisition being Bechtold, former center of the Townsends of Omaha. When the Townsends defeated the Presbyterians about a month ago, it was Bechtold who led the attack for the opposing forces, consequently some speedy work is in store for the fans. Kronstedt has been unfortunate enough to acquire a small pimple on his good arm, and the chances are that he will be unable to play. Otherwise the lineup will no doubt play regularly with the Presbyterians. The sophomores of the high school and the Eighth grade team of the central building will stage a preliminary scramble.

A complete line of Valentine Novelties at the Journal office. We have the Dennison line, also others. Call and see them.

Dawson Will Fix It.

THE PAVING INJUNCTION SUIT DECISION TODAY

Judge Begley, After Having the Case Under Advisement for Several Days, Decides in Favor of the City.

The injunction suit of the property owners in paving district No. 12 against the city of Plattsmouth was terminated this afternoon when District Judge Begley dissolved the temporary restraining order against the city to prevent the city council from sitting as a board of equalization to levy the assessment for the paving of Washington Avenue. In the decision of the court it was held that in the matter of the question of jurisdiction that the laws of the state allowed two means of procedure in creating the paving districts, either by a petition of the property owners or by three-fourth vote of the council and in this case the Plattsmouth council had been unanimous in creating the ordinance for the paving district. The court reviewed the record of the steps taken by the council establishing the district. The court also held that in the matter of whether the paving was general or special improvement the evidence offered was to the effect that the paving had been of special benefit to the property in question, although the court did not consider the question of the cost of the improvement which was a matter for the city council to pass upon. The court also held that in the case of the three lots of A. W. White on Locust street, the city had not included these lots in the district as created by ordinance and as published and for this reason made the injunction against the district permanent against the levying of the taxes on the property of Mr. White. On the question raised as to whether or not lots in the district must be abutting on the paving the court held that the statute held that these lots in the district receiving direct benefit from the paving could be included as the alleyway separated them from the street abuted on the paving and through which they might reach the paved street.

This places the matter of the paving up to the council who will now take up the matter of levying the assessment on the property.

This morning the jury term was opened with the case of Emma Kaufmann vs. T. E. Parmele as the first one on the docket. This is where the plaintiff is suing for the recovery of some telephone stock alleged to have been given the plaintiff by the late William Viik. The jury selected to try the case is composed of Clark Gonzales, F. A. Finkle, Lee Cole, J. G. Meisinger, J. C. Lomeyer, W. L. Kelley, S. R. James, Frank Shopp, Theodore Davis, J. W. Batey, R. O. Hutchins, August Krecklow. The jury was sworn in at 1:30 this afternoon and the taking of testimony commenced which will probably require a part of tomorrow to complete.

BIG WRESTLING MATCH

NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT

The interest in the wrestling match which will be held at Coates hall on Thursday evening, February 15th, between Rudy Warner of Howells, Nebraska, and Barney Burnham, of Iowa, is growing. Burnham has the reputation of being a fast man and has not been thrown in the past five years and claims the title of champion of that state. The wrestling fans of the city are well acquainted with the work of Warner and it is safe to say that they will be given a good clean match. Mart Williams will be on the job as referee and will see that the wrestle is pulled off in proper shape. This will be one of the best matches that will be given in this city and one that should have the patronage of the lovers of this good, clean sport.

Wanted—Information as to the address of heirs of John C. Marvin. Address was Cass county about 1874. Small recovery can probably be made. Address Edwin W. Spalding, Washington, D. C. 2-12-tfwkly