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**ASKS DAMAGE** 

FOR \$5,000 FOR

OF JOHN W. LONG

From Thursday's Daily

DEATH OF BO

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## **REPORTS A DROUTH**

Yesterday afternoon Drury Graves. one of the pioneer residents of this city, who has been spending the winter near Plainview, Texas, arrived in the city for a visit in the oil State Encampment at Fremont Elects home. Mr. Graves reports that in the portion of Texas in which he J. W. EDMUNDS FILES ACTION IN has been staying there has been lit-DISTRICT COURT FOR ESTATE tle or no rain and that the conditions point to a severe drouth throughout

the western part of the lone star state. This condition certainly is annual meeting yesterday at Fre-This morning an action was filed vastly different from this portion of mont and selected as the next meetin the district court of Cass county Nebraska, where the cool and damp ing place Hastings, where the en by John W. Edmunds of Murray, adconditions have kept the farmers campment will be held in 1921. The to whom the good reads problems of home a fine nine and one-half pound mother, for a family dinner party ministrator of the estate of John W from getting in their crops as usual. reprot of the adjutant showed 159 Long, in which damages in the sum

of \$5,000 is asked, as the result of the death of Mr. Long on February EASTERN STAR HOLDS when he was electrocuted on the wires of the high power line belonging to the Nebraska Gas & Electric company.

The petition of the plaintiff state that the defendant corporation is in- Miss Rose Owens, Secretary of Grand corporated under the laws of the state of New Hampshire and authorized to transact business in the state of Nebraska, and that on February 9, 1920, the employes of the defendant were engaged in stringing wires along a line east of Murray and near the farm of Alva G. Long, father of the young man, John W. Long, who was killed. It is alleged that the death was caused by the neglect and caralessness of the defendant company and their employes. It is stated also that the defendant was at the time of his death fifteen years of age and asks that the sum of \$5,000 in damages be awarded his estate. Attorney C. A. Rawls appears in the action for the plaintiff.

At the time of the death of the young lad he was found lying near one of the poles of the high power line and at that time there was no current in the line and it was thought that in some manner he had



Last evening the members of Home hapter, O. E. S., enjoyed a visit from two of the grand chapter officers, Miss Rose Owens of Omaha. grand secretary, and Mrs. George W. Thomas, of Nebraska City, grand electra, and the meeting of the orler was very largely attended by the members as well as a number of visitors from other chapters. The meeting was also in the nature of a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Richard

Avard and Mr. and Mrs. John Mc-Lean, who are expecting to leave in June for their old home in Engand and as a remembrance of the Plattemouth chapter of the Eastern Star, the ladies were presented with

wo handsome silver spoons from tora Home Chapter, the presentation

peech being made by Mrs. William ward

he meeting a success.

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Officers for Ensuing Year and Closes a Successful Mosting

highways and from this city motored The state encampment of the on to Lincoln and Beatrice, where Grand Army of the Republic and he has work to supervise, Mr. ment of public works following his the state has been turned over. Mr.

posts in Nebraska with a memberwere as follows: Department Commander-J. H resson, No. 25, Omaha.

Senior Vice-W. J. Blystone, No. 25, Lincoln. Junior Vice-J. M. Fodge, Broken Council of Administration-C. D.

Fuller, 25, Lincoln; J. L. McHaffey, 62. Bennet; A. J. Frantz, 13, Hastings; J. O. Moore, Milford, W. H. Stewart, 22, Geneva. Delegates to National Encamp

ment-R. B. Winkham, No. 43 Plattsmouth; Andy Traynor, No IS REMOVING FROM 110, Omaha; A. R. Wilson, No. 25 Lincoln; H. W. George, No. 98. Broken Bow; S. F. Sanders, No. 111, Holdrege; C. T. Smith, No. 262, Omaha; H. V. Hoagland, No. 25, Lincoln. The officers were publiciv install ed this afternoon at the hotel

Delegate at large-Cash D. Fuller. The business session of the Grand tmy of the Republic was held this norning in the auditoriu. A of the hoel Pathfinger.

The ladies of the G. A. R. elected the following officers: Department President-Martha A armony, Omaha.

Senior Vice-Louise Young, Gresh-Junior Vice-Minnie Blades, Au-

The W. R. C. chose the following

Department President-Blanch

Senior Vice-E. L. Storey, Fre-

Chaplain-Mrs. McCartney, Jun-

Chairman of the Executive Board

Senior Commander-W. R. For-

Junior Commander-Burt Morris

Division Council-Bert Gallery

'olumbus; H. W. Rogers, Fremont;

Patriots Ins-L. W. Garoutte, Lin-

Chaplain-W. L. Gaston, Lincoln.

END OF THE STATE

Counsellor-Dr. Carr, Lincoln.

Junior Vice-Lettie Lesher.

Chaplain-Susie Lewis, Ord. Counsellor-Belle Lawsha, Se

STATE ROAD MAN HERE **BRUCE ROSENCRANS** This morning R. W. Clancy, dl-A VERY HAPPY MAN ision engineer of the department f public works of the state of Nebraska, was in the city interviewing From Friday's Dally.

> Bruce Rosenerans Has Arrived to Make His Home.

and in keeping with a beautiful cus-From Friday's imily. If anyone was searching for the came with handsome bouquets which Woman's Relief Corps closed their Clancy has been with the depart- happiest man in Plattemouth they were presented to the guest of honwould make no mistake in choosing or with many wishes for the years to return from France last fall and is Bruce Resenctans, and the reason is come. In the evening the members

son and heir and who is "some boy" which was most thoroughly enjoyed. Clancy was during the war a lieu- if the statements of the happy relship of 2,240. The officers elected tenant in the 22nd engineers and atives can be taken. The little son was for several months stationed has been christened Philip Bruce with his company in . Paris where Rosenerans and this fact is adding they assisted in the erecting of the to the happiness of Grandfather Red Cross dormateries and the Per-Philip Thicroff in whose honor the shing stadium as well as other ennew arrival has been named. The gineering work connected with the new addition to the family has American activities. He now has brought much happiness to Mr. and the supervision of a large part of Mrs. W. E. Rosencrans, parents of the roads in eastern Nebraska and the proud father as it gives them the travel over the muddy roads is two fine grandsons. Mrs. Rosen-

a reminder of the mud "over there crans is doing nicely and the baby is as fine as possible for an infant of his few days to be and one of the happiest of the family is the little THIS CITY TO OMAHA sister, who has found a new playinte to share her home.

SHOP LEAGUE BALL GAMES

The following schedule has been rap and fills are threatening to give repared for Burlington shop league away before the steady push of the corporations branch of the state decames during this summer. As will main river current and several car partment of finance, with his fame noted the time of playing two of loads of rock have been hurried to ily is preparing to remove from he games scheduled is already past, the scene of action together with Plattsmouth, where they have residut these games will be made up crews of road laborers to assist in ed for many years, to Omaha where ater in the season. The next and the work of fighting the river. The they expect to make their home in opening game will be played Wed- work of strengthening the defenses the future. It is with the greatest resdaty evening, June 2nd, between against the river is in charge of Su-

May 11

May 26

August 4

June 9

Sept. 1

June 16

July 14

June 23

July 21

June 30

July 28

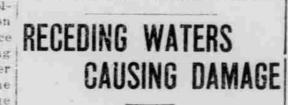
Sept. 8

July 7

Yesterday being the eighty-first birthday anniversary of Mrs. Bernard Wurl, Sr., a number of old friends decided to assist this estimable lady in the proper observance of the to matters concerning the maintain- All on Account of Fact That Philip occasion and accordingly gathered at her home in the afternoon. The time was spent pleasantly in visiting

CELEBRATES 81ST BIRTHDAY

tom of several years past the friends one of the able and competent men that there arrived yesterday at his of the family gathered with the



## Conditions Across on Iowa Side of River Causes Eurlington More Worry With Receding Water

The receding waters of the Misouri river which had spread them selves over the land on the Iowa bottoms is causing the Burlington rail road really more anxiety than the flood itself as the waters are leaving

> in their wake the danger of having the elaborate defenses constructed to prevent the washing away of the river embankments destroyed.

In a number of places the flood has softened the land so that the rip

SHARP CHALLENGE TO ITS AUTHORITY

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### Red Cloud Corporation Insists Has a Right to Maintain Competition Regardless of Order.

NO. 95

The order made some months ago y the state railway commission ordering a physical connection of two elephone companies at Red Cloud and a free interchange of service where certain scheduled charges are paid is sharply challenged by the Farmers Telephone company, one of the twain, in a brief filed in support of its appeal to the supreme court.

The rival company there is the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company, which succeeded in the Bell interests eight years ago. The two worked alongside one another without any trouble until a year or two ago, when the Lincoln company cut the trunk line that gave the farmers coll connections on the ground that the letter was trying to take away ts city subscriptions. The commission required it to restore the connection.

After several legal houts a petiion signed by 400 patrons of the companies was filed with the commission in which they asked an interhange of service, and another by other patrons who desired one company only. In passing on the case the commission required the Lincoln company to continue its toll connection with the other company. and in order to stop the rivals from outting one' another's business throat ordered that the town be made into one zone, with trunk connections between the exchanges, so that subscribers to both companies

ould have free interchange on pay

ment of a small additional flat rate.

out, the Farmer's company appealed

to the supreme court. It attacks the

order as being entirely in the inter-

est of its rival, and as being wlearly

in excess of the authority possessed

by the commission. The order was

an exercise of the police power that

he legislature had not delegated to

the commission and which it alone

can exercise. It also contends that

an intelligent reading of the state

law shows it requires toll connections

only, and does not mean connection

metween exchanges for interchange

of service. That would enable one

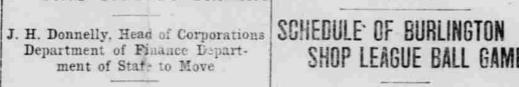
company to put the other out of

business, it says .- State Journal.

L. CREAMER HAS OLD AND

INTERESTING PAPER MONEY

"Asserting that this would wipe it



POPPY DAY FOR A

May 29th for Relief of French

Children Left Homeless.

Department of Finance Department of Stafe to Move From Thursday's Datty. James H. Donnelly, head of the

taken hold of the dead wire that was in the process of being stretched along the line of poles and this wire had touched the high tension wires on the poles causing his instant death.

#### RIVER FALLING FAST

The falling of the water in the Missouri river at this point has been as sudden as the raise and this morning the waters were receding fast from the bottom land east of the Burlington station. The land south of the ferry road including the base ball park was practically free of the floow water and it had also fell several feet on the farm of A. G. Bach and the residence on that farm which has been entirely surrounded by the high water is now in such shape that It is possible to reach the house without the use of a boat as was necessary during the highest portion of the flood. The farm of John Cory is also free of water and by the end of the week only the extreme low places will bear any evidence of the high water that for several days made the bottom a wast lake.

#### WITH THE SICK FOLKS

From Thursday's Daily.

The many friends of Mrs. L. E. Vroman will regret very much to learn that she has for the past few days been confined to her home as the result of a very severe attack of rheumatism and the visitation of kinds of material used in dike work. this painful malady has kept her confined to her bed for a greater part ing at Hamburg, Iowa, with a fleet of the time.

Mrs. J. B. Cotner, residing in the south portion of the city is also numhered with the sick having for sev- is too high and as stated in yestereral days been kept to her bed. Mrs. day's paper, we have slight repairs etc. Cotner is well advanced in years and to make on the boiler before leaving her sickness has given the family Plattsmouth. and friends a great deal of worry.

**RESIGNS HIS POSITION** 

Leroy B. Gorthey, who came to this city from Murdock a few weeks ago to accept the position as carrier on rural route No. 2, has resigned his position and expects to return to Murdock in the near future. The position of carrier on route No. will be taken over by Ralph H. Allen, who has been engaged as car rier at different times and who will in all probability be retained as the permanent carrier on route No. 2 in the future.

Mrs. M. P. Fleming came in this morning from her home west of the city and departed on the early morning Burlington I train for Omaha after some business matters and in- while the bride has made her home Hunter and the doctors who worked where she meets her son. Gerald cidently consulting his physician in here for the past few years. Fleming, who has been attending regard to an infection of his right school at Coleridge, Neb., for the hand and which has made it necessary to lance that member. past year.

Baird in her usual pleasing manner. During the session of the chapter netra Konkright, Nora Kidder and timable family part with them and Martha Richmond. hree new candidates, Mrs. John F. Wolff, Mrs. Myrtle McKinsie and Mrs. Stella Persinger were initiated Julia Frady. Rachel Woods nto the order.

At the close of the regular session of the chapter the members adjournd to the banquet hall where dainty efrechments were served. The decorations were in the pleasing lilac ints, huge bouquets of these sweet pring flowers being used in the table setting and lilac candles added a ouch of beauty to the scene. Mrs. Val Burkle presided in the banquet room as toastmistress and responses vere made by the grand secretary.

dates. MORE ABOUT THE **NEW RIVER CRAFT** 

Miss Owens and Mrs. Thomas, as

well as the newly initiated candi-

Captain of the "Castalia" Tells of the Work of Tow Boat in Pro-J. G. O. Joyner, Broken Bow. tecting Farm Lands.

From Thursday's Daily. The steamer Castalia arrived in Plattsmouth Friday, May 14th, from

Pittsburg, Pa., enroute to Decatur, WILL BLOW UP WEST Nebraska. The Castalia is not a patrol boat but a tow boat used to Will Partridge left Monday for handle or tow barges of different Grant, Neb., to show the folks out The "Daniel Lindsey" is workthere a few tricks with dynamite or

of barges and our "Castalia" will of the state." Will is a dynamite M. Parker in this city a week ago. work at Decatur just as soon as the expert and there is a big field for river permits. At present the river

Woods Bros., of Lincoln, Nebr. are in the river improvement business or better than that, they protect farms and towns. They had one

boat on the river last year. They are new at the business but since they have something new in the line of dike work, it is safe to say they re here to stay.

Weeping Water Republican. Word that they did last season has proven to be a success in the way of protecting valuable land. During our stay here we would be more than glad to explain how the new work is done to anyone interested in same. ROY A. MILLER,

Captain.

SECURES MARRIAGE LICENSE. Among the marriage licenses is sued in Omaha yesterday appears the

names of Frank Sivey and Fannie Potras of this city, who were united in marriage in the metropolis. The

groom is a well known employe of death and especially to the B. or R. Henry J. Meisinger was in the the Burlington shops and has re- Carmen and others for their floral ofcity today for a few hours looking sided here for a number of years, ferings; also to Mrs. Wescott, Rev.

If it's in the card line, call at

the Journal office.

Council of Administration-Lu- of regret that the friends of this es the freight and locomotive departments. sever the pleasant relations that

Delegates to the national convenhave existed for these many years Freight vs. Locomotive June 2 tion-Lila Kline, Hattie Putman, that the Donnelly family have re-

Alternates-Clara Ellett, Clara sided in Plattsmouth. The regret is Gordon, Susie Lewis, Cora Bowers, fully shared by Mr. and Mrs. Don-Coach vs. Storehouse\_\_ The convention presented Mrs

nelly as they have spent some of Nora Kidder of Fremont with a gold their happiest and brightest years mounted fountain pen as a token of honor of her untiring efforts to make

in the old town by the river, but Storehouse vs. Locos .\_ the press of business duties makes the change advisable at this time

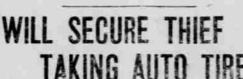
Mr. Donnelly is on eof the best qual-Freight vs. Coach\_\_\_\_

ified men in the service of the stat and his office calls for a great deal Storehouse vs. Breight of his time out in the state and in

Lincoln and Omaha so that the change will allow him a greater Locomotive vs. Coach\_

time with his family than if they continued to make this city their

The Sons of Veterans adopted reshome. That Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly dutions favoring the candidacy of Pell A. Barrows for commander and their family will enjoy the most in chief of the organization. The abundant prosperity and success is following state officers were elected: the sincere wish of the friends in Commander-Frank Mills, Lin-Plattsmouth and Cass county.



Sheriff C. D. Quinton Motors to Nebraska City to Take Into Custody Ted Ryan.

From Saturday's Dany.

This morning Sheriff C. D. Quinng funds for the relief of the ton departed for Nebraska City. French children of the war devaswhere he goes to look further into tated regions.

The poppy sale is to be conducted the case of Ted Ryan, who is the young man charged with having takas one feature of the local drive to as Will says "to blow up that end en the tires from the Ford car of C. raise funds for the American and

French Children's league. Ryan was arrested by Sheriff Fis-The movement has been taken up his kind of work breaking up gumbo cher, of Otoe county, last Saturday. all over the United States by the hard pan, draining swampy places, and since that time the authorities public officials and the leaders in the have been engaged in getting the ladics organizations to lend their

dope on the various transactions in aid in the hadly needed relief work On his trip this time he will give which the young man was engaged to which the funds will be devoted. ome practical demonstrations on the That Mr. Parker has been able to Mrs. R. P. Westover has been desig-Geo. Mark farm and there is no doubt but that he will interest enough land recover his tires as well as locating nated as the chairman for Plattsthe party who has been conducting mouth and has secured the co-operaowners that his services will be in this kind of an enterprise is certaintion of a number of the ladies of the demand for some big jobs out there. Will has handled some big jobs of iy good fortune. The stealing of city as well as the campfire girls, automobile tires has become quite who are to have the sale in charge. taking out hedges, and stump patchextensive in the past year and dur-Mme. E. Guerin, of Paris, delegate es in this part of the state and is a ing the automobile season last year to the United States, is in charge of recognized expert in his line .--a large number were taken from mathe efforts made to provide funds for chines in this city and vicinity and the relief of the sufferers among the in almost all cases it was never poschildren of the war swept areas of

> sible to locate the party taking them. France and is operating in connection with the American men and CARD OF THANKS. women who have recognized the dire

> De desire to thank the neighbors need of some immediate relief. and friends who ministered to our Those who are familiar with the beloved baby during its sickness and ituation in France have declared

that the children of that portion of the country are indeed in pitable circumstances owing to the impossibility of the French people in their present situation to properly care for them.

Allen of the Omaha division who has been on the job for several days at the points of danger. A large crew of Mexican la-August 25 borers were in the city last evening enroute to Pacific Junction and from where they will be sent to various August 18 points where the danger of the river breaking through is the greatest.

### LOOKS OVER RURAL ROUTE

Inspector Coble of the postoffice department at Omaha, who was in the city vesterday looking over the affairs of the local office, made a tour of inspection over the proposed extension to rural route No., 2 extending north of the city and which was destined to serve the needs of the residents along the way to the Platte bottom. While the inspector has yet to submit his report to the MOST WORTHY CAUSE postoffice department at Washington, the condition of the roads over

I. L. Creamer showed us a piece of which he and Postmaster Morgan Ladies of the City to Sell Poppies on paper money which was handed down traveled was far from making a favto him by his grandfather. This orable impression upon the postofpiece of money was printed in 1773 fide representative. The road over which the proposed and bears the signature of King

On next Saturday the young laroad will go is in very bad shape George of England, L. Pemberton, ies of the various campfires and and its condition is making the adop- Benj. Marshall and Thos. Leach. It ther of the public spirited ladies tion of the extension a matter of is about 150 years old and was worth of the community will sell poppies doubt as the carriers find it very at that time 50 shillings or about apon the streets of the city and in \$6. Printed on this were the words difficult to travel over. the various stores to assist in rais-

'Counterfeiting penalty, Death.' This is a rare piece of money and Adam Stochr was a passenger this morning for Omaha, where he will all who have seen it say that it is visit for the day looking after some the first that they had ever seen .---Elmwood Leader-Echo. matters of business.



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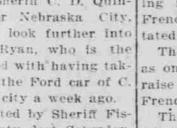
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J. W. Simm and family,

J. R. Hunter and family,

and other relatives.

with him so faithfully.