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## NO DEFICIT ON ROAD WORK DONE UP TO JULY 1ST

State Accountant Says Eventually Will Be One on Account of "Extras" in Construction

From Friday's Daily.  
State Accountant C. A. Sommer has filed with the state auditor his report of the audit made of the state road building accounts, and a copy of the full report has been presented to the governor. The report is as of July 1, 1923.

According to the report, there was as yet no deficit on road building, the amounts delinquent and due from the federal government being more than sufficient to pay for all road work done and vouched up to July 1, 1923.

The federal government on July 1, 1923, was in arrears \$738,115, he figures, and the unpaid contractors' claims on July 1, 1923, amounted to but \$428,687.03, according to tabulation of the finance department.

These claims are now being paid as fast as the federal money is received, and after they are all paid there will remain a surplus of over \$300,000 federal money applicable to road work done after July 1, 1923, in addition to moneys receivable from counties and the unexpended balances of the road accounts.

### Final Deficiency

Indications are that there will eventually be a deficiency after all contracts closed prior to July 1, 1923, will have been completed. Mr. Sommer's tabulation shows a final deficiency of \$257,970.95 and in addition there are some intangible items, which are not bringing the deficiency up to around \$300,000 with about \$330,000 as a maximum. All this is more or less based upon estimates which may prove too high. Whatever the deficiency, he finds will be caused by "extras" or to be more specific, by "increased quantities" and "new additions."

The federal and state road projects comprise about 90 per cent of the total. The total amount of the original contracts, or rather the original estimates, which formed the basis of the original project agreements with the federal government, is \$9,887,997.96. On these contracts there had been paid up to July 1, 1923, a total of \$9,955,232.12. So it may be said that the original contracts have been met in full and some \$67,000 paid for extras besides.

Mr. Sommer made separate tabulations of projects completed and uncompleted. There are seventy-six federal and state projects classed as completed and seventy-six uncompleted. On the seventy-six completed projects the actual cost is known.

The cost of the seventy-six uncompleted projects has mostly been estimated. A comparison reveals some peculiar facts.

The original project agreements of the seventy-six completed projects called for \$5,460,299.44 and the actual cost was \$6,013,442.58, an increase of \$553,143.14, or about 10 per cent. The bulk of this road work was done under the previous administration.

## 'CLIFF DWELLERS' HAVE FINE SOCIAL TIME TOGETHER

Dwellers in the Two Herold Apartments Stage Social Time on Lawn at Apartments.

From Friday's Daily.

Last evening the tenants of the Herold apartment houses on North Fourth and Fifth streets, who have chosen the name of "Cliff Dwellers" enjoyed a very fine social gathering at the spacious lawn that extends between the two apartments and which they will long very pleasantly remember.

At 6 o'clock the ladies arranged a feast of fried chicken and watermelon with all of the trimmings that go to make up a real feast and which was enjoyed by some thirty of the residents of the two apartments and when this had been disposed of a number of the party demonstrated their skill on the tennis court for a short time ere the coming of twilight brought this line of amusement to a close and was followed by a big campfire around which the members of the party gathered and led by H. W. Smith proceeded to sing the old songs with which all were familiar and which was a much enjoyed feature of the evening.

After the song fest had drew to a close another very enjoyable feature was introduced in the installing of a loud speaker attached to the radio receiving set and over which the members of the party enjoyed the program of Station WQAW of Omaha for the remainder of the evening and it was late in the evening when the members of the party sought their homes with the wish of another equally as pleasant get together meeting in the future.

## HELPS BEAUTIFY PARK

From Friday's Daily.  
The W. C. T. U. of this city, composed of ladies desirous of aiding in any beneficial community work, has made a very much appreciated contribution to the tourist park on Washington avenue, by having installed at their expense a light that will aid in banishing gloom from the park and make it a more attractive stopping place. The light is of 400 candlepower and is a great addition to the park which has long badly needed attention. With the other improvements made by the Woman's club and the city the park is getting to be nearer what it should be altho the work of the ladies needs the support of the public in seeing that the park is made first class in every way.

## YOUNG PEOPLE ARE MARRIED AT GLENWOOD, IOWA

Miss Marie Frans of Union and Mr. Benjamin C. Dukes of this City Are Joined in Wedlock.

From Friday's Daily.  
Two more of the Cass county young people have decided to journey to the favorite Gretna Green of this locality—Glenwood, Iowa—to have their lives made as one. The parties choosing the Iowa city for their wedding place were Mr. Benjamin C. Dukes of this city and Miss Marie Frans of Union, who in company with Frank Meade and Miss Bessie LaRue, motored there on Wednesday.

The wedding was a very quiet one. Rev. G. T. Roberts of the Methodist church of Glenwood reading the marriage lines. Following the wedding the contracting parties returned to Plattsmouth.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. Harry Frans of Union and one of the popular and well known young ladies of that locality, where she as well as the groom have been reared. Mr. Dukes is at the present time making his home in this city where he is in the employ of the Burlington in the shops here and is a young man very popular with a large acquaintance in this community.

## MAY YET SUE OIL DEALERS, HE SAYS

Attorney General of State Investigating Charges of Trust Agreement Made by Bryan.

Attorney General O. S. Spillman, who was asked by Governor Bryan to take whatever action might be necessary against the oil companies to prevent violation of the law, said on Tuesday he did not care for any glory in the matter of price reduction. All he desires, he says, is results. The governor's letter to him stated that the fact that all companies charge the same price for gasoline indicates clearly that they are selling under a trust agreement or in conspiracy in restraint of trade.

The attorney general says the uniformity of prices is not sufficient proof and that courts are not deciding suits on suspicion. He has been investigating the gasoline situation and is not desirous of stating what he intends to do or what he has found in the way of evidence of law violations, but he said if the drop in price had not come he would have had a suit in court by this time.

"I think the newspapers and press associations rendered very fine service and so did the garage men and others who got together all over the west and arranged to sell gasoline at reduced rates. They had great influence.

"As to what this department has in mind I do not care to say, but this department would have moved by this time if the reduction in price of gasoline had not come and the movement by the department would have been one to compel a reduction. "I am not saying whether this department will or will not move. The fact that gasoline has been sold in South Dakota for less than it is sold in Nebraska would not give a basis for a suit under the Nebraska anti-trust act, known as the Junkin law, but the testimony of a witness against him. His testifying rather gives him immunity, and dealers in gasoline are not coming out and publicly admitting that they are members of an organization that is breaking the law. The mere fact that prices are uniform is not sufficient proof. Courts are not deciding suits on suspicion."

Attorney General Spillman recently prepared a suit to compel the Omaha grain exchange to admit the farmers union grain company to membership in that exchange, and announced that it would be filed if the exchange did not admit the company. The exchange voted to admit the company.

## CELEBRATE THEIR 20TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY HERE

Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Schulz, of Omaha are Entertained Here by Relatives and Friends.

From Friday's Daily.  
Last evening Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Schulz, of Omaha, in company with their daughters, Misses Nellie and Florence, motored down and were entertained at the Hotel Perkins by a number of relatives and close friends in the observance of the twentieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Schulz.

The main event of the evening was a very delicious dinner served in the dining room of the hotel and which was enjoyed to the utmost by the guests of the occasion and in honor of the event Mr. and Mrs. Schulz were presented with a very handsome cut glass from the family and friends who were present.

After the dinner, the remainder of the evening was spent informally in visiting and having a general good time. The appointments of the dinner were in the flowers of the late summer season.

Those attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Brantner, of Pender; Mr. and Mrs. James Kimball, of Bellevue; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stamp and Mr. Cal Polln from south of the city; Mrs. J. E. Mason and daughter, Alice; Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Short, C. S. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. John Cory, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ohlschlager and daughter, Mary Alice, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Coleman and the guests of honor and daughters.

## SARPY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ARE HERE TODAY

Hold Joint Meeting With Cass County Commissioners to Talk Over Matter of Free Bridge.

This morning E. R. Bell of Fort Crook, J. G. Lilly, South Side, and Jake Ehlers of Gretna, the board of county commissioners of Sarpy county, were here for a conference with the Cass county commissioners today and to discuss the proposition of the free bridges over the Platte to replace the present toll bridges, the last of their kind in the state.

The commissioners here, Messrs. G. L. Farley, F. H. Gorder and C. F. Harris spent some time in talking over the matter with the visitors and getting their views on the matter of whether it would be the best policy to attempt to secure the present bridge or to erect a new structure and for which it will be necessary to later take up with the state authorities.

The two boards will meet later to take more definite action by the adoption of a resolution asking the state to assist them in securing the bridge and at that time the various moves will be more definitely decided upon as to whether the purchase of the present toll bridge would be more acceptable or that of placing in a new bridge.

The fact that these are the two counties in the state that have in their boundaries toll bridges has been much remarked upon by the travelers and tourists as well as the residents of the two counties and a strong sentiment has existed for the doing away with the system and the installing of a free bridge both at Plattsmouth and Louisville and the legislature was very much inclined to favor the proposition as one that was needed by the people of the east part of the state as there have been many bridges erected over the other localities in the central and west part of the state while this portion of the state has been neglected to this extent and has had to depend upon the enterprise of private parties to furnish a bridge to connect the highways from Omaha to Kansas City.

## OBITUARY OF CHARLES O. CLAPP

From Friday's Daily.  
Charles O. Clapp was born December 21, 1849, in Oregon, Illinois, and was married in that locality on December 2, 1882, to Miss Emma Davison, who has preceded him in death on April 12, 1912. Mr. Clapp was the last of his family, his two sisters, Mrs. Johnathan Edwards and Mrs. Sophia Allet, having died on February 1, 1918, and June 11, 1922, respectively. Mr. Clapp came to Wabash in the year 1899 and has lived there ever since with the exception of the two years spent in Buckner county, Missouri. Mr. Clapp was a good hard working man and a splendid citizen and up to the time of his illness was very busy at his trade of carpentering, but since his sickness has been compelled to lay aside his active duties and has been compelled to lay aside his active duties and has been cared for at the county farm near Plattsmouth up to the time of his death on August 14th.

## LEGION CONVENTION SOON

The fifth annual convention of the Nebraska department, American Legion will be held in Hastings on September 17, 18 and 19th.  
Reduced railroad fare to Hastings will be in effect, it is announced, by means of the certificate plan, the fare being one and one half of the current one-way fares.  
Hugh J. Kearns post of this city will hold a meeting the latter part of this month to elect its delegates to the convention.

## LESS HAY AND POTATOES IN THE STATE THIS YEAR

Assessors on April 1 Declined to Assess Potatoes Found Rotting Because of No Market.

Assessors found less hay and potatoes to assess last April than they reported one year previous. North western Nebraska produces some of the best potatoes grown, but thousands of bushels were not assessed this year. They were permitted to rot because there was no market for them.

A total of 102,088 bushels were assessed in the entire state this year as compared with 128,569 bushels last year. Last year the assessed value of the lot was \$92,159, an average of 72 cents a bushel. This year the assessed value was \$43,469, an average of 43 cents a bushel, as reported to State Assessor W. H. Smith.

The total amount of hay and alfalfa assessed in the state this year was 175,628 tons valued at \$1,348,759, an average of \$7.68 a ton. Last year the total was 301,437 tons, valued at \$959,005, an average of \$4.83. Newport, in Rock county, is said to be the largest hay shipping station in the country.

Nebraska has the largest broom factory in the world at Deshler, but apparently the state does not grow enough broom corn to supply that factory. This year assessors reported 2,334 tons of broom corn and hemp, valued at \$17,732, an average of \$7.40 a ton. Last year the total in the state was 1,663 tons, valued at \$24,455, an average of \$16.15 a ton.

## TENNIS ASSOCIATION SELECTS OFFICERS

Ray Larson of This City Named as Member of Board of Directors—Ruggles is President.

M. H. Ruggles of Hastings was chosen president of the Nebraska Tennis association for the coming year at a meeting held Wednesday night. I. H. McKillip of Seward was selected vice president and Gregg McBride of Lincoln, secretary. These new officers will have charge of the tournament next year.

The board of directors for the senior division selected at the meeting are C. M. Mathewson of Walthill, R. Powell of Omaha, George Stocking of Omaha, R. E. Weaverling of Lincoln, Charles Patterson of Arapahoe, Ray Larson of Plattsmouth, Harry Ellis of Holdrege and Prince of Kimball. The board of directors for the junior division are: G. Diesing of Omaha, Tom Elliott of West Point, R. Grothe of Walthill, Eugene Staley of Hastings, B. Anderson of College view, and Alfred Calvert of York.

## CIRCUS DAY IN PLATTSMOUTH

While they feature an abundance of clown and acrobatic acts, the World Brothers circus, which will exhibit in Plattsmouth on Saturday, August 25th, is primarily a wild animal show and carries the largest collection of performing animals of any circus traveling the country today.

A herd of elephants, bears, Arctic circle animals, etc., are among those enumerated, to say nothing of the dancing horses which will delight the heart of every child in this vicinity. The show will arrive in Plattsmouth about 6 o'clock Saturday morning and the work of unloading and setting up will be completed in time for the mile long street parade at 11 o'clock. Two performances, one in the afternoon and one in the evening, are scheduled.

## BREAK GROUND TODAY

This morning ground was broke on West Main street for the grading preliminary to the placing in of the new concrete paving from Tenth to Thirteenth street, and if the weather men will favor the contractor it will be but a short time until this section of three blocks is completed and soon ready for travel.

## FOR SALE

Two Shetland ponies and one span of black mares, ages five and six years. Call phone 3102. a14-4tw

## ELECT NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

A. H. Duxbury Named for Position Last Evening Succeeding Don Don C. York, Who Moves.

From Thursday's Daily.  
The official board of the Methodist Sunday school held their meeting last evening at the church and at that time took up the matter of filling the position of the superintendency of the Sunday school which was made necessary by the removal from this city of Don C. York, who has had charge of this line of the church work. The position of superintendent will in the future be filled by Mr. Aubrey H. Duxbury, who has been adult superintendent of the school and in turn Mr. C. C. Westcott was elected as the adult superintendent.

Mr. York, the retiring superintendent, has been for the past five years the head of the large Sunday school of the church and has been a very efficient worker in the cause of the church and to his splendid labors are due a part of the great success achieved both in growth and efficiency of the school and the members of the board and the church congregation feel a sense of loss that he and the members of the faculty are to leave the city. The board extended to Mr. York a vote of appreciation of his services.

The meeting also elected a number of other teachers in the different departments and made plans for the rally day exercises which will be held on the last Sunday in September and will consist of a review of the church accomplishments.

## VERY PLEASANT LAWN PARTY AT FLYNN HOME

Catholic Daughters of America Hold Social Meeting at Home of Mrs. P. J. Flynn Wednesday.

From Friday's Daily.  
The members of the Catholic Daughters of America enjoyed a most delightful social meeting on Wednesday evening at the pleasant home of Dr. and Mrs. P. J. Flynn on West Rock street and which was quite largely attended by the members and their guests, each member being allowed to bring a friend to participate in the very enjoyable evening.

The lawn was illuminated by Japanese lanterns and made a most attractive scene as the members of the party whiled away the hours in an informal musical program and in playing games of all kinds at which a great deal of pleasure was derived. For the occasion Mrs. Flynn was joint hostess with Mesdames John Libershall, A. G. Bach, J. F. Hadraba and Miss Genevieve Whelan. At a suitable hour very dainty refreshments were served that added to the pleasures of the occasion and were much enjoyed and at a late hour the members of the party dispersed expressing their hope of another equally pleasant social gathering in the near future.

## OMAHA AUTO PARTY HAS BAD ACCIDENT

Party Bound For St. Louis Has Large Car Overtaken Near the Ben Beckman Farm Today.

This morning a large Studebaker car containing a party of five Omaha men was overturned in the ditch near the Ben Beckman farm just this side of Murray and the car was very badly damaged although the occupants very fortunately escaped with a few cuts and bruises.

The car was driven by H. Weimer, proprietor of the Millard hotel in Omaha and with him was his son, Isadore, Jake Melchior, Leon Groves and a man named Curtis.

The party had intended to put on the chains, Mr. Weimer stated, but had thought that they would wait until reaching a better spot, not realizing that the road was as slippery as it was and were going at a slow rate of speed when the accident occurred. As the car skidded a great deal the members of the party had crowded to one side just as the car turned over breaking the top, shattering the windshield and damaging the front part of the car a great deal. Isadore Weimer had a bad gash cut on his left leg from the broken glass of the windshield and had his arm bruised as well as a severe blow on the nose in the accident, but the other members escaped without any serious injury.

The injured young man and two of the party came back to Plattsmouth in a passing car while the other two members of the party remained at the Beckman farm until a service truck from Omaha arrived to take the wrecked car back to Omaha for repairs.

## ADDRESSES AD CLUB

At their weekly luncheon yesterday the members of the Plattsmouth Ad club were treated to a very interesting address by C. R. Sully, of Dayton, Ohio, a traveling representative of the National Cash Register company, who however did not discuss cash registers, but the means by which the merchants could fill the cash registers by the modern salesmanship methods and store management which are now being adopted by the retail merchants the country over. The address was very much enjoyed and covered thoroughly the ground of selling and service to the public and was very much enjoyed and appreciated by all of the members of the club who were in attendance.

## TROOPS FROM FORT OMAHA TO COME TO THE RANGE HERE

Battalion of Seventeenth Infantry From Omaha Post Will Relieve Soldiers There Now.

From Friday's Daily.  
The soldiers from Fort Crook who are here at the present time shooting on the government range north of the city will leave tomorrow for their station and in turn will be relieved by a battalion from Fort Omaha who will have an intensive course in firing on the range and complete their work for the year.

The range here will be in use practically all of the time now until November and the troops from both of the posts at Fort Crook and Omaha will be here for rifle and machine gun practice on the range. During the time that the range is being used it is dangerous for persons to be trespassing on the grounds, scientists from Yerkes observatory urge everyone to keep off of the range to avoid accidents that might occur through the firing and those who have been in the habit of straying on the range should take heed.

## LOCATED AT LINCOLN

Captain Floyd Harding and wife, formerly Miss Edith Dovey of this city, now located at Lincoln, they having returned from Fort Snelling and are now located at 1735 So 16th street, where they will make their home during the time that Captain Harding is detailed at Lincoln. He will serve as one of the United States army instructors at the University of Nebraska the coming year and with his long military experience will make a very efficient instructor of the cadets at the state school.

## VERY FINE DEMONSTRATION

The Lorenz Brothers store have at this time a very interesting demonstration of the celebrated Heinz products and which includes every one of the justly famous fifty-seven varieties and which is being demonstrated by a special representative of the company. The firm is also offering three special prizes of the products of the Heinz company and each purchaser of any of the Heinz goods is given a chance at the three big prizes. The demonstration is continuing all this week and is one that has attracted more or less attention from the public.

## A WELL KNOWN GREENWOOD MAN PASSES AWAY

Granville Marshall Dies at Gretna—Was Long Time Resident of Vicinity of Greenwood.

Granville Marshall was born at Yale, Ill., November 4, 1865; passed away August 8, 1923, at the home of his daughter, near Gretna, Neb. He was the son of Thomas and Susie Marshall. When Granville was but three days old his mother died and he was taken by his father to Coshocton, Ohio, where he made his home until 1887. At the age of twenty-two he came to Greenwood, Neb., and resided with his uncle, Mr. Owen Marshall. Was married to Ella May Coleman March 25, 1889. Three children blessed this union, a daughter, Mrs. Elmer Buck of Gretna, Neb., a son, Elmer, who died September 1, 1899, and a daughter, Mrs. Lester Marshall, of Coshocton, Ohio.

Became a member of the Christian church at Greenwood in the year 1888, and made it the rule of his life to follow the teachings of Christ in all dealings with his fellowmen. A year ago, last October, he sold his interests here and moved to Coshocton, Ohio, where he purchased a farm and intended to make his future home. Last January he was stricken with an incurable disease and was a constant sufferer for nearly eight months.

His wishes were to return to Nebraska again and was brought here about three weeks prior to his death. The funeral was held at the Christian church in Greenwood Saturday afternoon and burial in the Greenwood cemetery.

Mr. Marshall leaves to mourn his loss his wife, two daughters, six grandchildren, one sister, one brother, one half sister, two half brothers, many relatives and friends.

Those attending the funeral from a distance were Mr. Thomas Marshall of Wicheita, Wis., Mr. Grover Marshall of Coshocton, Ohio, Mr. Myron Coleman of Sheridan, Wyo., and Mrs. R. C. McLesee of Hiawatha, Neb.—Ashland Gazette.

## FORD FIRM TO ADVERTISE ITS WARES

New York Agency Secures Contract For \$7,000,000 From Ford Motor Company.

Detroit, Aug. 16.—The Ford Motor company will soon begin to advertise in newspapers and publications throughout the country, after five years without advertising in the name of the company. A contract for \$7,000,000 advertising to be placed in newspapers and publications in all parts of the country during the next year was announced today by the newly formed advertising department of the Ford company. The contract was let to Brotherton Advertising company, New York, according to Norton T. Brotherton, advertising manager for the Ford company.



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