

The Plattsmouth Journal

MISSOURI RIVER IS CAUSING SOME REAL DAMAGE

Five Acres of Land Near Folsom, Ia., Washed Into the River Says Reports from There.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The Missouri river, which in the past has been washing away a great deal of the fertile farming land on the bottoms on the Iowa side of the river is once more on its old tactics and the scene of the latest trouble is near Folsom where several years ago the Burlington had such a difficult time to prevent their tracks being swept into the river.

Yesterday there were some five acres of land swept into the river as the result of the undermining of the bank and the caving in of the land. The river at flood stage has done very little damage, but as soon as the stream starts falling the cut banks give way and many acres are swept away before the progress of the destruction can be checked.

It is at this point that so much of the washing away of land has taken place and the river has shown a strong current against the Iowa bank that has nibbled off piece by piece some of the best farming land on the Iowa bottoms and forced the moving of the tracks at different times to prevent them being washed away.

To fight the menace the Burlington as well as the state of Iowa and the federal government have expended hundreds of thousands of dollars without apparent success.

The only apparent solution of the menace seems to be to try and divert the main current of the river to the Nebraska side of the river, where the character of the land offers greater resistance to the encroachments of the river.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE OF MAN

Fears Entertained that James Burke, Residing Near Union, May Have Been Drowned.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The mysterious disappearance of James Burke, aged 25 years, who resides on an island in the Missouri river just east of the Frank Hughton farm near Union, has stirred that locality very much in the last few days, and so far there has been no trace of the missing man found, and it is feared by the relatives and friends that he has met his death in the waters of the old Missouri river.

Mr. Burke has been engaged in the building of a residence on his island farm north and east of Union near the Iowa side of the river and during this time he has been making trips to and from Union where his wife has been at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Fletcher, during the time that the new home was being built.

On Thursday afternoon Rev. Fletcher drove the young man with a motor car to the landing where he used as a landing near the Hughton farm, and at the last seen of Mr. Burke he was engaged in loading his provisions in his skiff which was equipped with a sail and preparing to leave for his home on Cottonwood island. Rev. Fletcher had at once returned to Union and did not see or hear anything more of his son-in-law.

There had been a lapse of several days when the young man failed to return to Union and this worried the members of the family to some extent but it was not until Sunday that they became seriously alarmed and started a search for him and it was found that he was not at his home or any trace of the skiff to be found.

One of the young men who resides not far from the landing reported he had heard cries from that vicinity on the day that Burke disappeared, but thought nothing of it until the inquiries were made as to the whereabouts of Burke.

Yesterday there were searching parties put out on the river banks trying to find some trace of the missing man or his skiff and it is thought that the sail on the boat may have caused it to turn over and throw the owner and the provisions out into the river and caused the death of the young man.

SUFFERING PAINFUL ACCIDENT

From Tuesday's Daily—
Yesterday Mrs. Eugene Skinner, residing in the south part of the city was the victim of a very painful accident that will cause her more or less suffering for the next few days. A bird had built a nest in the window frame at the Skinner home and Mrs. Skinner desired to clean out the nest, and had the window raised to its fullest extent as she was engaged in this work and suddenly without warning the window fell, catching the right hand of Mrs. Skinner beneath it and cutting the middle finger to the bone and mashing the other fingers of the hand in a very serious manner.

HOPE TO SECURE GAME

From Tuesday's Daily—
The local baseball team are now casting about in the hopes of securing a game for the coming Sunday on the Plattsmouth diamond and one that will give the fans an opportunity of seeing the boys in the first try-out of the season. The team has had several good practices in the past week and if the weather remains any way good should be in good shape for the formal opening of the season. McCarty and Swanson, the pitchers, are getting in the best of shape and with the coming of warm weather expect to have the old soub and bone working in the best of shape and assisting the team to win their contests.

GEORGE K. PETRING PURCHASES THE O. K. GARAGE

Now Has Two of the Finest Garage Buildings in This Portion of the State to Look After.

From Monday's Daily—
George K. Petring, the local representative of the Ford interests and owner of the Plattsmouth Motor Co., has added to his holdings in the city by the purchase of the O. K. garage on Washington avenue, one of the finest garage buildings in this portion of the state.

Mr. Petring on coming here from Nebraska City purchased the garage building erected by T. H. Pollock at the southwest corner of Sixth and Pearl streets which is one of the most handsome buildings of its kind in this part of the country, and which at that time was ample to accommodate the volume of business that was handled by the Ford agency, but in the last few years the expansion of the automobile trade has grown so extensive that Mr. Petring finds the garage wholly inadequate for his uses and making the need of additional room very imperative.

The O. K. garage, which he has just purchased, is one of the handsomest and well arranged garage buildings that could possibly be desired and will in a large measure aid in housing the cars and making the need of Mr. Petring in addition to his other garage and both will be kept in active operation, altho the O. K. garage building will probably be used largely as the storage building for cars and a filling station as well as show rooms for the Ford cars, there being well arranged storage stalls and attractive display rooms.

The building at the time of its erection cost some \$75,000 and has since its discontinuance by Mr. J. H. McMaken been without local ownership and it is pleasing to the Plattsmouth people to know that it has been taken over by as keen and active a business man as Mr. Petring who will place it once more in actual service.

With the two buildings Mr. Petring will have one of the most complete lines of garage properties in the city, which with his rapidly increasing volume of business should be both kept up to the full limit of activity.

BIG 'PEP' MEETING AT AUBURN FRIDAY

American Legion Posts of First Congressional District to Gather for Grand Conclave.

Friday night of this week is to be a gala occasion for American Legion representatives from over the district, several of the car-owners will gather at Auburn for a big pep meeting. The visitors will journey to the scene of the conclave in cars, Lincoln and Nebraska City having evidenced a determination to go in large numbers, while other towns over the district will be represented to a greater or lesser degree depending on the condition of the roads and the distance to Auburn.

Plattsmouth post, which is about as far removed in point of miles as any in the district, will send a delegation, several of the car-owners members of the post having signified their intention of driving down and can of course accommodate a number of their less fortunate comrades with a seat in the "band wagon."

In line with general plans for the meeting, cars will be decorated with banners, indication from which town and post they come and Commander Holly of the local post will letter up some very artistic banners for the local cars that will "tell the world" Plattsmouth is there.

All Legionaire car owners willing to make the drive and those who do not have cars but desire to go, are requested to see either Commander Holly or Fred Lugsch at once.

NEW ARRIVAL IN CITY

From Monday's Daily—
Last evening a fine son and heir arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wurst and the occasion has brought a great joy to the members of the family.
The mother and little one are both doing nicely and congratulations are in order.

ODD FELLOWS HAVE VERY FINE OBSERVANCE

One Hundred and Fifth Anniversary of I. O. O. F. Marked by a Delightful Gathering.

From Wednesday's Daily—
Last evening at the I. O. O. F. hall was held the 105th anniversary observance of the order and in which the various branches of the fraternity in this city participated. The members of Platte lodge No. 7, the Rebekahs and the Encampment were present in large numbers and the occasion was voted one of the most delightful that has been enjoyed for some time.

The committee in charge had devoted a great deal of time to the arrangements of the gathering and the result was that the program and general entertaining features were all that could be asked for.

A program was given in the lodge room in the early portion of the evening and which included a number of selections by the Holly orchestra as well as other musical numbers and recitations.

At the close of the program the members were invited to the banquet room on the second floor where a fine repast was served that added to the pleasures of the evening and left little to be desired in the way of improvement. At the banquet a number of short addresses were given by the membership on the good of the order.

WELFARE OF NEW CAPITOL DISCUSSED

T. R. Kimball Meets with Commissioners—Goodhue's Will May Direct His Assistants.

From Tuesday's Daily—
Thomas R. Kimball of Omaha, former president of the American institute of architects, conferred with the capital commission Monday forenoon at the request of the commission. The conference was for the purpose of discussing plans for the continuation of work on the new capitol. In view of the sudden death of Bertram G. Goodhue, the commission's architect, the commission is desirous of knowing what legal steps should be taken to continue the contract in the event the estate of Mr. Goodhue is prepared to proceed with the work of carrying out the plans of Mr. Goodhue. Whether or not it is necessary to secure a new architect or to continue the five year contract with the Goodhue estate are questions that have arisen. The commission will discuss every phase of the case before conferring with the administrator of Goodhue.

Mr. Kimball was professional advisor of the commission when it called for a competitive contest of architects of the country which resulted in the selection of Mr. Goodhue and his design and plans for the new capitol now in course of construction. He is now in charge of the publications of the American institute of architects. He helped draw the contract between Goodhue and the state commission.
"I do not know what the commission desires of me," said Mr. Kimball when he arrived at the capitol Monday. "I do not anticipate any difficulty between the commission and the estate of Mr. Goodhue in regard to a continuation of the work. I believe something will be found in Mr. Goodhue's will in regard to the carrying on of work which is uncompleted at the time of his death. His ideas of what should be done in the event of his death will doubtless be incorporated in his will."
"If the administrator or estate does not feel like continuing the work on the Nebraska capitol I am sure the American institute will be willing to aid by recommending an able architect who could proceed with the Goodhue plans, which are practically completed. I think that could be done without extra cost to the state of Nebraska. No doubt the capitol commission feels morally bound to the people of Nebraska to carry out her plans originally adopted."

The commissioners at the conference with Mr. Kimball were Governor Bryan, W. H. Thompson, W. E. Hardy and Roy Cochran, secretary of the Nebraska department of publishing, W. L. Younk, who has served as a personal representative of the commission and Mr. Goodhue since the work of construction started.

DR. MARSHALL POORLY

The condition of Dr. C. A. Marshall at the hospital in Omaha remains about the same and that there is very little change in the general condition of the patient and his failure to show improvement has been most discouraging to the family and friends. The many friends of the doctor are hopeful that he may be able to rally in the next few days from his present condition but the outlook is not the best.

FORMER PASTOR WEDS

The marriage of Miss Mary Ida Pearce, daughter of A. W. Pearce of Lincoln, to Rev. A. A. Randall, of Rising City, which took place at St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, Lincoln, Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock is of local interest since Rev. Randall was a former pastor at the First Methodist church in this city.
Dr. Walter Aitken, pastor of the Lincoln church performed the ceremony. Miss Pearce has been secretary to Dr. Aitken for four years. Rev. Randall was in charge of the local church about ten years ago.

Immediately after the ceremony, Rev. and Mrs. Randall left for Chicago, and from there will go to Springfield, Mass. Rev. Randall is a delegate to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church to be held in Springfield during the month of May. Rev. and Mrs. Randall will be at home in Rising City.—Nebraska City Press.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HOLD MEETING

WILL BE HELD AT LIBRARY AUDITORIUM ON NEXT FRIDAY EVENING.

MANY IMPORTANT MATTERS UP

Comign Fourth of July Observance and Swimming Pool Project Among the Leaders.

From Monday's Daily—
The regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at the auditorium of the public library at 8 o'clock Friday evening and on this occasion every citizen who has the interest of the city at heart is urged to be present and assist in the business of the session.
One of the chief matters that is to come before the meeting is that of the Fourth of July celebration that the committee has been working on for the past week and which they hope to make the most extensive observance that the city has held in many years. It is the desire of the committee to secure the co-operation of all of the different lodges, fraternities and societies of the city in putting over the celebration so that it will be an even worthy of the city and which will be one that the city can refer to the surrounding community as a real Fourth of July celebration. It has been a number of years since this city has had a real observance of the great natal day and all the citizens feel that they should make it a real red letter event in every way and to do so must have the whole-hearted interest and assistance of all of the citizens.
The swimming pool proposition, which has been urged so often is also one of the questions to come up for consideration and on which the committee in charge has spent considerable time and will have some definite information on which they can work and which will be given to the chamber of commerce for their approval and action. This has been agitated for the past year and now there are some real facts gathered that will enable the citizens to act on it if they so desire and in this work the committee has labored very faithfully to get all the possible information that they can to aid the project.

There will be other subjects of the greatest interest to offer to the meeting and which has a distinct bearing on the affairs of the city and for this reason all those who are keen to see the city advance forward in the coming year should be on hand and get some real information as to what is being planned to make Plattsmouth a better city in the coming year and advance its interests.

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On Thursday the presidents of the auxiliaries and guilds of the various Omaha churches met at the Mackey Memorial parish house of All Saints' church to discuss plans for the provincial synod that will meet there on September 21 to 24 and will be one of the largest gatherings of the church held in the west. This synod embraces the dioceses in the states of Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Colorado, North and South Dakota and Kansas, and will bring to Omaha some eleven bishops of the church as well as a very large number of lay delegates. The ladies who will have in charge the entertainment of the representatives from other states have made their plans for the care and entertainment of the visitors.

In the afternoon of Thursday the executive committee of the Woman's Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. S. S. Oakford and were pleasantly entertained at luncheon there.
On Friday morning the committee of the Church School Service League met at the Trinity cathedral and was largely attended.

On Friday afternoon a meeting of all of the auxiliary branches in Omaha was held at the St. Andrews church and the services opened by the Rev. D. J. Gallagher, rector of the church and the members enjoyed a discussion of the work of Religious Education. Rev. E. J. Seker of the St. John's and St. Mark's church also addressed the meeting and the principal address was delivered by Father Thomas Casady, rector of All Saints' church and a member of the national board of religious education. The address was on "Japan" and covered the reconstruction work there that has been a part of the church program. The members of the conference were afterward entertained by the ladies of the St. Andrews' parish at luncheon.

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LOST ANYTHING? ADVERTISE IT

Lost anything? Advertise it.

STATE COMMERCIAL CONTEST IS HELD AT OMAHA

Misses Elizabeth Sitzman and Edna Klinger Were Among Prize Winners at State Meet.

From Monday's Daily—
The state commercial contest was held at the Technical high school of Omaha on Friday, April 25. The entrants for this contest were the winners in each of the seven district contests held in March. Over one hundred and fifty of these winners took part which shows a great increase in interest as well as membership. From a membership of about thirty at the organization three years ago, this association now has over three hundred members and keen interest and competition is the result. The state contest consisted of two minute dictation in shorthand, given by a representative of Boyles college, and was of the same nature as given in Civil Service examinations. The typewriting was a fifteen minute test. In typewriting Omaha Central was first, South High second and third and Plattsmouth fourth, Elizabeth Sitzman of our local high school representing Plattsmouth.

At the district contests in penmanship the ten best papers in each contest were sent to Marie E. Kaufman, state director in penmanship and by her forwarded to the A. N. Palmer company which judged the papers and awarded the state honors as follows: In contest writing, Norfolk received first and second and Schuyler third. In home writing Plattsmouth received first, Schuyler second and Norfolk third, Edna Klinger being the champion writer of the state for home work. It may be well to state here that contest writing is a test of two minutes while home writing is a test of five minutes. In college writing Kearney led. These penmanship papers were on exhibit all day and were viewed by many spectators.

At the close of the session the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
President—Miss Jean Zook of Norfolk.
Vice President—Miss Marie E. Kaufman of Plattsmouth.
Secretary—Miss Howard of Norfolk.
Treasurer—Miss Harvey of South High of Omaha.

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DOCTOR IS A "DODO"

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As the result of his recent exploit in making a "hole in one" at the local golf links, Dr. R. P. Westover is now wearing the honors of a "dodo" which was conferred upon him by the Hole-in-One club of the United States. The official score of the shot was sent into the club by friends of the genial physician and a few days ago he received an engraved certificate of the fact that he is now a full fledged "Dodo" and as such is entitled to all of the rights and privileges of membership in the golf organization. Incidentally, Dr. Westover will receive a half dozen golf balls from the club as a reward for his skill in making the record breaking score.

OBSERVES BOYS' WEEK WITH SUNDAY SERVICE

Large Number of Boys and Young Men are at Methodist Church For Special Services.

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday morning as a part of the Boys' week observance there were some fifty boys and young men present at the service and the occasion was made fitting to the subject of the present week.
The pastor took as his topic the text, "Let No Man Despise Thy Youth," which was very inspiring to the young men in attendance at the service and took up many of the problems that confront the young men and the necessity for the training of the spiritual side of the youth for his part in the activities of the world.

There were a number of numbers given by the choir that were in keeping with the spirit of the occasion.

RAISE GOOD SUMS

From Monday's Daily—
Plattsmouth folk opened their hearts and purses on Saturday last to help care for the destitute women with children in care of the Volunteers of America by contributing the generous sum of \$81.65 to that worthy cause. Everyone connected with the affair was well pleased and deeply grateful to all who in any way helped make the day successful.

A statement issued by the organization representatives says: "To the city officials, the newspapers, the merchants who furnished the incentives for the children's efforts as well as the public's generosity in patronizing the youthful workers, the fullest credit must be given."

From early in the morning until late in the afternoon each of the grade girls and boys played in the merry game of competition for the five prizes and movie tickets and at the close of the contest it was found that Margaret Alwin was entitled to the first prize, having collected the sum of \$10.65. The second was won by Wilhelmina Hinrichsen who won \$8.65 and Alice Marquette had \$8.57 and fifth were won by Ethel Quinton and Bessie Halstead. All the other children were made happy with the movie passes.

STRICKEN WITH PNEUMONIA

John J. Cloldt, the newly elected city clerk, will not be able to take his oath of office this evening at the meeting of the city council, as he is confined to his home in the west part of the city with an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Cloldt was taken sick on Thursday with a slight chill and has since grown steadily worse and his case was finally determined as pneumonia.

Mr. Cloldt is under the constant care of physicians and nurses and every effort possible is being made to relieve his condition and it is hoped that in the next few days there may be a change for the better in his case.

Buy your ink and pencils at the Gates Corner Book and Stationery Store.

Service with Cordiality

Money that Holds Back Prosperity!

In order that Plattsmouth and Cass county may prosper, there must be plenty of money available to carry on business and to develop new sources of income.

Money hoarded at home doesn't do this work. It contributes nothing to the general welfare. It holds back prosperity.

Put your money in this bank! It's safer here, and promotes prosperity in which you will share.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
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