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## LOUISVILLE BRIDGE OVER THE PLATTE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC

### Reports From That City This Morning State Precaution Taken by Bridge Company.

From Tuesday's Daily— This morning messages from Louisville state that the auto and wagon bridge there, the only one in service over the Platte in this locality since the damage to the Pollock bridge here last week, is being closed to travel. The condition at Louisville grew much worse last night with the breaking up of the ice and the raising water swept the ice down onto the supports of the bridge, battering the ice breaks quite heavily and making it very dangerous for the safety of the bridge.

The management of the bridge company decided that in order to lessen the chances of danger and to eliminate any possible chance of a car or truck being caught on the bridge in case it was injured, to close the structure to all travel until the danger is past and the necessary repairs can be made which will insure the complete safety of the bridge. There have been a great many from this locality going to Omaha via the Louisville bridge who will have to give up this route of travel and make the trip via train or not go. Mr. Pollock is having the work rushed on the bridge here and hopes to have it ready for travel by Saturday so that those who wish to attend the Nebraska-Creighton basketball game may drive up. With the conditions as they are at the present time work should be completed, but as at Louisville unexpected complication might delay the work.

### ARE NOW MOVED

Major I. Hall and family, who have been residing in Omaha for the past several months, are now moving in this community, as they have completed the task of moving to the farm near Murray the last of the week and are now getting settled there.

The trip was made from Omaha via train and the fact that the bridge over the Platte here was out of commission, the journey was made via Louisville. The truck left Omaha early in the morning and arrived in Murray shortly after midnight, after a long and very difficult journey.

The many friends of this excellent family are pleased to welcome them back to this county where they lived in their childhood days and trust that they may find success on the farm.

### ENJOYS BIRTHDAY PARTY

From Tuesday's Daily— The birthday anniversary of little Miss Janet Westover occurring yesterday, a number of the little friends gathered at the Westover home to see that Janet was given a real reminder of the happy event. The home was very bright and attractive with the Washington birthday colors and favors and here the little folks passed the time in enjoying the games of childhood days that had been prepared for them, as well as in wishing Miss Janet many more such happy events. During the afternoon, Jenn Caldwell and Vesteta Robertson gave two very charming greatest of skill on the part of the little dances that displayed the greatest skill on the part of the little ladies. At a suitable hour, the guests were treated to very dainty and delicious refreshments, the large handsome birthday cake with its glowing candles adding to the pleasure of the occasion.

Those attending were: Jean and Billy Knorr, Richard Pennig, Kitt Ann Dovsky, Stephen Davis, Phoebe Kepler, Mazie Sharp, Beatrice Ann, Nadine and Patricia Clodd, Lola Jane Elliott, Marjorie Ann Tidball, Vestetta, James M. and Rachael Robertson, Jean Caldwell.

### CLARENCE BEAL IMPROVING

From Tuesday's Daily— The many friends of Clarence L. Beal, clerk of the district court, will be very much pleased to learn that Mr. Beal is now showing a great deal of improvement and is able to sit up part of the time now and seems to have overcome a great deal of his very painful and annoying illness. He is, however, being kept as quiet as possible and a few more days at home are expected to place him in condition where he can again resume his activities. Mr. Beal has been quite poorly for the past week, but his condition now, members of the family state, is all that could possibly be desired.

### LEAVE FOR KANSAS CITY

From Monday's Daily— Mrs. Cameron Cathey and little son, Cameron, Jr., have departed for Kansas City, Missouri, where they are locating and joining Mr. Cathey there where he is connected with Warwick Saunders in one of the Drive It Yourself auto companies that are operating in and near Kansas City.

### RECEIVES RECOGNITION

From Monday's Daily— E. F. Grybsky, who conducts the Red Bird Poultry yards in this city, has received from the extension department of the state university college of agriculture, a special award and diploma for his work in development of the poultry business. Mr. Grybsky had made a specialty of Rhode Island Red chickens at his poultry yards and has a record that is very pleasing with his flocks. On his hens, Mr. Grybsky has a grade of 147.2 per hen for eggs for the year, while the standard demanded by the university is eighty-five eggs and the showing is more than pleasing.

## WILL AGAIN VISIT EUROPEAN CLIMES COMING SUMMER

### Miss Marie Kaufmann and Number of Friends Are Planning Tour of Old World in Summer.

From Monday's Daily— Miss Marie E. Kaufmann, supervisor of penmanship and drawing in our city schools expects to travel again during the vacation months for educational purposes. During her last summer abroad, Miss Kaufmann toured France, England, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Switzerland and Italy. This summer the plan is to visit Denmark and Sweden and then go by the way of Germany into Switzerland. While in Switzerland Miss Kaufmann will do some teaching in Chur and other summer schools in Zurich and Lucerne.

Since returning from abroad, Miss Kaufmann has been appointed organizer for the United States Lines, and agent for the Canadian Pacific and Norwegian-American Lines. The United States Lines this year, are offering exceptionally low round trip rates. Think of a sixty-two day trip to England, Holland, Belgium, France, Switzerland and Italy on the S. S. Eufrasia, Pres. Roosevelt or Pres. Harding for only \$559.00, this amount includes ocean passage from New York and return, railway fare, visas, hotels and meals, guides, tips and conductor through the countries mentioned. A similar trip of thirty-two days is offered for \$330.00 but this trip does not include Italy. This being a jubilee year the U. S. Lines expect to carry thousands to Rome and special arrangements have been made for their care during the journey in Italy. Any information will be gladly given by Miss Kaufmann by calling evenings or Saturdays. Miss Kaufmann, in company with others from here, expects to leave about May 20.

### HAS WET TIME

From Monday's Daily— Former County Judge Allen J. Beeson, who is now a mere humble follower of Blackstone, having offices in the First National bank building, had an experience Sunday evening that will give him a little realization of the law. Any information will be gladly given by Miss Kaufmann by calling evenings or Saturdays. Miss Kaufmann, in company with others from here, expects to leave about May 20.

### FUNERAL OF WALKER GILMORE

From Monday's Daily— Yesterday afternoon the funeral services of Walker Gilmore, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Gilmore, were held at the late home in Murray, being one of the largest attended services that has ever been held in that city. The large number present attested the deep feeling of sorrow that the untimely death of this promising young man brought to the entire community, the friends, the family in their hour of sorrow at the taking away of the loved one. Rev. W. F. Graham, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Murray conducted the service and in his remarks brought words of comfort to the broken family circle and to the host of friends of the departed youth.

At the conclusion of the services the body was borne to Plattsmouth, where it was laid to rest in the family lot in Oak Hill cemetery beside that of the grandparents and little sister who had preceded him in death.

Elmer Tritsch was a visitor in Omaha today where he spent a few hours visiting with his mother, Mrs. Ida Tritsch, who is at the St. Catherine's hospital in that city taking treatment.

## KU KLUX KLAN VISITS ANTI-SALOON MEET

### Very Largely Attended Meeting at Presbyterian Church and Interesting Picture Shown.

From Tuesday's Daily— Last evening there was a very large audience present at the First Presbyterian church to witness the presentation of the picture "Last of the Forger" which is being presented by the Anti-Saloon League over the state. This picture was in five reels and portrayed a story based on the use of intoxicating liquors by men and women prior to the enactment of the prohibition amendment, giving the effects of the injury occasioned by the liquor to the individual and the communities.

In addition to the pictures there was a short talk made by Attorney Charles Hafke of Lincoln, who was here instead of F. A. High, state superintendent of the league, as Mr. High could not fill the date here, and the speaker made a very vigorous protest against the efforts to repeal the law covering the matter of intoxicating liquors.

Following the address a collection was taken up to assist in the Anti-Saloon work in the state. One of the unexpected phases of the meeting occurred while the address was in progress when four robed figures, apparently representatives of the Ku Klux Klan entered the church and advanced to the platform, offering to the speaker a paper stating that the "Ku Klux Klan stood for the strict enforcement of the 18th amendment" and which was read by Mr. Hafke. Following the reading of the message the four members of the order marched out of the church and quietly disappeared.

The meeting was participated in by a number of the churches of the city and was attended by a very large number of the citizens who showed the greatest interest in the meeting.

## RUDY HASSON AFTER MUNN'S MAT CROWN

### Brother of Anton Hasson of This City Seeking Honors From Big University Man.

From Tuesday's Daily— Rudy Hasson, Omaha wrestler, who under the name of "Rudy Dusek" has been setting a fast pace in the southwestern wrestling circles, is now looking to the crown that is reposing on the brow of "Big" Munn, world heavyweight champion wrestler. This is of special interest to Plattsmouth people as the brother of the wrestling crown is a brother of Anton Hasson of this city, and well known to a number of the Plattsmouth people.

The young wrestler has won ninety-two consecutive matches and some of these have been with the leaders of the wrestling game in this country. Last week he won three matches in Texas, where he has been for the past few weeks.

### DOINGS IN DISTRICT COURT

From Tuesday's Daily— In the office of the clerk of the district court several actions were filed today covering suits to quiet title as well as tax title foreclosures that were being cleared up and other matters of small litigation. Attorney A. L. Tidd representing Byron Golding, filed two actions, one for Golding against Stoll, et al., and one Golding vs. Pailing, et al. involving titles under tax sales. Mr. Tidd also filed an action entitled Sarah Rehner vs. Mary Ann Holton, et al., involving quiet of title. Attorney Joseph A. Campbell filed an action entitled the Farmers State bank of Wabash vs. Wabash Grain Co. in which the plaintiff asks the sum of \$400 which is claimed to be due on a lien made on a quantity of wheat that was later sold to the defendant company by the owner and which the bank requests be held for the indebtedness.

### WHERE IS THE MONEY?

Where would we get the money to buy the public utilities of the country? The addition of 40 billion dollars to the national debt, is not a small matter. This works two ways. It increases direct taxation and takes away taxes now being paid. Public utilities now pay about \$600,000,000 annually in taxes. This would be lost. We must earn and pay from these public utilities not merely the interest on 40 billions, but also the present tax on the same paid to the state, federal and local taxpayers.

### REPAIRING ANTO BRIDGE

From Monday's Daily— The work of making the repairs on the Pollock Auto and Wagon bridge north of this city, over the Platte river, is progressing very nicely. The river is now opened up well and the main current flowing in the old south channel which allows the work of driving the piles along the north part of the bridge to be continued. Work was pushed Saturday and yesterday and one bent has been pretty well cleared up. It is expected that the repair work will be pretty well along in the next few days and possible the bridge will be ready for travel by the last of the week.

## HERMAN SPIES PASSES AWAY SUNDAY MORN

### Death Comes Few Hours After He Is Taken to Immanuel Hospital.

### Resident Here 53 Years

From Monday's Daily— Sunday morning as the new day was just being introduced, Herman Spies, old resident of this city and pioneer cigar manufacturer of this community, was called to his last reward.

The death of Mr. Spies came very suddenly following a brief illness, as he was first taken to the Immanuel hospital with a severe attack of heart trouble and for several hours his condition was very grave and he was under constant medical care, but on Saturday morning his condition was some better and it was decided to remove him to the Immanuel hospital at Omaha where he could be cared for more comfortably, and accordingly he was taken to Omaha Saturday afternoon at 3:05 on the Burlington and placed in the hospital. Late in the night his condition grew more serious and Sunday morning at 11 o'clock he passed away.

The death of Mr. Spies removes a well known and very familiar figure in the life of the community where for the past 53 years he has made his home and in this time had been active in the business life of the city. He had been engaged up to the time in the conduct of his cigar factory and cigar and tobacco store on lower Main street, and was busy at that place of business when the first summons in the last illness came to him, bidding him lay aside the cares and labors of this life.

Herman Spies was born November 27, 1852, at Minsterberg, Germany, and in that country spent his boyhood days, at the age of seventeen enrolling in the Prussian army and participating in the Franco-Prussian war which saw the local war the establishment of the new German empire. The dawn of peace had scarcely come when the young man decided to follow the pathway of many of his friends and neighbors westward to the new land across the Atlantic ocean and make his home in the United States. He reached this country in 1878, locating at Detroit, Michigan, where he learned the cigar making trade which has been his life work. After several years spent in working at his trade in various places, he came, in the year 1878, to Plattsmouth. Here he continued his work in the factories of this city until a few years later he engaged in business for himself.

Mr. Spies was married in Plattsmouth, November 15, 1880, to Miss Louise Ezenberger. To this union there were born eight children, two of whom, an infant child and a daughter, Ida, predeceased the father in death. The six children, Edmund, of Denver; Mrs. Herman Schudde, of Omaha; Bert, of Bakersfield, California; Mrs. Helen Moore, of Des Moines, Iowa; Elmer of Kansas City, and Mrs. Marie Cline, also of Kansas, with the wife, are left to mourn the death of Mr. Spies.

In early life, Mr. Spies was received in holy baptism into the Lutheran church in his native land. He has been very active in the life of this city and for several years was a member of the city council of Plattsmouth, serving with great credit to himself and his community. Socially, the deceased was a member of the Sons of Herman lodge of this city. The funeral services of Mr. Spies will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 from the Sattler chapel, Rev. H. Kottich, St. Paul's Evangelical church, officiating. Interment to be made in Oak Hill cemetery.

### GETTING REAL RESULTS

From Monday's Daily— Dr. Joe J. Stibal, chiropractor, of this city, is securing a very pleasing reputation over the state in his profession and in addition to the large number of successful cases that he has handled in this city he has had calls from patients in different sections who have come here to have adjustments made and in each case with the most pleasing results. Mrs. Calvin Young of Firth, Nebraska, was one of the patients to come here recently for treatments and is very much benefited by the adjustments made by the experienced and skillful chiropractor.

Dr. Stibal states that he had two patients from the western part of the state and one from South Dakota who have received treatments here with the most beneficial results. "Service" is Dr. Stibal's motto and, in conversation with a representative of the Journal, he remarked that he is endeavoring to demonstrate to the public that they can depend upon him and his work.

Wayne Allen departed this morning for Omaha where he was called to look after some matters of business.

## DEATH OF AN AGED LADY AT MASONIC HOME

### Mrs. Sarah Jenkinson, Resident of Home Since 1919, Passes Away Yesterday at Age of 88.

From Tuesday's Daily— Mrs. Sarah Jenkinson, aged 88 years, one of the oldest residents of the Nebraska Masonic Home in this city, passed away yesterday after an illness of some duration, yielding to the infirmities of her advanced years and peacefully sinking to the last long rest. The deceased lady has been a resident at the Masonic Home since May 17, 1919, and during her residence there has been one of the most loved ladies living there, making many friends among those who had visited the home from out in the city.

Mrs. Jenkinson was born September 27, 1827, in Pennsylvania, and resided for many years in that state and the east, coming west in 1867 at the time of the construction of the Union Pacific railroad, her husband being engaged in the bridge construction program of the road and Mrs. Jenkinson was engaged in looking after the management of the lines of eating houses maintained by the railroad. Her husband, Robert Jenkinson, preceded her in death many years ago.

The deceased lady was one of the two surviving charter members of Vesta chapter of the Eastern Star of Omaha, and last year attended the fifty anniversary of this chapter in Omaha, being the guest of honor at the event.

The funeral of Mrs. Jenkinson will be held in Omaha where the body was taken yesterday, the services will not be announced until the body is received from relatives in Pennsylvania.

## OMAHA LOAN AND BUILDING FIVE WINS GAME LAST NIGHT

### Defeats Plattsmouth Athletic Club In Rough Battle By Score of 39 to 35 at H. S. Gym.

From Tuesday's Daily— Last evening a real rough and tumble basketball game was staged at the high school gym between the Omaha Loan and Building association team and the Plattsmouth Athletic club and while the locals were losers by the score of 39 to 35, in the last few minutes they were threatening the lead of the Omaha team and in the last quarter had the better of the battle, drawing down the margin of lead of the visitors but not sufficient to insure them a victory. In the opening the visitors were early in taking the lead and their fast floor work had the locals guessing and several points lead was secured that was gradually whittled down as Fritz Rothert, local coach, who played forward and center for the locals, looped several baskets in succession for the Athletic club.

The game was one of rough mixing all the way through and the work of the Plattsmouth guards, Wesley Ezenberger and McCarty, saved the scoring by the Omaha team several times. The chief point procurer for the locals was Rothert with Martin and Chase also annexing several of the hoops during the course of the struggle.

### SAVE AND THRIVE 25

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### PLASTERERS COMPLETE WORK

From Monday's Daily— The large force of plasterers who have been engaged for the past three weeks in work at the new Masonic Home infirmary, Saturday wound up the greater part of their work and departed for Lincoln. There are several small jobs to be completed about the building and two of the men were left here to carry on the work and see that it is all carried out according to specifications. There has been from ten to twelve men employed on the job since it was started and they have carried out a very fine piece of work in the excellent way in which the interior plastering has been finished.

## RAIN AND ELECTRIC STORM VISITS THIS LOCALITY SUNDAY

### Forerunner of Spring Brings Plenty of Moisture to This Locality Yesterday.

From Monday's Daily— Starting early yesterday morning, with overcast clouds, Sunday developed the first real rainstorm of the season in 1925, the storm breaking in full force in the late afternoon and continuing until almost midnight. The rainfall as registered showed an inch and a half in this city and the walks and paved streets were filled with water as the streams flowed down from the hills.

The electric elements present with the storm caused more or less trouble to the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. here and for a short time the current was cut off from the Omaha lines, but later the Lincoln line was able to take up the load carried the service until this morning.

West of the city the heavy and continued downpour caused Four Mile creek to reach a very high mark and blocked the passage over the creek and the roads adjoining it for several hours, the residents of that locality who were in the city in their autos being compelled to remain here for the night before making the trip home.

### SUFFERING WITH LIMB

George Halmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Halmes of near this city, is at the St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha where he has been for the past few days in very serious condition as the result of the condition of the bone of one of the legs that has for some time been giving signs of decay.

This is the second time that Mr. Halmes has been affected by this trouble, as two years ago he was taken to the hospital suffering with his limb and it was found that portions of the bone was affected and the case grew so severe that the amputation of the leg was made necessary, and seemed for a time to check the further spread of the trouble but since that time he has developed the same symptoms in the remaining limb and which made necessary his return to the hospital. It is hoped that the attending surgeons will be able to check the spread of the decay in the bone and save the remaining leg.

In his affliction the young man has the sincere sympathy of the friends here and who are hoping that the young man may be able to return home cured of his affliction.

## IOWA MAN NAMED AS NATIONAL ADJUTANT OF LEGION

### Well Known Iowa Service Man Receives Recognition From National Headquarters.

From Tuesday's Daily— The members of the American Legion in this city and particularly those who served in the 34th division with the national guard of Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota, will be much interested in learning of the appointment as national adjutant of the Legion of James P. Barton, of Fort Dodge, Ia., for several years state adjutant of Iowa.

The Cass county men who served in the 126th machine gun battalion will be especially interested as Captain Barton, as he was known at Camp Cody, was in command of Co. A of the 126th M. G. B., and with that organization was sent overseas. After several months service in France and following the armistice, Captain Barton was detailed at Versailles, France, with the judge advocate's department of the service, as he was a very able jurist and in his service was called upon to pass upon several important cases arising in the army.

Captain Barton has been one of the active workers in the Legion in Iowa and as that state is one of the leaders in the service men's activity of the nation, his recognition is very gratifying to the service men of the west.

### DEATH OF FORMER RESIDENT

From Monday's Daily— At 11 o'clock Saturday evening at Havelock occurred the death of V. A. Hoffman, old time resident of this city, and a son-in-law of A. Matous of this city. The deceased came to America from Bohemia in 1888 and located at this place, where he has for several years engaged in work for the Burlington. He later moved to Havelock and has for a number of years been engaged in the banking business in that city, having served as cashier of the Farmers and Mechanics bank there for the past fourteen years. Mr. Hoffman was married in this city to the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matous many years ago. Mr. Matous and Miss Georgia Matous departed today for Havelock to be present at the funeral.

### MRS. LUSCHINSKY BETTER

From Monday's Daily— Mrs. George Luschinsky, who is at the Immanuel hospital in Omaha where she was operated on Friday, is now doing very nicely and the operation, which was not of a particularly dangerous type, seems to have been very successful and has given the patient a great deal of relief. Yesterday, Mr. Luschinsky and daughter, Miss Ruth, and Mrs. Ed Ackerman of Wymore, a sister of Mrs. Luschinsky, were at the hospital to spend the day and were very much encouraged over the condition of this estimable lady. It is hoped that within a short time Mrs. Luschinsky will be able to return home to this city feeling much improved in health.



## IMPRESSIONS!

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