

The Plattsmouth Journal.

IS LOOKING OVER LINCOLN AVENUE GRAVEL PROJECT

Burlington Engineer Here Today and Will Look Over the Proposed Improvement Plan.

From Friday's Daily— This morning F. T. Darrow, engineer of the Burlington railroad, and A. F. Hedengren, master carpenter of the Omaha division of the railroad, were in the city and took the occasion to look over the proposed graveling project on Lincoln avenue that has been more or less agitated in the last few months.

This highway is one in which the Burlington is very much interested as it runs for a half mile along the property of the railroad company at the Burlington shops and the permanent road work will mean necessarily a number of changes along the street to make it better for travel and also the elimination of the deep ditch just west of the shop buildings, or the widening of the avenue to the west of the ditch as it is a source of danger to the traveling public and will become more so in case the hard surfacing of the avenue is carried out as the graveling of the roadway would greatly increase the volume of travel there.

The Burlington has assisted the city in the past in attempting to make the road better for travel by placing cinders on the road, the company furnishing the cinders and the city paying the cost of their being placed but the cinders have worn away and made necessary their replacement and it is urged that a more permanent form of surfacing be secured.

The roadway on Lincoln avenue needs a great deal of grading and attention to be put in first class shape before graveling as it is not up to the standard grades prescribed by the state and federal road departments for the successful use of gravel or other hard surfacing material.

Lincoln avenue is one of the main arteries leading into the city from the south and its hard surfacing would be a very fine move, not only for the use of those who reside in that section but because of the fact that many of the travelers would come through that way and have the chance to look over the Burlington shops, the largest institution in the city and would make a real advertisement for the city.

VISITS THE WHITE HOUSE

From Friday's Daily— Miss Ursula Herold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Herold of this city, had a very pleasant experience a few days ago when she, with other members of the senior class of the National Cathedral school at Washington, D. C., were invited to the White House to be guests at a tea given by Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, first lady of the land, to the members of the class.

The experience was one that will long linger in the young ladies' minds, and Miss Herold in writing home states that the gracious hospitality and charm of Mrs. Coolidge made a marked impression on the members of the class and it is clear to understand the assistance that this charming lady is in the popularity of the president.

Miss Herold will graduate from the Cathedral school, the Episcopal church national school for girls, in June and the coming fall will enter Smith college at Northampton, Mass., to complete her school work.

ENTERTAINS CLUB

From Friday's Daily— Last evening, Miss Helen Beeson was the hostess to the M. X. S. club, composed of a number of the girls at the high school, the pleasant event being held at "Clover Lodge," the Beeson country home west of this city, the members of the party motoring out to enjoy the delightful occasion.

The chief feature of the evening was the delectable 6 o'clock dinner at the home, the rooms and table decorations being in a color scheme of pink which was carried out in the pink snapdragons and the candies that lent their soft and pleasing glow to the settings of the dinner.

The hostess was assisted in serving by her sister, Mrs. J. D. Hawksworth of Osmond, Nebraska.

Following the dinner the young ladies enjoyed the time in games and a general good time as well as the initiation of three new members into the club and who were given a very realistic induction in the social organization.

STILL CONTINUES POORLY

From Friday's Daily— The reports from the St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha state that Mrs. Ida Tritsch, who has been there for a period of several weeks is still quite poorly and her condition does not seem to show any appreciable change. It had been hoped that the patient would have shown more progress but the condition has been such that it is a long and tedious course of treatment in the efforts to give the patient the full use of her limbs.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

From Friday's Daily— Last evening the Men's club of the St. Luke's parish met at the undercroft of the church and the meeting was one of the greatest interest as the problems of the church in the state and nation were discussed and plans made to aid in the general plans for the religious advancement that the Episcopal church is to carry into all sections of the nation.

The meeting was presided over by Father George Pierce, rector of the church. After the regular routine business had been disposed of by the members the social features were added to by the serving of sandwiches and coffee that completed the program of the evening.

PLAN FOR ENLARGING SEWER SYSTEM AT C., B. & Q. SHOPS

From Friday's Daily— The Burlington railroad is planning to greatly increase the drainage system at the local shops of the company and which will be carried out as soon as possible and will do away with a very unpleasant condition caused by the open creek that flows through a part of the shop property and which takes up space that could be utilized to a great advantage.

At the north end of the shop yards there is a very large opening where the mouth of the sewer that passes under the tracks in the yard, is located and it is one of the plans to have this portion of the sewer extended to the south and to do away with the open ditch at the entrance to the shop yards.

At the extreme south portion of the yard it is also planned to have an extension of the sewer system made so that water that flows down through the valley can be diverted at its source and eliminate the possibilities of the water running through the shop yards, as it has at several times in the past.

These changes and improvements in the sewerage at the shops will make it much better for the conditions there and will be one of the best moves for the elimination of much of the surface water that finds its way down from the hills.

The extension of the sewer has been considered for some time by the railroad and Engineer Darrow was here today looking over the plans with Mr. William Baird, the shop superintendent, who has been one of the strong movers for the better systems of handling the surface water after the heavy rains.

APRIL WAS WARM MONTH

April was a warm month and was marked by excesses in temperature and sunshine which permitted farming activities and the progress of crops to be from ten days to two weeks ahead of the average season. The amount of rain was slightly less than normal. The total rainfall for the month was about two inches in the eastern and southern parts of the state and over four inches in scattered areas in the central and southern sections. Less than an inch fell in western Nebraska.

The highest temperatures for the past month were between 76 and 84 degrees which was on and about the twenty-second day of the month. Winter wheat made good progress during the month of April and it carried from poor in the southwest to very good in the southwest. Seeding spring wheat, oats, and barley was very largely completed and much of the early sown was up by the middle of the month. Corn was planted in the southern counties by the middle of the month and at the latter part planting was beginning in the central counties.

Pastures and alfalfa were in good condition during the month. Potatoes were beginning to come up and beet planting was beginning by the end of the second week of April. Alfalfa, sugar beets and garden truck suffered frost damage on the last three days of the month.

BURLINGTON TRAINS ON

From Thursday's Daily— The Burlington railroad is planning to install their regular summer schedule of train service effective on June 1st, R. W. Clement, local agent of the railroad, states that Burlington will place westbound train No. 1 and eastbound train No. 10 back in service during the summer to assist in caring for the tourist travel to and from the western summer resorts. Mr. Clement states that the schedules of the running of these two high class trains has not yet been issued by the company but will probably be forthcoming in the next few days.

It is thought that the trains will be operated on practically the same schedule as for the past two years and which will place No. 1 through here about 6 a. m. and No. 10 at about 2 a. m.

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MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILROAD PLANS IMPROVEMENTS

Will Do Some Remodeling to Their Passenger Station as Well as the Surroundings.

From Friday's Daily— The Missouri Pacific passenger station on West Walnut street, which has long been in need of several material changes to make it a comfortable and pleasant place for the employees and the traveling public, is to receive a number of changes that will go a long way towards making it a modern and suitable place for the use of the traveling public.

The matter of the changes in the station have been suggested several times and at last the maintenance department of the railroad has found it possible to take up the matter and place the plans for enlarging the station into operation this coming summer.

One of the first steps that will be taken is that of the remodeling of the office of the building. At the present time the office is located in a room that runs the entire width of the building and separates the ladies' and gentlemen's waiting rooms. Now under the plans for the remodeling of the building there will be an extension of four feet built on the office portion of the building on the east, a passage way built between the north and south waiting rooms and in this passage way will be located the ticket window, eliminating the present double window system and making it much more convenient for the cashier in handling the sales.

To the east of the new passage way there will be large and modern toilet rooms placed providing for the accommodation of the men and women that travel over the road and which will open from the waiting rooms. This feature will allow the elimination of all unsanitary surroundings of the station.

There will also be installed modern sanitary drinking fountains at the station for the accommodation of the traveling public and eliminating the old caken bucket that has long reigned supreme.

Another of the plans proposed but not entirely decided upon is the placing of a heating plant in the building that will allow the elimination of the old fashioned stoves, three of which have been in use for years in an attempt to keep the building warm but which has proved a task too great for the stoves to accomplish.

In addition to the changes in the building there will be a new driveway planned for the east of the east of the building that will run up to the platform of the station and permit the passengers from cars to alight direct on the platform instead of having to climb the steep bankment.

Mr. J. S. Butterfield, landscape engineer, has a number of plans for the beautifying of the grounds and already has taken several steps that go a long way toward making the surroundings much more attractive. This work is of necessity very slow but will give some lasting results when they are completed and will make the station a place of real beauty.

LEGION ENDOWMENT DRIVE

From Thursday's Daily— The American Legion endowment drive, being undertaken nationally, with a goal of one million dollars to be used primarily for relief of the orphans of world war veterans, will occupy the attention of a Legion committee the week of May 24 to 30th. The Plattsmouth quota for this drive is set at \$420 and the plan is to ask for contributions of \$1 from individuals, in the hope of raising this amount without resorting to the asking of larger sums.

The committee to have charge of this work is composed of Maldon Brown, chairman, Robert Reed, Tom Walling, Jr., and Chas. Turnbaugh. To save as much time for the committee as possible, all those who are desirous of aiding this cause in any amount, may leave contributions in advance of the week of the drive at Brown's jewelry store, the Palace Shining parlor or Manzy's drug store with Commander Holly. Receipts will be given in acknowledgment of every contribution received.

DANCES ARE ENTERTAINED.

From Thursday's Daily— One of the most enjoyable dances of the season was held last evening at the Eagles hall when John Hagerman gave another of his pleasant social dances. Earl's Melodians of Auburn furnished the music and proved one of the best orchestras that has appeared in the city for many months. The attendance was quite large and everyone had a most enjoyable time in the treat that Jack had prepared for them.

NATURALIZATION DAY

The opening day of the May term of the district court on May 25th will be observed at naturalization day and there are already seven applications for citizenship to be acted upon by the examiner and court.

RECEIVES A FINE

From Friday's Daily— This morning complaint was filed in the office of County Judge A. H. Duxbury by County Attorney W. G. Kieck against Grover Elledge, charging the defendant with having been in a state of intoxication, he having been apprehended last night by Sheriff Stewart near the Platte river bridge. The court, after hearing the evidence and the plea of the defendant, assessed a fine of \$50 and costs. The costs were paid and the fine suspended during the good behavior of the defendant.

BARGAIN DAY WILL BE NEXT WEDNESDAY

Occasion That Will Bring Joy to the Pocketbook of Careful Buyers of the Community.

From Friday's Daily— The advertising matter for the 48th consecutive monthly bargain day in this city is now being issued and the advertisements of the merchants in the Journal will carry the message that will bring gladness to the hearts of the careful shoppers who desire to take the fullest advantage of the opportunities afforded to secure the greatest buying power of the dollar.

This is the time for the public to secure their supplies for the summer season and in the stores there can be found large stocks of goods that offer a wide range for selection by the customer. All lines of the summer merchandise as well as the staple lines of the groceries and dry goods stores are being offered at the lowest possible prices that good honest merchandising will permit.

As has been said before, the home merchants are the most satisfactory to deal with as everyone in Cass county and the immediate trade territory have learned to know that the Plattsmouth business houses have always made good their word on the merchandise that they handle and who are responsible men in the community.

Their aim is the pleasing of their customers in the way of the best the market affords and at the lowest prices possible.

PASSING OF W. B. ROBERTS

Died Monday, May 11, After Long Illness—Funeral Held Wednesday at the Welch Home.

From Friday's Daily— It was with a feeling of sadness that the news of the death of Mr. Roberts was received by his friends in this community, though it has been known for some time that he was to be here but a short time longer, as he had been in failing health for the past four years and had been confined to his bed since the beginning of the year.

He was a good man and his life in this community was lived without reproach. He was kindly and pleasant at all times and always ready to lend a helping hand to those in distress or in need of help.

The funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Welch home. Rev. D. M. Beggs officiating. Messames Chambers and Beggs sang two duets and Mrs. Beggs a solo. Mrs. F. B. Kelly was accompanist. A large number of acquaintances, friends and neighbors followed the body to its last resting place in the Ashland cemetery.

William Burnett Roberts was born August 20, 1846, at Fulton county, Ill. Died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. James Welch, southeast of Ashland on Monday afternoon, May 11, 1925, aged 78 years, 9 months and 21 days.

He came with his father from Illinois on June 10, 1864, and settled on a homestead four miles southeast of Ashland. Was married August 29, 1871, to Miss Sara S. Beeler. To this union were born seven children.

Sylvia A. Weeks, of Tongonoxie, Kans.; Lena V. Cockerill, of Madrid, Neb.; Belle Welch, of Ashland, Neb.; J. M. Roberts, of Norfolk, Neb. He was preceded in death by his wife and three children: J. J.; Clifford B.; and an infant son.

Mr. Roberts has been a member of the Congregational church for many years, his father and mother being charter members of the local church.

He is also survived by five sisters: Mrs. Jennie Wilburn, Indianola, Neb.; Mrs. Y. H. Roegner, Stapleton, Neb.; Mrs. Amos Bricker, Ashland, Neb.; Mrs. Lottie Littlefield, Aurora, Neb.; Mrs. Mattie St. Claire, of California. Four brothers: J. P. Roberts, Oregon; John Fitz Roberts, Omaha, Neb.; T. V. Roberts, of Plattsmouth, Neb.; J. J. Roberts, Sioux Falls, S. D. Seventeen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.—Ashland Gazette.

Mr. Roberts was a brother of the late Joseph M. Roberts of this city for many years one of the well known bankers of this county.

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MASONIC BODIES TO FURNISH ROOMS IN INFIRMARY BUILDING

Every Branch of the Fraternity in This City to Have a Part in Furnishing Rooms.

From Friday's Daily— The Plattsmouth Masonic bodies have a record of 100 per cent in their assistance in the completion of the new infirmary building of the Nebraska Masonic Home.

When the building was first started the members of Mt. Zion commandery No. 5, Knights Templar, made the request that they be allowed to furnish the operating room which will be an important part of the equipment of the building to care for surgical cases and the equipment which will cost from \$600 to \$800, will be given by this branch of the fraternity and will make one of the best equipped and modern operating rooms in any hospital in the state.

Following the action of the Templars, the members of Nebraska Chapter No. 3, Royal Arch Masons, voted to equip one of the private rooms in the building which will entail a cost of \$200 for furnishings and will be of the latest type of steel furniture that will follow the uniform style adopted for use in the infirmary.

Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M., has also voted to equip one of the rooms as a memorial from the order and which will follow the lines of the other rooms in furnishings and arrangements for the care of the patients who will be cared for at the infirmary.

The ladies of the Order of Eastern Star also are to have their part in the work of making the infirmary building a real one for the care of the sick as Home Chapter No. 185 has voted to go ahead and have a room prepared as a gift from the chapter to the care and comfort of the sick and ailing members of the Masonic fraternity and the Eastern Star.

Other Masonic bodies over the state are also joining in their work of furnishing the rooms of infirmary.

FINE RAINFALLS HELP CROPS

From Thursday's Daily— Burlington rain reports Wednesday morning showed a very heavy rain in the Republican valley, two inches falling at Alma and Republican and lighter rains east and west of these points. Some hail fell at Naponee. The Wymore division reported from one-half to one inch of rain, the Lincoln division reported light showers in many localities and the Omaha division reported three-fourths of an inch along the O'Neill line and lighter rains elsewhere.

The weather report, which covers but a few localities where rains were heaviest, shows Fairbury with .70 of an inch, the heaviest rainfall, two inches at O'Neill reported .52 and Ashland .47; Auburn and Okadale .33; Red Cloud .25 and Columbus .20, Tekamah .15 and Fairmont .13, Grand Island .16 and North Loup .18; Hartington, Hastings, Broken Bow, North Platte and Valentine reported no rainfall.

A deluge of rain and hail driven by a hard wind swept Smith county, Kansas, Tuesday, damage resulting to crops of all kinds. At some points three inches of water came down within an hour and travel is held up by swollen streams. Thousands of acres of corn washed out or buried will have to be replanted.

Reports continue to show that a strip running north and southeast of Kearnsburg in eastern Colorado is very much in need of rain and that many are suffering there, while southeastern Nebraska and northwestern Kansas have had good rains and the soil is in good condition.

NEBRASKA CITY SNEAK DAY

From Thursday's Daily— This morning a caravan of autos, gaily bedecked with the white and blue class colors of the seniors of Nebraska City high school, arrived in this city, bearing the members of that class of the high school of that city. The young people were holding their annual "sneak" day and spent the time here en route over the city and also visiting Plattsmouth high school and taking in the labors of the Plattsmouth school folks. A large part of the visitors later motored on to Omaha to enjoy a visit in the state metropolis.

NEW BOY ARRIVES

From Thursday's Daily— The home of Mr. and Mrs. Orvil Newton, south of the city, was made much happier on Saturday last by the arrival of a fine little son and heir. Both the mother and little one are doing nicely and the occasion has brought a great deal of pleasure to the proud father.

Miss Dorothea Pond departed this morning for Omaha where she will enjoy a visit over the week end with her relatives and friends in that city.

John L. Tidball, Sr., was a passenger this morning for Omaha to spend a few hours on some matters of business.

ATHLETIC CLUB ELECTS

From Friday's Daily— Last evening the Business Men's Athletic club met the high school gym for their regular weekly meeting and to be put through their drills and exercises by W. G. Kieck, the official director of the club.

In addition to the regular work on by the members of the club, the ensuing year were elected, consisting of the following: President—John L. Tidball, Jr. Secretary—Treasurer—L. W. Niel. Mr. Kieck was re-elected to the position of physical director for the ensuing year and Dr. P. T. Hazenmann named as the assistant to the county attorney in handling the work of the club.

MRS. MARY THOMPSON SUGGUMBS

Aged Lady Passed Away at 5 O'clock This Morning at the Home on Lincoln Avenue.

From Thursday's Daily— This morning at 5 o'clock, Mrs. Mary Thompson, one of the aged residents of the city, answered the last summons after an illness of a few weeks duration and during which time she has been gradually failing in health until death came to her relief and closed the story of her life.

The deceased lady was born January 19, 1845, and has been a resident of this city since 1886, when she and her husband came here from the east and have since made their home in this community. The husband and father passed on January 13, 1891, and since that time Mrs. Thompson has remained at the family home on Lincoln avenue.

A few years ago her son, J. E. Thompson, passed away and since that time she has been alone the greater part of the time as the family of the son had removed to Omaha, altho the daughter-in-law and grandson came here frequently to look after the care of the aged lady.

Mrs. Thompson is survived by three grandchildren, Glen Thompson of Omaha, Mrs. Milton Seltz of Los Angeles and Mrs. Myrtle Spenser of Portland, Oregon, Mrs. J. E. Thompson, her daughter-in-law of Omaha. There also remains one sister, Mrs. Maria Knuck of Fort Madison, Iowa. There is also a nephew who resides at Shenandoah, Iowa.

Funeral arrangements will be made on the arrival of the grandson this afternoon, but it is thought that the services will be held on Saturday from the late home.

ENJOY FINE DANCE

From Thursday's Daily— Last evening a large number of the residents of this city who are devotees of dancing motored over to Papillion where the evening was spent in dancing to the music of Randall's Royal orchestra of Omaha which was down to entertain the public. Among those going were A. O. Moore and wife, John Brady and wife, Waldemar Soennichsen and wife, Henry George Soennichsen and wife, Miss Kathryn Waddick, Miss Elizabeth Waddick, E. J. Richey and wife, G. O. Dovesy and wife, Robert M. Walling, Carl P. Ote, Fred Tritsch, and Charles Edward Egenberger.

MRS. FRED PATTERSON GOES TO LAST REWARD

Death Occurred at Home at Rock Bluffs Yesterday Afternoon After Long Illness.

From Thursday's Daily— The death of Mrs. Mary Frances Patterson, wife of County Surveyor Fred Patterson, occurred yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the family home in Rock Bluffs where for the past few weeks Mrs. Patterson has been in most serious condition, suffering from cancer.

While the family have known for some time that the recovery of the wife and mother was impossible, the blow is severely felt and in their loss the sorrowing ones have the deep sympathy of the very large circle of friends over the entire county.

The deceased lady was born in Illinois, May 14, 1860, and when the death messenger came she was just a few hours from her sixty-fifth birthday. When a girl of eighteen she came with her parents to the frontier town of Rock Bluffs where the family settled and have since made their home for the greater part of the time. It was there that she was married to Joseph Thomas, who preceded her in death. To this union there is living three sons, all of whom are here at the side of the mother, Roy and Marion Thomas, who reside in South Dakota and John Thomas who lives at the Patterson home. Later at the old home in 1902, the deceased lady was united in marriage to Fred Patterson, pioneer resident of that section of Cass county. To this union there was born one daughter, Efa Marie Patterson, who with the husband is left to mourn her death.

There are also four step-children, Chase and Robert Patterson, who reside at Rock Bluffs, Mrs. Will Baker of near Murray and Mrs. Ed Baker of Nebraska City.

Mrs. Patterson had made her home for some years in this city and by her quiet and unassuming life made many warm friends among those who were privileged to know her best and in her taking away the community has suffered a distinct loss that will be hard to replace.

The funeral services of Mrs. Patterson will be held on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the late home and the interment will be made at the Rock Bluffs cemetery. The Rev. H. G. McCluskey, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will have charge of the services.

MRS. OZBUN SOME BETTER

From Friday's Daily— The many friends of Mrs. Elvira Ozburn in this city will be pleased to know that this estimable lady is some better now, following a severe sickness for a few days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. S. Briggs, on Chicago avenue. Mrs. Ozburn arrived here Sunday from Indianola, Iowa, where she has been spending the winter with another daughter, and has been feeling very poorly since reaching here, the trip having been quite a strain on the aged lady who is now in her eighty-eighth year. It is hoped in the next few days that the patient will be able to regain her strength and be able to enjoy her visit here with the relatives and old friends.

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