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## COUNTY CELEBRATION HERE JULY FOURTH

PLANS TO MAKE OCCASION ONE OF MOST PLEASANT FOR YOUNG AND OLD.

## FREE ENTERTAINMENT OFFERED

Band Concerts, Free Baseball Games, Sports of All Kinds and Big Display of Fireworks.

From Thursday's Daily— The first preliminary steps for the proper observance of the Fourth of July were taken last evening when members of the Plattsmouth Ad club and the Chamber of Commerce got together to start the ball rolling for another big and successful observance of the nation's birthday.

The general committee that will have charge of the celebration will consist of Guy W. Morgan, Henry F. Goos, Frank M. Bestor, Waldemar Soennichsen and these will be supplemented by a large number of committees that will have special duties in looking after some form of the entertaining features of the day.

It is planned to have two bands playing during the entire day, the Plattsmouth and the Weeping Water band, if possible to secure, being the ones to furnish the music for the day.

For the lovers of the great national sport there will be two games of baseball free of charge to the public, staged at the local baseball park, with the Plattsmouth team and that of several of the towns over the county being the opposing foes on the diamond.

A large number of the other sports will be arranged for the day and which will be under the supervision of Fred H. Vincent and Henry Leacock, who were so successful last season.

The water fight between the Weeping Water and Plattsmouth fire departments will be staged at the local arena and the residents of every section of Cass county will be invited to be present and enjoy the day.

There will be other features, including a big display of fireworks in the evening that will add to the enjoyment of the crowd here on that day and the residents of every section of Cass county will be invited to be present and enjoy the day.

## PLATTSMOUTH ELKS TO AT-TEND FLAG DAY OBSERVANCE

From Friday's Daily— At the last meeting of Plattsmouth lodge of Elks No. 739, it was decided that instead of having a special flag day ceremony here the members of this lodge should attend the flag day observance of Omaha lodge of Elks No. 29, which will be held at Hanscom park at Omaha, Sunday afternoon, June 14, at 4:00 p. m.

General George B. Duncan will deliver the address and Attorney Raymond G. Young will speak on the history of the American flag. Vocal and instrumental music will be provided by the Elks glee club and the American legion drum corps.

Observance of flag day is considered by Elks as second only in importance to their memorial day and a large number of Plattsmouth Elks with their families and friends will attend the flag day observance at Hanscom park next Sunday.

## MEETING OLD FRIENDS IN THIS PART OF COUNTRY

George Berger, of Orange, California, who is back in Nebraska on a business trip, is having a good time meeting his many old time friends in this part of the country. He has been visiting in Elmwood and Hardock and came over here for a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ahl before going to Omaha to visit his daughter, Mrs. Cecil Zachary and family at 1505 Park avenue.

He will then return to Louisville for a more extensive visit with his friends here. Mr. Berger is looking fine and one would hardly take him to be 78, which he claims is his age. He is one of our early pioneers and says they own a comfortable home in California, where they enjoy the most beautiful surroundings, both Mr. Berger and wife have a great love for their old home state.

Mr. Berger has been a man of good business ability and great industry has well earned the life of comfort he and his wife now enjoy and their friends here will wish them continued health and success in all their undertakings. — Louisville Courier.

## A SENSATION!

For Ford cars, trucks and tractors, "Hot Shot" timer brush, works right in your old worn out shell. \$1.50 post paid. Money back if not satisfied. S. A. Van Winkle, agent. 110-6td-4tw

## BOYS SELLING JUNK

From Friday's Daily— The police in the past week have received a large number of complaints from all parts of the city of young boys prowling around the homes and business houses, gathering up small articles and selling them to junk dealers and which in several cases has resulted in valuable articles taken and sold. The complaints have been especially strong from residents in the business section of the city where articles that have been left at the rear of the stores have been taken and sold.

## SUFFERS SEVERE ACCIDENT WORK-ING AT NEW BRIDGE

Ted Renner Struck on Head by Crow-bar While Helping Move Pile Driver at Structure.

From Friday's Daily— Yesterday afternoon, Ted Renner, who has been engaged on the new auto and wagon bridge that is under construction over the Platte river, was the victim of a very painful and serious accident which he can feel fortunate did not result fatally for him.

The bridge is just in the first stages of driving the piling for the structure and the large wooden pile driver is moved when desired by barring the machine along over the bridge structure to the place desired to start work.

This was what was being done yesterday when the accident to Mr. Renner occurred. The young man with others was engaged in using a plinch bar to pry the pile driver along to the desired location and suddenly the board on which Mr. Renner was standing, slipped, in an instant causing him to fall and while he was falling the bar that he had been using also fell and alighted on the head of Mr. Renner. The bar inflicted a wound some two and a half inches long on the top of the head and greatly shocked and bruised the young man as well.

As soon as the accident occurred, Mr. Ogle, the engineer in charge of the construction work, had Mr. Renner loaded into an ambulance and brought him on into the city where he had his injuries dressed at the office of the Drs. Livingston and which required some time to get the young man back in normal condition.

Mr. Renner is one of the leaders in the state, for many years being prominent and active in the political and business life of the entire state and his coming here insures a message that will be well worth while and carry some vital and important fact with it.

## WEeping WATER HAS REAL METRO-POLITAN ASPECT

With Improved Electric Service, Extended Water Mains, Paving and Electroliners in Few Years.

From Thursday's Daily— In company with the Legion Drum and Bugle corps, a Journal representative visited Weeping Water last night, and it being our first visit to the town, we were greatly impressed with the changed appearance of the business section of the town.

A dozen or more blocks of fine concrete paving has been completed there in the past few weeks and a metropolitan white granite Main street the entire length of the business section.

Other improvements that have been accomplished in the past few years include the extension of water mains and rebuilding of the water works system, and the securing of electric current from the transmission lines of the Nebraska Gas and Electric company, holding the local plant intact to take over the lighting load at any time it might become necessary.

The Weeping Water band, one of the very creditable musical organizations of southeastern Nebraska, gives weekly concerts on Thursday nights for the entertainment of the citizens of the community.

We found Weeping Water business men greatly regretting the defeat of the road graveling tax by the voters of the road district south of there, as they had pledged nearly a thousand dollars to help with the work, and feel that all concerned would be benefited far more than the cost with an all-year-round road south from there to the O street road.

## ENJOYING NEW HOME HERE

From Thursday's Daily— Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hiatt and family and Mr. Fred Heinrich, father of Mrs. Hiatt, are again residents of this city, having just moved here from Murray where they have made their home for a number of years. The family are residing on Seventh street in the Frank Gobelman property and which makes them a very pleasant home. The old friends are pleased to see them once again back in this city to reside and the change makes it much more pleasant for Mr. Hiatt who is one of the members of the H. M. Soennichsen company firm here and assisting in the large department store, one of the largest in this section of the state.

## A Letter that Didn't Boost

(Copied from a Minnesota Newspaper)

The Booster Clubs of Southern California have asked their friends to write letters "back East telling the truth about that part of the country." One woman wrote as follows—

Oh! Come to the land of the western sun, Where every business is overdone; Where the stores that freight on the goods made here, Ask them the reason, they think you're queer! They serve you climate with all your meals— It's so blame hot your back just peels. The "Anninias club" includes the state From San Diego to the Golden Gate. The movie stars marry twice a year— Would marry again if the way was clear. The grape fruit here is something fine, Cross between lemon and pumpkin rind. Where cows eat barley instead of hay, And the cream gets lost in the milky way. They sell you lots that are made by hand, And make you believe it is really land. The view of the ocean is very nice— That is included with the price. They weigh the sack and then the fruit, Then weigh them again, and their figures to boot. They claim it is wet if it rains once a year— You get so dry you can't shed a tear. The chickens have mites, and the dogs have fleas, The desert wind blows, and the oranges freeze. We shovel sand; you shovel snow— Just about a standoff, as far as I know. So tune up your fivver and start for the West, Where jobs are scarce and pay is less. Bring all your cash and plenty of clothes— When you get any more, the Lord only knows. I'm telling this story, which is true, As seen by me through eyes of blue. If the Booster club ever gets this back— They will change my eyes from blue to black. They asked us to write the truth to a friend, Now I have done so, and this is the end.

This is the way A. S. Will sees California at the present time. We'll take Nebraska.

From Friday's Daily— The committee that has had charge of securing a speaker for the Fourth of July celebration have been most successful in securing one of the best known statesmen and business men in southeastern Nebraska, Arthur J. Weaver of Falls City as their orator for the day.

Mr. Weaver is one of the leaders in the state, for many years being prominent and active in the political and business life of the entire state and his coming here insures a message that will be well worth while and carry some vital and important fact with it.

Mr. Weaver was the president of the last constitutional convention drew the present basis code of laws under which the state is operating, and at the convention was one of the most influential of the members. He has been very strongly urged at several times to enter the race for governor of the state and could easily have been nominated for this office but believed that his usefulness could be greater in other lines outside of the political office.

The Plattsmouth and Cass county people can depend upon it that they will have a real oration here on July 4th that will be practical and filled with something that is really worth while. The announcement of the fact that Mr. Weaver will be the speaker for the celebration here will add greater interest to the occasion as he is in great demand at national and state gatherings.

## BUILDING WATER PLANT

Phil Hall, banker of Greenwood, W. E. Hand, member of the town board, and P. A. Sanborn were Gretna visitors last Friday noon. They came over to inspect our city water plant. Mr. Sanborn informs us that he is now in business at Greenwood. He sells implements, autos, and conducts a garage and filling station. His son, Clayton, is with him. He hasn't moved there yet, but expects to soon as he can get a house. P. A. looks as natural as ever. Friday evening the entire village board of Greenwood met with our village board. They came over to get the experience of our village dads on the water system, as Greenwood has voted \$24,000 in bonds to build a plant of their own. Greenwood has had enough fires in the past to build several water systems and they are now on the right track. Our village dads showed them every courtesy possible. — Gretna Breeze.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crandall and children were in Omaha Thursday afternoon where they spent a few hours with Mrs. John Bowles, mother of Mrs. Crandall, who was brought to the Lord Lister hospital from her home at Holdrege, for an operation.

## NEBRASKA CITY LADY SUES FOR \$90,000 DAMAGE

Mrs. Lydia T. Holland Files Suit Against Her Former Neighbors at Nebraska City.

From Friday's Daily— Mrs. Lydia T. Holland filed a damage suit for \$90,200 Thursday in federal court against Fred Stahlhut, Henry Knabe, Fritz Albers, Dick Shomerus, Frank B. Sim, Lon T. Tyson, John J. Combs and George B. Beyke, all of Nebraska City. Her petition alleges malicious prosecution and consequent suffering, humiliation and financial injury.

Mrs. Holland for many years operated a 235 acre farm near Nebraska City, the petition sets forth, where she built up an extensive business in raising blooded horses and cattle and thoroughbred hogs, marketing them for breeding purposes. On May 2 of last year the defendants petitioned the Otoe county court to appoint a guardian for her, declaring that she was neglecting her stock, was incompetent to run the business, and was in danger of becoming a public charge through the foreclosure of a mortgage on her farm and her alleged incompetency. On June 28, after the case had been tried in the county court, Judge A. A. Bischoff dismissed the suit.

Meantime, Mrs. Holland says, the Nebraska City papers and others had published reports of the action, adding unofficial comments by the petitioners. She cites one of these which stated that there wasn't enough feed on the place for the stock which was roaming at will over neighboring fields; another that she was involved in litigation over the mortgage on her farm and likely to lose everything.

As a result of this publicity, although the case was dismissed by the court as without foundation, her creditors took alarm and forced liquidation, she says, ruining her business. She asks \$200 for the expenses of fighting the suit; \$35,000 for the damage to her credit; \$25,000 for the sacrifice of her property, and \$20,000 for suffering, disgrace, humiliation; a total of \$90,200. Mrs. Holland now lives in Cawker City, Kan. Andrew Moran and D. W. Livingston are her attorneys in this proceeding.

From Thursday's Daily— Last Thursday there arrived at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, a stranger, who was very strange in his actions and seemed to be laboring with some mental trouble and finally on last Saturday the man was picked up and adjudged mentally unbalanced.

The stranger has a very peculiar story to tell and which seems strongly borne out by circumstances. The man did not apparently know his own name or his home, but through his rambling conversation and answers to questions put to him, he gave details of an assault which he claimed had occurred near Plattsmouth.

The man when urged to give his name and residence would branch off on the story of the assault, relating how he had been driving a car along the highway near Plattsmouth had seen a tire in the road and when he got out of the car to pick up the tire someone struck him on the head and proceeded to make away with his money and his car.

## TELLS STRANGE STORY OF ASSAULT NEAR THIS CITY

Man Picked Up at Mt. Pleasant, Ia., Has Story that Seems Backed by Evidence of Crime.

How the man got to Mt. Pleasant he is unable to explain any more than he can who he is or where he came from and his case is one that baffles the Iowa officers.

The story of the strange man is given some credence at Mt. Pleasant as automobile keys were found on his key ring and also he had a bad gash on the top of his head as though he had been struck there by a club or some blunt instrument.

There has been no assault case reported in the last few weeks to the authorities here and if the man was injured near here as he claims, he must have been gotten out of the way by his assailant or in the injured condition wandered on east into Iowa along the main line of the Burlington to Mt. Pleasant, where he was found.

Efforts are being made by the Mt. Pleasant authorities to try and learn who the man is and where he came from to that place.

## THE WETS SANG WITH GUSTO

A Nebraska clergyman was telling his flock about the terrible effects of strong drink and concluded with the words "I hope that they will soon come when every bottle of this cursed liquor will be taken away and emptied into the nearest river. . . . We will now sing hymn No. 204, 'Shall We Gather at the River?'"

## BIG DAILIES VANISHING

There seems to be a race on between Mr. Munsey of New York and Mr. Curtis of Philadelphia, to see who can buy the largest number of big metropolitan dailies. It may be that in a few years four or five men will own and control all the large dailies in our country. The country weeklies and small city dailies remain in the big independent group of newspapers. There are some four-tenth thousand of these published and read in the homes of the people and reaching a majority of the population.

## AVOCA LADY IS INJURED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. P. H. Nuttmann Suffers Severe Injuries When Car in Which She Is Riding Overturns.

From Friday's Daily— Another auto accident occurred yesterday afternoon on the O street road a few miles north of Avoca that resulted in the serious injury to Mrs. P. H. Nuttmann of Avoca.

Mrs. Nuttmann had been driving with Rev. and Mrs. Kokek, old friends and neighbors, whom she had out for an outing, and the car had been going along very nicely until Mrs. Nuttmann attempted to make a turn from the O street road into one of the highways leading into Weeping Water when the car took a sudden turn on the very highly crowned road and in an instant was overturned.

The occupants of the car were all more or less bruised and shaken up and Mrs. Nuttmann, the most severely injured of the members of the party suffered very severe bruises and also the fracture of two ribs. The injured lady was taken to her home where Dr. Shaw of Otoe was summoned to care for her injuries as Dr. J. W. Brendel of Avoca was absent from home, and in a short time the injured lady was made as comfortable as possible although she is still very stiff and sore as the result of the accident.

## HENRY PICKARD PASSES ON

Henry Pickard was born at Leeds, England, February 6, 1853, and made that his home until he was grown and when 21 years of age was united in marriage with Miss Lillie Stuck, they coming to America and settling at Valley where they lived until 1903, when they moved to Havelock, Neb., and have made that place their home ever since. Mr. Pickard was a plasterer and mason at which he worked until very recently. He was sick for only a short time and passed away on last Saturday, the funeral being last Sunday. Mr. Pickard leaves to mourn his departure the wife, five sons and two daughters, they being, Aubrey, Frank and Leonard Pickard of Havelock; Richard of Manley, Samuel of McCook and Miss Mattie Pickard of Beatrice and Mrs. Lillian Benjamin of Havelock.

Miss Mona Kelf, former commercial teacher in the Plattsmouth high school and who has been teaching in Vermont for the past year, is here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rawls, while enroute to her home at Curtis, Nebraska.

## ALPHONSE KITRELL DIES

Alphonse Kitrell, a young man of 29 years of South Bend, was taken with an attack of appendicitis about two weeks since and was taken to a hospital in Omaha where he underwent an operation for relief, but following which he was taken worse and on Tuesday of last week passed away. The funeral was held at the church in South Bend on Thursday and interment made at the cemetery at South Bend.

## FOR SALE

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