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War on Traffic Ordinance Violators Continues

Under Orders of City Government Police Round Up Those Who Pass Up Signs.

From Thursday's Daily-This morning Judge William Weber had a docket of some eight per- very pleasing to the genial auctionsons who were charged with having violated the ordinances of the city in of western Iowa and some of the fin-"crashing" the stop signs that were placed on the main streets of the Omaha market. city two months ago and which the city government has ordered shall be respected by the motorists.

The task assigned the night police has kept them busy as the large volume of traffic through the main centers of the city are very heavy until late at night and the motorists continue more or less travel during the entire night, and the police have been kept busy in checking up those and drive through them without

The game bag last night showed some eight persons who were ordered to report to the office of Judge Weber and were given today to make their appearance before the court and settle the matter with his honor. One of the persons arrested, claimed Omaha as his residence and arranged bond for the appearance here before

The duty of the daytime enforcement of the ordinance falls on the shoulders of Chief of Police Johnson and keeps him very active in checking up on the motorists.

Last evening Officer Libershal also compelled one of the visiting fruit dealers who had neglected to comply "Sam, with the occupation tax to "come through" with the necessary tax in order to be able to continue to handle his wares in the city and which he did after some protest.

WILL HANDLE CONTRACT

From Thursday's Dally-

to assist in the erecting of a tower the band. on one of the islands in the Platte | Director W. R. Holly and the memriver on which the Nebraska Power | bers of the band have given some fine Co., of Omaha will string their lines programs in the course of the sumthat lead to the new cement factory mer concerts that have been sponat Louisville. The part that the two sored by the city and afforded a fine Messers Richardson will have in the series of high class entertainments. contract for the tower work is that of the transportation of sand and the cement and the work on the base of

The tower being located on an island requires that the material be transported from the main land by boat and the weight of the sand and cement makes quite a problem in getting it over to the island and the services of John and Floyd Richardson. who are expert bridge men, has been secured and they will start in today on the task that will take some little time to complete.

SUFFERS SEVERE INJURY

From Friday's Daily-Last evening Albert Friel, resident of this city, suffered a very severe injury at Union, where he has been employed and as the result of the accident Mr. Friel will be laid up From Thursday's Dallyfor some time.

Mr. Friel was walking along the number was not caught, came along pleasant visit in the northland. at a very high rate of speed and the continued on its way without checking its speed when it struck the unfortunate man. Mr. Friel was thrown to the side of the roadway and his The injured man was brought to from Winnepeg to Vancouver. Plattsmouth by a passing auto party and the dislocated shoulder was dressed and made as comfortable as possible.

VISIT FROM KANSAS

trip and enjoyed the many interest- by the operation. ing places through this section of Nebraska while en route here to visit with the relatives here.

DEPART FOR CHICAGO

From Thursday's Dattya trip through sections of Illinois joyed the trip very much. where the Becker family formerly resided before coming to Nebraska.

REX MAKES BIG SALES

Col. W. R. Young, who in addition to being boss auctioneer of this section of Nebraska, is also deputy sheriff, was called to Omaha yesterday to conduct a baby beef sale at the stock yards, a very pleasing recognition of his services given by the Roberts Brothers Commission Co., who Mesdames J. T. Begley, Robert Wallhad called Mr. Young and asked him to officiate at the sale. The sales ranged from 1114 to 1414 and the sales topped the Chicago market of the day previous and was a very fine sale from all viewpoints and is eer. The beeves were from the farms est that have been offered on the

Request Night at Band Concert Goes Over Big

who have ignored the stop signs Popular Numbers Are Featured in the Concert by the Eagles Band in Response to Requests.

From Thursday's Daily-

Last evening there was a very large attendance at the weekly concert offering of the Eagles band and the evening was devoted to the rendition of a program of request numbers that embraced a great many of the popular song hits of the day as well as standard band numbers and all! were received with the most marked approval by the large audience that were grouped around the court house lawn, on benches and in autos to enjoy the treat.

In addition to the popular selec-tions, "Mary Lou," Rosy Cheeks," the Old Accordian Man,' "Ain't She Sweet," "Hoosier Sweetheart," Barcelona," and "It All Depends on You." the band offered the standard number, "The Mill in the Forest," and the characteristic, "The

Bull in the China Shop." The concerts probably will terminate with the next concert on Wednesday evening, August 31st and the

FORMER RESIDENT ILL

From Thursday's Daily-

A message has been received here husband and father, William Porter in as good condition as possible. died some years ago. Mrs. Porter is the mother of Ernest Porter of this the west.

ENJOYS CANADIAN TRIP

L. O. Minor, superintendent of the Plattsmouth Water Co., who has main street at Union in the vicinity been visiting for a short time in of the Missouri Pacific tracks and as Canada, looking over the land in the he was so engaged, a car bearing " western part of the dominion, return-Missouri license plate, but whose ed home yesterday and reports a most

Mr. Minor was at Calgary and car which was driven by a woman, other localities in the northwest and Alberta, finding the wheat to be exceptionally fine and ready for the harvest that is to start at once in right shoulder was badly dislocated the great wheat belt that extends tlemen's prize was awarded to Mr.

DOING VERY NICELY

From Thursday's Dally-The many friends of M. M. Beal of this city will be well pleased to learn that Mr. Beal came through his operation Tuesday at the Imman-The home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest uel hospital in Omaha, in very nice Rhodes has been the scene of a very shape and last evening when the last pleasant family party for several word was received from the hospital days, they having with them Mr. and the patient was feeling a great deal Mrs. A. Rhodes, parents of Forrest better and the attending physicians and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hennon well pleased at the outlook for the the latter a sister of Mr. Rhodes. The speedy recovery of Mr. Beal. The members of the party made the trip patient has suffered for several years from their home at Washington from attacks of bladder trouble and From Friday's Daily-Kansas, by auto and had a very fine which it is hoped will be eliminated

GIVE CHILDREN TREAT

Mrs. Celia Lancaster, assisted by Mrs. Edna Stiles, took the Sunbeam class over to Shenandoah as a treat made a very pleasing part of the This morning Mr. and Mrs. H. E. to the children for learning part of evening of enjoyment. Becker, Misses Leone and Verla Beck- the 17th chapter of St. John. The er and John Sattler, Jr., and William children were Marguerite Snodgrass. H. Schmidtmann, departed for Chi- Berla Helen Ault, Evelyn Warthen. cago, making the trip by auto and Joyce Lalt, Howard and Delbert on their arrival at the windy city Schwenneker. Elbert and Teddy will be the guests of Harley Becker Green, Roland and Neil Lancaster for a few days and are also planning Doren and Dale Bornman and all en-

All local news is in the Journal.

Give Farewell for Judge Beeson and His Wife

ing and L. L. Turpin Are Hostesses of the Event.

From Thursday's Daily-Los Angeles where they expect to two weeks. make their home in the future.

Throughout the rooms the fall

flowers lent a touch of color and

charm to the scene and the color scheme of red and white was carried out very pleasantly in the lome. The evening was spent in bridge and in which the playing developed great skill in two of our prominent families, as both the first honors for ladies and gentlemen were captured by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberison while the two consolation prizes were awarded to Mr. and Mrs.

Luke L. Wiles. Judge and Mrs. Beeson were presented with a handsome guest prize. In the latter part of the evening a number of very charming vocal general regret that is felt in the that has for the past twenty years community at the forthcoming de- been an annual event. parture of the Beesons from this The scene of the reunion was one city where they have been very prom- of the most attractive nature, the

evening of the rarest pleasure.

COMPLAIN OF CEMETERY

From Thursday's Daily-

The Journal has received a nummotored to Louisville this morning where they are to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower they are to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to take up a contract to assist in the erecting of a tower to take up a contract to take up city of the silent where sleep those permitted to gaze upon them today. who have been loved and lost a little

etery that that the weeds are very Wiles of this city, one 86 and the high in many places and growing other 84, both veterans of the civil between lots and generally causing war and who are grandsons of two the cemetery to appear very untidy of the Wiles brothers of early days. and neglected save in a few isolated Both of these splendid old gentlemen lots where there is evidence of care and thoughtfulness.

There should be an effort made by relatives announcing the very ser, to have attention given to the cutious condition of Mrs. Laura Porter, ting the weeds and grass in the former resident here for a great many cemetery before the coming winter years and who has been making her season and while the task of cuthome for the past few years with her ting the grass and weeds in the cemdaughter at Seaside, Oregon. Mrs. ettry is too large for the sexton to Porter will be well remembered in be able to carry out alone there this city, where the family was very should be a step taken to have this active in the community life and the work done and the cemetery placed

The general system of handling the cemetery seems to be one that city and Miss Myrta Porter, well does not give the best result and the known educator and now teaching in affairs should be placed in the hands of a cemetery association that could give it more time and attention or the sexton should be paid a salary that would allow him giving practically all of his time to the care of the cemetery which under the present system is impossible.

ENTERTAINS AT BRIDGE

From Friday's Daily-

Last evening Mrs. H. L. Gamer entertained a group of the friends at the Robertson home on Vine street through the great wheat country of and where the evening was most pleasantly spent in the diversions of this fascinating game. The first ladies prize as well as the first genand Mrs. Joe Hennis. The second ladies prize was awarded to Mrs. De-Witt Smith while Mrs. W. G. Kieck received the consolation prize. In the gentlemen's contest Judge A. H. Duxbury was awarded the second prize and DeWitt Smith, the consolation prize The decorations of the home were

in the fall flowers.

Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess who was assisted by Mrs. R. P. Westover and Miss Jessie Robertson.

GIVES FAREWELL BRIDGE

Last evening Miss Maxine Cloidt gave a very charming farewell bridge at her home on high school hill complimentary to Miss Marguerite Lynn, who is soon to leave for Lincoln to make her home in the future. The home was attractively arrang-

ed with the fall garden flowers and Several tables of bridge were enjoyed by the young people and in the playing Miss Margaret Iverson received the first prize, Miss Marie Vallery

the second prize and the guest prize was awarded to Miss Lynn. freshments were served by the hos- that locality. tess who was assisted by her mother,

DEPARTS FOR INDIANA

From Thursday's Dally-

This morning at an early hour Dr J. H. Hall and Road Engineer E. H Douglass departed for an auto trip through Indiana, making the journey in the auto of Dr. Hall. They will visit a number of places in the east and Mr. Douglass will stop at Camp Perry, Ohio, near Cleveland, where the national rifle shoot will be held and where he will compete with some of the experts from many of the states of the union. He will also Last evening the pleasant home of visit with relatives in Indiana. Dr. Judge and Mrs. James T. Begiey was Hall will spend some time at Alexscene of a very pleasant social andria, Indiana, with relatives and gathering given by Mrs. Begley, Mrs. also at Anderson, and while there Robert Walling and Mrs. L. L. Tur- will attend the Indiana state fair pin in honor of Judge and Mrs. Allen that is to be held at Indianapolis J. Beeson, who are soon to leave for The party expect to be absent some

Wiles Family Holds Its Annual Reunion in Iowa

Some 200 Members of the Family Are Present at Park at Glenwood for Fine Event.

From Friday's Dally-Yesterday at Glenwood there wa gathered from 150 to 200 members selections were given by Mrs. E. H. of the Wiles family from Mills coun-Wescott and Mr. Wescott at the ty, Iowa, and Cass county, Nebraska. piano and also a number of the as well as a few from Missouri, who

inent in the social life of the city, beautiful park at Glenwood with its and where their absence will be very lake and places of recreation formkeenly felt by the very large circle ing a wonderful setting for the event

This family has traced their des-During the evening dainty and cent to Luke Wiles, a resident of delicious refrechments were served the state of North Carolina in the that added to the completion of an year 1765 and from whom in direct line came many of the members of the party while others by marriage have become a part of the family tree of this pioneer stock that embraces hundreds in the states of Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri. Thomas Wiles

> The two oldest members of the gave short talks on their wartime experiences and histories of their branches of the family tree.

At the election of the officers for the year Myron Wiles of Glenwood was named president, C. L. Wiles of and also re-elected as treasurer while Luke L. Wiles of this city was

It was voted to hold the 1928 repark and which makes an ideal place for the annual event that it held both both sides of the border, in Cass and Mills county.

RETURN FROM AUTO TRIP

From Thursday's Dally-A party of Cass county people com-

posed of Mr. and Mrs. John Bierl, Carl Ulrich and Rose Hausladen have just returned from a trip to the northwest part of the state and which included a stay in Holt county with old time friends of the Cass county people and also a pleasant drive through Rock county. They found a wonderful hay crop in that section of the state and while there is not the large corn and wheat farms of this section of the state, the hay crop is one of the best that that section of Nebraska has enjoyed. The trip was made via the Chevrolet route and the party had no car trouble to mar their pleasure and found great interest in the many towns and fine farms that they had the op portunity of visiting.

RETURNS FROM VACATION

From Friday's Daily-Miss Grace Nolting, who has been enjoying a very pleasant vacation very serious infection of one of the at Pierce and Plainview, Nebraska, as well as other points in that section ed lockjaw and from which she sufof the state, returned home on Wed- fered several attacks before the afnesday night and reports a most de- fliction was curbed and the patient lightful time. Miss Nolting also had relieved. Mrs. Redd was under the a very fine time at South Sioux City, care of Dr. Hotz, nephew of Mrs. Iowa, where she was a teacher in the L. B. Egenberger of this city, and public schools for a number of years gives his handling of the case full and where her friends are legion credit for her recovery. The infecamong the teaching force and patrons tion was caused by a small wire run of the school. Miss Alice Leamer of in a finger of her hand and which Homer, Nebrska, where Miss Nolting developed the infection and later spent a few days, accompanied Miss lockjaw, Grace home and will spent a short time at the Nolting home.

DEPARTED FOR IOWA

From Friday's Daily-

Finds Many Interesting Points

turns From National Meeting of Shorthand Reporters.

From Friday's Dally-L. L. Turpin, court reporter in the second judicial district, and one of the officers of the Nebraska State Shorthand Reporters association, has just returned from a visit of some where he attended the meeting of the National Shorthand Reporters association. While at the convention Mr. Turpin was one of the speakers on the program of the convention and discussed many of the problems of the court reporters as viewed here Mr. Turpin was well pleased with

the trip and found many points of

nterest in San Antonio, one of the oldest settlements in Texas and which was a settled community in the days of the Spanish and Mexican rule in Texas. The chief feature of historic inteerst in San Antonio to the visitor, is the famous Alamo, the scene of the heroic struggle of the forces of Santa Anna, Mexican presi- esteemed families, as Judge and Mrs dent and general, and in which the Americans fought to the death and their daughter, Miss Helen are exguests gave shot talks reflecting the came to join in the family reunion that led to the severing of the southwest from Mexico. There are also a and probably to make their future number of the interesting old missions near the city, founded by the the passing time.

the southwest part of Teras have pleasing southern accent and the and also the spirit of hospitality that welcome and at home.

The crop conditions in that secber of complaints as to the condition and Elizabeth Hobson Wiles are the tion of Texas are good Mr. Turpin at other points. in Nebraska and Iowa, as the country Angeles, and also two of the married evidence man several days ago. there is not the rich soil that is profamily present were Thomas Wiles ductive of such large yields of corn, Those who have visited the cem- of Jamesport, Missouri, and Thomas The cotton has been an abundant ed the family to make the decision places a great deal of it is marred the west. by rust, caused by the heavy rains

wise large crop. While at San Antonio Mr. Turpin with the other members of the party enjoyed a trip through the Ric and had the pleasure of visiting toric interest and to view the touches of Mexican life and custom that has part of Texas, as several of the Mexican cities are just across the Ric union at Glenwood at the beautiful Grande and the Americans and Mexicans have many visitors to and from

GIVES SLUMBER PARTY

From Friday's Daily-Mrs. Joseph Skalak entertained number of girls at her home on Lin- ENTERTAIN FOR MISS HARTFORD coln avenue last evening at a slumber party, given in honor of her From Saturday's Dallydaughter, Miss Sylvia, whose marriage to Mr. Ted Eaton of Tecumseh,

Following the fun and enjoyment the jolly party preparted a delicious her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. three course breakfast that all enjoyed to the limit.

The out of town guests were Mrs. Almon F. Young, of Rolfe, Iowa. Marcedus Johnston of Humbolt, Nebraska and Mary Ann Nelson of Omaha, Nebraska.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

From Saturday's Daily-Mrs. Earl Redd returned home yes-

terday afternoon from Omaha where she has been at the hospital for the past eight weeks, suffering from a fingers of her hand that had develop-

WRITES FROM PENNSYLVANIA

The Journal has received a letter From Friday's Dailyfrom Mrs. Mary Longenhagen, an This morning Louie Born and two old time resident of this city and to the Journal on Thursday after-Fred Bartek and little daughter Pennsylvania, and in which she he- plum harvest of this season, a small at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. doah, Ia., where they will visit the to have the old time friends in this ten good sized plums in the small Mrs. Wilcox. They will drive south During the evening very dainty re- radio stations and others points in community know that she is sending space of a few inches. Mr. Harrison in a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. While there Mr. Born will pur- be delightful to know that the old and states that there are many equal- who are also spending the summer in Mrs. Frank A. Cloidt in the serving. chase some alfalfa seed from Henry. friend is still able to enjoy life.

VISITING RELATIVES HERE

Journal.

From Friday's Dally-Mr. and Mrs. John Bash and daugh-

ter, of Evansville, Indiana, arrived tolay for as hort visit with Mr. Bash's on Southern Trip daughter, Mrs. M. H. Chancellot and grandchildren, Mrs. O. E. Finnefrock and Mrs. George Lanham, who lives near Union. The Chancellor family a dinner today at the home of Mrs. Finnefrock, Mr. and Mrs. Lanham coming up from Union to join the party. The visiting relatives are enroute to Denver for an outing, and although well past 70 years of age, Mr. Bash is able to travel and each year takes a recreation trip to some part of the country. He has a responsible made here this morning and several three weeks at San Antonio, Texas, position with the railroad company at Evansville.

Old Time Family Soon to Leave Plattsmouth

Judge and Mrs. Allen J. Beeson and Daughter to Leave for California to Make Future Home

From Friday's Dally-

In a very short time this city is Texans against the overwhelming to lose one of their old and highly Allen J. Beeson in company with the intention of a protracted visit home in that section of the country.

The Beeson family are old tim friars in the centuries gone by and a residents of this locality, the father number of these missions are well of Judge Beeson, Hon. Allen Beeson preserved altho others are yielding to having come here in the seventie and was for many years a leader in The residents of San Antonio and the legal profession of the county and very active in the political afmuch in common with the south and fairs of the community, and the some while equally western they have the and daughters were all reared here and now with the departure of Judge easy going ways of the old south Beeson the last of the family in the community will have gone away or makes the stranger in their gates passed on. The parents are resting here in the last sleep but the members of the family are all residing

daughters of Judge and Mrs. Beesor are living on the west coast has causcrop in the southwest but in many to leave and to make their home in

Judge Beeson was for years a lead early in the season and which will ing figure in the republican political have a tendency to check the other- circles of the county and was for twenty-two years county judge, having been succeeded in office by Judge A. H. Duxbury, the present occupant, and the Judge has been one of the Grande valley, south of San Antonio leaders of the bar. Mrs. Beeson has been an outstanding figure in the this city was named vice-president Brownville and other points of his- work of the Women's club and has served as its president for several terms and also has been active in the named as secretary for the ensuing been very strongly marked in that work of the Methodist church and a number of social organizations of the

The going of this family brings a great regret to the friends and while they are still to receive the expressions of their friends, they are being showered with the well wishes for their future success and happiness in the new home.

Mrs. W. E. Rosencrans and Mrs. W. C. Soennichsen entertained very Nebraska, will take place in the early pleasantly on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Rosencrans in honor of Miss Elva Hartford, who is here for ings in the state and George Petring, of the slumber party the members of the summer vacation at the home of the owner, believes in keeping it in

Hartford. The attractive Soennichsen home was arranged in decorations of the of the building as well as the acceslate summer flowers and made a very sories sales department that is locatpleasant setting for the enjoyable ed just east of the main sales room.

afternoon. In the contests of the afternoon Mrs. H. G. Soennichsen was awarded the first prize, Mrs. Charles E. Hartford, the second prize and the gues prize presented to Miss Elva. During the afternoon dainty re freshments were served by the hos-

GOES TO THE WEST

tesses that aided in the completion of

the most pleasant occasion.

Oscar Gapen of this city is spendng some time at the home of his a very pleasant spot for the family brother, J. S. Gapen at Hyattville, and where the spacious grounds and Wyoming, and where he will assist pleasant surroundings will make in the erection of a large barn on them a place of real enjoyment. the property of the brother at that place. J. S. Gapen has large interests duties the first of the month in the in the vicinity of Hyattville and the Plattsmouth State bank and the famlarge crops and stock require more ily take up their places as members room for their care and the new barn of the community and on their comhas been decided upon.

RAISES SOME PLUMS

Phil Harrison of this city brought ly fine on the trees in his yard.

Number Are Arrested in Liquor Raids

L. Turpin, Court Reporter, Re- and visiting relatives were guests at Following Visit of Evidence Men Here Several Are Brought into

the Dragnet. From Saturday's Datty-

Following the visitation here in the past two weeks of evidence men operating out of the state sheriff's office, there were a number of raids parties taken as well as a large amount of liquor, mostly wine and

hootch secured. The men that had laid the groundwork for the raid had come in very quietly and secured introductions to number of the people and as the result there was a rush of business in the office of the sheriff. In all cases where the places were raided there had been buys made by the evidence men and on this the warrants were

F. R. Wiggen, state deputy sheriff, Sheriff Bert Bert Reed, Deputy Sheriff Rex Young, Chief of Police Johnson and Constable Svoboda assisted n the raids.

The first place visited was down n the business section where the officers discovered some thirty-six quarts of beer and six gallons of nootch at a room in the Anheuser-Busch building and which was taken as the property of William Reed. Later raid was made at the home of Charles Hixon where a quantity of whisky was secured, and also visit was made at the L. R. Sprecher place where beer was secured, the result of the toll being brought to the county jail where it was placed in safekeeping for evidence, while the surplus amount of liquor seized was detroyed by the state deputy sheriff.

After the conclusion of the raids here the county officers and State Deputy Wiggen departed for Louisville where buys had been made and where raids will be made today on the arrival of the officers.

This afternoon the raiding party visited the farm home of C. L. Stull

With the sales secured and stocks found there will probably be complaints filed of third offenses on at least one of the parties who has been apprehended.

The evidence men and detectives that had operated here had been very skillful in their work and were able to gain the confidence of the parties sufficiently to permit them to make purchases of liquor.

DOING SOME IMPROVING

From Saturday's Daily-The Plattsmouth Motor company are making some very fine improvements at their fine garage building at 6th and Pearl street and the main show room of the garge is being made one of the handsomest that can be found in any similar building in the state. The interior of the show room has been painted in tan and cream and the woodwork retouched, all making a very neat and attractvie

been under planning for the past year and which will soon be released. it is stated. The Plattsmouth Motor company has one of the finest garage buildthe very best of shape. The main show room gives the customers an opportunity of reach the business offices

etting where will be displayed the

output of the Ford company for the

coming year and which will include

he new Ford automobile which has

HERE TO MAKE HOME

From Saturday's Dally-

Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Trumble had their household goods moved here from their former home at Eagle and under the skillful handling of the moving by Warren Trumole, the owner of the Eagle-Lincoln truck line, the goods arrived here in

the best of shape. Mr. and Mrs. Trumble are to make their home in the William Ballance residence just north of Garfield park

Mr. Trumble will take up his ing here they will receive a very hearty welcome from the residents of this city.

FLORIDA GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin E. Greene, Jr., daughters, Miss Florene and Mrs. who is now living, at Allentown noon a very fine specimen of the of Lake Worth, Florida, are visiting Norma May, departed for Shenan- news for her paper and also desires branch of a tree that contained some Wilcox. Mrs. Greene is a sister of ther best regard to them, and all will just selected this branch at random William E. Propst and W. E. Jr.,