

The Plattsmouth Journal.

Steel on New Bridge Now Spans the Missouri River at This Point

The Girders that Form Continuous Line of Steel from Here to Iowa Shore Placed in Position at 9:40 Today.

COMPLETION DATE IN THREE WEEKS

Part of Concrete Flooring Already Laid as Work Progresses on the Steel Portion of Structure—Moving Pictures Taken as Girders are Set.

From Thursday's Daily— This morning at 9:40 the last two twenty-five foot steel girders that is to hold the main structure of the new Missouri river auto and wagon bridge were swung into place and the line of steel was completed between the Iowa and Nebraska banks of the river, bringing the long looked for day much nearer when the bridge structure will be ready for travel.

pounds per linear foot of bridge in addition to the 15-ton trucks having a concentrated load of 12,000 pounds on each rear wheel. In addition to this traffic load the bridge is designed to stand a wind pressure of thirty pounds per square foot on the side area of the exposed floor construction and a load of forty-five pounds per square foot on the side area of each truss. In addition to these loads which are considerably in excess of those the bridge will be required to carry for many years to come—the steel itself is designed with a factor of safety of 4, which means that it is capable of carrying four times the stresses which could be set up in the structure by the loads mentioned.

SOCIAL WORKERS MEET

The Social Workers of the Methodist church held a very delightful meeting on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bert Coleman in the Harris apartments and where a very pleasing number of the ladies were in attendance.

Prisoners in County Jail Try to Make Escape

Sheriff Reed Detects the Men Working on Digging Out and Nips Plan to Make Getaway.

From Thursday's Daily— Last night Sheriff Bert Reed detected a number of the prisoners who have been confined in the county jail, busy in the attempt to make a jail delivery by digging out the cement between the bricks and eventually making a hole in the masonry that would allow them to escape.

Orchestra is Important Part of School Life

Musical Organization of High School Here Has Large Membership; Fine Leadership.

One of the most important organizations in the high school is the orchestra. Mr. B. E. Woodward, the able director of this group, has never experienced any difficulty in keeping the orchestra list filled to capacity. At present the orchestra numbers thirty-two pieces and holds regular practice four mornings a week in the high school music room.

The officers for the current year are: Robert Mann, student manager; Marvin Tritsch, secretary and Robert Hall, librarian. The personnel of the high school orchestra numbers the following talented young musicians: Violins—Donald Rainey, George Adam, Madge Garnet, Marie Valley, Alice Hiatt, Vivian Lightbody, Rose Woster, Billy Evers, Wallace Terryberry, Calvin Swick; Bass Violin—Lucille Albert; Sousaphone—Ira Mumm; Clarinets—Otto Stodola, Earl Lightbody, James Robertson, Lawrence Rhoades; Cornets—Marvin Tritsch, James Comstock, Francis Libershall, William Henriksen, Robert Mann; Saxophones—Edward Egenberger, Robert Hall, Herbert Minor, Arthur Kopp, Donald Cotner, Aulton Rolland; Drums—Kenneth Armstrong, Vernon Arn, Cecil Comstock; Baritone—Stewart Porter; Piano—Marjorie Arw.

HERE TO RETURN PRISONER

From Thursday's Daily— Sheriff F. T. Cross of Basin, Wyoming, arrived here this morning to secure the man arrested here several days ago and who has been known in this locality as Bob Strickler, which, however is but one of the some ten or twelve alias names that the man travels under, Sheriff Cross states. The man was wanted at Basin for a burglary and where he escaped from the county jail several months ago and has since been wandering over the west until picked up here on Sunday night by Deputy Sheriff Young and Officer Dave Pickrel.

BREAKING MUCH GLASS

L. Neitzel has a front at his business place in Murdock of about fifty feet and all of which is in plate glass. There are four large glass windows with plate glass eight by ten feet, and the door and side light making up the remainder. During the time since the building was constructed, there has been glass broken out ten different times. The cost on an average is over one hundred dollars to replace them.

MRS. REED POORLY

From Friday's Daily— The many friends over the county of Mrs. Bert Reed will regret to learn that this estimable lady was not feeling so well today as she has been suffering some from the effects of the excitement and shock occasioned by the attempted escape of several of the prisoners to dig their way out of the county jail. Mrs. Reed was at the home at the time and was the one to first discover that the men were digging or attempting to dig out the brick at the rear of the jail building.

SECURE WANTED MAN

From Friday's Daily— The office of Sheriff Bert Reed has been busy in the past week in rounding up parties who are wanted in other states for different crimes and the jail is now full to capacity with those who are awaiting to be shipped out to answer to crimes in other localities.

To Purchase Right of Way for New Road

Section of New Road to the Missouri River Bridge in Precinct Secured by County

From Friday's Daily— The board of county commissioners at their meeting yesterday took up the matter of the new road to the Missouri river traffic bridge, and which road is to be a continuation of the state and county highway system, and the board decided to secure their part of the right-of-way in Plattsmouth precinct from the city limits to the new bridge. This will be very pleasing to the traveling public as it will assure the rapid completion of the road work and will help make a fine scenic road from this city to the new bridge.

REDUCES INTEREST RATE

From Friday's Daily— The county commissioners at their meeting yesterday took up the matter of the deposit of the county funds in the banks of the county, as the banks had declined to provide surety bonds on securities for the protection of the funds unless the board was willing to reduce the amount of interest that was asked by the county. The board has considered the matter carefully and had an opinion of County Attorney W. G. Stinson in which he held that the situation existing was such as would fall under the general case of an emergency and gave the opinion of the attorney general in such case which allowed the interest rate to be lowered.

A PIONEER WINDOW

One of the large show windows at the H. M. Soennichsen Co. department store, is occupied by a showing of some of the pioneer relics and which has attracted a great deal of attention. In the window are two small tables which are of type much in vogue in the fifties and sixties and also a folding chair covered with Brussels carpet that was considered very fashionable in the seventies and come from one of the old homes here. In the window also is the old fashioned tintype picture of a young couple and Mrs. Shepherd Duke, one of the old time residents here and also her wedding certificate of one hundred and three years ago is shown. Two features that are still recalled by a large part of the residents are the unique spirit lamps that were in use before the kerosene age and also one of the old time casters that formed the centerpiece of every dining table.

ENTERTAIN AT BRIDGE

From Friday's Daily— Mrs. L. L. Turpin and Mrs. John A. Griffin were hostesses on Wednesday evening at a most charming 6:30 bridge dinner which was held at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Turpin. There were seven tables of the players and a very delightful time was enjoyed in the various games. The prize winners were Miss Minnie Guthmann, first, and Mrs. W. G. Kieck, second, in the ladies contest and G. K. Petting first, and William Schmidtman, Jr., second in the gentlemen's contests.

Alvo Banker Chides Fellow Bank Associates

Carl Ganz, One Of the Main Speakers at Meeting Held in Omaha on Thursday Afternoon

Unanimous election of A. N. Mathers, president of the Gering National bank of Gering, as president of the organization and expression of decided sentiment in favor of establishment of a state credit bureau for bankers were the high lights of the closing session of the Nebraska Bankers association Thursday afternoon at the Paxton hotel at Omaha.

During discussion of the regional clearing house plan, which is being rapidly adopted by Nebraska bankers, creation of a state credit bureau for the exclusive use of bankers was urged by Dan V. Stephens of Fremont and others. "Each bank could compile a list every three months of the names of all borrowers," said Mr. Stephens. "This list would be sent to the state banking board at Lincoln and there the names would be listed. When it appeared that one man or firm was borrowing from more than one bank the names of the duplicate borrowers would be sent to each bank interested. This would eliminate much duplicate borrowing and protect banks."

The executive council elected O. A. Riley, cashier of the State Bank of Hastings, chairman; Denman Kountze, vice president of the First National bank of Omaha, treasurer, and re-elected William B. Hughes of Omaha, secretary. Name Representatives Nebraska representatives in the American Bankers' association were elected as follows: Fred Sorenson, Fremont State bank, state vice president; Ross L. Hammond, Fremont, member of the nominating committee; Carl D. Ganz, Alvo, alternate; E. N. Van Horne, Lincoln, national bank president; A. M. Keyes, Hubbard, state banking director; D. J. Monen, Omaha Trust Co., director of the trust company division.

Thursday Carl D. Ganz, cashier of the Farmers' State bank of Alvo, Neb., criticized the bankers of Nebraska for their lack of honesty and consistency in their attitude toward the state bank guaranty law. He said the bankers had known for years that the guaranty plan was unsound and unworkable. "Yet for 17 years we met in annual convention and passed resolutions endorsing the guaranty law," said Mr. Ganz. "We were neither honest nor consistent with the general public. Only three years ago the bankers of Nebraska passed a resolution praising the bank guaranty law and declaring that under it no depositor ever had lost a dollar. Two years later the bankers had joined in a suit to have the law declared invalid on the grounds that it was unconstitutional and confiscatory."

Mr. Ganz also attacked the law passed by the last legislature, which appropriated \$150,000 for a bank investigation. He declared he believed that 90 per cent of the bankers of the state had no special training before they went into the banking business. "Any Tom, Dick or Harry with a few thousand dollars or a man who marries the president's daughter, as I did, has been allowed to run a bank," he said.

Samuel P. Annot, president of the Chicago Board of Trade, severely criticized the federal reserve board for its attitude toward operations on the stock markets. He said the "vacillating policies" of the board were closely connected with the crash in securities values. Mr. Annot advocated amending the federal reserve act so that all legitimate collateral, including stock certificates, be made eligible to rediscount privileges, instead of confining that privilege to loans made for

agricultural, commercial and industrial purposes. Thomas B. Paton Jr., of New York, assistant general counsel of the American Bankers association, explained the bankers' collection code which bankers are trying to make uniform in every state.

DAWES TALKS ARMS WITH NAVY ADVISER

Washington, Nov. 7.—Ambassador Dawes held a final conference here Thursday with Secretary of State Simson, Under Secretary Cotton and Rear Admiral Pratt, chief naval adviser.

Sues for Damages Sustained in Auto Smashup

Clarence Nesson Files Action Against Willard Beesley Who Sues in Cross Petition

From Friday's Daily— In the county court an action for damages arising from the auto wreck on the Louisville road near the Taylor school house on the night of October 7th, has been filed. In the suit as filed Clarence Nesson sues Willard Beesley for the sum of \$629 for damages alleged to have been sustained by his car when it was struck by the car of Mr. Beesley at the intersection of the Louisville road and the detour of highway No. 75. The plaintiff claims that the car of Mr. Beesley was being operated at a rate of speed in excess of that set by law.

The answer and cross-petition filed by Mr. Beesley in the case sets forth a claim for damages against Mr. Nesson in the sum of \$500 which it is claimed was sustained by the "Flying Cloud" of Mr. Beesley in the accident. Mr. Beesley in his answer claims to have been driving at a reasonable rate of speed and that Mr. Nesson failed to stop at the designated sign before coming onto the detour intersection. The case has been set by Judge Duxbury for hearing on Wednesday, November 13th and in the case Mr. Nesson will be represented by D. O. Dwyer of this city and Mr. Beesley by Attorney Hager of Lincoln.

ENFORCING THE LAW

From Thursday's Daily— This morning H. E. Ayers of Lincoln and J. L. Lorie of Falls City, representing the state department of public works in the enforcing of the license and highway laws were in the city, making a stop here on their swing over the state and where they have been doing very effective work in seeing that the laws regulating the operating of auto vehicles and trucks are obeyed.

The two representatives of the department held two trucks that were found to be used on road work and which did not comply with the state law that requires the Nebraska licenses on all trucks and busses operating in the state. One of the trucks was released on the securing of the necessary license while the other was held until the owner of the truck in Omaha secures the required license plate for the truck. In coming out from Lincoln today Mr. Ayers and Mr. Lord held four trucks of the Yant Construction Co., which were being operated near Eagle and which did not have the proper license.

Yesterday at Nebraska City a large Yellowray bus was held until a license could be produced as under the Nebraska law. There is no reciprocity with the other states in regard to the licenses. This portion of the department of public works has since August checked up 400 trucks and made them comply with the Nebraska law as well as many busses operating in the state and since June Mr. Ayers and Mr. Lord are operating under the direction of Buck Taylor, head of this section of the department, has collected the sum of \$9,600 in licenses and fees that has been turned over to the state treasury.

The officers are serving to try and make the highways safer by seeing that the laws are complied with and they are especially severe on the violations of the stop signs on the highways and the operation of cars under paper numbers, they stating that a large part of the hit and run drivers are those who use the paper numbers.

DEPARTS FOR THE WEST

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Phone your news to the Journal.

Platters and Auburn Battle to a Scoreless Tie

Platters Pay Visit to Nemaha County Seat and Show Great Defensive Power in Game

From Thursday's Daily— The Plattsmouth and Auburn high school football teams yesterday at the Auburn grounds battled to a scoreless tie, repeating last year's meeting of the two teams when neither could muster the necessary punch to cross the line for a score. The Platters showed splendid defensive power when the foe pressed them on the two yard line in the third quarter and the Auburn line was deprived of the ball when Gilbert Hinz, tackle of the Platters broke through the Auburn line and attacked the fullback of Auburn, who dropped the ball and which was recovered by Bob Hartford of the Platters and the locals were able to drive back the menace from their goal line.

The Platters were able to gain ground in their passing attacks and Bob Hartford receiving a nice pass from Herbert Dew was able to bring the ball deep into the Auburn territory in the late part of the game but the team was unable to drive on through for the touchdown that had been hoped for.

This is the first game of the locals in the southeastern conference and in the coming week the Platters face two stiff contests, playing the first and shift Peru Prep team on Monday at Peru while on Friday the blue and white are to entertain the Pawnee City team in this city, marking the nearing approach of the close of the season, which will culminate in the visit here of Nebraska City on Thanksgiving day, November 28th.

Will Seek to Continue the Happy Hundred

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce Will Take Steps to Canvas the Citizens

The matter of continuing the Happy Hundred suppers each month during the winter season when the men of the community could gather and enjoy a few hours of social activity, good dinner and an address, will be revived by the Chamber of Commerce, the directors deciding at a meeting Thursday that they would add the committee in the matter. It is now suggested that the directors appoint a committee to canvass the citizens in general in the city and learn just how many would like to have the monthly dinner gatherings continued and upon which they can base their decision to continue or not these events. The committee in whose hands the conduct of the Happy Hundred dinners has been for the past seven years has served splendidly in this work and despite the fact that the work necessitated a great deal of sacrifice on the part of the members, they have cheerfully given it. They have sought to have the persons wishing to attend the dinners to signify their desire by taking the tickets for the first three dinners in order to be assured of a success in the opening, but in response to their letters but thirty-seven responded and this was not a sufficient showing of interest to warrant the committee in going ahead and continuing the events and the matter was therefore referred to the main body of the Chamber of Commerce for some action.

DELAYED BY DERAILMENT

From Saturday's Daily— This morning east bound Burlington train No. 6, due here at 7:15 was late some five hours as the result of a derailment of a freight west of Lincoln and which held back the train until the tracks could be cleared and the line opened up for traffic.

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