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4,500 Men at Work on River when Ice Breaks

Captain Young, Supervising Engineer, Sees Great Future for River Development Move.

After the ice has passed, so that floating equipment can be used, Missouri river improvement will employ 4,500 men, Captain J. M. Young, army engineer in charge of the Omaha district for Missouri river navigation, said in a talk before the Omaha Real Estate board.

Fifteen contracts, totaling \$10,500,000, have already been let, he said.

"If we get 15 million dollars additional, which could be used efficiently, that will mean about six thousand more men, or a total of 10,500," he continued.

To Remove Disadvantage.

"The cost from Sioux City to Kansas City averages about 150 thousand dollars per mile. The total will be about 65 million dollars, of which 20 million dollars has already been spent. We need 45 million dollars, so you see this job is going to drop quite a few dollars in your back yard."

Captain Young explained the justification for such huge expenditures: "This part of the country, because of its distance from the great population centers, and from access to the sea for export, is inherently at a disadvantage, both in marketing its products, and in purchasing its needs, since a great part of the selling price of the former and cost of the latter is made up of transportation charges.

"Times Have Changed."

"This inherent disadvantage was partly increased by construction of the Panama canal which, by the low cost of ocean transportation, permits successful competition by the extreme west with this country. For example, hay from California can be laid down in Ohio more cheaply than can hay from Nebraska."

Captain Young pointed out that transportation had changed greatly since the days when midget ships, drawing three feet of water, steamed up the Missouri between periods of roosting on sandbars. In those days, he asserted, a dollar a pound was not considered an unusual freight charge. Those steamers became antiquated by other forms of transportation.

"Can Be Made Navigable."

Modern river transportation, as practiced on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, is done by strings of two to eight barges of about two thousand tons each (individual barges carry as much freight as a 50-car train.) drawn by powerful tow boats. They are primarily adapted, he said, to freighting wheat, corn, hay, coal, cement, oil, bricks, lumber, stone, structural steel, pipes and the like.

Experience and engineering knowledge give assurance, he said, that the Missouri can be made navigable. It will be made navigable, he said, depending on whether sufficient money is made available and whether there is a sufficient flow of water during ice-free periods.

The answer to the second question, he said, is the dam which is being built at Fort Peck, and should provide a minimum of eight or nine feet of water throughout the year.

"I've a definite order from my chiefs to shove this job through pronto," he concluded. "With the facilities that have been given me, I'll have no excuse for not doing my part of it."

TO RESIDE AT HOME

William F. Gillespie, veteran grain dealer, this week entered the Nebraska Masonic Home where he expects to make his home in the future. Mr. Gillespie has been a member of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M. of this city over a long period of years and now with the advanced years he is to enjoy the fine home that the order in Nebraska has provided for its aged members.

The splendid home will assure Mr. Gillespie of comfort and the proper care as he is well advanced in years and can find there the needed opportunity for rest and the association of the fellow members of the order who are making their residence in the big family of the Home.

SUFFERS FROM ILLNESS

Mrs. John McNurlin, who for the past few months has not been in the best of health, has for the past week been confined to her bed and under medical care. She has apparently shown some improvement and which is most encouraging to the members of the family. During her illness Mrs. A. F. Seybert, a sister-in-law, has been assisting in looking after the care of the home and the patient. Mrs. Olga Deleski, of Kansas City, Missouri, a foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McNurlin has arrived here and will remain to assist in the care of the mother.

R. W. Knorr is Renamed Head of the Ad Club

Leader for the Past Year Again Selected for Office—Adopt New Name and Constitution.

The Business Men's Ad club, which was formerly known as the retail section of the Chamber of Commerce, met yesterday to get their new organization launched and select the officers for the ensuing year.

The club voted for the re-election of R. W. Knorr, as president of the group and while Mr. Knorr had sought to lay aside the work of the office, he was finally forced to a surrender and accept the task that he so ably fulfilled in the year just closed.

The other officers elected were Frank M. Bestor as vice-president and W. H. Pule as the treasurer. The secretary and the various committees will be announced at a later date.

Several of the teachers in the city schools were present, Misses Bernese Ault, Lillian Garrett, Helen Farley, Mariam Tritsch and Amana Hiatt, each speaking briefly on the recent poster contest staged among the students of the schools as well as the general public, the teachers telling of the great interest shown by the students and the benefit that it had been to the schools in the stimulation of art work.

Superintendent L. S. Devoe was present and gave a short talk on the CWA work in this community and which was much enjoyed by the club and their guests.

CAR-TRUCK COLLISION

Wednesday evening a smart auto smashup occurred on highway No. 75, south of this city when the car of Van Allen, which was coming north crashed into a truck of Croy G. Granger, parked along the roadway.

Mr. Granger, who resides at Elmwood, was bringing a load of stock to the Omaha market and when reaching the vicinity of the Perry farm south of this city his truck refused to go farther and he had been forced to park it and go in search of assistance in getting the truck in running order. While he was gone the car of Mr. Allen came along and the driver failed to see the truck until he was too close to avoid the accident.

In the smashup the endgate of the truck came out and as the result the stock escaped, but later were rounded up and loaded back.

THOUGHT GAINING

Sam Arn, who is at the Methodist hospital at Omaha, recovering from an operation for double hernia, performed Monday, is reported as doing as well as possible. The patient has suffered a great deal from the effects of the ordeal that he has been through, but it is thought that he is rallying now and in a few days should be able to show some gain.

DOING VERY NICELY

The many friends of J. Howard Davis will learn with pleasure that the patient is doing very nicely at the hospital at Geneva, Nebraska, where he was operated on Tuesday. The patient came through the appendicitis operation in fine shape and was doing as well as possible so soon after the operation. It is hoped that Mr. Davis may soon recover from the effects of the operation and be restored to his former good health.

Globe Trotters Trim Storz Team Score 29 to 13

Touting Colored Team Prove Clever and Skilled Basketball Players in Easy Win.

From Thursday's Daily
The far famed Harlem Globe Trotters, colored basketball team that is making a tour of the west, stopped off here last evening and proceeded to have a little fun with the local Storz team, an organization that has some fast and clever players in their lineup.

The final score was 29 to 13 for the Globe Trotters but the visitors could easily have extended their score to a wide margin, devoting the greater part of the last quarter to clowning and entertaining the large audience.

The game opened in a manner that was calculated to stir the hopes of the Storz fans that the ex-school stars would be able to give the visiting team a run for their money. Donat securing two field goals with two free tosses for the locals, but at the quarter the visitors had an edge of 7 to 6.

The Globe Trotters were real artists in passing the ball and had the sphere a greater part of the game or practically whenever they desired to retain the ball it was theirs to have and to hold. Efforts to rush the Globe Trotters was fruitless as they were able to pass to each other at will.

The score at the half time was 20 to 13 for the visitors and this was the last time that the Storz talked, as they were held scoreless for the last half of the contest.

The customers were given the opportunity of seeing the Trotters turn the last of the contest into a burlesque as they made little effort to score but were air tight on the defense when the Storz would attempt a scoring rally.

The tabulated score of the game was as follows:

Storz—				
	FG	FT	PF	TP
Krejci, f	2	1	4	5
Rummel, f	1	0	1	2
Donat, c	1	1	1	3
Forbes, g	0	1	1	1
Knoflicek, g	1	0	1	2
	5	3	8	13

Globe Trotters—				
	FG	FT	PF	TP
Johnson, f	2	1	2	5
Dennis, f	3	0	0	6
King, c	0	1	3	1
Bolton, g	7	1	0	15
McDonald, g	1	0	4	2
	13	3	9	29

COASTING BRINGS DANGER

The city police force have been faced with a problem since the snowfall in that of children coasting on the hills that lead to the main traveling streets of the city and where there is a great deal of danger to the youngsters in this practice. Highway No. 75 which is laid through the main part of the city has some of the best hills for coasting leading into it and this fact has caused much apprehension on the part of the police that some one would be injured.

Fortunately so far there has been no severe accidents, but the heavy traffic on the main highways is liable to result in severe injury to some of the young people.

If possible some hill that does not have the traffic hazards should be selected for the youngsters to use for coasting while the weather is suitable, west Main street from Fourteenth, Pearl from Thirteenth east, are hills where there is not the danger from sleds coasting into the line of traffic that is found on the avenues and the main business section of the city.

ADMIRAL McCARY

William Douglas McCary, the genial barber on the sunny side of Main street, has received a new distinction in that he has been created an admiral of the great state of Nebraska and is entitled to all of the privileges and rights that go as a part of this rank. Mr. McCary was notified by Ted Metcalfe, commander in chief of the great fleet, that he had been advanced to the rank of admiral and enclosing the necessary card to entitle Mr. McCary to full recognition.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Virgie Perry entertained most pleasantly on Monday evening at their country home south of this city, a number of the relatives and old friends being guests at a delightful chicken dinner. Those who enjoyed the occasion were Miss Olive Jones, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Patterson and son, Edward, of San Francisco, Mrs. Mary oak and nephew, Frederick Hawsworth, of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Minor and children, Eleanor and Carter.

Presbyterian Men's Club Has Gala Evening

Members Have Fine Talk Given by Murray Kline of Omaha on the Church and Community.

The Presbyterian Men's club met last evening at the Fellowship room of the church to enjoy a very fine program that had been arranged for their entertainment by L. O. Minor and Dr. P. T. Heinemann, the committee chairman and which served to make an evening of real interest.

The members of the club enjoyed a period of group singing, the leader being Frank A. Cloldt, while the accompaniment was played by Cecil Comstock.

The members of the club had the pleasure of having with them Murray Kline, of Omaha, well known representative of the Carpenter Paper Co., who made this city for his company for a great many years. Mr. Kline has been active in church and Sunday school work in Omaha for years and was able to give the club a fine picture of the value of the active church to the community and to its individual members. Mr. Kline pointed out the necessity of the church to the men and women of a community as the enabling and sustaining part of their lives and the necessity of the individual to participate in the church work and interests.

A very clever skit had been arranged and which was directed by R. Foster Patterson and in which was witnessed the rites of the non-church attending members as well as the spirit of depression and gloom.

The evening was closed with the serving of a fine luncheon that had been arranged by a committee composed of James Farham and John L. Tidball and the committee in their part brought a fitting close to the fine and enjoyable evening.

OVERHAULING RECORDS

The young women who have been placed under the CWS work at the court house are a very busy group as they are engaged in the task of placing records of many years back in a condition where they may be of easy access and well indexed and checked.

The office of the county judge has three of these clerks engaged in the work of checking over and cataloging the records, making it possible to have all information in regard to the records arranged in a concise manner that will expedite the finding of facts concerning estate, civil or criminal actions that have taken place in the court.

Others are engaged in stenographic and book work in the offices of the sheriff, treasurer and county superintendent.

With the organization of the county headquarters of the CWA under one head there will be a number of other stenographers required to care for the work.

BIRTHDAY WEEK

The past week has been truly "birthday week" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Halstrom of Avoca. Mrs. Halstrom and two sons having their anniversaries fall in the same week.

The mother's anniversary was spent in the usual daily routine of the household tasks while one son, Tommy, entertained his young friends at a party at the home while the other son, Bob, enjoyed a skating party in honor of the event.

expended almost 100 per cent in Plattsmouth.

8,000 Corn Loans Made in State in Month

Nebraska Shows Good Record in the Speed of Handling Applications and Securing Cash.

Thousands of farmers are taking advantage of the corn loans. During December about 8,000 applications were made in Nebraska. There is very little red tape in this program, and the average time, from the date of making application to the date the farmer receives his money, is seven days. In one case a farmer had his money in four days.

Some people think the government is buying the corn. This is not true. The producer pledges his corn as security on a loan from the government. The contract, which the producer signs, provides however, that if the producer carries out his agreement in regard to the corn-hog reduction program, and the market price of corn on August 1st, 1934 is too low to allow the producer to sell and pay off his note, that there will be no deficiency, if the producer delivers to the government upon its order the same number of bushels of corn that he has pledged. There is also a provision in the contract that if the cash price of corn at Chicago for No. 2 corn reaches 75c before August 1st, that the government can force the producer to sell the corn and pay off his loan.

The producer can pay off his loan at any time he desires, and when he does, he will have to pay the principal of his note plus 4% interest from the date of the note to the settlement date. The government has a blanket policy on all loans covering fire and lightning risks, which we have been informed is 4 1/2% per \$100 per month.

Information from Iowa states that Iowa farmers are taking these loans a great deal faster than Nebraska farmers and the reason may be on account of a lack of publicity in Nebraska. There are over 100,000 corn producers in Nebraska, and at least half of these should be in the market for loans as long as the local price does not advance to a point near 45c per bushel. There is great danger that too many farmers will wait too long, and will want to go the loans too late. March 1st is the deadline, and it is quite probable that February 20th will be about the last date upon which a farmer could start his application. If too many wait until then, it will be impossible to have inspections made and papers completed.

If anyone has any intention of making application, it should be done now. The Nebraska State Railway Commission is the warehousing agent, and has about 300 inspectors located at various places in Nebraska. These men have complete information, all the blanks necessary, and are ready to take care of applicants.

CLEAN UP JAIL

The force of workmen made available through the CWA are now busily engaged in a much needed work at the city hall. The city jail which has not had a general clean up and renovation during the depression years, is now getting placed in first class shape and where it will be fit for occupancy by human beings. The jail has been very dirty and the cots kept there in no condition for service in case it was necessary to confine a prisoner there over night. The workmen are getting it cleaned up in fine shape and the city is to provide new pads for the cots so that the vermine infested old pads may be burned up as they should have been a long time ago.

RECEIVES GOOD NEWS

Word has been received in this city by relatives announcing the arrival of a baby girl, Joan Ruth, to Mr. and Mrs. James Wooster of Windsor, Missouri, formerly of this city, on Tuesday, January 2. The parents are rejoicing as well as the three sisters. Mrs. Wooster was formerly Miss Kathryn Novotny of this city.

VISITS WITH OLD FRIENDS

B. J. Reynolds, veteran Burlington railroad man, was in the city Wednesday afternoon to visit with the old time friends for a short time. "Charley" as he was best known here for a period of several years engaged as a switchman at the Burlington yards, later being transferred to Omaha. While here Mr. Reynolds made a short social call at the Journal and also visited his old familiar field of work at the Burlington depot and yards.

Marriage of Plattsmouth Girl in South

Miss Carolyn Vestetta Robertson is Bride of Donald Arthur Gray of Gilliam, Louisiana.

The announcement was made today by Mr. and Mrs. William Ainsworth Robertson of the marriage of their daughter, Miss Carolyn Vestetta Robertson to Mr. Donald Arthur Gray, on January 2, 1934, at Texarkana, Texas.

The ceremony was performed by Father W. L. Botkin, rector of St. James Episcopal church at Texarkana.

The bride is the descendant of one of the pioneer families prominent in the history of Nebraska, a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Robertson, of this city. She is a talented pianist, a graduate of the Plattsmouth high school in the class of 1931 and a former student of the University of Nebraska, where she was a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority. Last spring she was one of the Nebraska pages at the Continental congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution at Washington, D. C.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur F. Gray of Gilliam, Louisiana. He was a member of the class of 1933 of the University of Nebraska, an honor student in geology and one of the track stars of the middle west. He holds the record in the broad jump at the University of Nebraska and also of the Big Six conference. He was a member at Lincoln of the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity.

At the present the young people are making their home at Gilliam, Louisiana, where Mr. Gray is employed as geologist for the Midwest Oil Company.

HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

- January
- 18-19 First Semester Examinations.
- 22 Opening of Second Semester.
- 26 Basketball, Peru, there.
- 26 Senior Convocation.
- 31 Basketball, Neb. City, there.
- February
- 2 Basketball, College View, here.
- 9 Sophomore Convocation.
- 13 Basketball, Ashburn, here.
- 15-17 County Basketball Tournament.
- 16 Basketball, Schuyler, there.
- 20 Basketball, Glenwood, here.
- 23 Junior Convocation.
- 23 Basketball, Blair, there.
- March
- 2 Basketball, Wahoo, here.
- 7 Freshman Convocation.
- 8-9 Regional Basketball Tourney.
- 9 Local Declamatory Contest.
- 15-17 State Tournament.
- 22-23 Third Quarter Examinations.
- 23 Sub-Dist. Declamatory Contests.
- 28 Convocation.
- 29-30 Easter Vacation.
- April
- 13 Convocation.
- 27 Convocation.
- May
- 4 Senior Play.
- 12 Junior-Senior Banquet.
- 20 Baccalaureate.
- 21-22 Final Examinations.
- 24 Graduation Exercises.
- 25 Closing program.

VISITS IN THE CITY

From Friday's Daily
Mr. and Mrs. John Lidgett, Mrs. Martha Lynn, Thomas McQuinn, Mrs. Jess Dysart, of Union, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Chriswiler, Dr. Walters and C. D. Adams of Nehawka, were in the city for a short time today looking after some matters of business and visiting at the court house where a hearing was had in the Wesley Woodward estate.

Thousands of cans of Plattsmouth packed foodstuffs are being consumed daily throughout the middle-west and south.

Platters Win from Oteans by 22 to 11 Score

Conference Leaders Undefeated Run Into Great Offensive and Battling Team of Platters.

The Nebraska City basketball quintet, flushed with a series of victories so far this season that included the last year conference champs, Falls City, were turned back last evening on the local court 22 to 11.

The game was one in which the Platters were a raging, battling aggregation from the first whistle and had the Nebraska City group on the defensive the greater part of the game, the scoring led by Rhodes and Ronne. The defensive of Ronne, Armstrong, Rhodes and Hiner was a great blow to the chances of Nebraska City.

With the opening of the game the Platters faced the loss of the services of Maynard McCleary, captain, and one of the chief sharpshooters of the locals, but ere the game was many seconds to the good it was plain that the blue and white intended to go places.

In the opening quarter Ronne scored first with a free toss and this young man held a perfect record for the evening in the free throw department, scoring six on as many opportunities. Rhodes also made good a free toss and Ronne then sank a nice shot from the side for a field goal, leaving the score 4 to 0 at the quarter.

The second quarter saw the Platters going at full speed and a barrage of shots at the visitors basket, Rhodes making two field goals while Ronne and Jensen each annexed a free toss. Chapin, substituting for the Placements made a tally on a field goal to make the score 10 to 2 at the half time.

Both teams were even in the scoring in the third quarter as the visitors battled desperately to break down the great defense of the Platters or to stop their battling attacks. Armstrong, the big Moose, was in the scoring list with a nice field goal and Rhodes again scored from the floor with Ronne making good a two shot foul from Berthold. For Nebraska City Berthold and Witty each scored a field goal. McIntyre and Timmeyer each registered a free toss to set the score at sixteen to eight for the Platters.

The last quarter was one in which both teams mixed freely and the Platters continued their great playing that was to win them a victory. Hiner and Rhodes each tallying a field goal and Ronne came through with his perfect throwing for two free tosses. Witty for the visitors scored a field goal and McIntyre a free toss as the curtain fell.

The Platters played without a substitution and the battling five that participated in the game are all deserving of praise for the part that they took in the winning.

The box score:

Plattsmouth—				
	FG	FT	PF	TP
Ronne, f	1	6-6	2	8
Jensen, f	0	1-1	1	1
Hiner, c	1	0-0	0	2
Armstrong, g	1	0-2	0	2
Rhodes, g	4	1-1	2	9
	7	8-10	5	22

Nebraska City—				
	FG	FT	PF	TP
Berthold, f	1	0-0	4	2
McIntyre, f	0	2-5	3	2
Witty, c	2	0-0	1	4
Timmeyer, g	0	1-1	1	1
Owens, g	0	0-0	0	0
Chapin, f	1	0-0	0	2
	4	3-6	9	11

Referee—Gilkerson, Peru.
In the curtain raiser the Nebraska City Reserves took the Plattsmouth Reserves to a score of 12 to 10, Joe Graves, Dave Taylor and Carl Hula were the features of the game for the locals, Taylor and Graves accounting for the scoring of the junior Platters.

QUARANTINE CASES

Deputy Sheriff Jarvis Lancaster was called to Alvo on Thursday where he quarantined a home in that locality where one of the members of the family was reported to be suffering from the smallpox. There has been but one case reported so far and it is hoped that the malady may be checked.