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## Telephone Plant Receives Rebuilding Work

Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co., Undertakes One of the Largest Projects of the Year.

The local plant of the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company is to be given a rebuilding this summer and fall that will be one of the main projects of the company in the state. It is expected that the work will be under way by June 3rd and to be completed by December 1st, states Ray Misner, local commercial manager.

The rebuilding work will be in charge of Foreman T. R. DeWolf, of the Lincoln construction department and his crew of men, all of whom will make their home in this city during the repair work.

The Plattsmouth exchange now serves 922 stations, of which 760 are local. No major repairs have been made since 1925, and much of the existing plant was in service prior to the exchange purchase in 1913. A considerable portion of the cable is of pure lead sheath, which is causing trouble, and pole lines require rebuilding, and forty per cent of the drops must be replaced. General rebuilding of the plant is therefore proposed with the pole lines to be used jointly with the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power Co.

The principal items under the proposed work consist of placing 466 poles, 135 crossarms, 99 anchors and guys, 32,291 feet of cable, 195 terminals, 95 spans of cable, 22 miles of wire and 276 drops, replacing 360 drops, trimming trees 100 hours and removing 659 poles, 573 crossarms, 209 guys, 31,385 feet of cable, 70 terminals, 25 miles of iron and 2,560 feet of C. S. wire.

This project will place the local plant in the latest and most improved condition and will be found a great improvement in every way to the patrons and the employes of the company.

## PERU COLLEGE NOTES

The annual Peru Dramatic club dinner was the occasion for announcing the awards and the results of the election of officers by Prof. D. J. Nabors. The officers selected for the ensuing year are: President, Jean Slinker, Peru; vice-president, Clayburn Mort, Edgar; secretary, Mildred Speedie, Nebraska City; treasurer, Ruth Howe, Barneston.

Teaching positions reported as accepted by the Teacher Placement Bureau during the past week are Margaret Shoemaker, high school at Odell; Supt. Spencer Lager, Elmwood, to same position at Burchard; Supt. R. H. Knapp, Burchard to same position at Grafton.

The Training High School junior-senior banquet was held Saturday night with the general theme of a "Voyage" carried out. The home economics classes of the high school prepared the food and the ninth grade girls dressed as sailors served as waitresses. Holly Osborne of Brownville served as toastmaster. While the present seniors were ninth graders they wrote prophecies for themselves as seniors. These had been sealed and stored for the past four years. Reading these prophecies provided much merriment as a part of the entertainment.

Eleven teams started in the handball tournament, one of the several intra-mural sports sponsored by the physical education department and the four teams in the semi-finals are composed of Howard Riggs, Shubert; Delbert Miller, Peru; Raymond Moore, Nemaha; Donald Button, Fremont; Harvey Skow, Beatrice; Harold Luttman and Robert Christian, Peru; Gerald Deubler, Johnson.

A. L. HILL.

## RE-ELECTED AT MURDOCK

P. T. Johnson, who has so efficiently filled the position of superintendent of the Murdock schools, has been re-elected to that position by the board of education. Mr. Johnson has filled this position most efficiently and maintained the schools at a very high standard and it is a pleasure to the patrons to know that he will again be at the head of the schools.

## ENJOY VISIT HERE

Mrs. Georgia Creamer of south of this city, was most agreeably surprised on Sunday when Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gerlock and family, of North Bend arrived to spend the day with her. The occasion was the birthday of Mrs. Creamer and in honor of the event, Mrs. Gerlock, a niece and her family arrived to enjoy the day and brought a fine birthday cake to present to the guest of honor. Georgia Ann Gerlock, eighteen months old, namesake of Mrs. Creamer, was present to greet her dear aunt.

## Paving of Highway No. 50 is Being Urged

Committee Urges Government Aid in Paving Through Cass and Sarpy Counties.

A delegation composed of G. P. Miller of the Papillion Times, Robert Clark, cashier of the Banking House of Clark of that city with Dr. E. H. Worthman and Editor Lee Mayfield of the Louisville Courier, were at Lincoln the past week to present to Governor Roy Cochran petitions asking the paving of highway No. 50, north and south through Sarpy and Cass counties, the funds to be taken from the federal funds allotted to Nebraska.

In speaking of the visit the Louisville Courier has the following: "Governor Cochran is a very busy man just now with the legislature in session and the committee was fortunate in getting an audience with him. 'We have not yet been informed,' said the governor, 'as to how this fund will be used. The intention is to furnish work for the unemployed who are on the relief list and as they are principally in the larger cities it is possible that most of the work will have to be performed in or near the cities where the greater number of unemployed are located.'"

"Having served as highway engineer for the state for several terms, Governor Cochran recognizes the need for a north and south paved highway through the center of Cass and Sarpy counties to relieve the congestion of traffic on the two paved highways across the east and west part of the counties. Whether we will be able to get anything done this year is a matter of conjecture."

## ENJOY A FINE PARTY

From Friday's Daily: The American Legion Auxiliary last evening held a very enjoyable social evening at the Legion club rooms in the Bekins building, the occasion being a get together of the members of the Legion and Auxiliary, their husbands and wives and those who were eligible for membership in either organization.

The evening was spent in cards and at which a great deal of interest was developed in the skill of the players.

In the pinochle contests prizes were awarded to Herman Thomas, Mrs. Ed Creamer, Mrs. Otto Keck and William Wills.

The bridge games showed the winners to be Mrs. Herman Thomas, Mrs. R. M. Walling, Don Tincher and James Farnham.

Prizes for pitch were awarded to Chester Birch and Mrs. Fred Herber.

The ladies served dainty and delicious refreshments at a suitable hour to add to the pleasures of the occasion.

## VISIT WITH OLD FRIENDS

Mrs. T. H. Kahoutek has returned from a visit at Sedalia, Missouri, with Mr. Kahoutek who has been engaged there with the Missouri Pacific in their shops, as well as with a number of old friends, former Plattsmouth residents. While there she was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brinkman and family and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Slatinsky and family. Mrs. Kahoutek experienced considerable difficulty in returning home as the heavy rains had caused some damage to the tracks of the Missouri Pacific. She also reports the old friends as doing very nicely and wishing to be remembered to the old friends here.

## Church Group Pays a Tribute to Departed

Memorial and Reunion Meeting of St. Mary's Guild and Auxiliary Held at F. L. Cummins Home.

The members of the St. Mary's Guild and the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Luke's Episcopal church held a very interesting meeting on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. L. Cummins.

The meeting was in the nature of a Memorial-Reunion. As it was the first memorial all former members of both organizations who have been called from their labors here to rest in their Celestial Home were remembered. The members were: Mrs. G. C. Betts, Rev. G. C. Betts, Mrs. H. R. Burgess, Canon H. B. Burgess, Miss Lucile Burgess, Mrs. J. W. Barwick, Mrs. Ed Barwick, Mrs. J. F. Clements, Mrs. A. W. Dawson, Mrs. George Dodge, Mrs. George E. Dovey, Mrs. Frank Dunbar, Mrs. Alice Eaton, Mrs. S. M. Eaton, Mrs. W. H. Herold, Mrs. Wallace Hull, Madame Leete, Canon Leete, Mrs. Nancy Leist, Mrs. R. R. Livingston, Mrs. T. P. Livingston, Miss Harriet McMaken, Mrs. H. C. McMaken, Mrs. Bert Bennett Mann, Mrs. W. J. H. Petter, Mrs. H. H. Pratt, Mrs. D. H. Redfern, Mrs. Abe Rupley, Mrs. J. H. Thrasher, Mrs. Frank Walters, Mrs. A. W. White.

Somehow among God's Islands, fair winds have borne them far, Beyond the dark and silence, where the blessed Angels are. And while to grieve is mortal, let us not pine nor fret, Somewhere, beyond life's portal, they live and love us yet.

The blessed bridge of memory, by which we nightly cross, Renews for us the story and glories of our loss. Nor should we weep like others, whose hopeless eyes are wet, When somewhere, freed from sorrow, they live and love us yet.

We know they feel, the absent, a hand that feign would guide, And love o'er loss ascend, reaching beyond the tide, So when life's cares oppress us or prompt us to forget, Let this assurance bless us, they live and love us yet.

The memorial was closed with prayers for the dead read by Canon Petter.

For the reunion part of the meeting letters were read from Mrs. Carrie McMaken Scott, Sheridan, Wyo., Mrs. Agnes Thrasher Keffler, Tacoma, Wash., Mrs. George Petring, Norfolk, Nebr., Mrs. W. S. Leete, Joliet, Ill., Father Jones, Muscatine, Iowa, Rev. Walter C. Middleton, Watertown, N. Y., and Miss Jane Dunbar, Los Angeles, Calif.

It was decided that the Auxiliary would again send a delegate to the Summer Church Conference to be held at Crete, Nebraska, June 17 to 24. This conference is open to all. Cost for the eight days is \$6.00. Any person who wishes to go may call Canon Petter.

Mrs. T. B. Bates, of Kansas City, Missouri, a former member, was a very welcome guest.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. M. Roberts, Mrs. Maude Fricke, and Mrs. Rea F. Patterson.

## PASSES EXAMINATIONS

The many friends of James M. Robertson, II, who is now attending the Santa Rosa college at Santa Rosa, California, will be pleased to learn that he has just completed the examinations required under the naval regulations for admission to Annapolis naval academy.

Mr. Robertson was designated as an alternate from the first Nebraska district to the naval academy and in the event of the failure of the first named candidate he will be eligible to take the position.

It has been a great ambition of Mr. Robertson to take up naval aviation and the friends are hopeful that he may have the opportunity of realizing this desire.

From Saturday's Daily:

Lee Brown, one of the well known residents of the vicinity of Weeping Water, was in the city today to look after some matters of business at the court house and calling on his friends here.

## ASKS \$10,000 DAMAGES

Mrs. Andrew Schmaier, of Omaha, former resident here, filed a petition in the district court at Omaha Wednesday asking the sum of \$10,000 damages as the result of an accident sustained Tuesday at Tenth and Martha streets, Omaha.

The suit is filed against the Omaha Street Railway Co., and the Palace Auto Livery company for injuries alleged to have been sustained by the plaintiff in the crash between the ambulance in which she was riding and a street car.

## Korn Klub is Planning for the Fall Festival

First Meeting Shows a Great Deal of Enthusiasm for the Annual Fall Festival.

While there are yet several months until the opening of the annual fall festival and korn carnival, the preliminary plans for summer entertainments for the funds of this fun organization are already under way.

The committee which is under the chairmanship of Henry G. Soennichsen, has held their first meeting of the season and started the ball rolling on the way to a successful start of the preliminary work of the show.

There was a great deal of enthusiasm shown by all and especially by the members who are living outside of the city and whose efforts have made a large part of the great success of the korn carnival.

One of the first features of the season will be a home talent play that will be offered and with a large array of fine amateur players in this community there is no doubt that it can be made one of the greatest successes.

The dates for the fall festival have not as yet been definitely decided on but it is expected will be in the early fall when the abundant crops of the county will be ready to make it truly a gala observance of the harvest.

## MRS. EVELYN PHOEBE CLAPP

Evelyn Phoebe Greenslate was born in New York state August 25, 1855, and departed this life May 14, 1935, at the age of 79 years, 9 months. The family moved in 1856 to Iowa, from which state her father served in the civil war. She was the youngest of six children. Her father died at the close of the civil war. She came to this precinct to visit her brother, Silas, in 1873. Here she met and married Chas. Dorland Clapp January 20, 1874. There were born to this union two boys, Dorland H. the elder who died at the age of about two years, also Willard, of Elmwood, Nebraska. She is survived by her son, Willard, his wife, and daughter, a number of relatives and a host of friends.

Mrs. Clapp became a member of the Christian church at an early age. She and her husband were instrumental in building this church. Mr. Clapp gave the lot on which the church stands, and she helped to collect funds with which to erect it.

Funeral services were at the Christian church, last Thursday at 2 p. m. Conducted by Rev. Ernest Baker and interment in the Elmwood cemetery.

## FIRST JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB IN THE COUNTY ORGANIZED

The first Junior Woman's club of its kind in Cass county has been organized at Nehawka. Their first regular meeting was held May 22, at the home of Daleene Carper.

This club was organized by Mrs. Nelson Berger, retiring president of the Nehawka Woman's club, with the able support of Mrs. Marion Tucker, retiring district president of the First district.

The officers elected for the coming year are as follows: President, Daleene Carper; vice president, Martha Senf; secretary, Lucille Hadley; treasurer, LaVerna Ingwersen; sponsor, Mrs. Marion Tucker.

Mrs. George Conis and children, Catherine, John and George, Jr., departed Thursday day afternoon for Nebraska City where they will spend a few days with the relatives of Mrs. Conis in that city.

## Eighth Grade Students of School Honored

Promotion Program Held at High School Largely Attended; Fine Program is Presented.

Wednesday afternoon the auditorium of the Plattsmouth high school was filled with a large group of the parents and friends of the young people of the eighth grade of the city schools to witness the promotion exercises of the class.

The program was well arranged and opened by the invocation by Rev. G. A. Pahl of the St. Paul's church, who also had the benediction of the afternoon.

Kathryn Earkus was heard in a well rendered cornet solo, "Columbia" that was a fitting commencement of the afternoon of entertainment.

Maxine Nielsen gave one of the pleasing features of the day in Victor Herbert's "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life," presented in a delightful manner.

Robert Hayes, one of the well known young musicians of the city, was heard in a violin number, "The Mowhawk," given in his usual artistic manner.

Kathryn Shellenbarger gave as a vocal offering, "Ma Lindy Lou," that was much appreciated by all of the large audience.

Janet Westover, always an appreciated artist on any program, was heard in a clarinet solo, the well known "Melody in F," being the offering.

Eleanor Giles and Violet Rabb were heard in a charming vocal duet, "Winter Wonderland."

The boy's glee club of the eighth grade gave as their contribution to the program the well known, "Long, Long Ago," with Louise Kishel serving as the accompanist.

The girl's glee club presented as their share of the afternoon entertainment a well given selection, "Singing Along," with Edna Mae Petersen as the pianist.

John Kenneth Bestor was heard in one of his delightful readings and which reflected the greatest credit on the young man for his fine work.

The awards for citizenship given by Fontenelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution were presented by Mrs. George B. Mann to John Bestor and Rosemary Steppat for their fine work. Mrs. Mann gave as her talk the history of Logan Fontenelle, great chief of the Omaha Indians and in whose memory the local chapter of the D. A. R. was named in honor of his services to the whites of the early days in Nebraska.

The address of the afternoon was by Mrs. E. H. Wescott, known over the state as one of the ablest lady speakers, who in her remarks pointed out to the young people the fact that the exercises marked a definite epoch in their lives when they were on the threshold of the high school and the near approaching time when their school work would end and they enter into their life as men and women of the world. She urged the young people to keep a high vision of the future and to endeavor to fit themselves for the opportunities that the future might hold for them in coming years.

The presentation of the certificates was made by Joseph A. Capwell, member of the board of education who congratulated the young people on the successful completion of their grade school work.

There were seventy-two in the class as follows:

Donald Akeson, Bill Armstrong, Anna Austin, Manford Biggs, Veda Capps, Max Chandler, Rayolen Edmondson, Dale Jackson, Betty Jasper, Jimmie Kozak, Bessie Landis, Marjorie Lancaster, Mildred Larson, John Livingston, Alfred McFarland, Maxine Nielsen, Charlotte Palmer, Jane Persinger, Eric Price, Violet Rabb, Ronald Rebal, Warren Reed, Kathryn Shellenbarger, Anna Mae Simons, Tom Solomon, Rose Mary Steppat, Margaret Sylvester, Clara Mae Taylor, Gerture Taylor, Maxine Thimjahn, John Tidball, Betty Vallery, Donald Wall, Dorothy Wall, Janet Westover, Robert Yelick, Ira Stull, Ross Lee Filler, Tom Phillips, Berla Helen Ault, Mary Alice Ault, Ruth Bailey, Kathryn Barkus, Jack Barton, Donald Burckham, John Bestor, Opal Byers, Linford Dasher, Winford Dasher, Reno

Edgerton, Keith Elliott, Eleanor Giles, Stewart Gochenour, Evelyn Gooding, Donald Greer, Frances Hadra, Ernest Harold, Ruth Ann Hatt, Robert Hayes, Frank Heigl, Irene Holcomb, Bernard Jackson, Gloria Johnson, Norma Johnson, Raymond Kalasek, Roy Kanecr, August Keif, Jerry Konfrat, Eugene Lester, Edythe Lushinsky, Anna Mary McMaken, Alma Moore, Barbara Rhoden, Ella Rhoden, Warren Rhylander, Donald Rice, Minnie Smith, Franklin Womack.

## Death of Former Resident at Denver Thurs'day

Matthew Joy, Former Employee of Burlington Paint Shop, Dies—Member Local M. W. A.

From Saturday's Daily: The announcement was received here today by Henry P. Goos, clerk of Cass Camp No. 332, M. W. A., of the death on May 23rd at Denver, of Matthew Joy, a resident of Plattsmouth for a great many years.

Mr. Joy will be well remembered by the older residents of the city as he was for a number of years engaged in the employe of the Burlington at the local paint shop and had many friends who will regret to learn of his death.

While a resident here Mr. Joy was one of the active leaders in the Modern Woodmen of America camp and a member of the drill team, participating in the head camp drill at Minneapolis in which the local team participated.

The family left here some twenty-five years ago for Denver where they have since made their home and where for several years Mr. Joy has been in the employe of the city as a painter.

The funeral will be held at Denver where the larger part of the family make their home.

## CARS HAVE WRECK

The new Buick car of Sheriff Homer Sylvester was badly damaged Friday afternoon when it was forced into a ditch just south of the Fort Crook overpass. The car was driven by Miss Avis Sylvester, daughter of the sheriff who with a number of school friends had started to drive to Omaha for a few hours. As their car was going north another car and truck also came along and in the three passing the car of the sheriff was forced over into a ditch and the fenders and left side and end were badly smashed and damaged. While the car was stopped by the accident a car following from the south crashed into the rear of the car and damaged the tire carrier and bumper.

The cars that had forced that of the sheriff into the ditch continued on their way and the numbers of the car and truck could not be secured. The damage to the car will be quite heavy, but fortunately none of the party were injured and it was possible to have the car brought on back to this city to be repaired.

## IOWA PEOPLE WEDDED

From Saturday's Daily: This morning at the court house occurred the marriage of Miss Marguerite Putney and Mr. Harold Jensen, both of Council Bluffs. The marriage was performed at the office of County Judge A. H. Duxbury, who read the marriage lines.

The marriage was witnessed by Miss Anne McDaniel and Charles Putney, the latter a brother of the bride.

Bert Jamieson, genial Weeping Water auto salesman, was at the court house at the time and remarked that it was thirty-five years ago that he drove in with a horse and buggy to secure from Judge J. E. Douglass, then on the county bench, the necessary permission to be married.

## VERY HAPPY EVENT

Mr. and Mrs. John Horn, who reside on the farm west of this city, are rejoicing over the arrival at their home of a fine nine pound son and heir. The young man and the mother are doing very nicely and the occasion has been one of the greatest joy to John as well as to the other relatives. This is the first son in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Horn.

## Seniors Give Final Convocation This Morning

Lois Giles, Class President, Presides and an Excellent Program is Presented.

From Friday's Daily: With their final convocation program this morning, the class of 1935 made its last appearance in Plattsmouth high school with exception of the graduation exercises this evening. The program was ably prepared and presented and gave the audience of students and parents a fine list of talent. Lois Giles, class president, introduced the members and presented first Billy Reddy, talented young pianist who was heard in two numbers. This was followed by a finely executed tap dance number by another of our splendid juvenile performers, little Miss Irene Lahoda. The class will be read by Frederick Fricke and portrayed the last will and testament of the graduates. Jane Boedecker who has been outstanding in the music department was presented in a piano solo. Jane will be greatly missed next year.

A group of Senior boys who have been members of the glee clubs sang two numbers and the Senior girls sextette was heard in their final appearance. This latter group is composed of five members of the regular school sextette which has been one of the most popular school music organizations. The girls are: Jane Boedecker, Alice Wiles, Lois Mende, Mildred Cacy, Velma Edwards and Virginia Trively. Mildred Knofleek, state winner in violin, was, as always, a popular number on the program.

The class prophecy was very cleverly read by Grace Welch and afforded great amusement to the audience as the possible future of many of the Seniors was revealed. The class poem "Farewell to P. H. S." written by Joseph Lovelless, was read by Carl Hula.

As tokens of appreciation for their services as sponsors, Miss Beighley was presented with a gift by the Seniors and Mr. Alvord and Mr. Reed received gifts from the Juniors.

At the conclusion of the program, a newspaper, "The Keyhold," prepared as a project in Mr. Alvord's journalism class, was distributed to the group. It was a well prepared review of the year's activities and will be a memento of 1934-35.

## WRECKS CITY JAIL

From Saturday's Daily: The city jail this morning resembled one of the shell torn dwellings in the war zone of France as the result of the destructive action of Clyde Thomas, who was held there last evening. Thomas was arrested late in the afternoon by Chief of Police Joe Libershal on the charge of being intoxicated and placed in the city jail for safe keeping until some action could be taken in his case. Later in the night he started a general warfare on the interior of the jail, securing a section of a 2x4 proceeded to wreck the window glass of the jail and which will cost the city a considerable sum to replace. He also ripped one of the mattresses that are used on the jail cots. The prisoner was then taken to the county jail and confined and subdued by Sheriff Sylvester from his warlike mood.

## PURCHASE SERVICE STATION

The service station that has been operated at the O. K. Garage on Washington avenue by Robert Hartford, has been disposed of to Earl Koebel and Harold Lillis.

The new owners are now in charge of the station and on the job to look after the service to their patrons in their courteous and accommodating manner. They will continue to handle the Standard Oil products at the station as in the past.

The young men are well known to a large circle of friends and should have a very excellent patronage of their place of business.

Mrs. Edna D. Shannon, of Weeping Water, was in the city Friday to enjoy a visit with the many friends for a short time.