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Program of the New WPA Discussed Here

Representatives of the New Federal Program Here to Discuss Plans for New Work.

Wednesday afternoon a very interesting meeting was held at the office of the county commissioners when representatives in charge of the work of the WPA in this portion of Nebraska, were in attendance to explain fully the proposals covered and what the plans were as to projects and employment.

There was present at the meeting Mark Kerns, Nebraska City, local director work division Cass and Otoe counties; Charles G. Young, Lincoln, district engineer WPA 3rd district and Miss Evelyn Jack, supervisor of certification WPA 3rd district.

This plan Mr. Young explained at some length was to take up the slack that other projects had left in the employment situation and to cut the relief rolls of the nation by providing necessary work.

The WPA covered what is known as the cushion proposition, work relief that will care for those who may be later released from seasonal work as well as the surplus labor that is now idle.

The WPA was prepared to entertain proposals for any project offered by any political sub-division, city, county, state or school district, which should be prepared and placed in the hands of the district engineers who will estimate the labor cost, the value of the job and transmit the same to the division head and then on to Washington where it is checked and if approved sent to the treasury department where the necessary funds are set aside for the proposition.

The WPA was limited on their appropriations for buildings to \$25,000 but could handle all kinds of feasible projects that would employ labor and give some permanent worthwhile results.

The WPA paid the security wage scale, that of \$32 a month for their labor and which could be employed on a 40 hour week, with the skilled labor ranging to \$45 per month. This wage, Mr. Young explained was such that the worker when given the opportunity to enter other lines of work would take them up and give place to others in the WPA.

The selection of the workers for the WPA jobs was that of ninety per cent from the relief rolls and ten percent from those not on relief but idle.

The matter of those who are imported to work in other counties than their own which has occasioned some trouble in recent weeks in several counties, is being cleared up by the work of the certifying officers who are now working in all of the counties and starting here on Monday. This would result in the weeding out of outside workers that might have recently been brought in the several counties.

Engineer Young was very impressive and thorough in his explanation of the WPA and gave every possible information desired on the subject. He was urgent on the matter of the farm to market road as a work relief measure and which would provide a source of expanding employment and give a lasting improvement to the communities where it is carried on in an all year round road for the farmer.

Other proposition that had been considered at other places were parks, small buildings, swimming pools, sewerage systems and anything that would result in permanent good and be worthy of the amount spent on it.

Mr. Young stated that the WPA expected that the workers would produce results and that no shovel propositions would be approved as a labor wastage.

Mr. Young and Mr. Kerns urged that the county board, the city or any other political subdivision in the county prepare some propositions that could be submitted on his next visit here within the next week or ten days which would permit the WPA to become an active factor in Cass county and reduce the relief roll.

All kinds of commercial printing done promptly at the Journal office.

AN UNUSUAL SIGHT

County Commissioner J. A. Pitz has blooming at his home on highway 75 in the south part of the city, a "Bird of Paradise" tree which is now aglow and is a most beautiful and unusual sight as the trees are rare and especially to find one in bloom. Mr. Pitz who is a great lover of floral beauty also has an Egyptian Lotus tree that is blooming, a tree that is famous in legend and song. Mr. Pitz and family invite all those interested to come out and enjoy seeing these trees.

Death of Tom Straub, Pioneer of Near Avoca

Member of One of Best Known Families of Southern Cass County, Dies on Wednesday.

Thomas H. Straub, 65, son of the founders of "Straub settlement" near Avoca, long a colorful figure of that community, died at his home Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock.

Straub suffered a stroke Tuesday from which he never regained consciousness. It was his third attack within the past nine months. Two weeks ago he returned to Avoca after a long seige in an Omaha hospital.

He was born on the old Straub homestead near Avoca March 1, 1869, the fourth son of David and Elizabeth Straub, who settled in the new prairie country and founded a town. Later the town was moved when the Missouri Pacific railroad was built through this territory.

He lived all of his life in and around the Avoca community. After retiring from farming he set up an automobile agency and implement store, jokingly referring to it, at first, as "Tom Straub, Not Inc." The name stuck and his business bore that title until his death.

Tom Straub never married. He lived alone in his home until illness made it imperative that help be close at hand. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hauptmann have been caring for him since.

Of a jovial nature, he acquired during years of active life a wide circle of friends. For years he held various offices in Trinity Lutheran church, the congregation founded by his father and mother.

Although funeral services will be held from the church final arrangements have not yet been made.

He is survived by four brothers, David, Vincent, Max, prominent Avoca farmers and livestock men, and William Straub, president of the Farmers Mutual Insurance company of Lincoln.

HONOR NEBRASKA GUESTS

Mrs. J. F. Sindelar of Omaha and Mrs. C. E. Wilcox of Beatrice, Nebr., were honor guests at two bridge parties given last week in Lake Worth, Florida, where they are spending the summer months.

Mrs. E. E. Greene, Jr., entertained for her sisters at her home on North D street. Mrs. L. Heglund and Mrs. W. King were prize winners.

Refreshments were served to: Mrs. J. F. Sindelar, Mrs. C. E. Wilcox, Mrs. W. L. Hunt and Mrs. M. Tumber of West Palm Beach, Mrs. W. A. Hendry, Mrs. D. A. Propst, Mrs. I. Heglund, Mrs. Ida King, Mrs. G. P. Aldridge, Mrs. W. King, Mrs. Edward Wilson, Mrs. E. Burgess, Mrs. R. W. Stephenson, Miss Jerrie Keith, Miss Vivian Holley and Mrs. E. E. Greene, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Propst were hosts at their home on North Lake-side Drive. Mrs. A. Engram received the prize.

Russian tea and cake was served to: Mrs. J. F. Sindelar, Mrs. C. E. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Greene, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Swain, Mr. and Mrs. A. Engram and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Propst.—Palm Beach Post.

LEAVE FOR CALIFORNIA

From Friday's Daily
This morning at 4 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bakke and family, popular residents of Murray, departed for the west coast where they are planning on an extended stay and possibly to make their home. They will enjoy a visit with old friends in California for some time and then settle in their new location.

Death of Mrs. William Puls at Murray Thurs.

Aged Lady Passes Away After Short Illness—Resident of Near Murray Over Sixty Years.

Thursday night at 10:30 at the home in Murray, occurred the death of Mrs. William Puls, 86, one of the long time residents of that portion of Cass county, living there for the past sixty years and a loved and honored figure in the community where her many years had been spent.

Mrs. Puls has resided at the home at Murray since the death of the husband, October 4, 1928, with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Hild, who have cared for her in the intervening years. She was taken ill a week ago and pneumonia developed and which with her advanced years caused her death.

Louise Engelkemeier was born on September 9, 1849, in Lippe-Deimold, Germany, where her childhood days were spent and when reaching womanhood's estate she was married to a girlhood sweetheart, William Puls who had migrated to the United States to found a new home and returned to claim the bride and bring her to the land where they were to find happiness and success. Mr. and Mrs. Puls located on a farm west of Murray where they spent many years and their children were born and reared. Through their untiring work and thrift they accumulated large land holdings and Mr. Puls was one of the largest landowners in that section of the county for many years.

In her youth Mrs. Puls was united with the Lutheran Evangelical church and of which faith she remained a most devoted and faithful member until death.

There is surviving her passing seven children, County Assessor W. H. Puls, Plattsmouth; Otto Puls, Murray; Louis Puls, Cornish, Colorado; Mrs. Phillip A. Hild, Mrs. Fred Lutz, Mrs. Alfred Gansemer, Murray and Mrs. Laura Ringwood, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Two brothers also survive her passing, Henry Engelkemeier, Newkirk, Okla., and Charles Engelkemeier, Plattsmouth. There is a very large number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren surviving.

The deceased lady was one that has devoted her lifetime to the rearing of her family and in that task and the company of the close friends of many years standing found her greatest happiness. She was a figure that all in the community knew that all in the community knew and her passing will make a place hard to fill in the life of the Murray community.

The funeral services will be held on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the Eight Mile Grove Lutheran church, Rev. A. Lentz officiating, and the burial will be at Oak Hill cemetery in this city beside the husband. The Sattler funeral home of this city will have charge of the services.

ATTEND LION'S MEETING

Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Pugsley and Miss Marion Propst of Bayard, Nebraska and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pugsley, Jr., of Omaha, have just returned from a three-weeks motor trip to Mexico City, Mexico where they attended the Lions convention in that city.

They report a wonderful trip and beautiful scenery in the mountains, and the weather was delightful and cool.

Dr. and Mrs. Pugsley departed for their home in the western part of the state Tuesday after a visit here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stamp.

ENTERTAIN GUESTS

A party was given recently at the Casino in Lake Worth, Florida. After swimming a late supper was cooked on the beach.

Attending were: Mrs. J. F. Sindelar and Kathryn Mac, Mrs. C. E. Wilcox and Marilyn, Nebraska visitors in Florida, at the home of R. L. Propst, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight A. Propst and Nell, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Greene, Jr., and Elvin, and Mr. R. L. Propst

Phone the news to No. 6.

NEW GRAIN BINS BEING ERECTED

Many of the farmers around here plan to hold their wheat on their own farms and sell when prices are higher.

Glen Valley has just sold a Columbian grain bin to Earl Becker.

The Columbian bin is a favorite with farmers all over this territory. There are more in use than all others combined. It gives a farmer economical storage that is rat-proof, weather-proof.

The bin is easy to erect and this year is priced very reasonably.

Awards Made in R. C. Swimming Tests Here

Lee Beldin of Crete Holds Examinations for the Young People and Passes on Grades.

Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans, secretary of the local chapter of the American Red Cross, under whose sponsorship the recent swimming lessons were held at the Merritt pits north of this city, has received the announcement of the awards for the special tests held here on Thursday for life-saving work.

The test was conducted by Lee Beldin of Crete, and the result was announced by Mr. Beldin as follows:

Senior Life Saving
Joseph R. Case and George Dickson. Dickson was awarded the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. swimming test awards.

Junior Life Saving
Catherine Griffin, Omaha.

Beginners Buttons
James Mautz, Jr., Henry Kauble, Robert and James Yelick.

One of the youngsters winning a button lost this in the car of Mrs. Rosencrans and who is holding the same for the owner who can receive it by calling at her office at the court house.

FUNERAL OF MISS SANS

The funeral services for Miss Beulah Sans, long time teacher in the Murray schools, were held Friday afternoon at the late home in the town of Murray, where the departed had carefully cared for the home as well as carried on her many other tasks of daily life over a long period of years.

The services were simple and impressive and as beautiful in their thoughtfulness as the life of the departed had been.

The Rev. J. C. Stewart, pastor of the church, had charge of the service and gave in his remarks words of comfort to the family circle as well as paying a deserved tribute to the life and service of the departed lady to her family and to the community in which she had spent her lifetime.

Mrs. E. H. Wescott of this city gave the beautiful selection from the "New World Symphony," "Going Home," whose beauty added to the impressiveness of the occasion. Mr. Wescott served as the accompanist.

The pall bearers were selected from the young men of the community who had in their childhood days been students in the school taught by Miss Sans and who bore the casket to the last resting place in Oak Hill cemetery in this city.

The pall bearers were Charles Sporer, Charles Howard, Richard Brendel, John Gilmore, Albert Griffin, Clall Gansemer, William Griffin, Earl Mraesk.

The funeral was one of the largest held in Murray in many years and a very large cortege accompanied the casket to this city for the last rites.

The beautiful flowers and the large number attending attested the deep feeling of grief that has been felt in the community by the many friends.

MAKE RAID ON ISLAND

Friday afternoon Sheriff Homer Sylvester and Deputy Sheriff Tom Walling were out in the Culom vicinity where they in company with the sheriff of Sarpy county and state officers conducted a raid on an island in the Platte river. The officers had suspected a still on one of the islands and a search was made over the island but without success as to finding the manufacturing plant for the moonshine liquor.

Chevrolets and Mynard Winners in Twin Bills

Auto Team and Home Dairy Stage a Close 5 to 4 Game and Mynard Cleans Up on Donats.

From Saturday's Daily:

One of the close games of the kitenball season was staged last night at Athletic park when the Chevrolets were the winners over the Home Dairy 5 to 4 in a hard fought eight inning mill and which was decided by the costly errors of the Dairy that permitted Bob McClanahan to bring in the needed run that gave them victory.

The Home Dairy started the scoring with three in the second inning, Keil and Herring hitting safely and followed by costly errors that scored them, Smock being safe when his fly to center was dropped and scoring when Miller hit to short and was safe. The Chevies came back with two runs in their half of the inning when Chet Smith and Hirz were scoring.

The sixth inning saw the score tied by the Chevies when Schutz, safe on a fielder's choice scored on the triple of Bill Smith.

The box score of the game:

Chevrolets—		AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Ryan, rs	4	0	0	0	1	0	1
Rod, 2b	4	0	1	2	0	0	0
Schutz, rf	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
Schilke, ss	4	1	1	1	3	1	0
B. Smith, 3b	3	0	1	6	3	0	0
C. Smith, c	3	1	1	4	0	0	0
A. McCl'han, 1b	3	1	2	8	0	0	0
Lohnes, lf	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
Hirz, cf	3	0	1	0	2	0	0
B. McCl'han, p	3	1	0	1	0	0	0
		34	5	8	21	8	4

Home Dairy—		AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Hilt, c	4	0	1	3	0	0	0
Fullerton, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	0
Hirz, ss	4	0	1	1	3	1	0
Brittain, 1b	4	1	1	11	0	0	0
Keil, 2b	4	1	1	0	3	0	0
Herring, rs	4	1	2	0	0	0	0
Duda, cf	4	0	0	1	0	0	0
Nord, lf	3	0	0	4	0	0	0
Smock, 3b	3	1	0	3	1	0	0
Miller, p	3	0	0	0	2	0	0
		38	4	7	24	7	1

The Finale

In the last game of the evening there was a liberal representation of all teams on the diamond to fill the gaps in the ranks of the Donats and Mynard, many of the regulars failing to be on the diamond. The result of the game was that the boys from the south were the winners 14 to 8. The Donats had errors aplenty checked to them while the Mynard team was saved from many of these. Chris Zimmerman of the Mynard team scored four runs on two errors and two doubles in his trips at bat.

The box score of the battle:

Mynard—		AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Spangler, 2b	4	1	1	1	2	0	0
Born, ss	4	2	1	1	0	0	0
Becker, lf	4	2	0	1	0	0	0
Zimmerman, 1b	4	4	2	6	0	0	0
Brittain, 3b	4	1	1	3	0	0	0
Speck, c	3	0	1	6	0	0	0
Kriskey, rs	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
J. O'Donnell, rf	3	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seitz, cf	3	2	1	1	0	0	0
Vallery, p	3	1	0	1	3	0	0
		32	14	7	21	6	3

Donats—		AB	R	H	PO	A	E
McCrary, rs	3	1	0	1	1	0	0
C. Forbes, c	4	2	1	6	0	0	0
Wehrlein, 2b	4	0	1	2	3	2	0
Aylor, 1b	4	1	0	7	0	0	0
Thee, ss	3	0	1	1	0	0	0
J. Forbes, 2b	3	1	0	1	2	0	0
Taylor, cf	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
Davis, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Todd, p	3	1	0	2	4	0	0
Fulton, lf	3	2	2	0	0	0	0
		31	8	7	18	10	7

ENJOYING VACATION TRIP

O. E. Trilety, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Trility of this city, who is engaged in governmental work at Washington, arrived in the city Friday afternoon for a short outing trip in this section of the country. Mr. Trilety was accompanied by a friend who is going to his home at Fullerton for a short stay. Mr. Trilety departed with his mother this morning for Wheatland, Wyoming, where they will visit with their daughter and sister for a short time. From Wheatland Mr. Trilety will motor to Portland, Oregon, where he will visit friends before returning to his work at the national capital city.

HAS A CLOSE CALL

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Gilmore of Murray had a very close call Thursday afternoon from the destruction of their attractive home by fire. There was a gasoline stove used in the kitchen and which suddenly burst into flames and for a few moments threatened to spread to the walls and ceiling and it was only to presence of mind of members of the household that the home was saved. A garden hose was in the yard and a stream of water shot into the kitchen served to check the fire and save further loss.

Social Security Bill is Passed by the Congress

Measure Carrying Old Age Pension and Unemployment Insurance Goes to President.

Congress Friday at Washington granted the Roosevelt administration authority to embark on the most extensive social experiment ever conducted in the nation, intended to safeguard millions in their old age and in times of stress.

The grant of power was extended in the social security bill, which received final congressional approval in the senate without even the formality of a record vote. Thus ended seven months of turbulent debate and backstage negotiation.

Regarded by President Roosevelt as the most important of all his legislative proposals, the bill not only would steer America on a new social course, but would impose the greatest tax burden ever approved by congress.

It would provide old age and unemployed benefits for an estimated 25 million workers and appropriate millions of dollars for aiding handicapped mothers and children.

Stormy Course.
The senate's calm approval of the gigantic measure was in striking contrast to the bill's long and controversial course. The only point at issue was the Clark amendment to exclude private pension plans, and even its author, Senator Clark (dem., Mo.) acquiesced in the elimination of the amendment.

Chairman Harrison (dem., Miss.) of the senate finance committee explained that the members of the conference committee had "made every attempt" to work out a compromise on the amendment.

He said the conference had been unable to do this but had agreed to set up committees to study the subject with a view to acting at the next session.

Clark said the amendment was necessary "to preserve the rights of over four million American workmen in private systems in case the bill should be declared unconstitutional."

See Invalidation.
Administration leaders expressed a belief that elimination of the Clark amendment removed one of the major constitutional hazards from the bill. But there were still many members of congress who forecast that part or all of it would be invalidated by the supreme court.

The section most frequently challenged on constitutional grounds was that authorizing the creation of a nationwide old age pension fund by the levying of a 3 per cent tax on employers and employees against the salaries of the workers up to three thousand dollars a year.

To supplement this system, the federal government would offer grants of \$15 a month, to be matched by the states, for all needy aged not taken care of under the contributory system. Similar grants would be made for needy blind, regardless of age.

The government also would levy a 3 per cent pay roll tax against employers of eight or more persons out of which reductions can be made up to 90 per cent for payment to state unemployment insurance systems.

These two pay roll taxes are estimated to yield about three billion dollars annually by 1950.

Cass county has no bonded indebtedness, like the state, having paid as it went. That is a worthwhile record considering the predicament many counties are in, that have not followed such a wise course.

Soldier Dies, Wife Seriously Hurt in Accident

Car Crashes Through Heavy Guard Cable on Highway 75, Goes Into Deep Ravine.

Paul Frederick Milz, sergeant in the 17th Infantry at Fort Crook, was killed and his wife, Grace Schutz Milz, critically injured late Saturday afternoon when their car crashed from highway No. 75 down a steep embankment, turning over several times.

The accident occurred at the foot of the hill north of the Willis farm north of this city where the highway starts its swing westward in a curve. The car had apparently failed to make the turn and crashed into the posts and heavy cable that protects the roadway on the north, shearing off posts and cable and crashing on down the steep embankment where it was a mass of wreckage and was not discovered for sometime.

Shortly after 5:30 a driver of one of the Watson trucks was passing the scene of the accident and discovered a woman, her clothing almost torn to shreds, attempting to climb the steep embankment and the driver stopped to assist her and discovered the wreck and was informed by the woman that her husband had been killed or badly injured. Word of the wreck was sent into this city and Deputy Sheriff Tom Walling and Officer Roy Stewart hastened to the scene and the ambulance called from the Sattler funeral home to hurry to the scene.