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Cass County Farmers Make a Saving in Interest

Report From Farm Credit Administration Gives Interest Saving Figures at \$32,700.

Refinancing debts through Farm Credit Administration has saved Cass county farmers more than \$32,700 a year on interest alone, according to figures from the central office of the Farm Credit Administration in Washington.

Over \$2,864,000 of farm debts with interest rates that averaged 5.3 per cent a year have been refinanced with long-term mortgage loans carrying interest rates of 5 per cent a year or less.

The figures show that the local National Farm Loan Association has been a big factor in making these long-term mortgages available at low interest rates. The association guarantees loans to the Federal land bank.

From May, 1933, when the Farm Credit Administration was organized, to the end of last year, 370 Cass county farmers obtained \$2,725,000 for the specific purpose of refinancing old debts.

The Federal Land bank made 339 first mortgage loans and the land bank commissioner 260 loans. Many of the commissioner's loans were made on second mortgage security to farmers who also obtained first mortgage loans. Most land bank loans are endorsed by associations and advanced from funds obtained by selling farm loan bonds. The commissioner from funds provided by the federal government.

As in the past, the federal land banks are making loans only on first mortgage security, lending up to about one-half of the appraised normal value of the farm property. The commissioner lends on second as well as first mortgage security in amounts up to 75 per cent of the value. The largest amount of a commissioner loan to one farmer is \$7,500.

An act of congress last summer temporarily reduced interest rates on all Federal Land bank loans—old and new. Where land bank loans are made through National Farm Loan Associations, the rate is only 3 1/2 per cent for all interest payable in the year ending June 30, 1936, and 4 per cent a year in the two years following. This temporary reduction of interest rates on all Federal Land bank loans is paid for by the federal government, which reimburses the banks for what otherwise would be a loss to them.

Due to favorable investment market conditions when the Federal Land banks sold bonds recently, the banks can offer new loans, at present, at the interest rate of 4 per cent a year—the lowest at which they have ever lent money.

GIVE FRIENDS FAREWELL

A real surprise party was given to Mr. and Mrs. James Tigner, who are moving from their former home near Cedar Creek to a farm in the vicinity of Union. There were fifty of the neighbors and relatives to join in the occasion that was much enjoyed but tinged with the regret that the Tigner family was leaving the old home community.

The members of the jolly party spent the evening at cards, in which pinocle was featured and dancing also served to make the time pass most delightfully for all. The music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Tigner of Weeping Water.

The guests had come with well laden baskets and which made a fine supper late in the evening as the members joined in their best wishes to the Tigner family in their new home.

HERE FROM OMAHA

From Monday's Daily: Frank H. Stander, for many years a resident of the vicinity of Manley, was here today to attend to some matters at the court house. Mr. Stander has made his home in Omaha for the past several years, but still retains his interest in the Manley State bank as well as land interests in that section of the country.

ARRIVAL OF LITTLE DAUGHTER

From Monday's Daily: This morning the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Kriskey, Jr., was made very happy by the arrival of a fine little daughter which came to share their home in the future. The little one weighed eight pounds and with the mother is doing very nicely. This is the first child in the family and the event has brought the greatest happiness to all of the members of the family circle and the father one of the most joyful residents of the city.

Rear of Petersen Building on East Main Falls

One of the Older Structures in City Badly Damaged and Injures Adjoining Building.

The one story brick addition to the Petersen building on Main street between Third and Fourth streets collapsed late Saturday and with the result that the structure was a total wreck and the store room of the Egenberger building adjoining was also damaged.

The building is one of the old structures in that part of the city and it was noticed Saturday afternoon that the east wall of the building was in bad shape and was starting to break away. Later in the afternoon someone evidently assisted the course of destruction and the whole structure, roof and all, started to fall. It was with difficulty that a truck belonging to Joe Mrasek was taken out of the building, the roof then swaying dangerously and in a short time the whole structure gave way.

Bricks from the falling building were hurled on the roof of the Egenberger building where the rear part is used as a storage for the International Harvester tractors and other machinery.

The debris was being cleared up today by Roy Taylor and a force of workmen.

ENTERTAIN AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reeder entertained very delightfully Sunday at their home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Williams, of Elmwood, the occasion being the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Williams, parents of Mrs. Reeder.

There was a group of the relatives and old friends here to assist in making the event most pleasant in every way.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Williams and daughter, Miss Anna, who is now attending Peru, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Schneider, Elmwood; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Moore, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. T. James, Nebraska City; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Langhorst, Elmwood.

SELECT CLASS PLAY

The senior class of the Plattsmouth high school has selected as the class play, "Be an Optimist," by Adam Applebud. This is one of the late and popular plays and rehearsals for the play will be started at once by the cast. The production will be under the direction of Mr. L. M. Gerner.

The members of the cast will comprise Dan Baird, Mildred Wilson, Marion Wiles, Grant Howard, Amiee Jane Thomas, Rosemary Cloldt, Floyd McCarthy, Viva Palmer, Louise Rishel, Amber Bomer, John Farris, Anna Marie Rea, Walter Sikora.

RETURN TO WYOMING

From Tuesday's Daily: James and Ted Speck, who have been visiting at the home of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gooding, departed this morning for Omaha, and from there will go on to their home at Casper, Wyoming. They are sons of John Speck, a brother of Mrs. Gooding and Ben, Harry and Carl Speck of this vicinity.

VISIT OTOE COUNTY

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stark-John and Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Cloldt and daughter were visitors in Otoe county, motoring to the vicinity of Talmage where they were looking over some land in that locality.

George B. Mann, Long Time Resident, Passes On

Veteran Newspaper Man of Nebraska Succumbs to an Illness of the Past Several Months.

From Tuesday's Daily: This morning shortly after 1 o'clock, George B. Mann, 68, passed away at his home in this city where he has been gravely ill for the past three months. The death was not unexpected as Mr. Mann has been gradually sinking in the past few weeks and patiently awaited the end of his suffering and pain.

His passing takes from the community one who had devoted many years to the study of Plattsmouth history and in late years he had accumulated an almost priceless collection of pictures and papers pertaining to the early history of the city and the pioneer residents. This he continued until the last when his malady no longer permitted his activities.

George Brinton Mann was born March 10, 1868, in St. Louis, Missouri, but when three years of age, he was brought by his parents, Captain and Mrs. Peter Mann, to Plattsmouth, the mother and children making the trip by boat to this city, where the father was engaged as captain on the transfer boats used to bring trains and produce across from the railroad terminal on the Iowa side of the river.

When George was five years of age he entered school and continued there until he had reached his thirteenth years when he embarked in the trade that was to be his life work, that of printing. He has followed the printing trade for fifty-three years, retiring a year and a half ago from active work at the Journal. In the years of his connection with the printing trade he has served as printer in Omaha and Fremont in earlier days on some of the earlier newspapers, and as well has owned at different times four papers, owning and selling the Journal three times until in 1902 when he sold the paper to R. A. Bates.

Mr. Mann in his younger years was much devoted to river life as he had been his father and he constructed and built several boats for use on the Missouri river, this being his hobby for many years.

The Mann family for thirty-six years made their home in a residence that stood north of the Central school building and which was sold to the schools and torn down several years ago. Since his marriage he has resided for the past twenty-two years in the home on Vine street where he passed away.

Mr. Mann was married in this city in 1913 to Miss Pearl Nichols. To them was born a son, Robert M. Mann, who with the mother survive the passing of this long time resident.

He is also survived by one brother and one sister, Edward Mann of San Francisco and Mrs. George Thomas of Los Angeles, California, as well as a number of nieces and nephews.

Recently while Mr. Mann was able to enjoy the visits of friends he recalled some of the incidents of the early days that had most impressed him in his younger years. These included the excitement of the discovery of gold in the Black Hills, when the Omaha U. P. bridge was struck by lightning and trains taken over on boats, seeing the first Pullman car on the C. B. & Q. railroad, the burning of the machine shops here in the seventies that led to the erection of the present shop buildings, the construction of the bridge over the Missouri river at this point in 1880.

Mr. Mann was one of the committee in this city that assisted in the campaign to erect the court house here in 1889 and he cast his first vote for this proposition.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. Edgar Glaze of this city was operated on Saturday at the Methodist hospital at Omaha where she has been for the past several days. The patient has been suffering from appendicitis and complications but has stood the ordeal in excellent shape. She is reported as doing just as well as possible under the circumstances.

ELECTED AS TEACHER

Miss Martha Gorder, of this city, member of the graduating class of 1936 of the Peru State Teachers college, has just been elected as a teacher in the high school at Harrison, Nebraska. Miss Gorder will receive her degree this year and will have commercial and music as her subjects in the Harrison schools. She is planning to spend the summer at Yellowstone park where she has spent the last two summers and in the fall will take up her work at Harrison.

Charles Dykes Dies at His Home Near Glenwood

Former Resident Here Passes Away as Result of Complications Following Broken Hip.

From Monday's Daily: Charles Dykes, 48, a former resident of this city, died this morning shortly after 7 o'clock at his farm home six miles south of Glenwood, as the result of complications that had followed a fractured hip.

During the cold weather of last month Mr. Dykes had slipped and fell while looking after the chores at the farm and sustained a severe fracture of the hip and since that time had been confined to his bed. In the last few days he had grown worse and death was thought to have been occasioned by the forming of a blood clot.

Mr. Dykes was a resident of Plattsmouth for some thirteen years, leaving here two years ago for Glenwood and where he has since resided. While here he was engaged in trucking and during his residence made the acquaintance of a large number who will regret to learn of his passing.

He is survived by the widow; one daughter, Mrs. Harold Vincent of this city, the mother, Mrs. Susan Dykes of Plattsmouth. There are also five brothers and two sisters, Walter, Albany, Mo.; Roy and Morris, Billings, Montana; Jess, Cabool, Mo.; William, Sioux City, Iowa; Mrs. Lottie Hounsucker, King City, Mo.; Mrs. Golda Wright, Plattsmouth.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

From Tuesday's Daily: Last evening Mrs. Theodore Ptak entertained a number of the young people of the city in honor of the fifteenth birthday anniversary of her sister, Margaret Ann Vallery.

There were eighteen of the young people in attendance and the time was most delightfully spent in games of all kinds and in which Ray Wooster and John Benton Livingston were the winners.

In honor of the event the guest of honor received a large number of very attractive gifts.

Mrs. Ptak, assisted by her mother, Mrs. John S. Vallery, served a very dainty and much enjoyed luncheon at an appropriate hour.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

John Rishel, who has been ill for the past several months and has been under treatment at Omaha, returned home Sunday. While far from well the young man is very much improved and has given the family a great deal of hope that he will eventually regain his former health. John is a graduate of the class of 1935 of the local school and very prominent in Scout work and it has been a great regret to him that he has had to give up this activity during the fall and winter.

VISIT AT HOSPITAL

Hillard Grassman and son, Robert, with Mrs. Charles Hitt, were in Omaha Sunday where they visited at the Methodist hospital where Donald Grassman, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Hillard Grassman, is recovering from a mastoid operation. They found the patient doing very well and it is hoped may soon be on the road to complete recovery.

H. H. Wilhoft of Nebraska City, a representative of the Pitzer agencies, was in the city Monday afternoon to look after some matters of business.

Funeral of Mrs. L. J. Neitzel is Held Tuesday

Faithful Member and Worker Called to Reward at Close of Long and Active Service.

Mrs. Lydia Neitzel, daughter of the Rev. M. Hoehn, was born June 15, 1858, in the state of Indiana. Her early life was spent in the Evangelical parsonage. That meant a move every two years, and to overcome this burden, she consented to marry a blacksmith, who to her great dismay turned out to be a preacher. This threw her back into the old life and was a great disappointment to her.

But to show the heroic stuff that Evangelicals are made of, she forgot the dream of her youth and went back into the service with all her soul.

Sister Neitzel surrendered her life to Jesus August 31, 1874, in a revival meeting which her father held, and she had a re-baptism in the Holy Spirit in August of 1882 held by her husband, south of Ithaca, Nebraska.

Her religion was deep rooted and built on the Rock of Ages; nothing could move her... and in that faith she lived until last Sunday, March 29, 1936, at 10:30 a. m., when she went to see her Lord, and join with the redeemed host, to sing the praises of him who had made her an heir of eternal life.

On February 19, 1878, she was joined to Louis Neitzel in marriage. Four children were born to them, who grew to maturity in Murdock: A. J. Neitzel, of Murdock; Mrs. O. J. Hitchcock, of Lincoln; Mrs. Clara Hartung, of Kansas City and Mrs. Meta MacDiarmid, of Omaha. These, along with three sisters and a brother survive Mrs. Neitzel, they being: Mrs. Lucinda Mehl, of Indianapolis; Mrs. Clara Martin, of Cedar Bluffs, Nebraska; Mrs. Olga Arnold of Lake-side, California, and Enoch Hoehn of Mattawan, Michigan. She also leaves eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

In 1928 Mr. and Mrs. Neitzel celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and were expecting soon to greet their sixtieth one.

Her life was spent in a practical Christianity, that is, in doing good, ever thinking and planning for the pleasure and enjoyment of others, thus imitating her Lord.

She was no half-hearted Christian. She has lived a long and useful life, leaving a good example and is now giving an account to her Lord of her stewardship, and ready to meet Him.

Her age at her departure was 77 years, 9 months and 14 days.

Sister Neitzel has lived in the village of Murdock for 45 years and has been known as a fine Christian friend and loving neighbor. She was highly cultured, quiet and unassuming as a loyal citizen of the community, and as a worker in the Kingdom of God. She has been a faithful member of the Ebenezer Evangelical church in Murdock for many years and a member of the Women's Missionary Society and the Ladies Aid. Her membership in these organizations has been highly valued and profitable throughout the years.

The funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Horton Funeral Home in Plattsmouth, and were conducted by the Rev. Harvey A. Schwab, the Rev. G. M. Gilbert and the Rev. F. C. Weber assisting, on Tuesday, March 31 at 2:30 o'clock, from the Ebenezer Evangelical church of which she had been so long a faithful member.

Interment took place in Wyuka cemetery at Lincoln.

ATTENDING CONVENTION

Mrs. William Baird, president of the local Woman's club, with Mrs. E. H. Wescott, Mrs. L. W. Egenberger and Miss Marie Kaufmann, departed for Humboldt, Nebraska, where they are to attend the first district club convention.

VISITS IN OHIO

Mrs. Searl S. Davis, of this city, is enjoying a visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lee Corbin at Dayton, Ohio, and with other relatives in that section of the country.

VISITS WITH HOME FOLKS

H. L. Taplett, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, arrived Saturday evening for a visit with the home folks over the week end. Mr. Taplett was met at Omaha by Mrs. Taplett and Mr. and Mrs. James E. Waga and little daughter, Marilyn Irene, who motored up to accompany the husband and father home to this city. The Taplett family are expecting to move to Sioux Falls at the close of the school year to be nearer the work of Mr. Taplett in the northern territory.

Perry Home in West Part of the City is Robbed

Parties Gain Entrance to House During Absence of Family; Take Some \$80 in Money.

The home of the E. B. Perry family on 14th street was robbed Monday afternoon of some \$80 in money and the rooms of the home well ransacked by sneak thieves or burglars. The home is being arranged for redecorating and the furniture in a number of rooms is not in the accustomed order and which had prevented the visit of the robbers being at first detected when the members of the family returned home.

Jesse Perry and his nephew, George, had been engaged in getting the house ready for the decorations and at 1 o'clock in the afternoon they had left the house for town and returned, near 3 o'clock, it being between these hours that the crime was committed.

When all of the household arrived home for the evening meal at 6 o'clock, the discovery was made that some one had evidently ransacked the drawers of the buffet as well as the bureaus and dressing tables in all parts of the house.

A purse in the buffet had been robbed of all of the money that it held and also a pocketbook in one of the sleeping rooms on the second floor, one of the purses being thrown on the floor in the hall.

While all of the dressers and bureaus had been searched there was nothing scattered on the floors and only the money taken as far as could be determined. A gold watch and the family silver were not disturbed by the unwelcome visitors.

DISCUSS ROTARIAN WORK

The Rotary club Tuesday at their meeting had a very thorough coverage of many of the matters of Rotary work and which was most interesting to the membership, by Dr. H. G. McClusky, president of the club.

Frank A. Cloldt was the leader of the meeting and following the discussion by Dr. McClusky, Dr. P. T. Heineman was introduced and gave a review of the many articles of interest in the current issue and which was followed with the greatest interest.

Comments on the articles in the magazine were given by Searl S. Davis and Judge A. H. Duxbury, who covered thoroughly the specialized subjects in which they had contact.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Franz Peteret, who was so severely injured a week ago when kicked in the face by a horse, was brought home Sunday afternoon to spend the rest of his recuperation at the family home here. Mr. Peteret has suffered a great deal from the severe injuries and which have made necessary constant medical care.

SEEMS TO BE BETTER

Mrs. John Halmes who was taken to Omaha a few days ago, suffering from pneumonia, is reported as some better and while still critically ill is giving indications of betterment that is very encouraging to the family and attending physicians.

HERE OVER SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar S. Wescott of Lincoln, were in the city Sunday where they enjoyed the day at the E. H. Wescott and John L. Tidball homes, spending several hours with the relatives and old time friends.

Legion Auxiliary Holds Its County Meeting Here

Mrs. Nell Dowler of Manley Selected County Chairman—Many Attend Meeting from the County.

The county meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary was held at the Legion building here Tuesday afternoon and attended by a very large number from over the county, representatives being here from Louisville, Weeping Water, Nehawka and Greenwood, the Elmwood unit being the only one not represented.

The meeting opened with the covered dish luncheon served by the Plattsmouth ladies at 12:30 and which made a very happy commencement of an interesting day for all.

The business session was presided over by Mrs. Raymond J. Larson, of this city, the county chairman, and who introduced the various persons that took part in the program of the day.

The visitors were welcomed by Mrs. Otto Keck, president of the Plattsmouth unit and who extended the greetings to the visiting groups. Mrs. D. W. Webb, of the Louisville unit, responded for the visiting delegations and expressed their pleasure at being in attendance.

Mrs. Lottie Rosencrans, past state president and county probation officer, gave a fine talk on "Child Character Building," that carried many useful points and was followed with the greatest interest by all of the group.

Mrs. H. H. Dudley, of Lincoln, wife of the state adjutant of the American Legion, was presented on the program and gave an exceptionally interesting talk on the subject of "County Organization," touching on the many ways in which these groups are to be made useful in the extension of the work of the organization. R. J. Larson, member of the Cass County Soldiers Relief commission, told of the work of this group which was established by law several years ago and which has charge of the handling of the funds raised by levy for the relief of the veterans of all wars and their widows and dependents.

Following the very fine talks the members had the pleasure of a short program given by several of the daughters of the veterans and Auxiliary members. Shirley Seiver gave a vocal number that was much enjoyed with Edna Mae Petersen as the accompanist. Janet Westover was heard in a reading and Ruth Westover in a very artistic piano number that all appreciated.

Short reports of unit activities were given by Mrs. Bowers, Greenwood; Mrs. Esther Marler, Nehawka; Mrs. D. W. Webb, Louisville; Mrs. Nell Dowler, Manley and Mrs. Otto Keck for the Plattsmouth unit.

The convention then named Mrs. Nell Dowler, Manley, member of the Weeping Water unit as the new county chairman and also voted to hold the next meeting at Weeping Water, deciding on two meetings a year of the county group.

JUDGE WORTMAN HERE

Judge C. S. Wortman, his voice husky from open-air speech-making in his race for District Judge, was in Plattsmouth Wednesday. In all he had delivered fourteen addresses in the three counties of this district.

Judge Wortman plans to address the voters of Plattsmouth and vicinity next Wednesday night—a street address. If the weather permits.

This speech will discuss the District Judgeship from the point of view of the plain people—farmer, laborer and business man. Judge Wortman asks that we invite the ladies as well as men voters to come out next Wednesday night.

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SALE OPENS SATURDAY

The rummage sale that is being conducted by the St. Mary's guild in the east room of the Journal building, will be opened again on Saturday. The room will be opened Saturday at noon for the remainder of the afternoon and evening and will afford the patrons an opportunity of looking over the stock.