

Tells of Success of River Traffic in Building Industry

L. R. McKey of Muscatine, Iowa, Tells of Advantages Transportation Has Brought.

The advantages of water transportation to the inland communities to which it is now fast coming, was the theme of a most interesting address of L. R. McKey, of Muscatine, Iowa, well known grain dealer of that port, known as the greatest grain shipping port on the upper Mississippi river, before the Chamber of Commerce.

The speaker was presented by Attorney A. L. Tidd, of the river improvement committee, who has been untiring in his efforts to have the fullest use made of the advantages of the river transportation.

Mr. McKey in his opening pointed to the fact that river navigation and transportation was a reality and not a dream, that its success or usefulness to the various communities depended on the efforts and interest

taken to see that all communities had prepared for the full use of the river. He congratulated the local community on the steps taken by securing a dock and making investigation of the possibilities of the movement of staple crops and raw material by water as well as rail.

Mr. McKey stated that the upper Missouri had been visited by steamboats in 1819, earlier than up the Mississippi and that it was now only the matter of taking advantage of the river and its opportunities to aid transportation.

In Muscatine the river transportation had grown in a short time, last year not shipping any grain while so far this year there had been from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 bushels of corn shipped from that port and if sufficient barges had been available there could have been up to 10,000,000 bushels handled. Government has aided in barge lines, but the speaker envisioned that this would also in time be a field for private investment as on the Ohio river.

The completion of the Fort Peck dam, Mr. McKey assured, would mean an established water level in the Missouri river all of the summer season.

In comparing rates Mr. McKey

stated that in shipment of corn the water rate to New Orleans was 11c a hundred pounds from Muscatine, while rail rates to Chicago from the same city was 15c a hundred. The Muscatine market had brought patronage from as far as 175 miles to the west and from the northern part of the state. With four-fifths of the agricultural output of the nation raised in the Mississippi valley it meant a great deal to see that a cheaper means of distribution was realized and which at the same time provided the grower of the crops with a higher price.

In discussing upstream transportation, the speaker cited gasoline, fuel oil, coal, binding twine, canned goods, all moving in at a lower transportation cost.

Grain was handled at a very close margin and the water transportation would make this much cheaper for the shipper and still give an excellent margin for the handling. At their elevator in Muscatine in the buying season there was from forty to fifty trucks waiting for service in addition to the shipments by rail that came into the port for handling on the barges, in the twenty-four hour periods that the elevators operated on.

The river transportation was here—it was ready to give the people all of the advantages of bringing the seaboard to their service and only needed to be taken advantage of. With the co-operation of the railroads it could be a means of increasing their volume of business from the ports on the river to the interior, making it possible for the shippers to purchase in the port many things to be taken back as a return load and saving money and giving a fair profit to all.

Mr. McKey envisioned the movement west of the great industries to the smaller places and in the great western country where both rail and water facilities and better working conditions beckoned.

There were several guests present for the luncheon, among these being W. G. Boedeker of Murray; H. H. Ragos, Cedar Creek; Wayne Choate, editor of the Glenwood Opinion-Tribune; Dr. Hollingshead, president of the Glenwood Chamber of Commerce; D. R. Thornton, head of the U. S. Engineers office and D. O. Aller of Omaha.

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High School Concert Draws Large Crowd

Participated in by Students of Musical Department Under Direction of David Fowler.

From Saturday's Daily—There was a large crowd present last night to enjoy the annual fall concert of the music department of the Plattsmouth high school. The concert was presented in the high school auditorium and consisted of vocal and instrumental groups cleverly arranged in a very entertaining program.

A very impressive professional opened the program with the full ensemble singing "God of Our Fathers," by Warren. This was followed by three very much enjoyed numbers by the capella choir, "Cherubium Song" (No. 7), Bortiansky; "Vale of Tuoni," Sibelius and "Czechoslovakian Dance Song." The boys' glee club was then heard in Barcarolle from "The Tales of Hoffman" by Offenbach, followed by the

Reports of Past Year's Work at Co. Convention

Five of Six County Legion Posts are Represented at Weeping Water Thursday Evening

Plattsmouth Legionnaires are getting "fed up" on county conventions after having attended three within a period of five days.

Greatest attendance from here was on Thursday night at the Cass county meeting at Weeping Water, when nine were present. Monday night five went to Seward and last night four were at the Otoe county meeting at Nebraska City.

Cass County Posts Active—Five of Cass county's six posts had representatives at Weeping Water, Louisville being the only town not represented.

Two department officers, R. C. Patterson, adjutant, and Henry Kriz, service officer, attended the Weeping Water session, while District Commander Fred Liebers, of Bennet, has been present at all three of the district meetings.

Sterling Amick, Cass county commander, presided over the meeting at Weeping Water. Each of the five units present responded with reports, on such important matters as Americanism and Community Service work, Arbor, Memorial and Armistice day observance, graves registration, disaster relief, post histories, post colors, firing squads, Auxiliaries, employment aid, service work, rehabilitation, child welfare, etc.

Particularly interesting was the fact that five of the six posts had boys at the Boys State at the University of Nebraska last June; four of the posts have sponsored entrants in the Young Citizens contest; several have Boy Scout troops, Junior drum corps or Junior baseball teams—all fitting in very nicely with the national organization's youth movement program.

All county posts observed Memorial day, but none carried out Arbor day activities this year. Several held some observance of Armistice day, with special programs or speakers in the schools, or both.

Disaster relief organization, one of the phases of the Legion program, is woefully lacking in this county, with none of the posts perfecting the mobilization plan recommended.

Amick is Re-Elected—In the election of officers, Sterling Amick was re-elected county commander for a second year, while Joe Zastera of Louisville was named as vice commander.

MANY ATTEND SALE—From Saturday's Daily—There was a very large number of the residents of Alvo here today to attend the sheriff's sale of tax foreclosure property in an action in which the village of Alvo was the plaintiff.

Among those here were: John B. Elliott, Jr., C. S. Boyles, Alvo banker, Art Dinges, Roy Coatman, Dan Reuter, Roy Stewart, Frank Edwards, Harry Weichel, Ray Thompson.

DR. O. SANDIN HOME—Dr. O. Sandin, well known veterinarian and chief of the fire department, is back home from a stay of several weeks at an Omaha hospital where he was operated on. Dr. Sandin is still feeling the effects of his illness but is hoping to soon be able to resume his usual activities.

Want ads are read and almost invariably get results.

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JOURNAL PHOTO FLASHES

KING FOR A DAY—King Turkey, who reigns supreme on Thanksgiving Day.

SPAN OF A CENTURY—The story of American railroads, greatest in the world, is told in these three pictures released by Consumers Information. At top is the famous De Witt Clinton, which operated in New York State 100 years ago. Middle is the 20th Century Limited as it appeared in 1902 when the 20 hour schedule inaugurated between New York and Chicago. And below is a modern stream-liner, offering the greatest speed with comfort and safety.

FOR SOUTHERN CLIMES—(1) A green sharkskin swim suit with carpet binding braid, red cartwheel hat with green ribbons and thick-soled red raffeta beach sandals. (2) A turquoise sharkskin beach bathing ensemble with yellow raffeta sandals and multi-colored green straw hat.

GETTING EVEN—Santa Monica, Calif.—David E. Wisson's life was being made miserable by motorists who have a mania for blowing their horns. He invented this tongue sticker—outer to express his fullest contempt for his tormentors.

ONE OF FOUR MURALS, among the largest paintings ever made, to be hung in the Petroleum Industry Exhibition Building at the New York World's Fair. The theme of the four huge canvases, now being executed by the artist, William Teft Schwarz, are Production (portrayed in the scene above), Transportation, Research and Refining. The paintings measure 39 by 48 feet each, covering a total area of almost 7,500 square feet.

IN THE FASHION—(1) Soft shades of brown ermine flatter the wearer of this jacket. Prow-shaped brim, no back at all, and a frothy veil conspire to make her smart hat. (2) It's the light color tone that makes this blue fox wrap so unusual. The spiral sleeves are of the new three-quarters length.

IN BASEBALL LIMELIGHT—Stanley Raymond (Bucky) Harris (right), Washington's "boy wonder" of 14 years ago, as he signed his 1939 contract to manage the Washington Senators baseball team. With him is Clark Griffith, president of the team. (Inset) Russell Van Atta, of the St. Louis Browns' mound staff, who believes in keeping busy during the off-season.

KID SISTER—Gloria Blondell, vivacious younger sister of Joan Blondell, who not only looks, but also acts, like her.

DEPICTS FIRST FOOTBALL GAME—New York City—William Boyd's painting of the first game of American intercollegiate football played between Rutgers and Princeton in 1869.

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