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Completed with the unusual record of only two minor accidents to men working on the vast structure which towers high above the river and which has steel work extending 92 feet above the road way at the two center spans, the bridge will be thrown open to traffic before an assemblage which is expected to include delegations from cities throughout this section of the state.

The committee in charge of the dedication ceremony, headed by C. P. Hedrick, has issued invitations to Jacksonville, Beardstown, Quincy, Liberty, Rushville, Virginia, White Hall, Roodhouse, Murrayville, Franklin, Waverly, Concord, Winchester, Pittsfield, Barry, Versailles, Mt. Sterling, Camp Point, and Clayton to send delegations to the ceremony.

Assurance that Governor Henry Horner would cut the ribbon opening the edifice constructed at a cost of around $500,000 was received by the committee in charge, and quickly they drew up plans for the day.

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The official program will begin at 11 a.m. with a concert by the Jacksonville State Hospital band at the bridge approach. C. P. Hedrick, chairman of the committee in charge, will make some announcements at this time, and then the gathering will disperse for the noon meal. Supplementing the regular business establishments serving lunch, a group of Methodist church workers and the American Legion have made plans to feed the people who gather for the day.

At 1 o'clock, the second part of the program will begin with another concert by the State Hospital band. Mayor Clyde McAllister will extend a word of welcome to the various delegations, and will introduce Representative L. L. Boyer of the Thirty-sixth district, of Quincy, who will open the speaking program. Representative Scott Lucas of the Twentieth district will be introduced and in turn will introduce Governor Horner.

Governor Horner will be accompanied to Meredosia by Ernst Liebermann, head of the highway department, Charles Slaymaker, district engineer, A. Bensch and J. Morgan of the state highway department, who will be joined by Harry Alton, resident engineer on the project.

Beginning at about 2 o'clock, the parade from Meredosia side of the bridge to the other side is expected to move. Over the crest of the bridge, which carries the traffic over a hundred feet above the surface of the water, the parade will move to the other side, turn around, and then come back over the bridge. Attorney H. E. Schmieskamp of Quincy and other representatives will then speak to the assemblage.

Traffic in and around Meredosia will be under the direction of the state highway police all day long. The bridge will be open to east bound traffic all morning, so that visitors from the other side of the river coming to the celebration may reach the site of the program.

The committee in charge of the ceremony stated that today's ceremony would be the only one to be held in connection with opening the bridge, denying rumors that another celebration would be held sometime next spring.

The bridge has been completed with a few exceptions, the committee said yesterday. One more coat of paint is to be put on the structure, come of the curb on the bridge will not be given its final polish coat until next spring, and the highway department does not plan to put down the blackline through the center of the pavement until next spring.

Immediately after the opening ceremony, the bridge will be thrown open to general traffic. It will not be necessary to stop traffic over the bridge in order to complete the work, the members of the committee said they have been informed.

Steel for the huge structure was fabricated in the plant of the Illinois Steel Brkige Company here and transported to the project by truck and by freight cars. The local company received the work on a sub-contract from the original contractors.

Unusual construction problems faced the engineers in charge of construction. They built the steel out from the two central piers until the two sides came together over the center of the stream, avoiding the usual difficulties of floating the center span into position. Traffic up and down the river was not hampered at any time by the construction.

Change Local Plans

Plans for the visit of the Jacksonville delegation to the Meredosia bridge opening have been changed somewhat. The State Hospital band will leave by bus at 11 o'clock this morning, but the local citizens who attend will leave at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

All who plan to attend the celebration should assemble with their cars at the Dunlap hotel at 12:30 o'clock. The procession of cars will leave promptly at 1 o'clock so as to reach Meredosia in plenty of time for the ceremonies.

Carrollton Couple Honored on 57th Anniversary Date

Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. Nelson Married 57 Years; Other News

Carrollton—Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. Nelson celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary Friday, Nov. 20. All of these years with the exception of one year which they spent in Missouri they have spent their entire married life in this vicinity. Up to about fifteen years ago they resided on their farm near Daum. Since then they have been living in town in their home on Sycamore street. Their marriage took place Nov. 20, 1879, at the home of Mrs. Nelson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Burruss, east of the city in the Walnut Grove vicinity. That they drove to Jerseyville to attend the wedding of Mrs. Nelson's brother Harry D. Burruss, and Miss Kitty Beatty. The following day a reception for the two couples was held at the Burruss homestead. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson have a daughter, Mrs. Ritchie Landis, residing in Chicago.

Club at Carlinville

The members of the local P.E.O. chapter motored to Carlinville Monday evening where they were guests of the Carlinville P.E.O. chapter at dinner and a concert at the home of Mrs. E. R. Chamness. Following the dinner the local ladies were guests at a piano concert, played by Mrs. Edith De Tisaska.

After being repeatedly warned for not procuring an auto license for this year, James Fitzsimmons of White Hall was arrested Thursday by Officer James Shallue of the secretary of state's office. He was given a trial the same day before Police Magistrate Ruyle Jouett, and on his plea of guilty he was fined $25 and costs. Being unable to pay the fine he was locked in the county jail to serve out the fine.

Eldred Store Robbed

That an organized band of robbers is working in Greene, Jersey, Calhoun, and other nearby counties is the opinion of the entire police force here. There has been a large number of stores and business houses broken into and looted of many hundreds of dollars worth of merchandise in the past few weeks. A check-up of the loss in the robbery of the general store of Ira Davidson in Eldred some time early Friday morning reveals these figures: Cash, $500; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, $150; one shotgun and two gold watches. A front door was forced open and the money taken from an open safe. No definite clue had yet been found Saturday, but it is presumed that it is the work of the same bandits who have been working in this section.

At a social meeting of the Carrollton chapter, Order of the Eastern Star in Masonic temple Friday evening, the men members entertained the ladies with a dinner which was followed by bridge and games.

C. R. Angle of Hillview who has been a patient at DePaul hospital, St. Louis, for several days underwent an operation Tuesday.

The Study club met at the Public Library Friday afternoon. Miss Katherine Patton reviewed the book, "Gone With the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leach Married 54 Years

Morgan County Residents Mark Date Quietly At Home South of City

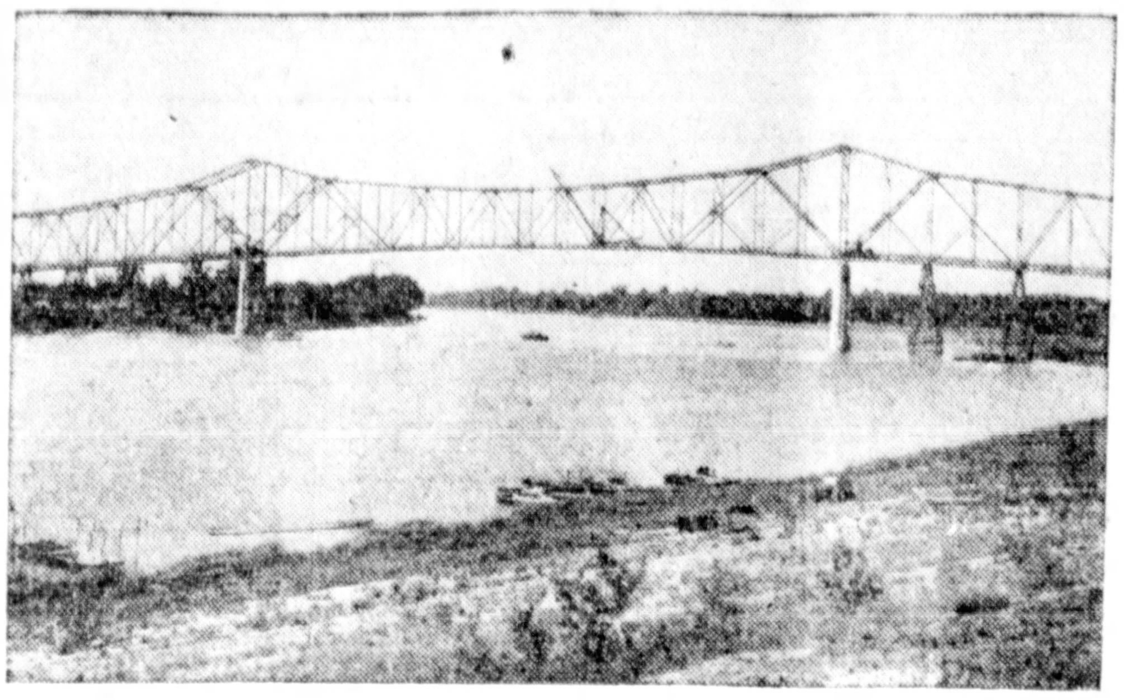
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Leach quietly celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary Monday, Nov. 23, at their home 4 miles south of Jacksonville. Mr. and Mrs. Leach are highly respected citizens of the vicinity in which they have lived for many years.

Callers during the day at their home were Mrs. Lizzie Butler, son Clark; Bobby Hancock, Mrs. Edna Devore and son Russell; Mr. and Mrs. Porter Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Patterson, Mrs. Catherine Costello.

ROODHOUSE CHEESE FACTORY IS CLOSED

Roodhouse, Nov. 23.—The Greene county cheese factory which has been in operation here the last year, remained closed today. Local men who backed the organization of the firm said the most of the movable equipment of the plant had been taken away last night. Carl Richiger, manager of

Will Dedicate Meredosia Bridge Today



H.S. Girls Glee Club Organized; Plan Operetta

Membership Reaches 73 This Year; Work on Choral Numbers

The high school Girls' Glee club is organized and working on a group of choral numbers. The club boasts 73 members this year, being one of the largest groups in J. H. S. The girls are already making plans for the presentation of an operetta early in March for the school assembly. The title of the play is "Margie Goes Modern," by Otis M. Carrington.

Miss Lena Hopper is director of the club and the officers are as follows: Arlene Walton, president; Helen Tobin, vice president; secretary, Jerry Mellor; assistant secretary, Catherine Angel; Naomi Runyan, treasurer; Dorothea Randall, assistant treasurer; Veta Mae Walker, business manager.

The following girls are members of the organization:

Suzie Abbot, Mary Frances Allen, Catherine Angel, Doris Alexander, Mary Ator, Lula Mae Baldwin, Mary Bancroft, Louise Bancroft, Eugenia Barber, Ardeen Black, Rosana Cincis, Helen Cox, Gertrude Crawford, Martha Curry, Betty Denny, Ruth Denny, Anna Louis Dugan, Dorothy Fernandes, Bernadine Fisher, Francis Fisher, Margaret Fitzsimmons, Margaret Foley, Odie Farrester, Marguerite Foster, Mildred German, Mary Louise Gilbert, Joan Gilchrist, Betty Ann Green, Betty Hamilton, Louise Harris, Wilma Harris, Rachel Husted, Helen Ingram, Jane Jameson, Helen Johnson, Marie Johnson, Jane Kumle, Jean Livengood, Irma Long, Roberta Long, Joan Lukeman, Vina Mathers, Mary Maynard, Jerry Mellor, Mimi Meyer, Pauline Miller, Viva Montgomery, Clara Nelms, Emily Rose Nichols, Jane Norton, Marion Parks, Kathryn Phillips, Dorothea Randall, Anna Louise Ratichak, Edith Reed, Martha Reeve, Alice Ricks, Irene Rigg, Frances Robinson, Naomi Runyan, Gwen Schwab, Eleanor Shaw, Frances Shibe, Louella Sloan, Helen Tobin, Clara Turner, Elizabeth Vasey, Arlene Walton, Veta Mae Walker, Vivian Wise, Ruth Ann Wurtzbaugh, Gladys Reed.

Thanksgiving Day To Be Observed

Stores to Close All Day Thursday to Mark Holiday

Thanksgiving Day will be observed as a holiday by Jacksonville business men. Business establishments that are closed on Sundays will be closed thruout the day, including banks, the court house, etc.

The stores will not be open any later this evening than is usual.

OIL PAINTING OF LATE SPEAKER MAY BE IN STATE HOUSE

Washington, Nov. 24.—(AP)—An oil painting of the late Speaker Henry T. Rainey of Carrollton, Ill., soon may hang in the State House at Springfield.

An unnamed Illinoisan, it was revealed today, is negotiating for the purchase of one of the paintings submitted to the House Library Committee and from which it has chosen one to hang in the Speaker's lobby at the Capitol.

It was learned the prospective purchaser, who has selected the painting by Hans Schlereth, Washington artist, intends to present it for hanging in the State House along with those of Lincoln, Douglas, Grant and other illustrious sons of Illinois.

LYNNVILLE AID SOCIETY AT KITCHEN HOME

The Lynnville Christian Aid society meeting was held last Friday, at the home of Mrs. Anderson Kitchen, with a potluck dinner at noon. The meeting opened by Mrs. A. W. Jewsbury reading a poem, "Along About Now"

PLAN THANKSGIVING PROGRAM TONIGHT AT SCHOOL IN FRANKLIN

Thanksgiving eve will be observed in the Franklin community with an entertainment and one-act play at the Franklin High school. The program which begins at 7:30 o'clock will be as follows:

Community singing—Alberta Piper at the piano.

Instrumental music—McClain String Trio.

One-act play—Pupils of the Franklin grade school.

Moving pictures supplied by U. S. Department of Agriculture consisting of two reels on "Soil Erosion" and a reel on "The ABC of Forestry." These films have been obtained thru the co-operation of Camp Jacksonville CCC camp and are considered among the finest on this subject. The Franklin WPA recreation committee is sponsoring tonight's program.

Adult Education Institute to Be Held Here Today

Teachers, Supervisors Will Attend Event at Central Christian Church

An all day institute in the interest of Adult Education will be held today at the Central Christian church with teachers and supervisors from the southern half of District No. 6 in attendance. The counties to be represented are Menard, Sangamon, Pike, Greene and Morgan.

Educational supervisors from the district office at Peoria and state supervisors from the department of public instruction, Springfield, will be present. A general session will be held this morning which is open to the public. The afternoon will be given over to sectional metings presided over by state and county supervisors.

The program for the day follows:

9:30-9:45. Greetings—V. H. Sheppard, Morgan county superintendent of schools.

9:45-10:15—Education and Social Progress—Elmer F. Bour, A. B., M. A., assistant supervisor for WPA education, District No. 6.

10:15-10:45. The Need for Adult Education—Rev. M. L. Pontius, pastor Central Christian church, Jacksonville, Ill.

10:45-11:00. Recess.

11:00-11:30. Address—. L. Coberly, director research and statistics, State Department of Public Instructions.

11:30-12:00. Forum.

Noon recess.

1:30-3:30. Group Conferences — The following assistant state supervisors presiding:

Literacy—Gordon A. Cook, supervisor for literacy; Adelaide Dressel.

Citizenship and Naturalization—Nelle Bails, supervisor for citizenship and naturalization; William E. Frantz.

Parent Education—Anna M. Williams, supervisor parent education; Margaret Ennenga.

Adult Education—B. E. Holscher, Wm. E. Quick, supervisor adult education; Mary B. Coultas.

Vocational Training—J. L. Suter, supervisor vocational training; Paul F. Taft.

Nursery Schools—Jean M. Hess, supervisor for nursery schools; Louise Hill.

LOCAL KIWANIS CLUB TO HOLD MEET TODAY

The Jacksonville Kiwanis club will meet at noon today instead of Thursday of this week, the change in the schedule being made because of Thanksgiving Day. Rev. Morgan Williams, pastor of the Grace M. E. church, will speak on "The Spirit of Thanksgiving."

Former Telephone Company Owner Is Summoned by Death

Henry Barnard, Who Owned Wrights and Rockbridge Exchanges, Succumbs

White Hall, Nov. 24.—Henry Barnard, 68, one of the pioneers in developing the telephone system in Greene county, died at 5:15 o'clock this evening at his home on Israel street. Mr. Barnard had been an invalid since he suffered a stroke of paralysis 6 years ago.

In earlier years of his life Mr. Barnard taught school. In partnership with his brothers he then opened telephone exchanges at Wrights and Rockbridge, which he helped to operate for some years. The exchange at Wrights was sold about 23 years ago to the Illinois Telephone company.

Mr. Barnard moved to White Hall a number of years ago, where he was employed by the sewer pipe company.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Annie Barnard; eight children, John, Ross, Frances Carmel and Joseph Raymond, at home; Charles of Winchester; Zada of Alton; Mrs. Marcus Koenig and Mrs. William Hale, both of East Alton.

There are three brothers and three sisters, Edward, Norman and John of White Hall; Mrs. Edna Goodall, White Hall; Mrs. Art Ridings, Wrights, and Mrs. Hattie Lewis, Hettick.

The remains were taken to the Wolfe & Mackey funeral home at Roodhouse. Funeral arrangements are not complete.

Scout Officials In Conference Monday

Fall and Winter Program Of Activities Talked; Plan Buffet Supper

The Osage District county committee of the Abraham Lincoln Council of Boy Scouts met in regular session Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce headquarters. The meeting was called to order by President Ray Steinheimer.

A round table discussion was held pertaining to the Scout Leader's Training class now being conducted by Assistant Scout Executive L. L. LaSasso. This class meets each Thursday night in the Men's class room at Centenary M. E. church and is bringing the story of scouting in a very forceful manner to those enrolled in the group.

James A. Walker was present and gave a report on the recent campaign for funds to carry on the Boy Scout program for another year. A number of persons remain yet to be seen so that a final report was not made at this time.

Paul L. Hesser, Scout executive of the Abraham Lincoln Council, outlined further plans for the fall and winter program in scouting for the Osage District. A special meeting of the district committee and members of the leaders training class has been set for next Thursday night at 5:45 o'clock at Grace M. E. church. A buffet supper will be served by members of Troop No. 107 assisted by mothers of the scouts. This will be one of the most important meetings of the Osage District committee to be held this year and a full attendance is desired.

The following members were present at the meeting Monday evening: Ray Steinheimer, president; Jas. A. Walker, W. R. Gilbert, Roy Welch, Jerry Prosterman, August Roy, L. K. Gilchrist, Fred E. Darr and Scout Executive Paul L. Hesser of Springfield.

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Coincident with the formal ceremony of this two mile structure, which connects Morgan county with Cass county, there will be three side shows, one each celebrating its two counties, one at the two river towns, the bridge will be thrown open to traffic when the ceremony is over, to include demonstrations from the thousands who arrive at the site.

The committee in charge of the day's activities includes Mr. C. E. Hatten, bus route operations manager, Illinois Terminal Railway, Venice, Mo.; Hal Rossmiser, Meredosia Pioneer, Meredosia; Commander Wm. Bowen, Meredosia Post, Meredosia; Mr. Harry Cross Post, and Charles Cross, delegates in the ceremony.

Mr. Hatten, general manager, Illinois Terminal, of the Illinois operation of the bridge constructed at a cost of around $600,000 was selected by the committee in charge and brought to Meredosia for the day.

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The program begins at 11 A.M. with a concert by the Illinois State Hospital band at the bridge. Governor Horner will arrive at Meredosia at 1:00 o'clock. Immediately after the ceremony, the parade will start from the south end of the bridge. Representative Lewis Lesser is chairman of the parade and the officers are as follows: Lesser, Walter Bennett, Hugh Dolan, the executive secretary, Ben Boyer, Mayor Ernest Lesser, Douglas Bennett, assistant marshal, Vita Mae Weber, assistant marshal.

The following girls are members of the committee:

Mary Ann Dolan, Mary Frances Kline, Catherine Kage, Dene Alexander, Mary Ann Lyle, Mae Hodgson, Mary Kenneth, Louise Bennett, Eugenia Parker, Arleen Black, Bonita Cross, Mary Ann Bennett, Mae Hodgson, Mary Frances Bennett, Mae Hodgson, Anna Lyle, Mae Hodgson, Mary Ann Lyle, Dolan, Dolan, Frances Dolan, Mamie Fitzsimmons, Mae Hodgson, Ann Fitzsimmons, Mae Hodgson, Mamie Grimes, Mae Hodgson, Mae Hodgson, Mae Hodgson