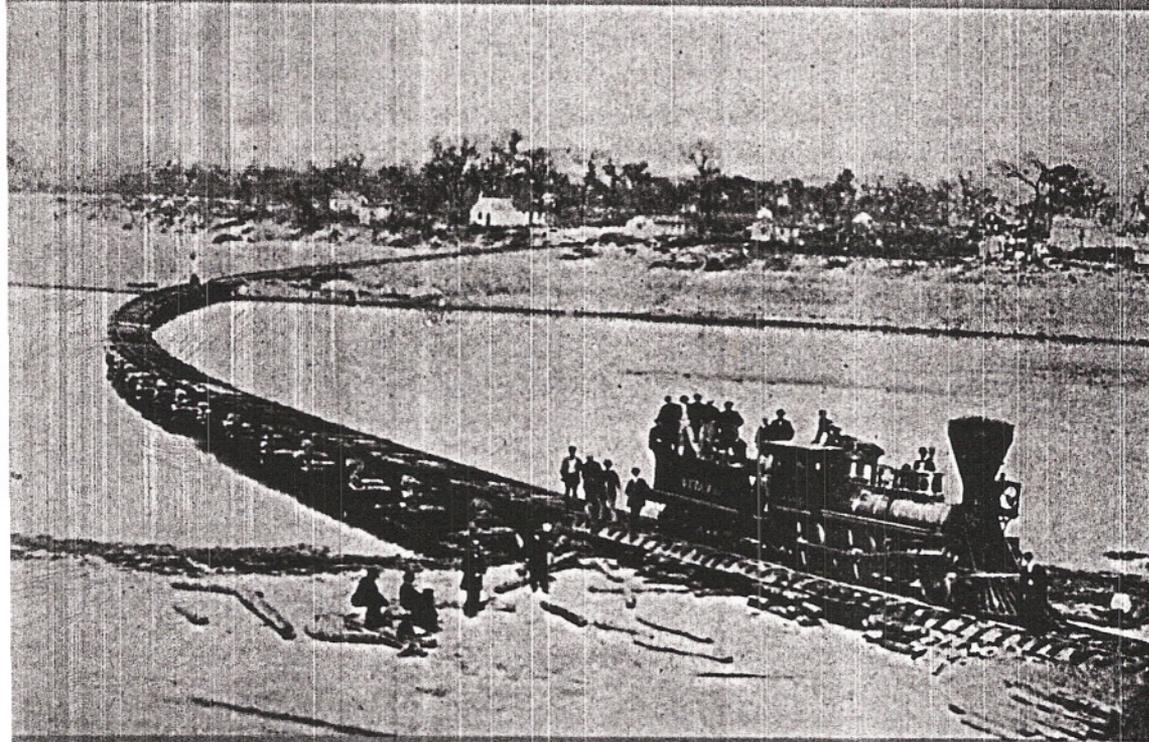


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Mrs. Gates settled in Pawnee county with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Delbert Bixby, in 1877. The family's first residence on their homestead, a sod house in Walnut township, was erected during a "building bee" at night. Mrs. Gates also recounted the beginnings of Prairie Home school district, No. 39. Reminiscences of Mrs. Harriet Broadbooks appeared in the *Chronoscope* June 12, and in *The Daily Tiller and Toiler* June 16. She settled near Pawnee Rock with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Payton, in the late 1870's. Payton operated an early day sorghum mill.



Recollections of Grant Whitlock concerning the Neosho valley in eastern Labette county in the late 1860's were published in the *McCune Herald*, March 14, 1947. Whitlock said when his family settled on a claim in 1866, which his father had staked the year before, there was a camp of 300 Indians on the lake, a mile and a half south of Strauss, near what is now the Strauss and Oswego road.

Biographical sketches of Ewing Herbert, co-publisher of the *Hiawatha Daily World* and *The Brown County World*, were printed in many Kansas newspapers following his death, March 15, 1947. Beginning as a printer on *The Brown County World* in the late 1870's at the age of 12, he was engaged in the newspaper business for 69 years. After serving as a journeyman printer in various cities he returned to Hiawatha and became associate editor of the *World* in 1887. He subsequently became manager and purchased the publication in the early 1890's. Herbert established the present *Hiawatha Daily World* on September 12, 1908.

The *Norcatour Dispatch* continued its weekly historical feature in recent issues by publishing reminiscences of Decatur and Norton county pioneers as follows: Taylor McNeal, March 27, 1947; Byron Wray, April 3; P. T. Neal, April 10 and May 15; C. C. Andrews, April 17, 24, May 1 and 8. A historical sketch of Reager, a village in western Norton county, appeared in the May 22 and 29 issues. The *Dispatch* said it was named for William Wesley Reager, an early settler.

Included among articles of historical interest to Kansans in recent issues of the *Kansas City (Mo.) Star* were: "Hoofprints of Kansas Buffalo Cause Shift in a Bridge-Building Project [Ellsworth county]," by Cecil Howes, April 1, 1947; "Southwest Kansas celebrates the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the Santa Fe railroad,"