

The Plattsmouth Journal.

SEMI-WEEKLY EDITION—EIGHT PAGES

VOLUME XXX

PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY APRIL 6, 1911

NO 28

DEATH OF CAPTAIN HENRY EMERSON PALMER YESTERDAY AT OMAHA

Pioneer Resident of Plattsmouth and ex-Postmaster of Omaha Passes Away Suddenly at His Home.

From Monday's Daily.

Henry Emerson Palmer, formerly a prominent business man of this city, and for the past twenty-five years a leading business man of Omaha, and former postmaster of that city, died suddenly at his home, 1608 South Thirty-second avenue, Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock from heart failure.

Captain Palmer was as well as usual, apparently, Saturday and Sunday morning until 10 o'clock, when he prepared to go down town, but thought he would first sweep the snow from the upper porch. Neighbors passing noticed that Mr. Palmer had fallen, and notified the family, who discovered that he was dead.

Three years ago last month his son and partner, George Palmer, died, leaving a widow and two small children; besides these, Captain Palmer is survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Herman Kountze of New York. The funeral will probably be held tomorrow afternoon.

The deceased was born in Lake county, Ohio, July 31, 1841, and moved with his parents, when a small boy, to Sauk county, Wisconsin, where he was raised on a farm. His advantages for schooling were very limited, and he walked a long distance to attend the rural schools of the time. At the age of 18 he left the parental roof and set out to make his own way in the world. He trudged across the state of Iowa when there was but 50 miles of railroad in the state, to the city of Omaha, which was then a small place, but did not stop there long, making his way, still on foot, to Mountain City, Colorado, a distance of 1,250 miles. Here he was engaged in mining until July 12, 1861, when twenty-three of his companions set out to join the confederate army. Mr. Palmer said to them that he was born in Ohio and would join the union forces, which he did, making his way to Leavenworth, Kansas, a distance of 800 miles, by horse team. He was mustered in the United States service as a private July 31, 1861; was promoted to second lieutenant of artillery October 7, 1861, for bravery on the battlefield at Drywood, Missouri, September 2, 1861. This position he

soon after resigned to accept the captaincy on the staff of General J. H. Lane. General Lane was soon after elected to the United States senate and let his expedition to Texas disintegrate. Mr. Palmer then, with a recruiting commission, raised Company A, Eleventh Kansas Infantry, of which company he afterward became captain.

In September, 1863, Captain Palmer was married to Miss Bettie Houck of Westport, Missouri, a blood relative of General R. E. Lee. This marriage was severed by death, which took both wife and child February 18 and 27, 1865, while Captain Palmer was at the head of his command near Fort Kearney, Nebraska, fighting the Indians. The news of the death of his wife and child did not reach him until March 3.

Captain Palmer came to Plattsmouth in January, 1869, or four years after the close of the war. He was engaged in the grain business for a short time and shipped the first two carloads of grain which were sent out by rail from southeastern Nebraska.

On June 25, 1870, Captain Palmer was married to Miss Laura Z. Case, in this city, who, as above stated, with one daughter and two grandchildren, survive him.

In November, 1870, Captain Palmer embarked in the insurance business, and for years was the special agent for the Home Insurance company of New York for the territory covered by Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado, and built up a large business for his company.

When his son, George, reached his majority he was made a partner and the firm did a large business, maintaining offices in Omaha for some years before the firm removed their residences to that city. He sold his residence here about twenty-one years ago and removed to Omaha.

Captain Palmer was a republican in politics and served one term as postmaster of Omaha. He was a genial, whole-souled man, making everyone with whom he came in contact his friend. He was a warm-hearted, affable gentleman, a kind husband and parent, and leaves hosts of friends in this city who sincerely mourn his sudden death.

SERVICES AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY

The service at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning was largely attended. The choir rendered a fine anthem and Mrs. Edna Eaton sang a beautiful solo. Rev. L. W. Gade preached from Ahab's determination to enter Canaan—the promised land. He pictured Abraham's home life in Mesopotamia and something of what it must have meant for Abraham, at the call of God, to leave his friends and relatives and companions—the loved places of childhood—were given up, and the tender ties severed from friends—and entered upon a pathway unknown, and seek his dwelling in a strange land. Rev. Gade urged upon his hearers the faith and usefulness of Abraham.

The evening service was of more than ordinary interest. Mr. Evan Noble, an indefatigable worker in every department of the church, had charge of the service, and so well did he perform his part as leader that the service was of deep interest to everyone present. There was a large congregation, and at the conclusion of the service the chairman of the Look-out committee presented the names of quite a number for membership in the society.

Departed for Niles Saturday.

Mr. J. A. Chopieska departed for Niles, Michigan, Saturday afternoon, in response to a telegram from his wife, who is quite sick, at the home of her parents. Mr. Chopieska had hoped to have his wife here before this time, but the work of getting his factory started has kept him very close, but now that everything has started off in good shape he will have some time to establish himself in his home.

LAND AND PLEASURE SEEKERS RETURN HOME

Mr. W. E. Rosencrans and wife and Mr. D. C. Morgan and wife and their party of fourteen Texas land excursionists returned from a ten days' trip to the sunny south Saturday evening at 6 o'clock. Mr. J. E. McDaniel and wife and daughter stopped off for a few days in Kansas City to visit friends. Those who had not been over Texas before came back greatly enthused over the land of flowers and citrus fruits.

The first part of the journey was made from Kansas City in the night, and you can imagine the pleasure and surprise when the party awoke the next morning after leaving the Missouri city, well over the Texas border, to see flowers of every hue and kind cultivated here, growing on the railway right-of-way in wild profusion. Specimens of the Texas state flower were brought back by nearly every member of the party. Everyone had a pleasant trip and all were pleased with the country.

True as Preaching.

The editor of the Wallace's Farmer, a former preacher, says: "If I were a minister again, I believe I would go back to a country church as pastor. I would know the name of every child in that community. I would organize baseball clubs and football teams. Those are the games that teach boys to be courageous and to work in co-operation with others. I do not know that I might dance. I do not believe that the devil should have more than his share of all good things. Some ministers put themselves apart from their fellow-men when they need to know the joys, the sorrows and the lives of the people about them."

Injured Playing Ball.

From Monday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon while playing ball on the bar Eugene Denson met with quite a serious accident, which caused him so much pain that he could not sleep last night. He was catching behind the bat without having a mask, and a curve hot from the hand of the twirler, Charles Ault, landed on Eugene's nose, smashing it so badly that a physician had to be summoned. It will be some time before the disfigured organ will be in normal condition.

SPRING DIET IS NOW THE TOPIC OF CONVERSATION

The drug store windows are filled with bushels of sarsaparilla bark to comply with the demand that people make for some kind of spring medicine and the manufacturers of prepared foods are putting on the market larger supplies than usual of material for spring and summer consumption, all warranted to be the very thing required by change of season. The fact is that man is an omnivorous animal and he can eat and thrive on almost anything except chips and whetstones at any time of the year. The idea that at one time he lived on fruits and nuts the anthropologists all deny, says the World-Herald.

In the remains left by the cave dwellers are found charred and broken marrow bones. In the remains of the lake dwellers are found grains which made the bread of that remote period. If early man may be judged by the customs of primitive races like the Australian aborigines which have persisted to the present time, then at one time he lived on insects, seeds, animals, roots and indeed almost anything that could be eaten.

A theory exists that the polar inhabitants are the direct descendants of the men of the glacial period. The Eskimo lives almost exclusively on animal food of the greatest kind.

The Indians ate corn, beans, sunflower seeds, wild rice, acorns, all kinds of animals, birds, fish, oysters, clams, nuts, roots, bulbs and almost anything else that they could chew and swallow and they were a hardy and athletic race. The inference of all this is that men and women can eat and thrive on almost anything. If you cannot get high priced breakfast foods, eat corn mush. If you cannot afford porterhouse steak, eat fish, mutton or pork. If you cannot get any of these, eat nuts, roots and grain. Men have flourished who have subsisted on all these things.

FORMER NEBRASKAN DIES IN THE STATE OF IDAHO

Mrs. Bessie Newman of LaPlatte, received the sad news a few days ago of the death of her brother, Donaldson Rowles, at his home in Challis, Idaho, on February 24. Donaldson Rowles was born in Baltimore 59 years ago and when 3 years old came with his parents to Nebraska. He remained here until grown and was married to Miss Mable Kimball, leaving Nebraska in 1880, moving to Custer county, Idaho, where he had since resided. He is survived by his wife and by two daughters and one son, the children having grown to womanhood and manhood. While in Idaho he filled many offices of public trust and always took a prominent part in the affairs of his community. He is well remembered by many of the older residents of this part of Nebraska and was the eldest son of W. D. Rowles, an old resident of Sarpy county.—Papillon Times.

Window Frames Arrive.

Mr. H. S. Pelton was an Omaha traveler this morning, where he was called for the day. Since the arrival of the car of Bedford stone the other day, which is to be used for trimmings at the new postoffice building, the same has been unloaded. A carload of the window and door frames has arrived and are on the track today and will be removed to the building immediately. The structure is progressing nicely and will soon take on the semblance of what it will be when completed.

Mrs. W. W. Scott remains in a very precarious condition, her condition has improved but little, if any, since yesterday. Her son, Frank Scott, and family came down yesterday from Omaha to be at her bedside for a time.

SERVICES AT ST. LUKE'S SUNDAY

Bishop Williams Confirms Class and Preaches Fine Sermon

The regular evening services at the St. Luke's church were of a most interesting character last evening and were in charge of Canon H. B. Burgess, who was very ably assisted by the Right Rev. Arthur R. Williams of Omaha, and they were greeted by a large and appreciative congregation.

The St. Luke's choir, under the capable leadership of Mr. H. S. Austin, who have been spending a great deal of time preparing anthems for this particular occasion, rendered a number of splendid selections, and which easily showed the study and preparation the members of the choir and instructor had given to them.

A class of six were confirmed, the confirmation exercises being in charge of Rev. Williams, he taking for the subject of his address to the class, "The Indifference of the People of Today as to Their Religious Life." Rev. Williams has visited our city at different times and many of our people have heard him and know that he is a splendid talker and that he is worth hearing. Consequently, whenever it is announced that Rev. Williams is to speak the members and friends of this congregation always expect something fine, and their expectations were fully realized in the address given by him to the class of six last evening. Rev. Williams is a very fluent talker, as well as very interesting, and then, too, his subject was one of much interest to the audience present on this occasion, and a very practical one. He spoke of how the people of today, not those who were not members of a church, but particularly those who were and those who had taken the confirmation vows, neglect the church in every way, by not attending the regular services or assisting their pastor in getting new members and in keeping up the interest of the church, and some of them entirely forgetting the vows which were taken.

Rev. Williams spoke of the bible not being used for twenty-nine years at one time and of how the influence of the members of a religious life at that time was as strong and even stronger than it is today with the bible as so many neglected reading it, and even if they did not read the bible or believe in it, that someone might have quite an influence over them by simply talking to them about the things of the bible and in that way would eventually take the book and look these things up for their own specific benefit and thereby receive some good.

He also spoke of how important it was to strive to live up to these vows by doing everything possible to aid their church and pastor and not to leave everything for their pastor to do. Rev. Williams spoke of the religious life of the people of this country in the earlier days and compared them with those of today. It was a splendid address and thoroughly enjoyed by those in attendance.

W. H. PORTER IS NOW AN OTOE COUNTY RESIDENT

From Tuesday's Daily

Mr. W. H. Porter, formerly of Nebraska, but now of near Union, was in the city this morning, having come up in response to a summons to do jury service. Since the summons was served on Mr. Porter he has moved out of the county and would not be qualified to sit as a juror in this county, and he came up to explain matters to the court and get excused, which the court readily granted. While in the city Mr. Porter came in and renewed for the Journal, he having been one of its valued readers for a long time. He was formerly in the pump and windmill business at Nebraska, but has recently purchased a farm over the line in Otoe county, to which he has just moved and where he will soon be comfortably situated.

For Sale.

I have four pedigreed Hereford bulls, from a year and a half to two years old, ready for service. Sired by my herd bull, Ajax, weight 2,500 pounds. C. Bengen. 2-9-161w.

Eggs for Sale.

B. P. R. eggs for sale, 75c per 15, \$4.00 per 100. Tolouse eggs, \$1.50 per dozen. Mrs. Wm. Troop. Nehawka, Neb. 3-16-161w.

One-Year-Old Babe Injured.

The 1-year-old babe of P. H. Kinneman had the misfortune to get its fingers badly mangled last Saturday afternoon by having them run through the cogs of a washer. Some of the older children were running the machine and did not notice the little tot coming near until its screams attracted the attention of the older members of the family.

"PAID IN FULL" AT THE PARMELE SATURDAY NIGHT

"Paid in Full," at the Parmele theater Saturday night, was one of the finest productions ever rendered upon a Plattsmouth stage. In fact, it was all and more than the management claimed for it. Each member of the cast has been particularly chosen, and each character was strikingly portrayed, which demonstrated that everyone is an artist. It is really a shame that such companies are not more liberally patronized. "Paid in Full" is a most interesting story, and the dramatization is in strict accordance with the story. It is not much use to say more, as everyone who was there will bear us out in saying that it was a grand effort on the part of every member of the cast to please their auditors, and they done it. The stage settings were all good, and each lady and gentleman demonstrated that they were artists in their profession.

NEW HALL FOR MODERN WOODMEN AT CEDAR CREEK

The members of the Modern Woodmen camp in the little town of Cedar Creek are wide awake. The contract for the erection of a new hall has been let and work on the new structure is to begin this spring. The building will be 32x60, which will afford them plenty of room in which to exercise the goat. Cedar Creek has a strong camp, composed largely of prosperous farmers, and there is no reason why they should not have one of the best meeting rooms in the county.—Louisville Courier.

George Sherwood Improving.

George Sherwood, who is confined to his home on Chicago avenue with the injured limb that he received several months ago, is getting along nicely, but gains strength very slowly. On the 13th of this month it will be just six months since Mr. Sherwood was thrown from a buggy up in Dakota, breaking the limb which has given him the many long months of suffering. The larger portion of the time Mr. Sherwood spent in the hospital, but has been home for some time. The braces have all been removed, but it will be some time before the injured member will bear his weight. George has many friends in Plattsmouth who will be pleased to note the date of his complete recovery.

Ed Schulhof Home to Stay.

E. H. Schulhof, as per former announcements made, arrived home last Saturday evening, having formerly resigned his position in Glenwood, to take effect April 1. Mr. Schulhof will now devote his entire time and attention to his piano work, which means that his patrons can now procure prompt attention to all repair and tuning work. He has received his new Ford auto, coming up from Nebraska City Saturday, and, of course, Mr. Schulhof has been kept quite busy in his new line of rehearsals work.

Glad to See Him.

Our good friend, Ed Doran, of Wabash, was called to Plattsmouth today to serve as a juror, but when he got here he found that Judge Travis had dismissed the jury until Tuesday, May 2, and he returned home on the Schuyler. While here Mr. Doran called on the Journal, and we were awful glad to take him by the hand, as we consider him one of the best fellows in the world and one of our staunch friends. Come again, Ed, the latchstring is always dangling on the outside for such sterling friends as you every day in the week, Sundays not excepted.

Eggs for Sale. B. P. R. eggs for sale, 75c per 15, \$4.00 per 100. Tolouse eggs, \$1.50 per dozen. Mrs. Wm. Troop. Nehawka, Neb. 3-16-161w.

THE CITY FINANCES IN SPLENDID CONDITION

Plattsmouth, Neb., April 3, 1911. To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Your Finance Committee has just completed an examination of the books of the offices of the City Clerk and Treasurer for the first quarter of this year, and respectfully report that we find the books of both offices properly kept and correct in all respects.

We desire to call your attention to the fact that Mr. B. G. Wurl is making an exceptionally good clerk and that the condition of the records in his office are excellent.

At this time, when the city has just completed extensive improvements in the way of a new pavement district which required the issuing of about \$15,000.00 in city warrants, it seems proper that we should at this time mention with our heartiest approval the energetic manner in which the affairs of the office of city treasurer has been handled. Mr. C. G. Fricke, as shown by his books, has already collected from the property owners in the pavement district the sum of \$7,926.80.

We find all his other duties as city treasurer has been as equally well performed to the best interest of the city. Respectfully submitted, John Schulof, Geo. E. Dovey, D. O. Dwyer, Finance Committee.

AN ELABORATE SIX O'CLOCK DINNER PARTY

An elaborately appointed 6 o'clock dinner party was given by Miss Cora Anderson Saturday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Louise Stegner of Omaha, covers being laid for eight. The table decorations were simple, yet very pretty, and consisted of a generous use of ferns, carrying out the color scheme of green and white. It is quite needless to say aught of the dinner itself, as it was simply superb and faultlessly and most temptingly served in courses. After the guests had done ample justice to this elegant dinner the remainder of the evening was spent in a social way, the several amusements introduced for the entertainment of the guests being most thoroughly enjoyed by all. All too soon the hour for departure came, and after thanking the hostess for her kind hospitality, the guests dispersed.

Buy the Hall Building.

H. C. McMaken & Son have purchased the old John Hall building on South Sixth street, occupied for so many years by Mr. Hall as a hardware and tin shop. We understand that Mr. McMaken will exercise his usual spirit of progressiveness and remodel and repair the building, placing it in such condition as to receive good returns from the same. Mr. McMaken now owns a number of front lots on Sixth street, which means that the entire corner will be placed in good repair.

Little Girl's Eye Injured.

A special from Elmwood, under date of April 1, says: "Little Lois Lean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lean, escaped a very serious accident while playing on the school grounds. She, with several other children, were playing around a coal shed, when she put her face to a crack. One of the children from the inside pushed through a stick, injuring Lois' eye. Medical attention was at once summoned and hopes are entertained for saving the sight."

Removing Work Shop.

Sam Shumaker, the boss pump and windmill man, who for the past few years has been located in the old Hall building on South Sixth street, has rented the old Nellighblacksmith shop on Vine street and will move his stock and fixtures thereto, where he will be found in the future to look after the wishes of his patrons in his line.

Frank Johnson came up from Weeping Water yesterday to spend Sunday with his wife and baby, who have been in this city at the home of Mr. Johnson's parents. Mr. Johnson is preparing the new home on the farm.