

PLATTSMOUTH LADY MINSTRELS SCORE IMMENSE SUCCESS WITH PRODUCTION

Parme Theater Crowded to the Doors With Pleased and Delighted Audience Who Enjoy the Feast of Melody and Mirth. Special Train Leaves Tomorrow at 4 p. m. Sharp.

A monster audience witnessed the first performance of the Modern Minstrels, given at the Parme theater last evening by the Plattsmouth Players' club. Not a seat was left unsold when the curtain rose at 8:30.

Numerous complimentary remarks commending the minstrels and the superior quality of their performance were heard on the street last night after the performance and this morning. The ladies achieved a great success, their negro melodies and funny jokes making a hit with the entire audience. No printed cast appeared upon the program, and the majority of the ladies remained "ingog" hidden by their disguise and were not recognized at all. The solos were well rendered and the choruses were soft and melodious and very true to plantation life in the sunny south. The work of the trained orchestra, assisted by Mr. Will Hetherington of Omaha, with violin, was exceedingly good, and at all times subordinated to the vocalists.

The program was one of rare merit and is seldom equalled by traveling companies. Every number was enjoyed, and many were encored for the second and third time. The large audience took no note of time and would have been glad to have remained longer, although the program lasted until 10:30 before the curtain was run down on the last number.

The sallies from the interlocutor and end ladies were neat takeoffs on local persons and events and furnished the audience much enjoyment. Plattsmouth may well be proud of the talent which abounds in the city; the initial performance of the lady minstrels is an indication of what we may expect at some future time, when the Players' club may be induced to give another performance. No home talent production has ever received as much merited praise as the lady minstrels.

The music furnished by the M. W. A. orchestra was great, and their renditions were enthusiastically applauded.

The costumes of the young ladies were very appropriate and they all worked together like old hands at the business.

All aboard for Nebraska City—train leaves tomorrow evening at 4 o'clock. Get your tickets and accompany the young ladies.

Everyone who can, should go with the young ladies to Nebraska City tomorrow evening. Round trip tickets only \$1.

The ladies composing the Plattsmouth Players' club undoubtedly acquitted themselves nobly last night and we are all proud of them.

Probably one of the largest audiences ever assembled in the Parme theater greeted the young ladies, and they feel very thankful for this fine recognition.

Every young lady who took part in the performance deserves special mention, but it would be utterly impossible for the Journal to give each one such notice, as they truly deserve.

President Jackson of the Nebraska City Commercial club and Mr. Rolfe, manager of R. A. Duff's garage, were here last night to witness the performance, and thought it was great.

We might, of course, single out a few who did their parts better than others, but without doing so, please permit us to say that all did so well that the whole company did remarkable.

A royal reception awaits the young ladies at Nebraska City tomorrow night, and they will be accompanied by quite a number from here. Some of the parents will go with them, as they should.

Prof. H. S. Austin, who trained the young ladies, demonstrated fully that he was a master hand at this kind of work, and he deserves great credit for the manner in which the show was presented.

Mr. Will Hetherington of Omaha favored the audience with several violin solos, which were highly appreciated, and added greatly to the interest of the event. Mr. Hetherington is one of the finest violinists in the state of Nebraska, and the young ladies feel very grateful to him for his valuable assistance.

producing territory." All persons interested in good fruit should attend the institute on February 1 at 2 p. m. at Coates' hall.

Try Damage Suit Today. The following gentlemen were selected as a jury in the district court this morning to try the case of W. R. Sperry vs. the M. P. Railway company: Edward Eager, Fred Stock, Frank Sheldon, Theo. Starkjohn, William Atchison, A. E. Lake, Henry Schultz, G. W. Cheney, A. F. Boedeker, A. C. Clymer and C. C. Bucknell. The case is one for damages for personal injury caused by Mr. Sperry falling while alighting from a train at Murray about a year ago. In the fall he sustained injury which laid him off from his work for a long time, he being a concrete bridge builder, and has done considerable work for the county.

John Schwartz Dies. John Schwartz, an old gentleman 80 years of age, residing with a married daughter in South Park, died this morning. Mr. Schwartz leaves one son, Albert, who resides in this city and is an employee of the Burlington at the shops. The Journal hopes to have a more detailed obituary statement of the deceased for tomorrow's issue.

Forest Rose Flour. The next time you need a sack of flour try a sack. You will find it the best on the market.

JURY FINDS DOUD GUILTY AS CHARGED

Case Given to Jury at 6 O'Clock Yesterday and the Verdict Returned This Morning

The trial of John Doud continued to engage the attention of Judge Travis and the jury, as well as the lawyers representing the parties, all day yesterday and into the night. Zack Ellis, the state's witness, who was recalled for further testimony yesterday morning, was one of the most important witnesses in gathering the chain of evidence which the state succeeded in weaving about Doud. Mr. Ellis was succeeded by F. W. McGinnis, also a detective, who had assisted in making the arrest of the men implicated in the crime of blowing Mr. Tritsch's safe September 29 last.

Miss Mabel Ossenkop and George Shultz testified to seeing three men march up Main street toward the Tritsch store about 12 o'clock on the night of September 28. The size of the men tallied with the three men sitting in the court room. Sheriff Quinton detailed the arrest of the three men, and told of finding the safety razor in Doud's possession, which tallied with those taken from the Tritsch safe.

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The defendant went on the stand in his own behalf and called the sheriff and Court Reporter Earl Travis. His counsel also attempted to impeach Mrs. Thingan and Mrs. Masters' testimony identifying Doud. Doud told the jury that he was from Aberdeen, S. D., and that he was only a country boy 25 years old; that he had never been out of the county where he was raised until he started out last fall; that he beat his way on a freight train from Sioux City to Ashland; had intended to go to Omaha, but got on the wrong train. He went from Ashland to South Bend, then to Louisville, and was in Louisville about the time of the robbery, but did not hear of it at that time. He went from Louisville to Omaha.

The impeachment of the two ladies was attempted on the variance of their testimony at the present and former trial. At the McCann trial there was something said by these witnesses about the color of clothing, or kind of hat which the men wore at Louisville and at South Bend when they were seen there by the witnesses, while in the present trial the witnesses would not swear positively about the color of the clothing.

The case was argued by the counsel, Mr. Taylor making the opening speech, followed by Mr. Britt and he by Judge Slabaugh. Some time was taken before Mr. Taylor addressed the jury in allowing the jury to inspect the exhibits introduced at the trial.

County Attorney Taylor made an extended argument, going over the evidence in detail. Mr. Britt also took all of the time he desired in placing his client's case before the jury in the best light possible. His argument was ingenious, and considering the array of evidence piled up by the state against the accused, was able and not unreasonable. He pleaded for the boy whom the circumstances of this case had placed in the unfortunate position in which Doud was found. Mr. Britt denounced the methods of detectives, and particularly those of McGinnis and Ellis, and told the jury that courts always looked at the evidence of the sluths very closely. Mr. Britt praised the court officials in general, and thanked Judge Travis for his uniform fair and impartial rulings on the admission of testimony, and also thanked the jury for their patience in listening to the case and the uniform courtesy ac-

corded him as counsel for the defendant.

Mr. Britt was followed by Judge Slabaugh, whom he informed the jury was one of the brightest criminal lawyers in Nebraska. Judge Slabaugh also made a very clear and lucid argument of the case. He told the jury about the practices of criminals regarding their clothing. It was their habit to change clothing frequently on the same day, and swap, swap continually, which, he argued, would explain any discrepancy of testimony regarding the clothing.

Mr. Britt and also Judge Slabaugh each used over an hour in their arguments. It was 6:30 o'clock before the case was submitted to the jury on the in-

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We have been unable to keep up the supply of them, but if you come right now you will find a new assortment which we just received.

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MURDOCK.
(Special Correspondent.)

Rev. L. Heddon was in Lincoln Tuesday.

John McCarthy went to Omaha Tuesday.

Ed Thingan shelled corn last Wednesday.

Henry Guthman was in Omaha last Saturday.

William Nelson was in Omaha Monday evening.

Mrs. George Pickwell was shopping in Omaha on Saturday.

William Rennwanz of California is visiting relatives here.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the Eveland home on Wednesday.

Miss Etta Sorick of Lincoln spent Sunday with her parents here.

Adaughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Rung on Monday, January 22.

Mr. Adolph Kuehn of Malcolm, Neb., is visiting relatives and friends here.

Adolph Kuehn of Alvo came down Wednesday to attend the Gramlich sale.

Mrs. Henry Gakemeir and daughter, Carrie, went to Omaha Wednesday.

Mr. Adolph Kuehn of Malcome, Neb., visited his brother and other relatives here a few days last week.

Grandpa Jones of Stratton, Neb., and Orin Jones of Beatrice, Neb., visited relatives here over Sunday.

Mrs. Dunseome and daughter, Ena, of Omaha, attended the funeral of Merle McDonald here Sunday.

Miss Martha Goehry of Valley, Neb., and Miss Anna Goehry of Lincoln were guests of their parents Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Wallinger and daughter, Verna, from south of Elmwood, spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Herman Kuehn and husband.

Guests at the A. J. Tool home on Sunday were: Miss Cora Mueller of Elmwood, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Long and son, Robert, of near South Bend.

Mrs. Warren Richards received a telegram last Thursday informing her of the death of her sister, who was formerly known here as Miss Effa Stearns.

Conrad Baumgartner, Rev. Peters, Gus Thingan and Herman Kupke were among those who attended the funeral of Rev. Baumgartner at Lincoln Wednesday.

Rev. Baumgartner died at his home in Lincoln last Sunday. The funeral services will be held Thursday from the church north of town, of which he was pastor a few years ago.

Paul Bornemeier and Miss Emma Bornemeier were married Tuesday at the home of the bride's mother, east of town. They left that evening for a trip to California, expecting to be gone about two months.

Herman Kuehn and Paul Bornemeier accompanied Lee DeFord to Lincoln Monday, where he will be under a doctor's care. Lee has been a pretty sick boy, suffering from the third attack of appendicitis, the appendix bursting, rendering him quite low for some time. He is doing fairly well now and his many friends are hoping for his entire recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis entertained at their home on Monday evening in honor of their fifth wedding anniversary. The evening was spent in social conversation, games and music. At the usual time a dainty two-course luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Davis were each presented with a beautiful rocker to remind them in future years of the evening when their guests were Messrs. and Mesdames John Schwin, Emil Kuehn, Herman Kuehn, Fred Bokelman, Dr. Jones, F. O. Beall, Oscar McDonald and daughter, Marguerite, John Angwaer and daughter, Marvel, Mrs. G. V. Pickwell and children.

Obituary.

Merle McDonald was born in Elsie, Neb., on July 4, 1889, and died at the home of his parents in this city last Friday morning, January 19, 1912, aged 22 years, 6 months and 15 days. Merle moved here with his parents in 1892 and grew to manhood in our midst. He received his education in our city schools, and in 1910 he entered the Creighton University of Pharmacy at Omaha and completed the course in fourteen months. He was very bright and always stood at the head of his class. Soon after receiving his diploma he was stricken with typhoid fever, which developed into tuberculosis, from which he died. He was a model young man, with no bad habits and a sunny, lovable disposition, one who always saw the bright side of everything. He leaves to mourn him his father and mother, three brothers and two sisters, two grandfathers and one grandmother, besides a number of other relatives and a host of friends.

The funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p. m. at the M. E. church, conducted by the Rev. L. Heddon. A male quartet, composed of Messrs. Morgan, Emil Kuehn, Mart Bornemeier and Will Boelters, with Miss Martha Brancle at the organ, furnished the music. The floral offerings were beautiful and profuse, indicating the esteem in which he was held by the donors. The pall-bearers were: Harold Tool, Harry Gillespie, Paul Goehry, Joe Gustin, George Mooney and Guy Lake. Nearly 300 people gathered to pay their last respects to one whom considered everyone his friend. The remains were laid to rest in the Wabash cemetery south of this city, there to await the resurrection day.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank those who so kindly assisted in the sickness, death and burial of our beloved son and brother, Merle. They shall surely receive their reward. Also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. McDonald and Children.

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Burned With Powder.

Our excellent friend J. H. Tams, superintendent of the county farm, met with an accident yesterday that might have proven very serious. It was butchering time at the county farm and Mr. Tams had several hogs and a steer to kill, so he came down town to borrow a rifle with which to do the task, and he secured one at the hardware store of John Bauer. It was evidently one that Mr. Bauer had long since placed in the loan department of his store, and the last applicant failed to clean it up. The end of the barrel was filled with mud and was otherwise very dirty. Mr. Tams loaded the gun and went after the first critter he intended to slaughter. When the shell was discharged the bullet failed to leave the barrel of the gun, and the burned powder flew out at the breach, burning Mr. Tams' face about the eyes quite severely. Fortunately the sight was not injured, but he bears several powder burned spots about the face. He suffered a great deal from them for several hours. There will be no serious injuries result, but it might have been a great deal worse.

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always give satisfaction because they always do the work. J. T. Shelcut, Bremen, Ga., says: "I have used Foley Kidney Pills with great satisfaction and found more relief from their use than from any other kidney medicine, and I've tried almost all kinds. I can cheerfully recommend them to all sufferers for kidney and bladder trouble." For sale by Fricke & Co.

Mrs. Guy French, sister of Mrs. T. B. Bates, and little daughter, Oeta, came down from Omaha last evening to attend the minstrel show, returning home this morning. Mrs. French was well pleased with the performance and thought the girls did remarkably well.

Parents of Fine Boy.

William Mendenhall and wife are the proud parents of a fine eight-pound baby boy, which the stork left with them last Monday. Both babe and its mother are doing fine and Mr. Mendenhall is as happy as can be over its arrival.

FRUIT GROWERS ARE COMING TO PLATTSMOUTH

Thursday, February 1, is Date, and Experienced Fruit Growers Will Be Present.

On Thursday, February 1, the fruit growers of Cass county will hold their annual institute. The session will convene at 2 p. m. at Coates' hall and will be addressed by some of the best-posted apple men in the state. The speakers will be: Hon. Val Keyser, a practical Nebraska orchardist; Prof. Howland of the state university, and Hon. E. M. Pollard, the most successful apple grower in Nebraska. The lectures are free and everyone interested in fruit growing is urged to attend and bring your boys. The committee arranging the institute promise that you will be instructed how to care for the orchard and make it profitable.

Mr. Tidd, secretary of the Commercial club, has had a neat circular struck, stating the date and time of the meeting, and the prominent speakers to be present. The circular states that "Nebraska grown Grimes' Golden, Jonathan and Wine Sap apples look first prizes over fruit from all other states last year. Eastern Nebraska is superior to Idaho, Oregon and Colorado as apple-