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## A SENSIBLE APPEAL TO THE TAXPAYERS

Your Own Interests at Stake in This Matter and You Should Vote for the Levy.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Tuesday, April 8, the voters of Cass county will be called upon to express their opinion as to the advisability of appropriating the sum of \$12,000 from the general fund for the purpose of building a new jail at the county seat, and we believe there are some suggestions we can make that will be worthy of consideration in passing upon this question. It is conceded by every citizen of the county that a new jail is needed and must be built. Our friends in the central and western parts of the county have seen fit to force the county seat removal question and are making that the issue in this election, erroneously calling this a "bond election," when as a matter of fact there is no bond element in the proposition, but some people and newspapers persist in shouting "bonds," knowing that among the people there has always been a prejudice against the issue of bonds. The only purpose they have in making such erroneous statements can only be to create the impression that this election is to vote bonds, and they know full well that such is not the case. The fact is, that this election is to appropriate \$12,000 to build the jail, the tax levy for which will be only 1 1/2 mills and FOR ONE YEAR ONLY, and then you are done with it. Voters should carefully scrutinize a cause that has to be bolstered up by misleading statements that we are to "vote bonds."

Heretofore the Ledger has not taken up the county seat controversy, but as that issue has been injected into this election we may properly take a hand in it. It is evidently the purpose of the "removalists" to get the county seat located in their midst for the sole and only object of enhancing the value of their property, which, of course, they have a right to do. But if those people will profit financially by county seat removal, is it not a natural consequence that property in this part of the county would thereby decrease in value? The "removalists" are looking at it from a standpoint of self-interest, and it is equally just and right that people in this part of the county should look at it from the same point of view and vote at the election, Tuesday, April 8, just as if you are voting upon the removal question, as that issue has been forced into this election for the purpose of defeating the jail proposition.

Now, as to county seat removal and expense: It naturally follows that if the county seat be removed it will necessitate the building of new court house and jail, furnishing same complete, including heating and lighting plants. We have made some inquiry among reliable and conservative people as to probable cost, and those who care to investigate will find that our figures are not far amiss. First, a new court house and jail, such as this county would need at a new location, cannot be built at a cost of much less than \$150,000—which, of course, will have to be raised by issue of bonds, and it follows that you must year after year pay extra assessments to meet the interest thereon, as well as to retire the bonds as they become due. Then add to this expense the cost of one, or possibly three, elections at a cost of at least \$800 for each election, and by the time you have held the elections, then voted bonds, paid interest thereon, cost of removal, and you will have not much (if any) less than \$250,000 that must be met in case of removal of county seat.

And again, even if the first county seat election "puts the

court house on wheels," do you suppose either Weeping Water, Manly or Louisville is going to help locate it at a rival town? Not much. Each of those towns is going after the county seat for itself, and the result will be Plattsmouth will retain the seat of government and we will have all the expense of the elections just the same. Therefore, it seems to us that this part of the county may as well accept the defy of the "removalists" and plump our votes squarely in favor of the jail appropriation, thereby voting for our own interests, as well as putting a quietus upon the needless expense of further county seat elections. When you go to the polls Tuesday, April 8, take this question with you: **SHALL I VOTE FOR A \$12,000 JAIL APPROPRIATION, OR VOTE TO ENCOURAGE A COUNTY SEAT FIGHT AND POSSIBLY \$250,000 REMOVAL EXPENSE?**

Which do you prefer to pay, a \$12,000 straight appropriation without bonds or interest, or do you favor county seat removal and help pay \$250,000 in bonds and interest? The answer seems easy to us, that the best interests of each of us, as well as the entire county, will lead us to vote "YES" on the jail proposition Tuesday, April 8.—Union Ledger.

## JOHN Q. WILES PASSES TO HIS REWARD

Dies From Pneumonia at His Home in Omaha After Illness of Two Days.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Last evening at his home in Omaha John Q. Wiles passed away from the effects of an attack of pneumonia, with which he was stricken on last Saturday, and his death followed swiftly the visitation of the dread malady.

Mr. Wiles was about 50 years old and was a son of Mr. Luke Wiles and wife, pioneer citizens of this county and Mills county, Iowa. The parents of Mr. Wiles removed from this county to Mills county in the year 1859, and it was in that county that the deceased was born in 1863. Mr. Wiles was never married, and for the last few years has been a resident of Omaha, where he was engaged in business. He leaves to mourn his death the following brothers and sisters: W. R. Wiles, Hanford, Cal.; C. L. Wiles, Glenwood; Nancy E. Wiles, Glenwood; Mrs. Frances Agli, Onawa, Iowa, and Thomas Wiles of this city.

The body will be brought to this city on the 1:15 Burlington train tomorrow and the funeral procession will go at once to Oak Hill cemetery, where the interment will be made. Mr. Wiles was quite well known to many of the older residents here, as he had a large number of relatives, who will learn with great sorrow of his untimely death.

## LOUIE TIEKOTTER HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM SERIOUS INJURY

From Tuesday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon while Louie Tiekotter was out on Wintersteen Hill delivering goods for the firm of H. M. Soennehielsen he got into a mix-up with the team that caused him to receive a rough handling. He had got into the delivery wagon and the team started up, when in some manner he fell onto the tongue and was thrown to the ground and for a few minutes it looked as if he would be killed outright, but he managed to escape without serious injury, although he was bruised up in several places. Louie says he was kicked sixty-two times by one of the horses, having kept track of them. He was unable to attend to his duties today on the wagon and was at home resting up from the battle.

"IT'S A GOOD THING I'M SO DURNED BUSY."



—Rogers in New York Herald

## ANDY THOMPSON SECURES HIS SALOON LICENSE

From Tuesday's Daily.

The case of the state vs. Andrew Thompson was on trial yesterday in the county court and attracted a large crowd of spectators and witnesses from Cedar Creek, where the defendant conducts a saloon, in which he was charged with selling liquor to minors in violation of law. There were a number of witnesses examined in the case, but the testimony failed to show that the liquor had been sold to minors and the judge made the only possible decision, that of not guilty.

The defendant in the case has conducted a saloon at Cedar Creek for a number of years, and as the time for the renewal of his license came around several parties in that village sought to prevent his securing a new license, and parties were put out to watch and secure evidence against him that would prevent him securing the desired license. A week or ten days ago Frank Plotzer and James Johnson, with their sons, were in the saloon and the parents bought some beer, as shown by the evidence, and gave it to the boys, as well as taking some themselves. The boys were noticed at the bar drinking, and the complaining witness, J. F. Wulf, at once went to the county attorney and made complaint, and information was filed against Mr. Thompson in the county court. The witnesses failed to come across with the testimony necessary at the examination yesterday and the saloon man was acquitted. The matter has made much feeling in Cedar Creek among the different residents of the village.

The board of county commissioners today issued a license to Andrew Thompson to conduct a saloon at Cedar Creek for the ensuing year, starting May 1. The application of Henry Schoeman for a license was refused by the board.

### Naturalization Papers.

This morning Vin Slatinsky, a native of Bohemia, appeared before Clerk of the District Court James Robertson and filed his declaration of becoming a citizen of this great and glorious republic. He arrived in this country on July 29, 1911, and has been employed in the Burlington car repair shops in this city since that time, and is a most excellent young man and will make a most useful citizen of the city.

T. W. Swan of Union, while in the city yesterday attending to some matters at the court house, took time to call at this office and have his name placed on our large Semi-Weekly list.

### New Baby Girl.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Yesterday morning about 5 o'clock the stork made a flying visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Tower and left a new addition to the family in the person of a new daughter, who will make her home with them in the future. The parents are very proud over the little lady and consider her without doubt the finest baby in the land.

### Good Cause to Feel Jubilant.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The happiest man without doubt in the city today is Chris Iske, and he undoubtedly has good cause to feel in a jubilant state of mind over the fine new son which made his appearance at their home early this morning. The mother and little son are getting along nicely and Chris will probably be in a normal condition in a few days.

## RESULT OF THE CITY ELECTION

Re-Election of Mayor Sattler by Overwhelming Majority—Close Between Fricke and Cook.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The city election yesterday was very much one-sided as far as the head of the ticket was concerned, as Mayor John P. Sattler, democrat, was re-elected over Guy D. McMaken by a majority of 248. There was not any fight made on this office to any extent, as Mr. McMaken had not made an active canvass, and the efforts of the day were expended to secure the election of Dr. E. W. Cook, the republican candidate for city treasurer, who, after the smoke of battle had cleared away, was found to have defeated City Treasurer Fricke by a majority of 15. The Fourth ward of the city was the Cook stronghold, giving him 50 majority, while the Second ward, the home of Mr. Fricke, gave their favorite the handsome majority of 60, but the republican gains in the other wards easily overcame this. The Third ward gave Fricke 10 and the Fifth 2 majority, while the First ward gave Dr. Cook a majority of 33.

City Clerk B. G. Wurl had no opposition for re-election, as it was regarded as a useless job to try and defeat him, and he received a very handsome vote from his many friends throughout the city.

Fred Patterson was on the ballot by petition for city engineer and secured a large vote.

The main point of interest of the election, outside of that for city treasurer, was that of the question of Sunday base ball, and the interest shown by the voters for the proposition was evidenced by the large majority rolled up, the vote being 546 for and 159 against the proposition, the majority for Sunday base ball being 387, and soon will the cry "play ball" be heard in this city. There was not much doubt of the proposition carrying, but the friends of the measure desired to see as large a majority as possible rolled up for the base ball team.

The race for councilman in the First ward was decidedly close, Streight, the republican candidate, defeating Mike Mauzy, his democratic opponent, by only 4 votes.

In the second ward Mike Bajock, democrat, had no opposition, and Lushinsky, republican, in the Fourth, was so satisfactory that there was no candidate placed in the field against him.

John Hallstrom, in the Third ward, defeated Ed Mason, the republican candidate, by a majority of 34.

William Shea, democrat, in the Fifth ward, was a winner by 44 majority.

The non-partisan school board ticket, composed of J. M. Roberts and T. H. Pollock, was elected, and now the board stands equally divided on party lines, and it is to be hoped that politics will not enter into the school board elections in the future.

The Journal for Calling Cards.

## NEW BOOKS FOR THE CITY LIBRARY

Public Library Buys New Books With Funds Transferred From Y. M. C. A.

The Plattsmouth public library has purchased the following list of books for the use of its patrons from the funds that were transferred from the Y. M. C. A. fund to the use of the library, and the new additions will add greatly to the service of the library. A great many of the books will be used in the children's department and will make that part one of the best in the library. The books have been carefully selected and include some of the best works published along all lines:

"Japanese Fairy Tales," first and second series, "Squirrel Hat," Willston; "Monkey That Would Not Kill," Drummond; "Wolf Patrol," "Brother Scouts," Finnemore; "Tommy Remington's Battle," Stevenson; "Riverside Primer," reader No. 1, 2, 3, Van Sickle; "Folk-Lore Readers," book 1, "Primer," Grover; "Tommy Tinker's Book," "Cherry Three Children," Blaisdell; "Foods or How the World Is Fed," "How the World is Clothed," "Geographical Reader North America," Carpenter; "Around the World," volume 1, Carroll; "Fairy Reader," "Another Fairy Reader," "Fifty Famous Stories Retold," Baldwin; "Panama and the Canal," Hall; "Eskimo Stories," Smith; "Peeps at Many Lands—England," Finnemore; "Peeps at Many Lands—Holland," Jungman; "Peeps at Many Lands—Holland, Finnemore; "Peeps at Many Lands—Iceland," Titan; "Land He Live In," Price; "Friends and Helpers," Eddy; "Stories of Indian Children," Husted; "Stories of Pioneer Life," Bass; "Our Birds and Their Nestlings," Walker; "Robert Louis Stevenson Reader," "Eugene Field's Reader," Bryce; "Stories of Mother Goose Village," "Risham," "Braided Straws," Foulke; "Little Folks of Many Lands," Glanzer; "Legends of the Red Children," Pratt; "Palmer Cox Browne's Primer," Judd; "Sunbonnet Babies," Overall; "Boys," Grover; "Art Literature Primer," "Art Literature Readers," books 1, 2 and 3, Clutter; "Pinochio," Colodi; "Monarch, the Big Bear of Talae," Seton; "Round the Corner in Gay Street," Richmond; "Magic Forest," White; "Sparrow the Tramp," Wesselhoft; "Mary Ware's Promised Land," Johnston; "Romance of Billy Goat Hill," Rice; "Miracle of Right Thought," Mardin; "Friendship Village Love Stories," Gale; "Phoebe and Earnest," Gilmore; "Pa Fleckenberger's Folks," Hoover; "First Church's Christmas Barrel," Stanley; "Happy Hawkins," Wasson; "Red Pepper Purns," Richmond; "Potash and Prulmutter," Glass; "Children of Tomorrow," Laughlin; "Primer Stories of American History," 4 vols., Pratt; "Prodigious Hickey," Johnson; "Chip of the Flying U," Bower; "Down Our Street," Buckrose; "Tangles," Cameron; "The Saddy," Constock; "The Inner Flame," Burnham; "Phillip at Halycon, Brown; "Robin Hood," Finnemore; "Florence Nightingdale," Richard; "Miss Billy," Porter; "Texas Blue Bonnet," Jacob; "Story of Babette," Stewart; "Glenock Girls," Remick; "Teddy, Her Book," Ray; "Girls of Gardenville," Rankin; "Toby Tyler," Kaler; "Wells Brothers, Young Cattle Kings," Adams; "Boys of Bobs' Hall," Burton; "Captain of the Grey Horse Troop," Garland; "Boy Scouts on Birch Bark Island," Holland; "Boys With the U. S. Forester," Wheeler; "Girole K.," Sabin; "Lady and Sada San," Little; "The Nerve of Foley," Spearman.

### In County Court.

This morning in the county court Henry Snoko of Eagle was discharged from his duties as the guardian of Arthur W. Adams, a minor, and released from all responsibility in the matter.