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MAKE PLATTSMOUTH MORE BEAUTIFUL

Devising Plans by Which Work Can Be Done and in Which All Can Take a Part.

The matter of beautifying the city is one that should appeal to everyone who resides in Plattsmouth, and small efforts on the part of every household applied in the right direction will work wonders in its way.

Clean up the yards, trim your trees and shrubbery and place them in a neat and orderly appearance that will reflect credit on your home. See that the house and buildings are kept in proper repair and not allowed to run down and present an dilapidated sight to the visitors to the city, as well as your own neighbors.

In the line of beautifying, the proposition offered at the Commercial club last Thursday in regard to the making of small parks out of the waste lots at the intersection of the avenues and different streets is one that should recommend itself to the residents of the city as a splendid chance to secure several pretty little public squares and parks, where benches can be placed for the purpose of resting. The spots are in good shape to be sodded and in some cases all that is necessary is the sowing of some grass seed to make a beautiful grass plot in a short time that will be a credit to the city and an object of beauty.

Take on Chicago avenue, there is a nice place for a little park west of the A. O. U. W. hall and it is probable that the Kinser place could be secured to turn into a little rest park, and with several beds of flowering plants and shrubs would be one of the neatest places in the town. The same is true at the intersection of Washington avenue and Vine streets, where the empty lots there have been allowed to stand idle, when, with little cost and labor, they could easily be made into a place both handsome and useful and add greatly to the value of the property in the locality in which it is located.

Let the people think the park proposition over and take some action to give the city a nicer, more refined appearance to the strangers who come here. The park on top of the Fifth street hill, Garfield park, is a very pretty little square, but it is not situated in the position these small parks would be to impress the visitors.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS IN CASS COUNTY

From Thursday's Daily. The following transfer of property was recorded yesterday in the office of Register of Deeds A. J. Snyder:

C. C. Parmele to W. S. Schwab, warranty deed, \$250, lots 7 to 14, block 4; lots 3 to 6, block 5, O'Neill's addition, Plattsmouth.

H. F. Petty to Lorenze Bauer, warranty deed, \$1,600, lot 24, Porter Place, Plattsmouth.

K. G. Peterson to J. E. Lewis, warranty deed, \$10,000, south half, southeast quarter, 18-10-9.

J. H. Becker to Philip Becker, deed, \$800, west half, southeast quarter, southeast quarter, southwest quarter, 13-12-12.

F. J. Fitzgerald to Harry Gross, warranty deed, \$1, part southwest quarter, 20-12-10.

To Appeal Case.

From Friday's Daily. An appeal has been filed in the district court of the case of Wallace M. Philpot vs. John B. C. Gregory, from the decision of the county court, which gave the plaintiff judgment for the recovery of a threshing outfit valued at \$840, which the plaintiff sought to replevin from the defendant. The case was very hotly contested in the lower court by both sides.

If you have a house for rent try a Journal Want Ad.

Indian Princess Coming.

Among the Indians with the Texas Bill's Wild West, which is a part of the enormous Yankee Robinson three-ring circus, is Princess "Kiowa," noted as one of the greatest rifle shots and rope throwers in the world. This is her first season tour. She appears at every performance of the Wild West and is delighted with her first trip through civilization. She talks English fluently and lady visitors to the Indian camp can have a few entertaining moments by engaging her in conversation. At Plattsmouth Monday, May 5.

FISH COMMISSIONER W. J. O'BRIEN IN THE CITY

From Thursday's Daily. The car of Fish Commissioner W. J. O'Brien, which has been in the shops in this city undergoing an overhauling, was taken out yesterday afternoon on No. 23 by the superintendent for the fisheries at South Bend. The state fisheries at that place are a most attractive place, and under the management of Mr. O'Brien have greatly increased their efficiency toward furnishing good fish for the stocking of the different small streams and lakes of the state. Mr. O'Brien, while in the city, took occasion to drop into the Journal office to have a social chat, and we were greatly pleased to meet the genial fish commissioner, and he has a standing invitation to make the Journal office his headquarters when in Plattsmouth.

THE JOHN M. LEYDA HOME HAS BEEN GREATLY IMPROVED

From Thursday's Daily. The residence property of Attorney John M. Leyda, in the Second ward, has been receiving a number of improvements the past week that will add much to the value of the property. Mr. Leyda has had a large room excavated under his residence, which he will use as a store and work room. Concrete walls and floor will be placed in the room, making it damp-proof, as well as free from the annoyances common to cellars not constructed in this manner. Floyd Patridge and Philip Harrison are engaged in doing the work and it will require some time yet to make the job complete.

NATIONAL GUARDS MAY COME TO THE RIFLE RANGE

From Thursday's Daily. The use of the rifle range north of this city by the state militia seems to be almost certain, as Adjutant General P. L. Hall, of the Nebraska National Guard, is now negotiating for the securing of 450 acres of land between Waterloo and Valley for a temporary camp for the soldiers, as well as a sham battle, following a forced march. From Valley the soldiers will be sent to Plattsmouth about August 1, for a four days' stay at the rifle range for practice. It would be a splendid attraction if a sham battle could be arranged for with General Hall, to take place on the grounds north of this city, which would give the young soldiers an opportunity to show their skill in maneuvering, either on the bottom lands or in the hills that surround the range on the west, and if the state officers are looking for the ideal location for this feature of the summer's encampment they should come here. This would bring a large number to the city and will furnish much excitement for the time they are here.

Guild Holds Meeting.

From Friday's Daily. The St. Luke's Guild of St. Luke's parish met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. B. R. Livingston, on North Sixth street. The ladies spent a very pleasant and profitable time in social conversation and discussion of the work of the society.

JESSE BLUNT AND BURLINGTON RELIEF

Burlington Will Fight Case to the Bitter End as One of Injustice to the Relief.

From Thursday's Daily. The Omaha World-Herald of this morning contains the following account of the case of Jesse F. Blount vs. the Burlington Relief, which came up for hearing in the state supreme court yesterday. Mr. Blount formerly resided in this city, and is at present a resident of Nebraska City, where he is conducting a restaurant.

"The Burlington Railroad company in supreme court today entered a vigorous defense to the payment, through its relief department, of a claim of Jesse F. Blount, a member thereof at the time of his injuries. The case is one of unusual character.

"Blount made application at McCook, where he was employed as a hostler's helper, September 19, 1907. Shortly after that things began to happen to him. He was laid up from injuries for five days and drew down \$7.50 for this. March 23, 1908, he suffered an injury to his left knee which incapacitated him for 358 days, for which he drew \$537. He went back to work on March 14, 1909, and a week later reported with an injury to the same leg at the same point. From this he suffered for a period of 102 days and filed a claim for \$153 therefor. Here is where the company got its back up and declined to pay.

"Officials of the relief department began looking up their records and found that Blount, under the name of Blunt, had been a member of the department seven different times and by reason of reported injuries and disabilities had received benefits of various amounts fourteen different times. The records of the superintendent showed that as Blunt had entered the service in 1892 at Plattsmouth, and collected from \$1 to \$48 for various injuries, including a bruised hand, conjunctivitis, tonsillitis, bruised finger, lacerated hand, bruised hip, bruised elbow, bruised left hand, piece of iron in eye, sickness, cut on right hand, bruised finger, bruised right hand and sprained right side. While listed as Blount at McCook he received injuries to his right hand and his left knee."

THE EMPLOYEES AT THE BURLINGTON DEPOT IN THIS CITY

From Thursday's Daily.

In the article appearing in last evening's Journal dealing with the depot in this city, the writer dealt rather harshly with the employees of the company at the station. The article was handed in for publication, and on the general poor service of the station is all right, but on the question of the work of the employees the writer evidently did not take a view of the difficulties that confronts the boys employed there. Each of the men at the depot is kept on the go continually and are handicapped in serving people by the smallness of the depot and the general poor accommodations there, and if the public at times feel provoked at what they consider the inattention of the employees they should remember that these people are handling more than their share of work and that the jobs at the station are far from being a bed of roses. We make this statement because we feel that perhaps the public would gather that there was a policy of neglect practiced by the boys, when, as a matter of fact, they are over-run with work.

Corrected List of Officers.

From Friday's Daily. A slight error occurred yesterday in the list of officers elected at the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Luke's parish. The officers were as follows: President, Mrs. J. H. Kuhns; vice, president, Mrs. A. W. Dawson; secretary, Mrs. T. P. Livingston; treasurer, Miss Dora Fricke.

MRS. HENRY EIKENBARY PASSES AWAY

Death of This Estimable Lady Occurred This Morning After Lingered This Illness.

From Friday's Daily.

This morning about 9 o'clock Mrs. Henry Eikenbary passed away at her home, a few miles southwest of this city, after lingering for several days suffering from a stroke of paralysis. The death of this worthy lady was not unexpected, as several days ago the attending physicians had given up hope of saving her life and the end was foreseen to be only a matter of a short time, but the blow falls very heavily on the aged husband, as well as the three daughters—Mrs. Charles A. Valley, St. Joseph, Missouri; Mrs. Joseph J. Johnson, Denver, and Miss Emma Eikenbary of this city, who has had the care of her mother for several years.

Elizabeth M. Arnold was born August 9, 1844, in Kalamazoo county, Michigan, and came to Nebraska in the fifties with her family, and on January 1, 1862, she was united in marriage in Plattsmouth to Henry Eikenbary. Shortly after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Eikenbary removed to the farm, southwest of this city, where they have since resided. During the lifetime of this pioneer lady she endured the hardships incident to the early life in the west, but she lived to see the country blossom with all the advances of civilization, and had spent a lifetime of usefulness to her family, as well as the entire community in which she and her husband had such a large part in forming.

No definite arrangements have been made for the funeral as we go to press, but it is thought probable that it will occur Sunday from the late home.

FIRST CLASS "BROIL" LAST NIGHT; WHERE WAS THE POLICE?

From Monday's Daily.

Last night near the midnight hour there was a very lively mix-up on the upper part of Main street between two of our local men and one of the carpenters who is employed on the work at the rifle range, and from all accounts it was some battle while it lasted. The stranger got one of the locals down and was handing him several blows that would have done credit to Jack Johnson, when the other party "picked on," and between them drove off the enemy, who put up a warm fight, although he was suffering from a broken jaw sustained a few days before his arrival here. There has been no arrests made in the matter, as the night police were not present when the mill occurred.

WANTS A NAME FOR THE NEW PICTURE HOUSE

From Friday's Daily.

Manager Shlaes of the Majestic theater desires to secure a new name for his classy little photo play house and will receive suggestions for an appropriate title for the place. To the party bringing in the most suitable name Mr. Shlaes will give a pass for two admissions, good for thirty days to the theater. Now, if you desire to secure a free admission to the show it is your chance by sending in what you consider the best title for the play house. Get your thinking caps on and send in your selections at once, as it will only be a short time until the house will be ready to be opened to the public.

Oak Posts for Sale.

About 400 bur oak posts for sale. Apply to Joseph Mrasek, on the Dull farm.

Miss Ruehland Still Suffers.

For the past six weeks Miss Josie Ruehland has been confined to her home suffering from a very severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism, and her condition does not greatly improve and her parents and friends have been very much worried over her severe illness. That she will soon recover and be able to be up and around is the sincere wish of her many friends.

Buy's New Team.

The livery barn of Q.K. Parmele received last night a fine team of horses, which were purchased by Mr. Parmele a few days ago at Ashland. The team is an excellent one and will make a valuable addition to the string of horses owned by this bustling liveryman. The new team will be used on the hack service between the depots.

RECTOR WILSON ENTERTAINS BACHELOR MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE'S

From Thursday's Daily.

Last evening at the rectory of St. Luke's parish, the rector, Allan G. Wilson, entertained at a 7 o'clock bachelor dinner to a number of the members of the parish who are still in single blessedness, and the guests enjoyed to the utmost the delightful hospitality of the worthy host. The dinner was a four-course one and arranged in a manner that speaks highly of the chef who prepared the delicious repast. Following the dinner the party enjoyed several hours in social conversation over the cigars and departed at a late hour, feeling very deeply gratified to Father Wilson for the enjoyable time. The guests were: Dr. J. S. Livingston, W. R. Egenberger, F. H. Smith, E. G. Dovey and Guy Reese.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY OF M. E. CHURCH HAVE VERY ENJOYABLE TIME

From Friday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon the members of the Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church were most delightfully entertained in the church parlors, and in spite of the inclemency of the weather, there was a large number in attendance, there being over fifty present. This occasion was purely a social meeting, no business whatever being transacted, and the hostesses were the officers of the society, Mesdames W. L. Austin, T. W. Glenn, M. Mauzy, H. Mauzy and Val Burkel, and they proved to be most excellent entertainers, as the guests report that they never did spend such an enjoyable afternoon. The thoughtful hostesses had prepared a splendid program, which was a most pleasing feature of this entertainment and which consisted of excellent readings by Mrs. William Baird and Miss Marie Douglass, while Miss Ferris York and Mrs. Howeller favored the ladies with some very charming vocal selections. After this program the hostesses served a fine luncheon, and about the hour of 5 the ladies dispersed, in hopes that the officers would entertain them again in the very near future.

MRS. M. L. FRIEDRICH IS SLIGHTLY ON THE IMPROVE

From Friday's Daily.

The many friends of Mrs. M. L. Friedrich will be greatly pleased to learn that she is feeling slightly improved over her recent severe illness and that the prospects for her recovery are now much brighter. Last Saturday she was taken with a severe hemorrhage of the lungs and for a few days it was feared that she might not recover, but yesterday she seemed to improve greatly and is now resting very easily.

IT WAS WITHOUT DOUBT SUICIDE

Death of Dr. A. E. Walker So Pronounced by Those Acquainted With Surroundings.

From Friday's Daily.

The startling news was received in this city yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock of the finding of the body of Dr. A. E. Walker in his office at Union, shot through the head. The unfortunate man had apparently been dead some time when the body was found.

The last time the doctor was seen alive was Tuesday night, when John McCarthy called him up about 12 o'clock and had him dress an injured hand, the man going to the office for that purpose. At that time there was apparently nothing wrong with the doctor.

He had an engagement with Robert Trook for Wednesday morning to go to Omaha, where they were to secure a car that the doctor had purchased, and return with it to Union, and about 3 o'clock Mr. Trook called at the office for the doctor, but received no response, and naturally supposed that he had been called out on a professional call, and proceeded to the depot, but the doctor failed to show up. Nothing was thought of the matter, as it was supposed that his visit had caused him to miss the train.

His friends in Union remarked at the fact that he had not been seen on the street, but it was thought that he was in the country or had gone on to Omaha.

Yesterday afternoon Wes Cl' desiring to see the doctor, went to the office to see him, and on being started to find his bed in the rear room of the dead. He was lying on his side with a wound in the right temple, the bullet revolver having entered through the head and had fallen on the body and was lying on the floor. The arrival of the doctor who came down and after a body doctor's quest. The fingers of the left hand were in position when the fatal shot was fired. All the money and valuables of the doctor were found in the office, and the only conclusion possible was that he had shot himself in a despondent moment.

Dr. Walker was born in this county about 41 years ago, near Murray, and spent his boyhood there until he left the home to attend medical school, from which he graduated with high honors. He first located at Murray to practice medicine, remaining there a short time, afterwards removing to Union, where he enjoyed a very good practice, but later sold out, and after a short period started an office at Nehawka. While there the doctor was married to Miss Jessie Gilmour, of near this city, but a few months after the marriage the wife was taken sick and died at a hospital in Lincoln, and since that time Dr. Walker has never really been his former self, and apparently brooded over her untimely death. Shortly after his wife's death he moved back to Union, and for the past three years has conducted a very lucrative practice in that city. He leaves his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Walker, of Murray, and two sisters, Mrs. G. H. Gilmore and Miss Margie Walker of Murray, to mourn his death, and to the relatives the deepest sympathy of the entire county will go out in this hour of grief.

The funeral will probably be held tomorrow at 1 o'clock from the home of the parents at Murray.

Farm for Sale.

Anyone wanting to buy a farm would do well to see W. R. Bryan, county assessor.