

BURLINGTON REPRESENTATIVES ENTERTAINED

Commercial Club Serve Lunch to Several People Who Come Here to Look Over Shops, Etc.

From Tuesday's Daily.
This noon the officers and directors of the Commercial club entertained at luncheon at the Hotel Riley a number of the Burlington officials, who were here to look after the company affairs at the shops. Covers were laid for twenty, including the directors of the club. The luncheon was presided over by President William A. Robertson of the Commercial club, who introduced the different railroad officials for a few remarks. Mr. Frank T. Darrow, of the engineering department, spoke of the pleasure that he felt at meeting his old friends while here, and of the warm feeling that had existed between the city and the officials of the company. Mr. Sexton of the real estate department of the Burlington at Lincoln, told of his visits to Plattsmouth in the years gone by, when he was connected with the real estate department of the railroad, and that in the years that had passed the city of Plattsmouth had become very closely interested in the things that benefit both, and that it was always a pleasure to be in the city, where such cordial treatment was received. Judge Jesse L. Root, solicitor of the Burlington, of Omaha, was introduced and received a warm welcome from his old friends. He stated that the railroad certainly would not pass Plattsmouth by in the improvements of the year that have been planned, and would see that the city was treated as well as it was possible in the way of improvements. The general atmosphere of the gathering was one of pleasure at the opportunity of meeting with the railroad representatives and showed the cordial feeling of the people of Plattsmouth for the great railroad system in which they are so much interested.

G. A. RAWLS REFUSES TO RUN FOR MAYOR

From Tuesday's Daily.
The republican city committee has been informed that Attorney G. A. Rawls, who was selected as the candidate for mayor on that ticket at the city convention on Saturday evening, declines the honor of the nomination, and makes it necessary to select someone else for the position. Mr. Rawls has a very extensive law practice, that requires his whole time, and he feels that he cannot sacrifice the interests of his clients in looking after the many things that are constantly being brought to the attention of the mayor of the city. It is quite probable that there will be a number of other withdrawals on the different tickets before the time of election, as a number of those drafted for service are not enthusiastic over the prospect of making the race and sacrificing their time. So far there has been no action taken by the republican committee to fill the vacancy occasioned by the withdrawal of Mr. Rawls.

In this connection with the candidates for the city offices, it may be stated that in the Third ward the republican convention selected James W. Holmes as their candidate for the council instead of Ed Weaver, as was stated in the Journal last evening, and who will be the opponent of John Vondron for the councilmanic honors.

ROADS GETTING BETTER.

From Tuesday's Daily.
Persons arriving in the city from the country districts report that the roads are getting in very fair shape considering the wet weather that prevailed last week, and that a few days of good weather would enable the roads to be put in first class shape generally. The past winter has given some good roads, that have been a boon to the auto owner, and up to the past week have been so that they could be traveled with ease by automobile.

HARD TIME WITH CATTLE.

From Tuesday's Daily.
A few days ago Luther Hall, the stock raiser of near Union, purchased two cars of cattle at Sidney, Iowa, and arranged to have them shipped to South Omaha and thence to his home at Union. The cattle reached South Omaha all right but about this time the rumors of the impending railroad strike came on and the Missouri Pacific refused to accept the cattle for shipment to Union. It was finally arranged that the Burlington bring them to Plattsmouth where they were unloaded and Saturday Mr. Hall and son drove them to Union to be placed on the Hall farm for feeding.

A MAP SHOWING THE POST ROADS OF THE COUNTY

From Tuesday's Daily.
The county clerk's office has just completed a map showing the different post roads of the county, which is to be placed at the disposal of the state engineer's office for use in preparing estimates to cover the plans for the use of the state and federal aid road law that is soon to be placed in operation. The federal aid law is to take in the question of area, population and the number of miles of post roads in each county of the state. There is on the estimate made by the county clerk, 500 miles in round numbers of post roads in the county, and which covers in a very thorough manner the different sections of the county from one end to the other. The blue print will be sent to State Engineer Johnson for use in making the plans for the handling of the funds that will be at the disposal of the state for good roads work. The movement for good roads certainly should reach Cass county as there are very few in the state that have a more complete system of good roads, and the population, in the neighborhood of 24,000, should warrant this county receiving a liberal appropriation from the good roads fund of the government and the state.

EMIL F. PALMER, PIONEER MERCHANT, DIES AT LOUISVILLE

Yesterday, at his home in Louisville, Emil F. Palmer, pioneer merchant of Cass county, passed away at the age of 62 years, as the result of heart failure, following a prolonged attack of the grippe. Mr. Palmer during his residence in the county had been a prominent figure in public affairs and in the business life of the community in which he made his home. Mr. Palmer had been engaged in the general merchandise business in Louisville for many years and was among the best known residents of that community, where he was held in the highest esteem by those with whom he came in touch. Mr. Palmer had served as mayor of Louisville for several terms, and also on the board of education, and his best efforts had been toward the uplift of the community in which he made his home. He was a very strong republican in politics and took a keen interest in the affairs of the party in the state, but had never held office aside from those in his own home town. Mr. Palmer is survived by two sons, Harry O. and Arthur L. Palmer, both of whom are engaged in the practice of law in Omaha. The funeral will be held at Louisville and will be private.

NATION-WIDE SEARCH FOR RELATIVES END IN BLUFFS

Council Bluffs, Ia., March 21.—After a search for missing members of the family dating since the civil war, Mrs. Alice Townsend and City Detective Frank Lee, both of Council Bluffs, have discovered that they are first cousins and have been living in the same town for the past twelve years.

Attorney C. E. Tefft of Weeping Water was in the city for a few hours today.

COUNTY ATTORNEYS GET A SLIGHT RAISE

Some in Smaller Counties Benefitted Under Bill Agreed to—County Judge Term the Same.

Lincoln, Neb., March 19.—The house spent considerable time today on a bill to raise the pay of county attorneys, sending it to third reading, amended beyond recognition. Very few county attorneys will be benefited. Those who will be are as follows:
In counties of from 6,000 to 12,000, pay raised from \$800 to \$900; counties of from 12,000 to 16,000, from \$850 to \$1,000; counties of 16,000 to 18,000, raised from \$1,100 to \$1,200.
The house declined to approve a proposed constitutional amendment lengthening the term of county judges from two years to four years, although it had previously passed a bill giving other county officers, by statute only, a quadrennial tenure. Messrs. Radke, Peterson and Flansburg tried vainly to have it raised over the adverse report of a standing committee.

Change in Mileage.
Because the legislature of 1915 increased the mileage allowance of sheriffs from 5 cents to 10 cents, the house voted to do the same for county superintendents when they travel around visiting rural and village schools. The bill was sent to third reading.

A bill requiring the owners of garages and repair shops to keep a record of automobile numbers and owners, which was said to have the backing of the state sheriffs' association and automobile clubs, received the O. K. stamp of the whole committee. It carries a maximum penalty of two years in the penitentiary or \$500 fine, or both, for violations. The purpose is to aid in detecting thefts of automobiles.

State-Owned Elevators.
Nobody had a word to say, one way or the other, on the McAllister bill for a constitutional amendment permitting the state to establish and operate terminal grain elevators, and it was advanced to third reading.

Cities of 1,000 to 5,000 population are authorized to create sewer districts and make the improvements at the cost of property benefited, under the terms of H. R. No. 358, which was placed on the third reading calendar.

CANDIDATES FOR CITY OFFICES GOES BEGGING

From Tuesday's Daily.
The candidates for office in the city election in a number of the offices do not seem to be very desirous of making the race for the positions which they have had thrust upon them, and cannot really be blamed for this when it is considered that the city offices are only for one year, and makes it most annoying for the person making the race to have to get out and make a campaign for an office which pays a very small salary and is filled with all kinds of petty annoyances. The fact of the matter is that a city of this size certainly should be given some relief in extending terms of the city officers to two years, as it was formerly, to give those who are elected an opportunity of getting something accomplished before they are forced to face another election. Those who serve in the city offices do so without practically any salary, and are handicapped by the fact that when they are getting familiar with the workings of the office they are thrown into another campaign to be returned. If the state legislature was desirous of passing any law that was badly needed, it would be one to place this city in another class. It would save the people a great deal of expense each year in holding the elections and give the city officials a much better opportunity to accomplish something.

Dietrich Koester of near Weeping Water and Henry Wohlen of Avoca came in this afternoon to look after a few matters of importance in the county court.

SUFFERING FROM BLOOD POISON

From Tuesday's Daily.
This afternoon Dr. P. J. Flynn and wife departed for Omaha where Mrs. Flynn is to take treatment in that city for a case of blood poisoning from which she has been suffering for a short time. The many friends of Mrs. Flynn trust that she may soon recover from the affliction and be restored to her usual good health.

BRIDGE CONTRACT LET TO THE MONARCH ENGINEERING CO.

From Wednesday's Daily.
The board of county commissioners at their meeting yesterday took up the matter of the application of Edward Kelly, of Manley, for a license to operate a pool hall in that village on a petition offered by some thirty-two of the free holders and it was voted by the commissioners that the license be granted as the sentiment of the residents of the village was greatly in favor of the proposition as Mr. Kelly has operated a very desirable pool and billiard hall.
The county commissioners also took up the opening of the bids for the bridge work of the county for the ensuing year and on checking over the bids it was found that the Monarch engineering company of Falls City, the present contractors, were the lowest bidders and according were awarded the contract for the bridge work. The commissioners are making the bridges of the county permanent as each new bridge is put up, and this is found to be much more satisfactory than that of the old wooden structures that has in years past caused the county a great deal of money for their upkeep.

The Monarch company has done very satisfactory work since they secured the contract and have delivered the goods in the way of bridge work.

ENTERTAINS PLATTSMOUTH COLONY AT LOS ANGELES

From Tuesday's Daily.
The Plattsmouth colony at Los Angeles, Cal., held a very pleasant social gathering last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Elson, when Mrs. Elson entertained a number of friends in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ryan and Miss Fanny McDougal of Nebraska City. After a pleasant evening light refreshments were served and pleasant memories of olden times served to entertain the guests most delightfully. The members of the party were unanimous in voting the occasion a most delightful one. The guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wescott, Mr. and Mrs. Asher Clark and daughter, Miss Loretta; Mr. and Mrs. A. Quinn, Mrs. J. R. Cox and daughter, Miss Helen; Mr. and Mrs. Benton Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Waybright, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Holloway and Mr. C. W. Sherman.

GUILTY OF A STATUATORY CRIME YEARS AGO, NEVER PUNISHED

The county authorities have quite a problem on their hands in dealing with a party residing in the vicinity of Louisville, and whose actions have been brought to their attention, but just what course will be taken with him has not been fully determined upon. It seems that several years ago the party resided across the river from Louisville in Sarpy county, and while living there it is alleged was guilty of a statutory crime upon one of his family but his has been so long ago that the statute of limitations has placed him beyond the reach of the Sarpy county authorities, while since that time he has removed to Cass county. The wife of the man has not lived with him for several years but two daughter remain at the home and it is to have them placed elsewhere that the authorities are thinking of taking steps in the case. The matter has attracted more or less attention in Louisville and the surrounding territory where the principals in the case have made their home for a great many years.

PIONEER LADY PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Julia Thomas, Consort of the Late James W. Thomas, Passed Away During Last Night.

It was a great shock to the community this morning to learn that Mrs. Julia E. Thomas had passed away during the night at her home on Pearl street. This morning when the daughter, Miss Alberta Thomas, entered the room where her mother was sleeping she found that the Master had called her home to rest, and it came as a great shock to the family to learn that the beloved mother had been taken from them. Mrs. Thomas had been sick only a few days with the grippe and had apparently been improving yesterday, and it was not thought that her condition was serious.

Mrs. Thomas was one of the pioneers of this community, coming here in 1857, when a child of 7 years, and had since made her home here, endearing herself to all who knew her by her kindly ways and gentle treatment of her friends.

Julia E. Child was born November 10, 1850, at Walnut Hills, Ohio, and when a child came to Nebraska with her parents, Judge and Mrs. A. L. Child, and located on a farm near Cedar Creek, where they resided for a number of years, later removing to Plattsmouth, where they made their home for several years in the home place on Wintergreen hill. She was married in June, 1879, at Plattsmouth, to Mr. James W. Thomas, and the family have since made their home in this city. Mrs. Thomas had for years been a member of the Woman's Relief Corps and a very able worker in the society and one who will be greatly missed. She leaves to mourn her death five daughters, Mrs. Jacob Hoffmann, Julesburg, Colo.; Mrs. William Seay, Mrs. T. J. Will, Miss Alberta Thomas, Plattsmouth, and Miss Daisy Thomas of Lincoln. One brother, H. P. Child of Kansas City, and one sister, Mrs. Laura E. Simmons of Lawton, Okla., are also left to mourn her death.

The funeral services will be held at the Methodist church on Thursday afternoon at 2:30, and will be conducted by Rev. T. A. Truscott, pastor of the church.

JOHN MEISINGER CELEBRATES SEVENTY-FOURTH BIRTHDAY

The country home of Mr. and Mrs. John Meisinger, Sr., near Cedar Creek was the scene of a most pleasing gathering on Friday, March 16th, when the children and a large number of friends gathered at the home to assist the father in the observance of his seventy-fourth birthday anniversary. The time was spent very delightfully in visiting and having a real social time such as can only be enjoyed beneath the hospital Meisinger roof and the home rang with merriment for several hours as the members of the party enjoyed themselves to the utmost. The children of Mr. Meisinger as a remembrance of the occasion presented him with a beautiful Morris chair that will be enjoyed to the utmost by the father as a token of the love and affection of his children. The members of the party had come with well filled baskets of good things to eat and these were at a suitable hour opened and a feast prepared that everyone did ample justice too and which proved a most delightful feature of the happy occasion. It was a late hour when the members of the party returned home wishing Mr. Meisinger many more years of happiness. Those in attendance were: Messrs. and Mesdames John Meisinger, Dave Jardine, Philip Schafer, Anton Meisinger, John Gauer, Frank Salsburg, John Busche, Mrs. Mary Schafer, Louis Meisinger, Jr., Philip Fornoff, Elmer and Albert Schafer, Earl and Leroy Meisinger, Willie and Raymond Jardine, Floyd Gauer, Misses Freda, Florence Gauer, Myrtle, Pearl and Lena Jardine, Helen Meisinger.

Wanted—Girls at the Plattsmouth Steam Laundry. Apply at once.

SEVERAL GALLONS OF OIL STOLEN FROM A SHED

Harry Wilcox, who resides on Washington avenue, is mourning the loss of several gallons of coal oil which he had stored in a small shed a short distance from the residence. Mr. Wilcox has had the oil for some time and not needing it for any use did not pay any particular attention to the oil until yesterday when Mrs. Wilcox went to the shed to secure some of the oil and found it missing. The person taking it must have been very smooth as the door was kept locked the greater part of the time and it is seldom that all of the family are away from home. However Mr. Wilcox states that he will have a new supply of oil in a few days and if the party taking the first two gallons run out they should call again.

HOME FOR OLD PEOPLE OF THE K. AND L. S.

A Committee From Local Lodge Visits With Nation Lodge Officers at Omaha in Regard to Location

The committee from the local lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Security were in Omaha last evening to attend the meeting of the lodge in that city and to meet the national officers of the order, James W. Kirkpatrick, national president; John V. Abrahamson, national secretary and Harvey L. Songer, national trustee and W. A. Biny, national treasurer, who are on a tour of the country looking over the different lodges of the order. The national officers are taking up the proposition of the location of the proposed old people's and orphan's home and hospital and investigating conditions in different portions of the country where the home may possibly be located. The committee from this city impressed upon the officers of the national council the advantages of this city for an institution of this kind with the general healthful condition of this city together with its railroad and other transportation advantages that would make it very convenient to establish a home here that would be of easy access from all portions of the country. The city of Omaha is also a contender for consideration as a place of location for the proposed institution and the members of the national council were shown over different part of the city by a delegation from the Commercial club of that city.

The head officers while not expressing any opinion as to the most likely point for the establishment of the home gave the impression that it would be more to their preference to have the Home located in a smaller town where it would be possible to have a considerable tract of land for use in agricultural purposes and that would not entail the cost that a location nearer to a larger city might, but thus far the plans of the officers are indelible both as to the location as well as to the cost of the institution and it is estimated that the cost of establishing the home will range from \$300,000 to \$1,000,000.

The local lodge will continue their work in boosting for the home and it is hoped to have more definite facts in a short time in regard to the needs of the home and the assistance, any that will be asked by the national council. In the effort to secure the home the local lodge should have the hearty co-operation of every person in the city to boost for the proposition. A subject will be taken up later by the committee of the Commercial club of the city to assist the lodge in their work.

MRS. FLYNN IMPROVING

Mrs. Flynn will be pleased to learn that she is progressing very nicely from her attack of blood poisoning and it seems as if the malady had been checked. It will be sometime before she fully regains the use of her arm but the affliction has yielded to the treatment and promises complete recovery for the patient.

SCHOOL FIGHT AT ELMWOOD AND VICINITY

The School Board Wants the Acquisition of More Territory, While People in Outside Districts Object

This morning County Superintendent Miss Eda Marquardt, County Commissioners Snoko, Heebner and Pitz, and County Clerk Frank Libershall took up the matter of the increasing of school district No. 95, composing the village of Elmwood. This petition was filed with the county board on March 15th, stating that the Elmwood school was one maintaining ten grades and with a territory embracing but three sections of land and asked that the board of commissioners and the county superintendent make the changes necessary to give the district six sections of land as provided for under the present laws covering that subject.

The petition of the Elmwood board of education however has had sliding in the hearing as the petition was opposed by a large delegation from the territory surrounding the town of Elmwood and districts No. 53, 24, 59, 61 and 101, in the neighborhood that would be affected by the change in the districts had representatives present at the meeting to protest in a vigorous manner against and change in present boundaries of the district that would take off from the adjacent school districts any of their land. The objectors to the petition were represented by Attorney Frank Tyrell of Lincoln, who presenting their side of the case stated that the Elmwood school board had not given any reason why the change should be made or the necessity for the same and also that there was not a single resident of any of the adjoining districts that cared to be placed in the Elmwood district. He offered to introduce the witnesses present from the protesting school districts to show that it would work a hardship on the residents of the other school districts to have the change in the territory made. George Oehelreking, a member of the school board in district 61 testified that it would injure the district in which he resided and make it hard to maintain the proper school in the district and also that his district was free of all bonded debt while that of Elmwood was not and it would be unjust for the residents of his district.

There was none of the members of the Elmwood school board present to appear and give their side to the commissioners.

The interests of the Elmwood school board was in the hands of Attorney Joseph A. Capwell who presented their side of the proposition and urged that the board of commissioners take action that would give the Elmwood district the additional sections asked for. After hearing the arguments presented on both sides and the testimony of the objectors, the matter was taken under advisement by the county officials.

Among those attending the meeting from the vicinity of Elmwood were: Oscar Miller, Richard Deles Dernier, Will Rosenow, Elmer Boyles, Henry Hayes, Gus Bornemeier, Ed Dorr, Marion McCrary, George Oehelreking, Emil Bornemeier, Will Seger, John Mendenhall, Ed Earnest, J. A. Capwell.

LITTLE ONE IS IMPROVING

Maxine, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clويد, who has been quite ill for the past ten days suffering from grippe and stomach trouble, is now reported as showing much improvement and it is thought is on the highway to recovery from her illness. This will be pleasing news to the many friends of the family throughout the city and who trust that the little one may continue to improve.

FERRY NOW RUNNING

The ferry over the Missouri river is now in commission and those desiring to cross the river at any time will be accommodated.

John Richardson.