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## COURT HOLDS CLUB HAS REMEDY AT LAW

### Decides "New Way" Dance Organization May Find Relief by Law—Dissolves Injunction.

After a trial lasting the greater part of the day, the famous case of the "New Way" dance club against the M. W. A. was brought to a close shortly after 2 o'clock Saturday, when Judge Degley handed down the opinion that the dance club, which had secured a restraining order against the local M. W. A. officials, had, under the law, an adequate remedy to recover and therefore the injunction was not made permanent, but was dissolved by the court.

This case has attracted a great deal of attention and more or less feeling since it was started and covers considerable ground. The "New Way" club is composed of employees of the Burlington railroad and since the start of the social gatherings at the M. W. A. hall by the shopmen there has been more or less feeling on the part of the former employees of the railroad over the matter. The "New Way" club secured a lease of the Woodmen hall several months ago from the officers in charge of the local camp at that time and there has been no trouble over the matter until recently. At the last election of the local camp of the M. W. A. the old officers were retired and their places filled by former railroad men and this was followed a week ago by serving notice on the dance club that their contract was terminated by the M. W. A. on the ground that the club had no federal license. The result of this was the securing of the restraining order by the dancing club and the hearing in court.

The decision of the court has restored the status quo and the dancing club on Saturday evening held their dance as usual and it was very largely attended. The interest in the case apparently stimulating the turnout despite the cold and storm. The officers of the Woodmen ordered the managers of the club to refrain from the use of the hall and refused the tender of the payment of the rent but the dance went on as usual and it is a very quiet and peaceful matter.

The prize which is given each week by the dancing club was won by Mrs. Charles Kopschka and was a very handsome lavalliere.

## PASSES MILESTONE ON LIFE'S HIGHWAY

### Friendly Messages by Phone and Mail Great Mrs. Joshua Leece on Her Natal Day.

Madame Joshua Leece of this city observed her birthday anniversary on last Saturday and in recognition of the happy event a large number of the friends over the city called her by telephone to greet with a pleasant call the gracious lady and others residing at a distance remembered the event with a written message. As it was the Lenten season, there was no observance of the day planned and the greetings were confined to the telephone message and letters sent from the acquaintances and friends in other localities and a few friends who were aware of the happy occasion sent presents to give Madame Leece a lasting remembrance of the day but nothing of a social nature marked the day.

The friends of the family over the city will join in wishing Madame Leece many more years of happiness and the completion of a ripe old age in the years to come.

## ON HIS WAY EASTWARD

From Monday's Daily.

This morning, Andy Schmeider departed for Omaha where he will spend the day and this evening expects to leave for Peoria, Illinois, where he will meet Tommy Gibbons, one of the greatest fighters in the country, in the ring on next Monday night. Andy has all the attributes of a real fighter, youth and a physical makeup which will carry him a long way in the bout with the redoubtable Gibbons and it is assured that the Cass county man will give a good account of himself at the meeting.

## DOINGS IN DISTRICT COURT

From Monday's Daily.

Several cases involving suits for foreclosures of real estate contracts were filed Saturday by the Livingston Loan & Building association against W. K. Fox, Jr. et al. and Ardes Reynolds et al. A. L. Tidd appears as attorney for the plaintiff in these actions. The Plattsmouth State bank through its attorney, William A. Robertson, filed suit against William O. Bent.

## CARD OF THANKS

For the sympathy and many acts of kindness shown during the recent illness and death of our beloved husband and father, we wish to thank our many friends. We also wish to express our appreciation for the many floral and spiritual offerings.—Mrs. Mary G. Whelan and Family.

Journal ads get results.

## STILL FEELING POORLY.

From Monday's Daily.

Miss Lillian White, deputy in the office of County Judge Beeson, was down today at her duties for the first time in a week and is still suffering from the effects of the grippe, with which she has been confined to her home. Miss White was unable to stay the whole day, but hopes in a few days to have the cold well under control.

Mrs. Laura Peterson has been quite sick for several days at her home on Eleventh street and is now reported as showing some improvement, although still far from well and finds it necessary to keep closely to her home.

## D. A. R. TO HOLD A STATE CONFERENCE

### Twenty-First Annual Meet Opens at Lincoln Thursday and Covers Last Part of the Week.

The 21st annual state conference of the Nebraska Daughters of the American Revolution will be held in Lincoln Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

The convention will open Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Charles F. Spencer of Lincoln, state regent, presiding.

Mrs. George M. Minor of New York, general president, will speak on Friday afternoon and at the banquet Friday evening. Officers will be elected Saturday morning.

The delegates from Pontenelle chapter of this city are Mrs. William Baird and Mrs. E. H. Westcott, alternate; Mrs. J. S. Livingston and Mrs. T. B. Bates, Mrs. Westcott as well as Mrs. Baird will give a short address. Omaha members of the conference will be heard extensively on the program and include Mrs. P. F. Larson, who will report on the work of Omaha chapter; Mrs. Roland Jones, Major Isaac Sadler chapter; Mrs. George Mitchell, sponsor for the Children of the American Revolution; Mrs. C. R. Hoyt, chairman of conservation and thrift; Mrs. S. K. Hanford, chairman of the committee for revolutionary relics for Memorial Continental hall.

Officers of the Nebraska chapter include: Regent, Mrs. Charles F. Spencer, Lincoln; vice regent, Mrs. Elizabeth O. Smith, Chadron; recording secretary, Mrs. Milan S. Moore, Gothenburg; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Eugene W. Huse, Wayne; treasurer, Mrs. Ernest E. Correll, Hebron; registrar, Mrs. Charles C. Walter, Lincoln; historian, Mrs. George Scudder, Superior; auditor, Mrs. Elmer E. Gillette, McCook; librarian, Mrs. Ellis C. Good, Peru; chaplain, Mrs. W. S. Leete, Plattsmouth; conference pianist, Mrs. H. W. Meginnis.

Mrs. Leete as state chaplain of the order will have charge of the opening devotions of the conference and also of the Memorial hour on Friday morning and Mrs. Westcott is to speak at the banquet Friday evening and will sing at the memorial hour, while Mrs. Baird will give a short talk on Friday afternoon.

The address of the president general will be broadcast on Thursday evening by the General Radio Trusting Co. of Lincoln and members of the D. A. R. over the west will have the opportunity of hearing the address.

## MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Plattsmouth Home Mission Sunday school made its most pleasing record since its inception and despite the cold weather yesterday there was a pleasing number present. The primary class composed of children from three to six years included Don Lynch, Frances Cole, Norine Cole, Helen Nehara, Helen Hazel, Felts and Maxine Edwards, was in charge of Young Happy, while the second class composed of Belvie Lynch, Katherine Rogers, Helen and Isabel Dew, Mabel Brittain, Mary Byers and Nancy Rogers, all from three to ten years, were taught by Mrs. Richardson. The girls' class from eleven to fourteen years was taught by Mr. Richardson and composed of Norma Lynch, Dorothy Mason, Mary Nohara, Helen Byers, Rachel Baldwin and Theodosia Plaeck. The boys' class from eleven to fifteen years of age, is composed of Richard Schilcke, Hershel Dew, Robert Brittain, Charley Hinty, Hanley Jailer, Charles Miller, Victor Hart, Henry Dooley, Young Happy and Garold Hunacek. This class is taught by General Happy. The boys' class ranging from ten to ten years was composed of James Dew, Glen Brittain, Herbert Dew, Peter Lancaster, Clarence Lancaster, Roland Lancaster, Woodrow York and Richard Edwards.

## GOES TO HOSPITAL

From Monday's Daily.

This afternoon, Miss Madeline Minor departed for Omaha where she will enter the Immanuel hospital where she will spend a short time taking treatment and may undergo an operation there. Her mother, Mrs. Katherine Minor, and Mrs. William J. Streight, accompanied Miss Minor to Omaha.

## EMERGENCY FARM LOANS

Plenty of money. I can close your loan in three days or less.—Searl S. Davis, Plattsmouth State Bank Bldg., Plattsmouth, Nebr. ml-45w.

## SUNDAY ONE OF THE COLDEST DAYS OF ENTIRE YEAR

### Mercury Drops to 12 Below Zero and Snow and Wind Makes Day One of Great Hardship.

Sweeping from the northwest with terrific force, the blizzard predicted during the day, that being a special section of No. 4 made up in Omaha and bringing the newspapers and mail from Omaha on to this city to connect with the east and southern mail over the K. C. at Pacific Junction.

The city was isolated as far as travel was concerned, only one train over the Burlington reaching here during the day, that being a special section of No. 4 made up in Omaha and bringing the newspapers and mail from Omaha on to this city to connect with the east and southern mail over the K. C. at Pacific Junction.

The heavy snow of the past week had blocked the highways leading to the city and the storm of Saturday and Sunday served to intensify this condition of affairs and made it impossible to get any distance with a car during the day.

The cold wave taxed the diminishing coal supplies of many who had been chucking up their sleeve in the belief they had enough to last them thru the winter, and not a few were forced to send out the "S. O. S." call for re-inforcements.

No. 6, the Chicago-Denver train due here from the west at 8:14 a. m. over the Burlington, was all day fighting its way through the snow and wind and reached Plattsmouth about 9 o'clock last night, while the train service over the Missouri Pacific was also badly crippled.

The storm was accompanied by a temperature of 12 below zero, and this morning while the wind and snow was abated, the mercury showed nine degrees below zero.

## COLD SPELL BREAKS IN NEBRASKA AND TRAFFIC RESUMED

### Trains Beginning to Run on Delayed Schedules—Fear That Cattle Suffered During Storm.

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At Fremont 600 biscuits, 26 dozen eggs, 10 gallons of milk, 2 boilers of coffee in addition to a quantity of bread and doughnuts, collected by farmers were taken to 50 or more hungry passengers on a Northwestern train stalled near Arlington from Saturday evening until early Monday morning.

Snowdrifts as high as the locomotive made an impassable wall. Sunday a crew of more than 100 men attacked the drifts and the passengers were returned to Fremont the same night, continuing eastward over the Union Pacific.

The Union Pacific, Burlington, Missouri Pacific, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Rock Island and the Chicago & Northwestern reported their trains were running only slightly behind schedule Monday.

## FUNERAL OF MICHAEL WHELAN HELD LAST SATURDAY

### Services Are at St. John's Catholic Church and Very Largely Attended by Old Friends.

The funeral services of the late Michael C. Whelan were held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock from the St. John's Catholic church and very largely attended by the old friends and neighbors of this highly esteemed gentleman.

The requiem high mass of the church was celebrated by the Rev. M. A. Shine, rector of the church, assisted by the choir of the church and very beautifully rendered.

The Veteran Employees of the Burlington of which Mr. Whelan had been a member, were present at the church in a body and tendered their tributes of respect to the memory of the departed.

The wealth of floral tributes silently attested the feeling of affection in which Mr. Whelan had been held by those with whom he had been associated.

The pall bearers were Edward Fitzgerald, on Gillespie, J. M. Vonstran, Joseph W. Farga, Jr., George Luschnisky and George A. Dodge.

There were many from out of the city to attend the funeral, including Joseph F. Mulligan, Mrs. Charles Olson and daughter, Mrs. Anna Kirvan and the Misses McVey of Omaha, as well as a large number from Council Bluffs, where the son, Francis Whelan and wife reside.

## RIVER CLOSED AGAIN FOLLOWING BREAK-UP

The Missouri river at this point is closed again after being open for some time and the gorge of broken pieces of ice has formed so strong that a person can cross with safety. The river closed yesterday morning and John Richardson at 5 o'clock was able to cross over the stream to the Iowa side and back. It is the first time since the 18th of March, Mr. Richardson states that he can remember of being able to cross on the ice and he has spent fifty-three years here and most of these along the river.

## HAS BAD FALL

From Tuesday's Daily.

Last evening, Mrs. Fred G. Egenberger had a very severe fall which resulted in the fracture of the left wrist. Mrs. Egenberger had been at the home of Mrs. John Bauer, Sr., and was just leaving the house in company with Mrs. L. W. Egenberger when, as she came onto the steps on the porch, her foot slipped and she was thrown violently against the steps and walk. The arm was very badly fractured and has given the patient much pain since the accident.

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## THE NEWEST STYLES

At the Parme theatre the last two nights there has been a showing by the movies of the Palmer line of garments, the very latest work in the ladies ready-to-wear garments that have been placed on the market this season. The showings are snappy, the styles being in the longer skirts, more graceful lines and a very artistic combination of the decrees of fashion for the season. Fred P. Busch of the Ladies Toggery of this city has secured this line of ladies ready-to-wear for the spring and summer and is in a position to be able to give the Plattsmouth ladies the same advantage as to style and quality that they can find in the larger cities. Those who have seen the showings of the styles are very enthusiastic over the prospect of having this line placed in one of our stores for the benefit of the Plattsmouth ladies.

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## WOMAN'S CLUB HOLDS A PLEASANT MEETING

### From Tuesday's Daily.

The Plattsmouth Woman's club met last evening at the usual time and place.

Regular routine business occupied the first hour. The president, Mrs. Westover, announced the new committee for the coming year. Discussion of the inter-county convention to be held in Nebraska City on March 26, revealed the fact that this date was selected as the only available date that the state president, Mrs. Penney, could give.

The program will include numbers from the various clubs of Cass and Otoe counties and it is hoped that all who can will avail themselves of the excellent rail service on that date.

It was voted to send one paid delegate to Tecumseh to the state convention April 2, 3 and 4th, and as the president could not go, the secretary, Mrs. P. R. Gobelman, was accorded that honor and Mrs. Thos. F. Murphy was invited to accompany her, thus giving our club two able representatives.

The program last night was in charge of the Literary department, and was presided over by Mrs. Wm. Robertson, who introduced the speaker of the evening, Attorney A. L. Tidd, who ably depicted his subject, "The Literature of the Bible."

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker by Mrs. Robertson in behalf of an appreciative audience.

## WOMAN'S CLUB CONVENTION

The inter-county convention of the Woman's clubs of Cass and Otoe counties will be held in Nebraska City on Monday, March 26th. The Woman's club of Plattsmouth has been invited to attend and all those who desire to attend should notify Mrs. P. R. Gobelman on or before Saturday, in order that arrangements can be made for their transportation and providing for refreshments.

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## CARL STIMSON IS WITH THE BIG SHOW THIS SEASON

### Former Plattsmouth and Omaha Sandlotter Most Promising of Boston Red Sox Recruits.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The baseball fans of this city who have witnessed the work of Carl Stimson, one-time pitcher of the local Red Sox, will be pleased altho not greatly surprised to learn that the tall boy has graduated to the Boston Red Sox and at the training camp at Hot Springs has set the critics wild with his work and seems certain to land a berth in the regulars of the team this season.

There are few of the fans who will forget the great work of "Stim" here in the Cass county baseball tournament in 1916 when he held the Manley team, composed of some of the fastest amateur players in the west, without a hit and when he is right there is not a pitcher that can touch him for work in the box.

In speaking of the success of Stimson, Sandy Griswold, the sporting sage of the World-Herald, has the following:

Here are some tall boys there, "Dutch" Gramph, Columbia university recruit, is well over seventy-two inches. Fences more than six feet high are no bar to Dan Fowlkes, Tennesseean, whose altitude has been duly recorded as five feet and one-quarter inches.

But an Omaha boy has all the hurrs beat. Scores of sandlot followers will remember the brilliant mound work of Carl Stimson, 24-year old giant who for a number of his youthful years thrilled crowds in Omaha and the Bluffs.

Stimson, besides being the tallest moundman in the Sox camp, six and a half feet of tape being necessary to cover the distance from tip to tip, is one of the most promising of the recruits, dispatches from Hot Springs state. In early workouts he has performed in such a manner that the scribes already have predicted his assignment to a permanent berth.

Stimson, pitching for the Rock Island club of the Mississippi Valley league last year, held Ottumwa to two scores while his mates totalled four in a twenty-three inning contest. A Red Sox scout happened to be doing the inspection. He was impressed.

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## MRS. ROBERTS OPERATED ON

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Yesterday morning, Mrs. Paul H. Roberts of this city was operated on at the Swedish Mission hospital in Omaha and the operation proved a great deal more serious than had been anticipated. When Mrs. Roberts was taken to the hospital it was thought that she would have merely a minor operation but when the surgeons were operating it was found that her condition was very serious and would demand a very delicate operation. Last night messages from the hospital stated that the patient was not entirely out of the effects of the other and was having a very severe time and which was complicated by a weakness of the heart.

## STATE TAX COMMISSIONER RULES ON BANK REFUND

### W. H. Osborne Urges Clerks and Treasurers of the State Not To Make the Refunds.

County Clerk George R. Sayles has received a communication from State Tax Commissioner W. H. Osborne relative to the recent act of congress covering the taxing of national bank stock and which applies particularly to Nebraska with its intangible tax law and under which the banks won a recent victory in the courts which held that bank stock should be taxed at one-fourth of its value instead of the full value as had been done by the various assessors over the state.

Mr. Osborne warns against the refund of the taxes to any of the banks until the courts have passed on the motion for a re-hearing in the test case and which motion for a new trial is based on the new law of congress.

In Cass county the total value of the bank's taxation will number in the neighborhood of \$10,000 and the return of the taxes would mean the loss of \$12,000 to the county and the schools in the cities and villages would be the sufferers as the banks are all located in these towns.

The tax commissioner states that banks can pay their tax under protest and in the event of the courts holding against the state can secure the refund of the amount but in the event of a reversal of the case the state will demand the whole tax as tangible property.

## HOLD FUNERAL SERVICE

From Wednesday's Daily.

This morning, the body of Mrs. Zoe Fisher Harrison, which has been at the Sattler undertaking rooms since last Thursday evening, was taken to Oak Hill cemetery and laid to rest there. The Rebekahs have held their service at the Sattler chapel and it had been expected to hold the funeral the last of the week but owing to the bad condition of the road leading to the cemetery this was impossible and even today a great deal of trouble was experienced in getting thru with the auto hearse to the cemetery. The road leading to the cemetery is in miserable shape following the snow storms and in places is almost impassable. At the Whelan funeral Saturday it was necessary several times for members of the funeral party to get out and try and push the cars through the snow and mud.

## RETURN FROM THE WEST

T. H. Pollock and wife, who have been spending several months on the Pacific coast, have returned to this city and report one of the times of their lives. They were able to meet many of the old time Plattsmouth people in the west, of which there are a large number at Los Angeles and Long Beach and the old timers were much pleased to meet anyone from the old town on the river.

E. R. Todd and wife, who have also been in the west, have returned home and feel that they have had a most enjoyable time. They have been absent for several months.

Of course you'll send some Easter greeting cards this year. Come in and pick them out now at the Journal office.



## MUD!

March thaws—spring rains—mud and slush on the roads leading into Plattsmouth. It's no time to bring out the flivver if it isn't necessary.

To save you trips to town the First National Bank maintains a bank-by-mail service that enables you to do practically all your banking without leaving the house.

If you haven't an account, why not open one now so that you can use this helpful service during the next few months?



This Bank is Under GOVERNMENT SUPERVISION

Easter cards and novelties of all kinds at the Journal office.