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## KLAN MEETING DRAWS CROWD AT WILES FIELD

### 4,000 CITIZENS OF CASS COUNTY ATTEND THE LECTURE OF KU KLUX KLAN.

## DR. C. A. STEWART SPEAKS

### Cars Form Circle in 200-Acre Field Illuminated by the Flaming Cross of the Order.

From Thursday's Daily—

The Ku Klux Klan meeting at the Wiles farm, a mile west of this city on the Louisville road last night, drew one of the largest crowds that has ever assembled in this community and from all parts of the county there were many autos, each carrying from three to five people and those who took the time to estimate the attendance place it at from 3,500 to 4,000 and the number of autos in the field at 1,000, and large as this figure seems, it was borne out by the large number of cars that kept pouring out on the roadway at the close of the meeting and which kept the highway alive with automobiles for an hour after the close of the meeting.

The scene of the meeting was illuminated by a huge blazing cross which was erected at one end of the field and beneath the rays of which stood the speaker, Dr. C. Arnold Stewart, of Kansas City, one of the staff of national lecturers of the order who has been heard before in this city in the interests of this organization. With Dr. Stewart on the platform were the Rev. J. W. Henderson, one of the well known Klan speakers of this state, F. L. Cook of Lincoln, state legislator, and four robed members of the Ku Klux Klan.

The main address of the evening was by Dr. Stewart and he fully justified the expectations of his large audience in his eloquent statement of the case that he was presenting, "100 per cent Americanism," which he took as the subject of his address and he very ably presented the arguments on his viewpoints on many of the questions raised by the Ku Klux Klan or its enemies in the last two years.

The speech was quite extensive and made a decided impression on the audience, judging from the frequent burst of applause which the speaker was greeted as he brought out some of the chief points urged by the Klan. Dr. Stewart stated the Klan was not an "anti" organization but was a "pro" organization, that it was not against the Roman Catholic religion, but opposed to the political and temporal policy of the head of the church and particularly on the school question.

The speaker also stated that the Klan bore no hatred toward the colored man. It desired to assist the negro in uplifting himself by education, by gaining a just livelihood and the advancement of the race, but was opposed to the negro and white mingling in inter-race association, that the black blood stream should not mingle with that of the white race. The black man was one of the responsibilities brought on the American continent by the white man and must be solved by him but the races socially should be separated, each enjoying their own rights by law, but separate and distinct.

Dr. Stewart also discussed the immigration question, pointing out that the present tide of the immigration was from the south of Europe where there were many very undesirable elements, that the splendid races from the north of Europe were not coming here to any great extent any longer and that the races that now came here did not come with the desire of assuming the American citizenship but brought with them their foreign ideals and teachings. He urged the restriction of the foreigners coming to our country.

Touching the Jew question, the speaker urged the American people to take the same attitude as the Jews themselves, that of standing together in all cases in personal and business affairs. He cited the different lines of industry and business that are controlled by the Jewish people and urged that the people adopt a policy of standing together against outside or foreign influences.

What the Klan Stands For  
The Klan, Dr. Stewart stated, stood distinctly against any interference with the American form of government by any foreign nation or ruler, spiritual or temporal, and that the Klan stood for three things—the American Home, the American Church and the American Public School.

The gathering, large as it was, was very orderly and there were no disturbances, heckling of the speaker in his address or confusion in getting the crowd out of the field where the ceremonies were held and whether the audience was in sympathy with the speaker or not it was most orderly and gave him splendid at-

ention and interest until the last sentence of his speech. Before the address of the evening, robed Klansmen passed through the audience and handed out cards, giving the tenets of the order.

## JOINS HOLE IN ONE

Yesterday afternoon while Jess Wurga was at the Plattsmouth Golf club course, he was suddenly and without warning elevated to the heights of Goldfom, that of membership in the "Hole in One" club and now gives Plattsmouth two representatives in this aristocratic organization of the golfers, as Dr. R. P. Westover scured his "Hole in one" several months ago. Jess is feeling well pleased over the shot that placed him in this rank and which was made on the No. 2 green.

## PIONEER LADY IS CALLED TO REST LAST TUESDAY

### Mrs. T. R. Adams Peacefully Passes Away After Brief Illness—An Early Settler of County.

From Friday's Daily—  
Tuesday morning at 9:45, Mrs. Thaddeus R. Adams passed to her reward after a brief illness of two or three weeks. While she had been growing feeble for some time it was only recently she had taken to bed, and owing to her extreme age her death was not unexpected by those who were familiar with her case.

The funeral will be held at two o'clock this afternoon from the Methodist church, Rev. A. W. Laphorne officiating, and the remains will be interred in the Eagle cemetery. Cecelia Abigail James was born near Peoria, Ill., April 27, 1833; died at Eagle, Neb., August 12, 1924, aged 83 years, 8 months and 22 days. By a former marriage three children were born to her, all preceding her to the better world.

She was married to T. R. Adams March 18, 1874. To this union there were no children born, but one daughter was adopted, Mrs. Harry Caddy. In addition to this adopted daughter and her husband, three granddaughters, five great granddaughters, a sister and many distant relatives and friends are left to mourn her loss.

Her three granddaughters are: Mrs. Fred Reinhart of Hanford, Wash.; Mrs. George Walters of Birmingham, Ala.; and Mrs. Homer Cook of Des Moines, Ia., the latter being the only one able to be present at the funeral.

She had long been a member of the Methodist church, of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and was a great admirer and supporter of the Christian Children's home at Council Bluffs. She was a good wife, a kind friend and a sincere Christian woman.

Both she and Mr. Adams were pioneers in Cass county, he having come in 1863 and she in 1868, and with the exception of a short time while in business at Aurora, have been continuous residents of the county since.—Eagle Beacon.

## ENTERTAIN AT A VERY ENJOYABLE PARTY LAST NITE

### Misses Kermit Wiles and Janet Bajek Entertain Young Ladies At Bridge Last Evening.

From Friday's Daily—  
One of the pleasant bridge parties of the season was held last evening at the home of Miss Kermit Wiles, who with Miss Janet Bajek entertained a number of their young lady friends at this fascinating pastime and which served to pass the time most enjoyably for all of the party.

In the contests, Miss Catherine Schneider was awarded the first prize while the second prize was awarded to Miss Mary Tidball for their skill in the playing. During the course of the evening there were dainty and delicious refreshments served that added to the enjoyableness of the occasion.

Those attending were Misses Catherine Schneider, Mary Tidball, Leone and Verla Becker, Jeanette Weber, Mildred Schlatter, Jessie Robertson, Alice Ptak, Alice Louise Wescott, Grace Livingston, Clara Mae Morgan, Grace Nolting, Clara Tritley, Helen Egenberger, Ethelyn Wiles, Emma Wohlfarth, Mesdames Hill, Martin, John Livingston, Lawrence Sprecher, William G. Kieck.

## CARD OF THANKS

Leaving this city the coming week for Syracuse, Nebraska, to take up the Dodge agency there, I desire to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the generous patronage of the Plattsmouth people and the opportunity of meeting and making so many friends while here. L. SINK.

## REACH NO AGREE- MENT ON SALE OF THE PLATTE BRIDGE

### State and Cass and Sarpy Counties Offer Sum For Present Auto Bridge to the Owner.

From Thursday's Daily—  
Yesterday the county commissioners of Sarpy county, Gates Lillie, Edwin Bell and Jacob Eihlers, and the county commissioners of Cass county, Fred H. Gorder, G. L. Farley and C. F. Harris, met at the commissioners' room in the court house in this city with R. L. Cochran, state engineer, to take up the matter of the purchase of the present auto and wagon bridge over the Platte river here, of the owner, Mr. T. H. Pollock.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Pollock on the invitation of the two county boards so that the parties could discuss the proposition and in addition, Hon. W. B. Banning, state senator, who has been much interested in a free bridge over the Platte for the benefit of this section of the state, and John P. Sattler, mayor of Plattsmouth, were also in attendance to listen to the proposition that might be offered and urge the securing of a free bridge.

The state railway commission report of the physical valuation of the present bridge was presented by Mr. Cochran, which was taken up as the bridge at \$16,078, outside of certain other elements, consisting of the toll house and a small tract of land purchased by the bridge company for roadway and approach to the bridge. The total of the valuation and elements taken up was \$29,000 and the offer of this amount was made by the state and the board of commissioners of the two counties to Mr. Pollock. The two boards also asked for a proposition from Mr. Pollock, but at this time he was not desirous of giving an answer to the offer of the county and asked that there be an extension of a short time to consider the matter and accordingly the matter was laid over until Friday, September 7 when the board of the two counties will again take up the proposition.

The state is to stand half of the cost of the bridge and each county one-quarter of the cost; the share of Sarpy and Cass counties being repaid from tolls and after which the bridge would be free. On the other hand, the proposition of the construction of a new bridge over the river is also under consideration by the state and the two counties but which would require more time to get into service than that of the purchase of the present bridge.

## MATERIAL FOR THE HIGH LINE IS AR- RIVING IN THIS CITY

### Three Car Loads of New Poles For Lincoln-Plattsmouth Trans- mission Line.

From Thursday's Daily—  
The material for the new high line of the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. in this territory which is being constructed by the parent organization, the Continental Gas & Electric Co., is being hurried to this territory and already the work is commencing at the Lincoln end of the line which is to run from that city to Plattsmouth and means a large outlay of money and labor to construct.

Three car loads of the new poles which range from 55 to 75 feet in length are expected here at once by Manager C. J. Theelen of the local Nebraska Gas & Electric Co., and these 250 poles will be the first of some fifteen carloads of material that will be placed at this point for use on the new line.

The material to be used will take at least 125 cars to transport and will be placed at various points along the new line where it will be easy of access to the workmen. Cars will be spotted by Murray, Manley, Waverly and Havelock as well as Plattsmouth and Lincoln and from all of these points the work will be pushed toward the completion of the line in as short a time as possible.

Some idea of the cost of the proposed line can be gained from the fact that in the item of freight alone the power company will expend close to \$25,000.

This line will be one of the most modern and best equipped in the west and will serve the large territory between this city and Lincoln as well as the two terminal points and their branch lines. The Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. has a very complete system in the southeastern portion of the state and the new line will place it in the best of shape to serve the interests of the consumers.

Mrs. Paul Campbell of Minatara, Nebraska, formerly Miss Elizabeth Bajek of this city, has been here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bajek and also at South Bend with the family of Mr. Campbell.

## REMOVE TO OMAHA

From Friday's Daily—  
Frank E. Vallery and family have become residents of the state metropolis, Omaha, to which place they removed Wednesday and are now getting settled in their new home in that city. Mr. Vallery is still retaining his business interests here, however, and will continue with his brother, Glen Vallery, to operate the meat market here. The many friends of the family will regret very much to learn that they are leaving this city and trust that they may later decide to again make their home here. Mr. Vallery will engage in the real estate business in Omaha, he states, and in a short time expects to be fully established.

## FUNERAL OF MRS. WM. F. KRISKEY IS HELD THURSDAY

### Mass Celebrated at the Holy Rosary Church and the Body Laid Rest in Catholic Cemetery

From Friday's Daily—  
Yesterday the funeral services of late Mrs. William F. Kriskey were held at the Holy Rosary Catholic church on West Pearl street and was one of the largest that has been held from that church in many years. The friends and neighbors being present in large number to pay their tributes to this splendid lady who had gone from them.

The grief that the death of Mrs. Kriskey has occasioned has been universal over the city where her friends and elements taken up the wealth of floral remembrances at the church and the grave.

At the church the high requiem mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Hantek, rector of the church and the choir of the church under the direction of Cyril Janda. Present in large number to pay their tributes to this splendid lady who had gone from them.

Following the mass the cortege took its way to the Catholic cemetery where it was laid to rest in the family lot there to remain until the morning when the things of earth shall pass away. The pallbearers were the nephews of Mrs. Kriskey, James Colvin, Edna Janda, of Omaha, James and Charles Wooster of Sedalia, Missouri; Anton Wooster of Omaha and Frank Wooster, Jr., of this city.

A large number of the members of the Daughters of Columbus, of South Omaha and the Catholic Daughters of America of this city, of which Mrs. Kriskey was a member, were present at the funeral.

Mrs. Kriskey was in her lifetime a most devoted wife, mother and daughter, and in the declining years of their lives tender the aged parents in their home here and later when they came to reside with her, the mother passing away six years ago and when the approach of the end came to Mrs. Kriskey the aged father also suffering from poor health was taken to Omaha to reside there with another of his daughters. To her husband and children she has been all that a kind and loving wife and mother could be and in the last days when the shadow of death was hovering near, her thoughts and regrets were for the children that would leave the smaller children without the care of a mother.

In their loss the family has the heartfelt sympathy of the large circle of friends here who have known and loved the departed friend for many years.

## SENATORIAL CAN- DIDATE VISITS THE CITY YESTERDAY

### Judge J. J. Thomas of Seward Here Yesterday Afternoon in Tour of Getting Acquainted

From Thursday's Daily—  
Yesterday afternoon Judge J. J. Thomas of Seward, the democratic candidate for United States senator who is contesting for that office against Senator Norris, arrived in the city to make a few hours stay and meet a number of the residents here. This was the first visit of Judge Thomas here during either the primary or the general campaign and it was with a great deal of pleasure that the democrats here met the gentleman that is heading their ticket at the fall election and who is starting his campaign now to meet the voters.

Judge Thomas is a progressive statesman who has a definite constructive program in the democratic platform to guide him and he is wide awake and alert to the needs of the farmer, the business man and the artisan and if he is selected will make a very capable representative for this state in the national halls of legislation.

During the progress of the campaign Judge Thomas will probably find other opportunities of visiting this city and meeting more of the residents of this county.

Franklin citizens went to the city jail to vote \$25,000 bonds for an addition to the high school building.

## PARTY OF TOUR- ISTS HAS START- LING EXPERIENCE

### Man and Two Ladies Traveling From Illinois Report Attempt to Stop Their Car.

From Saturday's Daily—  
Last night a party of tourists from Illinois consisting of a man and two ladies stopped here for a few moments and related to the night police a tale of what seemed like an attempted holdup on the federal highway north of this city.

The party related that they had been coming from Omaha going south and stopped at Fort Crook to witness the arrival of the airplanes about 11 o'clock last night and while there they noticed a large red car near their car and occupied by some five men who seemed to be eyeing them a great deal and after the Illinois party started out the red car was seen to be following them and this caused some worry to the tourists. When just a short distance north of the Nebraska Masonic Home in the northern outskirts of this city, the red car drove past the car of the tourists and the occupants inquired where the Illinois party were going and tried to get them to stop their car but the man driving stepped on the gas and drove on past the red car. Later when the Illinois car was well down the avenue after the Illinois party started out the red car was seen to be following them and this caused some worry to the tourists. When just a short distance north of the Nebraska Masonic Home in the northern outskirts of this city, the red car drove past the car of the tourists and the occupants inquired where the Illinois party were going and tried to get them to stop their car but the man driving stepped on the gas and drove on past the red car.

The Illinois car after stopped here for a few moments continued on its way southward and some time later the police saw the red car, or one that closely answered the description, drive north on Seventh street, evidently returning to Omaha and going at a very high rate of speed. The Illinois party reported that the car they had met had bore a Nebraska license number.

Having heard of the operation of the auto bandits out of Omaha the incident caused a great deal of apprehension to the tourists and there is the possibility that the red car may have contained some of the gang which has pulled several of these stunts on the highways near Omaha.

## MRS PFONTZ POORLY

From Saturday's Daily—  
The many friends of Mrs. Frank Emory Pfontz will regret to learn that Mrs. Pfontz has been very poorly for the past few days and has been confined to her home suffering from a complaint from which she has been a sufferer for a number of years. It is to be hoped that this estimable lady will soon be able to recover from her indisposition and be restored to her former good health.

## GIVES A VERY DE- LIGHTFUL BRIDGE PARTY YESTERDAY

### Mrs. James Mauzy Hostess to Large Party of Ladies Yesterday Afternoon.

From Saturday's Daily—  
Yesterday afternoon, Mrs. James G. Mauzy was the hostess to a large party of ladies in an afternoon bridge at her home in the south portion of the city and which was very largely attended.

The home was brightened by the use of the late summer flowers that added a most pleasing touch to the settings of the party and amid this delightful surrounding the ladies spent the afternoon in their games. In the contests, Mrs. J. S. Livingston received the first prize and the second prize was awarded to Mrs. Geo. O. Dovey.

At a suitable hour the hostesses assisted by Mrs. J. H. Hallstrom, Mrs. Evi Speir and Miss Eleanor Burnie, served very dainty and delicious refreshments that added to the enjoyableness of the occasion.

Those attending the event were: Mesdames J. S. Livingston, George O. Dovey, H. N. Dovey, E. J. Richey, W. A. Robertson, H. G. Soennichsen, M. D. Brown, J. L. Tidball, F. L. Cummins, R. W. Knorr, F. A. Cloldt, Ray McMaken, L. W. Egenberger, F. R. Gobelman, C. E. Hartford, E. A. Wurt, H. F. Goos, W. J. Streight, R. P. Westover, Evi Speir, Nora Egenberger, R. F. Patterson, H. C. McMaken, S. S. Davis, Misses Mathilde Soennichsen, May Murphy, Eleanor Burnie, Helen Egenberger.

## DOING VERY NICELY

From Saturday's Daily—  
The reports from the University hospital in Omaha states that Miss Sophia Newman, who has been there for the past few days taking treatment and having her case under observation, is now doing very well and it is thought that an operation in her case will not be necessary and this will be very pleasing news to the many friends of the young lady here.

The very best in the school supplies line at the Bates Book and Gift Shop.

## CARD OF THANKS

In this manner we wish to express to our kind friends and neighbors our heartfelt appreciation of the many acts of kindness to our beloved wife, mother, daughter and sister in her hours of sickness and for the tender words of sympathy at the time of death. Also we wish to thank the friends who assisted at the funeral services and in the beautiful floral remembrances at the last services, especially the C. D. of A., Daughters of Columbus, Knights of Columbus and Burlington Yard Men.—William F. Kriskey and Family; Ignatz Wooster; Frank Wooster and Family; John Wooster and Family; Joe Wooster and Family; Mrs. Tom C. Janda.

## IS GETTING READY FOR OPENING OF SCHOOL THIS FALL

### Superintendent G. E. DeWolf Re- turns From Summer School and Starts in on Work.

From Friday's Daily—  
Superintendent G. E. DeWolf of the Plattsmouth city schools has returned from New York where he spent the past summer attending the Columbia university and taking up special work in the line of school management.

With the return of Mr. DeWolf, the work of organization for the coming year in the city schools will be taken up and the superintendent will be at his office in the high school building each day to discuss the problems with parents and pupils on the work for the coming year in the school. Mr. R. G. Campbell, principal of the high school, will be here also the middle of next week and start in on the arranging of the high school department of the city schools and may be found at the school building after next Thursday by those who desire to discuss any of the year's work.

Mr. DeWolf states that New York has been very hot this summer and the heated periods were very long and lacked the pleasantness that has marked the Nebraska summer. While in the national metropolis he enjoyed visiting the national democratic convention and other meetings and places of interest in the great city.

## VERY ENJOYABLE PARTY

From Friday's Daily—  
The home of Jess Wurga on North 11th street was the scene of a very delightful gathering of ladies on Wednesday evening on the occasion of a bridge party given by Mrs. Wurga and Mrs. E. C. Harris in honor of Mrs. Henry Hesse of Pomona, California, who is here visiting for a short time with relatives and friends.

The home was tastefully arranged with decorations of the summer flowers and here the five tables of bridge were occupied for several hours by the ladies. The first prize was secured by Mrs. J. V. Hant, the second prize by Mrs. Frank Bestor and the consolation prize by Miss Anna Wurga.

At a suitable hour in the evening the members of the party were treated to very dainty and delicious refreshments that aided in completing the most delightful gathering.

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