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## Stolen Car is Abandoned on Platte Bottom

### Ford Coupe of W. E. Rosencrans Taken Yesterday Morning, but Found Later on Highway

From Monday's Daily—While W. E. Rosencrans, the well known real estate dealer, was down at Brookfield, Missouri, he was blissfully unaware of the exciting time that his Ford coupe was enjoying.

The car of Mr. Rosencrans was taken some time Sunday morning from its usual parking place at the Rosencrans home in the north portion of the city and for several hours after the discovery of the car being missing, there was much excitement to discover the whereabouts of the car.

It was not until last evening that the mystery of the missing car was revealed when it was found abandoned along the highway north of this city on the Platte bottom. The car was discovered by Ray McMakeen, who was passing in a truck and investigated, to find the car to be that of Mr. Rosencrans. He at once got in touch with the members of the Rosencrans family and learned of the fact that the car had been missing since morning. Mr. McMakeen accordingly brought the car back to this city and restored it to the family.

The tools as well as the spare tire and motorometer of the car were missing and had evidently been taken by the parties who had taken the car. As it is, the owner feels fortunate in getting the car back with so little damage as was done. Mr. Rosencrans first heard of the tragedy as it were, when he alighted from the train in his return from the successful business trip down in the vicinity of Brookfield, Missouri, and was most agreeably surprised to learn that the car had been recovered and feels that 1926 is starting out real lucky for him. Rosy has had other startling experiences in his career that has resulted in the loss of many valued articles, having at one time suffered a loss of a brand new overcoat while traveling on the train from this city to Lincoln and has become somewhat hardened to the visitations of the sneak thieves. In the coat incident, Mr. Rosencrans states that it was a nifty model, purchased back in the good old days when wool was wool and not cotton and he had just purchased it when he was on the train and making the initial trip to Lincoln decided to don the coat, wearing it proudly in the train where \$45 overcoats were then a real novelty. He placed it on his seat and later decided to take a smoke and going into the smoking compartment enjoyed a smoke but returned to find the coat missing and has not yet ever heard of the missing garment. After losing of a fine overcoat the loss of a Ford would cause little or no heartburnings. Anyway Rosy has the car back and can again propel the old gas wagon over the country in his real estate work.

## GOLF SEASON STARTS

The golf season of 1926 was most fittingly opened this year and it was on the first day of the year that the course received its breaking in for the state of the season.

While all the rest of the world was enjoying the big holiday dinner C. A. Rosencrans, probably the most rabid golf fan in the west, with A. W. Clويد, also one of the enthusiasts of the game, hastened out to the golf course and proceeded to see that the season was given a most fitting start.

The two golfers enjoyed a drive or two around the course but their scores have not been reported, the two golfers preferring to make it just a general season opening and without trying to establish any records that might make others of the club green with envy.

## ENJOYS COLLEGE REUNION

From Monday's Daily—Miss Alice Pollock, returned home last evening from Omaha where she has been attending a luncheon given in that city in honor of the Nebraska girls who are attending the Rockford college, at Rockford, Illinois. The occasion was arranged by the Rockford club composed of former students of that well known western college and was a most pleasant affair in every way. There were quite a number of the Nebraska girls attending Rockford and the former students there are keeping alive the spirit of the school days in the pleasant social organization that keeps them closely in touch with each other.

## FUNERAL OF MRS. STOUT

From Monday's Daily—The funeral services of the late Mrs. Charlotte Stout, sister of George K. Staats of this city, who passed away on Friday, were held this afternoon at DeWitt, Nebraska, the old home of the Stout family. The death of Mrs. Stout occurred at Lincoln and the body was held there until the completion of the funeral arrangements and taken to DeWitt today where the services were held this afternoon from the Episcopal church at 1:30.

## Marriage of Popular Young Folks at Bluffs

### Miss Lillian Rochka and Jack Neitzel United in Marriage by Rev. Henry DeLong Saturday

From Monday's Daily—On Saturday afternoon at Council Bluffs, Iowa, occurred the marriage of Miss Lillian Rochka, of this city, and Mr. Jack Neitzel, well known former resident of Plattsmouth, but who has been residing at Omaha.

The bridal couple were accompanied to Council Bluffs by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rochka, of St. Louis, the former a brother of the bride, and Mrs. C. C. Cotter, sister of the groom. The wedding was very quiet, the marriage line being read by the Rev. Henry DeLong, venerable Council Bluffs "marrying parson."

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Neitzel returned to this city, where a very pleasant wedding luncheon was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kozak in the west part of the city. Mrs. Kozak being a sister of the bride. After the pleasant luncheon on Saturday evening, there were a number of the relatives entertained yesterday at the Kozak home at dinner in honor of the newly wedded pair which was very much enjoyed by all of the members of the jolly party.

The bride is a daughter of Frank Rochka, one of the old and well known residents of the west side and she has grown to womanhood in this community, receiving her education here, where she has a large circle of warm friends.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Neitzel, who have made their home here in recent years and Jack also was for several years employed in the shops here and has in the last few months been engaged in work at South Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Neitzel will for the present at least make their home in this city with the father of the bride, for whom she has been the housekeeper.

Their many friends here will join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Neitzel many years of happiness and success in the future as they journey down the highway of life as one.

## FEELS LOSS DEEPLY

From Tuesday's Daily—This morning when visiting over the city the reporter of the Journal dropped into the office of W. E. Rosencrans, the real estate dealer, expecting to find Mr. Rosencrans overjoyed over the fact that his faithful Ford coupe that had been stolen Sunday, was restored in a few hours after the theft and is now in service again. Instead of joy we found the real estate man in a despondent mood, the fact that the car had been brought back failed to bring the accustomed sparkle to the eye of Rosy, this led us to the inquiry as to why all the sadness and into the listening ear of the reporter was poured a story that in its anguish was more pathetic than the story of Nellie, the beautiful cloak model. It was a story that shook one with sobs as Rosy related the fact how deeply he felt the loss of the tools from the car. These tools were more precious than pearls in the sight of the owner of the Ford, and he is missing them like an old friend who has gone forever from his sight, leaving only a tender memory. The tools, the old rusty pliers, the monkey wrench, the tire patches and the extra pair of chains, represent many years of collection, parts of the wonderful tool chest had been gathered from Texas, others from the far distant wastes of western Nebraska and Colorado, each one having been gathered after months, years, even years of effort on the part of Mr. Rosencrans. Just to show how deeply the loss was felt, the owner of the car exclaimed, "I would that they had taken the car if they would only have spared me the priceless collection of tools, they were a set that any car owner would have given a great deal to possess—sometimes."

## M. P. TRAIN DELAYED

From Tuesday's Daily—This morning the northbound passenger train on the Missouri Pacific, due at 6:20, was delayed for several hours on account of engine trouble and did not reach this city until 9:30. This is the first delay of Mr. Rosencrans. Just to show how deeply the loss was felt, the owner of the car exclaimed, "I would that they had taken the car if they would only have spared me the priceless collection of tools, they were a set that any car owner would have given a great deal to possess—sometimes."

## Observe Silver Wedding Anniversary Sunday

### Mr. and Mrs. George J. Klingner Enjoy Occasion with Friends at Their Home Sunday

From Monday's Daily—The silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Klingner was most fittingly observed at their home here Sunday in a manner that will be long remembered by those fortunate enough to be present.

The bride and groom of a quarter of a century are well known residents of the city, where they have spent their married life and their circle of warm and true friends is only limited by their acquaintances, who are all delighted to learn of the occasion that marked this pleasant anniversary of their wedded life.

The Klingner home was the scene of a very pleasant gathering as the friends came to spend a few hours with them and which sped swiftly by in the delightful pastimes of the evening. The chief feature of the evening was the card games, Mrs. Ed Tritsch and Mrs. John Micin being the most successful in the high five games, while Ed Tritsch and John Micin were the winners of the consolation prizes.

In honor of the anniversary, the bride and groom received many very beautiful gifts that will remain to remind them of the pleasant occasion in the years that are before them.

At a suitable hour in the evening dainty refreshments were served to the members of the party that added to the enjoyment of all those present at the jolly gathering.

Those who were in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. George J. Klingner, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tritsch, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. John Micin, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Turner, Mr. and Mrs. John Rummel, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rummel, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Meisinger, Henry Trout, P. H. Meisinger, Guy Long, Beatrice Herzig, Harry Tischer, Bernice Herzig, Alberta Parriott, Robert Miel, Thurston Turner, Roy Turner, Dr. Joe J. Sibal, Ray Herring, Minnie, Freda, Edna and Bernard Klingner.

## Douglas County Attorney Has Bad Luck with Cars

### Car of Mrs. Beal Stolen at Omaha Saturday Night; Is Found Abandoned North of this City

From Monday's Daily—Henry Beal, Douglas county attorney, whose automobiles have been the prey of thieves—he has lost two—found his wife's car, the second one stolen, Saturday night. He might find it upside down in a hole about 25 feet deep about a mile north of this city near the Will farm, now occupied by Glen Valley and family.

Sarpy county officials called and told him they had his car located. He sent Harvey Sautter, one of the investigators from his office, to Plattsmouth to drive it back. Sautter phoned Beal that the car was a "total wreck."

He said the car was turned completely over and was resting in the bottom of the hole with the wheels in the air.

Beal says, he believes he is the victim of a revenge plot. He is of the opinion someone dragged the machine from in front of his home in the Lakoma country club district. Had they started the engine, he would have heard it, Mr. Beal believes.

"On this same theory," he continued, "I believe the car was empty and that the thieves just shoved it off in the hole. I can see how anyone could have been in the car and escaped injury from the way Sautter described the condition of the car."

The deputy on his return, said he was certain the car had been pushed off into the hole. He said tracks of the wheels are plain and that prints indicate that several men had walked around the spot where the car ran off. The thieves, he said, took the battery, but molested nothing else. But everything about the car is smashed, he added.

## ENJOY GOOD DANCE

From Monday's Daily—The old fashioned dance at the M. W. A. hall on Saturday night was very largely attended by the dancing public to enjoy the program of round dances and also the older square dances that were featured during the evening. The Gradowille orchestra furnished the music for the round dances and the Cabrelli orchestra for the older style dances. The large number in attendance were pleased with the program and on their insistence there will be another of these dances given on next Saturday evening.

## SUFFERS BAD FALL

From Monday's Daily—This morning George L. Farley while coming down the South 6th street hill from his home to the business section of the city suffered a very severe fall on the slick and icy pavement. Mr. Farley was walking down the center of the street where the going was not as slippery as on the walks and suddenly without any warning he fell, striking on the back of his head and inflicting a very severe cut on the head. The injury was not thought of seriously by Mr. Farley who drove off with his daughter, Miss Helen to her school work, but later it was found necessary to have the injury given medical treatment.

## Auto Collision Causes Excitement Sunday

### Ford Service Truck of Frank Marshall and Coupe of Dr. J. E. Brendel of Murray Have Smash

From Monday's Daily—The usual Sunday peace and calm in our little city was somewhat marred by the auto accident that occurred at the 7th and Vine street intersection last yesterday afternoon and which while it did not result in any injury to the car drivers caused more or less damage to the gas wagons that were mixed up in the affair.

The Ford service truck driven by Frank Marshall and the Ford coupe of Dr. J. E. Brendel of Murray figured in the accident and as is the case when Ford meets Ford something gets busted.

Mr. Marshall was going west on Vine street at the same time that Dr. Brendel was driving south on 7th street, the truck and the car coming together at the intersection.

Mr. Marshall states that he saw the car of Dr. Brendel coming, but was too far into the intersection to get out of the path of the car and tried to turn the truck south, getting partially around when the smash occurred.

The truck suffered a great deal of damage, the radiator, steering rods and practically the whole front of the truck being greatly damaged by the force of the impact. The front of the truck struck the coupe and did considerable damage to the right door as well as to the fenders on the right side of the car.

Fortunately there were no injuries suffered by the occupants of either the truck or the coupe and which is very lucky as the cars were both going at a very good speed when they came together.

## ENJOY NEW YEAR'S DANCE

From Monday's Daily—A New Year's dance was held at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Schomaker and there was a jolly crowd present to dance the old year out and the new year in.

Those who were present were Mr. and Mrs. John Becker, Mr. and Mrs. Grooley Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bell and daughter Ruth, Mrs. John Sutton and children, Clifford, Ruby, Pearl and Grace, Mr. and Mrs. John Hanson and children, Irene, Delbert and Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. James Fitch, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Campbell and grandchildren, John Barnard, Geneva, Herbert Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kohl and children, Thelma and Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schomaker and children, Vivian, Goldie and Eloise, Florence Schomaker, Ralph Schomaker, Sanford Roman, Mary Bell, James Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. John Whites and son, Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schomaker and children, Mildred, Raymond, Arthur and Robert, and George Monk.

## HENRY LEACOCK STILL POORLY

From Tuesday's Daily—The many Plattsmouth friends of Henry Leacock, Sr., will regret very much to learn that Mr. Leacock, who is at the St. Elizabeth hospital in Lincoln is still in very serious condition and his family and the attending physicians are still quite worried over the slow progress that he is making.

## LITTLE DAUGHTER ARRIVES

From Monday's Daily—Yesterday at the hospital in Omaha occurred the birth of a fine little daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hitt, Jr. The little one and the mother are doing nicely and the occasion has brought a great deal of happiness to the relatives of the little one in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Hitt are now making their home in Omaha and the friends here are extending their best wishes for the future welfare of the little daughter.

## Romance of Young Couple is Revealed

### Miss Mary Maybelle Troop and William Gorder Surprise Friends With Wedding Announcement

From Monday's Daily—That a secret can be safely kept by young people was revealed today when the announcement was made to the friends of the marriage on November 2nd, at Osceola, Nebraska, of Miss Mary Maybelle Troop and Mr. William A. Gorder of this city.

The announcement was somewhat of a surprise to the many friends of the contracting parties altho the young people have long been sweethearts and their marriage in the future was forecast, but that they had beat their friends by being married for more than two months was not known until they decided that they had kept the friends in suspense for a sufficient period.

Mr. and Mrs. Gorder will make their home in this city and now that the secret is a secret no longer will be at home to their friends.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Troop of near Nehawka and is well known in this city where she attended school and has been a frequent visitor here at social events.

Mr. Gorder is the son of Mrs. Nellie Gorder of this city and has grown to manhood in this community where by his faithful and earnest efforts he has made many friends and won the high esteem of all those with whom he is acquainted.

The many friends here will join in extending to Mr. and Mrs. Gorder their best wishes for their future happiness and welfare.

## St. Luke's Parish Meets Last Night

### Vestry for the Ensuing Year Named and Review of the Year's Work Is Covered.

From Tuesday's Daily—Last evening the annual meeting of the St. Luke's parish of the Episcopal church was held at the church here and attended by a very pleasing number of the members of the parish.

The members of the vestry elected at the meeting were: R. S. Clements, senior warden; Dr. J. S. Livington, junior warden; Judge James T. Begley, Henry Herold, Miss Dora Fricke, Mrs. J. A. Donelan, Miss Mia Gering, members of the vestry.

The church in the past year has enjoyed the coming of the new rector, Father George D. Pierce, one of the young priests of the church and who has assisted and taken a leading part in the making of the church one of the most beautiful churches in the city, as the building has been redecorated and arranged in a very attractive manner.

This parish is one of the oldest in the Episcopal church in the state, having been organized in the late sixties and has played an important part in the history of the city. The progress of the church has been a part of the history of the city and in the future has a real opportunity in advancing the cause of the teachings of the church in the community.

## RETURNS FROM CALIFORNIA

From Tuesday's Daily—This morning James B. Higley returned home from Los Angeles, California, where he was called several weeks ago to the bedside of his daughter, Mrs. Mattie Campbell, who was suffering from an acute attack of kidney trouble. Mr. Higley reports that the daughter was doing very nicely when he left Los Angeles and it is hoped to have her out of the hospital by the first of February.

Mr. Higley states that he met Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sattler and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dunbar and Claude Shoemaker while at Los Angeles and they sent their regards here to the old friends. He states that when at Los Angeles the temperature was from 50 to 80 degrees above all of the time and nice and pleasant. On the way home he struck snow at Milford, Utah, and from there on home there was evidences of snow all along the way. Mr. Higley also enjoyed a visit with his son, James, who is now a conductor on the Southern Pacific and doing very nicely in his work.

The trip proved a very pleasant one for Mr. Higley and one that he will long remember.

## HAPPY HUNDRED TONIGHT

From Tuesday's Daily—The January supper of the "Happy Hundred" will be held this evening at 6:30 at the parlors of the First Presbyterian church. This will be one of the most interesting of the gatherings of this community body of men and which will be featured by the presence of Adam McMullen, governor of the state of Nebraska. The governor is motoring from Lincoln for the supper and has assured the committee that he will be here on scheduled time to address the Plattsmouth men. Those who are expecting to attend the supper are urged to be on hand promptly in order that the supper can be started on schedule and permitting the full enjoyment of the visit of the governor here.

## Building and Loan Holds Annual Meeting

### Stockholders of Plattsmouth Loan and Building Association Re-Elect Two Directors.

From Tuesday's Daily—Last evening the stockholders of the Plattsmouth Loan & Building association held their annual meeting to take up the matter of the election of the new directors for the ensuing term and also to receive the reports of the officers of the association.

The retiring directors of the association E. H. Schulhof and William Schmidtman were both elected by the stockholders to succeed themselves and will continue to give the association the benefit of their able services in this line of work.

After the election of the directors, the board of directors met to organize the association for the year and to elect the remaining officers of the five and energetic organization that has been such an important factor in the upbuilding of the city. The officers selected were:

President—C. A. Johnson.  
Vice President—R. A. Bates.  
Secretary—E. P. Lutz.  
Treasurer—F. T. Ramge.  
Solicitor—Charles E. Martin.

The report of the efficient secretary of the association, E. P. Lutz, was received and showed the association to be in the best of shape, with an improvement to be found over the previous year, and which indicates a steady improvement in the general property conditions. The association has been very carefully handled and as a result its condition is fully up to par with that of any similar organization in the state.

## CALLED TO DES MOINES

From Tuesday's Daily—Last evening A. S. Ghrist departed for Des Moines, Iowa, where he is to be present this afternoon at an operation to be performed upon Mrs. Ghrist, at the hospital there. The first operation was found not to give the desired relief and it was deemed necessary to perform a second and more serious operation in order to give her relief. The many friends are hopeful that the patient will soon be able to rally from the effects of the operation and be able to return to her home in this city, fully restored to her former good health.

## W. C. T. U. Honors Civil War Heroes

### Meeting Held Yesterday at Home of Mrs. J. E. Wiles Given Over to the Grand Army

From Tuesday's Daily—Yesterday afternoon the ladies of the W. C. T. U., at their meeting made a special feature of the day in honoring the remaining soldiers of the Civil war days that are still a part of the community life and to enjoy the event which was held at the pleasant home of Mrs. J. E. Wiles, there were a very pleasing number of the old veterans present. In the entertaining Mrs. Wiles was assisted by Miss Elizabeth Spangler.

The ladies had arranged the afternoon program most fittingly for this tribute to the old veterans and the general aspect of the program was of a patriotic nature. The ladies as well as the old veterans joined in the singing of the old war songs, "The Battle Cry of Freedom," "Tenting Tonight," "Marching Through Georgia," "Yankee Doodle" and "America" featuring this part of the very interesting program.

Mrs. Edward Roman sang very sweetly one of the old songs, "Long, Long Ago" that was filled with a sentiment that was most fully appreciated by the members of the party.

Little Miss Mary Catherine Wiles also gave the recitation of the books of the Bible, showing her adaptness in this line and her wonderful memory.

Mrs. Glen Valley also gave a very much enjoyed reading, "When the Boys in Blue are Gone," this being particularly appropriate to the program of the day in honoring the few remaining veterans.

Two very enjoyable readings were also given by Miss Helene Perry, one of which, "Out at Old Aunt Mary's," by James Whitcomb Reilly, was very much enjoyed and to which this talented lady was compelled to respond with an encore.

The veterans who were present were delighted with the short talk given by Thomas Wiles, who reviewed a number of the war time experiences and the hardships that the veterans of the days of '61-'65 had to contend with.

The veterans in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wiles, William Gilmour, William Burke, Asbury Jacks and I. F. Wolf.

At the conclusion of the afternoon, the hostesses served a very dainty and delicious luncheon that aided in the completion of an afternoon of the greatest pleasure.

## VERY PLEASANT EVENT

From Monday's Daily—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kaffenberger, near Cedar Creek, is going to be much happier in the future as the result of a fine little daughter that has come to make her home with them. Mrs. Kaffenberger and the little daughter are here at the home of Mrs. George Hall, a sister of Mrs. Kaffenberger and will remain here for the present at least until they are able to return to their country home.

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